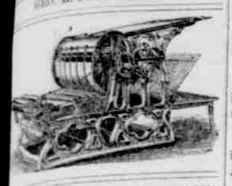
Somerset Herald.

GEO. B. SCULL, Editor.



.....January 9, 1884

1884.

...chance to get goods regardless of ...bargains in gloves, hosiery ...cloaks, wraps for ladies and chil... hundreds of other articles that ...closed out. No trouble to show ...and see.

MRS. A. E. UHL.

...have commenced to lengthen.

...'s is the place to get gloves of all ...

...ounce men report a brisk holiday ...

...Sweet Potatoes for sale at Keller & ...

...Tate's cards were remarkably pretty ...

...largest and largest line of clothing ...ller's.

...ge is increasing at the rate of a min...

...has the largest and cheapest stock ...ware in Somerset.

...chias died and gone the way of its ...

...ock of Cigars and Tobacco in the ...be found at Keller & Sanner's.

...the evening star, now shines with ...brilliance.

...ly stylish and large line of gentle...wear, at Heffley's.

...ard of pardons cost the State neat...last year.

...in any line and the cheapest in town, ...be found at Heffley's corner.

...gal season for killing rabits and ...they are closed.

...closed three weeks—Darnell's depart... his gallery.

...ices of eggs are now worth more than ...that laid them.

...ill to call when in Somerset, to see ...caps and collars at Heffley's corner, ...and cheap.

...ake snow storms very seriously inter...ed on the railroads.

...immense variety of Ladies and Gents ...ief, Silk Handkerchiefs, etc., suitable ...holiday presents, at A. Nathan's

...n down the old calendars, use them no ...no longer write it '83 but '84.

...ill remain in Somerset until the ...Have your picture taken before ...

...ad boys. Don't be rash in accepting ...positions. You will have many pro... before the year is over.

...All persons indebted to me by ...book account will please call and ...

SOLOMON UHL.

...ge of Bedford hunters, one day re... a bear on the mountain oppo... Bedford Springs.

...your Christmas and New Years' ...at Fisher's Book Store. Largest ...greatest variety, prettiest designs, and ...prices.

...ur bread, cakes and candies at the ...bakery just opened out by Albert ...

...Bros' have just introduced ...to their stock of Winter Boots ...a Ventilated Rubber Boot that ...sweat or chill the feet.

...new sewing machines have just been ...the girls' department of the Indian ...school at Carlisle.

...persons intending to apply for license ...following term of Court are prepar... petitions and obtaining signers ...

...ESS?—The large room or offices ...ly occupied as Internal Revenue ...in Main Cross Street. Inquire at ...

...mourning board to count the returns ...election for Auditor General and ...Treasurer will meet in the Senate ...on Jan. 17th, at noon.

...highest cash prices paid for wheat at ...Mill, Berlin, Pa.

CALVIN HAY,
Proprietor.

...ome and examine my stock of fall and ...ats before purchasing elsewhere. ...s all fresh, having just been received ...eastern cities.

MRS. M. M. TREDWELL.

...Buffalo Lime Company is now sell... lime at eight cents, delivered on ...at their works. For orders, write to ...Mason, Garrett, Pa.

...akes but little difference how good an ...is if the owner does not choose to ...it, other people will never find it ...a good business man doubts this ...

...LER'S ARNICA SALVE.—The greatest ...wonder of the world. Warranted ...ally cure burns, bruises, cuts, Ulcers, ...orms, Fever sores, cancers, piles, chil...ains, tetter, chapped hands, and all ...uptions, guaranteed to cure in every ..., or money refunded. 25 cents per ...for sale by C. N. Boyd. jun20.

...ld respectfully inform my friends of ...county that I have opened a new ...on at 232 Main Street, Johnstown, ...re I would be pleased to see them. ...ock consists of Pure Drugs, Chemicals, ...Medicines, Dye Stuffs, Perfumery ...oney Goods generally. At this season ...call attention to the insectrades, ...Pure Paris Green, Pure Powdered ...Hellebore, Persian Insect Powder, ...When in need of anything in the ...go one and see me or write for ...All inquiries cheerfully answered.

CHAS. GRIFFITH
232 Main Street.

...personal property of Daniel Fritz, ...late of Brothersvalley township ...is offered for sale Thursday, January ...at 1 p. m.

...MARKET.—Main Street.—We have ...added a large Refrigerator to our Meat ...in which all meats can be kept cool ...Mutton, Beef, Pork, &c., kept ...ently on hand. Open daily. Parties ...meat can have it kept in the Refrig... until wanted.

...Slate, also, 100,000 new brick for sale. ...we will sell by the hundred or thous... at a low price.

ROSS DAVIS & CO.

...TRIAL—If any of our readers have ...doubts for liniment, family medi... horse powders, etc., that they desire ...recommended, they will do well to ...Campbell, the Druggist, 264 Main ...Johnstown. His stock of drugs, dye ...etc., is not only fresh but pure, and ...prices reasonable. His aim is to please ...customers, and he knows that the way ...to do it is by selling strictly pure goods at ...reasonable figures. Don't forget the name ...number, 264 Main St., Johnstown.

...Trout, Salmon and Labrador Her... and the best, at Keller & Sanner's.

...Every household is complete without a copy ...of the local county paper and a copy of a ...good city weekly paper—one gives you ...the home news and the other the news of ...the world. The Pittsburg weekly ...Gazette is a journal for the politi... the farmer, merchant, mechanic ...and the family. Subscription per year ...

...Dry goods, groceries, cigars, tobacco, ...etc., sold at bottom figures at Reck's.

The sleighing is most excellent.

Thus far the weather has been very cold during the year of grace 1884, thank you.

Mr. Josiah Brant, proprietor of the Glade House, kept his bar closed during Christmas week.

There are one hundred and six prisoners in the Franklin county jail. There are but five in ours.

Judge Baer left for Bedford Monday morning, where he is now engaged in holding an Argument Court.

Mr. Noah Scott, of Ursina, was in Somerset Saturday, having entirely recovered from his recent serious illness.

Miss Annie Sanner returned from Pittsburgh Friday, where she had been visiting relatives and friends for the past ten weeks.

Mr. George R. Parker is having gas pipes placed in his new building. He has contracted for gas apparatus similar to that used by the Somerset House.

Jury Commissioners Rayman and Fisher are engaged in filling the jury wheel with the names of persons to be drawn as jurors during the present year.

Gen. Jacob M. Campbell, member of Congress from this district, spent several days of last week in Somerset. He left Somerset for Washington Friday morning.

Houses will be scarce in the spring as the demand will exceed the numbers to rent. There will have to be more building, or some will be compelled to migrate.

The Board of County Auditors, Israel Emerick, John P. Rhoads and James Meyers, are in session, auditing the County accounts for the past year. Their clerk is Mr. Elias Cunningham.

Steward Launtz informs us that during the month of December 422 tramps were given a night's lodging at the county poor farm. In addition to their lodging they each got at least one meal, and most of them two.

"Sweet Sixteen" is the age of the Everett *Press*. No wonder that it is one of the brightest, newsiest, and best exchanges on our list. It is a paper that the rapidly growing town of Everett can take just pride in.

At the meeting of the Poor Directors on the 1st of January, it was decided to retain all the old officers. They are: Steward, Frank Launtz; Physician, Dr. H. S. Kimmell; Clerk, John H. Weimer; Attorney, F. W. Biesecker, Esq.

The hog cholera, which has been playing sad havoc with the porkers of Franklin county, has broken out with renewed force in the vicinity of Roueresville. Mr. Jonas Shockey has lost thirty—one head. Others have been almost as unfortunate.

According to a recent ruling of the postmaster general, any person who writes for tickets or corresponds with a lottery company, relating to such business, violates the law and becomes liable to a fine of from one hundred to five hundred dollars.

We are in receipt of an unsigned letter, asking us to change the address of the HERALD to Davidsville. The writer will oblige us by sending us his name and the postoffice to which the paper is now being sent, when we will cheerfully comply with his request.

Senator Voorhees' duties in Congress will prevent him from taking part in the defense of James Nutt. It is now understood that he has withdrawn from the case and it will be conducted by the other counsel engaged. It is thought the prisoner will be removed to the Pittsburg jail this week.

At a meeting of the County Commissioners this week it was decided to make no change in the employes under them, but to retain them all for another year. They are: Clerk, D. J. Horner; Attorney, John R. Scott, Esq.; Jail Physician, Dr. H. S. Kimmell; Janitor, Austin Keel.

Many of the poor people of this community will have reason to gratefully remember Mr. George H. Tayman, manager of the Somerset House, for his generosity. On New Year's day he had several gentlemen make him out a list of the needy poor families of the town, when he sent a sack of flour and a load of coal to each.

Twenty-one Italian laborers arrived in Somerset on the late train Sunday evening, and as soon as they dismounted from the cars broke like a drove of cattle for the poor house. The following morning they started on foot for the Allegheny tunnel, first having made arrangements with one of our liverymen to deliver their baggage at the tunnel.

Mr. Charles H. Fisher, after a very serious and protracted illness, we are glad to say has so far recovered as to be able to be out and attending to business. He is still rather weak, and has to use a pair of canes in walking. He expects to recover sufficiently by fall to be able to make a very lively campaign for the Democratic ticket, he being Chairman of the Democratic County Committee.

The ice on the dam and streams below town is frozen to the thickness of from eight to ten inches. Bright and early Monday morning our hotel keepers and other owners of ice houses went to work, and in a short time every available place for sawing was occupied. If the present cold weather continues a few days longer, there will be no danger of a scarcity of ice in this section next summer.

The Connellsville *Courier* says: Frank Poleman, the man who was foully murdered up in Somerset county a few weeks since, and his body incinerated, has been resurrected, and appeared on our streets last week. Immortality has made no improvement in his personal appearance, he being still in possession of the soiled face and unkept hair which distinguishes him while a denizen of this vale of tears.

Mr. John Marston, engineer in charge of the construction of the Laurel Hill Tunnel took possession of the house which the Company erected for him at the eastern approach to the tunnel, one day last week. We are informed that the contract for this tunnel has been let, and that work will be commenced on it before the close of the present month. It is said that the contracts for the other work in this county have not yet been awarded.

Harry Strickler, Esq., Deputy Internal Revenue Collector for Franklin county, was married last week to Miss Annie M., eldest daughter of W. W. Fleming, Esq., of Greencastle. The bridal party are now enjoying a trip through the west. During the years that Harry occupied a desk in the office of Collector Scull at this place, he made many warm friends who will join with the HERALD in extending their most hearty congratulations.

The 25 annual meeting of the State Horticultural association will be held in Harrisburg on Wednesday and Thursday, January 16 and 17, at the room of the State Board of Agriculture. All interested in horticulture, floriculture and kindred pursuits are invited to take part in the discussion of the association, as a number of subjects will be presented. The annual address will be delivered by the president, George D. Stizel of Reading.

At the argument Court held by Judge Ewing last Friday and Saturday, counsel in the case of Rebecca C. Meyers vs. John Feig made their arguments on the motion for a new trial. The Court reserved his decision on the motion till he has time to examine the papers and authorities submitted. In the case of George R Dripe' administrators vs Josiah Brant, after hearing the argument of counsel on both sides, the court refused to grant a new trial. Several other cases of minor importance that had been tried before Judge Ewing were disposed of.

Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday were four of the coldest days experienced in this section for years. The mercury stood at zero most of the time, and even went down so far as 10° below.

The legal holidays of 1884 will fall upon the following days: Washington's Birthday, on Friday, February, 22nd; Good Friday, on the 11th of April; Decoration Day, on Friday, May 30th; Fourth of July, on Friday, 4th; Thanksgiving, on Thursday, November 27th; Christmas, on Thursday, December 25th.

Judge Livingston, of the Lancaster county court of quarter sessions, is making an effort to correct the abuses of the Pennsylvania license system. Before granting the renewal of a license he requires the applicant to make affidavit that during the continuance of the license last granted he has kept his bar closed every Sunday; that he has not sold, or permitted to be sold, on his premises, any intoxicating liquors on Sunday; that he has not sold, at any time, any intoxicating liquors to minors, or to any person visibly under the influence of liquor; that he has not permitted any gambling in his house, and that he has kept and conducted his house, according to law.

Master George Boyd, a Somerset youth of some thirteen years of age, narrowly missed making an angel of himself Tuesday morning. Georgie has been in the habit of carrying a "seven shooter," and at night when he was put in his little bed his little revolver was carefully placed under his little pillow. At an early hour Tuesday morning Georgie awakened from a refreshing sleep, and feeling in a merry mood he took his revolver from under his pillow, and making some jocular remark to his sister pointed the revolver at his head, forgetting that it was loaded, and pulled the trigger. The bullet struck him in the centre of the forehead and came out at the top of his head. A physician was sent for at once. The wound is a very serious one.

One of Somerset's ministers tells the following story, and were it not that it comes from a minister, we would advise our readers to take it with a small allowance of salt: "Last Tuesday evening a very nervous young gentleman, accompanied by a blushing young damsel, put in an appearance at my parsonage and requested me to marry them. After asking the usual questions and finding that they were competent to enter into the marriage state I performed the ceremony and pronounced them man and wife. They left me well satisfied, and apparently happy. Two nights afterwards the newly-made groom again put in an appearance and demanded of me that I untie the knot which I had tied shortly before, insisting that he had been forced into the marriage by the bride against his will, and that he was now tired of it, and wanted to be unmarried.

NEWSPAPER DUNS.—The Harrisburg *Patriot* makes the following sensible comments on an old subject: We presume that some people think newspaper men are persistent duns; let a farmer place himself in a similar position and see if he would not do the same. Suppose that he raises one thousand bushels of corn and his neighbor should come and buy a bushel, and the price was only the small sum of one dollar, or less; and the neighbor says "I will pay you the amount in a few days" As the farmer does not want to be small about the matter he says "all right." Another comes in the same way until the whole of one thousand bushels are trusted to one thousand different persons, and not one of the purchasers concerns himself about it, for it is a small amount they owe the farmer, and of course that will not help him any. He does not realize that the farmer has frittered away his large crop of corn, and that its value is due in a thousand little driblets, and that he is seriously embarrassed in his business because his debtors treat it as a little matter.

A DISCIPLE OF JESSE JAMES.—Last Wednesday evening a respectable looking old gentleman giving his name as Daniel Rice, and his abiding place as Altoona, put up at the Somerset House. During the course of the evening he fell in with a young man by the name of Thomas Cosgroff. The old gentleman wore a handsome silver watch and chain, which the young man admired immensely. After some conversation it transpired that both men were here for the purpose of getting a job on the new railroad. Cosgroff told Rice that he had some relatives living a short distance from town, and that if he would go with him they could both go there and spend the night free of charge. The two men left the Somerset House together and started down the road toward Break-neck Rocks. When they had reached the woods about a mile below town the old man began to grow suspicious, and asked Cosgroff how much further they had to go. Cosgroff replied, "I guess we have gone far enough for you, d—n you," and so saying dealt the old man a blow that felled him to the ground. He then hammered and kicked him about the head till he was unconscious. Then taking the coveted watch and chain from the body of the dead man, as he supposed, came back to town. After recovering consciousness, Rice managed to work his way to the residence of Mr. Jacob Zeigler, where he told the story substantially as related above. He was in a most pitiful condition. His face and head were so cut, swollen and covered with blood that he could scarcely be recognized. Mr. Zeigler came to Somerset and laid the matter before Burgess Colborn, who at once issued a warrant for Cosgroff's arrest and placed it in the hands of Policeman Gilbert. From the description given, Mr. Gilbert at once suspected Cosgroff as the offender. After a short search he found him with the watch and chain in his possession, and arrested him. When brought before the Burgess, Cosgroff said that he was a disciple of Jesse James; that he had read a great deal about Jesse, and that this was one of the tricks he used to play. In default of bail, the Burgess promptly committed Jesse James' disciple to the county jail to await trial at the February term of Court, on a charge of robbery, and assault and battery with intent to kill. After Mr. Cosgroff has rusticated in Allegheny City for ten or a dozen years, we hope he will worship some hero other than Jesse James.

The New Year is a good time to consider the generally overlooked claim of the local newspaper. It is the most useful and the least compensated and appreciated of all the agencies which stamp the impress of progress upon villages and inland cities. Without the local newspaper local towns are, as a rule, thriftless and tend to decay.

It is common for small great men to speak with contempt of the local newspaper. In that they imitate great men in speaking of great journals which offend by manly criticism; but the village newspaper makes more great men out of less material—more bricks without straw—than any other factor in politics, and it is the one ladder on which men climb to local distinction as the beginning of wider fame.

The local journals of Pennsylvania have progressed in typographical elegance, in editorial power and in freshness and completeness of local and general news even more than the city journals for the last score of years. Every inland city in the State has its daily paper or papers now, and many of them surpass the Philadelphia journals of a generation ago in the attributes of a newspaper, while the local weeklies have kept fully abreast with the general progress of journalism.

Local weeklies have now extended from the county towns into most of the thrifty villages, and the advent of the local newspaper has always dated the increased thrift of the community. The local newspaper is the life of its locality, and the measure of its support, as a rule, measures the advancement of the people. Begin the new year by not only subscribing, but paying for your local newspapers. They are the friends and helpmates of all seasons.—*Phila. Times.*

A first-class second hand Blake, Beebee Fanning Mill for sale, very cheap. Inquire at this office.

VICKS FLORAL GUIDE.—Here it is again brighter and better than ever; the cover alone, with its delicate tinted back ground and its dish of gracefully arranged flowers, would entitle it to a permanent place in every home. The book contains three beautiful colored plates, is full of illustrations, printed on the best of paper, and is filled with just such information as is required by the gardener, the farmer, those growing plants, and every one needing seeds or plants. The price, only ten cents, can be deducted from the first order sent for goods. All parties any way interested in this subject should send at once to James Vick, Rochester, N. Y., for the Floral Guide.

NEW REGULATIONS GOVERNING SCHOOL TICKETS ON PENNSYLVANIA R. R.—Another liberal departure was made on January 1st by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company in striking out the restriction as to age from the rules governing the issue of school tickets. Heretofore the sale of such commutation tickets was only to pupils of educational institutions under 18 years of age. This having been abolished, students, without regard to age, attending elementary, scientific or art schools, will be entitled to purchase these tickets.

This is as it should be, and there is little doubt but that the advantage will be so well appreciated by residents along the line that the including of students over eighteen will really result in an increased revenue by virtue of the increase of travel stimulated by the reduced rate.

PROGRAMME FOR WEEK OF PRAYER:

Monday, January 7th—Praise and thanksgiving for God's special providence, Christ's marked favor, and the Holy Spirit's gracious work. At the M. E. Church; Elder Vogel, leader; hour, 7 P. M.

Tuesday, January 8th, at the Evangelical Association church—Humiliation and Confession for personal failings, for social vices, as intemperance; for prevailing skepticism and religious indifference.

Wednesday, January 9, at the Reformed church—Prayer for families and instructors of youth; for parental fidelity in household training; for pious watch-care in schools and colleges; for spiritual influence in Christian associations of youth, and for early conversions in Sunday Schools.

Thursday, Janury 10th, at Disciples' Church—Prayer for the Church of Christ; for a prayerful and laborious ministry; for consecration and co-operation in members; for early devotion in educated youths, and for the Divine blessing in winning the worldly.

Friday, January 11th, at Lutheran church—Prayer for nations; for legislators, that statutes may be conformed to Divine law; for rulers, that they may conscientiously administer government; for peace and conciliation between nations, and for popular integrity in the duties of citizens.

Saturday, January 12th, at Presbyterian church—Prayer for Home and Foreign Missions; for missionaries, that they may be sustained in trials and prove efficient in labors; for heathen, Mohammedans and Israelites, that they may be won to Christ.

RAILROAD NEWS.—About 150 men are at work at the west end of the Ray's Hill tunnel. The work is very difficult as the formation of the earth is entirely sand and clay, loose and soft. The rock formation will not be struck until the mountain proper is reached. The earth is loosened by blasting and is then removed to the dump by means of wheelbarrows, wagons and carts. Several minor accidents happened last week. One Italian had a toe mashed by a stone from a blast striking it. A mule and cart went over the dump, rolling down a thirty-foot embankment. The mule had a hole knocked in its head, but it is still working as if nothing had happened and runs off at every opportunity. A stone was hurled from a blast through a newly erected shanty. A stump, weighing probably two hundred pounds, was thrown up by a second blast and fell on the roof of Henry College's house, several hundred yards distant, crashing through the roof and rafters and lodging in the garret. The laborers are most all Italians; there are also some Germans and Irish. There is a "commissary department" at the works, but as the men are charged such extravagant prices for everything they purchase, it does not do a flourishing business. A poor quality of flour is retailed to them at the rate of $10 per barrel, while they can purchase a much better quality elsewhere for $5.60 per barrel. John Q. Nycum is doing an immense business in flour, meat and groceries, as most of the men deal with him. It is thought that the work of driving the tunnel will be commenced at the west end about February 1, and at the east end about March 1. It will be rushed night and day by three gangs of laborers at each end, each gang working eight hours. At present the men are working from daylight until dark; they are not even allowed to smoke while at work on account of the time lost in filling and lighting their pipes.—*Bedford Gazette.*

On Tuesday morning the large stable of the contractors at Ray's Hill tunnel collapsed under the weight of snow upon its roof and fell to the ground. One mule was killed by the falling timbers and four others were injured so badly that they had to be shot.

The first load of railroad iron for the use of the South Pennsylvania in this county, was taken through Everett on Monday of last week. The load was drawn by four large mules, and later in the week several more loads were taken from this point to Ray's Hill.—*Everett Press.*

ADVERTISED LETTERS.—The following addressed letters in the postoffice at Somerset will be sent to the Dead Letter office, Washington, D. C., if not called for in 15 days:

Ackerson, Peter; Beighel, S. P.; Charles, Daniel (German); Canarian, Paul; Coffroth, Joseph; Drossin, Miss Mary; Feldstein, J.; Nagan, John; Fager, Yackob (German); Guthridge, E.; McIntyre, Edward; McIntyre Wm.; Means, Martha; Roddy, Samuel M.; Schonlph, Ella; Shaffer, Oliver, 3; Smith, Daniel; Snowden, A.; Tibern, Henry; Weckfus, Andrew; Schlickerman, Christ. Postals—Berkey, Mrs. Ann; Barnet, Mary; Clouneh & Pettus; Miller, C. F. Pershing, Henry; Shaffer, W. S.

In calling for the above letters please say advertised.

A. C. DAVIS,
Postmaster.

We deem it but justice to our many patrons and friends to make this public announcement. For some time two characters, one by the name of Fisk and one by the name of Mike, have been writing and talking about us, and we are pleased to say you will hear of them no more. Mr. Fisk has gone into the wholesale business for himself and Mike has bought twenty thousand acres of good farming land in a thickly settled Western State. We would say that we are still selling goods at the same stand in Somerset, and would advise all who want to get rich to buy from us, and in a few years you can save money enough to do as Fisk and Mike have done. We are closing out our overcoats and caps way under price. We wish you all the compliments of the season. We remain,

Yours truly,
J. B. SNYDER & CO.

PINE HILL ITEMS.

At this writing sledding is splendid, and our farmers are busy hauling limestone, and coal.

Joseph Walker is having lumber hauled for his new house, which will be erected during the coming summer.

L. A. Turner, who has been traveling through the South for the past year, has returned home, and will remain until spring.

Jefferson claims the belt on the hog question; Brothersvalley does not think so. Benjamin Hay recently butchered a porker that turned the scales at 500 pounds.

Mr. Samuel Hay, formerly of Brothersvalley township, now of Kansas, who has been visiting relatives and friends here for the past few weeks, returned to his western home last week.

STALWART.

EDITOR HERALD:—It is said that history repeats itself, and from present indications the friends of James G. Blaine will commit the same fatal error in 1884 they made in 1880. The many ugly, unauthorized and mean charges made against the public acts and private character of General Grant by the friends of Blaine in 1880, was largely instrumental in bringing about the defeat of the man they were intended to benefit. The abuse of Grant not only helped to defeat Blaine, but came very nigh overcoming the prejudice of the people against a "third term," and if the lessons of the past teach anything it is this, that the inauguration of a similar policy against President Arthur will lead to like results, so far as Blaine is concerned, in 1884. Nothing could be more suicidal to his success than the belittling of the claims and ability of one of his most formidable rivals.

The cry raised against him that he is only an accidental President, and therefore offensive to the people, is as silly as it is reprehensible. Mr. Arthur is no more responsible for his unexpected elevation to the high position he now holds than the friends of Blaine are for the death of Garfield, and such objections against his candidacy only display the folly, ignorance, or malice of those who make them. The death of Garfield was a national calamity, not because his successor was not worthy or competent to fill his place, but because of the bad moral effect it had upon our institutions at home and abroad. The striking down of the Chief Magistrate of the nation, by the bullet of an assassin, for no cause, and under such circumstances, is appalling in the extreme. The vacancy occasioned by his death was filled by the present incumbent, not as a matter of his own choosing, but in compliance of a constitutional mandate. Mr. Arthur is only responsible for his official acts, and he is to be judged by them and not by a force of circumstances over which he had no control.

That Mr. Blaine has a large following, and that he is the first choice of a a great many good Republicans for President, your correspondent among the number, is indisputable, and that his valuable services to the party entitles him to the highest honors is not denied, but generally admitted, and if his friends will not alienate the friends of other candidates against him by such suicidal policy as that of 1880, and now outlined by the Meyersdale *Commercial*, his claims to the first honors at the approaching National Convention will be as good as those of any other man.

Confluence, January 2, 1884. X.

BROTHERSVALLEY ITEMS.

The children of David F. Meyers are seriously ill with scarlet fever, as are also the children of Joseph Landis.

At present sleighing is good and the winter as "solid" as ever, and the Republicans of this township are more solid than the winter.

Joseph Layman, formerly of Stonycreek township, but now of Kansas, is visiting in this section. He is the guest of his uncle, Valentine Layman.

Simon Hauger is hauling the lumber for a new barn, which he in ends to erect next summer. D. S. Meyers is also having lumber hauled for a new house, which he intends to put up early in the spring.

One day last week a little son of George Fiberty, while at play, slipped and fell, breaking his arm. Dr. Garman, of Berlinset the broken limb, and at present the boy is doing as well as can be expected.

The Literary Society at Sandy Hollow last week was a grand success. It will meet again next Thursday evening. Subject for debate: *Resolved*, That the educated are more inclined to reverence the Deity than the ignorant are. All are cordially invited to attend.

Below is a partial census of Brothersvalley for 1883:

Male population Jan. 1, 1884	681
Female population	690
Total population	1371
Number of deaths in 1883	20
No. of births for same period	40

Now, most of you know that 1883 was to be a year of general destruction, and having got over this year with an increase of population, as well as an increase of all our agricultural products, I think we should take fresh courage for 1884, especially so since the prospects are so good for a Democratic defeat and a grand Republican victory.

NOW AND THEN.

We are now offering extra bargains in Dry Goods and Notions for the next thirty days. Persons wishing to buy good goods cheap, will please give us a call. Read our prices, to be found in another column of this paper before purchasing elsewhere.

P. & P.

MR EDITOR:—I enjoyed Christmas here at the Soldiers' Orphan School, and think the other orphans did the same. I will endeavor to give a brief account of it. On Christmas eve we all assembled in the school building, from which we marched to the church. The church was handsomely decorated with evergreens. An interesting discourse on the "Nativity of Christ" was delivered by Superintendent Waters. The following morning we assembled in the school-room, and while singing an appropriate Christmas song Santa Claus appeared in our midst. He had around him a sugar barrel, and on the outside were over 200 beautiful Christmas cards. At 1 o'clock we sat down to a dinner of turkey, cranberries, mince pie, etc. In the evening, when we entered the dining-hall, we found our plates filled with French candies, right from Philadelphia. At worship we listened to an interesting war story. On the whole we all enjoyed ourselves, and fully appreciate our worthy Superintendent's kindness and benevolence.

Very Respectfully,
WM. J. WAMBAUGH.

A RUN ON A DRUG STORE.—Never was such a rush made for any Drug Store as is now at C. N. Boyd's for a Trial Bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. All persons affected with Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness, Severe Coughs or any affection of the Throat and Lungs, can get a Trial Bottle of the great remedy free, by calling at above Drug Store. Regular size $1.00.

A REMARKABL PINE TREE.—One of the most remarkable trees, of girantic size, was lately cut and converted into timber on the "pine tract" of Mr. Andrew Woy, about three miles east of Somerset. About eight or ten feet from the ground the tree spread out four enormous branches which, when cut up into logs, measured 187 feet. From these logs were sawed 11,016 shingles and 1,500 feet of inch boards. The trunk and smaller branches were not used. Counting shingles at $5.00 per thousand, and boards at $1.50 per hundred, the estimated value of this singular pine is $77.58.

Yours truly,
QUAIL.

The Roller Process Flour for sale by Messrs Keller & Sanner, has had a large run. They have just received a new lot which will be sold about 20 per cent. lower than the price heretofore asked in Somerset.

EDITOR HERALD: The Lambertsville Sunday-school celebrated Christmas with becoming religious exercises and long before the hour of opening the church was filled to overflowing.

The services were opened with music, when Rev. Unruh delivered an appropriate address to the scholars.

Each person had the privilege of placing a gift, or as many as they pleased on the tree, and as a consequence it contained a gift for each member of the school.

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FOR SALE.—One pair of wheat burrs, and pair of choppers, first-class.

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WINTER EXCURSION TICKETS.—In view of the increasing popularity of winter trips to the seaside and to Florida, and the demand for round-trip tickets to the prominent resorts, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, commencing Tuesday, January 1, 1884, will place on sale, at principal stations, excursion tickets to Cape May, Cape May Point, Atlantic City, Old Point Comfort, Va., and Jacksonville, Fla. These excursion tickets will be entitled to all the privileges of other first-class tickets, and permit the holder to stop off en route where such privilege is granted on other first-class tickets. The return coupons on these tickets will be accepted until May 31, 1884, except those to Jacksonville which, under certain circumstances, have certain limitations, details of which, as well as a copy of an illustrated pamphlet containing rates and appropriate descriptive matter, can be obtained upon application to nearest ticket agent. A very attractive book, descriptive of the above resorts has been published by the Pennsylvania R. R. Co., and can be procured on application to Thos. E. Watt, Passenger Agent, 110 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.

MARRIED.

WELSH—SHAVER.—On December 3, 1883, by Rev. J. J. Welsh, Wm. V. Welsh, M. D., of Davidsville, to Miss Maggie Shaver of Friedens, Pa.

DUDLEY—WENTWORTH.—December 31, 1883, at the home of the bride's parents, in Addison township, by William Shaw, Esq., Mr. Frederick E. Dudley, of Spottsylvania county, Virginia, to Miss Cora Wentworth, of Addison township, Somerset county.

FRIEDLINE—KLINE.—At the home of the bride's parents, on January 1, 1884, by Rev. Luther Kuhlman, Mr. Geo. Friedline to Miss Minnie Kline.

FLICK—BARRON.—January 1, 1884, at the Lutheran parsonage in Somerset, by Rev. J. F. Shearer, Albert Flick to Miss Hattie Barron, both of near Lavansville.

BITTNER—SHAULIS.—January 6, 1884, at same place, by the same, Silas G. Bittner to Miss Kate E. Shaulis, both of near Somerset

GROVE—BURNETT—November 20, 1883 at the Lutheran parsonage, Hooversville, by Rev. J. N. Unruh, Mr. Wm. H. Grave, of Lambertsville, to Miss Mary R. Burnett, of New Paris, Bedford county.

BERKEYBILE—KOONTZ.—December 27, 1883, at the same place, by the same, Mr. Mahlon E. Berkeybile to Miss Mary Z. Koontz, both of near Stoystown.

LAMBERT—MOSTOLLER.—December 30, 1883, at the house of the bride's father, near Lambertsville, by the same, Mr. Mahlon Lambert to Miss Nancy C. Mostoller, both of near Lambertsville.

SAYLER—STOUFFER.—December 30, 1883, at the home of the bride's parents, in Buckstown, by the same, Mr. Moses Sayler, of Conemaugh, to Miss Sarah E. Stouffer, of Buckstown.

GINDLESPERGER—PENROD.—January 1, 1883, at the Lutheran parsonage, Hooversville, by the same, Mr John Gindlesperger to Miss Minerva Penrod, both of Stanton's Mills.

CRITCHFIELD—COLEMAN.—January 1, 1884, at the Lutheran parsonage in Friedens, by Rev. J. J. Welch, Mr. J. C. Critchfield, of Rockwood, to Miss Kate Coleman of Coleman's Station.

DIED.

CRISSEY.—In Hooversville, December 24, 1883, of lingering consumption, Elizabeth, wife of Rufus Crissey, aged 50 years, 5 months and 4 days.

In 1852 Miss Elizabeth Boyer and Rufus Crissey were united in marriage, enjoying that union nearly 32 years. She was the mother of eleven children, four of whom preceded her to the spirit world. Three daughters and four sons are still living. Mrs. Crissey was a consistent member of the Reformed Church for about 30 years, and led an exemplary life, trusting in her Savior and died in the hope of an eternal life beyond the grave. PASTOR.

YODER.—At Sharon Centre, Johnson county, Iowa, December 16, 1883, Abner Yoder, aged 69 years, 8 months and 14 days.

Deceased was born in Stonycreek township, this county, on the 28th day of March, 1814, where he lived until 1866, when he moved to Iowa. For 42 years he was a Bishop of the Amish church. He leaves a wife and eleven children to mourn his death.

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