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## OPENING GUNS FOR THE MARCH SELLING.

The first dip at March values, but only a small hint of the attractions—just a little inkling of the pleasant surprises we've made ready. A good thing about all our new purchases is that in each offering the "worth-the-money" feature is apparent, and in every case when value is considered means good and economical buying for you.

### Just a Few

Overcoats left—they are yours now at a saving of 35 per cent. Just a few Ladies' Wraps left, all good styles but broken lots and sizes—yours at a saving of 35 per cent. Just a few Furs, Collars and Collarettes left—yours at a saving of 35 per cent. Just a few Blankets and Comfortables left—they are yours at a saving of 35 per cent.

### New Goods Coming in Daily

For the Dry Goods and Notion Departments, for the Clothing, Hat, Cap and Furnishing Departments, for the Shoe Department, for the Basement Department. Our sale of White Goods, Muslin Underwear, Gowns, Skirts, Corset Waists, Embroideries, Laces has been a wonderful success. We keep the stock replenished with new goods each week. You are sure of always finding just what you want. Be wise and trade at—

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MAIN AND FIFTH STREETS.

### THE NEWS OF NEARBY TOWNS.

Reported by The Star's Special Correspondents.

#### Sandy Valley.

Few, if any, of our present settlers realize as they travel the road from Sandy Valley to Reynoldsville that they are passing over historic ground. Just eighty-eight years ago this month Major William McClelland marched within thirty rods of our village with an army of two hundred and thirty-two men on their way from near Carlisle to Erie. They camped over night at Nathol and we presume they ate dinner near Sandy Valley, as the roads are usually bad in the month of March, they would travel pretty slow. There are still some plain landmarks to show the route they traveled.

A young man in town would like to know whether blue jays catch mice? He saw a blue jay fly through the air the other day carrying a mouse. He says he don't know whether the blue jay had the mouse, or the mouse had the blue jay.

A gentleman in our town wrote a letter the other day and when asked to read it to the crowd, he studied it for some time then gave it up in despair. The poor man could not read his own writing.

The pie social held in the church Wednesday evening for the benefit of the Epworth League was a financial success. Fourteen Dollars was cleared.

Had Sandy Lick creek continued to rise a few feet more Prince Henry's yacht would have easily navigated in Bonner's meadows.

E. L. Cox, of Floyd, Venango Co., who visited friends in the Valley for a week, returned home Friday morning.

The father of our townsman, John Cribbs, is visiting in this place. The old gentleman is 86 years old.

Misses Sadie Brown and Clara Cribbs visited in Falls Creek over Sunday.

The high water caused the miners to stay away from work Saturday.

How are you Clarion? Did you have your photo taken yet?

William Brown, of this place, Sunday in Falls Creek.

Charles McGee came home from Eleanora last week.

#### Wishaw.

R. M. Secrist, who has been working at DuBois, is off on a ten days vacation. He visited friends at this place last week. He started for Pittsburg on Thursday to spend a few days at that place.

#### Emerickville.

Jerry Mowery, of this place, took a sled load of ladies to DuBois on Tuesday of last week, consisting of Mrs. B. R. Raymer, Mrs. C. K. Mohney, Mrs. F. Snyder, Mrs. G. M. London, Mrs. Salome Mowery and daughter, Alice.

Emery Keys and wife, of Pittsburg, are visiting the former's parents, John Keys and wife, in this place.

C. C. Fuller, who has been at Erie the past three months, returned to this place last week.

Peter Baum, whom we had reported on the sick list last week, is able to be about again.

Miss Nettie Glen and Walter Cable are visiting friends at Brockwayville.

Miss Dora McMinn, of Brockwayville, is visiting at the home of John Cable.

Our supervisor, David Dinger, is very busy opening the drifted roads.

H. G. Schugars is very much pleased over the arrival of a new boy.

#### Narrow Escape From Drowning.

Harry, six-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Wilson, of Sykesville, came very nearly being drowned last Friday at Sykesville. Harry, in company with another little boy of about his own age, was playing along Sugar Camp Run, which flows past the coal company's works and empties into Stump creek near Hotel Sykes, when Harry tumbled into the run, which, on account of the recent rains and melting snow, had been transformed from a placid stream to a raging torrent. Harry's little playmate started towards town to give the alarm, but the swift current bore Harry along so fast that he was carried through town before his playmate got there. He had gone through under railroad bridge near Palace Restaurant, under Main street bridge below hotel when his clothing caught on wire fence that is stretched across the run below the railroad bridge. Some men, who were nearby, pulled the boy out, Dr. Heighnigh, of Troutville, and Dr. Wood, of Sykesville, happened to be near where the boy was taken out of water and they both began to work with him, and after ten minutes of hard work succeeded in resuscitating the lad, who was apparently dead when taken out of water. It was a close call for Harry. Had he remained in the water a minute longer he could not have been resuscitated. The distance he was carried along in the mad waters was over one thousand feet, and he was under the water most of the time.—From our regular Sykesville correspondent.

#### Patronize Your Home Merchants.

The following from an exchange is worth thinking about: "Who sympathized with you when your little girl was sick the other day? Was it your home merchant or was it Sears, Roebuck & Co? When you were raising money to buy a site for a new industry for your town, who contributed the most generously to the enterprise, John Wannamaker or your home merchant? Who carried you last winter when you were out of a job and had no money? Was it Montgomery, Ward & Co., or was it your home merchant? When you want to raise money for the church or some needy person do you write to the 'Fair' store in Chicago or do you go to your home merchant? How much does Siegle, Cooper & Co. give toward keeping up the sidewalks of the town or paying the minister's salary? When you were sick how many nights did Hibbard, Spencer & Barrett sit up with you? When your loved one was buried was it Marshall Field & Co. who dropped a tear of sympathy and uttered a cheering word, or was it your home merchant?"

#### School Report.

Monthly report of Baum school for fifth month ending February 21st, 1902: Number of pupils enrolled, males 25, females, 28; total 53; average attendance during month, males 20, females 22; total 42; percent of attendance, males 90, females 90; total 90. Those present every day were Beulah Dinger, Clara Schaffer, Lula Schaffer, Genevieve Schugars, Sadie Minich, Norman Schugars, Frank Schugars, Foster Zimmerman, Theodore Mowrey and James Minich. The directors and patrons are cordially invited to visit the school.  
IDA M. HUTCHISON, Teacher.

#### Letter List.

List of unclaimed letters remaining in the postoffice at Reynoldsville, Pa., week ending March 1, 1902:  
Mrs. Barney Shannon, Jackey Tates, Charles Lewis, Mrs. Annie M. Jones, Miss Maggie Cathers, E. G. Bentley, Miss Mable Smith, May J. Wapner, George Wolf, Miss Nora Miller. Foreign—Jacob Langewicz, Jorhamm Toft, Joseph Lepka.  
Say advertised and give date of list when calling for above.  
A. M. WOODWARD, P. M.

The Democratic party is looking around for a good man to nominate for Assembly. Squire Samuel States, ex-county commissioner, has been mentioned as a possible candidate. Several other names have been mentioned, among them Dr. Chas. G. Ernst and McKean Harl, but outside of bare rumors nothing definite has been declared, except that a candidate is wanted from this end of the county.—Punxsutawney News.

We are offering bargains in merchandise, reducing our stock, and will rent our rooms, as I am on the road selling McCormick machinery and can't run a store at the same time. We have several horses to dispose of and wagons and harness. At the new chop mill below company store you will find all kinds of feed.  
M. C. COLEMAN.

Patapsoo. Patapsoo.  
Priestor Bros. are selling heating stoves at a big reduction.

#### Transactions in Real Estate.

James McGee to Anna Means, for lot in McCalmont township. \$61.25; April 6, 1900.  
Ira C. Fuller to L. L. Reitz, for land in Pinecreek township. \$160; June 25, 1901.  
Carrie M. C. Stahlman to the Punxsutawney Street Passenger Railway Co., for land in McCalmont township. \$80; December 24, 1901.  
Daniel Zimmerman to the Punxsutawney Street Passenger Railway Co., for land in McCalmont township. \$100; December 28, 1901.  
Cassie A. B. Hollenbaugh to The Punxsutawney Street Passenger Railway Co., for land in McCalmont township. \$5; December 21, 1901.  
John C. Dillman to Minnie E. Dillman, for property in Winslow township. \$400; December 3, 1901.  
Catharine Wolf to T. J. Jones, for property in Knoxdale. \$350; February 3, 1902.  
T. J. Jones to Catharine Wolf, for land in Knox township. \$650; February 3, 1902.  
J. M. Chesnut, Sheriff, to Reynoldsville Building and Loan Association, for property in Reynoldsville. \$50; January 10, 1902.  
J. M. Chesnut, Sheriff, to Reynoldsville Building and Loan Association, for property in Reynoldsville. \$50; January 11, 1902.  
J. M. Chesnut, Sheriff, to Reynoldsville Building and Loan Association, for property in Reynoldsville. \$100; January 10, 1902.

#### Is There a God or no God?

The famous Bob Ingersoll says there is no God, no heaven, no hell. It was very smart and cunning, and it required a most able man to refute his assertions. Rev. Lambert, however, completely vanquished him. The book containing the arguments of these two great men is being sold in town, and costs only 35 cents. Folks who are reading it say nothing so grand ever came to Reynoldsville. Call at the Belnap Hotel and the Agent will sell you a copy. This is your last chance to get this great book that is making so much talk all through the State, and only a trifle. If you want to find out for sure whether there is a God or no God buy this book and read it.—11

#### "The Little Blue Book."

The February number contains the latest revised time tables of all the railroads in the state. It is corrected and issued monthly. It is indispensable to people who travel or as a book of reference. It is the most accurate guide published. Sent postpaid at \$1.00 per year. Single copies by mail 10c. Address, W. P. HASTINGS, Milton, Pa.

#### "Gentle Reminder"

We are sending a lot of gentle reminders this week to delinquent subscribers to the Advocate and hope they will take pleasure in remitting the amount due us, as we need the stuff in our business. It takes money to run a newspaper and lots of it, and we can't afford to wait from June till eternity for our pay.—Ridgway Advocate.

Newspapers are not grindstones. If you have an ax to grind don't trot up to a newspaper office and expect it to be the grindstone, motive power and all. Newspapers are not the medium in which to settle personal grievances. If you have a suggestion for the public good, the newspapers will receive it gladly. If you have something to say on public questions that is worth while saying, you will not need to resort to unsigned communications to give it publicity. If you are afraid to stand up for your own convictions, either abandon them or cultivate more backbone. The columns of a newspaper are always open to discussions of public affairs when the discussions are free from personal venom.—Clarion Republican.

The canning factory promoter is getting in his work all over the country. A few years ago he promoted creameries, which paid big money to only the promoter, very few of the creameries running very long on account of the lack of cream; the promoter having taken all the "cream" with him when he left for other green fields and pastures new. Like the creameries, the canneries are all right as long as they run and have a market for the products, and they can only be run when the produce raisers have sufficient fruits and vegetables to supply the factory.—Punxsutawney News.

Revenge is a sentiment that cannot enter the breast of a good man. It is narrow and snakelike. It is inherited from the tiger. A rightly constituted man knows that every wrong act brings inevitably its own punishment, and if he could look into the hearts of those upon whom he seeks to inflict pain, he would see sorrow and worries and perplexities enough to transform his hate into pity.—East Brady Review.

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**DO YOUR EYES TIRE?**

I will visit the IMPERIAL HOTEL, Reynoldsville, March 13, 1902 and AMERICAN HOUSE, BROOKVILLE, MARCH 14 AND 15.

**G. C. GIBSON, Optician.**

**REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF REYNOLDSVILLE**

at Reynoldsville, in the State of Pennsylvania, at the close of business Feb. 25, 1902.

RESOURCES:

Loans and discounts	\$176,006 67
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	66 71
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	25,000 00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	1,000 00
Stocks, securities, etc.	7,500 00
Banking house, furniture, fixtures	2,662 50
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)	18,002 17
Due from approved reserve agents	112,979 97
Internal Revenue stamps	71 28
Checks and other cash items	4,212 01
Notes of other National Banks	3,348 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	210 65
Lafayette money reserve in bank, viz: specie	\$15,824 45
Legal-tender notes	\$15,440 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation)	1,750 00
Total	\$391,305 90

LIABILITIES:

Capital stock paid in	\$50,000 00
Surplus fund	20,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	7,510 82
National Bank notes outstanding	30,500 00
Individual deposits subject to check	\$51,498 41
Time certificates of deposit	27,033 26
Cashier's checks outstanding	261 41
Total	\$391,305 90

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 2nd day of March, 1902.  
ALBERT REYNOLDS, Notary Public.  
CORRECT—Attest:  
J. H. CORBETT, J. C. KIRBY, Directors.  
C. MICHELL.