The Somerset Herald.

GEORGE E. SCULL, Editor.

WEDNESDAY.....July 7 1886.

Arbor-vitæ.
New trees.
Harvest time.
Corn, don't fire.
Fire the gunpowder.
Did you celebrate?
Harvest has commenced.
Pure drugs at C. K. Boyd's.
Buy insect powder of C. K. Boyd.
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Bargains in dress goods at Mrs. Uhl's.
Field brushes very cheap at C. K. Boyd's.
Keep the grass out of the walks and pavements.
Buy your drugs of C. K. Boyd, and be cured.
The weather of the past few days has been splendid.
Sprig Jenkins now command forty cents a day.
The town was very lively on Saturday morning.
Dr. Tutt's "Fly" insect powder, sold by C. K. Boyd.
The gardening men has been doing well the past week.
The last spoke in the cigars is worn, at C. K. Boyd's.
People who ignite Paris green should do it with care.
Some corn couldn't look more beautiful if it tried.
Keep a generous endeavor you are in a position to keep it.
Several families will go to California with the excursionists.
Some cherry clubs to have 2,000 voters, but few produce within its limits.
Some people want to send to be sure death to the insects boring, and other summer vacations.
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And it was very warm!

Yes, it is warm enough for us!

Cherries were never known to be so plentiful.

Huckleberries and wild raspberries are plentiful.

Saturday was the hottest day of the season, up to date.

Governor Pattison and family are at the Bedford Springs.

Sunday was an unusually busy day on the S. & C. Railroad.

Miss Amy Brubaker, of Berlin, is visiting relatives in Somerset.

Somerset has almost enough wheelmen to organize a bicycle club.

Saturday's pedestrian in Berlin was as orderly and pleasant as could be desired.—*Record.*

Some of our business houses were closed Saturday. The bank was closed Monday.

Washington county is rejoicing over the prospect of an unusually large peach crop this season.

Messrs. Will and Park Kimmell, and John P. Knable, all of Pittsburgh, were in Somerset over the Fourth.

Homer Mowrey Biesecker united at the Fourth of July celebration, at Jenner X Roads Saturday.

Deputy Collector J. W. Tate, of Bedford, paid the HERALD sanctum a brief but pleasant call Tuesday morning.

Dr. James E. Biesecker has gone to his father's farm in Quemahoning township, to recuperate for several weeks.

Commander R. S. Perking, U. S. N., has been spending the past few days with his brother and sisters in Somerset.

Mr. W. Frank Bingler, editor of *New Berne*, published at Harrisburg, paid us a pleasant visit Monday morning.

The members of the Somerset Cornet Band of this place, with a large number of their friends, celebrated at Berlin Saturday.

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The winning at large of so many horses and mares in this vicinity is the result of more drainage to our sidewalks than any other cause.

Mr. H. G. Baron, wife and family, of Allegheny City, are again in Somerset to spend the summer. They are boarding at Mrs. Parker's.

Le Sage, a washer-woman man from Johnstown, was in Somerset Monday trying to rent quarters for a laundry. Whether he succeeded or not, we do not know.

The hay crop is large, and better than it has been for the past number of years. A great deal of a first-class quality has been stored away within the last few days.

Unless ladies shoppers are engaged in buying up Somerset boys wholly, it is alleged, behaved badly at the Fourth of July celebration at the town of Berlin, last Saturday.

Mr. Joseph W. Gaither is erecting a dwelling house on Cemetery Hill, fronting on Catherine street. The house when completed, will be occupied by the widow Beck.

Tan-bark spread about the roots of current bushes is strongly recommended as a sure remedy in keeping worms from destroying them. The remedy is simple and costs nothing to try.

Mr. Geo. A. Benkhardt, of Philadelphia, is paying a visit to his brother A. G. Benkhardt of Somerset. Like his brother Mr. Benkhardt is a true and sets the advertisements for the Sunday *Mercury*.

An unusually large number of our citizens observed the everglorious Fourth, by attending Divine worship at the different churches. Neither Saturday nor Monday was observed by the major portion of them as a legal holiday.

S. H. Prather and W. H. Brewer, recently from Chambersburg, dropped into the HERALD sanctum Monday evening and spent a pleasant half hour. They had driven through from Chambersburg and were on pleasure bent.

The members of the Pennsylvania State Editorial Association are departing themselves on the six-days' shoe at Atlantic City this week. A passport of business prevented the member of the *Herald* from enjoying the week with his brethren.

Just as we go to press a deep gloom is cast over our community by the receipt of a telegram from Latrobe announcing the sudden death of Dr. James M. Koontz. Mr. Koontz was ever loved in Somerset, who had many friends, or who more universally beloved than Jim Koontz.

Master George, a ten year old son of Mr. John F. Seymour met with a very painful accident Monday afternoon. Jumping down three stairs at a time, he landed on top of a nail keg, which penetrated his left leg, inflicting a painful wound.

By next Monday Mr. Samuel Fox will be prepared to furnish choice raspberries, in quantities to suit purchasers. He will have in the neighborhood of one hundred bushels during the season. Parties desiring fine, large berries will please send in their orders.

At a meeting of the borough school board last Wednesday evening, it was decided to have eight schools next winter, instead of seven, as heretofore. During the term recently ended, over eight hundred pupils were enrolled in the different schools of the borough.

A party of twelve or fifteen young gentlemen from this place, among them Mr. George Platt, an employe of the HERALD, have gilded their nests on the banks of the Casselman river near Ursina, and are spending the present week in fishing, hunting and having a good time in general.

Southwestern Normal School.—The Fall Term will be opened August 26. Special attention will be given to the preparation of teachers, and an examination will be held by the County Superintendent at the close of the term. For circular, address the Principal.

W. H. COVER.

We are in receipt of a very handsomely printed invitation from the faculty of the Indiana State Normal School, requesting our presence at the annual commencement exercises of that institution. The Baccalaureate sermon will be preached by Rev. Dr. W. H. McMillan, Sunday morning, July 11, and the remainder of the week will be taken up with the commencement exercises.

The hotel at Jenner X Roads, kept by that prince of landlords, Mr. Daniel Sipe, is fast acquiring a reputation second to none in the county. Nowhere at a country hotel can you get a better meal, or three better meals in a day, than at Mr. Sipe's. The Jenner X Roads hotel has always enjoyed a most enviable reputation, and the present proprietor is certainly keeping it up to the standard.

Pittsburgh custom's crop report promises a very large harvest of hay and fruit; wheat above the average, corn and potatoes up to the average for ten years. Some notion of the value of the agricultural products in this county may be formed from the fact that the yield of wheat is estimated at 20,750,000 bushels, and hay at 2,000,000 tons. The wealth of the State is not all in its minerals, by any means.

The "Glades" base ball club, the Silver Cornet Band and about one hundred others from this place, went down to Ursina Saturday to witness a game of ball between the Glades and an Ursina nine, and to celebrate the great glorious Fourth. At the end of the sixth inning the pitcher for the Ursina club gave out, and game was called. The ball being played for was awarded to the "Glades" by the umpire.

The basket pic-nic and sociable held by the Jenner X Roads drum corps and band in the beautiful grove east of town last Saturday, was participated in by a large crowd of people, all of whom enjoyed themselves immensely. District Attorney Biesecker and several other patriotic gentlemen plucked the tail feathers from the old American eagle with matches and dispatch, and the drum corps and band played sweet music.

William Trump, a Somerset boy, an engineer in the Cambria Iron Company's machine shop, at Johnstown, while wiping his engine on Monday of last week, got his right hand caught in the machinery, and had his thumb torn off at the second joint, his second finger taken off at the hand, the index finger fractured and crushed, and his third finger mashed. He is at home at present, and bears his misfortune cheerfully and uncomplainingly.

Had it not been for the cute and watchfulness of Sheriff Winters, the four prisoners confined in the old shell, called by courtesy a jail, would have escaped Thursday night. They had bored holes through the plank lining and removed the plank, all that remained between them and the outside world being a few brick and a little mortar, which they could have easily removed, when they were discovered by the Sheriff and placed in separate cells.

Elder James Baron preached to unusually large audiences in the Dunkard church, Sunday morning and evening. Back in the sixties Elder Baron was pastor of the Somerset congregation, and never was pastor so universally admired and loved by his flock, or so generally esteemed and respected by the community at large, as was he. It was his first visit here for many years, and his welcome was a sincere and hearty one. His sermons Sunday were such, as he only can preach.

In the South Pennsylvania R. Road.—Dr. David Hostetter, Ralph Bentley, M. K. Sullivan and Herbert Draper last week added still further to their holdings of coal land in the coke region by some extensive purchases in Pleasant Unity township. They have not yet decided when to open works, but will do so at some point on the proposed line of the South Pennsylvania and erect about five hundred ovens during the next year. Their plans depend largely on the completion of the South Pennsylvania railroad.—*Connellsville Courier.*

Newspaper Laws.—The newspaper fraternity congratulate themselves over the new postal law recently put in force by the postoffice department. It makes the taking of newspapers, and refusing to pay for the same, theft, and any person guilty of such action is liable to criminal proceedings the same as if he had stolen goods to the amount of the subscription. Hereafter, it will not be considered a very shrewd scheme to take a newspaper from the postoffice for a year or more and then inform the editor you never ordered it sent to you.

Dr. D. P. Weffley, of Cumberland, Md., a native of Somerset county, is in New York City, where, on June 24th, was conferred on him the crowning honorific of Masonic perfection, the thirty-third and Last Degree, by the Supreme Sovereign Grand Commander and Supreme officer of the Supreme Grand Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the United States of America. He was also made an honorary member of the United States Supreme Grand Council. Dr. Weffley is a brother to Wm. H. Weffley, of this place.

It is to be regretted that there were not larger audiences present at the Methodist Church on the Fourth, to hear Rev. Appleton Bash's discourses on "The Declaration of Independence." The morning sermon was particularly able and interesting, tracing the immortal declaration that "all men are free and equal" from the carpenter shop in Nazareth, down through the rigid splendor, and persecutions, and awful bloodshed of many ages, until the "good Quaker, William Penn, planted his banner on the banks of the Delaware, and permitted men to worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience. Mr. Bash is quite a young man, and young in the ministry, the being his first charge, and is sure rarely gain success without first earning it, we predict a bright future for him.

Michael Reum of Berlin, and Joseph Shaffer 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 handle the Excelsior Slate Paint. Ask all agents to see their certificates before purchasing. Messrs. Reum 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. We refer, with permission, to Judge Samuel Snyder and W. S. Mowry, Frieden, Henry Long and David Heiple, Somerset, and to a host of others for whom they have done work. They painted Mr. Heiple's barn last summer, and his house this. They give the jail stable a dressing as well as a number of other buildings in this borough, which they would like persons to examine and see for themselves.

Teachers Wanted.—Teachers desiring situations in the borough schools, will please hand in their applications on or before July 10th. By order of the Board of Directors.

WM. H. WEFFLEY,
Secretary.

Somerset, July 6, 1886.

Advertised Letters.—The following letters and postals remaining in the post-office at Somerset, will be sent to the Dead Letter office if not called for in ten days:

Barnett, Sadie, (2); Coleman, Henry; Hosier, Mr. Jos.; Meyers, Rev. Benj. F.; Mosser, Mrs. Jeremiah; Mayer Mrs. Ellen; Phillippi, Miss Catharine; Reem, J. B.; Rector, John; Shaffer, Miss Clara; Yontzey, Asst. Postals—Bare, Mr. John; Mawn, Charles; Linneman, Frank; Williams, Martin. Foreign—Jones, Mrs. I. H.; Bradley, Daniel.

J. K. CORNELL, P. M.

The faded ink on old documents, papers, parchments, etc., may be so restored as to render the writing perfectly legible. The process consists in moistening the paper with water, and then passing over the lines with a brush, which has been wet in a solution of sulphide of ammonia. The writing will immediately appear quite dark in color, and thereafter, in the case of parchment, will be preserved, etc. paper, however, the color gradually fades again, but may be restored at pleasure by the application of the sulphide.—*Ex.*

Grass.—There is a gnat on the Meyersdale side of the Republican, on a basis, trying to hear in a new *Era*. The cause of its puny excitement seems to be the insult to loyal music on the part of the Somerset ministers. But if that tread stamped out license at Somerset, while the wee, ineffectual hum lets liquor live at Meyersdale, why should the aforesaid bunchet take on so? If grass can be expected to see as far as New Jersey, Vermont, or even Harrisburg, the Meyersdale bunchet may possibly be able to fly back to Dixie before it is snowed under.

Ye Mysteries.

Truly, this is an age of wonders. The *Johnstown Democrat* got off the following, and still lives: "The old song says 'The Campbells are coming', but the idea of looking for them belongs to a date ages ago, as facts now show that Jacob, at least, is always on hand, especially when a nomination for Congress is on the tapis. And here it may be noted that in the struggle for nomination a test lesson may require a good deal of sugar to make it palatable to those who are thirsting for the Congressional beverage. And, furthermore, changing the figures at a sharp angle it might be possible that Edward may so successfully Scull his little boat, that he has launched upon the turbulent political waters, as to reach the haven in safety. Then, again, taking the reverse to make another allergic "Somerset," metaphorically speaking, the territory being pretty large may be measured after the *Long-acre* Longenecker system. But we shall see what we shall see."

Editor Herald:—I lately noticed several articles in your paper, fixing Somerset's first hanging at different dates, but both of them are in error. The first murder that was committed in Somerset county, occurred on the 26th day of January, 1807, near the old Stutler stand. West of the Allegheny mountains, where Noel Highland and John Nandi, two Frenchmen, murdered a drover, David Pollock by name. The murderers were at once pursued by the neighbors and were overtaken in the Yoder settlement, in Stonycreek township, where they had stopped for the night. One of them, in trying to make his escape was shot by Jacob Lenhart. This [illegible] on the property now owned by [illegible] the 25th of [illegible] Somerset [illegible] scaffold being [illegible] graveyard; [illegible] settlers in the [illegible] the execution.

Our Delegates.—Mr. John D. Brant goes to the Republican State Convention as a member of the [illegible] tion. Mr. T. P. Wilson is a member of the Committee on Resolutions, and one of the Vice Presidents of the Convention. Mr. Jos. G. McCullough is one of the Vice Presidents and a member of the Committee on Resolutions. Mr. Jacob Beal is a member of the Committee on Credentials. Mr. Jacob Beal is also a member of the Committee on Resolutions. Mr. Jacob Beal is also a member of the Committee on Credentials. Mr. Jacob Beal is also a member of the Committee on Resolutions. Mr. Jacob Beal is also a member of the Committee on Credentials.