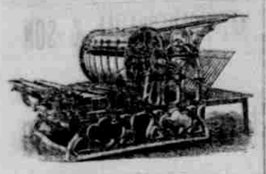
The Somerset Herald.

WEDNESDAY.....September 13, 1877.



TIME TABLES.

BALTIMORE & OHIO R. R.

PITTSBURGH DIVISION.

On and after August 20, 1877, trains on this road will depart from and arrive at depot, corner Grant and Water Streets, as follows:

EAST.		WEST.	
	Mail.		Mail.
Leave Pittsburgh	8.10 a. m.	Leave New York	8.25 p. m.
Braddock	8.34 "	Philadelp'a	12.40 a. m.
Mckeesport	8.46 "	Baltimore	6.45 "
West Newton	9.17 "	Richmond	10.50 p. m.
Connellsville	10.07 "	Washington	7.55 a. m.
Mt. Pleasant	10.30 a. m.	Harper's Ferry	10.47 "
Uniontown	10.54 a. m.	Martinsburg	11.34 "
Ohio Pyle	10.45 p. m.	Cumberland	1.30 p. m.
Mineral Point	11.31 "	Bridgeport	2.27 "
Bridgeport	1.05 "	Mineral Pt.	3.32 "
Cumberland	1.40 "	Ohio Pyle	4.52 "
Martinsburg	6.21 "	Uniontown	6.39 "
Harper's Ferry	7.08 "	Mt. Pleasant	6.56 "
Washington	7.20 "	Connellsville	7.37 "
Richmond	7.05 a. m.	West Newton	8.23 "
Baltimore	5.30 p. m.	Mckeesport	8.57 "
Philadelphia	2.10 a. m.	Braddock	9.20 "
New York	6.25 "	Pittsburgh	7.20 "

The Express train leaves Pittsburg at 9.15 P. M., arriving at Connellsville 11.04 P. M., Mineral Point 12.20 A. M. In return the Express leaves Cumberland at 2.50 A. M., arriving at Mineral Point 4.51 A. M., Connellsville 6.14 A. M., Pittsburgh 7.00 A. M.

All trains run by Baltimore Time, 14 minutes faster than Pittsburgh Time.

Through Mail and Express trains daily. Accommodation trains and Fayette Express daily, except Sunday.

The most direct and pleasant route to the East and South via Washington City.

Through Mail leaving at 8.15 a. m., daily, arrives at Washington at 7.20 p. m.; Baltimore, 8.30 p. m.; Philadelphia, 2.10 a. m.; New York, 6.25 a. m.; Richmond, 7.50 p. m.

Through Express, leaving 9.45 p. m., daily, arrives at Washington at 7.20 a. m.; Baltimore, 9.00 a. m.; Richmond, 5.30 p. m.; Philadelphia, 1.45 p. m.; New York, 5.10 p. m.

Ticket offices, corner Fifth Avenue and Smithfield Streets and depot corner Grant and Water Streets, Pittsburgh, Pa.

L. M. COLE, General Ticket Agent.
E. K HYNDMAN, Supt., Connellsville.

SOMERSET & MINERAL POINT RAILROAD.

On and after May 14th, 1877, 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.
Mail West..... 2.50 p. m.	4.30 p. m.
Mail East..... 10.35 a. m.	12.25 p. m.

Mail East connects with Local West.

P. W. & B. R. R.—PASS MINERAL POINT.

Way Passenger East.....	7.00 a. m.
Way Passenger West.....	12.44 p. m.
Mail East.....	11.41 p. m.
Mail West.....	3.05 p. m.

BUTTER.

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W. S. TEMPLE & CO.,

BUTTER

Commission Merchants,

47 S. HOWARD ST.,

BALTIMORE, MD.

We solicit liberal shipments of Butter, and promise to those who ship their Butter to us, to use every effort to sell at good prices, and will send their account sales and check as soon as sold.

We refer to Farmers' & Merchants' National Bank, Baltimore, and to People's Bank, of Baltimore.

Now is the time to advertise

The political pot begins to boil.

Fair once, don't forget the fair!

The peaches are on their last legs.

This weather is more pleasant, thank you.

Our hotels did a thriving business on show day.

A scarcity of apple butter is predicted. Sorry to hear it.

It is said that the chestnut crop promises to be large.

Kite flying is now the favorite amusement of our small boys.

The smell of new cider is floating along the country lanes.

A looking glass heel for ladies' shoes is the latest fashion.

The circus had a very bad effect on the Maryopites of this place.

The man with the white hat put in an appearance one day of last week.

Frank Leslie, the publisher, has been "pulled" to the assignment.

Have you all your articles ready for exhibition at the fair?

Never turn a blessing around to see whether it has a dark side to it.

We were treated to quite a number of misty, fall like rains last week.

Flies are now obliged to stamp their feet in order to prevent their freezing.

Various sections of the county have been visited by light frosts during the past week.

The squirrel hunting season is at its heighth and the woods are filled with hunters.

The coldest inhabitant" predicts very warm weather for the latter part of this month.

The irrepressible small boy was on the look out for the circus as early as half past five o'clock Friday morning.

Several newspaper men have been swindled by the new counterfeit five thousand dollar bill.

The political campaign for 1877 is now fairly opened. Now is the time to subscribe for the HERALD.

It is estimated that there were from three to four thousand people in town on "show day."

And now the oldest young lady wishes she hadn't gone to the circus and declares she never will go a gain.

The leaves will soon be turning, occasioning all sorts of delightful melancholy thoughts and utterances.

Dr. Sadler, Oculist and Aurist, No. 256 Penn Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. Eye, Ear, Throat & Catarrh Specialties.

The season is now at hand when it behooves those who value their health to avoid long exposure in the night air.

The fifth annual fair of the Somerset County Agricultural Society will be held on the 2nd, 3d, 4th, and 5th of October.

The fragrance of tomato catsup stewing is met on every hand and the smell of burning sealing wax is fresh upon every gale.

An old and greatly esteemed fellow citizen, Daniel Weyand, Esq., died at his residence in Somerset, at an early hour this morning. Tuesday.

Farmers have almost completed the sowing of their fall crops. An unusually large increase in acreage on former years has been sown this season.

Farmers in various parts of the County state that owing to the drouth of the past summer the corn crop will not be half an average one.

Grapes, large and luscious, are offered in the market at seven and eight cents per pound. They appear to be very plenty, and meet with a ready sale.

NOTICE.—I have this day purchased everything ringed to the farm of Daniel Mostoller, during this year.

Sept. 8, 1877. URIAH MOSTOLLER.

The Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society will hold its next fair at Erie, commencing September 24, and continue five days. It is expected that it will be superior to any held in the State since the war.

A number of Pittsburgh barbers have recently been arrested for violation of the Sunday law in keeping their shops open on the first day of the week.

Large lot of Gents' Ties, Scarfs, Collars and Cuffs just received at Fashion Bazar.
MRS. J. B. TREDWELL,
No. 6. Mammoth Block.

During the performance at the circus one of the female gymnasts fell a distance of twenty feet from off the trapeze, but as she lit on her pistol pocket she was not very badly hurt.

NOTICE TO TEACHERS.—Applications for situations as teachers in the public schools of this Borough, will be received during the present week.
W. H. WELPLEY.

DIVINE SERVICE.—The Lord's Supper will be administered in the Reformed church, next Lord's day at 10½ o'clock, A. M. Preparatory services on Saturday evening.

Gents' Suspenders Embroidered in Silk, and all silk. New style, Handsome and durable, at Fashion Bazar.
MRS. JAS. B. TREDWELL,
No. 6, Mammoth Block.

Mrs. Tredwell is now in the city adding to our already large stock, everything new and desirable in our line for fall and winter.
MRS. J. B. TREDWELL,
No. 6 Mammoth Block.

Widows are sitting around on the fences in Salt Lake now as plenty as grasshoppers. They have a little song, "Come west, young man, come west, and bring some of the new style of calicoes if you want to settle down."

We have at Fashion Bazar the largest stock of Men's and Children's Hose we have ever had, and at very low prices.
MRS. J. B. TREDWELL,
No. 6, Mammoth Block.

THE strolling Frenchmen with the wonderful performing bear again put in an appearance on Tuesday morning and treated our citizens to quite an entertaining street performance. The bear he climb'n tree for 50 cents.

Mr. William Lint who has been residing in Washington for the past few years, and is at present paying a visit to his friends and relations in this place, dropped in to see us Tuesday morning. "Bill" always welcome visitor to the boys in the print shop.

The man who don't pay the preacher, the printer, or any body else, but keeps six or eight dogs, was at the "great moral show" Friday afternoon and night. He also managed to get outside of a quart of very mean whiskey before leaving town.

We will complete our stock of Fall and Winter Millinery this week, and offer special inducements to visitors coming to the Fair.
MRS. J. B. TREDWELL,
No. 6, Mammoth Block.

We guess none of our subscribers were among the three thousand people who visited the circus on Friday last. At least we can infer as much, for none of them came into our "holy of holies, to pay their bills, with a few honorable exceptions.

Call and settle your accounts at Fashion Bazar and save the annoyance of being called upon by a collector. We need money and must have our books closed up.
MRS. J. B. TREDWELL,
No. 6, Mammoth Block.

DEDICATION.—The new Methodist Episcopal Church at this place, will be dedicated to the service of God, on Sunday, Oct. 14th, 1877. Rev. Dr. Newman, of Washington, D. C., and several other distinguished speakers will be present. All are invited to be present.

WE wish to return thanks for a copy of the Dayton *Journal* sent us, containg full particulars of the reception of President Hayes and the Board of Managers by the 3000 disabled veteran soldiers of the National Home and thousands of the citizens of Dayton and vicinity. It was a glorious day for Dayton.

Our sanctum has been brightened several times during the past ten days by the genial countenance of our old friend and fellow editor, Samuel J. Row, Esq., of the Clearfield *Raftsman*. Mr. Row looks as young as he used to be and is as jolly as ever. We shall always be glad to see him.

As usual, quite a number of gentlemen from the rural districts were taken in by the three card monte men who traveled with the circus. We met one big overgrown lubber who was crying as though his heart would break, who, when asked the cause of his grief, said that he had lost five dollars with the "monte" men.

We were pleased to see the smiling countenance of our genial young friend, and former fellow townsman, John Young, on the street several days of last week. John is now doing business at East Liberty, and is quite well pleased with the place, but says there is no place like Somerset to live in.

In another column of the HERALD will be found the advertisement of E. E. Roberts as a Butter Commission Merchant. Mr. Roberts has in his employ a young gentleman of this neighborhood, Mr. Ed. J. Miller, who is doubtless well known to many of our farmers who may find it to their interest to send their butter to Mr. Roberts.

Col. Koontz and Lieutenant Snyder returned from their trip to Monongahela City last Friday, both looking hale and hearty as ever. They report Company A, as still being encamped at Monongahela City, the boys all in good health and spirits, and anxiously awaiting orders to go east, which are daily expected.

OFF TO SCHOOL.—On last Monday our young friend James Kieraan, who has been at home spending his summer vacation, packed up and started for Media, where he has been attending school for the past year, via Pittsburgh, intending to take in the Exposition before getting down to hard work. Our best wishes go with you, "Tichy."

WANTED.—To rent a Grist Mill for a term of years, with dwelling attached. Would prefer one with small farm also attached, in Bedford or Somerset County, Pennsylvania or adjoining counties. Address Post Office Box 91, Piedmont, West Virginia, by letter, giving locality, capacity, and rent, with full particulars. Possession to be given 1st of October or sooner.

ILLNESS OF JUDGE HALL.—His Honor Judge Hall is confined to his room with an attack of congestion of the lungs with fever, the result of a severe cold contracted while at Somerset. Owing to his indisposition, Judge Hall will be unable to hold Court at the term beginning the 17th inst. Court will be held by a Judge from some other district. We wish Judge Hall a speedy recovery.—*Bedford Gazette.*

Are you going to the Sea Side, or are you there already? In either case procure some of Glenn's Sulphur Soap, if you would increase the luxury of the bath, render your skin white and healthy, and remove freckles or sun burn. Sold by all Druggists.

Depot, Crittenton's No. 7 Sixth Avenue, New York. Hill's Hair and Whisker dye black or brown, fifty cents.

The B. & O. R. R. Company have at last decided to re-establish the express office at this place. The office will be in the old place and that efficient and accommodating young man J. L. Zimmerman, will still continue to act as agent. The citizens of Somerset and vicinity have been greatly inconvenienced several times during the past year by the quarreling between the Adams Express Co. and the B. & O. R. R. Co., and the consequent removing of the express. We hope we will not have any like trouble now that the B. & O. Road have taken the express into their hands.

BLYMYER has made great reductions in prices of Hardware. You can buy goods just as cheap from him as you can buy them in the city. He buys his goods from the manufacturer, and in large quantities, and therefore buys them at the very lowest prices, and is determined now to sell goods at a very low price. Call and see him and get his prices. His stock is very complete, including Building Hardware, Paint and Glass, Oils, Varnishes, and Wooden Pumps. Again we say, call and see Blymyer, and buy your hardware from him and you will save money.

"FASHION BAZAR."

Immense Stock of Ladies' Ties.
" " " " Gloves.
" " " " Hose.
" " " " Collars & Cuffs.
" " " " Underwear.
" " " " Corsets.
" " " " Kid Gloves.

Big Stock of everything new. Call.
MRS. JAS. B. TREDWELL,
No. 6, Mammoth Block.

DR. VAN DYKE'S SULPHUR SOAP.—Dr. Van Dyke, whose life long specialty, and world wide reputation for curing skin diseases, has endeavored for years to combine an external treatment. He has accomplished this desirable result in the preparation of his compound "Sulphur Soap," the merits of which are spoken of by thousands; it is highly recommended to all our readers. Price 25 cents, by mail, 35 cents a box; 3 cakes 60 cents., by mail, 75 cents. Office 50 N. 5th street. Wholesale Depot, 400 N. 3d street. Philadelphia, Pa. Sold by all Druggists.

Jimmy Cooper, and George Stitely engaged in a fight on Main street last Friday evening, which came near having a fatal ending for the latter. Stitely, in the capacity of special policeman, attempted to arrest Cooper, who resisted, whereupon Stitley collared him, threw him to the ground, and gave him a sound crabbing. Cooper, on regaining his feet, seized a stone, and running up to Stitely, struck him a severe blow, felling him to the ground and cutting a deep gash in his left temple. He was considered to be in a very critical condition Saturday morning, but we have since learned that he is doing very well and that there is no doubt of his ultimate recovery. Cooper was lodged in jail by officer Gilbert.

The fair of the Somerset County Agricultural Society, which comes off at Somerset on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, October 2nd, 3d, 4th and 5th, promises to far exceed, in all its departments, any other previously held by the Society. The premium list embraces everything produced by ingenuity or mechanical skill. Read it over carefully and see whether you cannot contribute something for the admiration of the vast throng that will undoubtedly be present. Let our farmers visit their stables and select a sample or two from their stock—let them be cows, horses, steers, bulls, sheep, swine or poultry; let the ladies interest themselves, and bring their fruits, cakes, jellies, butter,—their counterpanes, quilts with seventy-two thousand patches, and other specimens of their handiwork.

ASK YOURSELF THESE QUESTIONS.—Are you a despondent sufferer from Sick Headache, Habitual Costiveness, Palpitation of the Heart? Have you dizziness of the head? Is your Nervous System depressed? Does your Blood circulate badly? Have you a Cough? Coming up of food after eating? &c., &c. All of these and much more are the direct results of Dyspepsia, Liver Complaint and Indigestion. Green's August Flower is now acknowledged by all Druggists to be a positive cure. 2,400,000 bottles were given away in the U. S. through Druggists to the people as a trial. Two doses will satisfy any person of its wonderful quality in curing all forms of Indigestion. Sample bottles 10 cents. Regular size 75 cents. Sold positively by all first-class Druggists in U. S.

WORTH ITS WEIGHT IN GOLD.—Undoubtedly the greatest modern discovery in medicine is DeCosta's Medical cure for Dyspepsia, sick headache, sour stomach, costiveness, biliousness, loss of appetite, distress after eating, and all disorders caused by indigestion or deranged liver. Its results are astonishing, and sure relief is guaranteed in every case where it is faithfully used. It tones up the stomach, regulates the liver, restores the natural appetite, strengthens the delicate and expells the morbid humors from the system. Typhoid and bilious fever might in almost every case, be prevented by its timely use. Trial size 25 cents. A very few doses will relieve, and a little perseverance cure you.

For sale by G. W. Benford.

Also Agents for Prof. Parker's Pleasant Worm Syrup, which never fails.

RELIEF WITHOUT A DOCTOR.—Though we would by no means be understood as deprecating, but rather as recommending, professional aid in disease, there are multitudes of instances when it is neither necessary or easy to obtain. A family provided with a comprehensive household specific like Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, is possessed of a medical resource adequate to most emergencies in which medical advice would be otherwise needful. That sterling tonic and corrective invariably remedies, and is authoritively recommended for debility, indigestion, liver disorder, an irregular habit of body, urinary and uterine troubles, incipient rheumatism and gout, and many other ailments of frequent occurrence. It eradicates and prevents intermittent fevers, relieves mental despondency, checks premature decay, and invigorates the nervous and muscular tissues. Sleep, digestion and appetite are promoted by it, and it is extremely useful in overcoming the effects of exhaustion and exposure.

The fourth annual convention of the Young Men's Christian Association of Pennsylvania will convene at East Liberty (Pittsburgh), September 27th and 30th inclusive. There are over 160 Associations in this State, being one-sixth of all the organizations in the United States and British Provinces. The increased growth and prosperity of these Associations promise to make the convention a large and interesting gathering.

R. C. Morse of New York, Secretary of the International Committee, C. M. Morton, of Chicago, State Secretary of the associations of Illinois, and others from abroad are expected to be in attendance. A full representation is also expected from the Railway, College, and German Associations. Entertainment will be provided for all regularly accredited delegates. Pastors and Christian workers in places where no organizations exist can secure representation by addressing, S. A. Taggart, State Secy. Y. M. C. A., Pittsburgh, Pa.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS.—The examination of teachers of Somerset county will be held as follows:

Jenner X Roads, Saturday, September 22nd.
Somerset, Monday, September 24th.
New Centreville, Wednesday, September 26th.
Ursina, Friday, September 28th.
Confluence, Saturday, September 29th.
Salisbury, Monday, October 1st.
Meyersdale, Tuesday, October 2nd.
Berlin, Thursday, October 4th.
Shanksville, Saturday, October 6th.
Stoystown, Monday, October 8th.
Davidsville, Wednesday, October 10th.

A special examination will be held at Berlin on Saturday, November 3d. The examinations will begin at 8 a. m.

Friends of education and School Directors are especially requested to be present at the examination in their respective districts. Certificates will be classed as follows: A total of fifteen or under first-class. Totals ranging from fifteen to twenty second-class. Totals ranging from twenty to twenty-five third-class. No old certificates will be renewed.

J. R. WHITNEY,
Co. Superintendent.

DEATH OF AN AGED CITIZEN.—As will be noticed by this week's death announcements, an aged citizen at Milford township died last week. We have reference to Benjamin Long, a son of John Long who came to this county from Berks county in the year 1795. Benjamin was three years old when his father moved to this county. When quite a young man he was joined in holy wedlock to Elizabeth Baily who was a year and a half older than he. He moved on a farm adjoining his father's which he purchased and paid for, and upon which he continued to live up to the day of his death. He lived with his wife for a period of sixty-five years, during which time he was seldom away from home and never away from his wife a whole day and night. Whenever he left the homestead for several days in succession he took his wife along with him. He leaves a large posterity. He had six children, about forty grand children, and about forty great grand children.

Mr. Long was an excellent citizen, industrious, economical, peaceable and kind. In the words of his old friend and neighbor, John Critchfield, of the pines, "If all citizens were like Bep. Long Squire and lawyers would have little business." He was baptized in his infancy by Rev. Henry Helfrich, of Berks county, and received into full membership of the Reformed church by the rite of confirmation administered by Rev. Henry Giesy, of this county. He remained a devoted and faithful member of the church to the end of his life. Peace to his ashes.

W. W. Cole's circus, which showed here on Friday morning and evening, was fortunate in jamming the pavilion at both performances. There must have been at least twenty-five hundred people present in the afternoon and from fifteen hundred to two thousand at night, and consequently the company leave with a replenished and bulky exchequer. The street parade was very good. The performances were first class in almost every respect and in several, far supassed anything of the kind we have had far years. It was a genuine old fashioned affair with just enough of a menagerie to attract the moral element, while the ring furnished plenty of amusement for all classes. The athletic performances were superb; the leaping was something unusually fine, several of the performers making double somersaults as easily as single ones are made. The lady gymnasts, whoperformed on the flying trapeze, presented dangerous and thrilling acts, and called forth a great deal of applause. They were unusually presentable as to personal appearances, particularly the one with light hair and with the "ankle with a noble swell;" in fact, a thing of beauty in tights, so to speak. The horseback riding of Willie O'Daer, and fine jockey performance of Mr. Frank Gardner, were gems in their way. It was in all respects an entertainment well worth the price of admission, and deserves full patronage every where.

For the Somerset HERALD.

To the school directors of Somerset County, and more particularly to those who are opposed to female teachers, it would be well for you to consider the subject of employing female teachers in a higher and broader sense than is generally given to it. Teachers must possess physical, moral and intellectual qualifications, to enable them to discharge their duties effectually.

In physical qualifications females are as well adapted to teaching as males. The female constitution is perhaps better fitted by nature to endure the confinement of the school room than that of the male, since, as a class, females are accustomed to in door employments. Experience has clearly proven that females, when properly sustained by the school authorities, and enlightened public sentiment, can govern as successfully as males.

The moral qualifications of females is undoubtedly superior to that of males. They possess more gentle and refined manners, purer morals, unstained with gross and vulgar vices, an instinctive aversion for children, and better tact in the management of a school.

Their intellectual capabilities are equal, and in some points superior, for performing the duty of teacher, to that of males. Their quickness of perception, their fluency of expression, and their aptness in apprehending the difficulties that embarrass young minds, render them peculiarly fitted for this profession. And since it is now generally conceded that the minds of females are as susceptible of improvement as those of males, where they enjoy the same facilities, there can be no good reason, so far as qualifications are considered, why females should not stand on a level with males in the teachers' profession. The truly qualified female teacher appears to exert an influence of refinement in the school room, peculiar alone to her sex. It is true that all are not born teachers, neither male nor female; yet this does not prove that all females are unfit to teach any more than that all males are qualified. The well qualified female whose heart is in the work, is the very person to mould and develop the youthful mind. In order that teachers of either sex may succeed well in teaching and governing, it is indispensably necessary that both directors and citizens aid and encourage them, not only by proper remuneration, but by visiting the school, by friendly advice and by words of cheer.

My observation warrants this conclusion: that success in teaching does not depend on sex, but on scholarship and natural aptness to teach.

W. H. RISK.
Jenner X Roads, Sept 12th.

Letter from Washington.

PATENTS, AND THE WORKINGS OF THE PATENT OFFICE.

As every one is interested in the invention of labor-saving machinery and in the method of obtaining patents for the same, a letter descriptive of the U. S. Patent Office and its workings, may prove interesting to your readers. As they may be aware, the Patent Office is a bureau of the Interior Department and occupies the principal part of the large building devoted to that department, located midway between the Capitol and the White House. The Model Rooms, consisting of four spacious halls, each about 270 feet long, occupy the second floor, and contain a model of every patent issued since 1836, except in cases where the invention could not be represented by a model. These are arranged in glass cases, on which are cards indicating their contents, and are grouped under 145 classes, and subdivided for convenience of reference. The reader need not consider that about 190,000 patents have been granted, and that about 14,000 are now granted annually, to form some idea of the extent of the Model Rooms, and of the immense number of models stored there.

The officers of the Patent Office comprise a commissioner, an assistant commissioner, and a board of three examiners-in-chief, appointed by the President; a chief clerk, an examiner of interferences, an examiner of labels and trade marks, 22 principal, 22 first assistant, 22 second assistant, and 22 third assistant examiners, a librarian and a machinist. There are also employed several draftsmen, a large clerical force, consisting mostly of ladies, mainly auxiliary to the examining corps, and occupied principally in copying, and a number of messengers.

Each of the principal examiners has charge of a class relating to one or more kindred subjects, and with the aid of his three assistants, he examines all applications in his class, in the order of their receipt, as to patentability; decides all questions of law and fact relating thereto, making such examination into the records of the office, and foreign publications and patents, as may be necessary to enable him to decide as to the novelty of the invention. If he decides in favor of granting a patent to the applicant, his decision is final, and the patent issued upon the payment of the second fee. Should he decide adversely, he must state explicitly to the applicant the reason of rejection. The applicant or his attorney may then amend the claims, as set forth in the specification, and ask for a re examination. If the second decision is favorable, the patent will issue, but if adverse, the case is lost, unless appeal be taken, by the payment of an additional fee of $10, from the decision of the principal examiner, to the board of examiners-in-chief, whose duty it is to hear appeals from adverse decisions of the principal examiners. After reviewing the decision they may reverse or confirm it. Should the Board decide adversely, appeal may be taken to the commissioner in person.

When two or more persons may claim to be the first inventor of the same thing, an interference is declared and the parties are heard in support of their claims as to priority of the invention, by the examiner of interferences, from whose decision appeal may be taken to the Board, and from them to the commissioner. This may happen even after one of the claimants has obtained a patent, for if the commissioner concludes that the second claimant has an equal right, he will grant him a patent also.

Patents are now granted for seventeen years, without the privilege of renewal. A fee of $15 is required by the government upon the filing of an application, and $20 when the patent is allowed. This final fee is contingent upon the success of the application. On filing a caveat a fee of $10 will be required, and on application for a re issue a fee of $31. The fee for a trade mark varies according to the time for which it is granted. The application for a patent must be made by the inventor, but it may be assigned and issued in the name of the assignee.

The application addressed to the commissioner consists of a petition, an oath, and a specification, the latter consisting of a full description of the invention, drawing of the model, and the "claims." In the petition the applicant states that he believes himself to be the original and first inventor or discoverer. To this he makes oath. In the specification the invention or discovery, and the manner and process of making and using it must be fully described, reference being made by letter or figures to the different parts of the model, as shown in the drawing; and in the "claims" the part, improvement, or combination, claimed as new, must be particularly specified, that the extent of the invention may be fixed with accuracy.

A patent may be obtained by the first inventor or discoverer for any "art, machine, manufacture, composition of matter, or any new and useful improvement thereof." Principles are not patentable, but the means by which the principles are carried into effect, and the results produced, are patentable. The application of an old machine to a new purpose is not patentable, but a patent may be obtained for the use of old materials and old principles in a new combination, and producing a new result.

I am not an attorney, but should any of your readers be in need of the services of one, and write to me, I will cheerfully recommend him to a reliable one who will let him know, free of charge, whether his invention is patentable or not.

WILL H. KERN,
Box 670, Washington, D. C.

Since the waters of the Casselman and Youghiogheny have been so bountifully stocked with that splendid game and table fish, the Black Bass, the following will doubtless be quite interesting to a large number of our readers:

That noted disciple of Isaac Walton, Genio G. Scott, Esq., who has recently returned from a successful fishing trip along the Delaware river, furnished the *Spirt of the Times* with a chapter on bass fishing. What Mr. Scott terms the "Algomite," is named by many of our fishermen as "Helgramite," "Hojack," "Nipper" and "Crampus." Following is the substance of Mr. Scott's somewhat lengthy description of the popular fish and the mode of capturing it.

The marked peculiarities of this most excellent fish for the table, whether boiled, broiled or fried, is annually growing in favor with the public, because of superior quality as a food fish and its ease of culture, while it is one of the most prolific fishes of the fresh waters of the country, whether of lakes or rivers. It is a hardy fish, and is Dundreary would say, a "wobast fish." Only introduce a single family of it into a stream or lake, and it will at once commence to take control, and thrive and increase against myriads of perch and pickerel. All it asks is water well stocked with chubs, shiners and other minnows, and it will fatten on them, besides overturning the stones in the margin of the water it inhabits for crawfish and algomites, and gleaning the surface of flies and bugs. It is a most industrious, spirited fish. Its play when hooked by the angler is more vigorous than that of any other game fish of its size, not excepting the brook trout. Of course, therefore, it has become quite a favorite with the angler, though difficult for a novice to capture. In rivers its *habitat* is in deep waters, near rocky shores of ledges of rock, from whence it forages on the reefs, and in a stream near a vegetable bottom, or whence tussocks form a convenient shade and hiding place.

A three year old bass usually weighs from two and a half to three pounds and a yearling about ¾ pound. The yearling is not as dark colored as the adult fish, but is equally as gamey.

All along the shores in the Delaware river are to be seen shoals of young black bass, holding all other fry in terror. Every now and then may be seen a young one rushing at a shoal of minnows as large as itself and scattering them in all directions, some leaping out of the water to get away from the little monster. The rays of its fins but the front dorsal are soft, and the only difference between a baby bass and its parents, is the dark end of the caudal, the shortness of the spiked rays of the dorsal, and being longer in proportion to its weight. Like the snapper of young bluefish of the Atlantic shores, it assumes shape, circumstances and power immediately upon leaving the egg.

The favorite bait for bass is algomite, bogart, or nipper, and is known by different names in different localities, and is found under stones, along the shores of all waters inhabited by black bass. The stones under which it is found are always partially submerged, and it is stated that black bass, on every rising of the waters, turn up the stones with their noses in searching for algomites and craw-fish, two favorite baits, but the algomite is the best.

Baits for black bass are numerous, and among the best for all bass, except the largest ones, are the grasshopper, the black cricket, and beetle. The most attractive flies for the black bass should imitate the yellow and neutral tint of the grasshopper.

The algomite is as tough as India rubber, and the hook should therefore impale it so that the end of the tail will not cover the point of the hook and thus prevent hooking the bass when it bites. The best way to bait is to insert the point of the hook opposite the lower of the three pairs of legs on the underside of the bait, and run it under the skin to the tail.

The nipper, as it is called by some, is armed with a small pair of nippers, instead of mouth, with which it generally nips the angler while baiting, but not so as to hurt. It is black as jet all over, and a most attractive bait for all fresh water fishes.

To still bait from a boat on the river, select a place for anchoring your boat, either a short distance above or below a rapid, or off from a rocky shore. Let it be in a current strong enough to carry your bait some 30 or 40 feet from the boat. In summer, and until the middle of September, bait with algomite, crawfish, grasshoppers, crickets, or beetle. In September, and until the end of the season, late in October, bait with minnow on a single hook, merely inserting the hook through both jaws, and let the bait play naturally. Use no sinker on the line in any case, as the swivel is generally enough; but if not, put a split shot on the leader one foot from the bait. Never permit slack line, or you cannot feel a bite. As soon as the bass feels the hook, he will either jump out of water or try to overrun and get slack line. Do not play the fish with a too hard draw on the line, but keep reeling up gently, never mind his acrobatic movements, leaps and somersaults above the water, and when nearing the boat do not let him touch the side, or he will use his tail as a lever to enable him to reject the hook. Never be sure of your fish until you have landed him, and you will find that he will engage all your attention.

NOTICE TO TEACHERS.—Proposals will be received until October 1st, for a principal to take charge of the three Berlin schools. The principal to procure his own assistants, with the approval of the Board, and to arrange with said assistants, upon his own terms, and with the view of confining a select school during the summer months.

Proposals will also be received for each of the three schools separately for the term of five months.

A. HEFFLEY,
8192t Sec'y.

The School Board of Somerset township will meet at the Hill House on Saturday, September 29, 1877, to employ 3 teachers for said township during the term of 1877—78. Good teachers preferred. By order of the board.
Daniel Baer,
Secretary.

BERLIN HOUSE.—Late Brollier House. J. C. Davis, Prop. This house has been newly furnished and refitted throughout. Its location is the best in Berlin, being in centre of town and nearest B. V. R. R. Boarding by the week, day or meal, good stable attached.

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MARRIED.

ANKENY—PETERMAN.—On the 13th of Sept., by Rev. J. Esch, Mr. Isaac Ankeny, of Hoopersville, to Maria Peterman, of Shade twp.

DIED.

LONG.—Sept. 11th, Benjamin Long, of Milford township, aged 84 years, 3 mos., and 24 days.

CRISSY.—At Hoopersville, Sept. 10, 1877, Catharine Ellen Crissy, aged 8 yrs., 11 months, and one day.

At Lavansville, June 20, 1877, Willie, Son of Dr. H. R. and A. C. Mitchell, aged 2 years, 5 months, and 1 day.

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ORPHANS' COURT SALE.

By virtue of an order issued out of the Orphans' Court, of Somerset Co., Pa., to us directed, we will expose to public sale on the premises, by public outcry on

Saturday, October 13, 1877,

at 1 o'clock p. m., the following described real estate, situate in Somerset Twp., late the estate of Philip Maurer, dec'd, viz:

A certain farm situate as aforesaid, containing 118 acres and 48 perches strict measure, adjoining lands of Samuel J. Rhoads, Josiah Ankeny, John Kline and Jacob Spelcher, having thereon erected a two story dwelling house, large bank barn, and other outbuildings; about 40 acres in good timber land, and about 50 acres in meadow. This farm has several never failing springs, a large apple orchard, and other kinds of fruit; is situated about ½ mile from the village of Sipesville, and is convenient to churches and schools.

The farm will be offered as a whole and in two or three parcels, to suit the purchaser.

TERMS.—One-third of the purchase money to be secured upon the land, being the dower of the widow of decedent; one-third of balance payable upon confirmation of deed, and the balance in two equal annual payments, without interest.

Possession to be given April 1st, 1878.

PHILIP F. MAURER,
S. L. KORNS,
Sep. 19 Adm'rs and Trustees.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Philip Wolfersberger to D. H. Wolfersberger & A. G. Will. } No. 402, May Term, 1873. In the Court of Common Pleas of Somerset Co., Pa. (Voluntary Assignment.)

Having been appointed Auditor in the above stated case, to distribute the funds in the hands of the Assignee, to and among those legally entitled thereto, notice is hereby given, that I will attend to the duties of said appointment, at my office in Somerset, Pa., on Thursday the 11th day of October, 1877.

J. G. OGLE,
Sep. 19 Auditor.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

A. A. Stutzman to Herman Shank. } No. 176, April Term, 1875. In the Court of Common Pleas of Somerset County, Pa. (Voluntary Assignment.)

Having been appointed Auditor in the above stated case, to distribute the fund in the hands of the Assignee, to and among those legally entitled thereto, notice is hereby given that I will attend to the duties of said appointment at my office in Somerset, Pa., on Tuesday the 16th day of October, 1877.

J. G. OGLE,
Sep. 19 Auditor.

PUBLIC SALE.

By virtue of an order of sale, granted by the Judges of the Orphans' Court of Somerset Co., Pa., the undersigned will sell at public sale on the premises, the real estate of Joseph J. Zimmerman, dec'd, situate in Shade township, on

Tuesday, October 30, 1877.

A plantation containing 156 acres, more or less, of which about 100 acres are clear, 20 in meadow, with two dwelling houses, one of which is fixed up for a store, a large barn and other outbuildings, with fine young fruit orchard on the same; is near to churches, schools, mills and store; adjoins lands of J. O. Cable, Isaac Eierick, David Buchanan, Michael Wagoner, Widow Blackburn, Widow Hammer and others.

TERMS.—A dower exists against this land of $838.80 to the Widow of John Wallace, dec'd, the interest of which, $50.33 to be paid to her annually on the 1st of April of each year during her life, commencing April 1st 1879, and at her death the said sum of $838.80 to be paid to the heirs of John Wallace, dec'd. The purchaser must pay one-half of his bid on the 1st of April 1878, and the other half on the 1st of October 1878, with interest from April 1st, 1878.

EMANUEL SPECHT,
Sep. 19 Administrator.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Daniel A. Rhoads, late of Somerset Twp., deceased.

Letters of administration on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned, 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 Thursday, November 1st 1877, at the office of J. O. Kimmel, in Somerset, Pa.,

CYRUS M. SHAVER,
Sep. 19 Administrator.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of an order issued out of the Court of Common Pleas, in and for the County of Somerset, the undersigned Assignee of Jacob P. Zigler, will sell at public sale in the Borough of Somerset, at the Court House, on

Saturday, October 13, 1877,

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

A certain