The Somerset Herald.

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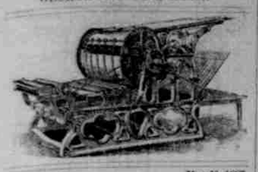

WEDNESDAY.....May 11, 1887.

Smiling May.

Corn planting.

Violet-dotted lawns.

Don't spare the lime.

Ascension day, May 19th.

Big fish stories are now in vogue.

The Shaffer House is the farmer's house.

Bare-footed urchins, an unmistakable sign of spring.

Alabastine for walls and ceilings, at Biesecker & Snyder's.

Fishing tackle at rock bottom prices, at Biesecker & Snyder's.

Don't forget to go to the Shaffer House when you attend court.

The Democratic State Committe will meet at Harrisburg on the 11th.

Good accommodations, at the lowest possible rates, at the Shaffer House.

When tramps visit Greensburg they are promptly put to work on the streets.

From present indications, the fruit crop in this county will be a very good one.

There are thirty prisoners confined in the Westmoreland county jail at present.

The total amount of trade dollars redeemed up to the present time is 6, 234,000.

Butterick's Patterns for April and May now in. MRS. A. E. UHL.

The warm spring days have brought out the street fakir and his companion, the loafer.

Maybe the candidates didn't get in their work at the directors convention on Tuesday?

Over 500 students are enrolled for the present term in the State Normal School at Indiana.

Thirty thousand young trout were distributed in the mountain streams about Ligonier last week.

The Pennsylvania State Teachers' Association will meet in Clearfield this year on July 5, 6 and 7.

The Huntingdon county grangers will hold their annual picnic in the town of Huntingdon on June 16th.

A full line of the latest styles of Millinery now open at Mrs. M. E. Schrock's. Prices always reasonable.

The Michigan Legislature has put the price of one cent on the head of every English sparrow in that State.

When you are asked by your friends where to stop at when they come to Somerset, tell them to go to the Shaffer House.

At Mrs. Sol Uhl's Boot and Shoe Store will be found a full stock of all new goods, which will be sold cheap for cash.

Mrs. M. E. Schrock has secured the agency for the celebrated Centemeri Kid Gloves, undoubtedly the best Glove in market.

My stock of boots and shoes is entirely new, and will be sold at small advance on cost, for cash. MRS. SOL. UHL.

The population of Johnstown borough is 9,502, and including part of townships and boroughs on its suburbs, the population is set down at 24,000 against 20,648 in 1870.

The National Guard of Pennsylvania will camp out at Mt. Gretna, near Lebanon, beginning August 6th, and will last a week. It will be an encampment of the entire guard.

The man who couldn't tell the difference between a mule's ear and a lemon, can plainly see the advantages of buying his drugs of Biesecker & Snyder, after learning their prices.

The largest stock of Wall Paper and Window Shading ever brought to Somerset, can be found at the Millinery Store of Mrs. M. E. Schrock, who has the only paper trimmer in Somerset County.

The latest toy pistol accident comes from Tyrone, where a boy named William Glasco was trying to force a cartridge into one of the toys, when it exploded, the ball entering his right thigh, inflicting a painful wound.

We have on hand a large number of good brick which we will sell in quantities to suit the purchaser. Prices very reasonable. Yard opposite the planing mill.

HOLBROOK BROS. & PARSON.

There once was a season called spring,
It has gone with time on the wing,
And now, with a hop, skip and a jump,
From winter to summer we land in a lump.
Vanished, the beautiful spring!

It is said in Clearfield county there are living a man and his two sons who are married to three sisters, and the strangest part of it is that the old man captured the youngest sister, while the youngest son got the oldest one.

For the benefit of our readers who wish to know where licenses for marriage need not be obtained, we would say there are but five States where licenses are not required. They are New Jersey, South Carolina, Michigan, Wisconsin and Missouri.

An attempt was made one night recently to burn the Methodist church building at Mahaffey, Clearfield county. The matting had been soaked with coal oil from the lamps and a match applied, but the fire was discovered in time to save the edifice.

The trustees, deacons, elders, physicians, sextons and ministers of the Lutheran, Reformed, United Christians, and United Brethren denominations of Union Deposit, Dauphin County, have agreed not to allow any dead bodies to be taken inside their churches at funerals.

MEAT MARKET.—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.

A two-months' old child of Ambrose Singleton, storekeeper at Mechanics' Grove, near Lancaster, Pa., was attacked by a rat one day last week, and perhaps fatally injured. The animal forced its way into the child's mouth, stifling its cries, and ate away the flesh from the roof of the mouth and the lower jaw. The child is in a critical condition, but the physicians express hopes of its final recovery.

The following letters remaining uncalled for in the postoffice at Somerset will be sent to the Dead Letter Office at Washington, D. C., if not called for within ten days from this date, May 11, 1887:

Anderson, Mrs. Carrie; Baker, Mrs. Caroline; Beighly, Miss Katie; Flann, Miss Ella; Fogle, Peter; Grant, Wm; Johnson, Miss B. B.; Miller, J. L.; Oler, Daniel (2); Kessler, Mrs. Margaret; Tressler, Mrs. Geo. (4); Walker, George; Stahl, Augustus F; Will, Allen. *Postals.*—Barker, Samuel; Broiler, Dr. G. W.; Coener Jonas; Kimmel, Lorengier; Long, Oliver J.; Suder, Rud.; Weigler, J. J.

J. K. COFFROTH, P. M.

On last Thursday the long expected sale of the Everett furnace was consummated. After repeated adjournments it was offered and sold to Col. Fearing, John H. Watt and J. Tatnall Lee, of New York, committee of the bondholders to purchase same. Consideration $165,000. The several tracts of land and property were offered severally and as an entirety, and the latter bringing the highest bid was accepted. This sale at all events takes the control of the property out of the hands of the receiver and courts, and gives the creditors an opportunity to make their money either by another sale or operating the works themselves.—*Bedford Inquirer.*

I have just received a fresh invoice of Boots and Shoes for Gents, Ladies, Misses, and Children, which I will sell very low for cash. Give me a call.

MRS. SOL. UHL.

Court next week.

"Pa, look at me."

Major Alex Stutzman was prostrated by a stroke of paralysis Monday afternoon.

The city fathers are looking around for an eligible sight for the lock-up and engine house.

Miss Ella Brubaker, who has been visiting in Philadelphia since February, returned home last Thursday.

The Senior editor of the HERALD left for Pittsburgh Tuesday morning. He will return home the latter part of the week.

Dr. James E. Biesecker has moved his office to the second story of the Mammoth Block, in the rooms formerly occupied by C. N. Boyd.

There was only one marriage license issued during the past week. It was to Lincoln Folk and Harriet E. Miller, both of Elklick township.

Miss Bella Moore at the Opera House Monday evening, May 16th, in "Engaged." Tuesday evening, May 17th, in "Pygmalion and Galatea."

The game of base ball played at Johnstown Monday, between Johnstown and Altoona clubs, resulted in favor of the former by a score of 15 to 7.

We call the attention of our merchants to the advertisement of J. Klee & Co., 811 Liberty street, Pittsburgh, and 628 and 630 Broadway, New York.

The annual Convention of the Lutheran Sunday Schools for the County is in progress at Stoystown. A number of persons from this place are in attendance.

It will be of interest to all our readers who are in need of anything in his line to read the advertisement of Mr. John G. Sanner, to be found elsewhere in this paper.

Mr. Jacob Neff and Mr. Daniel Flick, two of Somerset's oldest citizens, are confined to their homes by serious illness. It is not thought that either of them can recover.

It is a toss-up with many of our citizens as to whether they will attend the Bella Moore show in the Opera House, or the liquor license show in the Court House, Monday night.

J. O. Kimmell Esq. has so far recovered from the effects of his recent accident as to be able with the use of a crutch and cane to be about again and to attend to business. His recovery has been phenomenal.

The House of Representatives will be described by Z. L. White in the *American Magazine* for June, with portraits and sketches of prominent Congressmen, under the heading of "The Nation's Lawmakers."

Mrs. Mary Ann Potts Reid, mother of Nelson P., George W., and Joseph P. Reed, editors of the Pittsburgh *Commercial-Gazette*, died at her home in Butler, Pa., Sunday morning, at the age of seventy-five years.

The names of David E. Wagner, of Shade township, and Jacob Zimmerman, Jr., of Quemahoning township, candidates for County Commissioner, have been added to our list of announcements since our last issue.

The most destructive rain storm that Bedford has experienced for many years visited that section last Tuesday. The water overflowed the Springs hotel property, and did damage to the amount of one thousand dollars.

John H. Cessna was re-elected County superintendent in Bedford county; W. F. Cramer was elected in Cambria county; L. M. Herrington was elected in Fayette, and Geo. H. Hugus was re-elected in Westmoreland county.

Mr. John Kantner and his two sons, Frank and Samuel, have been greatly improving the appearance of their properties at Kantner's Station by a liberal use of paint, and enclosing their yards with neat picket fences.

Mr. Ed. B. Gilbert has left at the HERALD office quite a choice and valuable collection of specimen ores and minerals, found in the mining regions of California. Any one desiring to examine them can do so at any time they call.

Captain William Stewart, wife and son, formerly of Somerset, but now of Witcheta, Kansas, have been spending several days in Somerset, the guests of Mr. Stewart's sister, Mrs. H. F. Schell. They left for New York Tuesday morning, from which place they will sail early next week for Europe, where they expect to spend some months in travel.

Dr. Albert P. Brubaker, of Philadelphia, who has been spending the past few days in Somerset saying "how-d-ye-do" and "good-bye" to his many friends, returned to the city this, Tuesday morning. The Doctor and his wife sail for Europe on the 18th inst., where they will spend the next four or five months, seeing as much as possible of John Bull and his Island, France, and parts of Germany, as can be seen with comfort in the allotted time.

Miss Bella Moore, as "Galatea" confirmed the favorable opinions of her merits as an actress, which she gained during her former appearances here and made a similar impression upon those who hitherto had not an opportunity to form any estimate of her abilities. She possesses the true dramatic fire and genius of the highest order. Voice, gesture and acting denotes great natural talent, developed by conscientious care and study.—Vicksburg (Miss.) *Post.*

Last Tuesday was license day in Bedford county. The entire day and evening session of court were taken up in hearing the arguments of counsel for the petitioners and the remonstrants. At the Wednesday morning session the decisions were announced by Judge Baer. The eight applications in Bedford borough were granted "without remarks." Thirty-three applications were filed in all. Twenty-six were granted, three were referred to a Commissioner to take testimony and four were refused. This gives A. E. Fyan, who was refused last year, license, which is the only change in the town of Bedford.

Mr. Clement Engle, one of the oldest citizens of Berlin, died very suddenly Saturday morning. He had gone to the barber shop to get shaved, and while sitting in a chair waiting his turn, he suddenly uttered a short moan and fell over dead. Dr. J. K. Miller, who lives just across the street, was hastily summoned, and upon examination pronounced life extinct. Mr. Engle was eighty years of age, and was well known throughout the county. He was a member of the order of I. O. of O. F., and his funeral, which took place Sunday afternoon, was conducted by the members of that fraternity.

We have frequently been asked whether there was not a rule of Court regulating the matter of seats within the bar, and if so, why it was not enforced. There is such a rule, and if the court officers would enforce it, as they should, they would at times save the attorneys and others much inconvenience and annoyance. The following is the language of the rule: "No persons shall be admitted inside the bar during the sessions of Court, except members of the bar, officers of the court, clients, accompanied by their counsel, or persons introduced by the Court or attorneys; and the officers are instructed to strictly enforce this rule."

The license question is exciting considerable interest in Somerset at present. At a late hour Saturday night the temperance people filed largely signed remonstrances, all containing specific charges, against the three applicants in this Borough. Remonstrances have also been filed against the applications of John H. Hite and Samuel Custer, of Stoystown, Ellen Kyle, Robert Guthrie, Eliza Baer, John H. Slicer, and Nathaniel Slicer, of Meyersdale; John A. Clark, of Hooversville; Edward Nicklow and Charles Mitchell, of Petersburg; W. H. Tayman, of Somerset township; Thomas Williams, of West Salisbury, and Samuel Buckman and Samuel A. Haines, of Rockwood.

Bella Moore Coming.

Manager Casebeer has certainly been fortunate in securing Miss Bella Moore and her company for the closing attraction of the season, and it will be only necessary to remind our theatre-going people that the artiste, who appears next Monday and Tuesday evenings, is the same charming actress, who played the opening engagement at the Opera House just one year ago, to insure a large audience and a cordial welcome. Miss Moore is a charming little lady, and her pretty face and sweet, flexible voice won her many friends in Somerset, who recall with pleasure her portraiture of "Sincerity Weeks" in a "Mountain Pink."

A Breach of Promise Suit.

A breach of promise suit was tried in the Bedford county Court week before last, in which Emma K. Harkness, of Adair Station Westmoreland county and G. Newton Horn, of Hyndman, Bedford county, were the interested parties. The beauty of the plaintiff, who is twenty-six years of age, and the prominence of the defendant, added much interest to the trial. The parties met at a wedding for the first time, in October, 1882. They corresponded for two years and during this period Mr. Horn went to see Miss Harkness several times. The plaintiff alleged that defendant promised to marry her and that they were engaged, which statement, defendant denies. The jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff for $91.66.

Pensions Granted.

The following persons have been granted pensions in this and contiguous counties:

Kate S. Jordan, Smicksburg, Indiana county; Mary Ann Clawson, Indiana, Indiana county; Abraham Lape, New Paris, Bedford county; Evan Lewis, Smicksburg, Indiana county; James G. Walker, Smicksburg, Indiana county; Joseph Meals, Altoona; Henry Grey, Meyersdale, Somerset county; Aaron Barndt, Stoystown, Somerset county; Abraham Swank, West Newton, Westmoreland county; William S. Suter, Mann's Choice, Bedford county; William H. Adams, Penn Run, Indiana county; James Naugle, Mann's Choice, Bedford county; Silas J. Penrose, Lambertsville, Somerset county; Samuel Swank, Mount Pleasant, Westmoreland county; Alex. Clark Everett, Bedford county; John Hoover, Greensburg.

A Robbery on Dunning's Mountain.

Frank Reecy, who is in charge of the Brumbaugh distillery in South Woodbury township, was robbed of $95.00 on last Thursday night. Mr. Reecy had been to Bedford, on his way home he stopped in St. Clairsville, and asked to have two $20 bills changed. After attending to some business he started up the mountain, it was then about half-past nine o'clock and when within about twenty-five steps of the top of the mountain three men fell upon him, one taking hold of his horse and the other two pulled him from the buggy and searched him, taking all his money, $95, and a check on one of the Bedford banks for $20. This is a heavy loss on Mr. Reecy, as he is newly married and had just gone to housekeeping. Who the robbers were or where they are from will likely remain a mystery.—*Bedford Inquirer.*

Bakersville Items.

Silas Flick wears a broad smile—it's the long-expected boy.

Urias Schrock gets away with the logs very rapidly at his new saw mill.

Farmers have finished sowing oats, and have commenced working their corn.

John Schlag has purchased an organ for his daughter Hattie, and she is well pleased. Eadie Morrison gave them some of her choicest music.

Walter Morrison, of Mt. Pleasant, bought an Alderny cow in Somerset, and had her taken through here to Mt. Pleasant a few days ago. She's a beauty.

Prof. Streng, of Lavansville, showed us a gold-headed cane, which was presented to him recently by the Stahlstown Cornet Band, which he has been teaching for some time.

A READER.

A Remarkable Old Man.

Abram Beam, Esq., of Somerset township, Somerset county, is in attendance at the Westmoreland Classis of the Reformed Church, which is in session in Johnstown. Mr. Beam is a remarkable man, being ninety years old next September and retaining all his facilities to a remarkable degree. He has resided on the farm he now lives on since 1827—sixty years—and has added to it until he now owns fifteen hundred acres in Jenner and Somerset townships. He was one of the three Commissioners to lay out the first turnpike road from Somerset to Johnstown. His first wife was a cousin of Mrs. General Grant. She was a daughter of David Simpson, who at the time of the marriage lived in Somerset county. Mrs. Grant is a daughter of John Simpson, brother of David. His second wife is a sister of Mr. John Statler, of Johnstown. Mr. Beam's legion of friends are glad to know that he is in the enjoyment of excellent health, and gives promise of living yet many years.—*Johnstown Tribune.*

Littell's Living Age.

The numbers of *The Living Age* for 30th April and 7th May contain India and Thibet, Personification of the Mysterious amongst the Modern Greeks; History in *Punch*, Valentine Visconti, and The Present Position of European Politics, *Fortnightly*; The Day after To-morrow, *Contemporary*; The Maid of Norway, *Gentleman's*; Recollections of the Princes Victoria, *Leisure Hour*; The Moated Grange, The German Emperor, A Book about Dickens and Word-Twisting *versus* Nonsense, *Spectator*; The sign Language of Eastern Traders, *St. Jame's*; An Evening with Carlyle, *Athenæum*; Planetary Influences, *Evening Standard*; with instalments of "Major Lawrence," "Major and Minor," "A Secret of Inheritance," and "Richard Cable" and poetry.

For fifty-two numbers of sixty-four large pages each (or more than 3,300 pages a year) the subscription price ($8) is low; while for $10.50 the publishers offer to send any one of the American $4.00 monthlies or weeklies with *The Living Age* for a year, both postpaid. Littell & Co., Boston, are the publishers.

For Supreme Judge.

The Hollidaysburg *Register* of this week, contains the following editorial, favoring the nomination of Hon. John Dean, President Judge of Blair county, for Supreme Judge, which we most heartily endorse:

"There will be a Judge of the Supreme Court to elect at the next election. We have in our midst one of the ablest Judges in the State, who has occupied the bench in Blair county for the past fifteen years, and for some twelve years of this time also the benches of Huntingdon and Cambria counties. He is not only one of the most able jurists in the State, but he is a gentleman of dignified and commanding appearance, and popular with all classes of the people. His reputation as an able and learned Judge is as broad as the State. His decisions are uniformly clear, forcible and logical, and only in the rarest instances are they reversed in the higher courts. Although a Republican at heart, and a believer in the principles and doctrines of that party, he has always kept aloof from the factious quarrels in the politics of the State, and thus is secure from the enmity and opposition of the party leaders in Pennsylvania. At home, where Judge Dean is best known, he enjoys the respect and esteem of his fellow-citizens, who feel a warm personal interest in him, and a pride that our county has the honor of being his birthplace and home. During the long term he has served on the bench his honesty and integrity have never been impeached, nor has any charge of corruption or impartiality ever been laid at his door. His splendid education, long experience, and rare natural gifts eminently qualify him as a Judge of the Supreme Court. We do not know the feelings of Hon. John Dean in this matter, and we believe he has made no effort to secure the nomination, but when the Republican State Convention meets, in our opinion, it can do no wiser act than to nominate Hon. John Dean, of Blair county, for Supreme Judge. The loss of him as our President Judge would be keenly felt by our citizens, but his elevation to the Supreme Bench would be a gain to the whole State."

Should Judges Grant Licenses.

When the *Ledger* and the *Record*, two of our most widely read and respected journals, urge that the pending high license bill be amended to vest in the Judges of the Courts the granting of liquor licenses, it is only natural that our senators and representatives should take cause to consider well the arguments thus presented. Both of our contemporaries referred to have been among the most earnest and consistent advocates of a high license law, and their admitted sincerity in seeking to reach the best and most practical reform license system gives additional weight to their views.

The *Times* has most carefully noted for some years the effect of discretionary judicial power in granting or refusing applications for license, and each year has strengthened the conviction that it is perilous alike to the administration of justice and to the proper enforcement of a wise license system, to lodge such power with the Judges. We have tried that theory for many years, and it has bred a large measure of contempt for both law and Courts. To confer such authority on the Courts must imply some measure of discretion in granting or refusing licenses. If the provisions of the law clearly define the qualifications of applicants, there is nothing left for Judges to decide, and why lodge an apparent power in the Courts that lacks the attributes of practical authority? As the law confers discretionary power upon the tribunal that is to grant or refuse licences, the Judges are the last officials who should be thought of to exercise such discretion.

The present license law confers upon the courts outside of this city, the power to grant or refuse licenses to certain presumed limitations, and how have the Judges exercised that power? Hardly any two of them have construed their judicial discretion alike; and judicial interpretations of the law range from absolute prohibition to practically free license. And the reasons for such startling variations in the exercise of judicial duties under the same law, are entirely logical. Judges are elected by the people; they are neither more nor less than human and they practically interpret the law on the principle of what may be delicately called popular sovereignty. When the dominant sentiment of a county or community is strongly against license the license law becomes a prohibitory statute; when the dominant sentiment is for hotels and saloons and plenty of them the same law becomes substantially a free license statute, and when counties or communities wrangle over license in nearly equal numbers and quite equal bitterness, the Judges become diplomatic—or politic would probably be better—and the law is balanced to give about equal victories and defeats to the disputants.

An elective judiciary should be most scrupulously protected against the perils of judicial discretion which must offend popular prejudices. The license question has already turned the scale in fully half a dozen judicial contests before the people, and with the growing agitation of the issue and the certain increase of intensity on both sides alike in conviction and effort, the continuance of judicial discretion in granting and refusing licenses, would be a grave peril to every conscientious Judge in the State. Our Judges are charged with the administration of justice between man and man, and in order to command public trust in the faithful discharge of that great duty, they should be absolutely separated from all outside issues which drag the judicial ermine into the slums of politics. There was recently a notable instance of a defeat for a renomination of one of the most able and upright Judges in the State, solely because the saloons were organized against him. True, the people revolted and defeated the candidate who won a nomination by an appeal to those interested in the most latitudinous interpretation of the license law; but were not the dignity, the usefulness and the safety of the administration of justice gravely imperiled by such an issue?

The fundamental theory of a high license system is that it will regulate the number of licenses itself by the increased cost of license, and that it so clearly defies the qualifications of applicants and the conditions on which license shall be granted, that there is really nothing left to the judicial office but the enforcement of the law by the judicial punishment of its violation. If communities or counties shall have any method of preventing license in their limits, it should be some more distinct method than the discretion of a Judge after he is thumped from post to pillar by bitterly disputing citizens, and thereby organized supporting and opposing parties to assert themselves as factors in the selection of his successor. Whether viewed from the standpoint of long past experience or from the obvious logic of judicial policy, we regard the argument as conclusive against judicial discretion in the granting of licenses. —*Philadelphia Times.*

Mt. Moriah Items.

Peaches, cherries and pears are in full bloom.

John Maurer is on a visit so his old home in Johnstown.

The shorn sheep are beginning to make their appearance.

The fruit of the hen is an abundant crop, but the price is low—only ten cents per dozen.

Last Sunday was a rainy day. More rain fell here that day than on any day during the past two years.

Wm. F. Rhodes has greatly improved the appearance of his already fine house, by the addition of a handsome veranda.

The smiling candidate is around shaking hands, and looking as cheerful as Joseph Crist after selling a Burdett organ.

George W. Muller is engaged in opening a lime quarry, which will add greatly to the value of his already valuable farm.

Farmers have finished their oats seeding, and are now busily engaged in getting ready their corn and potato ground. Some have already commenced planting.

Adam Lohr, who has been so seriously ill for the past month or more, has recovered sufficiently to be out and around, but it will be some time before he can resume his regular work.

OCCASIONAL.

The Galveston *Tribune* says the following about Miss Bella Moore, who will play "Engaged" at the Opera House, Monday evening next:

"It is not a "Fifth Avenue Combination" nor a "Madison Square" association, or a "specially selected all star company." They are just plain every-day people, engaged with some regard to the eternal fitness of things, and as a natural sequence of managerial acumen displayed in their selection, the Bella Moore company, headed by Miss Bella in propria persona, talk and act like ordinary mortals. At first the audience could not understand just what it all meant, but when they finally did catch on in full realization of the merit of the play and the performers, there was more enthusiasm to the square inch of anatomy present than has ever been displayed under similar circumstances. There was no exhibition of scene chewing, no ranting, no cataract of tears. None of those unnatural proceedings which every lover knows never occurs in love making and none of the accepted orders of stage villany, where the red-handed ruffian yells in basso profundo, for b-l-u-d! Miss Bella Moore at once stepped into popular favor. Prepossessing in appearance she adds to her natural gifts of dramatic genius a high order of cultivation, which enables her to display her talents to most excellent advantage. Her voice is sympathetic. She sings and dances well, and in short is one of the star soubrettes really deserving of all of the favorable criticisms which have characterized her stage career.

For Sale.

A Steam Thresher—"Empire"—run one season. Will sell on reasonable terms. Apply to the undersigned, or address Joseph Brugh, Bakersville, Somerset county, Pa.

To the Farmers.

Wool and Maple Sugar taken in exchange for Clothing, Furnishing Goods, Hats, Trunks, Sachels, Wall Payer, and all kinds of merchandise. The highest prices paid for sugar.

H. HEFFLEY, Somerset, Pa.

To the Public.

A story has been circulated that I have sold my boarding-house. This is a mistake. I have sold a couple of lots, but not my house, and you will find me at the old place, prepared to entertain persons attending Court. The jurors who receive my card will find me prepared, as usual, to accommodate them with board and lodging at the usual low rates. Thankful for past patronage, would respectfully ask for a continuance of the same.

A. E. PISEL.

A Card.

Owing to sickness in my family, and the amount of work I have to do in the Commissioner's office, which render it impossible for me to make a canvass of the County, I have concluded not to be a candidate for the Republican nomination for Register and Recorder at the coming primary election. Thanking my many friends for the encouragement they gave me, and the promises of support, I am,

Very Respectfully,

A. J. HILEMAN.

Pugh Items.

The farmers are about done sowing oats. Corn and potato planting is next in order.

The candidates are bobbing up again. You can find them at every barn-raising, with pleasant smiles on their faces. Generally the candidate is a pretty good talker, especially when electioneering. Whoop 'er up, boys.

The building boom has struck our community. A great many barns and other buildings are in contemplation, the first to the front being Cyrus Rayman. Ont he 28th of April he raised the frame for a fine barn, of which I. J. Blough is the architect and builder. He is the boss carpenter of this place.

WILD BILL.

A New Swindle.

The Bohemian oats dodge being about played out in its original shape, owing to the fact that the farmers have found out the value of reading newspapers, the swindlers who are wont to make farmers their special prey have evolved a new form of it. They have been going around Mercer and Crawford counties selling eggs for $3 a dozen contracting to take all the chickens hatched from them at $3 each, representing that they are a very valuable breed. When the rural housewife has kept these eggs under a setting hen a month or more without result an examination is made and it is discovered that the eggs are boiled. This is even worse than the Bohemian oats dodge in its former shape, for the oats which the swindler sold at $10 a bushel, promising to pay the same price per bushel for the following year's crop therefrom, were good oats, worth the highest market price, but, of course, worth nothing like as much as the farmer paid for them. This mitigating circumstance, however, was offset by the fact that the contract which the farmer signed eventually turned up as a promissory not. The egg notes will perhaps be heard from later on.—*Philadelphia Times.*

The Next State Convention.

The following is from the Media *American*—Chairman Cooper's paper—and is, of course, trustworthy:

The Republican State Convention cannot be called, in the off years, before the third Wednesday of August, and doubtless the State Convention will agree to fix the time late in August, or early in September. Hereafter there will be no Senatorial delegates, these having been abolished by the last State Convention, which fixed future representation in accord with the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the office of Senatorial delegate be and the same is hereby abolished, and that hereafter delegates to the Republican State Convention shall be elected by the representative districts only, and that the Republican State Convention shall hereafter be composed of delegates elected from the various representative districts on the basis of one delegate for each member of the House of Representatives to which such district is entitled.

The above was printed and generally circulated as the first resolution in the platform of last year. The total number of delegates hereafter will be 201, equal to the number of Representatives to the Legislature, and each district will govern its selection by the number of Representatives to which it is entitled. If the new apportionment bill passes they will be governed by that—if not, by the old.

Our Harrisburg Letter.

From our Special Correspondent.

HARRISBURG, May 7, 1887.

This week has been so prolific in good work, especially in the House, that there is a slight rumor that the session might extend a week or ten days beyond the 19th inst., the day fixed for final adjournment. Both Houses must concur in the extension of the time, and while there is a disposition on the part of some of the Senators to extend the time to the one hundred and fifty days, in order to get the fifteen hundred dollars salary to which they would be entitled under the old law, as only the new Senators—one-half—get the fifteen dollars *per diem*. The old Senators get but ten dollars per diem. This desire, however, is not sympathized in by the House, which has already given the Senators thirty-six out of the additional fifty days and it is not likely that they will be generous enough to extend the time. All indications now look to an adjournment by the nineteenth. The weather has been excessively warm, which increases the desire to get away.

Monday evening did not accomplish much outside of the usual routine, and an effort made by many members to get their bills made a special order. Philadelphia has but recently discovered that they must have an elevated railroad, and secured a special order for their bill, giving powers for an underground and elevated road in cities of the first and second class. It created considerable discussion, inasmuch as the Traction Company opposed the bill. Mr. Faunce led off the opposition with a very able argument but the bill passed third reading by a large majority. The Philadelphia papers were strongly in favor of the movement.

A special calendar was made for the week, and many bills were considered. The appropriation bills have nearly all passed finally, including the general appropriation bill providing for the expenses of the State, which give an additional half million of dollars for the public schools—being now a million and a half dollars of money. This is a very important step in the right direction, the only difficulty being that the distribution of the fund is unfair and unequal, inasmuch as the poorer districts do not get their share. But all efforts to change the law in that direction would fail at this time, at least; the rich can always out-vote the poor.

Night sessions were held during the week, and the House is now worked to its full capacity. The Senate is doing good work, and keeps up with the House. The Legislative Apportionment bill passed with a few changes, but has not yet been returned to the House. On Wednesday evening the High License bill was made a special order, and was considered far into the night, and a number of important changes were made; among others was dividing the licenses so as to give the right to sell beer, and increasing the licenses in Boroughs to $200, and Townships to $100. These amendments are not well received by the House, and will go a good ways towards defeating the bill, but it is believed that the Senate will recede as to some of the more radical amendments, and the House will accept some of the amendments in a committee of conference, and that the bill will pass both Houses finally before the session adjourns.

The contested election case from Cameron county came up before the Committee on elections in the House this week. The court had awarded the seat to George W. Warner, Democrat, but the Committee, after a most careful investigation and pains-taking hearing, were of the opinion that the Democratic Judge was slightly biased in his opinion, and gave the seat to the Republican member, George A. Barclay, which is in accordance with the law and the facts in the case.

PHILIP.

5,000

Pounds of Wool wanted, either for trade or cash, at Parker & Parker's

Requirements in Manuring.

In the successful management of his farm, every farmer must consider two points, namely, the necessary requirements of his soil and the specific requirements of the crop that is to be grown. The soil may be deficient in all the elements that go to make up fertility, and to such an extent as to render success in the production of any crop very improbable. Here, then is a requirement that must be attended to, or else continued failure will be likely to be experienced. Or the soil may be very poor in potash, in which case a potash manure will be required; or, again, it may be deficient in phosphoric acid, in which case the deficiency must be provided for. Disastrous results may sometimes be avoided, where there is a deficiency of a single element by the cultivation of some crop that requires a minimum quantity of the deficient element. Manuring then should be for a double purpose of restoring to the soil elements in which it is deficient, and to supply the demand of crops that are being grown.

Soil analyses may be made and will give information about the vegetable nutritious substances contained in it, but as yet they have been unable to fix upon the degree of availability for plant use; that matter must be left for the determination of plants themselves, and at once proves the advantage of individual experimentation for the purpose of letting the different crops determine for themselves the amount of nutritious substances that they can make use of, and so determine what must be supplied. This idea of individual experimentation is gaining importance all the time, and those farmers who are grasping the idea with a full view to its importance, are the farmers who are a little in advance of others as regards their understanding of the requirements of the farm as well as in the success that attends their efforts.—*Germantown Telegraph.*

Excursion to Baltimore.

The B. & O. will sell excursion tickets to Baltimore and return, from all stations, on May 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th, and good to return May 13th, inclusive, at a rate of two cents per mile in each direction, to all desirous of attending the Centennial Celebration of the organization of the Masonic Grand Lodge of the State of Maryland. The spring races at Baltimore will take place on above dates. This Excursion is open to all, and to parties of fifty or more going under one ticket, a specially low rate will be granted. For further particulars call on or address

J. W. PATTON, T. P. A.,
Somerset, Pa.

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White dresses and lace caps for Infants and small children, all prices, at

MRS. A. E. UHL'S.

Our No. 2.

The 5 and 10 cent Counter Room of Cook & Beerits has not only been brushed up and systematized, but a fresh stock of goods has already arrived, with additional shipments to follow. Persons attending Court will find this to be headquarters to purchase the thousand and one items of useful things to take with them to their homes. The Manager will take pleasure in showing and pricing the goods in stock, whether you buy or not. Come to see us. JOE.

Hats and Bonnets.

Just received new hats, bonnets, flowers, tips, plumes, gauze, ribbons, etc., etc. Largest and best selected stock and lowest prices.

MRS. A. E. UHL.

For Sale.

A house and lot corner Main Cross and South street, Somerset, for sale on payments to suit the purchaser. A desirable home for a family; a large roomy house and a full lot of ground, with choice fruit upon it. Price $1800. For particulars inquire at the residence, or write to Samuel Gaither Esq., Greensburgh, Pa.

Notice to Contractors.

The School Board of Quemahoning Twp., will sell the building of a house for a graded school at Spruce town, at 1 o'clock on Saturday, May 21, 1887. Specifications can be seen at P. J. Cover's store, or with the Secretary. By order of the Board.

JACOB S. MILLER, Secretary.

Licenses or no Licenses.

Justices of the Peace and Constables coming to attend Court will recollect that Fisher's Book Store is the place to buy Binn's Justice, Dunlap's Forms, Purdon's Digest, and Constable's Guide Book. Also, all kinds of Justices' and Constables' Legal Blanks.

Wanted!

Hides, Furs, Bark. I will pay the highest cash prices for all kinds of hides, pelts and furs. I also want 500 cords of Rock Oak and Spruce bark.

H. G. CUNNINGHAM.

Without Cost.

One of Butterick's cut patterns put in gratis with every good dress sold until June 1st.

Mrs. A. E. UHL.

Chicken Fanciers Attention.

I have one of the choicest flocks of full blood Brown Leghorns to be seen anywhere, and am prepared to furnish eggs from these fowls at the rate of $1.25 for setting of 13 eggs. The Leghorns are the most prolific layers known.

GEORGE AUMAS,
Somerset, Pa.

Wanted.

Twenty thousand pounds of wool, for which I will pay cash.

JOHN KANTNER.

The bill to pay school teachers their wages while in attendance at the session of the annual county institute is now in the hands of the Governor, having passed both Houses finally. Under this bill teachers will be allowed compensation not exceeding two dollars per day, but only for such days as they are reported present at the session.

Most of our farmers have finished planting corn and sowing oats.

We have been having an abundance of rain.

SOMETHING NEW AND CHEAP!

"A PENNY SAVED IS A PENNY EARNED," Is a motto you can verify by calling at the new

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LEGAL NOTICE.

The undersigned having been appointed by the Judges of the Orphans' Court of Somerset County to ascertain advancements, and make and report a distribution of the funds now in the hands of J. L. Burkholder, Administrator of Samuel Boger, late of Brothersvalley Township, dec'd hereby gives notice that he will attend to the duties of his appointment at his office in Somerset Borough, on Thursday, the 2d day of June, 1887.

J. O. KIMMELL,
apr27. Auditor.

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Announcements
FOR THE
JUNE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY.

We are authorized to announce the following named gentlemen as candidates for the various offices designated, at the Republican Primary Election, to be held on Saturday, June 25, 1887.

FOR SHERIFF,
RUSH S. McMILLEN,
OF MIDDLECREEK TOWNSHIP.
Subject to the decision of the Republican Primary Election, to be held Saturday, June 25, 1887.

FOR PROTHONOTARY,
DANIEL J. HORNER,
OF SOMERSET BOROUGH.
Subject to the decision of the Republican Primary Election, to be held Saturday, June 25, 1887.

FOR PROTHONOTARY,
WM. H. SANNER,
OF SOMERSET BOROUGH.
Subject to the decision of the Republican Primary Election, to be held Saturday, June 25, 1887.

FOR REGISTER AND RECORDER,
JACOB D. SWANK,
OF CONEMAUGH TOWNSHIP.
Subject to the decision of the Republican Primary Election, to be held Saturday, June 25, 1887.

FOR REGISTER AND RECORDER,
JACOB S. MILLER,
OF QUEMAHONING TOWNSHIP.
Subject to the decision of the Republican Primary Election, to be held Saturday, June 25, 1887.

FOR TREASURER,
CHARLES F. RHOADS,
OF SOMERSET BOROUGH.
Subject to the decision of the Republican Primary Election, to be held Saturday, June 25, 1887.

FOR TREASURER,
JOHN ROBERTS,
OF SOMERSET BOROUGH.
Subject to the decision of the Republican Primary Election, to be held Saturday, June 25, 1887.

FOR TREASURER,
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