The Somerset Herald.

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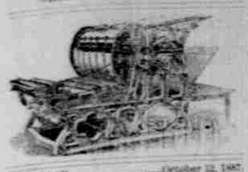

WEDNESDAY.....October 12, 1887.

REPUBLICAN COUNTY COMMITTEE.

The following named gentlemen compose the Republican County Committee for the ensuing year:

Addison—Benjamin Pulmer.
Allegheny No. 1.—Artemus Deter.
Allegheny No. 2.—James H. Noell.
Black—J. W. Landis.
Berlin Borough—A. J. Sterner.
Brothersvalley—C. F. Rayman.
Conemaugh—J. T. Yoder.
Confluence Borough—J. A. Walker.
Elklick No. 1.—N. B. Keim.
Elklick No. 2.—Simon Livengood.
Greenville—Fred'k Durr.
Jefferson—Silas Cable.
Jenner—Thomas Gallagher.
Jennerstown Borough—I. J. Griffith.
Larimer—L. G. Dom.
Lower Turkeyfoot—Emmett Cunningham.
Meyersdale Borough—S. H. Dull.
Middlecreek—Levi Long.
Milford—J. C. Weller.
Northampton—W. H. Poorbaugh.
New Centreville Borough—L. N. Scott.
New Baltimore Borough—John George.
Ogle—M. F. Allison.
Paint—J. D. Shaffer.
Quemahoning—D. B. Zimmerman.
Rockwood Borough—Philip Smith.
Salisbury Borough—H. W. DeLasier.
Stoneycreek—C. W. Lambert.
Somerset Borough—John S. Shafer.
Somerset No. 1.—C. M. Shaver.
Somerset No. 2—J. I. Darr.
Southampton—Wm. P. Martz.
Stonycreek—H. B. Baltzer.
Shanksville Borough—M. V. Sorber.
Summit—Zach. F. Feidley.
Upper Turkeyfoot—T. L. Williams.
Union Borough—F. Dull.
Wellersburg Borough—J. J. Kennell.

C. C. SHAFER,
Chairman.

The rye and yellow leaf.

Two full moons this month.

Arbor Day, Oct. 21. Get ready.

Election four weeks distant only.

The early advertiser catches the fall trade.

Go to W. M. Hochstetler's for your $20, $21 and $25 suits.

Franklin B. Gowen will sail from Bremen for home October 12.

No trouble to sell you with spectacles at Biesecker & Snyder's.

No conscientious Prohibitionist can afford to work for Democratic success.

Hay fever sufferers are beginning to rejoice. The season is about over.

44 pumpkins grew on one vine belonging to Amos Brenneman, of Elizabethtown.

Great reduction in the price of spectacles and eye-glasses at Biesecker & Snyder's.

Call and see W. M. Hochstetler's selection of samples for fall and winter overcoats.

Kings' combination spectacles reduced from $2.00 to $1.50 at Biesecker & Snyder's.

Vote the full Republican ticket at the coming election and you will never regret it.

Gladiolas are easily preserved by drying and keeping anywhere in bags, secure from foist.

Remember that votes count, and that they vote not polled is in the interest of the opposition.

Call and see the Plato Range, the most beautiful range in the market, and at a low price at Schell's.

Aiding Prohibition by assisting the Democratic party, is like throwing wood on a fire to extinguish it.

Stoves, Tinware, and House Furnishing goods at reasonable prices at P. A. Schell & Co.'s Main Cross Street.

Free Trade and Free Rum ought to emblazon the banners of the Democratic-Saloon Combination in Pennsylvania.

Call at P. A. Schell & Co.'s and see the largest and finest stock of Heating and Cooking stoves, Ranges, etc., in the county.

Somerset township has adopted Appleton's Geographies. The old Geographies can be exchanged for the new at Weffley's Book Store.

W. M. Hochstetler is now prepared to furnish the public with better and cheaper clothing than ever before. Call and examine his samples.

A Pittsburg firm has discovered a way to make gas for 5 cents per thousand. If it is good we will take some of it around here and pay cash in advance.

The Depot of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Harrisburg, which will also be used by the Reading Railroad Company, is rapidly nearing completion.

The people of Somerset township can exchange the old geography for Appleton's Geography at Weffleys Book Store, in Somerset where they will also be sold at the Introductory Price.

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. & PARSONS.

Miss Henrietta Koontz, daughter of Jacob and Rose Koontz died at the family residence just east of town this, Tuesday, morning. Miss Koontz was well-known and well liked by a large circle of friends who will be pained to learn of her untimely death.

Diphtheria is prevailing at Greenoak, a mining village near McKeesport, to an alarming extent. Twenty-five cases are under treatment and the disease is almost alternating at Boston, Dravosburg and Reynoldstown. The public school at Greenoak has been closed because of the disease.

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.

School Books and Supplies at Fisher's Book Store.

My stock of school books and school supplies is very much larger this year than ever. I am prepared to supply any text-books used in this county, and in any quantity desired. Parents, pupils and teachers will find anything they may require in the school book and school supply line at my large and convenient store. Inks, pens, pencils, slates, tablets, copy books, drawing books, school bags, legal cap paper, in fact, everything used and needed in the school room. Higher text-books of all kinds for advanced pupils, and for teachers. Supplies of chalk crayons at lowest wholesale rates for directors, and school books and supplies in large quantities at wholesale for town, village and country merchants. Mail orders promptly attended to.

CHAS. H. FISHER.

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.

Appleton's Geographies for Somerset Township.

Pupils and parents of Somerset Township will bring their old Geographies in to Fisher's Book Store and exchange them for the new Appleton Geography which is now the adopted book. I am prepared to supply the Township at introductory prices, and exchange for the old books.

CHAS. H. FISHER.

An adjourned court will be held on Thursday, November 10th.

Capt. M. R. Adams, of Garrett, is spending a few days in Somerset.

The new Reformed church will be dedicated on Sunday, October 23d.

The forest trees are beautiful with their gold and crimson tinted leaves.

Rev. H. King will preach in the Presbyterian church next Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock.

Capt. H. H. Kuhn, of Johnstown, with his wife and family, are visiting relatives in Somerset.

The editor of a Kansas prohibition paper is named Sourbeer. His name is calculated to stop drinking.

Mr. S. F. Picking, of Chicago, arrived in Somerset Saturday evening, where he will remain for a week or ten days.

Pickpockets were about on circus day and a number of persons were relieved by them of their pocketbooks and other valuables.

More dwelling houses have been built here during the present year, than in any one preceding year in the history of the town.

Judge Baer, accompanied by two of his daughters, drove over to Bedford Tuesday, where he will hold an adjourned court today.

Mrs. C. H. Fisher and family returned Thursday from Philadelphia, where they had been visiting relatives for the past four or five weeks.

The county jail did not remain empty long. Two young men from Meyersdale were placed there last week on account of a cutting affray.

The most dangerous and despicable characters that a community can be cursed with, are the anonymous letter idiots. A number of these curs infest Somerset.

York county, in the vicinity of Lewisburg has a typhoid fever epidemic. It is reported that there are over one hundred cases of this dread disease in that neighborhood.

Citizens of the Ligonier valley have been so long terrorized by a gang of outlaws that they propose to take steps to rid the vicinity of these brigands if the authority do not act promptly.

Mr. Jacob Neff, the oldest male citizen of Somerset, died at his home on North Main street, Wednesday evening. He had been confined to his bed for some time past, and his death was not unexpected.

The complaints that reach us of the failure of subscribers to get their paper regularly and promptly are loud and deep. The fault is not ours. The papers are mailed on time every week. "Reform" postmasters.

A decision was rendered by the supreme court of this state at Pittsburg on Monday, declaring that dealing in differences in the price of petroleum is gambling and illegal, and cannot be sustained in a court of justice.

Dr. Poland, of Johnstown, who came to town yesterday to do Barnum's, and tarried over night, received a telegram this morning that his office had been burned to the ground during the night. It was opposite the postoffice.

Lieut. Alex Ogle U. S. A. spent several days of last week in Somerset, visiting his mother. He had been stationed at Columbus Barracks, for the past several years, but was recently transferred to Fort Bridger, Wyoming Territory.

Morning Prayer Meditation for Piano by John Wiegand, is the most beautiful and sparkling composition Mr. Wiegand has ever written. Try it if you wish something musically pretty and pleasing. Price 50 cents. Ign. Fischer, Publisher, Toledo, O.

The senior editor of the HERALD is indebted to Mr. Eli Gilbert, of Butcher's Run, Cal., for a valuable, beautiful and useful inkstand, received a few days ago. The stand is made entirely of specimens of the various ores of the golden State, ingeniously put together.

The flow of oil from the well on the Poor farm continues unabated and is daily growing stronger. Steward Baker brought several sample bottles to town, Monday morning, and the proportion of oil to water is much greater than the samples first shown. As yet no movement has been made looking to the further development of the matter. The parties who own adjoining farms, we understand, refuse to give any leases and it is not probable that any of them will put down a test well of their own. Johnstown parties have been trying to lease territory in the northern end of the county, but with what success we have not yet learned. The well on the Poor farm is utterly useless for the purpose for which was intended—supplying water for the institution—and the authorities will have to put down another well at some other point.

In the matter of Constable S. P. Snyder's return, charging all the Republican candidates for county offices with having violated the liquor and election laws in procuring their nominations, District Attorney Bieseker Friday morning filed his answer to the rule on him, in which he stated that he had been unable to learn from Mr. Snyder the names of any probable witnesses against any of the defendants; that he believed the return was made on mere rumor, and that the charges could not be sustained. Constable Snyder also filed an answer, in which he stated in effect that he had made the return without any personal knowledge; that his return was based on rumor alone, and he asked the Court that he might be allowed to withdraw it. There was no argument on the matter, and the Court took the papers for consideration. That the return will be stricken off by the Court, there can be but little doubt.

There were only three jury trials at last week's court, it being a special term to try cases in which Judge Baer had been concerned as Counsel before going on the Bench. Of these three cases one attracted considerable attention, occupying three days in the trial. This was Steckman, et al vs. John J. Schell and Rose B. Schell; Ejectment. The Plaintiff was ably represented by Val. Hay and Isaac Hugus, Esq'rs. of this bar and Spang and Haldeman of Bedford, while W. H. Koontz and A. H. Coffroth, Esq'rs had charge of the Defendant's interests. The charge was fraud. After an exhaustive trial of the case and a fair and lucid charge by Judge Johnson, the jury returned a verdict for the Defendants. This is the third time the issue in this case has been tried; 1st, by arbitrators; 2d, by H. L. Baer as referee; and 3d, by Judge Johnson, each with the same result. The trial of last week is likely to be final and Mr. and Mrs. Schell and their friends feel greatly gratified at the result.

In compliance with a resolution passed at the reunion of the 109th Regiment Pennsylvania Reserves at Rochester, Beaver County, on September 8th, Capt. H. H. Kuhn, of Johnstown, was made a member of the Committee to confer with the Legislative Committee in regard to the selection and erection of a monument on the battlefield at Gettysburg. The State appropriates $1500 for this purpose to each regiment, and the 109th Regiment survivors who attended the recent reunion resolved to add $1500 to the State appropriation, in order to erect a monument that will not only commemorate the part their regiment took at Gettysburg, but throughout the entire war. Capt. Kuhn was also made a committee of one to confer with the survivors of Company A., of whom there are only about thirty, thirteen of whom reside in Somerset county, in regard to raising their share of the above amount, $150. The Captain has been in Somerset several days talking the matter over with the veterans who live in town, and we presume he will have no trouble in raising the desired amount.

Marriage licenses have been issued to the following named persons since our last report:

Norman Christner and Annie E. Hoffmyer both of Elklick township.

B. Hochstetler and Emma J. Dugan, both of Middlecreek township.

We have the printer to meet yet who doesn't enjoy a drink of good cider, and the printers on the HERALD are of one mind as to the kind their farmer friend Gabriel Good makes, and when he deposited a two-gallon jug of "as fine as silk" in the composing room last Wednesday morning work was suspended until the said two gallons had disappeared. "Gabe" always remembers the printer boys, and they will all remember him on the 8th of November.

Scribner's Magazine will signalize the completion of its first year by the publication of a superb Christmas number. Its contents will be chiefly poetry and fiction, and literature appropriate to the season. The number of illustrations will be greatly increased, and will represent the best and most original work of American artists and engravers. The cover is to be enriched by a special border, printed in gold; but notwithstanding the fact that the preparation of this number has necessitated, of course, a greatly increased cost, the price will remain as usual, twenty-five cents.

At the opening of the General Assembly of the Knights of Labor at Minneapolis on Tuesday, Grand Master Workman Powderly made a speech in which he said the following sensible things:

"I hate anarchy and I hate anarchists. How can the child reared in proverty, squalor, ignorance and vice grow up to respect the institutions of his country. When I say stop importing foreign paupers, let only those come to our free America who come of their own will to make their homes here, is that saying anything against a foreigner? [Cries of "No," "No."] I thought you'd say no. This is why I am called a crank on the immigration question.

I am also called a crank on the temperance question. I may be a crank on this question, but I am not ashamed to say that I would far rather see a man a sober man than a drunkard. It is better to educate our children to be temperate than to be drunkards. There's not a man living who will say that it's right to bring into the home that which dumns the head of the family. There are those who have threatened to leave the order because of my position on this question. I say to all who would withdraw for such a cause, "go." I'll trust the fate of this Nation with sober men and women. I'll never take back one word of what I have said on the temperance question, so help me God."

On Friday Mr. George Dunges, of Meyersdale Somerset county, arrived in Chambersburg with a drove of cattle, which he is disposing of at Miller's Western Hotel. On Wednesday he stopped at the farm of John Rebok, near Loudon where he obtained pasture. After the cattle had been in the field sometime Mr. Dunges was walking through it when he came upon an old well which he thought unsafe. On looking down he noticed one of his steers calmly sitting on its haunches. He immediately procured assistance and arrangements were made to release the animal. A derrick was erected over the well, and a rope and tackle attached. A man was then lowered and a chain securely fastened around the steer's body. Two horses were hitched to the end of the rope and an effort made to draw the steer up. The chain slipped and that project was abandoned. As Mr Dunges would have disposed of the animal at any price, he decided to fasten the chain around its horns, let the result be what it may. This was done and by the aid of the horses the steer was landed safely at the top of the well.

An investigation showed that the only injury sustained was a slight cut upon the head. The animal was driven to St. Thomas with the herd on Thursday and from there to Chambersburg on Friday. The well was forty feet deep and the steer weighed twelve hundred pounds.—*Franklin Repository.*

A gentleman, who was in Brownsville on September 10, the day McCausland the Allegheny drover, was murdered in Greene county, said to a Mt. Pleasant *Journal* reporter the other day: "Do you know there might be some strong circumstantial evidence worked up against the Barnhart robbers, connecting them with that Greene county murder? What makes me so suspicious is the fact that a railroad brakeman told me he knew these two fellows belong to a gang whose headquarters are in Pittsburgh. Gray and Lynch, the names of the prisoners now in jail at Greensburg gave, went to Pittsburg from Somerset and left the city about the same time McCausland did, he going by boat they on the cars. The description given of the murderer fits the larger of the two pretty well. I was at Brownsville that day and hunted for the big man but could find no trace. He, however, turned up on Sunday, the next day, and with his partner, you know, was arrested on Monday and brought to Mt. Pleasant Tuesday. Of course this is only suspicion, but some how or other I can not get it out of my head."

An officer from Beaver county, who formerly resided near the scene of the murder, was here on Sunday looking the matter up and went to Greensburg, where he was admitted to the jail and gained a square look at Lynch and Gray, the suspected men.

These are the same parties who were arrested at this place for playing the lightning-rod game on Mr. Sol. J. Hershberger, and compromised the case by refunding a portion of the money.

The Greatest Show on Earth exhibited at Somerset Monday afternoon and evening and attracted probably the largest crowd of people to town that ever congregated here at one time. Fully ten thousand persons witnessed the street parade, which took place at 10 o'clock in the morning. The ticket agents sold 7,482 tickets for the afternoon performance. In addition to this there were several hundred lithograph and other complimentary tickets issued. Fifteen hundred persons bought reserved seat tickets for which they paid, in addition to the general admission, 25 and 50 cents. Those who bought from the up-town agent had to pay a premium of 25 cents per ticket.

For the evening entertainment 2,642 tickets of general admission and 700 reserved seat tickets were sold. A drizzling rain set in about 4 o'clock in the morning and the day was as disagreeable a one as could well be imagined.

The circus tents were pitched on low, marshy ground south of town, and the heavy rain that fell during the afternoon made the roads leading to them so muddy that many who would otherwise have attended the show stayed away. Hundreds of people from the country started home when the heavy rain started in about two o'clock, while many hundreds more only came to town to see the street parade, not having the money, or being too close-fisted to pay their admission to the show. A great many country people came twenty and thirty miles, witnessed the street parade lunched on crackers and cheese, and left for home again, apparently very well satisfied with their day's enjoyment.

Of the vast crowd of strangers in town less than one thousand of them came by rail. The excursion trains were not at all well patronized.

The crowd was a very orderly one. The borough authorities had prepared for any emergency by employing a dozen extra policemen, but there was little or nothing for them to do. There were no disturbances of any kind, and there was not a single arrest made during the day.

School Books.

School begins on Monday next and the school children will find at Weffley's Book Store all sorts of nice Tablets, Note Books, Writing and Composition Books, Slates Pencils, Pens, Ink, Paper, Companions, School Bags and many other articles too numerous to mention.

All School Books used in the town and township are sold at Weffley's Book Store as well as all sorts of other School Supplies that may be needed. Second hand School Books at Weffley's.

Disciples' State Convention.

From the Johnstown Tribune of Oct. 6th.

The State Convention of the Christian Woman's Board of Missions, in connection with the State Convention of the Disciples of Christ, was held yesterday afternoon at the Christian Church, this city.

Miss Belle Kimmell, State Vice President, occupied the Chair. After devotional exercises, conducted by Miss Kimmell, an address of welcome was delivered by Mrs. S. E. Turner, of Johnstown, which was responded to, on behalf of the Convention, by Mrs. M. O. Kooser, of Somerset.

Committees were then appointed by the President, and reports were heard from the different auxiliaries in the State, of which there are twenty-five. Their reports showed them to be in a very encouraging condition. In connection with these auxiliaries, there are about thirteen Children's Mission Bands, in which the young are being trained to do mission work.

The receipts during the year from these auxiliaries and Mission Bands amount to $937 20, which has been sent to the General Treasurer of the Christian Woman's Board of Missions.

Beside this amount, something over $200 has been raised for the support of a State organizer for the coming year.

Mrs. C. S. King, of Allegheny City, Superintendent of Children's Work, made a very interesting report of the growth and present status of the work. She detailed instances where the mission work among the children had resulted in awakening whole churches and communities to the importance of mission work.

An address was made by W. K. Azbill, General Agent for the Woman's Board, stating the object of that organization, and the growth and present demands of the work.

The Nominating Committee reported and the Convention elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

Miss Belle Kimmell, Vice President; Mrs. Clora Barnett, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Angey, Mrs. M. O. Kooser, Mrs. J. O. Cutts, Mrs. Elizabeth Figley, and Mrs. Jos. King, Managers.

The Enrollment Committee reported some forty delegates in attendance.

Among other resolutions adopted, the following on the temperance question was enthusiastically carried:

WHEREAS, We know the liquor traffic to be a formidable hindrance to the spread of the Gospel, a rock of offense both at home and abroad; the architect of barriers that prevent many from uniting with the church, and of pitfalls which cause the overthrow of many professing the name of Christ; evil, evil only; evil continually, and evil everywhere in its effect, and especially baneful in its influence on the work of missionaries; therefore,

Resolved, That we, the women of the Christian Woman's Board of Missions of Pennsylvania, in convention at Johnstown October 5, 1887, endorse the work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of the United States, urge the co-operation of pastors in prayers and sermons on the subject of temperance, insist upon impressing upon the minds of the young taught in our Sunday-schools the importance of temperance, making plain what the Scriptures teach, and pray God to bless all efforts tending toward the suppression of this wicked traffic, to the end we may live quiet and peaceable lives in all godliness and honesty and the word of God have free course and be glorified.

The ladies' convention then adjourned to meet in Somerset next year.

The third and last session of the Christian Church of the State assembled at the Christain Chapel at 9 o'clock this morning.

The regular order of business as indicated on the printed programme was changed, so that the transaction of business there having been so much on hand—might be generally facilitated.

The reports of various committes were submitted for ratification, and miscellaneous business occupied the rest of the time till about 11 o'clock, when the Rev. L. R. Norton, of Pittsburg, delivered an address on the theme, "A Tour Among the Churches."

The afternoon session was a very busy one.

By request Rev. W. L. Hayden, pastor of the Johnstown church, read a paper, headed "The Christain Church," which was given before the Ministerial Association, composed of the pastors in general of this place, some time since, and which was heartily endorsed by the State Assembly and asked for publication in the *Christain Standard* of Cincinnati, with a view to have it subsequently put in tract form and widely distributed.

After this Rev. W. E. Hall, pastor of the Central Church, Philadelphia, delivered an address on "What is Sunday School Success, and How Can we Attain It?" An interesting discussion followed, in which various views were exchanged very profitably.

Following the discussion, the Rev. T. H. Butler, of East End, Pittsburgh, Church, spoke ably on "Some Moral Aspects of Sunday School Work." After this came another discussion, in which all were interested.

Court Proceedings.

S. H. Darragh and wife Catherine, W. H. Platt and wife Sarah, M. R. Adams and wife Emma, W. B. Shafer and wife Mary, J. F. Blymyer and wife Martha, children and heirs of Daniel Weyand, dec'd vs. John Berkebile; Ejectment. On the 4th of October the case was settled after going to trial, and the jury was withdrawn.

Frederick Minke and H. S. Endsley, Administrators of Thos. I. McKalg, dec'd, and H. S. Endsley, Administrator of Sam'l F. McBride, dec'd, vs. George H. Hocking, John F. Hocking and Wm. G. Hocking; Covenant. Case called 3d of October and Plaintiffs takes a non suit.

Somerset and Mineral Point Railroad Company, organized under the Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania of 1861 and its supplements vs. Somerset and Cambria Railroad Company; Ejectment. Case called October 3d and Plaintiff takes a non suit.

John. H. Uhl, Assignee of John Neff and James Parson who were contractors in the construction of the Somerset and Mineral Point Railroad, vs. the Somerset and Mineral Point Railroad Company, with notice to the Somerset and Cambria Railroad Company; Sci. Fa. sur mortgage. Plaintiffs take a voluntary non suit per paper filed.

Wm. H. H. Stineman and Hannibal H. Chase, doing business as Seim, Stineman & Co., Limited, vs. John T. Hocking, Jr., doing business as the Hocking Coal Co.; Assumpsit. 6th October Plaintiff takes a non suit.

Robert Steckman vs. John J. Schell and Rose B. Schell his wife; Ejectment. Jury return a verdict for the Defendants.

J. M. Hay vs. The Fairview Coal Co., of Baltimore, Md.; Case. Jury return a verdict in favor of the Plaintiff for the sum of one hundred and thirty-eight dollars and thirty-three cents.

The other cases for trial this week were continued as per paper filed.

ROAD AND BRIDGE VIEWS.

Petion of citizens of Black township for the appointment of viewers to vacate and supply parts of a public road leading from the iron bridge across Cox's creek to the crossing of the Meyersdale road near the house of Mrs. John Shunk. Viewers—H. D. Moore, surveyor; Peter G. Whipkey, Moses Barron.

Petition of citizens of Southampton township for review of a road leading from Benjamin Baker's to the home of Dr. S. C. Fechtig. Viewers—Howard Keim, surveyor; Aaron Geiger, Herman Johnson.

Petition of citizens of Elklick township for review of a road leading from near the house of Robert Gibson in West Salisbury to a point near the residence of C. C. Garlitz. Viewers—Wm. Baker, surveyor; David Wesmer, Peter Snyder.

Petition of citizens of Jenner township to vacate and supply a public road from a point near Jacob Arisman's to a point near residence of Alexander Shaffer. Viewers—C. H. Schmucker, surveyor; Uriah Trent, Geo. C. Lichty.

Petition of Citizens of Conemaugh township for a public road from a point on public road at residence of Levi Berkey to a point on a public road ter Glessner's mill. Viewers—Wm. H. Barnhart, surveyor; John Rink, Albert Berkey.

Petition of citizens of Shade township to change township line between Shade and Quemahoning townships. Viewers—Wm. M. Schrock, Stonycreek, surveyor; Levi Ringler, Philip F. Cupp.

Petition of citizens of Northampton township to vacate and supply parts of a road near Brush Creek school house. Viewers—L. C. Colborn, surveyor; Simon P. Fritz, Philip Hay.

Petition of citizens of Lower Turkeyfoot township for a public road from a road near the lands of Nicola heirs to a public road at Eman'l Firestone's. Viewers—Alfred Mitchell, surveyor; John Hanna, Clayton McCullough.

Petition for viewers to inspect workmanship of a bridge over Casselman river near the home of Jacob Livengood, in Elklick township. Viewers—Elijah Livengood, David Fuller, Esq.; Jacob Glotfelty.

Petition for viewers to inspect bridge over Kimberly run, in Somerset township; also, repairs of bridge over Cox's creek, in Milford township, near William Hay's. Viewers—Frank Friedline, Daniel Miller, John A. Walter.

Petition for viewers to inspect bridge over Quemahoning creek, near Jenner X Roads. Viewers—William H. Miller, Esq., John Bruner, Jacob Zimmerman, Jr.

Petition for viewers to inspect repairs on Hooversville bridge, Rowena Run bridge, Spruce town bridge, and new bridge at James Kimmell's, over Beaver dam creek. Viewers—Josiah J. Walker, Washington Riseling, Joseph Miller.

Petition for viewers to inspect repairs of bridge over Laurel Hill creek near Kuhlman's, in Lower Turkeyfoot township. Viewers—Noah Scott, Wm. Gerhart, Jacob Brougher, Jr.

Petitions for viewers to inspect repairs of bridge over Laurel Hill creek, near Barron's mill; also, repairs of bridge over same creek near P. G. Whipkey's, in Middlecreek township; also, bridge over Laurel Hill creek, in Jefferson township, near John L. Gardner's. Viewers — Alfred Evans, William Dull, Samuel Barclay.

Petitions for viewers to inspect bridge over Stonycreek, at Bethel; also, bridge over Stonycreek at Dull's station. Viewers—Herman Flick; Wm. Morgan, Meyersdale; John W. Mostoller.

Petitions for viewers to inspect bridge over Stonycreek at Mostoller station; also, bridge over branch of Stonycreek, near Trostle's mill; also, bridge over Beaver dam creek, near the house of David Penrod, in Quemahoning township. Viewers—Chas. Shank, Adam Fogle, Augustus Glessner.

Petition of citizens of Quemahoning township for a public road leading from Hooversville to Bethel from a point near school house on lands of John Hoover's heirs to a point on the S. & C. R. R. at north end of bridge over Stonycreek. Viewers—Joseph Cable, Thomas O. Mock, Wm. Rodgers.

Confluence Items.

L. W. Weakland and V. M. Black are building an addition to their residences.

Our regular term of school opened on Monday, with Prof. A. S. Flanigan, in the first room; Mr. Harvey Fisher in the second room; and Miss Helen Hook in the primary room, as teachers.

The Disciple congregation is improving their church edifice by the addition of a cupalo and a new bell.

Our Street Commissioner, of course means it all right, but why he does not permit certain families, living a long distance from public crossings, to have small prive crossings, while others living much nearer public crossings, are permitted to enjoy huge ash piles clear across the street, no one knows. The public crossing in front of the Lutheran church is almost intolerable and can't well be endured by those who have occasion to travel up and down Oden street.

The question is frequently asked what effect "no license" has upon the morals and business of the town. The answers generally made differ very much. Some say that the improvement is so clearly marked that it can be seen everywhere and at all times. Others say that there is no improvement at all in morals and that business has been injured. If any one should answer the question correctly it would not satisfy either side. One thing worthy of mention, however, is that our town never was much of an intemperate town, and is not so at the present. Strangers that have had occasion to remain here for a few weeks almost invariably complimented the town for its sobriety and good order. The consumption of whiskey has not been materially arrested, however, by "no license;" Yet few persons can be seen on our streets perceptibly under the influence of liquor. There are perhaps, less persons lodging here than when whiskey was sold at the bar. I notice that a large portion of traveling men try to get into an adjoining county to remain over night. If there were "no license" in the adjoining counties, it would benefit us less here. Let all temperance men vote the Republican ticket, and a prohibitory amendment will be submitted to a vote of the people in due time. The Democracy is for whiskey, and plenty of it.

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Husband Items.

Acorns and chestnuts in abundance this year.

Apples are now being stored away and are selling quite readily at a good price.

Mr. Samuel S. Miller has recently sold a very good draft horse to Mr. James Parson.

Mrs. Lizzie Shanlis, of Jenner X Roads, has been visiting in this community for the past week.

Mr. S. L. Weller sold a young colt, last week that is only three months and a half old, for which he received one hundred dollars. This colt is from the Percheron horse owned by Mr. Peter Heffley and will probably make as fine a horse as there is in the county.

Mr. John Brant, of Ill., formerly of Berlin, this county, was visiting relations in this vicinity last week. Mr. Brant has been living in the Western country for twenty years, this being his first visit to his former home.

Rev. Barlett preached an interesting sermon here on Sunday. The subject being: Of making many books there is no end. The speaker became quite eloquent, holding his audience spell bound. He preferred clearly to the evil and importance of literature.

Mr. Harvey L. Young, who had charge of our school for the last four years, was recently elected teacher of the Walker school by the board of directors. Mr. Young is a very competent and efficient teacher and his labor in our school was highly gratifying.

Some changes have been made in the school books this year among them in Appletons Geography which is a complete work. The question whether we should have new books in our common schools every year is quite frequently discussed by our citizens. While this is a question which we shall not endeavor to discuss but only believe that a change of books in our school should take place for the benefit of the school as well as to adopt new methods that will elevate a more fine and nobler sphere of activity in our schools. OCCASIONAL.

Coal! Coal! Coal!

The Directors of the Poor and House of Employment will receive sealed proposals to furnish good rough coal per bushel for the Poor House, for the ensuing winter, the coal to be delivered on the platform at the bank, or at the Railroad station, Somerset, Pa. All proposals to be sent to W. W. Baker, Steward of the Poor House, on or before October 21, 1887.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD.

DIED.

SCHROCK.—Jacob C. Schrock, of Somerset Township, aged 74 years, 9 months and 1 day.

WEAVER.—In Stonycreek township, on Thursday, September 29, 1887, Mrs. Rachel Weaver, aged 71 years, 2 months and 18 days.

ARBOR DAY.

A Proclamation Naming October 21st.

We have received from the state superintendent of public instruction a circular relating to tree planting and naming a date to be observed as Arbor Day. This is a subject which should interest everybody. It is of so much importance that we print the circular in full:

The work which Arbor Day shall accomplish in the schools of the commonwealth is but begun. What has been accomplished is but a prophecy of what is to be done. A field ever widening is before us. School grounds especially must be properly enlarged, and fitly ornamented, so as to secure the admiration of our communities, and become a source of refining culture to all the youth of the commonwealth. With this will go forward the improvement of our roadsides, until man and beast shall travel beneath the shade, and the birds come back again to cheer them with song. Then rural parks can be provided, wherever possible, and a universal sentiment be aroused, which shall guard our mountain springs and streams and keep intact the shadowy hills and mossy dells with which our state abounds.

Trees must be more generally thought of and cared for by the people of the state. Forest trees, fruit trees and shade and ornamental trees must be looked at, thought about and planted everywhere. Teachers, directors and superintendents may become most influential factors in directing attention to this necessity of tree planting, the kinds of trees to be planted in different localities, the manner in which the work should be done, and the results that must follow, which are in every way profitable.

We call on the schools and school authorities, therefore, to bestir themselves in this new crusade against ignorance, recklessness, selfishness and the blind folly of procrastination and neglect. Let the grounds about all school houses be planted with shade trees and shrubbery and vines. Let the subject of tree planting be discussed in evening meetings held in the school houses of the district.

Let planting of seeds and the transplanting of young trees; the wonderful art of budding and grafting; the number of trees of different kinds growing about the homes of individual pupils and the numbers that may be planted there; the nurseries or other places from which trees that are desired may be secured; the prices at which they may be had; and any other matters of practical interest in this connection, that suggests themselves to the teacher, be made the subject of school room or class-room consideration. The state comes to the schools for help. Let that help be given, and thus in her increased material wealth alone, the schools will return to the commonwealth year by year vastly more than the million and a-half of dollars that have so recently been appropriated from the treasury for the purpose of general education.

From the record of work done and to be done, as presented in the individual reports of superintendents found in the last annual report from the department of public instruction—extracts from which are given in the forthcoming issue of *The Pennsylvania School Journal* for October—the propriety of the appointment of a school Arbor day by this department, during the past two years, and the necessity for its continued observance, becoming clearly manifest.

Therefore, to carry out more fully the intent of the proclamation of Arbor day by his excellency, Governor Beaver by securing the united efforts of our schools—a very large proportion of which were not in session at the time of tree-planting in the spring—we hereby appoint Friday, October 21, and earnestly urge upon superintendents, teachers and officers throughout the state, the propriety of using every effort to forward this important work, employing such means as their good judgment may direct. We further request that they secure a full report of work done, in order that the record thereof may be preserved permanently among the school documents of the commonwealth.

Preparing for Fight.

A telegram sent from Reading to the newspapers on Tuesday says: "George F. Baer, a well known railroad lawyer of this city has just returned from Europe, where he was in consultation with Franklin B. Gowen, ex-president of the Reading railroad, at Hamburg. As a result of the conference Mr. Baer is now engaged in preparing an answer to the suit of the Pennsylvania railroad against the South Penn railroad in the United States circuit court for the southern district of New York. The bill was filed July 5, and the defendants have about thirty days yet in which to make answer. Mr. Baer is now working on that document, and it will be filed before the expiration of the allotted time. The bill filed by the Pennsylvania asks that defendants be restrained from doing anything that will interfere with the rights of the plaintiff in the South Penn. It is brought against the Vanderbilts, D. O. Mills and all the other South Penn subscribers who reside in New York State, against whom, of course, proceedings could not be brought in the state of Pennsylvania. The filing of the answer will be the beginning of a sharp campaign for the construction of the South Penn road. Mr. Baer feels sure that the road will be built, and that sooner than the Pittsburgh public and the people of Western Pennsylvania generally expect.

People Demand Protection.—Patent Medicines.

What are they? As a general thing they are prescriptions having been used with great success by old and well-read Physicians. Thousands of invalids have been unexpectedly cured by their use, and they are the wonder and dread of Physicians and Medical Colleges in U. S., so much so, that Physicians graduating at Medical Colleges are required to discountenance Proprietary Medicines, as through them the country doctor loses his most profitable practice. As a manufacturer of Proprietary Medicines, Dr. G. G. Green of Woodbury, N. J., advocates most cordially,—in order to prevent the risk that the sick and afflicted are liable to almost daily by the use of Patent Medicines put out by inexperienced persons for aggrandizement only, and the employing of inexperienced and incompetent doctors by which almost every village and town is cursed; and men claiming to be doctors who had better be undertakers, experimenting with their patients and robbing them of their money and health,—for the good of the afflicted that our government protects its people by making laws to regulate the practice of medicine by better experienced and more thoroughly educated Physicians, and thereby keep up the honor and credit of the profession, also form laws for the recording of recipes of Proprietary Medicines, under examination and decision of experienced Chemists and Physicians appointed for that purpose by the Government, before they are licensed for general use. He would most freely place the recipe of Boschee's German Syrup and Green's August Flower under such laws, had he the proper protection, and thereby save the prejudice of the people, and avoid the competition and imitation of worthless medicines.—*Copied from the Chicago Mail Aug. 3, 87.*

—NOTICE.—

NOTICE is hereby given that a Perpetual Insurance Policy in the Insurance Company of North America, of Philadelphia, Pa., for $30.00 covering on the Court House in Somerset, Pa., has been lost or mislaid. Anyone knowing of its whereabouts will confer a favor by returning the same to the Commissioners' office.

PETER DUMBAULD,
ADAM C. LEPLEY,
JONAS McCLINTOCK,
Commissioners.

Attest—
A. J. HILEMAN,
Clerk.

Somerset, Pa., October 12, 1887. 3t.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Benjamin Snyder, dec'd, late of Upper Turkeyfoot Township, Somerset County.

Letters of administration on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned by the proper authority, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same will present them duly authenticated for settlement on Saturday, Nov. 26, 1887, at the late residence of dec'd.

JEREMIAH SNYDER,
Administrator.

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Resolutions of Respect.

To the officers and members of the Messiah Lutheran Sunday-school, of New Centreville, your committee appointed to draft resolutions on the death of Nettie A. Fontebe, a member of this Sunday-school, who died at her mother's residence in Centreville, on the 29th of August, 1887, submit the following report:

WHEREAS, In the mysterious providence of Almighty God, there has been removed by the hand of Death our sister Nettie A. Fontebe.

WHEREAS, In the sad and sudden close of her life, we mourn the departure of one who endeared herself to all, by her courtesy and friendly disposition.

Resolved, That though our hearts be saddened under a sense of our loss, we bow in humble submission to the will of "Him who doeth all things well," and that we recognize in this sad dispensation the warning voice of our Lord saying "Be ye also ready."

Resolved, That in the death of our Sister we further recognize the loss of one noble in conduct, a favorite in society, a christian in life and esteemed and honored by all who knew her.

Resolved, That we as a Sunday