The Somerset Herald.

TUESDAY, . . . September 26, 1871.

TIME TABLES.

BALTIMORE & OHIO RAILROAD.

On and after Sunday, July 7th, 1871, trains will leave and arrive as follows:

STATE.	LEAVE.	ARRIVE.
[illegible]	4.30 a. m.	9.30 a. m.
[illegible]	11 a. m.	1.30 p. m.
[illegible]	5 p. m.	9.35 p. m.

W. F. ALTEMUS, Gen'l. Sup't.

PENNSYLVANIA CENTRAL RAILROAD.

[illegible]	11.50 p. m.
[illegible]	6.21 a. m.
[illegible]	12.02 p. m.
[illegible]	4.50 p. m.

NOTICE.

SOMERSET PA., Sept. 8, 1873.

I was in Baltimore last Spring, I called on Messrs. KINNARD & OUDESLUYS, in the ware-house and good authority, and I heard from responsible firm.

Respectfully,

[illegible] of A. J. CASSEBEER & Co.

SOMERSET, Pa., Sept. 8, 1873.

Have a few bales of Butter to

Messrs. Kinnard & Oudesluys

in and will be very much pleased

J. N. BAKER.
Merchant,
Lavansville.

[illegible] bales of Butter to

Messrs. Kinnard & Oudesluys

[illegible] will sell at good and sat-

Yours, LEONARD.
Merchant,
Lavansville.

[illegible] pipe petroleum to the ocean. The [illegible] danger and expense [illegible] it is proposed to [illegible] one of six inches [illegible] inches for crude [illegible] convenient place in the [illegible] New York and Philadelphia, [illegible] engine at each end—one for [illegible] suction.

[illegible] Somerset Lodge, [illegible] the following officers [illegible] for the ensuing term: [illegible] W. H. Ripple; [illegible] A. H. Coffroth; W. V. T., [illegible] W. S., Ellen Crommel; [illegible] Rep.; W. F. S., W. B. [illegible] W. Charles Trent; W. C., [illegible] W. L. G., Frank Granger; W. [illegible] Hartsell; W. D. M., Amon [illegible] A. S., Annie Schell; W. [illegible] W. L. S., Lon Hentz; [illegible] F. C. Sampsell.

[illegible] gives his whole attention to the Hardware business. He [illegible] principally from the manufacturers, thereby saving from 15 to 20 per [illegible] wanting hardware, will find it [illegible] going to Rhymyer's to get [illegible] special rates to persons [illegible]—go and be convinced [illegible] and cheap at the Hardware [illegible]

THE BALTIMORE BUTTER COMMISSION HOUSE.

B. BROOKE, NYCE & Co.

54 South St. Baltimore, Md.

We again offer to our many patrons, their Butter. Our long experience warrants facilities, for placing it to the best possible advantage, and as we make Butter a specialty, allow nothing else to interfere with its careful handling.

Our reputation for promptness is well established, and from those who have not yet had the benefit of the many advantages we possess, we solicit a trial, and will use all our abilities to give entire satisfaction.

Liberal advances made when desired, and all letters of inquiry promptly and cheerfully replied to.

Cards can be obtained at the Express Office.

Respectfully, &c.,

B. BROOKE, NYCE & Co.

COURT.

FAIR.

GIRLS.

NIGHTS very cool.

PUT your stoves up.

SLIGHT colds are prevalent.

MONEY still remains "tight."

A severe winter is predicted.

BOYS should be seen, not heard.

LATE potatoes are growing finely.

MILITARY re-union now in season.

NOW for "The last rose of summer."

THE buckwheat fields look blooming.

GRAPES are purpling—let 'em purple.

MOSQUITOES abundant and troublesome.

THE Summer is over and the harvest ended.

OUR corn crops are growing rich and strong.

SQUIRREL and pigeon shooting is now in order.

THE October election comes on the 14th this year.

TOADS should be encouraged to linger in the garden.

OUR churches were well attended on Sunday last.

THE school childrens vacation is drawing to a close.

SOME people wish to ape Darwin and return to specie.

THE work on our new churches is progressing rapidly.

THERE are four tickets in the field in Allegheny county.

THERE are a great many people in town in attendance to Court.

THE Constitution Convention re-commences week after next.

C. F. RHOADS & BRO., have moved to their new store room in Baer's Block.

THE brick-layers are rapidly pushing the work on Josiah Pisel's new house.

THE editor of the Pittston *Comet* is well clothed—he has five suits—all for libel.

JOSEPH ROE is writing the "Rise and Early progress of Printing in Europe."

THE book of nature will soon be more interesting, for Autumn turns the leaves.

OUR Sabbath schools are in a flourishing condition. The number in attendance was never larger.

THE cold weather of the last few weeks has driven nearly all the Summer visitors from our town.

WILLIAM H. RIESENSTEIL, of Johnstown, received the first premium for leather at the Vienna Exposition.

WE have missed that "spicy" sheet, the McKeesport *Times* from our exchanges. "Why are things thusly."

OUR correspondents are requested to use pen and ink instead of lead pencils, in writing their communications.

THE leaves are changing color and the woods are decked more gorgeously than "was Solomon in all his glory."

THE work of repairing and building an addition to the Union School house is being pushed rapidly and energetically.

TWO Vermonters eloped with two romantic domestics employed at a boarding house in Pottsville a few days ago.

A PARTY of our young folks pic-nicked at "Break-neck" on Wednesday last. The young gentlemen explored the caves.

MESSRS. CASEBEER & FREASE have there three-story brick building, on the south-east corner of the Diamond under roof.

WE hear a great deal about labor reform, but there seems to be a greater need of reforming some of those fellows who don't labor.

IF the young man who has been singing "I won't go home till morning," really won't go, he should be removed to Castle Knepper.

IF you travel East, West, North, or South, take a package of Simmon's Liver Regulator. Prepared only by J. H. Zeilin & Co., Macon, Ga.

STATE Superintendent Wickersham, advises school boards to publish accounts of their annual receipts and expenditures without further delay.

WE have received a specimen of the material of which the great trans-atlantic balloon is to be made, from the Daily *Graphic* company, of New York.

THE Katy-dids and the Katy-didn'ts are at it again. Can't we have a board of arbitrator's to settle the question and stop their interminable fiddling.

THE managers are doing and have done all in their power to make the fair a success. Let every one in the county come and bring something at exhibit.

As trailing dresses are going out of fashion, our borough authorities would do well to look about early for some other means of cleaning our cross-walks.

A VICIOUS dog sprang on a small boy, belonging to Prof. Lightner, of Carlisle, at Clearfield on Sunday and almost tore him to pieces. The lad was fatally injured.

THE thermometer stood at 100 degrees in the Shade at Walla Walla, Oregon, for seven days, recently.—*Ex.*

If they had a few bushels of brimstone they would be ready for business.

WE received an invitation to the meeting of the friends of the trans-allegheny canal, to be held at Cumberland, on Wednesday, September 10th. This is a deserving enterprise and we hope it will succeed.

THE *Valley Independent*, published at Meyers' Mills, Dale City P. O., Somerset county Pa., by Schrie & Smith, comes to us enlarged and greatly improved. We "shake" with you gentlemen on this convincing evidence of your prosperity.

THE teachers Institute of Bedford county was in session last week, and was a decided success. The *Inquirer* says, among the visitors were Professor Rufus Adams, of Philadelphia, Assistant Superintendent Hauck, of Harrisburg, and Miss Ella King, of Cumberland.

THE re-union of the Army of the Cumberland, which takes place in Pittsburgh on the 17th and 18th, promises to be largely attended. The committee of arrangements have done all in their power to make it a pleasant and interesting one. A cordial invitation is extended to all who ever served in the Army of the Cumberland, and to their comrades in arms. The headquarters of the Society during the re-union, will be at the Monongahela House.

A CORRESPONDENT informs us that "a Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry" was instituted in Mechanlesburgh, on last Friday night, with R. H. Thomas, editor of the *Independent*, as Master, and about thirty charter members. This is the first Grange organized in Pennsylvania West of the Susquehanna river, and promises to become numerically strong, scores of persons of both sexes having applied for membership. The cry is "down with monopolies."—*Chambersburg Opinion.*

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Cards can be obtained at the Express office and Railroad Depot.

WANTED—A girl for general house-work can find employment by applying at this office. Good wages will be paid. Apply immediately.

DEER can be shot on and after September first. The *deers* are so plenty in our section that we do not heed a law to prevent them from being shot, in fact some of them are well pleased to be shot—with Cupids dart.

SABBATH evening was what might be called a most glorious lovely evening. It invited every one into the open air, and they accepted the invitation, if we may judge by the number of persons that promenaded Main street.

EVERY person who sees our town, compliments it on the improvements made since the fire; not only on the rapid manner in which the burnt district has been built, but on the handsome appearance of all the new buildings.

TO PERSONS ATTENDING THE FAIR.—A few days previous to the Fair, we will receive a full stock of all goods in our line, suitable to the season. Come and see us at the

FASHION BAZAR,
No. 6 Mammoth Block.

C. F. RHOADS & Co., of the "Live Grocery," have one of the finest stocks of groceries ever brought to this town, as will be seen on visiting their store. They are energetic gentleman and always up to the times. If you want anything in their line give them a call.

THE carpet-worm is a new pest discovered. It is of dark color, less than half an inch in length, and covered with fine hair. It makes havoc with carpets in a short time. It is said that fine salt or fine cedar chips sprinkled on the edges of carpets will protect them from its ravages.

THE Cambria county Republicans nominated the following excellent ticket: Assembly, Samuel Henry; Sheriff, John T. Harris; Treasurer, Thomas Griffith; Commissioner, James Conrad; Poor Director, Tobias Stutzman; Auditor, John Coshon; Jury Commissioner, E. P. Barker.

ONE day of last week, a wagon belonging to Sheriff Knepper, broke down, while the Sheriff and friends were returning from the picnic at Cover's Grove. The spindle was broken close up to the hub. All of the party were considerably bruised, and Mrs. Amos Knepper was seriously hurt.

THE following set of pins were put up by "the unwashed and unterrified" Democracy of this county to be knocked down on the 14th of October next:

Assembly, Dr. W. F. Mitchell, of Addison; Commissioner, Henry Rauch, of Jenner; Treasurer, F. A. Werner, of Allegheny; Poor House Director, Frank Hay, of Brothersvalley; Auditor, John Ober, of Quemahoning; Jury Commissioner, Joseph C. Lichty, of Milford.

NOTICE.—All persons having useful or interesting articles, relics, or curiosities of any kind, will not only be welcomed, but heartily solicited to bring all such articles of interest, not specified in the Premium List. Proper awards and attention will be given to all such articles if considered meritorious.

By order of the Agricultural Society of Somerset county.

F. J. KOOSER, Secretary. C. C. MUSSELMAN, President.

THE Board of School Directors of Conemaugh township, wish to employ four (4) teachers for a term of five months. Wages, male $35, female $30 per month. An examination will take place at Lingers School House on the twenty-sixth (26th) day of September, commencing at 10 o'clock a. m.

GEO. SCHRADER, Secretary,
Conemaugh township.
Cambria county.
P. O. Johnstown.
sep-3-3t.

IT is perhaps not generally understood by the owners of vehicles and the drivers, that pedestrians possess by law, the right away in crossing a street. If drivers, therefore, see a lady or gentleman passing over a cross-walk in front of them, they have no right to shout out: "Get out of the way there, or I'll run over you!". The pedestrian is entitled to the walk, and no driver has the right to discommode him.—The contrary opinion generally prevails, and we therefore allude to the matter that drivers may not exercise too much freedom in scattering the "foot passengers."

A MEETING of the friends of the Somerset & Johnstown Railroad, met at the Court House, on Monday evening. The meeting was called to order by W. J. Baer, Esq., and Daniel Weyand, Esq., was elected President; John Mong, W. H. Pickling, Samuel W. Pearson and Alex V. Stanton were elected Vice Presidents; J. S. Hoffman and W. H. Morgan were the Secretaries. A letter was read from Gen. Jacob M. Campbell, regretting his inability to be present. Addresses were delivered by Isaac Kaufman, A. H. Coffroth, W. J. Baer and Daniel Weyand, Esq's., after which the meeting adjourned.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—A number of persons owe us bills of long standing. To such we give this notice, that if they do not pay us within a month from this date, their bills will be put into the hands of an officer for collection. We further respectfully ask all persons indebted to us to make payment as soon as possible. Each one may think his or her bill a small matter—so it is to you, but to us, all of them in the aggregate amount to very great importance.

Hereafter to make it an inducement to persons to pay cash, we intend to deduct 5 per cent. from all *cash bills*.

MRS. JAS. B. TREDWELL,
Fashion Bazar.

OUR mothers, who were the best and tidiest housewives in the world—excepting our grandmothers!—took especial pride in the possession of rows of tin-ware that glistened like a polished mirror. Every article about their houses susceptible of polish, including the brass knocker, was regularly brightened up until it fairly glistened.—With their primitive materials, such as Bath brick, emery, rotten stone, etc., it was a serious labor, albeit one of love.—Now-a-days, however, their daughters use Sapolio, and in one hour can polish more articles and do it better than they could in a whole day. If you wish to excel your mothers in the brightness of your kitchen ware, use Sapolio.

FUN AT HOME.—Don't be afraid of a little fun at home, good people. Don't shut up your house lest the sun should fade your carpets, and your hearty laugh should shake down some of the musty old cobwebs there. If you want to ruin your sons, let them think that all mirth and social enjoyment must be left on the threshhold without when they come home at night. When once a home is regarded as only a place to eat, drink and sleep in, the work is begun that ends in gambling and reckless degradation. Young people must have fun and relaxation somewhere; if they do not find it at their own hearthstones, it will be sought in other and less profitable places.

WE are pleased to learn that J. B. Doyle, representing the firm of J. G. Harvey & Co., one of the oldest and most reliable Butter Commission Houses in the country, is on a visit to the dairy men of this county.

Messrs. J. G. Harvey & Co., last year made large and prompt returns, and they will doubtless be rewarded this year by large consignments of Glades Butter, for the prompt and efficient manner in which they disposed of last years consignments.

This firm has been in the business since eighteen hundred and forty-nine, which speaks volumes in their behalf as sterling, first-class business men, and we feel confident that they will receive a large amount of this years product.

BRICK! BRICK!!

W. W. DAVIS & BRO.,

Have for sale at their yard or delivered, 200,000 brick.

SPONGE CAKE.—To the yolks of six eggs, well beaten, add three-quarter lb. of white sugar, juice of one lemon, one-half lb. of flour, having in it one measure of Banner Baking Powder, and the whites of six eggs, beaten very stiff.

Each can of the Banner Baking Powder contains a small measure, to be used even full, according to printed directions. If you cannot obtain this really valuable article from your grocer, send twenty-five cents by mail, addressed to Banner Baking Powder, P. O. Lock Box, 217, Pittsburgh, Pa., and you will receive, postage paid, a quarter pound package, together with a list of fifty valuable Recipes.

IMPORTANT TO PENSIONERS.—The Commissioner of Pensions announces that he is in receipt of information showing that the examing surgeons in various localities have been guilty of the unprofessional and manifestly unfair act of issuing circulars to pensioners requiring them to appear before them for bi-annual examination. These circulars are couched in language which tends to mislead pensioners, impressing them with the idea that they must appear before that particular surgeon or board of examining surgeons, and no other for examination. Invalid pensioners will apply in all cases to the most convenient examining surgeon, which will be the one nearest or accessable to their own homes, regardless of any circular. Circulars of this kind are issued wholly without authority, and are regarded by the Commissioner of Pensions as in every respect unprofessional and unwarrantable.

An Appeal to the People of Somerset County.

People of Somerset county, remember that on the 24th, 25th and 26th of September is our Fair, in which every one that eats bread and wears clothes is interested. Remember that the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has authorized the Commissioners of every county to appropriate one hundred dollars, for the encouragement of holding a fair annually; of this we all pay our portion of taxes, this is school money, not for the education of our children only, but to give information to all. It will teach us how and where to get the best of everything. It is not only a privilege but the duty of every enterprising and energetic citizen who has the welfare of his country at heart, to attend his county fair, and learn, and bring everything that can give information. If you wish to build up your county encourage your fair. This institution is not intended for a few in and around Somerset. It is *the County Fair*. Officers of the society work hard for nothing, and the people are expected to lend liberal aid to make the affair a success.—Their mutual intercourse and social enjoyment will amply pay them for their time.

THE custom of tolling bells at the death of a person seems to have been at one time generally observed. The editor of the Harrisburg *Journal*, while in the borough of Lebanon a day or two since, heard a bell tolling and inquired of a friend, "who is to be buried?" The reply was that the tolling was not for a funeral, but to announce that a death had occurred that day. There the regulation is, when a child under five years old dies, a certain church bell is tolled five times, and for all deaths of persons over five years, a bell is tolled a number of times equal to the years in the age of the deceased. This custom is very old, and is of German origin, having been practiced very generally heretofore among the German population of the Lebanon Valley, and other parts of Pennsylvania. Formerly it was also adhered to in Harrisburgh, but during the prevalence of a malignant fever, years ago, the physicians insisted it be omitted as a death signal, for the reason it had an evil effect on the sick, tending greatly to excite their nervous system. Hence, the solemn tolling both for the death and the funeral of a person, is now omitted. It is always interesting to notice these old customs, alike when they are practiced and when they have ceased to be observed.

PROBABLY there is not one person in a thousand through whose hands pass those useful issues of the Postoffice Department known as "adhesive postage stamps" and stamped envelopes, who notices their artistic beauty, and the delicate and rare tints of color with which they are printed.—Still fewer hold them long enough to recognize the heads as profile portraits of statesmen, soldiers and sailors eminent in peace and war, and whose names are landmarks in American history. There are altogether eleven heads. The one, two and three cent stamps are probably more familiar than the larger denominations, as they are in daily use with almost every correspondent, and the portraits of them need no signature to tell their identity, but their origin is unknown to many. The portrait of Benjamin Franklin, on the one cent stamp, in imperial ultramarine blue, is after a profile bust by Rutherdet. The head of Andrew Jackson, on the two cent stamp, in velvet brown, is from a bust by Hiram Powers. The Washington head on the green three cent stamp is after Houdon's celebrated bust. The Lincoln profile, in red, on the six cent stamp, is after a bust by Volk. The seven cent stamp, in vermillion, gives the head of Stanton, after a photograph. The head of Jefferson on the ten cent stamp, in chocolate, is drawn from a life-size statue by Hiram Powers. The portrait of Henry Clay, in neutral purple, on the twelve cent stamp, is after a bust by Hart. The head of Webster on the fifteen cent stamp, in orange, is after the Clevinger bust. The portrait of Gen. Scott, on the twenty-four cent stamp, in purple, is after a bust by Coffee. The head of Hamilton, on the thirty cent stamp, in black, is after the Cornehl bust, and the portrait of Commodore Oliver Hazzard Perry, in carmine, is after Walcott's statue.

Centreville Items.

Although we do not see our town and vicinity spoken of in your paper very often, we do not want your readers to think we are among the least important. We too are improving our town, and our neighbors are also wide awake to their interest.

The "Messiah" church of the Lutheran denomination, will be, when completed, one of the finest church buildings in Western Pennsylvania.

Our Normal school is in a flourishing condition, there are upwards of eighty (80) students in attendance, of whom the greater number are preparing themselves to teach the coming term. Our Normal is equal to or superior to any other in the county.

The firm of Schell & Wilson, (merchants) in our sister village, Geiharts burg, has been changed to the firm of Snyder & Weller. Success to the young merchants.

There are quite a number of singing schools at this place and vicinity, and especially one about three miles south of this place which we deem worthy of notice.—Mr. W. A. Adams has charge of the class. We hope he may meet with success. The class meets every week on Saturday evenings. Ceaser, asking to accompany a young lady home from the above singing school, received an answer in the negative, upon which he in a tremulous voice pleaded, "just for one night."

HEAVY JOE.

Tribute of Respect.

HALL OF URSINA LODGE,
No. 806, I. O. of O. F.

WHEREAS, In the dispensation of Him, who rules the destinies of man, our Heavenly Father has seen fit to remove from amongst us our worthy brother, John W. Mitchell, and thus he is forever withdrawn from us. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we bow in submission to the decrees of the all-wise, but at the same time we deeply feel and deplore the loss of our beloved Brother, who was so suddenly and unexpectedly called from our midst.

Resolved, That in his death, the Lodge has lost a worthy member, the community a valuable citizen, and his relatives a kind and indulgent son and brother.

Resolved, That the brethren of this Lodge and the fraternity generally, hereby tender their kindest and sincerest condolence to the bereaved relatives, to sanctify this afflictive compensation to their spiritual and eternal good, and to sustain and comfort them in this their time of need.

Resolved, That as a token of respect, the Lodge room be draped in mourning, and that the members wear the usual badge of mourning on all public occasions for thirty days.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing resolutions be entered on the journal of the Lodge, an attested copy sent to the parents of the deceased, and one to each of the Somerset papers, with a request that they publish the same.

SAMUEL THOMPSON,
W. H. BERGER,
J. B. DAVIS,
Committee.

Land Titles in Pennsylvania.

The Board of Property of this State, composed of the Surveyor General, Attorney General and Secretary of the Commonwealth, has frequently issued notifications to all owners of land to see that their titles from the warrant onward through every link of conveyance are complete, for the purpose of examining and confirming the validity of titles. Notwithstanding these notifications, there are thousands of people who are supposed to own land who may some day discover, when too late, that their title is not worth the paper on which it is written.

At a meeting of the Board of Property held in the Land office yesterday this whole subject was brought forward and fully discussed.

Owing to the fact that there was not a full meeting of the Board, the subject of bringing suits against the owners of unpatented lands was not considered. It is probable this matter will be brought to the attention of the next meeting, as the Board of Property have full and discretionary power in the premises under the act of 14th of April, 1872. The county surveyors have served notices under the act on very many owners of unpatented tracts who have not applied for patents within the time prescribed by the law. Such parties could not complain, if under direction of the Board of Property, additional costs were imposed upon them. This subject has frequently been brought to the attention of those interested, by official reports and otherwise, and we would advise such owners to give this matter prompt attention and thus save probable future trouble as to their titles.

We have understood that there has been already several cases brought to the attention of the Board of Property where the titles to valuable lands has been placed in jeopardy by the carelessness of the owners, in not completing their titles. Such parties will have only themselves to blame if they are the losers in such cases.—*Harrisburg State Journal*, August 27th.

THERE never was a better opportunity than now, and perhaps there never will be again, for builders to display taste in the erection of houses for themselves or tenants.

Heretofore houses have almost invariably been erected without yards in front of them. They have been crammed up against the street, and projecting steps and cellar doors obstruct the pavements.

It was excusable heretofore in the erection of one or two new houses in a whole block, to set them on a line with the street. But now that whole blocks are going up on new streets, good taste would seem to dictate that they be set back from the street line, say from ten to fifteen feet at least.

In the new sections of Somerset, especially on the north and east, the lots are deep enough for a front yard. Then why not have them? In many other places this plan has been adopted, and the yards add immensely to the beauty and attractiveness of the homes. It enhances the value of property, affords an opportunity for the display of taste in the selection and pleasure in the cultivation of flowers, and possesses other advantages which are too numerous to mention.

A handsome rose bush, an urn filled with choice flowers, a rockery with creeper vines twining about it, a hyacinth or a gladiolus, a pink or the delicate mignionette or daisy, or a handsome geranium—all these are lovely—flowers of any kind have a charming effect on everybody.—Then give the poor boys a chance to paint them up, when they can be admired by passers-by.

If the reader will take the trouble to promenade about town, down Main or Main Cross streets and note how painfully close the horses are crowded out upon the street when turn-down Patriot or Union, note the spacious front yards and the beautiful flowers, and if he is not convinced of the surpassing attractions and air of comfort and elegance about the latter, he ought to be.

As we have said before, it is almost impossible to build new houses back from the street, but as new built they can be done, and we invite the attention of contractors and owners to the advantages to be derived.

Snakes and Toads vs. Bees.

My apiary is located back of my house at a rather wet place, naturally underdrained to some extent, with the garden in the rear, and quite large orchards on all sides. Two years ago I first noticed a toad there, but supposing it to be a harmless creature, I kept on further account of it, until one sultry afternoon I saw it in front of the stand catching bees, of course I killed it, and a *post mortem* examination revealed the fact that she had been following the business quite extensively. Since then I consider toads enemies of bees and treat them accordingly. Last week I caught two snakes in front of my hives under very suspicious circumstances, time did not allow me to watch their maneuvers, but supposing them to be guilty parties, I at once dispatched them. This hive had been worked at for a month or more before, the entrance being soiled and sears on the soiled places as if made by the sharp teeth or claws of a cat, or mouse perhaps. I was quite puzzled to decide what could have caused this, but since I killed the snakes, the bees are no more disturbed; the snakes must have done the mischief.—The bees being thus irritated by these snakes, perhaps nearly every night, became so cross that no person but an experienced bee-keeper could go near them without being stung, something very unusual with a well managed apiary of Italian bees, especially in a season like this. The bees in this hive have apparently sustained no other injury. They were condemned to the cellar last Winter, but came out all right this Spring, though very weak, scarcely covering two frames at the beginning of the season, while at present they completely fill one end of a tween or double hive of nearly eight thousand cubic inches, including honey boxes, and yet I have taken from them large quantities of brood and considerable honey. I have not yet been able to decide whether these snakes were stealing honey or brood. They were small and could easily have crawled in at the entrance—or whether they were only entering bees on the outside. But I judge if bees alone were their object they would have staid on the ground and operated the same as the toads did.

JOHN D. BAKER.
Milford Station, Sept. 8th, 1873.

HOUGHTON, August 23.

DEAR HERALD.—Perhaps some of your readers will be interested in hearing something more of Houghton, its habits and inhabitants. I believe I told you it was the county seat of Houghton county and had fifteen hundred inhabitants, intelligent business people, but not of Godly church going habits, as there are but three churches in the place, one Roman Catholic, a Methodist, and an Episcopal, their average congregations being twenty-five or thirty. When passing along the streets on Sunday you are greeted on every side by the sound of billiards, clinking glasses, and music, at the hotels. Its not unusual to see in bar-rooms and offices agents from tailoring establishments briskly taking measures, whilst another notes down the figures, and when through, merchant, customers and all near friends take a drink together—to prove the job is finished. Did you not hear one solitary church bell ring, and have dinner half an hour later, you would never know Sunday had come and gone, but residents of twenty years ago look admiringly and hopefully at the progress made, and recall a time when at long intervals a missionary was sent from below to hold service in the ball-room of the hotel, and when a boat was heard to whistle would suddenly find his entire congregation of eighteen or twenty on the rock waiting her landing.

This is Houghton from a religious point; now from an educational. They have a handsome stone school house of five departments, thoroughly heated with furnaces and wood stoves; the rooms completely furnished and in good repair, neither paint or plastering in the least defaced.—The janitor assured us nothing had been repaired since it was built, nine years ago. A refreshing contrast to the Somerset school house. In the highest department they have purchased, from the proceeds of two exhibitions, a cabinet organ, a complete set of geographical maps and globes, a set of philosophical instruments, astronomical charts and globes, and in connection with the entire school, have quite a fine library. Their school term comprises ten months, and the salaries paid justifies first class teachers. If there were nothing else to recommend Houghton, its schools surely would. A lover of the wild and primitive, I think, would here be satisfied. A few days ago, on our way to one of the mines, through rather a wild road, we were startled by hearing the report of a gun, and on retracing our steps a short distance, found a large bear had been killed on the road we had passed over. It was taken into town, prepared for market, and the next morning we breakfasted off a steak from brain. Almost every day several Indian men and squaws, with papooses on their backs, come into the town to trade and barter their wares. The women eschew bonnets, and black seems to be the prevailing color worn by the older, and red by the younger ones. Occasionally they don their war paint, stimulate them selves considerably, and dance in the public places to admiring and noisy crowds. Alas, for the poor red man, his glory has departed and he is the disposed and hunted out of the earth.

The manufactories are varied, consisting of a large copper rolling mill, two foundries, a machine shop, a fuse and caudle factory, and nearing completion is an extensive factory for making hemlock extract from the pine and ferns, which are very abundant. When it is finished it will be quite a revenue to the town. The hills are rich in minerals, but the land is not capable of much cultivation; hay is its principal production. It is rapidly being cleared of its timber, the greater portion of which is used at the mines. It is estimated that at one mine alone—the celebrated Calumet and Hecky—fifty thousand cords of wood are consumed a year, clearing a thousand acres of land in the cutting of it.

The *Mining Gazette* office is worthy of notice, being completely fitted with steam presses and all modern conveniences, and in connection has quite an extensive book bindery.

The ferry between Hancock and Houghton is a very necessary but extremely trying mode of transportation. There is but one dilapidated old boat, in derision called "the War Eagle," which makes a trip every half hour, and certain to be at the opposite dock from the one on which you are waiting. Bridges, they think, will interfere with navigation, so we are entirely dependant on the ferry and little row boats, which modes of traveling we cannot recommend when in haste.

SPENCER.

MARRIED.

BOWMAN—SHALLIS.—On the 7th inst., by Joseph Cummins, Esq., Mr. William Bowman to Miss Mary Shallis, both of Somerset county.

SOMERSET MARKET.

Corrected weekly by A. J. CASSEBEER & Co.

Apples, dried, ₩ lb	5c
Applebutter, ₩ gal	40@50
Butter, ₩ lb	25
Buckwheat, ₩ bushel	$1 00
Beeswax, ₩ lb	30c
Bacon, shoulders, ₩ lb	8c
" sides,	8c
" hams,	10c
Corn, ₩ bushel	$1 00
Corn meal ₩ lb	2c
Chickens, ₩ pair	$1 25
Eggs, ₩ doz	20
Flour, ₩ bbl	$10
Flaxseed ₩ bu. (60 lb)	$1 70
Lard, ₩ lb	12 c
Lumber, rail sills, ₩ ft	20@25
" siding,	20c
" joist,	30c
Oats, ₩ bu	50
Potatoes, ₩ bu	50
Peaches, dried, ₩ lb	12½c
Rye ₩ bu	45 c
Soap, ₩ lb	6c
Salt, No. 1, ₩ bbl	$2 50
" No. 2,	$1 75
" Ashton,	$2 00
Sugar, yellow ₩ lb	10@12c
" white	12@13c
Tallow ₩ lb	8c
Wheat, ₩ bu	$ 2 20
Wool, ₩ lb	40@50c

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With its gloomy attendants, low spirits, depression, involuntary emissions, loss of semen, spermatorrhœa, loss of power, dizzy head, loss of memory, and threatened imbecility and infidelity, find a sovereign cure in Humphreys' Homœopathic Specific No. Twenty-Eight. Combined of the most valuable mild and potent Curatives, they strike at once at the root of the matter, tone up the system, arrest the discharges, and impart vigor to energy, life and vitality to the entire man.—They have cured thousands of cases. Price $1 per package of five boxes and a large $2 vial, which is very important in obstinate or old cases, or $1 per single box. Sold by all Druggists, and sent by mail on receipt of price. Address HUMPHREYS' SPECIFIC HOMŒOPATHIC MEDICINE CO. 562 Broadway, New York. nov. 14.

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ANNOUNCEMENT.

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ALEX. WALKER.

PUBLIC SALE.—

The undersigned, executor of Michael Spangler, dec'd, will sell at public sale on

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in Shade township, on farm No. 1, at 1 o'clock of said day, the following real estate:

No. 1. A farm situate in Shade township, adjoining lands of Michael Lape, Joseph Lape and others, containing 102 acres, more or less, of which 100 acres are clear, with house and barn thereon erected; about 15 acres of meadow, and fruit orchard with plenty of timber and sugar camp on the same.

No. 2. Also a farm, containing 141 acres, more or less, adjoining No. 1, Benjamin Lape, Joseph Sipe, Joseph Barner and others, with about 15 acres cleared with house and stable thereon erected; well timbered.

No. 3. Also a tract of land containing 3 acres and 20 perches strict, adjoining lands of Samuel Spangler, Aaron Spangler, and Isaac Pingle, in Stonycreek township, well timbered, containing a vein of bituminous coal.

TERMS.—One-third to remain a lien, the interest thereof to be paid to the widow of Michael Spangler during her life, and at her death to be paid to the heirs of said deceased; one-third in hand 1st April, 1874, balance in three equal annual payments without interest, to be secured on the premises. Ten per cent. of the hand money to be paid or secured on day of sale.

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