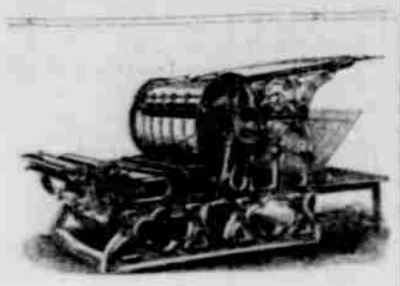
The Somerset Herald.

WEDNESDAY.............January 31, 1877.



J. HARRY FRITZ, County Surveyor, will give special attention to all surveying, writing of deeds mortgages, bonds, wills, agreements, &c., entrusted to him.
TAKE NOTICE.—He will be found in his office every Saturday. Somerset Pa.

"1,000 KEGS"
CHOICE BUTTER
WANTED IMMEDIATELY
BY
W. S. TEMPLE & CO.,
BALTIMORE, M. D

IF you want your watch repaired send it to McDowell.

ED MCDOWELL repairs watches and clocks in a good and workmanlike manner.

CARPENTERS will find at Blymyre's Tools of all kinds at as low prices as they can be bought anywhere.

WHEN Adam was half through naming his descendants, he got tired, and said, "Let's quit, and call the rest smith."

PERSONS who are building will find at Blymyers' prices as low as the same goods can be bought in the city. Call and see.

IF you have a watch or clock that needs repairing, take it to Ed McDowell, on Main street, and he will fix it for you cheap.

MRS. NANCY HOUSTON had the misfortune to fall down the stairs of her dwelling on Saturday last, injuring herself severely.

FURNITURE Men will find at Blymyers' the best Varnishes, Oils and Turpentine, Bed Fasts, Castors, Moulding &c., at the lowest possible prices.

ANYTHING that you may want in the Hardware line you can get at Blymyers' at low prices. Call and see them. Read his advertisement in another column.

TWO men were wrestling in Newport last week, when one of them slipped and falling against a buzz saw, had his head sawed completely in half, causing, of course, instant death.

DR. A. G. MILLER while on his way to pay a professional visit one day of last week, had the misfortune to be thrown from his sleigh, thereby spraining his ankle badly.

JIM MARSHALL, of Fort Hill wants to buy a hundred ground hog dogs for the 2nd of February, in order that he may capture his hogship when he comes out to look for his shadow.

FOR Pocket-knives, Spoons, Knives and Forks, Razors, Shears, &c., go to Blymyers' his stock is the largest in the county and the goods are marked at very low prices.

TAKE NOTICE.—This is the last chance we will give those indebted to us to settle their accounts. We will have to put them into the hands of an officer for collection.
SNYDER & UHL.

THE Philadelphia Society for the prevention of cruelty to animals during 1876 investigated 815 cases of cruelty, and had 635 horses and mules turned out of harness.

THE P. O. Department will require the transfer of mails in large cities hereafter, to be made in vans covered with iron netting to prevent loss by theft and otherwise.

MR. R. C. WILEY, editor of the *Herald*, Elizabeth, Pa., called at our office one day last week. He is a pleasant companion, and our latch string hangs on the outer wall.

THE meanest wretch in the world is the employer of the Boston lad who earns $2 a week, and who, being detained at home half a day owing to the inclemency of the weather, had his wages docked sixteen cents.

LET'S all go South. In Florida the flowers are blooming in the gardens and the great luscious oranges are hanging ripe on the trees, while the air is soft as summer and no clouds darken the light blue skies.

FOR RENT.—A Grist Mill, in Addison township, with a good property attached. Possession given the 1st of April. For further information address
J. P. H. WALKER,
Ursina, Pa.

ATTORNEY General Lear has given it as his opinion that there will be no election for Assessors in this State this year at the spring elections which take place on February 20th. The present Assessors, who were elected in 1876 hold their offices until the first Monday of April, 1878.

THE latest swindle is that in which peddlers go around to private houses with nice boxes of dollar tea which they offer at 40 cents, claiming to have bought it at auction. One-fourth of the contents of the boxes it is found is good tea, but the balance is dust and tissue paper.

U. B. APPOINTMENTS.—The United Brethren Conference, which was in session for several days at Altoona, adjourned on Monday a week. The following appointments were made for this county:
Presiding Elder, J. Midsgar.
Somerset, C. Wortman.
Castleman, J. S. Buell.

THE following arithmetical nut is puzzling the brains of New Castle; can any of our readers crack it? Seven men buy a billiard cue, and agree to give in to the man of their number who wins the most games. Each man has to play each of his companions one game (and no more). How many games would they all play?

A WASHINGTON statesman wittily likens the Congressional shuffle to a game of cribbage, to wit:
"Five Supreme Court judges, five Senators and five Representatives for the count; fifteen two, fifteen four, fifteen six, then turn a jack, one for the nob, equals the game, 185. But who turns the jack, Tilden or Hayes?

THOSE two foes of bodily comfort, Rheumatism and the Gout, cease their twinges, if the affected part is daily washed with Glenn's Sulphur Soap, which banishes pain and renders the joints and muscles supple and elastic. Depot Crittenton's, No. 7 Sixth Avenue, N. Y. Hill's Hair & Whisker Dye, black or brown, 50 cents.

THE members of the Somerset County Agricultural Society will meet at the Court House on Wednesday evening, January 31, 1877, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year.
JOSIAH MOWRY,
President.
E. M. SCHROCK,
Secretary.

WE acknowledge the receipt of the New York *Tribune Almanac* for 1877. It is the very best political hand-book extant. No well regulated politician can possibly get along without it. It presents such a variety of topics, statistics, etc., that we will not attempt to enumerate them. It can be had for the moderate price of 25 cents.

TO THE FARMERS!
Ship your Butter to
W. S. TEMPLE & CO.
They got best prices last season for every farmer who shipped to them, and if you wish high prices this season you will do well to ship to them.

WAGONS.

Having recently accepted the agency for this county of the Studebaker Co., I am selling excellent wagons of all dimensions on special terms of Ten Dollars monthly payments.

Any person wanting a wagon will certainly find it decidedly to their interest to consult me before purchasing elsewhere.
Address
W. W. HARTZELL,
Somerset, Pa.

THE most innocent things are becoming engines of destruction. A spiral shirtstud in California nearly gouged its owners eye out, and a feather bed in Ohio exploded and plastered its occupants up against the ceiling. Men must now keep away from the kindling wood, and there is no telling when, in a moment of emotional insanity, the seemingly docile saw-horse may rise up and kick the stuffing out of its owner.

IT is reported that the saloon keepers of Pittsburgh and Allegheny offered Murphy $15,000 to leave the cities. About 27,000 persons have, so far, taken the pledge. The intense anxiety to secure seats at his meetings is shown in the action of some eight or ten ladies, who, attending a meeting of the North Avenue, Allegheny, M. E. Church, one afternoon, took oysters and coffee, cooked their supper, and remained in the building in order to be in time for the temperance meeting in the evening.

KNOW one woman by these presents, that the local editor of the Bedford *Gazette* claims to be the author of the following lines, which were published in the HERALD a few weeks ago, and not properly credited:

An aged man with careful tread,
Slipped up this morn—lit on his head,
And as he rose we heard him yell,
"Jam the slippery walk to jell."

THE boys, and some who were boys many moons ago, have been having a good time coasting for a week past. On Friday night Squire Dennis and the local were taken over the course on a large sled guided by Hamp. Pile and steered by Isaac Miller. The rapidity with which electricity travels can no more be compared with the flight of that sled than can the time made by Jimmy Conklin's horse with that of Dexter. That is the first time. When we do it again, you may——hear of it.

UNDER the new law, the invitation for proposals for carrying mails, are not published in a newspaper, but a printed list of all the routes in Pennsylvania will be found by those interested, in the postoffice of the neighborhood. All the routes in the State are to be given out on March 10, 1877, and proposals will be received until 3 o'clock on the afternoon of Febuary 3d. The contract will be from July 1, 1877, to June 30, 1881. Those interested in the routes of this county can see a copy of the list in any postoffice in the county.

ON Friday last three prisoners from Clearfield county were lodged in the Western Penitentiary who had been convicted of larceny. One gets a year and three months, one a year and two months, and one a year and six months. Huntingdon county also furnishes three convicts, one of whom convicted of perjury, will serve a term of two years and three months, and the other two eighteen months each for larceny and receiving stolen goods. The total number of prisoners in the penitentiary at the present time is 732.

A WOMAN with a bees' nest in her hair would probably be a lively spectacle; but Joaquin Miller tries, in the *Independent*, to make such a thing romantic, as follows:

If all the world a garden were,
And women were but bowers;
If men were bees that busied there
Through all the summer hours;
Oh! I would hum the garden through,
For honey till I come to you.
Then I should hive within your hair,
Its sun and gold together;
And I should hide in glory there,
Through all the changeful weather.

NOTICE.

Having this day purchased from J. W. Patton, his entire stock of merchandize, I propose continuing the mercantile business by carrying on a general stock, and most respectfully solicit patronage from the people of this town and vicinity, and all others in want of goods. I intend adding from time to time, such goods as will make the stock so complete in all departments that it will be to the interest of those in want of goods to call and see me before purchasing elsewhere.
ED. E. PATTON.
SOMERSET, PA., Dec. 26, 1876.

THE *Tribune and Herald* Greensburg, says: We learn that a clerk at a sale not far from town, dated the notes taken for property sold, January, 1876, payable six months after date, and those who bought property at the sale signed them without looking at the date. We understand that the party to whom they are payable, has negotiated them, and that the parties holding them demand payment, with six month's interest, as according to the notes they were due last July, instead of next July. Moral: Read every line and figure in any instrument of writing before you sign it.

A NEW method of clearing off large accumulations of snow has lately been tried with marked success on several railroads. Small cups or indentures are made in the snow at uniform distances, which are filled with crude oil; care is taken not to put in too much. The oil is then set on fire and the snow melts rapidly away. If there is any surplus of oil left after the work is done, it is readily extinguish by a few shovels-full of ashes or earth. This plan has not yet been tried generally but it is quite probable that with proper precaution, it might prove thoroughly practical and unquestionably very economical.

PEOPLE who find it difficult to sleep at night—and there are many such—are informed that an eminent American physician recommends that on retiring, persons affected with sleeplessness try the experiment of breathing slowly. This gentleman says that the cause of sleeplessness, in many cases, is hyperaemia of the brain (it makes no difference what that means), but the bottom fact is that slow breathing lessens the supply of blood to the brain, thereby restraining the activity of the mind and permitting the person to sleep. The proposed remedy is easy and safe, and at least worth trying.

False Impression.

It is generally supposed by a certain class of citizens, who are not practical or experienced, that Dyspepsia can not invariably be cured, but we are pleased to say that GREEN'S AUGUST FLOWER has never, to our knowledge, failed to cure Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint in all its forms, such as Sour Stomach, Costiveness, Sick Headache, palpitation of the Heart, low spirits, &c., &c. Out of 30 000 dozen bottles sold last year, not a single failure was reported, but thousands of complimentary letters received from Druggists of wonderful cures. Three doses will relieve any case. Try it. Sample Bottles 10 cents. Regular Size 75 cents. For sale by G. W. BENFORD.

"BOYS," chimed in Kettle-Belly Brown, "when I was on the arctic expedition with Dr. Hayes, I saw some devilish cold weather." Everybody bent to listen, for they knew that a master hand was at the keys. "They all froze to death but me, and I kept right on to the North Pole. Here is a chip I cut out of it just to show I was there. Anybody who has ever seen the Pole will recognize it. I see you all recognize it. I liked that country." "What made you leave it, then?" asked somebody. "The whisky froze up, and I had to come further south," and the tears welled up as he recollected how much he had missed during his ten long years in the Arctic regions.

WORDS OF WARNING.

During the present year, as in the past, the grave will close over thousands simply because they neglect the means which would restore them to health. Meet the fell destroyer at the threshold, and dispute his invasion by that more than wonderful medicine, Dr. Morris' Syrup of Tar, Wild Cherry and Horehound. There is no cough or cold, case of asthma, bronchitis, blood-spitting, weak lungs, croup or whooping cough which will not yield more readily to this great botanical remedy than any other medicine. If you would avoid disappointment, and be speedily cured, ask your druggist for Dr. Morris' Syrup of Tar, Wild Cherry and Horehound. Trial size, 10 cents. Regular sizes, 50 cents and $1.

For sale by G. W. Benford.

Also Agents for Prof. Parker's Pleasant Worm Syrup, which never fails. Pleasant to take, and requires no physic. Price 25 cents.

"WHAT is a 'cold deck' and a 'bob-tail flush?'" a young lady, the light of a Main Street home, asked the other evening, looking up from a newspaper she was reading. "Why," said her elder brother, "a cold deck——," and it was worth fifteen cents for a student of human nature to note how suddenly he checked himself, and what a variety of conflicting emotions played over his face as he bent over his book, and pretended not to see the sharp glance of suspicious inquiry which the father shot at him over his spectacles, while the silence was so profound and awful that the other members of the family looked up and gazed around in dumb amazement. An excess of knowledge is often times a burden. What does a man want to make himself a walking encyclopedia for.

REPUBLICAN MEETING.

The regural annual meeting of the Republican party was held in the Court House, at Somerset, on Tuesday evening, January 23, 1877. The meeting was called to order by the chairman, E. M. Schrock, and the following officers were elected to preside for the evening: President, Wm. Reel; Vice Presidents, John Faidley, William Zimmerman; Secretaries, William Flick and S. U. Trent. On motion of John I. Scull, Esq., seconded by Hon W. H. Koontz, J. G. Ogle, Esq., was by acclamation elected County Chairman for the ensuing year. On motion of Col. Scull, Hon. E. D. Yutzy and Hon. E. J. Meyers, were elected delegates to the State Convention. On motion of Hon. W. H. Koontz, Hon. A. S Will, was elected Senatorial Delegate. There being no further business, on motion J. L. Pugh, Esq., the meeting adjourned *sine die*.

AN exchange paper says: It seems now to be pretty well settled that our public waters, properly stocked with the right varieties of fish, will yield as much food as an acre of cultivated land. In Canada after a thorough stocking of the public water, and the time for attaining the requisite growth having passed, the sales of fish have increased over $1,000,000 a year. New York, by a judicious stocking of her waters with salmon, trout and shad has succeeded in reducing the prices of the latter from eighteen to three cents a pound, while waters before entirely barren of the two former varieties are now finely stocked. Wisconsin last year appropriated $10,000 to the development of fish culture, and the Commissioner of that State is now hatching 10,000,000 salmon and witefish. Several other Western States had appropriated from $5,000 to $20,000 for the same purpose.

THE McKeesport *Times* gives the particulars of an accident which happened at that place on last Saturday evening, and which resulted fatally. A young man by the name of James Hickman residing a short distance out of town, started in his sleigh having with him a young lady to attend church in McKeesport, and as they were about to cross the railroad track failing either to see or hear an approaching train until they were close enough for the horse to almost touch the train which frightened the animal, and he suddenly turned, upsetting the sleigh throwing Mr. Hickman out, who slid down the icy bank directly under the wheels of the tender, and before the train could be stopped his right leg and arm and side were fearfully crushed and mangled. The unfortunate young man was removed to the baggage room of the station, and a physician summoned, but his injuries were of such a nature that he soon breathed his last. This is the second fatal accident that has happened at the same crossing within little more than a year.

A YOUNG lady named Millie Langham died very suddenly under rather mysterious circumstances at the residence of her sister, in Duncansville, Blair county, on Thursday night last. She was in the best of health and spirits when she left the house of a neighboring family, in which she was employed as a domestic, on the evening previous, but shortly after reaching her sister's abode she began to vomit terribly and exhibited other alarming symptoms of severe illness. As she absolutely refused, however, to have a physician called in, and further declared that she would soon be well enough, her friends put her to bed and took no further thought of her seemingly until about four o'clock on Friday morning, when her lifeless remains were found cold and prostrate upon the floor of her bed chamber. Much comment was of course elicited in the neighborhood by her strange and sudden death, but she was buried nevertheless on the second day after without any effort being made to fathom the mystery, and without even the coroner being notified of the circumstances. Justice indeed demands, as the Hollidaysburg *Standard* very properly remarks, a rigid inquiry into all the facts connected with this sad affair.

ANOTHER.—From the Saltsburg *Press*, of Indiana County, we glean the following:

"On Tuesday morning, 17th inst. about 9 o'clock, Mattie Becket, a little girl about eleven years of age, was the victim of a burning accident at Homewood, on the Pennsylvania Railroad, which resulted in her death. It appears that her parents allowed her to go to the house of a neighbor to watch some children, and while playing near the grate her clothes took fire. She immediately ran out of the doorway and started for home as fast as she could go, the flames at the same time enveloping her entire body. When she landed at her father's residence, Mr. Becket ran to the door and seeing the condition of his child, extinguished the flames as quickly as possible, but not until nearly all her clothing had been consumed. The little sufferer was attended by a physician who said he could do nothing for her. She lingered in great agony until the evening of the day above mentioned." If the publication of items of this kind would have a tendency to put people on their guard, our object would be easily accomplished, but we do not see that warnings or "morals" amount to very much.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

CIVIL LIST.

Cornelius Berkley vs. John H. Boyts, et al, lease. Jury returned a verdict for defendants.

C. K. Grove vs. Daniel Flick, assumpsit. Jury return a verdict for the defendant.

Jas. Brown & Son vs. R. J. Baker & Co. Jury returned a verdict for plaintiff for $546 68.

CRIMINAL LIST.

Com. vs. Thomas Riley, surety of the peace, on information of Samuel Adams. Each party sentenced to pay one half the costs.

Com. vs. Samuel Adams, assault and battery, on information of Thomas Riley. Verdict not guilty, and defendant to pay two-thirds and prosecutor one-third of the costs.

Com vs. Eli Ogline, surety of the peace, on information of E. R. Shaffer. Each party to pay their own witnesses and one half of the docket costs.

Com. vs. Isaac Hugus, nuisance on information of Wm. Gilbert. The nuisance charged was allowing the cellar on the lot on the corner of Union and Main Cross streets to remain open, to the danger of the good people of this Commonwealth. Verdict guilty.

THE Pittsburgh *Evening Telegraph* has this to say about the Trans-Allegheny Canal:

Representative Hopkins intends to introduce into the House and have referred to the Committee on Commerce, a memorial which he received yesterday, from Pittsburgh, relating to the "Youghiogheny water route to the Atlantic sea-board, and Youghiogheny river improvement," which bears "signatures authorized" of J. K. Moorehead, N. J. Bigley, Thomas Moore and C. A. Dravo. The memorial is addressed: "To the Honorable the Committee on commerce of the House of Representatives." Representative Hopkins informs me that it is similar to the document which was laid before the senate Commerce Committee during the last session, but was never formally presented to Congress. It will now be presented in the proper way, and a determined effort will be made to induce the Commerce Committee to recommend to the Appropriation Committee the insertion of a clause in the River and Harbor Appropriation bill, providing for the appropriation required to begin the improvements in question.

In conclusion, the memorialists say: "The survey of this water route from Pittsburgh to Cumberland, Maryland, is conclusive as to its practicability, and also the cheapness in comparison with other routes now receiving Government aid as national routes. Nor is it as a through route alone in which its great importance consists. The valley of the Youghiogheny contains the largest as well as the richest basin of gas and coke coal in the country, and has, in addition, immense fields of iron and other ores and ship building timber."

REPORT of Friedensburg school for the month ending January 24, 1877:

Whole number in attendance—males 28, females 28, total 56.

Average attendance—males 24, females 23, total 57.

Per cent of attendance—males 86, females 82, total 84.

The following pupils were present every day: Harry Bender, John Bender, Warren Stahl, George Barnhart, Lillie Bender, Minnie Snyder, Emma Stahl.
CHAS. I. SHAVER,
Teacher.

AT a recent temperance meeting in the East End, Pittsburgh, a reformed drunkard arose, according to custom, to make a few encouraging remarks to the still benighted brethren who had not yet pledged themselves to abstain from the flowing bowl. The gentleman possessed a remarkable nose—remarkable for being bulbous and of a brilliant crimson, and it attracted considerable attention as he stepped to the front and stated: "Ladies and gentlemen, I am not here to make a speech. I am not much of speaker; in fact I never made a speech in my life. I have, however, been a hard drinker, which you will probably infer after a casual glance at my nose; but." Here the audience began to titter, whereupon the speaker, feeling the organ in question, tenderly resumed: "But I assure you, ladies and gentlemen, although it may strike you as being very funny, it is no laughing matter. To bring my nose to this state of blooming perfeccion has cost me, at the least calculation, $10,000." Hereupon there was a perfect howl, and the new recruit stepped down and gave place to the next speaker.

ROAD VIEWS.—The following petitions were handed into court for views and reviews on roads and township lines viz.—Petition of citizens of Quemahoning and Shade township, for reviewers to review the change of township line between Shade and Quemahoning township. The Court appointed J. H. Fritz, surveyor, and Geo. Spangler and Urias Trent, reviewers.

A petition of citizens of Jefferson township, praying for a public road leading from a point on a public road near Jacob Shaulis' to a point on a public road near Cyrus Hemminger's in Jefferson township. The Court appointed J. R. Scott, surveyor, and John Cummons and Peter Whipkey, viewers.

A petition of sundry citizens for a road in Stonycreek township leading from a point on the public road from Henry Dubstadt's sawmill to the Bedford and Greensburg turnpike. The Court appointed Jos. Cable, surveyor, Benj. Bowman and F. R. Ranken, viewers.

A petition of citizens of Greenville and Summit townships for a road leading from a point on a public road from Geo. Werner's sawmill to Sandpatch station near the Keystone sawmill in Greenville township at a point on the public road leading from Meyersdale to Sandpatch tunnel at or near the lime kiln at Keystone Junction. The Court appointed J. C. Youtzy, surveyor, and Samuel Boger and David Dickey, viewers, as prayed for.

THE Johnstown *Tribune* has this to say of the new Marriage License Bill:

There is a bill pending in the State Legislature which requires that all persons who design contracting a matrimonial alliance shall first take out a marriage license, and that after the ceremony is performed the certificate shall be entered of record in the office of the Recorder of the county in which the nuptial contract was entered into. The principal reason why a law of this kind should be placed on the statute books is that ministers and justices are so frequently imposed upon by persons under age, who in many instances, falsely assure them that parents or guardians are willing that the marriage should take place, when the fact subsequently appears that such was not the case, and hence the individual who officiates at one of these contracts is liable to the penalty—which amounts to about $133. The old law which reads that a clergyman or 'Squire who presumes to marry any party under age without proper consent shall pay £33 in Pennsylvania currency, may be a very good one, but from the very fact that only in rare instances is it invoked it has become almost a dead letter.

In some communities competent authority can be found to bind together boys and girls who have scarcely ended their days of adolescence, and no inquiry is made as to whether proper permission has been first given by those who have legal control of such minors. The parents dislike giving greater notoriety to such marriages, and are constrained to make the best of what may be considered a bad bargain, in preference to bringing an action for the penalty.

It is contended that the act now before the Legislature will, if it becomes a law, prevent all this, and it is further urged that numerous cases of bigamy will thus be prevented, from the fact that in the first place no marriage can be entered into without a license is previously procured, and the authority issuing such permit will be compelled, under severe penalty for non-compliance, to ascertain whether the parties to the contract come within the scope of the law; and, secondly, that the fact of the bond of union being entered on the record books of the county will prevent many persons from contracting a second marriage, while both parties to the original contract are still living. The person issuing the certificate, or license, will have access to such books, and it is made a part of his duty to see that no impediment of the kind exists. It is believed by many that a law of the kind is an absolute necessity, considering the growing evil of hasty marriages being entered into by minors, who do not ask permission from their guardians, and who soon tire of their bargain. They will not take time to repent, and if a divorce court will not sever the bands, they take the matter into their own hands by forming new alliances. There are many instances of the kind to record just here in our own community.

MARRIED.

SHAFFER—WALTER.—At the house of Jacob Walter, Dec. 14th, by Rev. J. N. Unruh, Mr. Franklin E. Shaffer to Miss Louisa Walter.

ZIMMERMAN—BERKEYBILE.—At the Lutheran parsonage, Hooversville, Pa., January 25, 1877, by Rev. J. H. Walterick, Mr. Phillip Zimmerman to Miss Mary E. Berkeybile, both of Somerset Co., Pa.

STUFFT—BOSH.—On the evening of January 25, 1877, in the Lutheran church, Stoystown, by Rev J. J. Welch, Mr. Jerome Stufft to Miss Anna Bosh, both of Somerset Co., Pa.

DIED.

ROSS.—January 20, 1877, in Shanksville, Harry F., only child of Albert and Susan Ross, aged 11 months and 18 days.

Harry was a lovely child, and his unexpected death cannot but impress us with the mysteries of Providence, when we remember that Harry's great great grandmother is still living to-day. Surely God's ways are not man's ways. Thy will be done.

BOWMAN.—Jacob D. Bowman, of Jenner township, departed this life on Monday evening, November 27, 1876, aged 61 years, 2 months and 27 days. Interred in the cemetery of the Calvany Reformed church.

BENDER.—At the home of his parents in Stoystown, Jan. 24, 1877, Charles R., son of John and Elizabeth Bender, aged 20 years, 1 month and 28 days.

RINGER.—On the 19th inst., Annie Etta, daughter of Alfred and Mary Ringer, of Elklick township, aged 4 years, 2 months and 11 days.

PILE.—On the 23 inst., Emma Laura, daughter of George and Phoebe Pile, aged 8 years, 3 months and 23 days. Interred in Beams cemetery.

GERHARDT.—On the second of Nov., in Lower Turkeyfoot, Phebe Gerhardt, aged 2 years.

STRUCKHOFF.—On the 28th of Dec., near Kingwood, Garret Struckhoff aged 74 years.

HOOVER.—On the 20th of Jany., at Milford Station, Jennie Hoover, aged 9 years.

HOOVER.—On the 1st of Jany., at Milford Station, Jacob Hoover, aged 15 years.

SHULTZ.—On the 22th of Oct., in Centerville, Emma N. Shultz, aged 20 years.

BAKER.—On the 3rd of Jany., at Milford Station, Harriet Baker aged 3 years.

SOMERSET MARKET

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DEALERS IN
CHOICE GROCERIES, FLOUR & FEED,

Apples, dried, ₰ lb	5c
Applebutter, ₰ gal	40@50c
Bran, ₰ 100 lbs	$1 25
Butter, ₰ lb (keg)	18@20c
Butter, ₰ lb (roll)	25c
Buckwheat, ₰ bushel	80c
" meal, 100 lbs	$3 00
Beeswax, ₰ lb	30c
Bacon, shoulders, ₰ lb	12½c
" sides,	15c
" country hams, ₰ lb	15c
Corn, (ear) ₰ bushel	70c
Corn, (shelled) ₰ bushel	75c
Corn meal ₰ lb	2c
Calf skins, ₰ lb	8c
Eggs, ₰ doz	20c
Flour, ₰ bbl	$7 00
Flaxseed ₰ bu., (56 lbs)	75c
Hams, (sugar-cured) ₰ lb	16c
Lard, ₰ lb	15c
Leather, red sole, ₰ lb	25@30c
" upper "	65@70c
" kip, "	75@90c
Middlings, white, 100 lbs	$1 50@2 00
Oats, ₰ bu	35c
Potatoes, ₰ bu	50@60c
Peaches, dried, ₰ lb	15c
Rye ₰ bu	75c
Rags, ₰ lb	1c
Salt, No. 1, ₰ bbl, extra	$2 00
" Ground Alum, per sack	$2 00
" Ashton, per sack	$4 75
Sugar, yellow ₰ lb	10@12½c
" white "	12½@14c
Tallow, ₰ lb	7c
Wheat, ₰ bus	$1 25
Wool, ₰ lb	40@50c

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APPEALS

Notice is hereby given to the taxable inhabitants of Somerset county, that Appeals will be held by the undersigned Commissioners, on the days and at the places hereby specified, to wit:

For Quemahoning Tp., and Stoystown borough, on Tuesday, Feb. 27, at the house of Samuel Custer in Stoystown.

For Greenville Borough, and Jenner Tp., on Wednesday, Feb. 28, at the house of Joseph Gallager.

For Conemaugh Tp., on Thursday, March 1st, at the house of Augustus Keehler, Davidsville.

For Paint Tp., on Friday, March 2d, at Berkeys school house.

For Shade Tp., on Saturday March 3d, at the house of Jacob Heilman.

For Stonycreek Tp., on Monday, March 5th, at the house of Joseph Stull, in Shanksville.

For New Baltimore Borough and Allegheny Tp., on Tuesday, March 6th, at the house Alexander Ware.

For Northampton Tp., on Wednesday, March 7, at the house of Samuel Poorbaugh.

For Larimer Tp., on Thursday, March 8, at the election house in said Tp.

For Wellersburg Borough and Southampton Tp. on Friday March 9, at the house of George Dehaven.

For Greenville Tp., on Saturday, March 10, at the house of A. J. Stoner, in Pocahontas.

For Berlin Borough and Brothersvalley Tp., on Monday, March 12, at the house of Samuel Shaffer, in Berlin.

For Meyersdale Borough, and Summit Tp., on Tuesday, March 13, at the Dale House, in Meyersdale.

For Salisbury Borough and Elklick Tp., on Wednesday, March 14, at the house of Daniel Bareus, in Salisbury.

For Addison Tp., on Friday, March 16, at the house of Levi Dean.

For Confluence Borough, on Saturday, March 17, at the house of Jonathan Frantz.

For Ursina Borough and Lower Turkeyfoot Tp., on Monday, March 19, at the Benford House, in Ursina.

For Upper Turkeyfoot Tp., on Tuesday, March 20, at the house of John A. Shultz.

For Milford Tp., on Wednesday, March 21, at the house of Jesse C. Sweitzer, in New Lexington.

For New Centerville Borough and Milford Tp., on Thursday, March 22, at the house of David Caldwell, in Gebhartsburg.

For Jefferson Tp. on Friday, March 23, at the house of Soloman Baker, in Bakersville.

For Somerset Tp., and Somerset Borough, on Saturday 24th, Monday 26th, and Tuesday 27th days of March, at the Commissioners office.

When and where all persons and corporations feeling themselves aggrieved at the enumeration and valuation of their taxable property and effects, made pursuant to the several Acts of Assembly in such cases made and provided, are requested to attend and state their grievences for redress, according to law. The appeals will be held on the days above named between the hours of 10 o'clock, a. m., and 3 o'clock, p. m.

Attest WM. KEEL,
WM. M. SCHROCK, J. P. PHILSON,
Clerk. D. PHILLIPPI.
Commissioners
Jan. 31.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE.

By virtue of an order issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Somerset Co., Pa., the undersigned Assignee of Samuel Barndt, will sell at public sale on

Saturday, February 24, 1877,

at 10 o'clock a. m., the following described real estate, viz:

A tract of land situate in Quemahoning Tp., Somerset Co., Pa., adjoining land of W. Winters, H. Gardner, and G. Gardner, situate on the turnpike road leading from Stoystown to Greensburg, two and one-half miles west of Stoystown, containing 16 acres more or less, all clear, with a one and one-half story log house, a good stable, a cabinet shop, and all other necessary out-buildings thereon, with good water, and choice fruit.

TERMS.—One-third at close of sale; one-third on the first day of May, 1877; and balance on the first day of September, 1877, with interest; possession will be given on the first day of April next, when the deed will be made and the purchaser will be required to file a judgment note for the deferred payments.

WM. ZIMMERMAN,
Assignee.
Jan. 31.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE.

The undersigned Assignee of Levi Snyder will expose to public sale on the premises

Friday, February 23, 1877,

at 1 o'clock p. m., the following described real estate, viz:

A certain farm or tract of land situate in Milford Tp., Somerset Co., Pa., adjoining lands of Henry L. Snyder, widow Bourner, John Zufall, John Leppert, and others, containing 225 acres, about 95 acres of which are cleared and 12 acres in meadow, balance well timbered. There are two good orchards on the farm and has an abundance of coal and limestone. The buildings are a good two-story frame house, a bank barn and other outbuildings.

Also, at the same time, two building lots in the town of Casselman.

TERMS.—The farm will be sold subject to a claim of $817.37; one-half of purchase money on April 1 1877, and the other half on the 1st day of October, 1877.

If the farm is not sold it will be rented for one year from April 1, 1877.

AARON WILL,
Assignee.
Jan. 31.

LEGAL NOTICE.

To Solomon Boucher, Hannah intermarried with Samuel P. Geiger, residing in Somerset Co., Pa., Sarah intermarried with Jonathan Lyons, residing in Fayette Co., Pa., Josiah Boucher, residing at Grantsville, Md., David, Henry, Samuel and Jeremiah Boucher, residing in Jackson Co., Illinois.

You are hereby notified that in pursuance of a writ of partition, issued out of the Orphans' Court of Somerset Co., Pa., I will hold an inquest on the real estate of Henry Boucher, deceased, in Middlecreek Tp., at his late residence, on Thursday, the 8th day of March, 1877, when you can attend if you think proper.

GEO. W. PILE,
Sheriff.
Jan. 31.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the passage of a bill to reimburse Simon Vought, for money expended in maintaining troops during the late war in the county of Somerset.

D. W. WILL.
WM. SCOTT.
Jan. 31.

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that Jacob Hetherbaugh has made a deed of Voluntary Assignment of all his estate, both real and personal to Jacob H. Miller, for the benefit of his creditors. All persons therefore indebted to the said Jacob Hetherbaugh, will make payment to the undersigned Assignee, and those having claims will present them without delay.

JACOB H. MILLER,
Assignee.
Jan. 10.

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that Elijah Shockey, of Larimer Tp., Somerset Co. Pa., by deed of Voluntary Assignment, has assigned all his estate, real, personal and mixed to Herman B. Beal, in trust for creditors. All persons indebted to the said Elijah Shockey, are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims against said Assignor will present them duly probated to me at my residence in Larimer Tp.

HERMAN B. BEAL,
Assignee.
Jan. 17.

TIME TABLES.

BALTIMORE & OHIO R. R.

PITTSBURGH DIVISION.

On and after January 14, 1877, trains on this road will depart from and arrive at depot, corner Grant and Water Streets as follows:

EAST.

	Mail.	Express.
Leave Pittsburgh	9.00 a. m.	10.00 p. m.
Braddock	9.40 "	10.21 "
McKeesport	10.00 "	10.33 "
West Newton	10.41 "	11.15 "
Connellsville	11.50 "	12.21 a. m.
Mt. Pleasant	12.01 p. m.	- - -
Uniontown	11.58 a. m.	- - -
Ohio Pyle	12.59 p. m.	12.52 "
Mineral Point	1.20 "	1.24 "
Bridgeport	2.21 "	2.27 "
Cumberland	3.10 "	4.00 "
Martinsburg	6.21 "	6.47 "
Harper's Ferry	7.06 "	7.18 "
Washington	9.29 "	9.45 "
Richmond	7.05 a. m.	11.00 p. m.
Baltimore	10.29 p. m.	11.19 a. m.
Philadelphia	3.05 a. m.	6.30 p. m.
New York	6.25 "	10.14 "

WEST.

	Mail	Express.
New York	8.35 p. m.	8.55 a. m.
Philadelphia	12.30 p. m.	12.15 p. m.
Baltimore	7.00 "	6.00 "
Richmond	8.50 p. m.	5.00 a. m.
Washington	8.40 a. m.	7.45 p. m.
Harper's Ferry	10.47 "	9.14 "
Martinsburg	11.34 "	10.40 "
Cumberland	2.55 p. m.	1.25 a. m.
Bridgeport	3.15 "	2.34 "
Mineral Pt.	4.30 "	2.38 "
Ohio Pyle	5.30 "	4.23 "
Uniontown	5.44 "	8.36 Ar.
Mt. Pleasant	5.20 "	8.59 Ar.
Connellsville	6.35 "	5.14 a. m.
West Newton	7.23 "	6.01 "
McKeesport	8.00 "	6.39 "
Braddock	8.18 "	- - -
Pittsburgh	8.58 "	7.34 "

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On, and after May 7th, 1876, trains will run as follows, connecting with all passenger trains on the P. W. & B. R. R. (Mail trains daily, Express daily except Monday.)

LEAVE.		ARRIVE.
Express West	2 15 a. m.	4 00 a. m.
Mail West	4 00 p. m.	5 40 p. m.
Mail East	10 30 a. m.	12 30 p. m.

P. W. & B. R. R.—PASS MINERAL POINT.

Express East	12 p. m.
Express West	2:15 a. m.
Mail East	11:34 p. m.
Mail West	4:54 p. m.
Accommodation East	12:10 p. m.
Accommodation West	12:40 p. m

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ASSIGNEES NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that Jacob Bridigum and wife of Milford Tp., Somerset Co., Pa., by deed of Voluntary Assignment, have assigned all their real and personal estate to me in trust for the benefit of creditors. All persons indebted to the said Jacob Bridigum, will make prompt payment to me, and those having claims or demands will present them duly authenticated without delay.

JONATHAN RHOADS,
Assignee.
Jan. 24.

REGISTER'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given to all persons concerned as legatees, creditors or otherwise, that the following accounts have passed register, and that the same will be presented for confirmation and allowance at an Orphans' Court to be held at Somerset, for Thursday, January 25, 1877.

Second and final account of Henry M. Baker, and Jacob Marker, Administrators of Henry Marker, deceased.

Account of F. A. Buchman, Administrator of Christian Emert, deceased.

Account of Jeremiah J. Folk, Trustee for the sale of the real estate of Jacob G. Folk, deceased.

Account of Daniel A. Weaver, Guardian of Samuel J. Blough.

Account of Moses A. Ross, Executor of Robert Hunter, deceased.

Second account of E. J. Meyers, one of the Executors of Jacob J. Meyers, deceased.

First account of George Spangler, Administrator of Samuel Will, deceased.

Account's of Aaron Will and Jeremiah Sechler, Executors of the will and testiment of Henry Sechler, deceased.

Account of Aaron Heckler, Administrator of the estate of Jacob Heckler, deceased.

Account of George and John B. Lowry administrators of the estate of Benj. Lowry, late of Greenville Tp., deceased.

Account of J. O. Meyers, Administrator *de bonis non* of Peter Meyers, deceased, and as agent of Cyrus Meyers who was administrator of said estate.

Account of John J. Gumbert and Samuel Bittner, Executors of the last will and testament of Geo. Fritz, deceased.

First and final account of J. S. W. Seibert, Administrator *cum testamento annexo* of Cyrus Brubaker, deceased.

First and final account of Fredererick Miller, administrator of Frederick Boda, deceased.

A. F. DICKEY,
Register.
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TRUSTEE'S SALE.

The undersigned trustee for the sale of the real estate of Henry Claycomb, late of Somerset Tp., deceased, in pursuance of an order granted to him by the Orphan's Court of Somerset Co., will sell at public sale on

Thursday, February 1, 1877,

on the premises of said deceased.

A certain tract of land situate in Somerset Tp., Somerset Co., Pa., adjoining lands of George Swank, Joseph Daniels, Peter Griffith, John Baker and others, containing 143 acres and 102 and 4-10 perches, with a one and a half story log dwelling house, log barn and other out-buildings thereon erected.

TERMS—One-third of purchase money after deducting reasonable costs and expenses, to be secured on the premises by mortgage or otherwise, the interest thereof to be paid the widow of said deceased annually during her life, and at her death the principal sum to be paid the legal heirs and representatives of said Henry Claycomb, deceased, one third of the balance on the 1st day of April, 1877, the remainder, in two equal annual payments without interest, to be secured on the premises by judgment bonds, ten per cent. of the purchase money to be paid at the time of the sale, which will be deducted from the first payment.

JOHN R. SCOTT,
Trustee.
Jan. 10.

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POLITICAL NOTES.

"Congress capitulates," says the Chicago *Times*, and says confessedly that it is unfit to decide the electoral question.

The occupation of the Democratic war-talker is gone. The compromise bill is leading him around by the nose, assuring the people that the old bulldozer never meant what he said.

Frelinghuysen, one of the Republican Senators who signed the Electoral bill, was an active member of the Peace conference in 1861, endeavoring to conciliate Southern rebels.

The Democrats had practically given up all hope of having Tilden counted in; but the report of the joint committee gives them a new lease of hope, and now the fight will rage hotter than ever.

The Cincinnati *Gazette* says of Senator Morton's dissent from the joint committee's report on the electoral count: "His head was so level that he could not abolish the Constitution, to compromise with the unfounded claims of the Democrats."

The sufficient proof that the Compromise bill is a disastrous abandonment by the Republicans of their dearly won victory, is to be seen in the unanimity with which the measure is sustained by the copperheads and rebels of the North and South.

The Kansas City *Journal of Commerce*, in noticeing the fact that the Chicago *Tribune* heartily approves of the compromise juggle of counting the electoral vote, says: "It is not the first time the *Tribune* man has advised the Republican party to let go the rope to spit on its hands."

If the Democratic party had possessed the clear advantage of position which the Republicans had in the law and the strength of their case, they never would have compromised it. The Democracy always make the most of their opportunities.—*Albany Evening Journal.*

The Cincinnati *Gazette*, Inianapolis *Journal*, New York *Times*, New York *Tribune* and most of the prominent Republican papers of the country, disapprove entirely of the compromise plan as finally agreed upon for determining who shall be President. They all repudiate this method of setting the Constitution aside by act of Congress.

The Democrats for four years have been calling Pinchback a scoundrel and every other bad epithet, but he was received by the Democratic Legislature with cheers. Democrats may think a man is a scoundrel, but they consider a scoundrel plenty good enough to be a Democrat and to be hailed with cheers as a Democratic recruit.—*Detroit Post.*

By our Special Correspondent.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 27, 1877

THE TOSS-UP BILL.

Before you shall have read this letter the bill for the creation of a National Returning Board will probably be a law of the land. As boys toss up coppers and cry "heads" or "tails," the Nation will toss up a Supreme Court Judge and cry "Hayes" or "Tilden." It is the boys' play transferred to the arena of politics. Cotton was king once; Chance is king to-day. I have too much faith in the republican idea, and in the American people, to despair on the Republic, which soever may turn up when the game is played. We survived the red rule of the slave power; Pierce and Buchanan could not destroy us; the Fugitive Slave law did not disintegrate nor the cruel war dismember our nationality; and, even with Lee's officers in the Cabinet, and the Fenian population represented in the White House, the United States will still endure and grow young and strong again after such a disaster. We live in an era of reaction—like the eras that saw the Stuarts brought back to England, and the Bourbons return to France. It is an "Eclipse of Faith." But the sun shines forth after every eclipse. Eras of compromise come round like commercial panics in the history of all races; but, as "the world does move," in spite of Spanish Inquisitions, so, too, the people do rule in spite of American conservatism.

TWO REACTIONARY POWERS.

If I were a Democrat I should be proud of my party to-day. It has snatched an equal chance of victory from the throat of defeat. What Roman Catholicism is to religion, the Demorratic party is to politics. It is the mule with its heels to the car of progress, stubbornly refusing to budge until it is pushed forward by resistless force. And, in the Republican car, the drivers for the most part are cowards, lacking faith in the cardinal ideas of our creed, and having "constitutional scruples" against the exercise of the right to drive the mule off the track. So, they stop the train, and call a tribunal to decide whether the nation for the next four years, shall go forward by steam or dragged backward by mule power.

The Democratic leaders, like the Catholic Church, have a blind faith in their ideas. They never offer to compromise unless the compromise is likely to gain them a victory or to save them a defeat. They scruple at no means to reach their ends. With both of these reactionary forces,—these powers of darkness—the end justifies tne means.

What has Catholicism ever shrank from doing in order to obtain and maintain its supremacy? Wherever it has undisputed sway, there is neither freedom of speech nor of the press, no public education, no liberty of conscience, no rule of the people by the people for the people.

THE GULF STATES AND CATHOLIC COUNTIES.

The same facts apply to every community in the Gulf States to-day where alone the Democracy have uncontrolled and absolute authority. South Carolina, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana are stronger Republican States than Ohio or Wisconsin or Illinois. In all of these States no Republican can exercise his rights as an American citizen, every where, excepting at the peril of his life. The evidence to establish these facts is stronger, ampler, more irresistible than the records that prove that the Thirteen Colonies revolted against George the Third. It is accessible in fifty volumes published by authority of Congress.

The north has shut its ears; and it will not believe it. Well, we may again have the plague of the first born sent to open both our eyes and ears.

I think it quite possible that the Electoral Bill may be the best solution that can be made of the situation in the present condition of public sentiment. So was the Fugitive Slave Bill. So was the Nebraska Bill. So much the worse for public sentiment! If Gov Hayes is swindled out of his election, the result will be the same in all these cases. If we will not learn by evidence—if we have lost faith in our principles—disaster must teach us their priceless value and then we shall call into public life a nobler and more earnest class of leaders. We have too many resplendent pettifoggers, too many legal grammarians, too many men with "records" to defend, for a party that would stand up and stand firm for progressive ideas.

NO SOUTHERN REPUBLICANISM UNDER TILDEN.

If Tilden is tossed in, there will be no Republican party in the old Slave States left, for a generation to come. When Judge Edmunds said, that, in a certain result, the Democracy would be put in so bad a light before the people that they would be defeated at the next election, he showed that he knows nothing or cares nothing for the frauds, ostracisms and assassinations that have carried Mississippi, Alabama and Georgia for Democracy and that will keep them solid for the reactionary party. Fernando Wood said the truth—it is 20 years since he told the truth and I have kept it as a precious memory of him—"sir, I know my party; and if, after I got the regular nomination, I should go home and murder my wife and children, I should be elected all the same."

SOME RESULTS NOT RECKONED ON.

Some of the results of the adoption of the Electoral Bill may be unexpected. It has already shown that neither party will permit the Constitution to stand in its way before a living issue, and that this instrument is capable of as many and as conflicting interpretations theologians find in Biblical texts. It has proven that it is time that it should be revised and brought up to date—not amended only, but thoroughly re-examined and improved in the light of a century's experience.

It will destroy the blind and senseless theory that the Supreme Court is more honest or a less prejudiced a tribunal than the Senate of the United States. If this court is to become a political power, our next demand should be that its members shall be elected by the people. There are seven members of the Court to-day; there should be twelve to do its business expeditiously. They should be elected from equal electoral districts by the people at large, and the Chief Justice by all the nation as the President is elected. If the Court is to have political power, it must be held to political responsibility.

TOM SCOTT'S SCHEME.

The continental land-grab that I spoke of in my last letter has been defeated. Lamar, of Mississippi tried to push it through, but it is said that Tilden sent orders to kill it. Tom and Sam are rivals. When railroad magnates fall out—says the proverb—honest men get their dues. But as soon as Tilden is in, if he gets in,—and the chances are exactly equal now—this swindle will crawl to to the front again. The Southern Democrats want it and they will be the masters of the Nation.

CLAIMS OF SOUTHERN DISLOYALISTS.

The House Committee have persistently refused to report the proposed constitutional amendment forbidding the payment of war-claims to disloyal men. This shows how thoroughly insincere Tilden's letter was denying that such claims would be paid under his administration. But the democrats believe in the doctrine that to the victors belong the spoils; and we shall have no right to complain if, by deserting the Southern Republicans, we have made it possible for the South to conquer, the old disloyal citizens shall demand and receive full payment with interest for all the damages done in Dixie's land by the Boys in Blue.

JAMES REDPATH.

Georgia.

WASHINGTON, Jan 23.—News from Georgia is received here showing that the Senatorial contest in that State is exceedingly bitter, the contest being between Bob Toomb's clique and Ben Hill's supporters, Norwood the present Senator, and Herschel V. Johnson opposing Hill. Yesterday there was a fisticuff fight between Toombs and one of Hill's men, and it is stated that Hill will be challenged by a man named Schley for words uttered in a speech Saturday night. It seems that the Cincinnati *Enquirer* has taken a hand in the fight against Hill, which the latter claims to have originated in personal spite. Hill having defeated a fraudulent claim belonging to one of the proprietors of the paper.

Kerosene Explosion in South Boston.

BOTON, January 26.—An explosion took place this evening in the Kerosene Oil Works of F. & F. Jenny, South Boston. The main building caught fire and was entirely destroyed. There were three men in the building at the time. Two escaped. The third is missing. A tank containing ninety barrels of oil was consumed. The loss is estimated at $70,000. During the progress of the fire another explosion occurred. Ed. P. Huskell and P. J. Kelley, firemen, were dangerously injured and taken away insensible. J. F. Currier was badly injured, and several others slightly. Thousands of people thronged the vicinity of the fire. A number were on the ice near Boston wharf, when it gave way, and Nellie Crowley and a boy, name unknown, were drowned.

A Hotel Clerk Shot.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., January 26.—B. W. Stockton, chief clerk of the Willard Hotel, was shot and it is supposed fatally injured, this morning by W. C. D. Whipps, his employer. Stockton came into the officee later than usual, and was roughly repri manded by Whipps. An altercation ensued, resulting in Whipps firing three shots from a revolver, one entering Stockton's neck and another his abdomen. The prominence of the parties causes unusual excitement.

The New Senator.

WASHINGTON, January 23.—McPherson, the new Senator from New Jersey, was a student in the law office of Senator Cameron, of Wisconsin, twenty years ago. He never practiced law, however, but went into business, and has become immensely wealthy, being owner of the stock yards in Jersey City, which are the largest in the world.

The Snow in Wyoming.

LARAMIE CITY, Wy., January 26.—Three men were overwhelmed and carried down the mountain near the Centennial Mine yesterday by a snow slide. One of them, Thos. Hodgson, of Holland, Mich., was killed. The other two, Capt. Kelly and Geo. R. Davis, escaped with slight injury. The avalanche was set in motion by a discharge (flash) in Prospect Hole.

Large Seizure of Counterfeiters' Work and Material.

CINCINNATI, January, 24.—James Brooks, of the Government Secret Service, who caused the arrest a few days since of John McKernan and wife, of this city, for dealing in counterfeit money, and of Miles Ogle for manufacturing the same, induced the latter to make a confession, and by this means obtained possession this morning of over one hundred finely executed plates for the manufacture of ten dollar notes on banks at Richmond, Lafayette and Muncie, Ind; also recovered 40,000 counterfeit fifty-cent pieces, which were found buried near Brighton, a suburb of this city. These pieces so closely resembled the genuine that none but experts could distinguish the difference between them.

Shocking Murder of Two Ladies.

LITTLE ROCK, January 24.—A terrible murder was committed last night in Gentry Settlement, Saline county. Two women, named Mrs. H. B. Taylor and Mrs. McH. Slauer, wives of esteemed planters, were both murdered in cold blood. They were stopping at the same house, their husbands being en route to this city with produce. The murders were committed for the purpose of robbery.

Lawlessness in South Carolina.

WASHINGTON, January 23.—The Commissioner of Internal Revenue is informed by the Collector of Internal Revenue for South Carolina that the illicit distillery of Rodman, who recently wounded Deputy Collector Barton, and killed Hendricks, accompanied by an armed force of twenty roughs, on the morning of the 20th, surrounded the house of Barton, near Easby, South Carolina, and under penalty of instant death compelled Barton to pay him one hundred dollars. The party took one of Barton's horses and rode off.

Illicit Distilling in South Carolina.

United States Marshal Wallace of South Carolina, who is now in this city, stated to-day to the Internal Revenue Commissioner that one of the parties killed in the recent raid upon illicit distillery in South Carolina, was a Deputy Marshal. Mr. Wallace says that four Deputy Marshals have been killed in South Carolina in the past five years. Another Deputy Marshal was disabled for life, and the residence of another was burned by incendiaries. He reported to the Internal Revenue Commissioner that it is dangerous for internal revenue officers to attempt to enforce the laws, and that it is universally conceded that matters are getting worse and worse.