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#### FOR CONGRESS—

W. O. SMITH.

Subject to action of the Republicans of Jefferson county at the primary election, Tuesday, Feb. 29, 1900.

#### Shortage in Supply Soft Coal Continues.

(Coal Trade Journal.)

At Buffalo the same old story can be told this week of the soft coal trade—shortage. Shippers having coal to offer have only to name their price and their product is taken. At times the shippers are unable to get their own coal, as the railroads are claiming their inalienable right to take anything on their tracks. The Western New York & Pennsylvania, Allegheny Valley, Grand Trunk and other roads have confiscated many car loads of coal consigned over their lines because of their inability to secure their own contract supply of coal. It is stated by some of the shippers that never before in the history of the market has there been such a shortage of soft coal nor such a good demand. In fact the quotations are not used in basing prices, they being fixed by the needs of the consumer.

On April 1st there is to be an advance of at least 30 to 35 cents per ton on bituminous coal freight rates above last year's figures. This advance will cause bituminous coal companies to put up the price of coal, as in the Cumberland region the miners will get at least 10 cents more per ton, and in the Clearfield region at least the same. The cost of production will be 20 cents more than it was last year.

#### George Pifer, Sr., Dead.

George Pifer, one of the pioneers of Jefferson county, died suddenly at his home in Henderson township, Monday morning, aged 79 years. Mr. Pifer arose as usual Monday morning, but after eating his breakfast complained of feeling unwell. His condition was not such as to cause alarm until about 10 o'clock, when he asked to be helped to his bed. Mrs. Pifer, who survives him, assisted her husband to the desired resting place, and as she arranged the pillows underneath his head he turned and said, with a quiver on his lip: "Mother, I am going to die." Those were his dying words, for with the same breath in which they were uttered he gave a gasp and was dead. Henry Pifer one of his sons, who resides in the same house, was hastily summoned, but all was over. His death was instantaneous and painless. The deceased was one of a family of five boys, all of whom attained an age near to the four-score limit. They have all borne the name of honorable and industrious citizens, who have each contributed a long and useful life to the development of the agricultural resources of the county. Mr. Pifer was a devout church member, and was a pillar in the German Reformed church in Paradise from his youth. His remains were laid to rest in the Pifer burying grounds at 10 o'clock to-day, the funeral being attended by a large concourse of relatives and neighbors.—*Punkstutawney Spirit.*

Mayor Depinet, of Erie, has declared that the practice of profane swearing upon the streets of that city must cease, and has given orders to the police to arrest all persons found giving offense in that particular. The *Dispatch* says the mayor will have the support of every decent citizen in enforcing this order.—*Bradford Star.* Now city fathers, Kane, too! What right have a few foul-mouthed men to blurt forth their profanity and indecency to shock the ears of women and vitiate the minds of children in our fair mountain city? If it's a question of rights, where do the rights of the right minded come in?—*Kane Leader.* The citizens of Reynoldsville need not go to Erie or Kane to hear profanity on the streets. Just stand on Main street some evening for a few minutes.

#### A Good Tenant

Wants to rent by April 1st a small house and barn with good cellar in Reynoldsville, or would rent a small farm nearby. Address, A. C. FISH, Freeport, Pa.

#### NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS

Of the Reynoldsville Land and Improvement Company.

Notice is hereby given that the annual election of directors and treasurer of the Reynoldsville Land and Improvement Company will be held on the 17th day of February, 1900, between the hours of 2.00 and 4.00 o'clock p. m., of said day, at the office of C. Mitchell, in the borough of Reynoldsville.

S. B. ELMOTT, Pres.  
C. MITCHELL, Sec.

### High School Bulletin.

EDITORIAL STAFF.  
Editor-in-Chief—Lydia Mellinger.  
Assistant Editor—E. M. Millies.  
Local Editor—Maude Ross.

#### IN MEMORY OF LA FAYETTE.

In the city of Paris there is a certain convent which is known as the convent of the Petit Picpus. In the grounds of this convent is a small cemetery where nearly 1500 victims of the guillotine were buried indiscriminately. Here also lie the bones of LaFayette beside those of his wife, who wished to be buried there. The only thing that marks the grave of the patriotic friend of Washington is a plain granite slab.

In view of these things the "LaFayette Memorial Commission" was formed for the purpose of erecting in Paris a monument to the memory of LaFayette, as a tribute from the youth of our nation.

An approximate estimate of the value of the monument is about a quarter of a million.

The dedication of the monument, which will take place on July 4, 1900, will make United States Day at the Paris Exposition one of especial interest. No other country will find such a basis for the celebration of its national day in Paris; but all the nations of the world will unite with our republic in the dedication of this tribute which shall mark forever the grave of LaFayette.

—|— MISTLETOE.

#### LOCALS.

The "Pa" of the Senior class has decided to take "Ma" and the children on a trip of exploration to Jupiter. It has been requested that "Ma" get the trunks packed as quickly as possible for it will require 1408 years if they take an express train traveling at the rate of thirty miles an hour. But "Pa" thinks he can save expense if he puts each one of the youngsters on a ray of light—himself and "Ma" will follow on a tandem ray—and arrive at that unknown world in 34 minutes and 57 seconds. They expect to spend a Jovian year sightseeing on this wonderful planet and since a year on Jove is equal to almost twelve of our years we may not see them in this city for a long time (and all of "Pa's" nine beautiful daughters will be old maids). We hope they will not fall in love with that world and that they will return before they are all gray headed or too childish to tell us of the wonderful things they have seen there. Perhaps by the next issue of this paper we may be able to give a description of some of the wonderful sights seen by these adventuresome astronauts.

The Juniors having completed their term work in Philosophy Friday, decided to give a "blow-out" in honor of the occasion but cold water was thrown on their enthusiasm when informed that they were to take up "Bugology."

It is a wonder that Sr. 5 is not jealous of the young man whose picture she wears, because when she wears him he throws eyes at all the pretty girls in the room.

We have heard that the "Long" of the Senior Class is a good "Byer" but she generally selects "Brown."

Jr. No. 4 is thinking seriously of holding a union meeting of the classes and testifying what good Geometry has done for her.

We have heard of professors who are so tender-hearted as to give the boys chloroform before whipping them.

Friendship hearts are the fad. If you will send us hearts you may be our friend.

The program rendered last Friday by the Shakespearean Literary Society was exceptionally good. The debate, Resolved, that foreign immigration should be restricted, was won by the negative, which was represented by Mr. Flynn and Miss King.

On Monday morning the schools were entertained by A. Lincoln Kirk in his rendition of the trial scene of the "Merchant of Venice."

The students of the High School would make a good squad of cadets if the drum corps would play "rag time."

If some of the students would eschew all conglomeration of flutent garrulity and apply their talent to mental labor, success would result.

There was a committee of three appointed on Friday to stimulate interest in the society and we hope they will bring in a good report next meeting, but they must not be discouraged if it does not waken from its long Rip Van Winkle sleep at the first shake up.

The final test of the Philosophical knowledge of the Junior class was given Friday morning.

#### Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

Has world-wide fame for marvelous cures. It surpasses any other salve, lotion, ointment or balm for cuts, corns, burns, boils, sores, felons, ulcers, tetter, salt rheum, fever sores, chapped hands, skin eruptions; infallible for piles. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c. at H. Alex. Stoke's drug store.

Nobby suits, the very latest style, is what Johns & Thompson, merchant tailors, are turning out. Try them.

This is the time of the year everyone expects to find bargains in a store. Shick & Wagner's is the place to go.

Shoes for all at Williams.

#### Judge Reed on License.

In refusing the several new applicants for license, Judge Reed stated that he did not feel at liberty to grant them if he were otherwise disposed to do so. He said that when he went on the bench he granted licenses in such places and numbers as he deemed necessary to meet the requirements of the law and the public needs. That the action taken at that time had been substantially re-affirmed at every license court since, and that there had been no material departure from the policy thus indicated, the number of licenses and the places licensed virtually remaining the same. He said that his intention to adhere to this policy had been so frequently announced from the bench, and to all who had sought by letter or otherwise, to interview him on the subject that he felt it would be neither consistent nor fair to those who, acting upon the policy thus declared, have refrained from making application without first making it known that the field was now open for one and all persons who desired to apply, and that he wanted now to make this public announcement.

The judge also stated that this did not mean that additional licenses would be granted, but merely that he was ready to yield his judgment on the situation to the will of the people, especially if they continued, without a dissenting voice, to overwhelm him with such numerous signed petitions as had been presented at this license court praying for more licenses. He said the evidence offered in support of these applications showed a large present and prospective increase in the business of the county, and an apparent pressing need for additional hotel accommodations. He thought, however, it was better to be lagging in the rear with such accommodations rather than to be placing houses on the frontier of every business enterprise. He further stated that if the petitioners knew what was needed in their respective communities in the way of additional licensed houses, it was quite evident that the judgment of the court needed revising. But that the petitioners this time only succeeded in knocking from under him the ground on which he had been standing without convincing him, therefore he desired the people to stand up again and be counted before he could determine the significance of their action, and what the court ought to do in the premises.

#### A Standard Among Newspapers.

Reflecting in its widening circulation and increasing advertising patronage the prosperity that marks the opening of the new year the Pittsburgh Times more than ever impresses upon its readers the excellence of its high standard and the success of its efforts to make a model paper for the individual and for the family. The Times is a newspaper, sparing no pains nor expense to cover the world thoroughly every day, that its current page of history may be complete and in its longer range overlooking nothing that occurs at home. It is clean, dignified and reliable, certain that no lack of these features can be made up in offensive sensationalism. It can be taken into the family circle with confidence that its columns are filled with wholesome instruction and entertainment. Wherever known The Times is recognized as the best type of a concise, crisp and complete newspaper and among newspaper men it is the publication with which comparisons of excellence are made. While The Times is Republican in politics it realizes that others have a right to be on earth, and that politics are not everything. When one cent a day will buy a morning paper it is foolish to be without one. The Times is three dollars a year and worth the money.

The Lawrence paints excel all others in beauty, durability and economy. They are always uniform, reliable and satisfactory. For sale by the Reynoldsville Hardware Co.

A beautiful oil painting given away with every pair of Queen Quality shoes bought at Johnston & Nolan's.

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We sell the very best shoes and rubbers that are made.

Walk-Over Shoes for men, the best shoe on earth for \$8.50.

Phit-Eesi Shoes for ladies, a perfect fitter for \$3.00.

The Astoria, a beautiful cloth top shoe for \$2.00.

#### Teachers' Institute.

The teachers of Winslow township held an institute at Sykesville Jan. 20th. The institute organized at 2.00 o'clock p. m. Rev. Palmer, of the Baptist church, conducted the devotional exercises, after which the following officers were elected: Pres., A. C. Powell; Sec., Jessie L. Smeltzer; Reporter, Mr. Joseph Syphrit.

Mr. Longwell, of the Brockwayville schools, talked on the necessities of a school. They are, the children, the patrons and the teacher. The ambitious, attentive child is the one of whom the teacher should think when he becomes discouraged.

After singing a selection from "Uncle Sam's School Songs" Miss Mary Ennis recited "Guilty or Not Guilty" in a pleasing way. How to Prevent Tardiness was discussed by Misses Snedden and Lyden. Miss Snedden suggested pleasing stories, singing and talking with the pupils, showing the evil effects of tardiness. Miss Lyden thought great good might be done by having the co-operation of the parents.

Mr. Powell discussed the Evolution of Expression. He compared it with the evolution of art. The four steps are animation, object of attraction, displaying purpose and obedience to the true and beautiful. In her discussion of reading Miss Corbett said the two aims were to get the pupils to readily recognize form and to have him get the thot. Mr. Wilson and Mr. Rudolph spoke briefly on this subject.

Miss Prudence Phillippi recited "New Year's Mishaps" in a natural manner. Annie Davis and Miss Lyden discussed the Aim of the Teacher. A recitation should have a definite aim which should lead to the final end to be attained, the good of the child. Miss Muir, Mr. Rudolph and Mr. Powell spoke briefly on the subject.

After singing, the subject of the value of music was briefly discussed. Mr. Wilson showed its value in discipline and in the development of character. The subject was discussed by several other members.

As a committee on program for next meeting Mr. Rudolph, Miss Snedden, and Miss Smeltzer were appointed.

The committee on Histories reported favorably for Montgomery's series and on motion the institute decided to ask the directors to consider the Montgomery histories when changing the text book on history.

Mr. Syphrit then read his report of the day's work.

After a vote of thanks to the Sykesville people the institute adjourned.

SECRETARY.

Rathmel.

Mrs. J. R. Fieck, of DuBois, visited friends here last week.

H. B. Wise, whose family is living at Crenshaw, has bought the property of John Yalinski and will become a resident of our town soon.

Maplewood mine is idle this week on account of a breakage of the compressor.

W. A. Butler has moved his lumber camp from his old mill to the Virginia mine, where he expects to do considerable work.

Washington Camp No. 602, P. O. S. of A., are making arrangements to observe Washington's birthday. Bills will be posted in a few days as to the program, etc.

The conduct of some of our young people is going to the extreme both on the street and at public meetings. It will be necessary to take some of them to the county judge to make an example for others if they continue in their unbecoming and disgraceful way.

George Lyle, who has been working near Pittsburgh for some time, has returned home.

Miss Maggie Barclay was in DuBois this week.

Prof. Russell Rudolph had business in Sykesville last week.

The teachers at the Dean school were off duty Monday and Tuesday of this week, as the directors gave the building a thorough cleaning.

## 1/3 OFF On All Holiday Goods at STOKE'S

During the month of January, or until the stock is all disposed of, we offer all TOYS, GAMES, BOOKS, DOLL CHINA WARE, BRIC-A-BRAC, & C., at one-third the regular price. Nothing reserved. We want the room and make this extraordinary offer to move the goods quickly.

### Stoke's Pharmacy.

WHAT'S LEFT . . . Of Holiday Goods is now being sacrificed rapidly at 25 per cent off the market price. Silverware, chinaware, fancy goods and baskets largely included.

CLEARING OUT . . . Ladies' and Children's furs, coats and capes. Some go at just one-half last week's prices, while others have been reduced 25 and 35 per cent. Now is the time to buy a collar, a coat or a cape cheap.

SHICK & WAGNER.

NOTICE the first two large tables in the center of the store. They are full of the biggest bargains ever offered in Reynoldsville.

A fine line of MEN'S, WOMEN'S, AND CHILDREN'S SHOES, broken sizes but perhaps just the size you want at extremely low prices.

A large line of CHILDREN'S AND MISSES' ALL-WOOL HOSE, sizes from 5 to 84 hose that sold for 20 and 25 cents go at 10 cents a pair.

Also a lot of MEN'S, LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S UNDERWEAR that will be sold regardless of cost.

We have 100 SUITS FOR MEN AND BOYS. Some were as high as \$12.00 that will go at from \$3.50 to \$6.00.

A nice lot of OVERCOATS to be sold away down.

Many other bargains to be had here in the next thirty days. Come in and see for yourselves. It costs you nothing to look and you are always welcome at this store.

## SHICK & WAGNER'S.

Cream cheese that is cream cheese, melts in your mouth. Robinson & Mundorff sell it.

DON'T MISS THESE BARGAINS.

The time is coming to invoice and the less we have to take account of, the better we like it. So

For the next two weeks will sell

DRESS GOODS, NOTIONS, and in fact ALL WE HAVE at such low prices that it will pay any one to buy.

We have some Ladies' Coats that sold at \$4, \$5 and \$6.50. Your choice For \$1.00.

You will also find on Remnant Counter some very nice goods. Prices so low that they will not last long.

Hot cakes for breakfast. Try Aunt Jemima's Pan Cake Flour—more healthful than buckwheat. Robinson & Mundorff have it.

Try our fresh roasted coffee at 13c., worth 18c. It's a bargain. Robinson & Mundorff.

We are still selling a straight 60c. English breakfast tea at 40c. Robinson & Mundorff.

Buy a bottle Dr. Keyers' Cough Cure, that cures your cough, and get a cake of dandruff soap for your hair free. Robinson & Mundorff.

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