The Somerset Herald.

WEDNESDAY, ... June 21 - 1875.

TIME TABLES.

SOMERSET & MINERAL POINT RAILROAD.

On and after Monday, Nov. 16th, 1874, trains will run as follows:

	LEAVE.	ARRIVE.
Express West	6 45 a. m.	7 30 a. m.
Mail East	11 30 a. m.	1 30 p. m.
Mail West	3 00 p. m.	5 00 p. m.

P. W. & B. R. R.—PASS MINERAL POINT.

Express East	11:05 p. m.
Express West	4:21 a. m.
Mail East	11:13 p. m.
Mail West	4:30 p. m.

BUFFALO VALLEY RAILROAD.

	LEAVE.	ARRIVE.
Mail East	11:10 a. m.	1:45 p. m.
Mail West	2:45 p. m.	4:45 p. m.

FRANK FORNEY,
Agent.

Pittsburgh & Connellsville RAILROAD.

Pittsburgh, Washington & Baltimore "SHORT LINE."

ALTERATION OF TIME.

Mail and Accommodation Trains daily, except Sundays. Express Trains daily.

TIME TABLE.

On and after Sunday, Nov. 15th, 1874, Trains on this Road will Depart and Arrive from Depot, corner Grant and Water streets, as follows:

DEPART.	PITTSBURGH TIME.	ARRIVE.
Uniontown Accom	6:20 a.m.	McKeesport Accom 6:45 a.m.
Through Mail	8:25 a.m.	McKeesport Accom 7:35 a.m.
Mixed Way	9:25 a.m.	W. Newton Accom 8:25 a.m.
M'Keesport Accom	11:00 a.m.	Through Ex. 8:50 a.m.
McKeesport Accom	3:15 p.m.	Uniontown Accom 10:15 a.m.
Uniontown Accom	2:45 p.m.	McKeesport Accom 12 m.
McKeesport Accom	4:20 p.m.	M'Keesport Accom 2:00 p.m.
W. Newton Accom	5:15 p.m.	McKeesport Accom 5:10 p.m.
McKeesport Accom	6:20 p.m.	Uniontown Accom 5:40 p.m.
Through Ex.	7:15 p.m.	M'Keesport Accom 7:05 p.m.
McKeesport Accom	11:35 p.m.	Through Mail 8:50 p.m.
West Newton Church Train	12:45 p.m.	West Newton Church Train 10:05 p.m.

Central Ticket Office, 43 5th Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.

E. K. HYNDMAN, Gen. Sup't, Connellsville. R. R. SOWERS, Ticket Agent.

SAM'L C. HOUGH, Gen. Pass. Ag't.

Feb. 10.

AT Altfather & Co's, Ashton, Liverpool, and Ground Alum and barrel Salt, cheap.

FINE Ashton Salt for sale at E. J. BERGHLEY'S.

COOK & BEERITS are again in the field for Potatoes.

HIGHEST prices paid for Wool in cash or trade at Morgan's.

DON'T forget Altfather & Co. have reduced the price of Flour.

JUST received, a fine lot of Lake Herring; also No. 1 and 2 Mackerel fresh from the shore.

E. J. BERGHLEY.

Everybody should buy goods of Altfather & Co. and get the advantage of cash prices.

ALL kinds of job work done with neatness and despatch at the HERALD office; from posters to visiting cards. Paper stamped to order.

TO FARMERS.—Don't delay bringing in your Potatoes till the bottom falls out of the market. COOK & BEERITS.

IF you want to buy Knives, Forks and Spoons, or in fact anything in the Hardware line Blymyer's is the place to get it.

J. H. FRITZ, County Surveyor. Special office day, Saturday. Office in the Court House, Somerset, Pa.

WANTED.—All the Potatoes that are for sale. Bring them right along Cook & Beerits.

FARMERS, buy your Seed Oats at E. J. Berghley's, he has just received a large lot of Oats and Corn.

Go to Altfather & Co's., for Churns, Tubs, Buckets, Washboards, Baskets, Brushes, Clothes lines, &c.

FLOUR has declined twenty-five cents per barrel. Buy your Flour from Altfather & Co. and get the advantage of the decline.

JOHN F. BLYMYER has now on hand a large lot of the celebrated McVicker's Dry Ridge Red Hames, which he will sell at wholesale or retail.

NOTICE.—All persons indebted to us by note or book account will call and make settlements at once.

SNYDER & UHL.

Somerset, Pa., May 26th, 1875.

JOHN F. BLYMYER is prepared to supply building Hardware at the very lowest prices: Nails, Locks, Latches, Hinges, Glass, Oil, Paint, &c. Sugar taken in exchange for goods.

O. W. Sadler, M. D. Oculist and Aurist No. 256 Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.

All diseases of Eye, Ear and Throat, and Catarrh, specialties. Operations for Cataract, "Crossed Eyes," "Weeping Eye," "Wild Hairs," Polypus in Ear or Nose, enlarged Tonsils, &c., performed. Spectacles fitted. Artificial Eyes inserted.

Confluence Poultry Yards.

For sale Fowls and Eggs of Fancy Poultry, bred from imported stock, Buff and Partridge Cochins, Light and Dark Brahmas, Gold and Silver Speckled Hamburgs, Pekins, Black Spanish, Bantams and Bronze Turkeys. For particulars address

W. A. KOONTZ,
Confluence, Pa.

Kinsey Copper Lightning Rod.

This celebrated pure Copper Rod will be erected this season by the undersigned. All work put up in the best manner and satisfaction guaranteed. Send in your orders.

RHOADS BROS.
Somerset, Pa.

P. S.—Also Ornaments for Buildings, Fine Gold Plated Darts, Weather Vanes, and Balls.

May 12th, 1875.

WILLIAM HEFFLEY has just opened a fine lot of piece goods for fine custom trade. Wm. Croom, of Philadelphia, will superintend the custom department; all in want of a fine fashionable suite will do well to give him a call. Mr. Croom has had several years experience as a 1st class custom cutter. Also, a general line of Dry Goods and Notions, Boots and Shoes, Leather and Findings, Gentleman's Furnishing Goods, ready made Clothing for men and boys.

DRY GOODS AND CLOTHING CHEAP.—Best Prints at 10 cents, Honeydale and Shirt Muslin, yard wide, 15 cents; other Muslins, yard wide, 10 cents; Dress goods at 12½ cents; 20 cord Alpaccas 25 cents; Ginghams 10 cents; Striped Shirting at 12½ cents worth 25 cents. All wool Suits at $12,50 worth $15,00. Pants from $1,00 to $1,25 per pair. Dry Goods and Clothing will be sold at bottom prices during the next 40 days. Please call at H. Heffley's Frame Building, next door to Beeghley's.

Is Your Life worth 10 Cents?

Sickness prevails everywhere, and everybody complains of some disease during their life. When sick, the object is to get well; now we say plainly that no person in this world that is suffering with Dyspepsia, Liver Complaint and its effects, such as Indigestion, Costiveness, Sick Headache, Sour Stomach, Heart Burn, Palpitation of the Heart, Depressed Spirits, Biliousness &c., can take GREEN'S AUGUST FLOWER without getting relief and cure. If you doubt this, go to your Druggist, G. W. Benford & Co., and get a sample bottle for 10 cents and try it. Regular size 75 cents. Two doses will relieve you.

THE dry goods stores of this place will be closed on Monday, the 5th of July.

THE State Editorial Association is in session at Bedford this week.

A NEW school house is being erected just south of Jennertown Borough.

OF the grain crops the Rye is looking the finest, as it is standing 4 feet high.

EYES to the front—as those green inch worms are again dropping from the trees.

WALL-PAPER at COST at Steck's until the 1st of July. Now is the time to buy. Positively not after the 1st of July.

THERE certainly is a revival in the shook business, as all shops are working and many new ones being built.

CALL and see the large spring stock of Well-paper, and Window-blinds at Amos Stecks.

IT is a noted fact that the greatest clothing thief is a Mr. Scare Crow of corn field notoriety.

ONLY about two hundred and fifty papers in this State have announced that Monday was the longest day of the year.

SPRING HATS AND CAPS, Collars and Ties—Shirts, Suspenders, Socks, Handkerchiefs, &c., at Amos Steck's.

MR. JOHN H. ZIMMERMAN of Quemahoning has just completed the raising of a new residence, beside the old one.

THE Cumberland *News* of Monday pays a high compliment to our base-ballists and citizens generally.

MESSRS. COOK & BEERITS are having the shelving placed in their new store room. It is expected to have the room ready for occupancy by the 4th of July.

A TWELVE year old boy in this town, after performing a day's laborious work at picking potato bugs, was overheard to ask, "Pa, when does school commence?"

COL. J. C. LYON, Dr. Geo. Fundenburg and Deputy Collector Bruce, of Cumberland, dropped into our sanctum on Saturday. Call again, gentlemen.

PROF. G. F. SCHAEFFER will conduct divine services in the Reformed Church at New Centreville next Lords day, June 27, at 10:30 A. M.

THE Gettysburg *Compiler* says the wheat crop in Adams county will yield ten to twenty per cent more than the average according to present prospects.

PURE BLOOD.—All should have it.—What is life without it? "The Blood is the Life." Read the advertisement headed "Blood." Ponder it well. Then act upon its suggestions.

WE had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Willis Hay of the Cumberland *Times*, on Saturday last. He is a pleasant gentleman, and we would be pleased to meet with him frequently.

THE bridge crossing the Quemahoning creek at Hooversville is now being torn away and a new one erected, which is to be twenty feet longer, so as to obviate another ice gorge like that of last winter.

THE prayer meetings which are held in the Noah Shaffer school house in Quemahoning twp., which have been sustained for the past thirty-two years, are yet full of interest, and all are welcome to come.

A SOMERSET lass was heard to exclaim, "Oh dear!" as she was about to step upon a snake; so, young men, take warning that, this expression so common, does not always signify endearment.

SHOT HIMSELF.—On last Friday morning, a young man named Scott Jellison, of Bairdstown, while blowing into the muzzle of his gun, was fatally shot, the ball passing into his mouth and coming out the back of his neck.—*Greensburg Herald.*

HATS AND CAPS at COST until the 1st of July at Amos Steck's. Winter, Spring, and Summer, Fur, Wool and Straw, for men and boys. Call and examine for yourself. Positively not longer than the 1st of July.

THE broad brim straw hats worn by the ladies lead to the suggestion that the freckle season has set in. A young lady gives the following as a tried receipt: One pint lay rum, one quart soft water, two ounces magnesia.

THE Waynesburg *Independent* vouches for this huge cut worm story: "The other day, Isaac Webster, of Center township, found over two hundred and twenty cut worms in one hill of corn, and something over one hundred in another."

A PARTY composed of some six or eight of the young men of our town started to the mountains on a trout fishing excursion on Monday last. Orders for trout can be left at this office. No one person to be supplied with more than 8,000.

AN unknown man was captured in Capt. John Holderbaum's wash-house one night last week. He had removed his shoes and hung them on a tree in the orchard. He was brought to town and lodged in jail over night, and the next morning allowed to depart.

A SWISS newspaper announces that the body of John Blackford, an American actor, who was lost three years ago in trying to ascend Mount Blanc without guides, was found in an immense block of ice which recently fell from the mountain.—The body was thoroughly preserved.

LAST winter a young chap was arrested in Ohio for placing obstructions on a railroad track. He was tried at the last term of court. The jury returned the following very singular verdict: "We, the jury in this case, give our verdict of "not guilty," but would advise the parents of the culprit to keep him at home hereafter, in order that he may not be guilty of the same offence again."

IT may not be generally known that we have a law in this State prohibiting any person from performing any worldly employment or business whatsoever on the Lord's day, commonly called Sunday (works of necessity and charity only excepted) under a penalty of four dollars for each offence, or six day's imprisonment.

A PAYING and progressive business has been resumed by our farmers of late, which is making the township roads, thus paying their taxes, and who says it is not being progressive, when from forty to fifty of our farmers are headed by their supervisors, who never weary of crying, "Come, boys, come."

THAT raising party at Solomon Bowman's in the town of Jenner, of late, was from all reports a real feast, and throughout the day there was raising of flour, fun, and Solomon's new barn. All, numbering about one hundred, in the evening enjoyed the results of the ladies raising. Solomon was in all his glory.

MR. ISAAC KAUFMAN of Conemaugh is erecting near the Johnstown lake, above his housing, a new Amisch church; also in the southern part of above township a new Tunker church is also under construction, and the new Mennonite church has just been completed. Does not this manifest progress?

MANY of our farmers are engaged in the construction of new houses, the old ones being torn away. And respecting the architectural work, they are finished very tastily upon the exteriors, having double balconies on both sides and cornices of fine work.

THE School Board of Somerset township met last Monday, and elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

President—Samuel Fox.
Secretary—Peter Heffley.
Treasurer—Herman Stahl.
Collector of Taxes—Simon Chorpening.

It was agreed that the new assessment be at 7 mills, which is one less than that of last year.

LAST Friday Mr. Henry Long extended a cordial invitation to all friends to call on him, and on their arrival they found a new barn foundation; all knowing its meaning, went to raising. Ladies were in attendance, and much hilarity was enjoyed by all, returning home with the hearty thanks of Mr. Long. Henry looks cheerful as he views the *long* timbers standing erect.

PHOTOGRAPHS! PHOTOGRAPHS!—Having resumed work in my Gallery at Somerset, I am now prepared to take Photographs, Tin-types, etc., of all sizes and styles. Old pictures carefully copied and enlarged. A full line of Pictures, Frames, Mouldings etc., for sale at all times. Rooms in Mammoth Block, entrance next door to Mrs. Tredwell's store.

W. H. WELFLEY.

WINDOW BLINDS, *Window Blinds*, Window blinds; a large variety at Amos Steck's. Paper, Linen and Shading Cloth, plain and figured, with or without fixtures.

WALL PAPER! *Wall-paper!!* Wall paper!!!—Everything in the wall-paper way—for Parlors, Dining Rooms, Chambers and Kitchens, Halls, Vestibules and Churches. Call and see the large stock at Amos Steck's.

HON. J. S. BLACK and his estimable wife are now on a visit to Somerset, their former home. They live near York, Pa. The Judge wears the national legal distinction he has achieved as a great man should. He has very many warm friends in this, the county of his birth, who are proud of him, and rejoice to take him by the hand.

IT may not be amiss to repeat that membership tickets to the National Normal Musical Institute, to be held in this place during the present summer, will be but *ten* dollars cash to all residents of Somerset county instead of fifteen, as announced in the circulars, this being the amount charged to all non resident pupils.

ST. PAUL'S Evangelical Lutheran Church, known as the Fritz Church, situated in Brothersvalley township, half way between Pine Hill and Berkley's Mills, will be consecrated to the service of God, on the 1st day of August next. The friends of christianity are cordially invited to attend.

THE Republicans of Fayette county met in Convention at Uniontown on Monday of last week and placed in nomination the following ticket: Prothonotary, Major Cyrus L. Conner; Register and Recorder, Matthew Arison; Treasurer, Benjamin C. Slocum; Commissioners, Capt. James M. Jackson, and Jesse Reed; Auditors, G. W. Hess, Thomas Newill; Poor House Director, Maj. Clark Breading.

A CURIOSITY.—Mr. B. F. Cooper left a glass stopper at the store of E. H. Marshall & Co., on last Thursday night which he had taken from the craw of a chicken. The stopper had originally been an inch and a half in length and three quarters of an inch in circumference, but had been ground down by contact with the gravel, and other contents of the craw, until it was but an inch long and a quarter of an inch in circumference.

LAST week an Irishman was lodged in our jail on suspicion of being a horse thief. He had in his possession a pair of very fine horses, and an advertisement describing a pair that had been stolen in Washington county being here, several of our citizens thought they had made a hit, as these horses answered the description in the advertisement in some particulars. The Hibernian, however, proved himself innocent in a few hours, and went on his way rejoicing.

THE potato bug has been set to rhyme, viz:

"He can bathe in aquafortis,
Grow fat on kerosene,
Lime but improves his eye-sight:
He dotes on Paris green.

Impossible to kill him:
He will relish your six,
And we'll bet our bottom dollar
You can't brain him with a rail."

A STRANGE SUICIDE.—Major Jas. B. Tredwell showed us on Tuesday last a toppy, or bee bird, which had committed suicide, or rather "avicide" in a queer manner. While engaged in building its nest, it got a piece of string formed into a regular slip noose, and through some means or other inserted its head through the noose. Major Tredwell's attention was attracted to the bird by its fluttering and he attempted a rescue, but when reached life had fled.

THE Bedford *Inquirer* says that Mr. Wm. Black, from the vicinity of Schellsburg, recently went to Mann's Choice with a load of bark, and was accompanied by his son, a bright little lad of some seven summers. On their way homeward the horses started to run off, and Mr. Black sprang from the wagon in order to stop them. The boy clung to the wagon for some time, but was finally thrown out, breaking his neck. He died a few moments after being picked up.

TANNING SKINS.—The following method is recommended for private use in skin tanning: Take equal parts of salt, alum and glauber's salt and a half part saltpeter, pulverize and mix. Handle skins and rub the mixture well in three or four times a day, the oftener the better. If there is not moisture enough in the skin to dissolve the salts, put a little water in the latter. We are assured that no moth will attack furs the pelts of which have been thus prepared.

IT is a sure thing that everything in a newspaper does not please everybody; and the rule holds good in all branches of business. The merchants' dry good shelves, the milliner's and jeweler's show cases, all tell the same story, that human nature differs in its likes and dislike. It is as foolish to condemn a paper because it don't cater to an individual taste, as it is to quit patronizing a store because it don't contain everything that one man desires.

Notice to District Secretaries.—Many of the Annual Reports and Certificates have not as yet been received. One of those already forwarded was found to be incorrect and returned. Secretaries should be very careful in making their reports, for a Superintendent cannot approve incorrect statements, nor will the department receive them. The District Secretaries will please forward to the County Superintendent as early as possible. My address until further notice will be Glade, Somerset county, Pa.

J. B. WHITKEY,
Co. Supt.

WE published several months ago the decision of the common pleas of Huntingdon county, in a case where a magistrate had neglected the formality of reading the contents of a mortgage to the wife of the party executing it, when before signing it he examined her separate and apart from her husband, that the omission was fatal to the validity of the document, although the paper on its face was executed in due form. The supreme court has reversed this decision, and decided that the certificate of a justice of the peace of the acknowledgment of a deed or mortgage is a judicial act, and conclusive of the facts certified to, in the absence of fraud or duress.

IN the Criminal Court, last Friday, Mary Reed, a young lady school teacher, was tried for assault and battery, and acquitted. It appears that she had been in charge of a school which had the reputation of being very unruly. One boy, especially, joined to carry on before the balance of the pupils, which incited them to be disorderly, and the teacher punished him for his misconduct. Exceptions were taken to her procedure, and a suit was begun against her for assault and battery, which found its way to the Criminal Court room, where the jury said by their verdict that Miss Reed was justifiable in what she had done.—*Pittsburg Gazette.*

ON last Friday morning, about 4 o'clock, Mr. Scott Jellison, residing about four miles from town, in Derry township, Westmoreland county, met with a very serious accident, by shooting himself in the mouth with a rifle gun. He got up early in the morning to go out to work his corn, and thought he would take his gun along, and on examining it, seeing there was no cap on the pivot, he pushed the trigger back with the toe of his boot, and placed the muzzle in his mouth for the purpose of blowing in it, to see if there was a load in the gun, when his foot slipped, and the gun went off, discharging the ball in the back part of his head. He is still living, at last accounts, but in a very critical condition.—*Greensburg Argus.*

THE annual Commencement in this institution takes place on *Thursday, July 1st.* The address to the Alumni will be delivered the evening previous, by S. B. Kieffer, A. M., M. D., of Carlisle, Pa. On Tuesday evening the address before the Literary Society will be delivered by I. H. Steiner, A. M., M. D., of Frederick, Md.

Persons coming to the Commencement over the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, can procure excursion tickets to all the principal stations, and those coming over the Pennsylvania railroad must send to the undersigned for "orders" for excursion tickets, inclosing a stamped envelope in which to return them. In every case the names of the parties for whom the orders are severally intended must be given. Tickets will be good from June 25th to July 3d.

WALTER E. KREBS,
Secretary of Faculty.

Lancaster, June 1, 1875.

A FEW days since the new regulations governing the redemption of mutilated currency went into effect. They provide as follows:

"In the case of legal tender notes, if less than one-tenth of the original portion of the note be missing, the mutilation will be disregarded. If one-tenth, its face value will be deducted. If more than one-tenth and less than one-fifth is missing, one-fifth of its face value will be deducted, and so on, reckoning by tenths, but no note, of which less than one-half of its original proportions is presented, will be redeemed without evidence that the missing portion is totally destroyed. The same rule will be applied to mutilated fractional currency with the substitution of one fifth for one-tenth."

ACCORDING to a list published by Secretary Quay in the pamphlet laws for 1875, of corporations created under the general corporation act of April 28, 1874, it appears that between the 14th of July 1874, and the 1st day of May 1875, there were 157 corporations chartered and recorded in the Secretary's office. The list embraces manufacturing companies of all kinds, turnpike companies, building and loan associations, gas companies, pipe companies, and water, coal, publishing, land, lumber, stone, ice, storage, bridge, market, ferry and steamboat companies. This list is evidence that corporations multiply as rapidly under general laws as they did under special laws, and that a general corporation law answers all the wants of the State completely.

WE are pleased to announce to the citizens of the county that a corps of engineers have been, and are now, at work prosecuting the surveys for the new illustrated atlas map of the county, soon to be published by F. W. Beers & Co. of New York City. We hope the citizens will not fail to show an appreciation of the work by giving such information as lies within their power to the gentlemen engaged upon this survey.

The importance and worth to any commonwealth of a thorough and exhaustive survey, published in a form convenient for reference, and which will portray at a glance its present stage of development, and the many endowments nature has bestowed, which has hastened its growth, and now points to a future of increasing prosperity, can scarcely be overestimated.

THE FIRE THIS MORNING.—We fortunately escaped being consumed in the serious fire this morning, but we have had a number of organs and several pianos slightly damaged by water and by moving them in great haste. These instruments we will close out at less than cost. None of them are injured to any serious extent, and not at all in their interior; musically, they are perfect; we will warrant them to be as durable as any others. Here is a chance seldom offered to secure a fine piano or organ at ridiculously low figures, and we suggest that persons who want to secure a bargain should call at our rooms without delay. Please remember the place, No. 79 Fifth avenue, and don't forget that these pianos and organs are hardly any worse for the damage—the places where they have been injured can be readily repaired and never noticed. We will furnish them on easy monthly payments if desired.

MELLOR & HOENE.

Pittsburg, June 19, 1875. 79 Fifth ave.

THE WESTERN PIST.—The following description of the voracious grasshopper is from a circular issued by the Commissioner of Agriculture, Hon. Frederick Watts, of Cumberland county: "The destructive insect is almost identical with our common red-legged grasshopper, differing only in the length and strength of the wing, which is one third longer. The shape is just the same. It has been stated that the grasshopper which has appeared in Virginia is of the true Kansas breed. This is not so, and alarm on that account need not be felt. The destructive grasshopper is of the Alpine species. The South American grasshopper is an immense fellow, four and five inches long, and ugly looking. The kind that John the Baptist used to eat are of medium size, and belong to the Asiatic and African tribes. While the ravages of the insect threaten to lay waste land in Kansas, Nebraska and Missouri, it is not unlikely that second plantings of grain, vines and vegetables may wholly escape. The experience gained last year in devising efficient methods for their extermination is considered very valuable."

WHILE reading of the devastations of the grasshoppers in some of our Western States, we have entertained a sense of security, feeling that we were too distant from the scene of destruction to be in much danger of suffering from their ravages, but it seems as if the fact that our safety was fancied rather than real, is about to be brought to our attention in a practical manner, for the insects have actually made their appearance in some parts of our county, in such numbers, and evincing such powers of destruction, that their advent furnishes good cause for alarm. Ex-Sheriff John Hill, of Bethel township, informs us that in his vicinity they are very numerous and that they have destroyed the young clover, and are now attacking the corn, potatoes and the wheat. Some farmers who have sowed extensively do not expect to get back their seed, and it seems as if all the crops in that section will be considerably injured. Reports from some other portions of the county announce the presence of the grasshoppers, but it is hoped that the season is too far advanced for them to do much harm.—*Fulton Democrat.*

VERY often a screw hole gets so worn that the screw will not stay in. Where the glue is handy the regular carpenter makes the hole larger and glues in a large plug, making a nest for an entirely new hole. But this is not always the case, and people without tools and in an emergency, have to fix the thing at once. Generally leather is used, but this is so hard that it does not hold well. The best of all things is to cut narrow strips of cork and fill the hole completely. Then force the screw in. This will make as tight a job as if driven into an entirely new hole.

Another hint of a similar character may be useful. One often desires to put a staple into a block of stone. The hole is made, the staple inserted, and lead melted and run in. But unless the hole is made with the bottom larger than the top, the lead will in time work out, if there is much jar or side strain on the iron. Besides, the lead is liable to some compression, which admits of looseness, especially after being subjected to very hot fires. A much better article is sulphur. If this be melted and poured in around the staple instead of lead, it makes a much more durable job; besides, it is often more easy to procure sulphur than lead, as every store keeps it that deals in general variety.

DON'T KILL THE BIRDS.—The following bit of good advice we clip from the Harrisburg *Patriot* of a recent date. Farmers and others would do well to heed it, and see that the birds are protected. It reads as follows:

Few of us are sufficiently aware of the true value of our insectivorous birds. From early spring until late autumn these restless visitors haunt the fields and gardens in quest of food, prying into every nook and crevice where the destroyers of our crops lie concealed, a countless host of which fall a prey to their busy search during the season of planting and harvest. Every bird that frequents a farm—is we except the hen hawk and crow—comes to offer us unpaid service whose importance we can hardly overestimate. Let any one who doubts this watch a phœbird or a sparrow for half an hour, and see how, with scarcely a moment's intermission, our little insect hunter pursues his eager task; and then let him reflect upon the necessity, the duty, of affording the birds every possible protection.

KILLED BY LIGHTNING.—A boy about fourteen years of age, the only son of Jacob Smith, near Waterside, was killed by lightning on Saturday, 12th inst. The father and son were working at a lime kiln, some distance from the house, when the storm came up. Mr. Smith sent the boy home with the horses they had been using, directing him to put them in the stable. This he did, and his mother supposed he had returned to the kiln again. When his father came to the house for his supper he inquired for the missing boy, and after a short search he was found lying between a cherry tree and fence a short distance from the barn, dead. It is supposed that he sat on the fence under the tree for shelter from the rain, when he was struck. His hat was torn into shreds, his clothing torn off his body and both shoes off his feet with the sole entirely torn off the one upper. There was a scorched streak from the head to his feet, and from the appearance of a gash on the side of his head he must have been dead several hours. The sad affair has cast quite a gloom throughout the entire community, and will serve as a warning against taking shelter under trees during thunder storms.—*Everett Press.*

A GAME of base-ball was played on Saturday last between the Potomac nine, of Cumberland Md., and the Glade nine, of Somerset.

The Potomacs arrived on the morning express, and were met at Mineral Point by a committee of the Glades, and at the depot by a large committee, headed by the Somerset Cornet Band.

Game was called at twenty minutes of two, and lasted until five o'clock. The game was witnessed by about three hundred spectators, who manifested a great deal of interest in the result. In this connection it might not be amiss to suggest to spectators that they should be less partial in the bestowal of their applause, and that a good play, no matter by whom made, is worthy of their approbation.

The Potomacs won the toss and went to the field. At the end of the ninth inning the score stood:

POTOMACS.	R.	O.	GLADES.	R.	O.
H. Johnson, p	6	2	A. L. Walter, 1 b	3	3
R. H. Gordon, c. f.	6	3	J. F. Snyder, l. f.	4	3
A. R. Lewis, 1 b	4	3	R. Parker, s. s	2	2
R. Shriver, s. s	4	1	A. Heffley, c	1	2
J. H. Moore, l. f.	3	3	J. Zimmerman, c. f	0	3
E. J. Onderdonk, c	1	3	A. C. Benford, 2 b.	2	4
W. O. Hoffman, 2 b	1	4	H. Zimmerman, r. f	3	2
R. Ryan, 3d b	0	6	J. G. Snyder, p	2	4
J. Moore, r. f	3	3	C. Showman, 3 b.	2	4
Totals	28	27	Totals	19	27

After the game, all hands adjourned to the Hill House, where Mr. Dennis Meyers, President of the Glade Club, presented the ball to the victors. R. H. Gordon, Esq., on behalf of the Potomac Club, made a neat and telling speech. The evening was given up to amusements of various kinds. The Potomacs left for home at 10:30, accompanied by many of the Glades as far as Mineral Point.

The uninitiated are not to understand that those who have the least number of runs on the score did the poorest playing; on the contrary, some of them did the best.

Mr. J. P. Kimmell, of Somerset, acted as umpire, and Samuel B. Harrison, of the Potomacs, and Ed. B. Scull, of the Glades, as scorers.

Our boys are much pleased with their guests, and hope it may be their good fortune to always meet as pleasant a set of gentlemen in their base ball contests.

$10 REWARD.—A reward of ten dollars is offered by Messrs. Davis & Schrock for the arrest and conviction of the scamps who made a raid on their garden, south of town, and knocked the tops of all the onnions they had planted.

CONFIDENCED.—Two of the smooth and oily-tongued gentry dropped down on Brothersvalley twp., last week, where, after a short stay they succeeded in swindling Mr. Peter Hauger out of a sum of money. The circumstances of the operation are about these: The Millers, that is the name they give, proposed to buy Mr. Hauger's farm, and contracted with him for it, agreeing to pay one hundred dollars cash as a clincher to the agreement. When they came to pay the money they had not quite enough, and one of them asked Mr Hauger to go with them to Berlin until they could have a check cashed. At the bank Miller presented a check for $600 on a Clearfield county bank, and desired it to be cashed. The cashier refused to do unless it was endorsed by some one he knew. Miller then got Hauger to endorse it, and he received his money and started down town to see his brother before he closed the bargain. He is still down town hunting for his brother, at least, Mr. H. has not set eyes on him since. A dispatch to the bank revealed the fact that they knew of no such man. The brother was arrested and placed in jail. It appears that people will never learn to guard against swindlers of this kind. Men who would study for hours before endorsing a note for a neighbor can be talked into endorsing one for a perfect stranger, verifying the old maxim of a parting between money and a certain class of owners.

We hear this morning (Tuesday) that the swindler who secured the money has been arrested and is now on the way to prison.

OBSERVE THE LAW.—In chapter forty of the general laws of the State for 1874, may be found the following sections, which are of interest to township officers:

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted, &c.*, That the auditors of the several townships and boroughs within the Commonwealth shall meet annually on the first Monday in June, and oftener if necessary, and shall audit, settle and adjust the accounts of the supervisors, road commissioners, school, borough and township treasurers, as may be referred them.

SEC. 2. That the auditors of the several townships and boroughs within this Commonwealth, are hereby authorized and required to publish, by posting handbills, either printed or written, in at least five public places within their respective townships or boroughs, an itemized annual statement of the receipts and expenditures of borough councils, road commissioners, supervisors, overseers of the poor, and school directors for the year preceding the annual settlement of their respective districts; said handbills to be posted within ten days after such settlement; and further, it shall be the duty of said auditors to file a copy of the same with the town clerk in their respective districts, and also with the clerk of the court of Quarter Sessions, which shall be at all times subject to inspection by any citizen thereof; Provided that when any two of said officers shall be exercised by the same person only one statement will be required; Also provided, That nothing in this act shall be so construed to interfere with the present law which requires annual statements of the receipts and expenditures of the borough councils, road commissioners, supervisors, overseers of the poor, and school directors to be advertised in the daily and weekly newspapers published in their respective localities.

SEC. 3. In case of neglect or refusal to to comply with the provisions of this act, the auditors neglecting or refusing, shall each pay a penalty of twenty dollars, to be recovered in the same manner as debts of a similar amount are by law recoverable, by suit instigated in the name of the school district upon the complaint of any taxpaying citizen of the same, and proceeds thereof to be paid into the school treasury of said district.

SEC. 4. All acts or parts of act inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

THE MINERAL WEALTH OF SOMERSET COUNTY.—A few weeks ago we gave an account of the discovery of a nickel mine on the farm of a Mr. Burket in Stonycreek township, this county. This week we have to report what purports to be a still more important discovery. On Thursday last Mr. Jos. W. Daugherty presented us with a specimen of nickel ore taken from a farm on the Stonycreek within a few miles of Scalp Level. Mr. Daugherty claims that some of the ore taken at random from the specimens picked up was sent to Philadelphia and thoroughly tested, and that it yielded twenty per cent of pure nickel.

The Lancaster mines, considered the richest in the world, are said to yield not more than five per cent. at the utmost, while the ore found on the Burket farm is said to yield eleven and three-quarter per cent. and this mine twenty per cent. If the two latter mines should prove to have even a quarter of the amount named, then have the gentlemen struck a bonanza, and one that will add materially to the wealth and prosperity of the county.

It is also claimed that in the same hill from which Mr. Daugherty took the nickel there is canel and bituminous coals, iron and two other varieties of ore. Another great source of wealth of Somerset county is its immense coal fields, the principal of which are the Keystone, Salisbury, Berlin and Ursina veins, all four of which are as fine coal as can be found anywhere. The Ursina coal, the only vein thoroughly tested, making coke not inferior to that made in the famous Connellsville region. These coal fields are almost exhaustless and will prove, and are proving, a great source of wealth to our county. We have still another great source of profit to our our county. The immense veins of exceedingly fine fire clay that are to be opened at many different places throughout it. We believe the only vein being operated at present is the one at Keystone Junction.

The great amount and fine quality of the lime found at many places is another important source of mineral wealth. Our farmers have but lately commenced the use of lime as a fertilizer, and the demand for it is daily increasing.

Iron ore is found at several places throughout the county, the most noted of which is the Wellersburg vein. Few counties in the State have more minerals than we have, and when we once get a way to bring the products of our mountains into the market we shall soon see Somerset ranked high among the mineral producing regions of the country.

MARRIED.

PILE—KRING.—On the 10th inst., by Joseph Cummins, Esq., Mr. Josiah Pile to Miss Amanda Kring, all of Somerset Co.

ANKENY—KRING.—June 17th, at the house of Mr. John Huston, in Somerset by Rev. A. E. Truxal, Mr. Joseph Ankeny of Milford, and Miss Annie Kring of Somerset twp.

SOMERSET MARKET

Corrected by W. F. ALTFATHER & Co.,

DEALERS IN

CHOICE GROCERIES, FLOUR & FEED,

Apples, dried, ℔ ℔	5c
Applebutter, ℔ gal	40@50c
Butter, ℔ ℔	20c
Buckwheat, ℔ bushel	$1 00
Beeswax, ℔ ℔	20c
Bacon, shoulders, ℔ ℔	12c
" sides, "	13
" hams, "	14@15c
Corn, ℔ bushel	$1 00
Corn meal ℔ ℔	3c
Calf skins, ℔ ℔	10c
Clover Seed—small	$9 50
Clover Seed—large	$10 00
Calcined Plaster	$4 00
Dissolved Bone, ℔ bag 200 ℔s	$6 00
Eggs, ℔ doz	15c
Flour, ℔ bbl	$7 50
Flaxseed ℔ bu., (56 ℔s)	$1 50
Hydraulic Cement, ℔ bbl	$2 75
Lard, ℔ ℔	15c
Leather, red sole, ℔ ℔	30@33
" upper "	70c
" kip, "	80c
Land Plaster ℔ bbl	$2 50
Oats, ℔ bu	75c
Potatoes, ℔ bu	70c
Peaches, dried, ℔ ℔	14c
Peruvian Guano per 100 ℔s	$4 00
Rye ℔ bu	$1 00
Rags, ℔ ℔	2c
Salt, No. 1, ℔ bbl, extra	$2 75
" " ℔ bu	50c
" Ashton, per sack	$4 75
" Liverpool "	$2 25
" Ground Alum, per sack	$2 00
Sugar, yellow ℔ ℔	12@12½
" white "	13@14c
Sugar Phosphate ℔ bag, 200 ℔s	$6 00
White Lime, ℔ bbl	$2 75

New Advertisements.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Jacob Cover, late of Jenner township, deceased.

Letters testamentary on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned by the proper authority, notice is hereby given to those indebted to it to make immediate payment, and those having claims against it to present them duly authenticated for settlement on Friday, July 30, '75, at Kline's mill, in Jenner township.

HENRY L. KLINE,
GEORGE W. COVER,
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STATEMENT of G. F. Donner, tax collector for Somerset township for 1874.

Gross amount of duplicate to $8896 60

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By exonerations	$ 65 90
By commission of 2½c for col	71 97
Paid Treas. per receipts	3848 82
Paid balance, to close up	408 32—$4395 01
	$4501 91

Simon Chorpening, Treasurer of Somerset Tp. School Board for 1874, and ending June 7, 1875.

Amount received from former Treas	$610 53
Millitia fines from Noah Roberts	59 74
School appropriation from State	432 89
Millitia fines from G. M. Nell	62 74
Amount from G. F. Donner, collector	3395 01
	$4560 90

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Paid salaries to teachers	$2022 00
Paid G. F. Donner for coll