The Somerset Herald.

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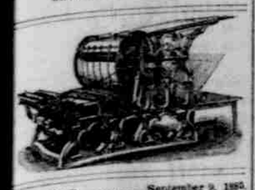

WEDNESDAY.....September 9, 1885.

New goods received this week at Parker Parker's.

Welfley is at all times prepared to take a Photograph.

Binder twine of good quality and cheap at B. Holderbaum's.

Read the advertisement of Parker & Parker, in next week's HERALD.

Tin-Types and Gems taken in the best style at Welfley's Photograph Gallery.

The prices at Welfley's Photograph Gallery are as low as those of any other in town.

Persons desiring to have a good Cabinet Photograph taken, will do well to have the work done at Welfley's Photograph Gallery in the Mammoth Block, Somerset, Pa.

NEW FALL GOODS.—Bargains in Canton Flannels, Plain and Barred Flannels, Cashmeres, Wool Dress Goods, Cotton Dress Goods, Prints, Muslins, Jerseys, Fancy Goods, etc., etc.

MRS. A. E. UHL.

I would inform the Public that I am still carrying on the Photograph business at my old established Photograph gallery in the Mammoth Block.

W. H. WELFLEY.

Ayer's Ague Cure acts directly on the liver and biliary apparatus, and drives out the material poison which induces liver complaints and bilious disorders. Warranted to cure, or money refunded.

BRICK, BRICK, BRICK! As good as the best and cheaper than the rest. Four hundred thousand on hand. Yard opposite the Planing Mill.

HOLBAUGH BROS & PARSONS, Somerset, Pa.

GRASS SEEDS.—We have now in stock a large shipment of choice Western timothy, to which we add a few bags of clover for fall seeding. Orders by mail receive prompt attention. Prices moderately low. Now is the time to buy the goods.

COOK & BERKITS.

By taking Ayer's Sarsaparilla many a poor sufferer who submits to the surgeon's knife because of malignant sores and scrofulous swellings, might be saved, sound and whole. This will purge out the corruptions which pollute the blood, and by which such complaints are originated and fed.

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

ROSS DAVIS & Co.

1 8-Horse power boiler—upright.
1 10 " " " "
1 6 " " engine "
1 4 " " Columbus pump.
1 pair Harrison's burstones.
lot of pipe shafting.

All nearly new. Will be sold cheap. Can be seen in working order at the Somerset Mechanical Works.

EDWIN E. WOLF.

You can get at Boyd's Drug Store:

Insect Powder.	Sticky Fly Paper,
Pow'd Hellebore,	Paris Green,
Mixed Paints,	Tube Colors,
Paint Brushes,	Shoe Brushes,
Croquet Sets,	Base Balls,
Base Rods,	Bass Hooks,
Eye Glasses,	Spectacles,
Fine Cigars,	Soda Water,
Good Goods,	Low Prices.

At Leuther's Drug Store you can find at all times the largest and freshest stock of drugs, medicines, chemicals, paints, oils, varnishes, dye stuffs, and fine toilet articles, ever brought to Somerset, and at prices so low as to astonish you. Our motto is "fair dealing, quick sales and small profits," and by giving us a call we will show you that we mean just what we say, and will do just as we advertise, in all cases.

The Permanent Certificate Committee, consisting of A. C. Holbert, J. D. Meese, F. Graff, G. M. Baker, and J. M. Berkey will meet at Rockwood, Oct. 3, 1885, to examine applicants for permanent certificates. All who desire to apply will please send their applications to the chairman not later than Sept. 28th, stating in what special or higher branches they wish to be examined. The examination will be in writing as required by law.

J. M. BERKEY, Chairman.

Mr. H. C. White, of that well-known and popular firm, A. J. White & Son, fine merchant tailors of Chambersburg, Penn'a will be in Somerset on or about the 15th of the present month. He will have with him a complete line of samples for fall and winter suits and overcoats, and will be at the Somerset House for several days, where he will be pleased to show his samples to all who may call and take the orders of all those wishing to purchase a good, neat fitting suit or overcoat.

Michael Ream of Berlin, and Joseph Shafer of Somerset, have been appointed sole Agents for the Excelsior Slate Paint Company. This famous paint is used for painting roofs of all kinds, and is the only one that gives perfect satisfaction. A number of painters are selling an imitation paint in different parts of the county. No person without a certificate from the Company can sell the Excelsior Slate Paint. Ask all agents to see their certificates before purchasing. Messrs. Ream and Shaffer expect to visit all parts of the county and will give all an opportunity to have their roofs covered with this excellent paint.

BOYD BAKING POWDER—INTERESTING TESTS MADE AT THE GOVERNMENT CHEMIST.—Mr. Edward G. Love, the present Analytic Chemist for the Government, has recently made some interesting experiments as to the comparative value of Baking powders. Dr. Love's tests were made to determine what brands are the most economical to use and in their capacity lies in their leavening powers, tests were directed solely to ascertain the available gas of each powder. Dr. Love's report gives the following:

Name of the Baking Powders.	Strength. Cubic inches Gas per each ounce of Powder.
"Royal" (cream tartar powder)	127.4
Duryea's alum powder	125.2
Hanford's (phosphate), fresh	122.5
Hanford's (phosphate) old	32.7
Hanford's None Such, fresh	121.6
Hanford's None Such, old	84.35
Dubois'	117.0
Charm (alum powder)	119.9
Amazon (alum powder)	111.9
Cleveland's (short weight 4 oz)	110.8
Sea Foam	107.9
Oz	106.8
Dr. Price's	102.6
Snow Flake (Groff's, St. Paul)	101.88
Lewis's Condensed	98.2
Congress, yeast	97.5
C. E. Andrews & Co's (contains alum)	78.17
Becker's	92.5
Dubois	84.2
Bulk	80.5

In his report, the Government Chemist says:

"I regard all alum powders as very unwholesome. Phosphate and Tartaric Acid powders liberate their gas too freely in process of baking, or under varying climate changes suffer deterioration."

Dr. H. A. Mott, the former Government Chemist, after a careful and elaborate examination of the various Baking Powders of commerce, reported to the Government in favor of the Royal brand.

Judge Baer is holding court at Bedford this week.

Base ball is epidemic with the Somerset small boy.

Grapes are plenty and are retailing at five cents per pound.

Fruit of all kinds was never known to be more abundant than at present.

There are at present six prisoners confined in what is known as the county jail.

Since the Somerset Cornet Band have taken charge of the Skating Rink it is well patronized.

Mr. Milton Pile is erecting a residence immediately east of that of his father, Mr. Irwin Pile, on North street.

Mr. J. B. Snyder on Saturday last sold his handsome brown colt, sired by Mr. Peter Heffley's Hambletonian horse, for $350.

A large party of young ladies and gentlemen picniced at W. H. Hillegas', at the foot of the Allegheny Mountains Monday.

The criminal list for the coming term of court promises to be unusually large. There are at present some forty odd cases docketed.

Henry Dunmyer, of Jenner township, was brought to Somerset Sunday evening and lodged in jail, charged with the larceny of an accordeon.

Mr. John A. Walter not only raises big plums, but big pears also grow in his orchard. He last week laid two pears, Kefer's, on our table, that are simply enormous.

Mr. Jacob Hoffman, of Paint township, was among our callers Monday. He says he never knew the apples, pears and plums to be so plenty in his neighborhood as at present.

Episcopal Church services will be held in the Somerset Presbyterian Church on Monday, September 13th, morning and evening, by Rev. A. BeR. Mears. All are cordially invited.

F. J. O'Connor, who is helping Prof. Weller out with his Glade Normal, was in Somerset Friday and Saturday to witness the triumph of the Jenner base ball club. He played in Saturday's game.

Agents wanted for a useful patent kitchen utensil: needed in every house. Four dollars per day for one year, guaranteed. Address, with stamp, FARMOUT MFG. CO., No. 1319 N. 27th Street, Philadelphia, Pa. No postals.

Ex-Sheriff Lashley, of Bedford County, was arrested last week and taken before United States Commissioner Lingenfelter, on a charge of passing counterfeit money. He gave bail for a hearing, which will take place Saturday.

The following postmasters were appointed for this county last week, and there are more to follow: Jacob Shaw, Confluence; Miss Lizzie Benford, Ursina; Henry Tilp, Garrett; Samuel Durham, Shanksville; Miss Annie Heffley, Berlin.

Our genial young friend Mr. Ed. Coffin, the stock fancier of Jenner township, is more enthusiastic over base ball than anything else save Alderny and Jersey cattle. He accompanied the Jenner club to Somerset Friday and enjoyed the game immensely.

Our farmer friend, Mr. John Lane, will please accept our thanks for a basket full of beautiful turnips left at the Editor's house one evening last week. They are of a choice variety and the smallest one in the basket measured twenty-six inches in circumference.

H. P. Snyder, Editor of the *Courier*, and Col. J. M. Reid of Connellsville, stopped over in Somerset Wednesday for a few hours on their way to Baltimore, at which place they join a party of friends and proceed from thence to Boston by water. They expect to consume about three weeks in the trip.

James B. Sansom, editor of the Indiana *Democrat*, and at one time a resident of this county, died at his home in Indiana on Thursday last. Mr. Sansom was one of the brightest members of his profession, and had a personal acquaintance with almost every editor in the State. His death will be sincerely mourned by a large circle of friends.

James L. Pugh, Esq., Administrator of the estate of John J. Spangler deceased, had a goodly number of persons in attendance at his sale at the Court House, Saturday afternoon. The Barclay farm was sold to Abram Miller and Jona G. Barclay for $7585.00. The Shade Township farm to B. F. Fleck for $1510.00 and the property in Somerset Borough to Mrs. John J. Spangler for $805.

But one application for the free scholarship in the State Agricultural College presented himself before the committee on Thursday of last week. He was John S. Weller, of Hyndman. The examination was conducted by Hon. John Cessna and Prof. G. D. Crissman. They certified to Mr. Weller's qualifications, and his admission to the college will be recommended by Senator Longenecker.—*Bedford Gazette.*

Mr. C. C. Musselman last week sold his beautiful farm in Somerset township, to Messrs. William Glessner and William Miller, son and son-in-law of John M. Glessner, Esq., of Stonycreek township, for $10,500. The day following Mr. Musselman purchased from Mr. Josiah Brant the property now occupied by Mr. Austin Dennison, in this borough, for $2,000, and the three and one-half acre field adjoining this property from Mr. H. H. Grady for $300.00.

The colored camp-meeting that has been in progress in the Hugus grove south of town for the past two weeks, was to have wound up Monday evening with a "Grand Jubilee Praise Concert and Panoramic View of Heaven and Hell." Owing to the inability of the operator of the idstrument to generate sufficient gas, the grand closing scene was postponed until this, Tuesday, evening. There was a large crowd of people on the grounds Sunday, and from a financial point of view we reckon the meeting was a success.

Nothing of any great importance relative to the sale of the South Pennsylvania Railroad, has transpired since our last issue. The contractors in this county are all working a small number of hands; all of them, we have been informed, have been reduced to six thousand dollars each for the present month. Work is kept up day and night on Dorwin & Shields, contract at the big cut, near the Summit. The answer of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company to the Attorney General's bill in equity will be presented and argued before Judge Simonton at Harrisburg, to-day.

On Saturday last warrants were issued by Justice G. Lint for the following named persons, charged with the following offences, on information of Samuel P. Snyder, constable of Somerset Borough: Alexander Korns, Reuben Woy, Jesse Hoover, Daniel Kimmell, Poor Directors, and Franklin Launtz, Steward, for embezzlement and keeping fraudulent accounts. Josiah Ankeny, Alexander Korns, Jesse Hoover, Daniel Kimmell, for being concerned in public contracts while Directors. Daniel Kimmell, Rudolph Perner, Jesse Hoover, Alexander Korns and Reuben Woy, Directors, for taking extra and illegal fees. Jesse Hoover, Josiah Ankeny and Reuben Woy, directors, for misconduct and malfeasance in office. J. M. Bowman, J. W. Meyers and N. B. Penrod, Auditors, for misconduct and malfeasance in office. J. M. Meyers, J. P. Rhoads and Israel Emerick, Auditors, for misconduct and malfeasance in office. Seventeen warrants in all. The counsel employed for the Prosecution are V. Hay and H. L. Baer, Esq's. If the defendants have employed counsel we are unable to say who they are. A preliminary hearing will in all probability be had before Justice Lint this week.

ALMOST ANOTHER JAIL DELIVERY.—Friday evening when Sheriff Winters went to lock the prisoners up for the night, by certain indications he concluded that his guest were contemplating taking French leave of him. Summoning his deputy to his aid, he began making a complete inspection of the prison. After a careful examination, they discovered that a piece had been sawed off of one of the iron cell bars, and that with this the top of the water closet had been pried off; the plank had been bored through with a heated poker, and all that remained to be done was to punch out a few brick and crawl through the hole. Several of the prisoners were in irons, among them the colored man, Johnson, charged with highway robbery. The Sheriff tapped with his key on Johnson's hobbles, when they fell off the rivets having been cleverly filed with an old case-knife that was found on Johnson's person. Had it not been for the vigilance of the Sheriff, the whole pack of prisoners would unquestionably have escaped before midnight.

WILL IT?—The Philadelphia *Press* of Friday says: the Pennsylvania Railroad Company only desired to effect the transfer of the South Pennsylvania and Beech Creek properties if it could do so legally. It can now further be said that if the courts declare the sale legal, the Pennsylvania Railroad will proceed to finish the South Penn Road, and use it as a third and fourth track between Harrisburg and Pittsburgh. Some years ago the business of the Pennsylvania required the construction of four tracks between New York and Harrisburg, and the company has been gradually making this improvement. It is only a question of time when the same facilities will be necessary between Harrisburg and Pittsburgh, if it has not already arrived, and it was no doubt all along the intention to use the South Pennsylvania for this purpose. The new road will open a new country, and it would be more economical for the Pennsylvania to build its third and fourth track on the line already graded, and known as the South Pennsylvania, than to construct them in close proximity to the present double-track road. The South Pennsylvania is some distance shorter than the old Pennsylvania track from Harrisburg to Pittsburgh, and the Pennsylvania lines southeast of the latter city could be used to advantage if the courts allow the arrangement to be carried out. This seems to be the only feasible plan of building the South Pennsylvania. If the courts should deny the right of the Pennsylvania to purchase, it is not now likely that Mr. Vanderbilt would care to build the road, and his associates in the South Pennsylvania syndicate would not continue the enterprise with him in view of his alliance with the Pennsylvania.

BASE BALL.—The Jennertown nine, composed of young men from Jennertown and Johnstown, but all claiming membership with the Jennertown club, came over to Somerset Friday morning, and in the afternoon did the "Glades" of this place up in brown paper. The game was one-sided from the start, and, after the first few innings, without interest. The "Jenners" have a good battery, are strong batters and fair fielders. The "Glades" were unable to hit their pitcher, while they batted Houpt unmercifully. The score at the close of the ninth inning stood 20 to 12 in favor of Jenner. The game was umpired by H. S. Endsley, Esq., in a very satisfactory manner. A large crowd of people witnessed the game. It is but just to the "Glades" to state that one of their strongest players went west several weeks ago, and another of their regular players was unable to take part in Friday's game, both places having to be filled by substitutes.

At the close of the game Friday the "Railroaders" challenged the "Jenners" for a game, to be played the following Saturday, afternoon. The challenge was accepted and the time for the game fixed at 1 o'clock. About 11 o'clock Saturday morning a heavy rain set in, and kept up for several hours. All hopes of playing that day were about abandoned, when towards three o'clock the clouds broke, and the skies began to clear. A team was at once set to work to haul saw dust on the field, and by four o'clock the grounds were in pretty fair condition. The game was not begun until half-past four o'clock, owing to some unavoidable delay. Only four innings were played, when it became too dark to see the ball, and game was called. At the close of the fourth inning the "Railroaders" had scored 15 and the "Jenners" 10 runs. About three hundred people were on the grounds, and notwithstanding the cold and dampness, most of them kept their places till game was called. The Jenner club is composed of a jolly set of young fellows, who enjoyed themselves while here, and their visit was greatly enjoyed by the home club, although they did get badly left.

A game has been arranged to take place on Saturday, the 19th, between the "Railroaders" and "Jenners," at Jennertown. Should the weather prove favorable a large crowd will go over to witness the game, which promises to be a very interesting one.

EDITOR HERALD:—I think that I have, to some extent at least "stirred up the animals" on the subject of the new jail.

My first article appeared in yours of Aug. 26. The mountain was immediately taken with labor pains, and on the 5th of August was happily delivered of a mouse of such inordinately effeminate proportions that there can scarcely be an afterbirth.

That edition (bound in calf) of personified thinness who is supposed to edit the Meyersdale *Commercial*, gossiped at the bedside, stood god-father at the christening, and named the abortion "Plumbago Answered."

I have no time to spend nursing the impotent wrath of the baby 'mice of the opposition'—things that have no voice save a squeak. But seriously—I have never seen so milk and water a production as that of "Tax-Payer" dignified by the name of answer to anything. A school-boy knows more than Tax-payer seems to have dreamed of. I sympathize with honest ignorance, but, when the ignoramus is not content to remain in secludsion, but parades what he calls "ideas"—flaunts what he smiles at as wit, or sarcasm, in the faces of the community, it is time to say something.

I shall say a few words only in response to the prayer of taxpayer for notice. I declared Somerset jail the worst in the state. Tax-payer stupidly asks, "Did he visit them all?" He does not know there is a Board of Charities in Pennsylvania who made the same declaration long ago, and only asinine stupidity would have permitted Tax-payer to rush into print in the manner he has done; but schoolboy compositions are apt to have the flavor of slops, and when a competent editor cannot eliminate all their puerility, what then shall be expected of such a puling weakling as the *Commercial* man?

The Cambria County jail, costing $100,000 has nothing whatever to do with the question at issue. If that county has a jail that cost $100,000 it ought to be a good one and shows the absence of demagogical editors and childish correspondents. The fact that a man escaped from Cambria county jail, and the fact that he had only one leg, have nothing at all to do with the question. I may say, however, that no one will stay in Somerset jail any longer than he pleases, whether he has one leg, two legs, or no legs.

So far as high taxes are concerned, I venture the assertion that the people of Somerset County do not know, experimentally, the meaning of the term. In some of the Eastern counties the rate of taxation is cents where our rate is mills. Here is a most original proposition—What a world of ignorance is herein contained; listen to the wise man of the 19th century, the Solomon of the age, the Solomon of America! "Hear, O ye heavens, and give ear, O Earth!"

"Let our Legislators pass a special act to have criminals sent to the work-house immediately after their trials and we will have no need of a better jail for a century, *besides freeing the tax-payers from paying their board* and keeping them in enforced idleness." (The italics are mine.)

May the good Lord forever deliver me from such folly. Why, this poor ignorant Tax-payer doesn't know that the Counties having special acts permitting their criminals to be sent to the workhouse, must pay for their board, etc. He is ignorant of the fact that the County of Somerset and every other county in the State pay a certain amount for each criminal they respectively have in the State's prison. He doesn't know that, when the Board of Charities removed certain insane paupers to Dixmont and perhaps other Asylums, the County of Somerset was held responsible for their keep, and if Poor rates are higher, this is the reason.

A man should not be blamed for ignorance. Many persons in this world might die with the reputation of having middling sense if only their voices did not betray their asininity. How far an editor is responsible under the law forbidding cruelty to dumb animals when he treats them as the *Commercial* man treats Tax-payer, I am not able to determine.

Regarding Tax-payer's strictures on the Poor Board, I have nothing to say—tis'nt my funeral—the men whose names are mixed up in the matter have seen fit to keep quiet, to say nothing, to permit a political demagogue, a would-be prostitute to the arms of any political party that will embrace him, to bandy their names as thieves, swindlers, forgers and perjurers before the people, on the basis of an *ex parte* report almost every item of which is susceptible of an honest explanation. I can stand it if they can, and once again I say, 'tisn't my funeral. So I leave Tax-payer and turn my attention to a weakling who calls himself "Southerner," and who just aches for the privilege of having "Plumbago" notice him.

The desperation of saying that the Court House privy is responsible for the stench alluded to is only equaled by the *naivete* with which the assertion is made. Bah! The Court House privy is thoroughly drained, and is, I dare assert, as cleanly an institution of the kind as can be found—so far, I mean, as stench is concerned.

Whether or not persons try to get into the public offices does not matter on the question at issue. The phosphate manufacturer or the coke man goes into the one business or the other to make money. He knows that there are certain discomforts which cannot be avoided, which are incident to the business, for which no one is responsible, but which must be endured in order to attain the grand result desired, which is the making of money. But how is it in the case of stench from the jail and those who endure it? Certain offices are provided by law, and it is necessary that they shall be filled—there is a tacit assurance that the rooms they occupy shall be tenable, that they shall not be compelled to run the risk of typhus, typhoid, cholera, etc., etc., by inhaling stench from the jail or other public buildings; in short that they shall not be treated as public enemies because they are public officials.

Now, as to the annoyance of Gen. Koontz' Col. Scull, and others. These gentlemen own property, fine residences, and they have a right to be undisturbed in the possession and enjoyment of what their talents and their energy have accumulated. "Southerner" gets off this bit of twaddle: "Why should a lawyer, who prefers to make his 'boodle' by clearing criminals from justice, be looked after with such solicitude by the taxpayer?" Let me give him this definition: "Nuisance, *noenseentum*, or annoyance, signifies anything that worketh hurt, inconvenience, or damage. And nuisances are of two kinds; public or common nuisances which affect the public, and are annoyance to all the king's subjects; for which reason we must refer them to the class of public wrongs, or crimes and misdemeanors, and private nuisances * * * which may be defined anything done to the hurt or annoyance of the lands, tenements, or hereditaments of another." As an example of nuisance the learned author whom I have quoted, says: "Corrupting the air with noisome smells, for light and air are two indispensable requisites to every dwelling"—and this is precisely what the County Commissioners do, or permit to be done in the case of Gen. Koontz, Col. Scull and others, and it is time a little "solicitude *should* be manifested by the taxpayer."

The closing paragraph of "Southerner's" profound article is such a solid chunk of wisdom that mortal man cannot digest it: listen: "When people cease to elect idiots as justices of the peace and to employ jail birds and cut throats as detectives and policemen, then false arrests and imprisonment in the county jail will cease, certainly." Heavens and earth! But I've somewhere seen a passage that reads something like this: "Answer not a fool according to his folly," and I shall obey the injunction. Now, as to the responsibility which the Sheriff incurs when the custody of prisoners is intrusted to him, and the means of retaining them safely are not furnished him, I have been informed by a member of the bar of Fayette county, whom I met quite recently, that in cases in which a prisoner "breaks jail" the Sheriff is liable to action for an escape. An old resident of this township informed me that during the term, he thinks, of Sheriff Phillippi, a young man confined for f. and b. until a sentence of the court should be complied with, broke jail and got away. The person who had brought the prosecution against the jail-breaker commenced an action against Sheriff Phillippi, and recovered in full. Now, if the Sheriff be liable to such "pains and penalties," is it treating him fairly to refuse to furnish him the means of safekeeping the prisoners whom crime or misfortune places in his hands? There are certain duties which men owe to one another. The "golden rule" is just as applicable to communities as to individuals, and now I think that from the humanitarian standpoint, from the standpoint of public expediency and economy, from the standpoint of justice to public officers, we need a new jail. Not a revamping of the old one, built as it is on antediluvian principles, but a *new jail*, one that will hold prisoners, and hold them in comfort, not in elegance and ease, but in comfort, where they need not be tortured by their own effluvia, and where their very existence need not breed nuisances in the community in which they perforce exist. Nothing but the most puerile stuff has been advanced to meet the solid line of argument I have laid down. I shall no more take up my pen to answer children, or men, it may be, who do not recognize a logical conclusion when presented, and who cannot reply to an argument if they honestly wished to do so. I shall say no more; my inkstand is empty, the points are broken off my pen, and I shall treat future "scribblerendos" with silent contempt, unless a *solid* answer should appear to the points I have made.

Very Respectfully,

PLUMBAGO.

ADDISON, Pa., SEPT. 5, 1885.

DEATH OF HON. GEORGE WEYAND.

It is with pain and sorrow we chronicle the death of the Hon. George Weyand who departed with life on earth at half-past 8 a. m., on Tuesday, May 26, 1885.

In the death of Mr. Weyand the State of Iowa loses one of her oldest and most highly respected citizens, and about the last remaining member of the old Territorial legislature and one who took a prominent part n the early organization of the state which was greatly benefited from his earnest counsel and aid in the promotion of all her early institutions of learning, agriculture and charitable, which have grown to be the pride of the state, and monuments to those who gave them foundation. Mr. Weyand was born at White Horse Tavern, on the summit of the Allegheny mountains, Somerset county, Pa., November 26, 1806. He gained a fair education from the Common schools of that day, and in 1838 he married Miss Mary Grove, and the following year came to Iowa by stage and water (which were the only means of travel in those days) and settled on a piece of land near Brighton, while his elder and only brother Daniel continued to live in Somerset county, Pa., where he had been studying for the legal profession, and who became a law partner of Jeremiah S. Black, then a young attorney of somerset. The deceased took a prominent part in those days in the formation of the territory. He was earnestly identified with all the early political, educational and agricultural interests of the state up to 1860, when the failure of his eyesight forced his retirement from politics and active life. He was a member of the Iowa Territorial legislature and twice elected to the State legislature after admission to the Union in 1846, the capital of which could only be reached by overland conveyance, but Mr. Weyand's customary way of traveling was on horseback. He was a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1844, which was convened to adopt a constitution to be submitted to Congress for the admission of Iowa into the Union of states. He was appointed as a member of the Capital Commission. He was a prominent candidate for Senator in 1860 from Jefferson county, but declined on account of an eye malady from which he never recovered, and which finally resulted in total blindness.

The private character of the deceased is full of noble deeds, and one in every way worthy of emulation; a man with a great heart and noble impulses, the honor and integrity of whom was never questioned, but few men live in whom could be placed such implicit confidence; a good and agreeable neighbor, a steadfast friend, a kind father and a faithful husband, and in his death Brighton and vicinity lose an old and most honored citizen. He was the father of eight children, seven of whom survive him, five sons and two daughters.—*Brighton (Iowa) News.*

Says "By-Stander" in a Philadelphia exchange: " * * * If you will take the trouble to look in the proper volume you will find that, although Somerset, with its 1,500 inhabitants is one of the most southerly towns in the State, it is the highest county seat in the Commonwealth, being 2,000 feet above the level of the sea: that it is higher than Cresson, and leaves Bedford several hundred feet nearer sheol; that it is cool in the hottest of summers, and altogether a delightful place to go. You get there by various routes, but the best way to reach the place is by the Pennsylvania Railroad to Johnstown, changing by way of the Somerset & Cambria road to Somerset. The said Cambria is a little road which has no respect for time-tables, but as the distance is less than forty miles, it doesn't worry one much if the train is two hours late. At the Somerset House were families from Washington, Baltimore, Dayton, O., Pittsburgh and Allegheny City, and other well-known hotbeds. Beautiful cottages throughout the town are filled with boarders, who prolong their lives and save their money by getting summer boarding for less than $10 per week. Butter, sweet, luscious butter, sells there for 12½ cents per pound. But this is foreign to my story.

The South Penn Railroad sale had been the topic of talk at Somerset when I reached there. The new road avoids Somerset by 2½ miles, because the engineers found that Somerset, one of the highest points in the State, was too low to reach without constructing an incline. Just think of it! The highest county town in the State is situated too low to be taken on the new route to the West. You may imagine the South Penn has been surveyed along a high mountain in that section. The Summit—the highest point on the S. & C. road—about 2½ miles north of Somerset, is 58 feet below the grade of the South Penn.

Of course everybody was interested in the rumors of the Vanderbilt sell-out to the Pensy, and all that. The veteran contractor, Tom Collins rested his big feet on the hotel balcony railing and talked much about it. He had just returned from his monthly trip to Philadelphia and knew it all. Said Tom: "There's no doubt about it. The sale is consummated and I am expecting orders to shut down the work shortly of my contract of twelve miles. I will finish four this week, and could finish the rest by October, but it will never be. The road is sold and don't make any mistake. The construction Company owes my firm $97,000, but the contractors will be taken care of. The poor devils who will suffer are the poor, dear people over whose land this road is being built. For instance, just beyond that knoll, lives one poor man who gave the company the right of way for nothing, such was his feeling toward this new railroad enterprise; so much did he welcome it to the neighborhood. His farm is cut in three places and nearly ruined. Over yonder hill lives a fellow who had to move his house. The jury awarded him $2,400. He built a new house, but hesitates about moving the old one; consequently, he has not got his money and his farm is cut through in two places. I could tell you of many similar cases. The hardship of this sale will be great on the poor farmers, and it is no wonder they are setting up a howl."

Somerset is the lamented Jere Black's old home. Here he first served in an official capacity—District Attorney, by appointment—and here he first sat as Judge, and I am told he loved the spot better than any other in the land. I may give you some unpublished anecdotes about the old Judge in a subsequent article.

EDITOR HERALD:—The town of Ursina has been visited by fire bugs of late. On the morning of the first, at about six o'clock, fire was discovered in the warehouse of Mr. B. F. Snyder's new store building. Every effort was made to save the building and the goods, but the flames soon communicated with other buildings close by, and four buildings, three of them belonging to Mr. Snyder, and one to Chris. Koontz, were soon licked up by the flames. Some of the goods in the store were saved, but not many of them. Mr. Snyder is only lightly insured.

In the afternoon of the same day a stable belonging to Mr. John H. Benford, was fired and burnt to the ground, but by almost superhuman efforts of the people of Ursina, and some from Confluence, the flames were kept from communicating with other buildings close by. This stable was just across the alley from Col. Yutzy's stable, and was doubtless set for the purpose of burning down that block of buildings of which the Lyons House forms a part.

About 11 o'clock at night the old brick yard was fired, and about 2 o'clock in the morning the old saw mill at the upper end of town. This building contained a considerable amount of straw.

The last two fires did but little damage to property as the building destroyed was not of much value, and it is believed that they were fired to draw the people away from the business portion of the town.

Night watchmen are patroling the town every night and last night a number of shots were fired at parties caught in places where honest people should not be at such a time, but all the parties made their escape by running and hiding themselves. There is no clue to the perpetrators of the crime. There is a deep feeling of indignation. X.

Confluence, Pa., September 4th, 1885.

CONFLUENCE ITEMS.

The cry is oil, oil, oil.

Summer boarders are homeward inclined.

Wild turkeys are very plenty this season.

L. W. Weakland lost a fine horse a few days ago.

Mr. Jell Show is about ready to raise his new barn.

There is a feeling of uneasiness here since the fire bugs have visited Ursina.

Squirrel hunting has commenced in real earnest, but the squirrels are scarce.

An objector to the new jail says that Somerset wants all the offices and a new jail besides.

Poor Jeff. Davis has again been interviewed and he has no faith in politics and the new version of the Bible. All he wants is to be let alone in this world and the world to come.

Wonder if Attorney General Cassidy will offer in testimony the Democratic Platform in the suit to prevent the South Penn going into the hands of the Pennsylvania R. R. Won't it scare Vanderbilt if he does?

Sept. 5, '85. X.

Robert Patton has taken the agency of Somerset County for the best Steam Laundry Company, of Chicago, Ill. Samples of the superior work done by this company may be seen at P. L. Casebeer's store, where those desirous of having work done can leave it. First lot will be sent Thursday morning of this week. Gents' collars, cuffs and shirts a specialty. All work warranted satisfactory, and at reasonable prices. No extra charge for express.

MARRIED.

BREHM—MENSER.—At Lutheran parsonage in Friedens, August 25, 1885, by Rev. J. J. Welch, Mr. Louis Brehm, of Johnstown and Miss Sadie A. Menser, from near Somerset.

DIED.

HENRY.—On August 7th 1885, Elizabeth Henry, wife of Jacob Henry of Upper Turkeyfoot Twp., Somerset Co., Pa., in the 68th year of her age.

LEGAL NOTICE.

To Hulda Fopey, of Markle Postoffice, Westmoreland County, Pa.

You are hereby notified that in pursuance of a Writ of Partition issued out of the Orphans' Court of Somerset County, Pa., I will hold an inquest on the Real Estate of Thomas Ream dec'd, at his late residence in Lower Turkeyfoot Township, on Thursday, the 24th day of September, 1885, where you can attend if you think proper.

Sheriff's Office, Aug. 19, 1885. } JOHN WINTERS, Sheriff.

NOTICE.

The Board of Poor Directors will receive proposals up to October 1st, 1885, for furnishing wheat or flour at the mill, for the use of the Poor House for one year, also for furnishing good, rough coal on the platform of the bank, for the same length of time.

JESSE HOOVER,
REUBEN WOY,
JOSIAH ANKENY,
Directors.

September 5th, 1885.

NOTICE.

The public is hereby notified that hereafter no visitors will be received or allowed at the County Poor House on Sunday.

JESSE HOOVER,
REUBEN WOY,
JOSIAH ANKENY,
Directors.

September 5, 1884.

JAMES G. BLAINE'S GREAT HISTORY

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of certain writs of Fi. Fa., Al. Fi. Fa., Levy Fa and Venditioni Exponas issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Somerset Co. Pa., and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Somerset Borough, Pa., on

FRIDAY, SEP'T. 25, 1885,

at 1 o'clock p. m., all the right, title, interest and claim of the Somerset Iron and Coal Company, of, in and to the free, full, and uninterrupted and exclusive privilege of mining, digging and taking away all the coal, iron ore, fire-clay, limestone and all other minerals lying and being under and upon, and contained within a certain tract of land situate in Summit Twp., Somerset Co., Pa., bounded by the Casselman river on the North, and adjoining lands of John A. Miller on the West, containing 100 acres and allowances. And the full, free and uninterrupted right of way on, upon and over said land for mining and taking away the said minerals by such ways and means as may be necessary and convenient, (except the minerals on four acres around the buildings). Also, the right of Defendant Company to use so much of said land as may be necessary to conduct their businesss. Also, all their right, title and interest in a bridge across Casselman river between the railroad and said tract of land, also, the railroad from the bridge into the mines, and the defendants' interest in a narrow strip of land between the P. & C. R. R. and the river opposite said bridge.

Taken in execution at the suit of Thos. S. Hepplewhite.

—ALSO—

All the right, title, interest and claim of Thos. H. Ruth & Son, of, in and to the following real estate, viz: Two certain lots of ground situate in the Buechley survey of the Borough of Meyersdale, Somerset Co., Pa., known on the plan of said Borough as lots Nos. 360 and 361, bounded on the North by Fourth street, on the East by Ridge alley, on the South by lot No. 359, and on the West by Buechley street, said lots being each 50 feet front and 150 feet deep, with the appurtenances.

Taken in execution at the suit of Chas. Reuter and J. D. Maloy, partners doing business as Reuter & Maloy.

—ALSO—

All the right, title, interest and claim of the defendant, D. S. Lane, of, in and to the following real estate, viz: A certain lot of ground situate in the village of Hooversville, Quemahoning Twp., Somerset Co., Pa., containing ¼ acre, more or less, adjoining lands of Edwin Lane, Polly Dempsey, John Hammer, and Main street, having a two-story plank dwelling house thereon erected, with the appurtenances.

Taken in execution at the suit of Samuel Zimmermah.

—ALSO—

All the right, title interest and claim of J. O. Meyers, of, in and to the following described real estate, viz:

No. 1. A lot of ground in Meyersdale Borough, Somerset Co., Pa., fronting on Centre street, Market Square and Meyers' Avenue, and bounded on the Northeast by lot No. 120½, known on the plan of Meyers' addition to said Borough as lot No. 120.

No. 2. A lot of ground situate as aforesaid, and known as lot No. 4 in Olinger's first survey, fronting 22 feet on Centre street, and 95 feet on Dallas street.

No. 3. Two lots of ground situate as aforesaid, lying between the mill race and the extension of Salisbury street, known on the plan of Meyers' addition as lots Nos. 340 and 341.

No. 4. A certain lot of ground situate as aforesaid, lying between Grant street and the extension of Salisbury street, and east of Hady's Bottling establishment, being part of lot known on the plan of Meyers' addition as lot No. 227, and fronting 86 feet on Grant street, and 90 feet on Salisbury street.

No. 5. A certain lot of ground situate as aforesaid, lying between Grant and Salisbury streets, land West of Hady's Bottling establishment, being part of lot shown on the plan of Meyers Addition as lot No. 227 and fronting 110 feet on Grant street and 113 feet on Salisbury street.

No. 6. Four lots situate as aforesaid each 40 feet front by 120 feet deep on the South side of Meyers' avenue, West side of Chestnut street, and near to the Railroad depot, known on the plan of Meyers' addition to said Borough as lots Nos. 40, 42, 44 and 46.

No. 7. Two lots of ground in Rockwood Borough, Somerset Co., Pa., known on the plan of said town as lots Nos. 1 and 2, each containing about one-fourth acre and lying between Main street and Railroad street, and South of Werner's Tannery.

No. 8. A tract of land in Summit and Brothersvalley Townships, County and State aforesaid, adjoining lands of Lint & Hugus, Jacob Bittner, Henry Shaffer, and others, containing 36 acres and 91 perches, more or less, known as purpart No.