

Christmas four weeks from Friday. Have you bought your Thanksgiving turkey?

John S. Eliand has been appointed postmaster at Gloucester.

Judge Brier is holding a three weeks' term of court at Bedford.

Our sportsmen are indulging extensively in shooting matches.

Mr. A. H. Wood is still confined to his room at the Glade House.

The lot of the assessor, under the new revenue law, is not a happy one.

Mr. S. F. Picking left for New York Monday evening, to be gone a week or ten days.

The snow fall of yesterday night, took all of our deer hunters to the woods Monday morning.

Snow fell to the depth of almost one foot Sunday night. It was the first deep snow of the season.

Our borough school was never in better condition than at present. There is still room for improvement.

Mr. Jefferson Brown sold his beautiful farm in this township to Ralph Kerfoot, of Summit township, for \$3,300 cash, last week.

A union Thanksgiving service will be held in the Methodist church. The sermon will be preached by Elder Vogel, of the Discipline church.

Mr. D. M. Crome, who occupies an important position in the reform school at Eldora, Iowa, paid a brief visit to his old home at Lanesville last week.

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According to Commissioner's Clerk Hill, one of the jurymen at the last Circuit Court Sessions asked as he was being paid: "Who is this man Commonwealth? I never saw one man have so many cases in court before, did he not die?" The fellow ought to emigrate to Fayette county, as he is just the kind they want at murder trials.

Our genial old ex-Sheriff Perry Walker, for many years a resident of this county, but now of Odell, Neb., is paying a visit to his former home. He is hale and hearty as ever, and looks much the same as he did some twenty odd years ago, when, with a "good catch" he drew the string on the murderer Fryer.

The record of mortgages, judgments, etc., being made for the County Commissioners under the new revenue law, discloses the fact that there are 730 unpaid mortgages, aggregating many millions of dollars, of record in the Recorder's office. The largest one is for the sum of \$200,000.

It has been received from Simon & Co. Art. 1,000 copies of a magnificent full-length engraving of General Grant. It is certainly the best portrait of the Gen'l we have seen, and is after Anderson's celebrated photograph. Simon & Co. are the agents for several new publications, and other great engravings.

INDIAN SUMMER.—Says the Lancaster Express:—Most people are premature in recognizing Indian Summer and applying the name to a warm, bright spell early in October. This is not what the Indians call their "Fall Summer," or "Second Summer."

That comes in November, after the first hard frosts and fakes of snow. It is the season of the year when the leaves are still clinging to the boughs. We have had no Indian Summer yet. Indian Summer is not known to Europe as "Red Lane," "Old Man's Summer," or "St. Martin's Summer."

John Wryick resides near the line of Somerset and Bedford counties, on the Allegheny mountains. On Friday evening, Nov. 22, he went out to work on the farm, accompanied by his brother, six years of age, started hunting. Before going far the older boy stopped to put a cap on his gun, when the load was discharged, entering the neck of the smaller brother, striking the jugular vein, and killing him instantly. The surviving brother carried the dead body to the house and informed the parents how the accident occurred. Neighbors were sent for, and in the excitement the boy who was the cause of the tragedy, and who has not been heard of since. The parents are very poor.

"Talking of war stories," said a quiet looking gentleman at Hillier's corner the other day, "reminds me of a local one. Among the boys from this county who went to the front was a now prosperous farmer in Brothersville township. A good shot he was, but like most of us lost his head in the war. He was under the command of the battles of the Peninsular campaign our regiment was ordered to the front; the shells were screaming above, and the snip, snip, snip of the minnie was around us. Brown stood for a few minutes, but suddenly dropped to his knees and started to run. After a while he was seen again, but as soon as I got home I joined the church and got a good rest in my grave."—Amen.—B. W. Berlin Penna. Of course his name wasn't Brown."

A very comfortable effort is being made to enforce the Sunday law in this Borough. Heretofore a number of the barber shops, and restaurants have been wont to keep open the greater part of the day, and at several of them crowds of boys would congregate. It has been the custom of these places to employ a number of boys, and to employ them in a very improper manner. We believe that the proprietors of all these places have been notified that hereafter the law regulating this matter will be rigidly enforced. We believe this is right, not only from a religious point of view, but because we think it is necessary for the reorganization and rest of the people. We believe in enforcing the closing up of all business places, no matter what character, from 12 o'clock Saturday night, till 12 o'clock Sunday night. If there is anything in the Christian religion, anything in restoring the overworked body, nerves and muscles, anything in the quiet, decent observance of one day in seven, certainly these things ought to be done.

Several weeks ago J. W. Yocum, editor of the Columbia Spy sent to this office a short notice, asking for the address of several members of Co. G, 34th Penna. Vol., and saying that "it may put a thousand dollars in the pocket of its rightful and deserving owner." We have since then received the notice underd that the address of the parties named was wanted, to assist in his application for pension. The stipend that does the confounding for the Pittsburgh Dispatch, made it read that each of the parties named was entitled to \$15.00, and in this form it was copied into the Pennsylvania Bulletin in other States, with the result that each brings up letters from the men named, from their friends and relatives, from their friends in the regiment, who think that there ought to be \$15.00 coming to every member of the 34th. The only man that is to be benefited is the applicant for pension. If you want his name write to Yocum, at Columbia, but don't waste postage writing to us to tell you each man of the 34th can receive \$1,000, for we don't know who he is, or you are getting the worth of your money.

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During the last week I have received all the best styles of hats and millinery goods. The prices are the lowest.

No one wants a watch unless it keeps correct time. W. H. Wood keeps all the standard makes, and guarantees every time-piece sold.

Why should you go to a tailor and pay \$10.00 for a fine dress suit, when you can get the same goods with better trimmings, better fit, and better workmanship for \$20 at Becker's Clothing Hall.

GRAND OPENING OF FIVE, TEN AND TWENTY DOLLAR STORE.—The grand opening of the new York City, the highest five cent store adjoining rooms of J. H. Miller's Hardware, Shoe and Tin Store on Decatur st. Look out for bargains.

We have taken special pains to mark every article in our stock down to the lowest living cash price. Don't take our word for it, but call and see for yourself.

BARBERS IN LARGE JEWELRY.—Having bought at Sheriff's Sale a large lot of jewelry, consisting of Lace pins, Earrings, Bracelets, Chains, Charms, Cuff-buttons, Watches and Clocks, I am determined to sell them for less than cost. Don't fail to come early, as the goods are going fast.

Business is undoubtedly reviving, as an evidence look in the establishment of M. M. Tredwell & Co., Mammoth Block, and see the number of buyers engaged in dress-making, trimming Hats, Bonnets, caps and various other work. The best hands only are employed, and Mrs. T. herself supervises the Millinery Department.

WANTED, WANTED.—Humbago, Transient Up a Tree, and every other person in Somerset county to know that the largest, finest, best selected and cheapest stock of Bug-Whips, wagon-whips, whip-lashes and whips ever exhibited in the town or county, can be found at J. B. Holderbaum's Hardware Store, No. 3, Bar's Block, Somerset, Pa.

HOW TO KEEP CLEAN.—An exchange recommends the following scientific method of treating cider to preserve its sweetness: When the saccharine matter by fermentation is being converted to alcohol, if a fermenter be inserted at intervals and turning with the other end in a pan of water, to allow the carbonic acid evolved to pass off without admitting any air into the barrel, a necessary beverage will be obtained.

THE WHEAT FIELDS.—This time last year there was scarcely an appearance of growth in the grain fields; now they are covered with a thorough coating of green, and almost every grain sown seems to have taken root and grown. The fields never looked more promising, and with a good coating of snow during the winter and a favorable spring, we may look for a fine wheat crop next season. There is certainly a great improvement at this time over the outlook last season.

The Carle Herald, under the caption of "a protracted fast," says that in putting away his hay during last summer Mr. Jacob Carle, of this county, was struck by lightning, and died. He was a well-to-do farmer, and was much respected in the community.

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OYSTERS FOR TRANSYLVANIA.—I will receive a good supply of Tub and Can Oysters on Wednesday and Thursday mornings.

The many people who so often wonder why a merchant doing business in one town advertises so extensively in another place, will read these curious instances if they give Messrs. L. M. Wood & Son's ad. a careful reading. Their customers not only understand the clothing and furnishing goods business perfectly, but they are experts in advertising, and are not slow to let others know just how they think it pays them.

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MR. METTELLE'S SHOOP SHOP is in full blast. He is putting out an unusually large amount of goods. He has just shipped a large lot of goods that has never been shipped from this county.

OUR SCHOOL IS PROGRESSING WELL UNDER THE efficient tutorage of L. L. Weimer. Mr. Weimer has had some experience in the profession, and the present term will be a good one. He is a good teacher, and will keep the boys busy.

OUR GOOD OLD CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH has changed his occupation from digging potatoes and buying corn, to postmaster. Daniel makes a very striking appearance as P. M. He has had his residence enlarged, built an office 20x30 feet to put in his table, in which he keeps his mail.

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