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A man may be able to paint a town red; to swear a blue streak and stain his soul in deepest dye, and then not even a policeman will respect his abilities as an artist or painter.

Because silk is the product of the worm, Mohammedans consider it unclean. How much more generous are the Americans. They caress and fondle the butterflies of fashion, regardless of their creepy origin.

Some one who has never before been heard of claims to have discovered a way to produce light, heat and power without fuel. Now if some other genius will invent a plan to sustain life without food and to provide clothing and shelter without labor or the expenditure of money, he will have done much to solve the monetary question, and the average person can shuffle along with a fair degree of comfort.

A bill has been introduced in the Legislature which if passed will be of great benefit to everyone. It provides that all laws passed shall be published in the newspapers and give every one a chance to know what the laws of the State are. There are hundreds of cases which come up in court which are brought there through ignorance of the law and would never have reached there had the law in the case been known. It is true that the laws are all printed and put up in book form but there are few outside of Justices of the Peace and Attorneys who will pay the price for them. The law is a good one and should be passed.

A paper out west, having grown tired of boasting candidates which it knew ought to be behind the bars, and of putting wings on deceased persons when there was more call for asbestos garments, has prepared and issued a schedule of rates governing the ordinary line of notices, as follows: "For calling a man a progressive citizen when everyone knows he is lazier than a government mule, \$2.75; referring to a deceased citizen as one who is sincerely mourned by the entire community, when we know he will only be missed in poker circles, \$1.08; referring to some gallivanting female as 'an estimable lady whom it is a pleasure to meet,' when every business man in town would rather see the devil coming, hoof, horns and all, than to see her coming toward them, \$3.19; speaking of a candidate as a pleasant, amiable gentleman who is spoken well of by a large circle of friends who have pushed his claim to office rather against his will, when we all know he has always wanted some office, from roadmaster up, since he was 21 years of age, \$1.07 per speak; calling an ordinary pulpit pounder 'an eminent divine' 60 cents."

Death is a subject upon which it is not wholesome for the mind to dwell. We know that it must come to all; and we ought to live each day as though Death would come to-morrow, and be ready to receive the grim messenger with our house in order. It is better for us, when we think of death, to view it in its most pleasant aspects and not look upon it as a horrible monster who tears our loved ones from us and carries them off to a dungeon called the grave. Here is a sweet picture of death by Leigh Hunt: "To me few things appear so beautiful as a young child in its shroud. The little, innocent face looks so sublimely simple and confiding among the terrors of death. Crimeless and fearless, that little mortal passed under the shadow and explored the mystery of dissolution. There is death in its sublimity and purest image; no hatred, no hypocrisy, no suspicion; no care for the morrow ever darkened that little one's face. Death has come lovingly upon it. There is nothing cruel or harsh in its victory." Similarly death is beautiful when it comes to ripe old age, whose life has been a loving sacrifice for others; who has triumphed over the temptations of a wicked world, and with serene faith in a glorious resurrection, watches the sun of existence as it sinks below the western horizon.—Punxsutawney Spirit.

Annual Election.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of The Reynoldsville Building and Loan Association to be held Monday, February 20th, 1899, at 7.30 P. M. an election of four directors and one auditor will be held. The following nominations were made Jan. 23rd, 1899: Directors, John M. Hays, Thos. E. Evans, Milton S. Sterley and James M. Moore; for auditor, M. C. Coleman.

Attest: JOHN M. HAYS, Pres. L. J. MCENTIRE, Sec.

Silk Mill Notes.

The cold snap we have been enjoying for the past ten days has prevented much progress being made in the fixing up of the interior of the second floor of the silk mill, which was wrecked. Frost to the thickness of an inch is covering walls, ceiling and windows, and notwithstanding the heat furnished by two huge stoves which have been set up and kept roaring, not much progress is made in the way of unfreezing the ice covered walls. But on the floor below the partition separating the fifty looms placed directly under the wrecked part has been removed. Shafting and bolting have been connected with the main shaft, and loom fixer Lorenzo Keys, under supervision of foreman Peter Durand, is busily engaged starting this new section.

Engineer Felix Malberly has been sick the latter part of the week. Excessive cold has been the cause of his temporary indisposition. We are glad to learn that this worthy countryman of Dante is feeling much better now.

In a month from to-day every one of the 200 power looms in the weaving room will be running. Speed will be increased and production will be increased in proportion.

Saturday last young Maud McMullen had her hair, which she wears in long heavy braids, caught around the shaft of one of the winding frames and was for an instant scared to death. Superintendent Ph. Chavert immediately hastened to her and running the machine backward succeeded in disentangling the silken hair of the young girl, who will hereafter be more careful, and like her companions, wear her hair tied up high on her golden head. Although silk machinery is the least in the range of dangerous machinery, as the smallest obstacle encountered in the way of its running power is sufficient to stop the machine immediately, it is, nevertheless, imprudent to go around these machines with flowing hair, as some younger girls do. They have plenty of time when outside the mill to make a display of their wealth of curly ornament, but at the mill by tying them up they will spare themselves, if not an accident, at least an instant of strong emotion, which it is always better to avoid.

BLACK JOHN, Ex-Loom Fixer.

Coming Here.

"Uncle Tom's Cabin," that old, yet ever-new drama, was presented Saturday afternoon and evening at the Eleventh Avenue opera house to two of the biggest audiences which ever assembled in Altoona. Hobson & Co., owners of the big company, have secured some of the best actors to produce the play, and the result was manifested in frequent storms of applause. George E. May, as Uncle Tom, delineated to perfection the character of the aged and honest slave; Addie La Porte made a capital Ophelia; Charles Brickwood, as Marks, and Sam La Porte, as Phineas, proved a clever brace of comedians; H. Stanley Lewis, a good juvenile actor, was seen to advantage as George Harris; Mae La Porte's Topsy was a remarkably good bit of burnt-cork comedy, her songs and dances resulting in many encores; Chas. Yorko, as the heartless "Legree," gained many hisses for his villainy and showed himself a most capable character actor, and the balance of the cast were well fitted in their respective roles. The band and orchestra were far above the average, and Hobson & Co. may expect another series of big houses should they again visit Altoona.—Morning Tribune, Altoona, Pa., Feb. 6, 1899.

This massive dramatic alliance, traveling in two beautiful 60-foot railway cars of their own, will be the attraction at Reynolds opera house one night only, Monday, Feb. 20th. People's bargain prices, 25c. and 35c. Reserved seats now on sale at Stoke's drug store.

Remarkable Rescue.

Mrs. Michael Curtain, Plainfield, Ill., makes the statement that she caught cold, which settled on her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption and that no medicine could cure her. Her druggist suggested Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption; she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefitted from first dose. She continued its use and after taking six bottles found herself sound and well; now does her own housework, and is as well as she ever was. Free trial bottles of this Great Discovery at H. A. Stoke's Drug Store. Large bottles 50 cents and \$1.00.

Headache for Forty Years.

For forty years I suffered from sick headache. About a year ago I began using Celery King. The result was gratifying and surprising, my headaches leaving at once. The headaches used to return every seventh day, but thanks to Celery King, I have had but one headache in the last eleven months. I know that what cured me will help others.—Mrs. John D. VanKeuren, Saugerties, N. Y. Celery King for the Nerves, Stomach, Liver and Kidneys is sold in 50c. and 25c. packages by H. Alex. Stoke.

Notice.

There will be a meeting of the town council February 15, 1899, for the purpose of hearing claims for exoneration of taxes. By order of the Council. L. J. MCENTIRE, Clerk.

High School Bulletin.

EDITORIAL STAFF: Editor-in-Chief, James G. Foust, '99. Asst. Editor, Lela Robinson, '00. Local Editor, Florence Stone, '00.

OUR SLEIGHING PARTY.

BY ONE OF THE D. B. Four girls, one afternoon, Asked Prof. to go real soon To Brookville.

Prof. said he didn't know, But thought we couldn't go To Brookville.

But we went there just the same When the snow was nearly rain To Brookville.

Lydia, Elvie, Amelia, Bert, All excited, all alert, To Brookville.

Kate Nolan, Kate King, Nell, All thought that they fell Outside of Brookville.

We had supper, oh! just fine, And we had a great big time In Brookville.

We had a game, and such fun, A dance, a skit, a hop, a run In Brookville.

When the clock the hour did strike It made us hustle (just like "Mike") From Brookville.

Oh! the drive over the snow, How the horses, they did go From Brookville.

All got home last nearly froze, But were soon in a doze Fourteen miles from Brookville.

Miss Edna Myers, of the Sub-Jr. class, has cancelled her membership in that body. Her classmates are sorry that she is unable to be with them during the remainder of the term.

Many pupils, especially of the lower rooms, were absent a great part of the time last week on account of the severe cold weather.

The Seniors completed Astronomy last Friday. Political Economy will be taken up the latter part of this week.

The intense cold of last week did some damage to the school building. The appearance of the walls in some of the rooms was somewhat changed by the cracking of the plaster, and the whitening falling from those places to the floor. One of the students on being asked to give a philosophical explanation for the cause of the cracking and falling of the plaster replied: "Whatever goes up must come down."

Should visitors make their appearance at school about the noon hour, they would, doubtless, be under the impression that the building is being used for a free lunch house instead of school purposes, owing to the number of pupils who eat dinner here.

Mr. Weaver is greatly beautifying his school room by paintings on the windows. The scenes give his corner of the building a cheerful appearance from without as well as within.

Misses Ella Lenkerd and Effie Milliren and Mr. Brown, of Milliren's store, drove toward DuBois last Tuesday. We have every reason to believe that they did not reach their destination.

During very cold weather the students of the High School can experience every degree of temperature—from intense cold to torrid heat—at one time and without moving from their seats. While their feet are freezing, their heads are being scorched by heat. We do not mean to insinuate that it is due to the heating system.

The schools failed to celebrate Lincoln's Birthday. Since there will be no school on the 22nd, we believe Washington's will be celebrated with as much enthusiasm as would be demanded by the birthdays of a dozen ordinary great men.

We heartily agree with Mr. Cooper that Jefferson county should have a poor farm, not merely because several of the neighboring counties have them, but we feel it would be to the county's advantage as well as a benefit to those who would find employment on it. The county at present has more than its share of rovers and loafers. We have been informed that there is no room for any more of them in the vicinity of Reynoldsville, as apartments at Hotel de Coke-oven cannot be had at any price. In case it be impossible for Jefferson county to have a poor farm, and it become the destination of those who rap lightly on your back door and answer the queries of those inside with a "plaze, mum, kin yuz givvus a bit of ground coffee or a little suthin to eat?" someone has suggested that the public schools be opened to received them, and enforce the educational law. Under those circumstances many of the tramps would not regard Reynoldsville as a very important station along the "railroad of the roughs," while we are positive that those who should stop would greatly increase the burdens of truant officer, Warnick.

Hawley Smith, in his lecture, "We, the People," said that out of every hundred pupils who enter the primary grades, there are on an average six graduates. Three of the present Seniors will be the only Reynoldsville High School graduates from the class of nearly a hundred pupils who entered the first primary grade in the old building in 1886.

The views of the most important places in the White City appeared on the screen before the Shakespearean Literary Society last Friday afternoon. Prof. Lenkerd occupied about two hours and a half showing the scenes and giving a brief, but very appropriate and instructive description of each. Hon. S. B. Elliott was present, and enjoyed the entertainment with the students.

Dr. J. W. Foust has been visiting the schools quite regularly the last few weeks.

Poor House Talk.

H. M. Spaulding, one of the county commissioners of Bradford county, was in town last week on business pertaining to his office. By virtue of his office Mr. Spaulding is one of the overseers of the poor house of his county, and in conversation with Thomas Keys, Esq., gave a few general points which are of interest just now to the taxpayers of Jefferson county.

Bradford county built its county poor house in 1882. At that period the cost of building material and labor was much higher than at present. The farm cost about \$16,000 and the buildings \$50,000. When the building was started there were 400 paupers in the county, but when collected for the county home less than two hundred became inmates. Since then the number of inmates has averaged 175 during the winter and from 130 to 140 during the summer. The cost of maintenance for 1897 was \$1.25 a week for each head, but it is expected the cost for the last year was much less.

Last year from 1,200 to 1,400 bushels of potatoes were raised on the farm, with other crops in proportion. There are also twenty-six milk cows on the farm, and two teams. The help employed are an overseer and his wife at a salary of \$650 a year for the two and two teamsters at \$30 a month each. The wives of the teamsters also live at the home and help, but are paid no wages.

There is also an insane department in which an overseer and his wife are employed at a salary of \$550 for the two. In this are thirty-five inmates. If the department was built to conform with state regulations, the county would receive \$1.50 a week for each patient from the state appropriation. The medical attendance is let by contract to the lowest bidder, the amount paid at present being \$180 a year.

Mr. Spaulding is an affable and intelligent official, and he says the taxpayers of Jefferson would not only save money by establishing a county home, but the poor would be better cared for and made more comfortable in their misfortune.—Brookwayville Record.

Personally-Conducted Tour via Pennsylvania R. R. to Florida.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company's third tour of the present season to Jacksonville, allowing two weeks in Florida, will leave New York and Philadelphia by special train of Pullman Palace Cars Tuesday, February 21. Excursion tickets, including railway transportation, Pullman accommodations (one berth), and meals en route in both directions while traveling on the special train, 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, N. Y.; 789 Broad Street, Newark, N. J.; or address Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Broad Street Station, Philadelphia.

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver, of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three doctors had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters,' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cts. per bottle at H. A. Stoke's Drug Store.

Speaking of rice you can get something very good at 5 cents per pound at Robinson & Mundorff's.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF REYNOLDSVILLE

at Reynoldsville, in the State of Pennsylvania, at the close of business February 4, 1899.

Table with 2 columns: Assets and Liabilities. Assets include Loans and discounts, Overdrafts, U.S. Bonds, Stocks, Furniture, etc. Liabilities include Capital stock, Surplus fund, Undivided profits, etc.

Total Assets: \$255,384.59. Total Liabilities: \$255,384.59. 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 10th day of February, 1899. ALBERT REYNOLDS, Notary Public. CORRECT—Attest: C. MITCHELL, J. H. COBBETT, Directors, J. C. KING.

Clearance Sale!

Our entire stock of Ladies' and Misses'

JACKETS and CAPES

we will sell at less than cost. COLLARETTES go the same way.

We lead in DRESS GOODS and have them at all prices. Hundreds of pieces to select from.

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Reynoldsville Hardware Co.

The Jefferson Supply Co. REYNOLDSVILLE, RATHMEL, AND BIG SOLDIER.

The Three Largest Stores in this end of the county, constantly filled with a complete assortment of nearly all classes of goods. See our line of Ladies' Fur, Plush and Cloth

CAPES AND JACKETS

at prices that are selling them. Also our line Men's fall and winter Suits and Overcoats.

Finest line Men's Neckwear ever put in this section, direct from the manufacturers. See them and you will be convinced that they are of the finest put out.

An elegant new line of ladies and children's

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just in and they are beauties. OUR GROCERIES and MEATS are as superior as ever and as constantly fresh.

Don't forget the 3 Big Stores.

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Tom Reynolds' Addition to Reynoldsville, Pa.

The best town plot now offered for sale, right in the town, and with every convenience. As a future home it is the best; as a growing investment, it is without an equal.

LOTS HAVE BEEN SOLD AND ARE SELLING NOW. DON'T WAIT. GET THE BEST.

I have for sale 100 lots, 50x150 ft., on Grant St., 12 near S. B. Elliott's. These lots will make beautiful building spots and sold on easy payments.

Remember no taxes for 1899.

Remember the Title is very lot guaranteed.

Lots at \$150, sold \$10 down and 50c. per week thereafter. Lots at \$175, sold \$15 down and \$1.00 per week thereafter.

Also for sale, Lots on Pleasant Avenue and Worth Street, farm of 40 acres with house, barn and more kinds of fruit trees than any farm in the country.

Reynoldsville, with its Silk Mill, employing 200 hands, which will be doubled in the Spring; Coal Mines, employing about 1500 men; the largest Woolen Mills in the State; Machine Shops; a Tannery, employing 150 men, and other industries that will be here before the year closes, will make these lots an investment that will more than double themselves before you get them paid for.

SMITH M. MCCREIGHT, AGENT