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Some person or persons in Reynoldsville are violating the law by selling cigarettes to boys under the age prescribed by the law. We don't know who is doing this, but it remains a fact, just the same, that boys can buy cigarettes in this town. Cigarettes mean misery and death to the boys who habitually smoke them, and if the ladies of the W. C. T. U. want to do a good work they should have the cigarette law posted in every business place, where cigarettes are sold, and inform the proprietor thereof that if the law is not respected it will be enforced. We don't believe there is a business man in town who would object to this, especially when he knew that all were expected to obey the law or get into trouble. It is a common thing on our streets to see boys from 8 to 16 years of age puffing a cigarette. The following is the opinion of Prof. J. A. McLaughry, superintendent of the public schools of Sharon, Pa., on cigarette smoking:

"If parents could see the effects of this noxious habit as I see it, and as our teachers see it, they would not rest until they had succeeded in keeping the cigarettes from their boys. It is ruining our boys' health, mentally and physically. It is an every day occurrence for teachers to talk with me concerning pupils who are not keeping up the work with their class, and 50 per cent. of these pupils are boys, and in a large majority of cases the teacher will attribute the cause to cigarette smoking. The cigarette smokers can be distinguished from the others almost as readily as the poor readers can be distinguished from the good readers; the offensive odor, the sallow skin, nervousness, defective memory and application to study impossible. The practice is not permitted on the school grounds, and we strive to teach them the evil effects, but notwithstanding this the growth of the habit is alarming. Parents sometimes complain because their boys are not making more rapid progress and lay the blame on the teacher. No teacher can develop the mind of a pupil when he is taking into his system a poison that is ruining his mind and making a wreck of his body. The great enemy to the public schools, the chief obstacle to building character is the cigarette, and I wish our newspapers would arouse the public to action and impress upon them the fact that this is the most important question of the hour, and public sentiment may be such that a boy will feel it is a disgrace to be seen with a cigarette, rather than feel as he does that it is making a man of him. The question is often asked, Where do they get the cigarettes when there is a law against the sale of them? It is not at all probable that they are purchased by older persons and given to the boys. Some persons are undoubtedly selling them illegally, and they should be detected and punished to the full extent of the law. It is hoped that the people will interest themselves in this matter."

"There is always a remedy for a heavy heart," writes Ruth Ashmore in the March Ladies' Home Journal. "It may be in work—it oftenest is. It may be in thinking out the joys that have been given to you, and the sorrows from which you have been saved. It may be in helping others by sympathy, or in whatever way help is most needed. But the heavy heart can always be made light if self is forgotten, and the needs of others are remembered, and as far as possible, relieved. Not one of us can learn to become light-hearted in a day, or a week, or a month, or a year, for it is the lesson of life, this knowing how to lift our hearts up and give from them help unto those who are in need. It is a good fight—this one against allowing one's self to be submerged in personal griefs—it is a good fight, and out of it you can come conqueror if you will. Do you intend to give up the fight and fall by the wayside overcome by a heavy heart, or to go along through life as a brave woman should? You must decide this early in life. And you will, I feel sure, decide to do that which is right, and then your heart will never be heavy nor your conscience disturbed, unless you fall. And when you fall, thank God, you can always rise again if you keep up a brave heart."

William M. Singler, editor of the Philadelphia Record, died suddenly at his home in Philadelphia Sunday afternoon from heart trouble. Mr. Singler's physician says: "Mr. Singler was an inveterate smoker, and for years had suffered from what is called a tobacco heart. I forewarned his family that some day he would die suddenly in just the same way he has. He knew that his heart was weak, but always laughed at the thought of danger. The end has come, however, in just the manner I had predicted and expected."

Millirens have all kinds of shirts. If you want anything in the bakery line, call at the Bon Ton Bakery.

Robinson's always have bargains in shoes, prices away down.

Our Educational Column.

"Uncle William," Editor.

Address all communications relative to this department to Editor Educational Column, care of THE STAR.

Fall springs up, and flowers, and bears no seed, And feeds the green earth with its swift decay. Leaving it richer for the growth of truth; But good, once put in action or in thought, Like a strong oak, doth from his boughs shed down The ripe germs of a forest. —Prometheus.

Boys and girls, like the people in the days of Noah, before the deluge, you have forty days and forty nights in which to secure for yourselves safety, and if you neglect to do this at that period the flood of failure will overtake you and you will be overwhelmed and swallowed up. Can you do it? Will you do it? We shall see.

Another thing that struck your "uncle" somewhat forcibly was the fact that when last week, in Assembly exercises, the question was asked, "how many of you read the daily papers," about a dozen out of two hundred and fifty or more answered in the affirmative. For shame, boys and girls, to be so negligent of the current events that are occurring every day in this land of ours. When newspapers containing all the important transactions throughout the civilized world can be had for a paltry penny. Why, you haven't any idea what you are losing, and you would be astonished at the vast amount of knowledge and information that you can absorb by a daily perusal of the newspapers, and how much better fitted you will be for society. A man or woman who is well read in the current events, as given in the numerous papers, has an entrée to any society and is sought after and warmly welcomed by all classes. "Reading maketh a full man." A well read man is a good and entertaining conversationalist and a pleasing companion, now boys and girls make it a point to read the papers each day, and read them carefully, thus storing and training your minds for the future. Not only read, but remember what you read, and think over it after you have read it. Just at the present time there is much exciting news in the dailies relative to the threatened crisis between Spain and the United States, and every liberty loving boy or girl in our land should read and carefully study the situation. Just try this plan boys and girls and you will astonish yourselves and your friends in a short time. Read "current news," not trashy novels or silly story papers as they only serve to confuse the mind and weaken the intellect by crowding out that which is good and beneficial and filling the brain with wild phantasies and foolish notions, rendering it unfit for anything else. Read and read much. Use the talents God has given you in a manner fitting to this intelligent land of ours. Read good literature. Eschew trashy novels and you will soon find you are treading wisdom's ways, which are ways of pleasantness and paths of peace. Below we give you a clipping of an essay on the mouth, written by a boy.

THE MOUTH.

A boy was compelled by his teacher to write an essay on "the mouth," for some infraction of the school discipline, and this is what he said: "Your mouth is the front door to the face; it is the aperture to the cold storage of your anatomy. Some mouths look like peaches and cream, some look like a hole in a brick wall to admit a new door or window. The mouth is a hotbed for toothache, and the bung hole of oratory. The mouth is the crimson aisle to our liver; it is patriotism's fountain, and the tool chest for pie. Without a mouth the politician would be a wanderer on the face of the earth and go down in an unhonored grave. It is the grocer's friend, the orator's pride and the dentist's hope. It puts some men on the rostrum and some in jail. It is temptation's lunch counter when attached to a maiden, and tobacco's friend when attached to a man. Without it married life would be like a summer dream and a dude would lose half his attraction."

BY THE WAY.

The early bird gets caught by the milliner. Nature begins fools and women finish them.

Friendship is not so difficult as admiration of our friend's friends.

It is a hard task to make an explanation to a person who does not intend to accept it.

Home is that dear place where we are not afraid to break crackers into our oyster soup.

Talking is like riding a wheel; a man may know when to stop but may not know how to stop.

Free Pills.

Send your address to H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. A trial will convince you of their merits. These pills are easy in action and are particularly effective in the cure of Constipation and Sick Headache. For Malaria and Liver troubles they have been proved invaluable. They are guaranteed to be perfectly free from every deleterious substance and to be purely vegetable. They do not weaken by their action, but by giving tone to stomach and bowels greatly invigorate the system. Regular size 25c. per box. For sale by H. A. Stoke, Druggist.

Over 100 pair of shoes at J. E. Welsh & Co.'s way down in price.

FLORIDA.

Last Tour of the Season via Pennsylvania Railroad.

The last of the popular Pennsylvania Railroad personally-conducted tours to Jacksonville will leave New York and Philadelphia by special train of Pullman palace cars on Tuesday, March 8.

Round-trip tickets, valid to return on regular trains until May 31, 1898, and including railway transportation in each direction, and Pullman accommodations (one berth) and meals on special train going, will be sold at the following rates: New York, \$50.00; Philadelphia, \$48.00; Canandaigua, \$52.85; Erie, \$54.85; Wilkesbarre, \$50.35; Pittsburg, \$53.00; and at proportionate rates from other points.

For tickets, itineraries, and full information apply to ticket agents; Tourist Agent, 1196 Broadway, New York; Thomas Purdy, Passenger Agent Long Branch District, 789 Broad Street, Newark, N. J.; Thos. E. Watt, Passenger Agent, Western District, Pittsburg, Pa.; or address Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Broad Street Station, Philadelphia.

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION

OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF REYNOLDSVILLE

at Reynoldsville, in the State of Pennsylvania, at the close of business February 18, 1897.

RESOURCES:	
Loans and discounts	\$105,805 98
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	25 42
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	35,000 00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	3,300 00
Stocks, securities, etc.	800 00
Furniture and fixtures	2,602 59
Due from approved reserve agents	37,283 66
Checks and other cash items	1,013 48
Notes of other National banks	715 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	166 68
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz:	
Specie	\$ 5,000 00
Legal-tender notes	2,915 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation)	1,575 00
Total	\$211,921 31
LIABILITIES:	
Capital stock paid in	\$50,000 00
Surplus fund	5,500 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	1,820 47
National bank notes outstanding	30,000 00
Due to other National Banks	628 25
Dividends unpaid	225 00
Individual deposits subject to check	100,218 71
Time certificates of deposit	22,614 88
Total	\$211,921 31

State of Pennsylvania, County of Jefferson, ss:

I, John H. Kaucher, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOHN H. KAUCHER, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26th day of February, 1897.

ALBERT REYNOLDS, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest: C. MITCHELL, J. H. CORRETT, Directors.

Notice of Application for Incorporation

In the Court of Common Pleas of Jefferson County.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the said Court on the 21st day of March, A. D. 1898, at 2:00 o'clock, P. M., under the Corporation Act of 1874 and the supplements thereto, by Stephen Yonchock, Peter Kish, Paul Miller, John Horsdell and Emory Emody, for the charter of an intended Incorporation to be called the First Sick Benefit and Patriotic Brotherhood of Eleonora, Pa., the character and object of which is for the purpose of maintaining a beneficial or protective society by paying benefits to and relieving its members from funds collected therein who, through sickness or disability arising from an injury are unable to follow their usual business or occupation, or some other business or occupation whereby such members may earn a livelihood and upon the death of a member, pay a stipulated sum to his legal representatives, and for the purpose of disseminating sentiments of loyalty and patriotism and feelings of devotion to the United States of America among its members, and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges conferred by the said Act and its supplements.

G. M. McDONALD, Solicitor.



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In the moon, or better still, ask any man in Reynoldsville what store in town is headquarters for paints, oils and varnishes. We submit this question to the jury of the people with easy confidence. The verdict is easily ours on the quality and value of our goods, the completeness of our stock, and the moderateness of our prices. There's a double reason for trading where you'd get better suited for less money than would be possible anywhere else.

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