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Suicide, most melancholy of deaths, is becoming more prevalent every year. Statistics show an increase even in the United States and in the more crowded cities of Europe the number of self-destructors is appalling.

In a recent debate before the House of Representatives on the real value of government distribution of seeds, one congressman read a letter from a rural constituent who requested some seed and also suggested that he needed a pair of pants and an overcoat very badly. He seemed under the impression that his generous Uncle Sam would supply about anything asked for.

It is customary to think of Japan as a new and therefore uncultured nation, from the fact of its recent entrance into modern affairs. But if statistics count for anything Japan is on a higher plane of literary culture than either the United States or England. The best indication of this is the fact that last year more books were issued from the presses of Japan than from either of the English speaking countries. More surprising still is the fact that even Russia exceeded the United States last year in number of books produced.

It is somewhat embarrassing to the government that just about the time when everything was ready to lay a fatherly hand on rebellious little Santo Domingo, the islanders of Puerto Rico, whom we "benevolently assimilated" some years ago, should make a formal demand to be recognized as citizens of the United States or given independence. It is improbable that she will get either, and that will not serve to increase the affection between our colonies and the central government. To acquire foreign possessions requires only men and guns and the opportunity, but to govern them in peace requires statesmanship of a high order.

Negotiations are now under way for the union of the Presbyterian and Cumberland Presbyterian churches of America, having a combined membership of over a million persons. It is one of the most promising signs of advancing refinement when men begin to forget the narrow bonds of congregational creeds and dogmas and recognize the great fact of universal brotherhood. When Ben. Franklin was a young man he meditated on a scheme for the union of all churches, creeds and beliefs in the world with a wide and tolerant general creed bound up in the golden rule—"Do unto others as you would that others should do unto you." There's not much theology or metaphysics in that rule, but its practice would do more to reform the world than a thousand years of creed.

"A Triumph Scored."

It was a splendid audience which greeted the Students' Concert Company of the Ithaca Conservatory of Music and at the close of the evening's entertainment it was a highly delighted and satisfied people who departed for their homes. Too much cannot be said in praise of each member of the company. The effect of each number was the same—a triumph scored—and the spontaneous applause, which inevitably followed, made a second appearance necessary.—Ashtabula (Ohio) Daily Record. At Centennial hall Friday evening, March 4th, under the auspices of Hope Fire Company.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to gratefully acknowledge the many acts of kindness and sympathy accorded us after the sudden death of our late husband and father, and tender sincere thanks to our neighbors and friends who so kindly assisted in the time of our affliction.

Mrs. D. W. STROUSE and Children.

Card of Thanks.

To the friends who so kindly assisted us and extended kind sympathy during the illness and after the death of our husband and father, and especially the Odd Fellows of Reynoldsville and Rathmel, we hereby extend our heartfelt thanks.

MRS. JOS. BATESON AND FAMILY.

Queen Quality shoes \$2.10 per pair at Nolan's.

Coats at half price at Millirens.

Boys' high cut shoes at Nolan's shoe store.

H. W. Eason & Co. will have to close out all stock between now and the 15th of April. Men clothe yourselves and boys at about half what you can any place else.

OFFICIAL RETURN

Of the Vote Cast for Assembly at the Primary Election February 16.

DISTRICTS.	ST. NORTH.	R. H. LONGWELL.
Barnett	22	22
Beaver	13	13
Bell	1	1
Big Run	13	13
Brookwayville	34	253
Brookville	172	184
Clayville	182	71
Clover	53	42
Corsica	15	12
Kidder	24	17
First	17	17
Second	18	18
Third	117	117
Falls Creek	13	13
Gaskell	33	33
Heath	18	7
Henderson	12	3
East	3	3
West	35	24
Knox	97	51
McAlmont	30	6
First	54	54
Second	154	154
Third	83	34
Oliver	306	15
Perry	14	10
Pinecreek	20	46
East	8	45
West	42	5
Porter	211	45
Punxsutawney	218	17
North	80	91
South	93	125
Reynoldsville	29	76
First	101	75
Second	14	171
Third	23	23
Union	37	10
Warsaw	24	40
East	39	44
West	9	47
Washington	30	131
East	16	31
West	18	34
West Reynoldsville	50	40
First	40	48
Second	39	19
Third	108	50
Fourth	9	8
Worthville	137	18
Young	90	63
North, First	134	2
North, Second	134	2
South	3065	2422
Totals	673	
Majority		

Public Sale.

There will be exposed to public sale on the premises of the undersigned in Winslow township on Saturday, March 12, 1904, at 10:00 a. m., the following property: Household goods, one 1000 lb bay horse 9 years old, one 1500 lb. bay horse 12 years old, one 1400 lb. bay horse 5 years old, two buggies, one canopy-top two seated buggy, two double wagons, one cutter, two pair bobbeds, one heavy double harness, one light double harness, one single harness, robes, blankets, and other things too numerous to mention.

Twenty acres of land, five houses, one barn, fish pond. Located about 3 miles from DuBois and one mile from Rathmel on the road leading to DuBois. This property must be sold as the parties are moving to North Carolina. Terms made known on day of sale. HALL LUMBER CO.

DuBois Students in a Fight.

A special from DuBois to the Pittsburg Dispatch under date of February 18, says: "A fight ensued last night at a meeting of the senior and sophomores at the city high school and several students were seriously hurt. A number of the belligerents to escape the police jumped from a second story window. One had a leg broken, another an ankle sprained and another fell on his head and received an ugly gash. No arrests."

Notice.

After this date, Wednesday, February 10, 1904, the Jefferson Traction Street Railway Company, of Punxsutawney, will refuse to carry any sick person or invalid, unless accompanied by physician, or a physician's certificate stating that the disease with which they are afflicted is not contagious. The company will also refuse to carry a corpse unless accompanied by a physician's certificate stating that the person did not die from an infectious or contagious disease. We take these measures in order to guard the public against the spread of contagious or infectious diseases. D. H. Clark, General Manager.—It

Domestic Troubles.

It is exceptional to find a family where there are no domestic ruptures occasionally, but these can be lessened by having Dr. King's New Life Pills around. Much trouble they save by their great work in Stomach and Liver troubles. They not only relieve you, but cure. 25c, at H. Alex. Stoke's Drug Store.

A special meeting of the stockholders of the Reynoldsville Clay Manufacturing Co. is called to convene at the general office of the company, King & Coleman building east Main street, Reynoldsville, Pa., on the 31st day of March, 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m. to take action on the approval or disapproval of the proposed increase of the indebtedness of the company. C. J. KERR, Sec.

Special shoe sale at Nolan's shoe store for next ten days. This is your opportunity.

Men's and boy's overcoats reduced 25 per cent. at Millirens.

Any pair of men's shoes that sold above \$2.00 reduced 50 cents per pair at Nolan's.

J. E. Mitcheil, merchant tailor, near Hotel Imperial.

Ladies' Herrick shoes reduced 50 cents per pair at Nolan's.

Death of Joseph Bateson, Sr.

Joseph Bateson, sr., died at his home in Rathmel, Pa., Feb. 19, 1904, at 10:30 p. m. after one week of illness, of pneumonia. He was born in Cumberland, England, and was 75 years and 7 months old. He came to America 52 years ago. He located in Canada, where he remained a short time, then he lived near Lake Superior, Mich., for seven years. He then moved to Barclay, Bedford Co., where he lived until 1883 when he moved to Rathmel and has since made his home there. He is survived by his widow and six children: Sarah, widow of James Johnson, of DuBois, Mary, wife of W. R. Holmes, Chatham, Jos. Bateson, of Rathmel, Lizzie, wife of John Kennedy, of Canada, Anna, at home, Joshua, of Canada, and Maggie, deceased.

Mr. Bateson was a member of the Presbyterian church and belonged to the Odd Fellows. The funeral services were held in the M. E. church at Rathmel Sunday at three o'clock, conducted by Rev. A. J. Meek, after which he was laid to rest in the Prospect cemetery. He was a loving father and had many kind friends who will miss his smiling face and kind words.

Township Officers Elected.

Below we publish the list of officers elected in McAlmont, Henderson, Washington and Pinecreek townships at the election held on the 16th inst. Last week we published the list of Winslow township officers.

MCALMONT TOWNSHIP.

Supervisors, Tyson Horner and James McDonald; School Directors, Wm. Maddill and James Wood; Assessor, B. M. Straitwell; Auditor, George Falconer. Election Officers—1st precinct: Judge, W. L. North; Inspectors, J. E. Mulholland, John Smith; Register, Jacob Jewell. 2nd precinct: Judge, John Miller; Inspectors, James McKillip, G. A. Pifer; Register, Melvin Styers. 3rd precinct: Judge, Thomas Cowan; Inspectors, Chas. Mollin, E. J. Thomas; Register, C. E. Henry.

PINECREEK TOWNSHIP.

Supervisors, Daniel Burkhouse and Harrison Dempsey; School Directors, Calvin Bullers and Homer Schuckers; Auditor, W. B. Kane; Assessor, Daniel Dinger. Election Officers—East precinct: Judge, John Hatten; Inspectors, John Dinger, J. A. Dempsey; Register, John Swartz. West precinct: Judge, John Demott; Inspectors, Wm. Carberry, Herbert Lyle; Register, Frank Demott.

HENDERSON TOWNSHIP.

Supervisors, Samuel Estes and Geo. Kuntz; Justice of the Peace, Ephraim Pierce; School Directors, W. T. Pifer and Andrew Pifer; Assessor, B. W. Yohe; Auditor, Ira Reed. Election Officers. West precinct: Judge, Irvin Mohony; Inspectors, Jas. Steele, John Yohe; Register, P. M. Wells. East precinct: Judge, August Weber; Inspectors, Jacob Buchelt, Jos. Hindman; Register, J. W. Haag.

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP.

Justice of the Peace, M. D. Blakeslee; Supervisors, H. W. Snoddy and Robert Frame; School Directors, W. S. Sterrett and R. M. Sterrett; Assessor, John D. Cobb; Auditor, T. J. Sterrett; Township Clerk, Francis Morrison. Election Officers. East precinct: Judge, D. D. McKeon; Inspectors, H. G. Senler, A. W. Smith; Register, I. M. Klingsmith. North precinct: Judge, George Frame; Inspectors, Wm. McDonald and John Walton; Register, W. B. Claubaugh. West precinct: Judge, F. B. Caldwell; Inspectors, M. L. Smith and W. J. Crawford; Register, T. H. Stevenson.

If in need of an odd piece of underwear to finish season with, at Millirens 25 per cent. off.

The Empire Entertainment Company.

The Empire Entertainment Company which is booked for this place for March 18, is composed of four skilled artists. Mrs. Addie Jewell Newton is a mezzo soprano, a violinist and a guitar and banjo soloist. She possesses rare qualities as a musician and her reputation is not confined to the United States, but she has appeared on the stage in Canada and South America as an accomplished musician. Miss Theo Marie Jewell is a skilled vocalist, mandolin and guitar soloist and an accompanist of rare talent. Mr. F. Jess Newton is a master of wind instruments and a thorough musician, composer and arranger. His double-voiced trombone is marvelous. He also plays the euphonium, French horn and guitar with much skill and wonderful effect. Mr. S. Platt Jones, the impersonator, has a charming personality and as an entertainer he ranks as a star of the first magnitude. This company gives an excellent program of music interspersed with pleasing impersonations.

Resolutions.

WHEREAS, Our brother, Daniel W. Strouse, was suddenly called from time to Eternity on Friday morning, Feb. 19, 1904, we deplore the sad accident which cost his life, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we bow in humble submission to the will of God.

Resolved, That our Order has lost a good and faithful member, a wise counsellor and true friend who will be sadly missed in our meetings. We gratefully remember his faithful attendance.

Resolved, That our Order express our sincere sympathy with his wife and two children in their deep sorrow. We commend them to Him who can heal all our sorrows and bear all our burdens of life.

Resolved, That our charter be draped in mourning for thirty days, that these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the Circle, printed in THE STAR and a copy sent to the widow of our brother.

MRS. A. J. MEEK.
 MRS. D. W. ATWATER } Com.
 J. A. WELSH

There were some peculiar features connected with the death of Cyrus Pifer who was killed on a sawmill near Eleanora Thursday, February 4, mention of which was made in last week's Spirit. Although Mr. Pifer's left arm was torn off there were no marks or bruises from the shoulder to the tips of his finger to indicate the manner in which it was done. Still more inexplicable is the fact that after the accident both of his shoes were found to have been removed although the leathers remained intact as they had been tied.—Punxsutawney Spirit.

WANT COLUMN.

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WANTED—Parties looking for a guaranteed 7 per cent investment, for particulars call on G. M. McDonald.

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FOR SALE—House and lot on 12th street. A bargain. Write to A. M. Wadding, Brookville, Pa.

FOR SALE—One billiard and one pool table cheap. Call at City Hotel, Reynoldsville, Pa.

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N. HANAU

I have decided to continue my Clearance Sale through February Stock Taking. Special Bargains.

A few Henriettas which were sold at 25c, now 19c
 A few Henriettas sold at 65c, now 49c
 \$1.00 Broadcloth goes at 75c
 Just a few pieces of Table Linen which were sold at 40 cents, to go at 30c
 12 1-2 cent Percalate at 10c

White Goods.
 10 cent Lawn at 7 1-2c
 LADIES' WOOL UNDERWEAR.
 75 cent Underwear at 55c

I am selling LADIES' COATS at ONE-HALF OFF.

Ladies' and Misses' Dress Goods at former prices.
 Men's and Boy's Clothing and Overcoats at former prices.

Cotton Blankets. Men's Underwear.
 I have a few Cotton Blankets left yet which will be sold for less than manufacturer's prices.
 I have a lot of nice Ribbed 25c Shirts and Drawers I will sell at 19c.
 I have a few blue and pink striped underwear I bought to sell at 75c and 85c—you take them for 50c.

85c Blankets 65c
 \$1.25 Blankets \$1.00
 \$1.35 Blankets 1.00
 3.90 all wool blankets 3.20
 4.50 all wool blankets 3.75
 5.50 all wool blankets 4.25
 6.50 all wool blankets 5.00

\$1.25 all wool fleece lined \$1.00
 1.35 " " " 1.10
 1.00 " " " 79c
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