

**FOR THE AID OF THE JUNIORS**

**Six Valuable Historical Works Sent by State Library at Harrisburg.**

The Brookville chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, to encourage American historical research among the pupils of high schools in the county, offers annually a prize of five dollars in gold to the student in each Junior class preparing the best essay on a given subject. In the Reynoldsville high school this year the subject assigned is, "Colonial Beliefs and Customs." Tuesday morning, through the courtesy of the State Library at Harrisburg, the local school directors received six books bearing upon the subject, intended for the use of the Junior pupils in preparing their essays. The books, with their authors, are as follows:

"Home Life in Colonial Days," by Alice Morse Earle.  
 "How Our Grandfather's Lived," by Albert Bushnell Hart.  
 "Two Centuries of Customs in America," by Alice Morse Earle.  
 "Historical Pilgrimages in New England," by Edwin M. Bacon.  
 "Customs of Colonial Times," by Alice Morse Earle.  
 "American Church History—Congregationalist," by Williston Walker.

**INVESTIGATING CLAY VEINS.**

**Association Directing Operations—Many Valuable Deposits Found.**

A more thorough investigation of the various clay and shale veins in the vicinity of Reynoldsville than has ever before been made is now in progress under the direction of the executive committee of the Business Men's Association. Several tests have also been made by property owners at private expense. These beds of clay are numerous and range in thickness from three to thirty feet—comprising practically every kind needed for the manufacture of common, fire and paving brick and terra cotta as well as the purer clays demanded for the making of pottery and stone ware. The prediction has been made that at no distant date the valley of the Sandy Creek, of which Reynoldsville is the center, will become as great a clay manufacturing district as the famous East Liverpool region in Ohio. Added to the practically inexhaustible supply of material is the closeness to the great markets of the east and the low cost of operating plants, due to comparatively cheap fuel and labor.

**Funeral of Mrs. J. W. Stevenson.**

Mention was made in THE STAR last week of the death of Mrs. James W. Stevenson, which took place in New York City at 5:30 p. m. Tuesday, January 12. The body was brought to home of parents of deceased, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Davis, in this place, on the 8:08 a. m. train on the P. R. R. Thursday. Funeral services were held at the home of the parents at 1:00 p. m. Thursday, conducted by Rev. Dr. A. J. Meek, pastor of the First Baptist church of Reynoldsville, assisted by Rev. Dr. D. C. Potter, of New York City, who accompanied Mr. Stevenson here to bury his wife. Interment was made in Beechwoods cemetery. The floral tributes were profuse and beautiful.

Among the out of town relatives who attended the funeral were: Joseph Davis, of Indiana county, Dr. W. E. Bowser and wife, of Plumville, Dr. M. M. Davis, of Indiana, Dr. Stevenson, of Adrian, Pa.

**Will Continue Wholesale Business.**

Robinson & Mundorff, who have been in the grocery and wholesale flour and feed business in Reynoldsville about 14 years, have sold the grocery business to W. V. Britton, who will take charge of the grocery business February 1st, but Robinson & Mundorff will continue in the wholesale flour and feed business. They will rent the rear end of the store room they are now occupying and will conduct the wholesale business in that room, therefore, their old customers with whom they have been doing a wholesale business will find them at the building where they have been conducting business for several years.

**D. C. Gillespie Ill.**

Mrs. Mame Ginniff, of Punxsutawney, was here Monday to see her father, D. C. Gillespie, who is ill at home of his son, James W. Gillespie, on Fifth street. Mr. Gillespie is a remarkable man for one of his age, now in his 87th year. He is a brilliant man and an able public speaker, in fact could still hold the close attention of a large audience if he had bodily strength. Last fall he attended a large gathering at Clearfield, where there were several other able speakers, and the Clearfield papers gave Mr. Gillespie credit with making the best speech of the day.

**Birthday Surprise Party.**

Thomas Claubaugh, one of the old veterans of our town, was given a birthday surprise party last Friday evening. The members of Menno Council, Daughters of Pocahontas, were responsible for the party, which was a success, a very enjoyable affair. Mr. Claubaugh was the recipient of a nice present. Refreshment were served.

**EIGHTEEN MONTHS IN "PEN."**

**George Phillips Was Found Guilty of Shooting With Intent to Kill.**

George Phillips, glassworker, who shot Joe Tyler in left arm while playing cards and drinking beer near Reynoldsville on the evening of September 7, 1908, and then skipped out and was arrested at Mountaintop, Fayette Co., Pa., November 19, brought back to Reynoldsville by Chief of Police Adelsperger Nov. 21, waived a hearing and taken to the county jail at Brookville, was given a trial in the Jefferson county court last week, found guilty and was sentenced by Judge Reed to serve a term of eighteen months in the Western Penitentiary.

**Summersville Telephone Meeting.**

The annual meeting of the Summersville Telephone Co. was held in Brookville on 13th instant, at which time all the old officers of the company were re-elected. The annual report showed that 1908 had been a good year for this company, with a substantial increase over the preceding year. Considering the business depression during the past year this report was very satisfactory to the officers and stockholders present.

**Special Meetings Continued.**

The special evangelistic meetings are being continued in the Methodist and Presbyterian churches this week. Rev. John F. Black is conducting the meeting in the Methodist church and Rev. J. K. Eakins, D. D., of Punxsutawney, is assisting Rev. A. D. McKay in the Presbyterian church. Rev. G. L. Bradshaw, of West Sunbury, assisted Rev. McKay all of last week and up until Monday of this week.

**Criminal Court.**

The regular January term of criminal court was held in Brookville last week. Judge John W. Reed presiding. John C. James, of Punxsutawney, was foreman of grand jury. Solomon Burkhouse, of West Reynoldsville, and S. P. Wonderling, of Worthville, were tipstaves. There were only thirty-two cases on the list for trial when court opened and consequently there was not the usual number of witnesses and interested people in attendance at court last week.

**Sunday School Association Meeting.**

The semi-annual meeting of the Washington Township Sabbath School Association will be held in the Methodist Episcopal church at Coal Glen on Wednesday, February 17, 1909. There will be three sessions, 10:00 a. m., 1:30 p. m. and 7:30 p. m. Five or six live topics have been arranged for discussion during the day sessions, and there will be recitations, selections of music and an address in the evening by a prominent speaker.

**The Upper Brick Plant.**

Just as soon as weather will permit, the work of repairing the "upper" brick plant, recently purchased by Thomas E. Evans, will be commenced. It will require three or four weeks' time to replace part of the roof, get the kilns in condition for burning, and make necessary changes in the interior. When it is completed Mr. Evans will commence the season's run under conditions which allow more economical operation than has ever been possible before.

**Another Wholesale Establishment.**

The first of February W. W. Fales will open a wholesale flour and feed store in Reynoldsville. He will occupy the brick building near the B. R. & P. R'y freight station. It will be known as the Reynoldsville Flour and Feed Company. Mr. Fales, who has been in the employ of Robinson & Mundorff several years, has had considerable experience in this line of business. "Wallie" is an honorable and upright man and can be depended upon to give his customers fair dealing.

**The Commonwealth Ladies.**

The circular issued by the Central Lyceum Bureau says: "The Commonwealth Ladies' Orchestra, of Boston, is an unqualified success. The work of this organization rivals that of the best bands and orchestras of this and other countries. The company is composed of solo artists, selected with great care for the part they take in the exquisite ensemble. The program covers the entire field of classical, popular and standard compositions. Extensive tours for two years have demonstrated their ability beyond question, and we are now arranging for a season of thirty weeks that will cover the entire country." At Assembly Hall Tuesday evening, January 26. Third number of High School Lecture Course.

**Rubbers.**

Do you know we are selling a heavy rolled edge 12 inch leather top rubber shoe \$3.25 value for \$2.69.

**GILLESPIES.**

Robert Hillard, the great actor says: "There is nothing better than Hyomel for the relief and cure of colds, bronchial disorders, catarrh, etc." Stoke & Feicht Drug Co. guarantees Hyomel. \$1.00 a complete outfit. Cures by inhalation.

One-fourth off on Men's and Boys' Suits and Overcoats. Bing-Stoke Co.

**License Court**

License court was held in Brookville Monday with Judge John V. Reed presiding. Thirty-nine applications for retail, four brewery, two wholesale and one distiller's were granted. There was only one new application for retail license, that was John Donnelly, who has purchased the Park hotel at Eleanor from M. J. Miller. This hotel had license before and really is not a new license, only change of proprietors.

The Reynoldsville Distilling Co., which has been making application for several years, was given license this year on condition that they would observe the rule not to sell less than forty gallons to the retailer at any one time.

**New Company Swings Big Deal.**

Parrish and Campbell, of the Reynoldsville Chemical Co., closed a deal last Thursday evening whereby they sold the retail grocery business of Robinson & Mundorff of Reynoldsville to W. V. Britton, of Beechwoods, possession to be given February 1st. Mr. Britton, or "Vern," as he is called, needs no introduction to the Reynoldsville people as he has held a responsible position here for the past two or three years with J. W. Hunter & Bro. in their grist mill. Mr. Britton is a young man of good character and pleasing address, and is a hustler. We are pleased to welcome him to our town as a business man and we speak for him a very liberal patronage in his new venture. Thomas D. Hoon will clerk for Mr. Britton.

**Prosperity Continues to Grow.**

Five hundred extra men will be put to work within the next thirty days at the Butler plant of the Standard Steel Company. This was confirmed by John M. Hansen, of Pittsburgh, president of the company. Many of the workmen taken on will be of the skilled class. About 1,000 men are working at the plant now. There are prospects, it is said, of the force being increased eventually to 2,000. Some good orders have been received lately and there are excellent prospects for a steady run. Thus the wave of prosperity continues to grow.

**Meetings in Baptist Church.**

Sunday a series of evangelistic meetings were started in the First Baptist church in this place. Rev. J. H. Higby, of Phillipsburg, is assisting the pastor, Dr. A. J. Meek. The meetings will be held every night this week, and longer if the interest and attendance warrant the continuation.

**A Night Rider's Raid.**

The worst night riders are calomel, croton oil or aloes pills. They raid your bed to rob you of rest. Not so with Dr. King's New Life Pills. They never distress or inconvenience, but always cleanse the system, curing colds, headache, constipation, malaria, 25c at Stoke & Feicht Drug Co.

**Notice to Delinquents.**

Some people who are in arrears on the subscription to THE STAR made promises several months ago that have not been fulfilled yet. We must ask all subscribers over one year in arrears to make prompt payment.

**Broadcloth.**

Do you know you can buy a 56 inch black, brown, cardinal or blue broadcloth for 89c a yard at

**GILLESPIES.**

**Drying Business Solicited.**

Having purchased the drying business of George Hartman, we solicit a share of the public patronage. Prompt attention paid to all requests for hauling and carting.

**WILMER U. ELLENBERGER.**

**Stray Notice.**

Strayed on to my premises at London mines about 15th of Dec 1908, a mulley Jersey cow, one ear partly cut off and other ear split. Owner will prove property, pay costs or cow will be sold.

**JOHN PETERSON.**

The Luther League will hold a market in Humphrey's plumbing shop Saturday afternoon and evening.

**Shoes at just half price. Adam's.**

Stoke & Feicht Drug Co. says your money back if Mi-o-na doesn't cure dyspepsia, sour stomach, sick headache, belching of gas. The remedy that has cured thousands. Only 50 cents a large box.

One-fourth off on all China, Glassware and Dolls.

Home made mince meat; finest in the market. Hunter & Milliren.

Special discount on any two pair of shoes in the store. Adam's.

Clearance sale in all departments. Bing-Stoke Co.

Women's shoes for less than cost. Adam's.

Don't forget our January clearance sale. Bing-Stoke Co.

One-half off on Misses' Coats. Bing-Stoke Co.

One-fourth off on Men's Dress Pants. Bing-Stoke Co.

Special discount on shoes at Adam's.

One-fourth to one-half off on fur. Bing-Stoke Co.

**MOTHER HAS GONE.**

**Mrs. Elizabeth Stephenson Departed this Life Monday Morning, Jan. 18.**

At the home of her daughter, Mrs. John R. Elder, in DuBois, at 7:20 a. m. Monday, January 18, 1909, Mrs. Elizabeth Stephenson, mother of the editor of THE STAR departed this life after a long, but patient, illness. Her maiden name was Elizabeth Coleman. She was born near Dayton, Armstrong Co., Pa., November 14, 1834, and was 74 years, 2 months and 4 days old at time of death. She was united in marriage to Josiah A. Stephenson at Milton, Armstrong Co., Pa. May 29, 1852. Unto father and mother four sons and seven daughters were born. One brother, three sisters and father preceded mother into the Eternal Land. The surviving members of the family are: John M. Stephenson, of West Reynoldsville, S. B. Stephenson, of Pittsburgh, C. A. Stephenson, of Reynoldsville, Mrs. John R. Elder, of DuBois, Mrs. Robert W. Moffett, of Birmingham, Alabama, Mrs. Dell Ray Fowler, of Yankton, Oregon, Mrs. E. S. Vosburg, of DuBois.

Early in life mother united with the Methodist Episcopal church and was ever after a faithful and consistent christian. To us her christian life was beautiful from our earliest recollections to the end of her earthly pilgrimage, and through all the vicissitudes and sorrows that she met in the way, her faith in God never wavered.

Funeral service at the Elder residence in DuBois, at nine o'clock this morning, conducted by Rev. J. C. McDonald, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church in DuBois, who was pastor of the M. E. church in this place when father died, May 10, 1882, almost twenty-seven years ago. He conducted the funeral service of father. Dr. J. Bell Neff will assist in the service. The body will be brought to Reynoldsville on a special car on trolley line and interment will be made in the Reynoldsville cemetery. Rev. John F. Black, pastor of the Reynoldsville M. E. church, will conduct the burial service at cemetery.

"Sleep here in peace! This is the gate for thee to walk immortal: This is the entrance to the pearly portal. The pathway trod by saints and ages olden, Whose feet shall walk Jerusalem the golden. Sleep here in peace!"

Mother has left us. With broken hearts and tearful eyes two sons and two daughters stood at the bedside as the dew of death gathered on her marble brow and her gentle spirit took its flight to the Celestial City. Tenderly we smoothed the placid brow and folded the loving hands—hands that had wrought so often for us, and with gentle touch had brushed away our sorrows and troubles in childhood, and even in mature years.

It is no discredit to other loved ones to say that mother was the best friend we ever had. She it was who, with a mother's love, rejoiced with us in our victories and wept with us in our sorrows; she it was whose kiss was fraught with holy love; she it was who never tired of working for those whom she loved while she had strength so to do. Our hearts yield to her the highest tribute of praise that can be given to any woman. She was a kind and loving mother. Vain is any attempt to measure the loss of a mother. After all the poets have sung and lovers have dreamed, outside of heaven there is no love just like mother-love.

By faith we see mother on the Evergreen Shores, under the waving palms, beside the still waters, and if we prove faithful we expect to meet her and greet her there.

"Smooth the locks of silver hair. On our mother's brow with tender care. Gather the robe in final fold. A round the form so still and cold; Lay on her bosom, pure as snow. The sweetest, sweetest flowers that grow. Kiss her and leave her our heart's delight: Her pain is over, she sleeps to-night."

**If the Salt Hath Lost Its Savor?**

The New Bethlehem Leader publishes a list of the names of the subscribers for that paper who pay up their subscription and the heading over the list is "The Salt of the Earth." Just as sure as it requires salt to season vegetables to make them palatable, so also it requires cash to give zest and relish to a newspaper, therefore, it is very fitting to call people who pay their subscription "the salt of the earth." The "salt" has lost its "savor," apparently, in the case of some of our subscribers.

**Common School Diplomas.**

Common school diploma examinations this year will be held Saturday, April 3, at Brookville, Sigel, Summersville, Punxsutawney, Big Run, Reynoldsville, Falls Creek, Beechwoods, Florence school house, Sykesville and Worthville. The principal of the schools at the place where the examination is to be held will be in charge, and will select from the other teachers as many helpers as are needed. Uniform examination questions will be mailed to the various principals.

**Blankets.**

Do you know we are selling a 5 pound all wool 12-4 blanket in white, brown and white, pink and white, and black and black and white for \$3.48.

**GILLESPIES.**

One-fourth to one-half off on Ladies' Coats. Bing-Stoke Co.

**PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.**

**Glimpses of the People who are Passing To and Fro.**

Mrs. C. E. Shores was in Brookville Thursday.

Dr. B. E. Hoover was in Brookville a day the past week.

David Sowers and wife visited in Erie, Pa., during the past week.

Dr. Fred K. Booth, of Oakmont, was a visitor in to an one day last week.

Mrs. Henry Robertson, of Forest, Pa., visited her parents at Rathmel the past week.

Miss Emma Brand, of DuBois, was the guest of Miss Lillie Northey last week.

Mrs. A. R. Shuckers visited her father in Brookville Saturday. The old gentleman is ill.

Evangelist Joseph E. Kirkwood is conducting a series of meetings at Millstone, Pa., this week.

Mrs. James Jolly, of Emlenton, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Frank W. Campbell, on Fourth street.

Miss Sophia Koehler, of Punxsutawney, visited Mrs. Dr. B. E. Hoover in this place one day last week.

Mrs. W. I. Fleming, of Buffalo, N. Y., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John S. Smith, in this place.

M. J. Farrell, P. R. R. agent at this place, was in Pittsburgh last week attending P. R. R. freight agents' meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hunter visited the former's brother at Curry Run, Clearfield county, a couple of days last week.

Hon. Robert H. Longwell, present member of the State Legislature from Jefferson county, was in town last Thursday.

Will L. Strauss, who was at the sanitarium at Mont Alto, Pa., about four weeks, has returned to his home in this place.

Thomas C. Shields, who has been superintending some work in the tannery at Titusville, spent Sunday at his home in this place.

W. C. and S. C. Henry attended the golden wedding of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Henry, of Hamilton, on Monday, January 18th.

Miss Elizabeth Davis, of Wilkesbarre, Pa., was called here last week on account of the death of her sister, Mrs. James W. Stevenson, of New York City.

Miss Zoe Woodward, of Clearfield, formerly of this place, visited friends in town the past week and was given a cordial greeting by her numerous friends in this place.

P. G. Gardner and wife, of Florence, Washington County, Pa., were visitors at home of Andrew Wheeler on Hill street last week. Mrs. Gardner and Mrs. Wheeler are sisters.

General Carl A. Wagner, of Port Huron, Mich., stopped off here from the 8:08 a. m. to the 1:25 p. m. train Saturday to see his sister, Mrs. E. Neff. Gen. Wagner was returning home from a trip to Washington, D. C., and on account of important business demanding his attention at Port Huron he could not stop longer with his sister.

**Life 100,000 Years Ago.**

Scientists have found in a cave in Switzerland bones of men who lived 100,000 years ago, when life was in constant danger from wild beasts. Today, the danger, as shown by A. W. Brown, of Alexander, Me., is largely from deadly disease. "If it had not been for Dr. King's New Discovery, which cured me, I could not have lived," he writes, "suffering as I did from a severe lung trouble and stubborn cough." To cure sore lungs, colds, obstinate coughs, and prevent pneumonia, its the best medicine on earth. 50c and \$1.00. Guaranteed by Stoke & Feicht Drug Co. Trial bottle free.

**Card of Thanks.**

To all the friends whose sympathy and services were so kindly tendered in our time of bereavement, we desire to extend our sincere thanks.

M. M. DAVIS AND FAMILY.

**Black Silk.**

Do you know you can buy a yard wide taffeta silk \$1.10 grade for 98c; \$1.25 grade 98c; \$1.50 Money-bak silk \$1.29 a yard at

**GILLESPIES.**

We just received a lot of the choicest kind of skinned hams that we are selling for a short time at 12c cents per pound. Every one guaranteed. Hunter & Milliren.

Load of new sleighs, second hand sleighs and bob-sleds for sale at Burns' livery stable.

One-half off on Men's and Boys' Sweaters. Bing-Stoke Co.

Men's storm cloth overshoes, 95c. Adam's.

**WANT COLUMN.**

Rates—One cent per word for each ad and every insertion.

WANTED—Chickens, at Frank's Tavern.

FOR SALE—Lumber in a barn. Inquire of S. S. Robinson.

FOR RENT—Eight room house on Main street. Inquire of T. D. Hoon.

**Stoke & Feicht Drug Company's Label**

On a bottle does a great deal more than tell you the contents of the bottle—it signifies to you that the contents are right—of high test and quality and backed up by Stoke & Feicht Drug Co.'s reputation of many years' standing. That reputation has been attained by constantly selling the largest possible quantity of the highest possible quality of drug store goods for the very lowest prices.

**Stoke & Feicht Drug Company**

**A Little of Everything.**

**The Man of To-Day.**

The things of the past did very well once: To-day they are rusty and stale. Whatever of rain or loss you have met, Start now on a different trail.

No matter how cramped by mistakes of the past. Or burdened with might-have-beens. The past need not keep us in hampered embrace— 'Tis the man of to-day who wins.

Commonwealth Ladies' Orchestra Jan. 26.

The B. Y. P. U. held a social at the Baptist parsonage last Friday evening.

Monday and Tuesday, February 22 and 23 have been designated as Parents' and Patrons' Days in the public schools in the county.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Weed entertained a few friends at a six o'clock dinner at their home in West Reynoldsville last Saturday evening.

Public school teachers' permanent certificate examination will be held in the public school building in Reynoldsville on Saturday, April 10th and Saturday, April 17.

The Big Run Tribune, R. M. Coulter editor and proprietor, was twelve years old last week. May prosperity lurk around the Tribune office twelve years more. Success Bro.

At the annual meeting of the directors of the First National bank Saturday evening John H. Kaucher was elected president, Dr. J. C. King, vice-president and K. C. Schuckers cashier.

Forty-five or fifty Odd Fellows from Big Run came to Reynoldsville Saturday night to visit the I. O. O. F. Lodge and to have the second degree conferred on several Big Runites. They returned home by trolley.

Rev. A. D. McKay, pastor of the Reynoldsville Presbyterian church filled Rev. G. L. Bradshaw's pulpit in the Presbyterian church in West Sunbury and Rev. Bradshaw preached in the Presbyterian church at this place last Sunday.

The number of people victimized by palmists, mediums and other quacks is enormous. That the business is profitable is evident from the number that follow it. The unprincipled character of these impostors is constantly being exposed, but in spite of it there are always plenty of people who seem to enjoy being fooled.

When people set out to help others probably the dominant idea in most cases is that of the good they may do them. That is right for it is an unselfish thought. But it is well to reflect that everyone who thus seeks to help others himself gains by the effort he puts forth. This comes as an encouragement when the work itself is distasteful or when, as is sometimes the case, the effort is not appreciated.

Willis Hawley, colored porter at the National Hotel, is becoming quite an extemporaneous speaker on the race question. What he may lack in eloquence of words he makes up for in gestures. Willis could give some of our Senators and Representatives pointers on making emphatic, forceful, and positive gestures. If Willis is feeling good it only requires a few words, while waiting on trains at the P. R. R. station, to get him to make a speech on the negro question, and the length of the speech, after he gets "warmed up" to the subject, depends on the time of the arrival of the train.