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America storekeepers spend money to invite people to visit their stores and examine the stock, regardless of any intention to buy, but the London storekeepers wish no visitors who are not purchasers, one of them having gone so far as to put up a placard, reading: "Americans will please take notice that this place is not a museum." This store isn't likely to get much American patronage.

There is a Baptist church in Williamsport where young ladies have been appointed as ushers and collectors instead of young men, and frequently the pastor's wife occupies the pulpit. Why not? Prayer meetings and public congregations are made up mostly of the fair sex and why not allow them to be useful as well as ornamental in the sanctuary? Perhaps if more churches would introduce this new order of things there would be a better attendance of the male portion of humanity at the preaching service.

According to an act passed by the last session of the Pennsylvania Legislature, on and after January 1st, 1902, it will be unlawful for consins to be joined in marriage. The act reads thusly: "Be it enacted that from the first day of January, 1902, it shall be unlawful for any male person and female person who are of the kin of the degree of first cousins to be joined in marriage. All marriages contracted in violation of the provisions of this act are declared void." It will be pretty tough if a fellow falls in love with his cousin and cannot marry her, if they are both agreed.

The following gem, which is taken from Emlenton News, should be pasted in every man's hat as a reminder of his duty when he desires to speak of a woman's character. "Think how many years she has been building it, of the wounds received, of the toils and privations endured, and let no suspicion follow her actions. The purity of woman is the salvation of the race, and hope of future greatness and the redemption of man. Wipe out her purity and man sinks beneath the wave of despair with not a star to guide his life into a channel of safety. Think then, before you speak, and remember that any hog can root up the fairest flower that ever grew, so the vilest can ruin the purest character."

It is amusing, and instructive as well, to glance back over the past few years and note the number of times that we have been put in a flutter of expectancy by the announcement that a new industry was coming. To note also the number of times we have never heard of the industry after the first announcement of its coming. We do not hear as much of it at present as a few years ago, for the board of trade is in somewhat of a lethargy now, but then it was a frequent occurrence for some such rumor, coupled usually with the words that "Eastern capitalists" were behind the scheme. Long have we dreamed of the days when "capitalists" would take us up and lavish their wealth upon us, build industries, construct trolley roads and make our town a city. We have dreamed long enough in fact to know better. There is no special reason why mentioned citizens of the east should come to this particular town and invest their cash. They may, and will, come when we give them enough cash to build a plant, a plant we might build ourselves for the same amount and keep all profits at home. But we seem to have no confidence in our townsmen; no one but a "capitalist" from the east seems to command enough of our confidence to handle our cash in erecting public improvements. But we have had experience enough to know that not every reputed "capitalist" is a man of wealth. Capitalists there are, and grand promoters also, and we are far more likely to run onto one of the latter than the former. Why then will we continue to dream of the city man of wealth. To paraphrase Carlyle, "Quit dreaming, O beloved brother blockheads of citizens, and invest your own cash." In this way, and this only, will the town grow, reaping the benefits of its own enterprise.

Children's suits from 50c to \$1.50 at McClelland's.

Walk over shoes the very best made. Try a pair. Robinsons.

If you want a nice shoe cheap, call at Johnston & Nolan's shoe store.

Stiff hats, soft hats, anything in the head wear at McClelland's.

A good physician can cure many ills. Why can he not invent a preparation that will cure a few? He can, and many good things are to be found in nature's medicines. Clydesdale Ointment is a great healer and a pain killer. Give it a trial. Druggists, 25c.

We have a few odds and ends that we will sell cheap. Johnston & Nolan.

The band of roving horse traders who have been camping in the east end of town for some time past may not inspire very high thoughts of the romance and beauty of a wandering gypsy life. But these people are by no means true representatives of the genuine race of gypsies, once far more numerous than now, but they at least remind us of them, and a little of their legendary history may be of interest.

The tale of the gypsies is that of the most mysterious race in the world. Dark skinned and vivacious, untrammelled with the cares of the world, they live and wander, wander eternally, for it is in their blood and they cannot be still.

The real gypsies of history were not a nondescript collection of people from all nations, but were a distinct race, or branch of some race. The language they spoke was not the garble of many tongues but one distinct language, resembling in many ways the spoken language of the Indians. Where they came from no man knows, or will know, for they know not themselves. But the supposition is that the race originated in India and from there spread itself over all the world, in clans and tribes wandering hither and thither, their habits unchanged wherever they went. In all countries they are regarded alike; the Dutch called them "Heathens"; the Arabs, not the highest in honor themselves, called them "Villains." For a thousand years these dark skinned people have been known in Europe. Vague references are found here and there of their existence. Soothsayers, wanderers, snake charmers, they were called, leading then, as now, the life of perpetual roaming. Though having a distinct language of their own they have a wonderful facility of adopting the tongue of the people among whom they happen to wander. Of their ways, their impositions and frauds on the simple people of Europe in the Middle Ages many curious tales are related. In one instance a band of about three hundred gypsies, dirty, wild and unkempt, descended upon a German town. They were led by two men who were dressed richly and represented themselves to be a duke and count. Speaking in the language of the Germans they recited a strange tale of woe. They came, so they said, from Egypt, where they had been a prosperous people. Once they had been devoted followers of Christ, but under the persecution of Mohammedans they had renounced the crucified Lord and become followers of the Prophet. Overcome with remorse for their deed, they had journeyed from Egypt to the Pope at Rome to beg forgiveness. The Pope mercifully forgave them, but pronounced a penance upon them of seven years of penitential wandering upon the face of the earth. The hearts of the innocent Germans were touched, they extended their sympathy and permission to camp near the town. They were interested in them, and soon became more so, for we read that that evening "mysterious disappearances of poultry, eggs, silver and purses alarmed the honest burghers. They could hardly believe that these courteous penitents, seeking for holiness were also thieves. Soon all doubt was removed; but while they pondered what to do, dogs, dukes, babies and donkeys vanished in the night." In the year 1438 Europe was literally over run with the swarthy gypsies. Always they claimed to be penitents, always they lied, stole and vanished. It is doubtful whether they have any religion at all; certainly it is not Christianity.

On Friday, August 9, 1901, Sheriff J. M. Chesnut, will expose to public sale or outcry, at the court house in Brookville, the following real estate:

Property of Daniel Wayland, in Heath township, 500 acres of timber land, hardwood, hemlock and pine, 2 acres cleared land and one frame dwelling house.

Property of Solomon Shofestall and Jane Shofestall, in Warsaw township, 50 acres of land, one frame dwelling house, barn, necessary outbuildings and orchard.

Property of George Viet, in Bell township, two lots, one house and barn.

Property of Peter Felix in Clayville borough, one house and lot.

Property of William E. Charles, in Clayville borough, one house and lot.

Properties of Thomas Reynolds and Margaret Gosline, in Reynoldsville borough.

Property of Albert Hains, in Clayville borough, one house and lot.

Property of Charles Fish, in Punxsutawney borough, two lots, Mahoning street opera house, two store rooms, offices and apartments for residence purposes.

Property of William D. Griffiths, in Clayville borough, one house and lot.

Property of Alice M. Smith, in Clayville borough, one house and lot.

Property of Hannah H. Chambers, in Big Run one house and lot.

Pan-American Exposition Excursion. From Reynoldsville, Pa., as shown in summer excursion book, copy in each station, the following rates and dates are given to Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo over the Pennsylvania railroad:

Rate of 7 day ticket \$4.85  
Rate of 15 day ticket 6.50  
Rate of season ticket 7.90

Passengers will leave Reynoldsville, Pennsylvania railroad station, at 12:52 p. m., arriving in Buffalo same afternoon at 7:40. The through car service is train 15 via P. & E. Division.

Pullman Parlor Car Philadelphia to Buffalo; Pullman Parlor Car Washington to Buffalo; Penna. R. R. Dining Car Washington to Buffalo; Passenger Coach Philadelphia to Buffalo.

M. J. FARRELL, Agt.  
B. P. O. E. Reception. The Elks of this place have set two days for the formal opening of their new lodge rooms in the Kurtz building, and on August 29 a public reception, to which invitations will be issued, will be held. This is to give people not members of that lodge an opportunity of inspecting the rooms. The rooms are considered to be the finest in Western Pennsylvania. They are furnished with about \$3,000 worth of furniture, carpets and draperies, about \$2,000 worth of this being new. The rooms have been decorated by professional decorators from Pittsburgh, and are complete in every respect. On the evening of the 21st of August, following the public reception, the rooms will be formally opened for lodge purposes, and only members of the Elks will be invited.—Punxsutawney News.

A Poor Millionaire. Lately starred in London because he could not digest his food. Early use of Dr. King's New Life Pills would have saved him. They strengthen the stomach, aid digestion, promote assimilation, improve appetite. Price 25c. Money back if not satisfied. Sold by H. Alex Stoke, druggist.

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Paint Your Buggy for 75c. With Devoe's Gloss Carriage Paint. It weighs 3 to 8 ozs. more to the pint than others, wears longer; and gives a gloss equal to new work. Sold by H. A. Stoke.

Caution Notice. I hereby caution all persons not to buy any produce, or anything off my farm without my consent. JAS. R. GROVES.

About the middle of August Dr. B. E. Hoover, dentist, will move into his new building next to postoffice.

We have the only shirt waist in town. Scott McClelland.

A child shoe that is all solid leather for 50c. sizes 9 to 8. Robinsons.

Big shoes and little shoes at Johnston & Nolan's at a reduced price.

The only place to get silk underwear is at McClelland's.

If beauty is only skin deep; use Clydesdale Ointment to cure a rough skin and pimples—expose the beauty that lies underneath. Sold at druggists, 25c.

Snake in His Mouth. The West Branch Valley railroad has furnished many snake stories this summer, but the boss snake yarn comes from the Dismal Swamp, 12 miles from Karthaus. The outcome was the death of Grant Wilkins, a negro about 35 years old.

Wilkins was in the swamp seeking shingle timber. Becoming tired and hungry it is supposed, he sat down by a big juniper tree to take his midday meal and fell asleep. When found Wilkins was dead, and his limbs gave evidence of convulsions. By his side was a beer bottle and sardine box. A 3-foot section of a live black snake was hanging from the dead man's mouth. Half as much more was inside. It was a hard pull for two men to extract the reptile, which was killed with a club.

It is supposed that Wilkins slept with his mouth open and the snake crawled in to investigate the hole. Another theory is that it was attracted by the sardines. Wilkins died from suffocation.—DuBois Express.

The Coal Trade. Inactivity still characterizes the bituminous trade. On the part of consumers who usually contract ahead there is little disposition to do so, preferring to buy from hand to mouth. Some very low offerings of coal are being made, and of very fair grades at that. Tide-water business is still dull. The receipt of coal at New England ports appears to be much as usual for the season, but much of the coal is for railroad use. The demand for factory use is very limited. As before noted in this correspondence, Georges Creek and New River coals are being given the preference. In spite of the slowness, however, there is a buoyant feeling, and there is a general expectation of good business later in the year.—Coal Trade Journal.

It Dazzles the World. No discovery in medicine has ever created one-quarter of the excitement that has been caused by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. It's severest tests have been on hopeless victims of Consumption, Pneumonia, Hemorrhage, Pleurisy and Bronchitis, thousands of whom it has restored to perfect health. For Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Croup, Hay Fever, Hoarseness and Whooping cough it is the quickest, surest cure in the world. It is sold by H. Alex Stoke who guarantee satisfaction or refund the money. Large bottles 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

Witnesses Have Rights. The New York supreme court in setting aside a verdict obtained in a rather sensational trial of a suit against a member of the Gould family, has put on record a sentence that deserves to be famous. It is to the effect that even witnesses in the courts have certain rights of privacy in confidential matters which lawyers are bound to respect; and that when a witness is examined as to former escapades which have nothing to do with the case a verdict obtained by such methods may be vitiated by the higher courts. This declaration against the needless bullying and insults directed by cross-examiners against witnesses will be received with profound admiration and approved by the general public. If courts generally will act upon it by protecting witnesses from gratuitous and unnecessary blackguardism much good will result.

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We have added to our store immense shipments of the latest styles of furniture.

Nice GO-CARTS from \$7.00 to \$20.  
IRON BEDS from \$3.50 to \$17.00.  
Latest improved gas and steel ranges.  
Bed Room Suites from \$18 to \$48

We have the stock to satisfy every desire for carpet beauty.

INGRAIN Carpet from 15c to 70c.  
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The price of these goods cannot be discounted when the quality is considered.

No extra charge for lining and laying Brussels Carpet.

Don't buy your carpets until you see our carpets.

J. R. HILLIS.

CARPETS IN STOCK.

2500 yards Ingrains, 15 to 65c. per yard.  
1500 yards Tapestry Brussels, 50 to 80c. per yard.  
1500 yards Wilton Velvets, 75 to \$1.00 per yd.  
Also Body Brussels and Axminster to suit.

ART SQUARES, LACE CURTAINS, PORTIERES.

Linoleum 2 yards wide, 37½ cents per sq. yard.  
Table Oil Cloth, only \$1.55 per bolt.

Handsome China and Porcelain Dinner sets,  
Beautiful Reclining Go-Carts for baby,  
Coal and Gas Ranges, Hot Plates and Ovens,  
Bed Room and Parlor Suites.

ANYTHING NEEDED IN YOUR HOUSE.

C. R. HALL.

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Where there's everything that people wear and most things people buy.

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25 cent goods for 19 cents.  
50 cent Men's Balbriggan Shirts, 42½ cts.  
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Greatest Bargains You Ever Bought.

Fine Clay Worsted Suits, \$8 to \$10, for \$5.00 and \$6.25. Fine Clay Worsteds, \$10 and \$12, for \$8.25. Best Clay Worsteds, \$12 to \$15, for 9.50. Child's Suit, 75 cts; other houses would ask you \$1.50 for same goods.