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Did you ever hear the chronic croaker who takes pleasure in predicting that the town is going to the dogs? He will tell you how the seeming prosperity is all a hollow sham; that the town is worse now than it ever was before; that all who invest their money in it are blind to facts as appalling as they are plain. Years ago Philadelphia was a village about the size of Reynoldsville. To it there came a young man, Benjamin Franklin, who after a residence of a few years invested his hard earned cash in a small business enterprise in the town. A day or two after doing so he by chance met one of those calamity prophets who scared Franklin badly by pointing out to him his foolishness in investing money in a town doomed to failure. Philadelphia, he said, was the worst place on earth to expect success. Franklin says that for the time he was so thoroughly discouraged that had he been able to get his money back he would never have settled in Philadelphia. "But," he continues, "I lived to see the day when this croaker had to pay twice as much for a lot he bought as he would have had to if he had bought it when he was talking failure." Every town has them. The prosperity of a town is much a matter of confidence between the citizens. When money is freely invested prosperity will come regardless of past conditions. Thirty years ago Reynoldsville showed few signs of ever becoming a large town. A lot on the corner of Main and Fifth streets was traded off by David Reynolds for a violin. A year ago the same lot, with an old wooden building upon it, was sold for \$1,000. Yet some said the price was enormous and based on a false estimate of the town's future. It is to be noted that regardless of calamity howling the town does grow and will grow and the man who invests his money gets the profit while the croaker has the satisfaction of enjoying the increase in prosperity which he does nothing to secure.

In the long ago there lived a monarch known to the world as Saladin. By power of genius and sword he spread his dominion far and wide inasmuch that he became probably the greatest ruler of his time. With riches and honor, and all he could wish, he came at last to death. And then the vanity of it all came to him. He commanded that after his death they should take his shirt, mount it high on a pole, and carry it through the camp exposed to the view of the soldiers who had gained him his glory, proclaiming as they went that of all the riches and the glory he had got, this shirt was all that Saladin the Mighty could take with him to the grave.

So have men, humble and mighty, in all ages and climes spent their lives working day and night. In a recent magazine article a prominent author endeavors to prove that under the new vast systems or trusts, it is possible to reduce the average working day to four hours, and yet have the same comparative results as now in money earning capacity. This seems like a dream. Maybe it is; but more likely it is not. We get into the habit of believing that that which is must be. The Reynoldsville storekeepers formerly thought it necessary for the convenience of the public to keep open their stores until 9:30 or 10:00 o'clock each night. Now 8:00 p. m. is considered a good hour. Some suggested that the stores close at 6:00 p. m., thus bringing the working hours of clerks down to the average of other labor. But the wise ones shook their heads and said it could not be. For the convenience of the public they must open after supper. Yet the 6:00 o'clock closing does work in several towns in this section. The public can accommodate itself to many things with just as much ease as they followed the old way. Why then will people persist in laying upon themselves burdens both unnecessary and of no profit? It is the same in other professions. The working hours can and will some day be brought down to a space considered incredible now. It is not life to sleep, work and eat the year out. There is and should be plenty of time for leisure and the pursuit of private employments, would the people but insist upon the change. For with all the work and racing after riches there will come at last to all the fate of Saladin—a home in the clay and a paltry shirt of all his life's labors.

Children's suits from 50c to \$1.50 at McClelland's.  
Walk over shoes the very best made. Try a pair. Robinson's.  
If you want a nice shoe cheap, call at Johnston & Nolan's shoe store.

Poetic Justice.

A Jerseyman who went out for a pleasure drive with his sweetheart not long ago received a needed though rather severe lesson on the necessity of being humane to animals in this day and generation. It was a very hot day, and when the drive was about half over the horse became balky. The driver thereupon lost his temper and gave the animal an unmerciful beating. Then the trouble began. A constable saw him and promptly arrested him for cruelty to animals. He was unable to pay the money, and his companion settled the business for him. Then she went home and wrote him a note and this is what it said:

"When a man will so brutally beat a horse and so easily lose his temper, a woman marrying him would take the chance of the same treatment." And in the rest of the note released him from the engagement.

Most people will be of the opinion that the young lady in question did exactly what was right, and that she was fortunate in discovering the disposition of her fiancé before, instead of after, marriage. Insensibility to the pain of another is not a trait which is particularly desirable in either a husband or a wife. While, of course, it is not to be inferred that every man who will beat his horse will also beat his wife, cruelty to animals so vitates the moral nature that those perceptions upon which a sense of justice depends are blunted. The intimacy of marriage is so close that happiness can only exist where there is mutual forbearance together with a certain sensitiveness to the feelings of others. The man who does not possess this sensitiveness may not be actually cruel to either wife or children, so far as physical mal-treatment is concerned, but he will say and do things which are quite as brutal as a blow with a whip would be. There are a dozen considerations which are likely to restrain him from wife-beating—the opinion of his neighbors, custom, fear that his wife may invoke the law, fear of retaliation by her relatives, or merely the fact that it is not usual for American husbands to express their sentiments in that way. But if his nature is essentially cruel he will find ways to torture those dependent upon which are worse than any physical pain. The true test of a man's character is not to be found in his actions when he is restrained by public sentiment or fear of consequences. He is his real self when he is free to act, to indulge meanness, or passion, or cruelty, toward some creature which cannot retaliate and has no means of defence. The Jerseyman who is the unenviable hero of the incident above recorded was subjected to the test, and apparently he failed. He may have had an idea that by his lack of consideration for his horse he was showing a manly and stern strength of character which would impress the girl in the seat beside him. Some men have an idea that women rather admire those who are capable of cruelty. These men are trying to fit sixteenth century ideas into twentieth century civilization. It cannot be done. It is true that women admire a brave man, and often the man in question is a soldier or a hunter, but there is a very fine distinction between the brave man and the man who is ever ready to inflict pain. What the modern girl sees to admire in the soldier is not his willingness to shoot other men, but his readiness to be shot himself; not his murderous impulses, but his sacrifice of personal safety. The kind of woman who would like a man better after seeing him act cruelly toward a helpless animal is not fit for a civilized country.

Reduced Rates to DuBois.

On account of the Convention of the Volunteer Firemen's Association, Middle District, at DuBois, August 7 and 8, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets to DuBois from Williamsport, Erie, and Intermediate stations on the Philadelphia and Erie Railroad Division and branches; also from all stations on the Buffalo and Allegheny Valley Division in the State of Pennsylvania, at rate of one fare for the round trip (minimum rate, 25 cents). These tickets will be sold and good going on August 6, 7, and 8, and good to return until August 9, inclusive.

For Sale.

Cow peas, McCormick binders, mowers and rakes, Keystone weeders, Crown drills, horses, cows and general merchandise. J. C. KING & CO.

A Reynoldsville Woman Asks

"Have you a floor paint that will last two weeks?" Yes we have Devco's; it has a beautiful gloss and will wear two years if properly applied. H. A. Stokke.

Watch the bargain counter at Johnston & Nolan's.

Straw hats in all the latest things is at McClelland's.

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

Mitchell, the ladies tailor.

Come and see the bargain counter of shoes at Johnston & Nolan's.

Boys' crash and linen suits at McClelland's.

Blue shoes for children at Robinson's.

The greatest line of 50c shirts at McClelland's.

Good fit and good shoes at the lowest possible price at Johnston & Nolan's.

Reynoldsville, Pa., July 30, 1901.

To whom it may concern.  
The West Reynoldsville Board of Health's attention having been called to the great number of cess pools now in use, and the great number under construction, thereby endangering the public health, by the contamination of water in springs and wells, the water of which is used for domestic purposes, unanimously passed the following regulation, for the better preservation of the public health.

Resolved.—That on and after the 30th day of July, 1901, no cess pool shall be constructed, nor any well shall be used for a cess pool, within a distance of two hundred (200) feet of any well or spring, the water of which is used for domestic purposes, unless said cess pool or well is properly walled up and cemented and made perfectly water tight.

If complaint shall be made to the proper authorities, and it shall be conclusively shown that any well used for cess pool purposes, or any cess pool built and in use prior to July 30th, 1901, is contaminating, or likely to contaminate the water of any well or spring, the water of which is used for domestic purposes, the said cess pool must be immediately abandoned, and owner of said cess pool must have same properly cleaned and disinfected, unless said cess pool is properly walled up and cemented and made perfectly water tight.

Any person or persons violating the provisions of this regulation, shall upon conviction thereof before the Burgess or any Justice of the Peace of the county, forfeit and pay a fine, for the use of the Borough, of not less than \$10.00 or more than \$100.00, the same to be collected as similar debts are by law collected.

L. T. WILLIAMS, President of Board of Health.  
F. J. AUSTIN, Health Officer.  
G. G. WILLIAMS, Secretary of Board of Health.  
S. O. WELLS, Member of Board of Health.  
D. B. STAUFFER, Member of Board of Health.

Approved:  
WM. M. BURGESS, Burgess,  
West Reynoldsville Borough.

Patronize Home Industry.

"Patronize home industry" is a good rule for every merchant to follow as religiously as circumstances will permit. Buy nothing outside that you can purchase just as well in your town. If all followed this course would it not make a marked improvement in local business? Encourage the practice of buying at home by following it yourself. Don't order your groceries from New York to save a few dollars and then grumble because Groceriesman Jones, whom you have ignored, buys his dry goods from a Chicago mail-order house instead of patronizing you. And don't go to your local newspaper editor to urge him to "roast" your neighbor for buying goods out of town and then send an order for statements and envelopes to some Cheap John mail-order printer.

Letter to John Howlett,

Reynoldsville, Pa.  
Dear Sir: You give full weight of good coal.

So do we—231 inches to a gallon of paint that lasts twice as long as old-fashion painter's paint, lead and oil; and allow our agent to sell it on this guarantee:  
"If you have any trouble with this paint, either now in putting it on, or hereafter in the wear, tell your dealer about it."

"We authorize him to do what is right at our expense."  
We know a dealer in coal, who delivered his coal with a public weigher's ticket (full weight) invited complaints, and actually exchanged the coal when complaint was made. He had half the business; a dozen firms had the other half.

We are 146 years old, but not too old to sell paint as that dealer sold coal. We like to pay damages—when there are any.

Yours truly,

F. W. DEVCO & CO.  
P. S.—H. Alex Stoke sells our paint in your section.

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 - 7.80

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 Washington to Buffalo; Passenger Coach Philadelphia to Buffalo.  
M. J. FARRELL, Agt.

No Gloss Carriage Paint Made

Will wear as long as Devco's. No others are as heavy bodied, because Devco's weighs 3 to 8 ounces more to the pint. Sold by H. A. Stokke.

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

We are cutting our stock down and will for the next thirty days sell a lot of shoes below cost. Johnston & Nolan.

A fit for every foot a fit for every purse at Robinson's.

Are you going to the Pan-American? If so we have the greatest line of trunks, grips and telescopes in town. Scott McClelland.

Emerickville.

There were some parties of this place out for huckleberries last week and came back with 60 quarts of berries.

Two weeks ago we mentioned Eli Haines' illness. Since then he has improved very much, and we were glad to see him at church on Sunday. Mr. Haines is still very weak.

W. W. Fales, with his mother, Emeline Fales, and sister, Mrs. Kunselman, of Pittsburg, drove to Fisher, Clarion county, where they expect to visit friends.

Wm. Moore and wife, of this place, went to DuBois on Saturday to visit their daughter, Mrs. Baughman, and attend the Firemen's Convention.

Mrs. J. T. Hoover, of DuBois, visited friends in this place the latter part of last week, returning home Saturday.

Mrs. Peter Baum, of this place, visited friends in Reynoldsville.

Charlie Martz, of DuBois, formerly of this place, came down on his wheel to spend Sunday with his parents, John Martz and wife.

Mrs. Adam Mohney is very ill at this writing.

Mrs. Susannah Murphy visited her granddaughter, Mrs. Wheeler, in Reynoldsville last week.

Soft Coal Market.

Coal Trade Journal.  
The bituminous trade is working up into a more satisfactory condition as the year advances. There is little difficulty in finding purchasers for the better grades and at good prices. There is not much of a market, for the shippers of these are not receiving any too much encouragement or facilities to run the stuff in the market.

There is one condition in the trade that may be alluded to. That is the increasing demand for the choice grades. The dealer has found that in the long run it pays him to buy the best grades of coal, for he has learned that the consumer has acquired an uncomfortable fashion of keeping tab on the result obtained from this fuel and is no longer to be fooled into paying for one grade and accepting another. This is true of the little householder as well as the carload buyer, and the dealer and shipper finds it now to his advantage to get his customer the quality he wants and no longer try to pass off on him coal that is not the grade but "just as good." From being a passive agent in the hands of his dealer the customer has evolved into a discriminating connoisseur who can distinguish between coals and will have what he bargains for and no other.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses were issued the past week by John D. Evans, Clerk of Courts of Jefferson county:

J. E. Hilliard, of Clarion county, and Margaret Baughman, of Beaver township.

Vinego Avenue and Rosinna Alue, both of Walston.

G. A. Boyer, of Beaver township, and Annie E. Ames, of Sprankles Mills.

Thos. Mykoskie and Sophia Daleski, both of DeLaney.

James Staneck, of Brockwayville, and Julia Maeks, of Crenshaw.

Brinshof Mykoskie and Rose Daleski, both of Delaney.

"Sweet Revenge," a thrilling romance of the civil war, begins in this issue of THE STAR.

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. Robinson's.

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

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

Ultra shoes fit for a queen price 3.50 Robinson's.

A Daylight Attack



I SHOT MY MAN THROUGH THE HEART.

This is one of the thrilling situations in our new story

Sweet Revenge

By Captain F. A. Mitchell

WE WILL OPEN OUR BASEMENT DEPARTMENT NEXT WEEK.

Bargains Now in All Departments.

The Furniture Occasion of the Year.

Don't Miss this Carpet Opportunity.

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. BRUSSELS from 50c to \$1.50.

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 Suits.

ANYTHING NEEDED IN YOUR HOUSE.

C. R. HALL.

N. HANAU.

Summer Bargain Sale

I WANT TO CLEAR OUT ALL SUMMER GOODS.

Dimities, 8 and 10 cents,	5 cents.
Dimities, 12½ cents,	8 cents.
Dimities, 15 cents,	10 cents.
Challies,	4 cents.
Organdies, 25 cents,	15 cents.
Indigo Blue Prints,	4 cents.
50 cent Ladies' Shirt Waist,	25 cents.
75 cent Ladies' Shirt Waist,	50 cents.
\$1.00 Ladies' Shirt Waists,	50 cents.
\$1.25 Ladies' Shirt Waists,	75 cents.
\$1.50 Ladies' Shirt Waists,	95 cents.
\$1.75 Ladies' Shirt Waists,	\$1.00.
50 cent Ladies' Corsets,	40 cents.

MEN'S SUMMER UNDERWEAR.

25 cent goods for 19 cents.  
50 cent Men's Balbriggan Shirts, 42½ cts.  
50 cent Men's Balbriggan Drawers, 42½ cts.

CLOTHING.

Greatest Bargains You Ever Bought.

Fine Clay Worsteds 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.

Bing-Stoke Company Department Stores.

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