The Somerset Herald.

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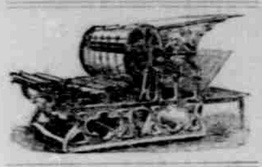

WEDNESDAY.....August 15, 1888.

Patronize those who advertise.

Two-thirds of the summer is gone.

Dog days will end on the 26th inst.

The farmers are busy with their oats.

Home grown vegetables are abundant.

Buy your drugs at Biesecker & Snyder's.

The corn crop will be good in this section.

New potatoes are plenty and cheap in this market.

Thin girls should drink a pint of sweet milk at bedtime.

Pure, sparkling, ice cold Soda Water at Biesecker & Snyder's.

Farmers don't observe the eight hour law, particularly in harvest.

Berries are plenty and the demand great at 5 and 6 cents per quart.

Betting in New York is now even as between Harrison and Cleveland.

S. J. McMillan, resident dentist. Office over Tredwell's store, South of Diamond, Somerset, Pa.

Celluloid Trusses guaranteed for a period of three years not to break or rust, at Biesecker & Snyder's.

All persons having accounts on my books will please call and settle at once.

J. B. Snyder.

McMillan's "Special Mixture," a first-class Tooth Powder for general use. Can be obtained at Dental Rooms, over Tredwell's Store.

Eye Glasses and Spectacles in all conceivable varieties and at all prices, of the celebrated "King" manufacturer, at Biesecker & Snyder's.

The Pennsylvania State Breeders' Association will hold its next annual meeting on the DuBois fair grounds the first week in September.

Horse and cattle may be protected against flies by wiping them all over with a sponge dipped in soapsuds in which a little carbolic acid has been mixed.

My books must be settled up before September 10th. All persons having accounts will please take notice.

J. B. Snyder.

Every Republican should see that he is registered. Don't wait until the last day and then forget it, but see to the matter personally and at once. That which is done quickly is well done.

A large black bear made its appearance in the town of Indiana on Tuesday of last week and after taking a view of the place, left without waiting for an introduction to the sporting men of the town.

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.

Holsinger Bros. & Parson.

The fire cleaned me out on May 16th. Three months have passed since. A few have called to settle their accounts, but only a few out of the many. Now, don't put it off any longer. I need the money.

J. B. Snyder.

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.

Rose Davis & Co.

The beautiful building the Odd Fellows are putting up is nearing completion. I wish to go into business again at the old stand, but can't do it without money, so please call and pay me the small amount you owe on my books. Many small accounts make one large one.

J. B. Snyder.

Dr. E. Lansford, V. S., Connellsville

Will be at Somerset the first Monday and Tuesday of each month, at the Somerset House, and will treat all diseases of horses, cattle, etc. Teeth dressed or extracted. Castration of Horses and Ridglings. Spavins and Ringbones successfully treated by actual cautery. All examinations free of charge. Come and see me.

E. Lansford, V. S.

Campmeeting Excursions.

The B. & O. Railroad will run special excursion trains to the campmeetings at Somerset and Stoystown on Sunday, August 19, and will sell excursion tickets at the following rates, from the stations named: Johnstown to Stoystown, 70c.; Bethel to Stoystown, 30c.; Johnstown to Somerset, $1.20; Bethel to Somerset, 70c.; Hooversville to Somerset, 50c.; Stoystown to Somerset, 40c. Mostoffers to Somerset, 30c.; Coleman to Somerset, 25c.; Friedsau to Somerset, 25c. Special train will leave Johnstown at 8 a. m. arriving at Stoystown at 9 a. m. and Somerset at 9:30 a. m. Returning, special train will leave Somerset at 7 p. m., arriving at Johnstown at 8:30 p. m.

W. W. Peeling, T. P. A.

Notice of Change of Borough Ordinance.

It is hereby agreed and ordered that Sec. 21 of the Ordinances of the Borough of Somerset, Somerset County, and State of Pennsylvania, be, and the same is, hereby repealed, and the following be, and the same is, hereby inserted instead thereof:

Section 21. Any person or persons, who shall ride or drive any horse or horses, more or slower, pulling or dragging, mule or mules, on any of the streets or alleys of the Borough at a faster gait than a slow trot, which shall be construed to mean, "and faster than a mile in ten minutes, or six miles an hour shall, on conviction thereof before the Burgess, pay a fine of not less than two dollars, nor more than ten dollars, and costs of suit all costs.

Enacted the 31 day of August, A. D. 1880.

Attest:—

A. C. Colborn, Clerk. A. C. Holsinger, Burgess.

For Sale Cheap.

A bargain for some one in need of a piano or organ. A high-priced Steinway & Sons' piano, in use only a few years, will be sold very cheap. A Mason & Hamlin organ costing $280, and never used, will be sold for less than half cost. For particulars, call at the Herald office.

Wanted!

Dealers and all to know we have a full line of rakes; both hand and self dump, which we offer at prices to suit the times. Agents wanted to sell the Walker Rakes. Address

W. F. Walker,
Somerset, Pa.

Every Thursday until August 30th excursion tickets, good for fifteen days, to Cincinnati, Ohio, can be purchased at two and one-third fare for the round trip. For further information apply to

W. W. Peeling, T. P. A.,
Somerset, Pa.

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. 100 cords wanted at once.

H. G. Cunningham.

Wanted for Cash.

One thousand tons of Rags, Bones and Scrap Iron, old Gum boots and shoes for which the highest cash price will be paid by

Caplis & Moore,
Johnstown Pa.

For Rent.

Comfortable offices on the first and second floors of the addition to Printing House Row. For particulars, inquire at this office.

Queensware and Glassware.

For this line of goods go to A. Benford & co, as they have the best line in town.

House grown roasting ears are in market.

Speak well of your own town.

Miss Daisy Jamison, of Piedmont, West Va., is the guest of Miss Emma Baer.

Mr. R. G. Colborn, of Frostburg, Md., is spending his vacation at the "Eagle's Nest."

Mr. J. G. Harvey, of Baltimore, is spending a few days in Somerset.

Hon. James L. Pugh returned from New York Saturday, where he had been in attendance at the Blaine reception.

Conklin's what a delightful place heaven is generally acknowledged to be, it is astonishing how unwilling people are to go there.

John D. Zimmerman, manager of the B. & O. express service in Pittsburgh, spent Sunday and Monday with friends in Somerset.

Increase of pension has been granted to Garrett Forespring, Meyersdale, Harrison Lohr, Forward, and George Sawyer, Dividing Ridge.

Dr. J. Johnson Patterson, eldest son of Dr. Robert H. Patterson, died very unexpectedly at the family residence in Stoystown Monday night.

A large party of young ladies, and a very few young gentlemen, indulged in a "hop" at the Somerset House Monday evening. The music was furnished by the home orchestra, who play dance music of a high order.

The Christian Church congregation worshipped in the Opera House Sunday morning and evening, and will continue to do so for several succeeding Sundays, while their church building is being thoroughly overhauled and repaired.

Our farmer friend, J. M. Bowman, of Somerset township, tells us that John Good threshed sixty dozen rye for him last week, from which he got eighty-six bushels of grain. Mr. Bowman would like to hear from other farmers in the county who's crop of rye equaled or excelled his.

The Presbyterian brethren and sisters seem to understand working the lawn fete racket to better advantage than their sister churches. They offered refreshments on the Court House lawn Friday and Saturday evenings, and succeeded in attracting large crowds on both occasions. A handsome sum was realized.

Since our last report marriage licenses have been issued to the following named persons:

Frank Wagner and Annie E. Hershberger, both of Elklick Township.

Jacob G. Jaynes and Minnie Belle Swarner, both of Addison Township.

George W. Smith and Ella E. Poorbaugh, both of Northampton Township.

James Powers and Annie Britt, both of Braddocks, Pa.

Daniel H. Marker and Minnie Pletcher, both of Jefferson Township.

In his "Studies of the Great West" for the Harpers, Mr. Charles Dudley Warner has swung around as far as Memphis and Little Rock, and the result of his observations will be found in *Harper's Magazine* for September. Mr. Warner finds that both these towns are fairly well advanced on the road to prosperity, notwithstanding their run-down-at-the-heel appearance, and he prophesies well for their future. Of Southern cities as they were before the war we have a plenty of information, but what Mr. Warner tells of these places in this year of grace is new and interesting. He takes a gentle whack at Hot Spring, Arkansas, and suggests a few improvements that every one who has visited there will commend.

Mr. Noah Scott, of Ursina, has sold 43 acres of the large tract of land formerly owned by the Pinkerton Lumber Company, in Lower Turkeyfoot Township, to a syndicate of Pittsburg capitalists, who propose erecting a large summer resort thereon. The land purchased lies along the east bank of the Youghiogheny river, and the proposed resort will be built on the high ground near the eastern approach of Pinkerton tunnel, from which one of the most pleasing views in Western Pennsylvania is to be had. Workmen are now engaged in remodeling the cottages formerly occupied by the lumber company's employes, and will have them completed in the course of a few weeks, when the owners, with their families, will occupy them during the pleasant fall weather.

"What time is it?" seems to be the most felicitous and applicable salutation among certain classes of our citizens whose eyes made their bargains one afternoon last week when a street "fakir" appeared in our midst and literally showered mammon among the natives. That he is a "slick one" remains unquestioned since it required but a few minutes to "humbooze" prominent and learned members of the legal profession, whose business in life is to defend and protect the guileless and unwary; others skilled in the arts, whose knowledge of anatomy failed to teach what they now know—that the hand is quicker than the eye; merchants, whose very business instructs them that it is a losing game every time to return the value of the goods—in cash—together with the purchase; churchmen, ever mindful of the admonition, "lay not up treasures upon earth," and who give one-tenth of their accumulations to the Lord, no matter how acquired; and many others from the humbler walks of life, but who carry "an itching palm" just the same. All were taken in, and may truthfully and mournfully exclaim, "Lo! there are flies on me." The sun of heaven smiled on the "fakir" and the "fakir" smiled on the assembled multitude with a smile that was "childlike and bland" from his carriage on the Frease & Casebeer corner. With a tongue tied in the middle and wagging at both ends he told his rapt hearers how he had been driven out of many towns, and that he fondly hoped to be chased out of Somerset by an infuriated populace; that his business was to sell watch chains without a guarantee, promising fifty dollars to the man who could detect a particle of gold in any one of them. He first wrapped a chain in a one-dollar bill and sold both for 75 cents; several of the same for 50 cents, and finally gave a quarter for a wooden toothpick. Then the clever "fakir" grasped a twenty dollar bill between his nimble fingers, skillfully wrapped it into a small wad, and made believe that he had placed it between the cases of a ponderous watch, which he held suspended from a chain before the eyes of his audience and asked, "who will give ten dollars for the lot?" "Do you mean the watch and all that's in it?" gasped a half-dozen eager spectators, who believed that the "fakir" had the vast surplus of the national government at his disposal, and was only too anxious to be rid of it. "That's what I said," came the reply. "All right, it's mine!" The oily tongue of the "fakir" kept steadily wagging and the ovations spectators elbowed their way as best they could through the eager throng to his carriage, where they thought they were getting one of "Uncle Sam's" twenties between the cases of a watch in exchange for a ten-dollar note. The excitement never lapsed for a moment, a handful of rings thrown indiscriminately among the crowd forbidding a comparison of time or notes and before one of the aged and daring purchasers could catch his breath to confide in a younger and more ardent dealer that "this thing ought not to be allowed," the "takir" had driven to the station and taken the south-bound train, with several hundred dollars of hard-earned Somerset money in his inside pocket, in exchange for a few pounds of worthless brass.

We will not attempt to portray the expression of bitter disappointment that stole over the faces of the hoodwinked buyers when the jaws of the timepieces were opened and revealed a one dollar note where all would have sworn a twenty had been placed.

One of our friends who has been known to jeopardize a nickle on a game of "old sledge" tells us that none of the people who find card-playing a harmless amusement were "taken in."

Reminiscences of the Campaign of 1840.

The following letter written by Mr. James Rodeley, brother of Dr. A. J. Rodeley of this place, to his cousin Dan. Easter, of Chicago, is taken from *Easter's Implement World* of a recent date:

Somerfield, Pa., July 14, '88.

Cousin Dan:

Your favor of the 8th inst. at hand and very greatly appreciated. I have tried to get some information about the ball and meeting in Cumberland, but can find no person that can give any satisfactory history. The old Whigs remember all about the campaign and the exciting meetings hereabouts, but of the Cumberland meeting they can give no particulars. The ball, however, they all remember. I have a very vivid recollection of that famous ball rolling on for "Tippecanoe and Tyler too." I was then living in Uniontown and was one of sixty who attended the ratification at Baltimore, May 4, 1840. I don't know whether you remember the log cabin we took with us from Uniontown to Baltimore, 200 miles. The cabin was substantially built, on the running gears of L. W. Stockton's coach and fully equipped and furnished in true log cabin style. It was drawn by six grey horses, by the National Road Stage Company, and we were one week on the road, having one of the jolliest trips on record. The party embraced Divinity, Law, Medicine and other non-professionals, as myself. The ball was one of the great features in the large procession in Baltimore. The honors were divided between the log cabin and rolling ball equally. The ball was made by Col. Tom Shriver, of Cumberland; you know the family; after it had done service at the Baltimore convention it was returned to Cumberland, where you saw it. If you recollect the ball was about ten feet in diameter, iron frame, I believe, and covered with red, white and blue material and so arranged by machinery that it could be rolled without any difficulty. I am sorry that I am not able to get all the information you wished, half a century makes sad changes, and the great majority of people who participated in the meetings and conventions of those days have passed away. I don't know one person who is yet living (excepting myself, who went from Uniontown, on that occasion, sad reflections, truly. I notice but few changes here, excepting people growing old and passing away. The mountains, river and mill present the same appearance as they did in our boyhood days, the old mill turns its lazy wheel, (with the aid of water,) as it did when you carried those three bushel bags of wheat up the stairs. I looked to see if the impression of your feet were there, but like other things they have passed away, though the steps are there, sure.

Yours Truly,

Jas. Rodeley.

Historical Society.

To the Editor:

In these Centennial times, when all around we hear of celebrations commemorative of the passage of one hundred years since the settlement of favorite localities, may I not inform the citizens of Somerset that we, too, are approaching a period when a centennial celebration will be in order. Meantime I wish to suggest that we organize an Historical Society, to collect and procure material valuable for local history.

Somerset County abounds with local history. The Turkeyfoot of Washington's day, where came the sturdy settlers before the "New Purchase" had become a fact or the Indian title extinguished. The Washington-Braddock road traverses the county for many miles; the Bard road, one of the earliest routes across the mountains; the famous Mason and Dixon line marks the Southern border of the county.

There is sufficient material afloat (much of which is in danger of being lost without such a society) to keep a Historical Society active for years.

Historical societies are among the most important and useful institutions of the country. They have been organized in almost every State, and in counties, districts, churches and colleges. Some have grown into great and controlling institutions, overshadowing literary, scientific and social organizations, are effecting more to collect and preserve historical material—records, and personal and local traditions, than state and municipal governments combined.

New York has a society comprising 5,000 members—leading citizens of city, state and county, which meets monthly, and makes the occasion one of pleasant interchange and social greeting, besides the ordinary business.

A National Historical Society, very comprehensive in its scope for usefulness has recently been organized.

The Chicago Historical Society boasts a large fund, (nearly $80,000,) contributed by a distinguished Pennsylvania, the late Henry D. Gilpin, of Philadelphia, formerly Attorney General of the United States.

Missouri, one of the sovereignties carved from the magnificent domain ceded by Virginia to the General Government, for her limitless territory in the great North-west, which is now celebrating with imposing pageant and with unlicensed oratory, its centennial, boasts one of the most active and successful Historical Societies in the Union. Pennsylvania, East and West, North, South, Central, presents successful Societies for the collection, promotion and study of historical material. Every county where intelligence prevails should have such a society. Somerset county especially merits such distinction. It due to the past, worthy of the present and demanded by the future, that such a Society should be organized and endowed for successful work. There are persons all over the county who could contribute valuable material, and there are earnest workers who would be glad to aid in promoting the good work.

Let the effort be made, let a call be circulated for initiating the movement at the next term of Court where representatives could be seen from all sections. The suggestion is kindly made to the presiding Judge, whom I know, takes a lively interest in such matters.

History is not a mere study of the dry details of past events; of prosaic dissertation on men and theories; but a truthful, careful collection of facts and incidents in the formation and development of State, community and individual. Heroic acts, noble achievements, ideas evolved, principles established, deeds accomplished—these are the theories which are woven of history.

The study of history is always interesting, always instructive. Its advantages cannot be fully estimated, or its rich results properly described. It advances and ennobles; awakens a love of country, and a higher appreciation of human greatness. The spirit of Achilles stirred the heart of many a warrior; and Cicero insures us he caught inspiration for the study of Latin and Grecian poetry and history.

Franklin ascribed his success to careful study of Cotton Mather's essays, and most of our best theorists and writers may trace their tastes to the cultivation derived from reading or associating with men of advanced thought and culture. Original theorists are the most ready to acknowledge up to history and a study of the past.

With these hurried suggestions and remarks I respectfully invite the friends of the proposed movement to take such action as will insure success.

W. Dell.

Fort View, August 8, 1888.

Constables to Be Paid.

Judge Albright of Lehigh county recently passed upon a question on which there has heretofore been no decision. The high license law of 1887 compels constables to visit all hotels and saloons in their respective limits and report any violations of the law. From the fact that no compensation was allowed for this work, the constables of Lehigh some time ago decided to make a test in the case of Reuben Semmel, constable of North Whitehall township, against the county of Lehigh to recover mileage and fees.

The case came up for argument, the constable being represented by C. L. Kline, and the county by James I. Schaed. The court decided that for the services imposed under the act the constable is entitled to 20 cents for each visit to a restaurant or hotel and mileage, the same as is allowed for serving summonses.

"Step in the Box."

The following named persons have been drawn to serve as Grand and Traverse jurors at the September Term of Court, beginning on the fourth Monday, and 26th day of said month:

GRAND JURORS.

Addison—Amos S. Jeffreys, John Hanna.
Allegheny—Ambrose Topper.
Black—Lewis Baker.
Brothersvalley—Solomon Bittner.
Elklick—John Lentz.
Greenville—Solomon Hensel.
Jefferson—Isaiah P. Crise, David Gardner.
Meyersdale Borough—Geo. W. Gastman, Noah Calvin, Albert Graves.
Milford—Joseph W. Meyers.
Paint—Samuel Weaver.
Quemahoning—John Stuft.
Salisbury Borough—Michael Direly.
Summit—Wm. Hersh.
Shade—Henry Johnson, W. E. Lohr.
Somerset Borough—Charles O. Parson.
Somerset—Herman L. Berkey, D. W. Saylor, M. J. Rhodes.
Stonycreek—Joseph M. Spangler.

TRAVERSE JURORS—FIRST WEEK.

Addison—Ross McClintock, Ephraim Livengood.
Berlin Borough—Zack Kimmell, Albert Direly.
Brothersvalley—P. U. Miller.
Conemaugh—Ephraim Swank, Christian Bear, Fred'k Krieg.
Elklick—Jerome Newman.
Greenville—Uriah S. Hochstetler, W. A. Arkley.
Jefferson—John H. Morrison.
Jenner—George A. Pile, Elias Helple, J. O. Hay.
Lower Turkeyfoot—Joseph Kregar, Z. T. Tannehill.
Larimer—Christian Makeymier.
Meyersdale Borough—John Graves, J. T. Shipley.
Milford—Jesse Hoover.
Northampton—S. P. Poorbaugh.
New Baltimore Borough—Peter Weimer, Henry Wolfhope.
Ogle—M. F. Allison.
Paint—Samuel Foust, Dan'l R. Brubaker, David J. Berkey.
Rockwood Borough—M. H. Snyder, Chas. Benford
Shade—John Geiger, Tobias Grove.
Somerset Borough—Harry C. Beerits, D. Trent.
Somerset—Wesley Miller, Lorenzo Geisler, George A. Thompson, Norman B. Penrod, Jonathan Barkley, Daniel Keefer, John J. Darr.
Southampton—Jesse J. Cook.
Stonycreek—Alexander Walker.
Stoystown Borough—Lewis Horner.
Summit—Elias Fike.
Upper Turkeyfoot—Irvin W. Sullivan.
Ursina Borough—James Allright, Sr.
Wellersburg Borough—Michael Long, Eli Uhl.

TRAVERSE JURORS—SECOND WEEK.

Addison—Jeremiah Silbaugh.
Allegheny—W. H. Hillegas, L. F. Dom.
Black—M. D. Humbert.
Berlin Borough—C. A. Brubaker.
Brothersvalley—Elias Colber, John Altaffer, Ephraim Bager, Henry H. Stahl, Simon P. Fritz.
Jefferson—John H. Schrock, Wesley Miller.
Larimer—Conrad Felker.
Lower Turkeyfoot—John S. Kregar.
Meyersdale Borough—Charles A. Griffith.
Northampton—Lewis C. Flickinger.
New Baltimore Borough—Henry Englebert.
Paint—Josiah Custer.
Quemahoning—Wm. H. Miller, Jeremiah Swarts.
Rockwood Borough—Henry W. Weimer, Zack Snyder, John A. Phillippi.
Salisbury Borough—Alfred Wagner.
Shade—Peter Cook, William Oldham, S. Fair, David Manges.
Somerset—Wm. H. Stahl, Wm. A. Miller, Josiah Horner, Edward Keller, H. H. Flick, Jacob Bowman, Eli P. Adams.
Stoystown Borough—D. L. Witt.
Summit—Daniel M. Saylor, Simon H Maretney.

Kuhn Items.

Mr. P. Moore has built a large addition to his barn.

It seems that Kuhn will vegetate the South Penn to the contrary notwithstanding.

Harvest, with the exception of oats (and huckleberries) are among the things of the past.

Still they come. John Moore has put on an extra turkey gobbler strut—another fine boy.

Kuhn's population was increased by two on the 3d—a fair-haired lass and a bouncing boy. They are visitors at Shanlis's and Wright's.

George Childs has contracted with Messrs. Shanlis and Diehl for fifty acres of timber. They intend putting in a steam saw mill at an early date.

D. Meyers and J. F. Moore, professors in vocal music, seem to have a backward tendency with their school. Singing is at a discount in Kuhn.

Rev. Eli Knepp is an indefatigable laborer in this part of the Lord's vineyard. On the 5th inst another sheep was added to the fold by immersion and the hand of fellowship.

We seldom drop into print, being very remote from "Centre field," but an "Occasional" from this neck of timber will show that we still exist, and being in juxtaposition to the South Penn, we may vegetate.

What woman and mother could turn out at night two innocent baby orphans, is a query that should not exist, yet we are sorry to say that such a female lives in this very township. Satan don't run his business at a dead loss with some people.

A little girl on Laurel Hill had a narrow escape last week from a horrible death. Her father and a neighbor were sitting on the fence when the little one approached them, barefooted, to be lifted up beside them, when she stepped on the head of a rattlesnake. Her father noticed it, and taking in the situation at a glance, he told her not to move, and hastily lifted her to his side before his snakeship could strike. When the little one was beyond danger the snake was killed by Mr. Warner.

Coon.

Kuhn, Pa., Aug. 7, 1888.

Sheridan's Story of Sheridan's Ride.

Colonel Robert E. Hill, of Boston, has an autograph letter, in which Gen'l. Sheridan wrote as follows:

My black horse Winchester was saddled, as well as the horses of my staff officers, and we started about 8 o'clock, passing through the main street of Winchester. On reaching the southern suburbs of the town the sound of artillery indicated a battle too unmistakably. We walked leisurely until we reached Mill Creek, half a mile or so from the town, trying to determine by the sound whether the firing was coming toward us or receding and after crossing Mill Creek and rising a little bluff on the south side, we saw the heads of the troops retreating, coming rapidly to the rear. I at once ordered a halt, directed that the train be stopped and parked at Mill Creek, and sent orders that the brigade in garrison at Winchester be stretched across the country and all stragglers stopped. Then, taking twenty men from the escort, I rode rapidly on, as nearly parallel to the valley pike as the crowd of stragglers would permit, until I struck Getty's division of the Sixth corps, three-quarters of a mile north of Middletown, reaching there a little before 10 o'clock a. m. I rode my black horse Winchester until just before the final attack at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, when I changed to my gray horse, which I rode until the battle was over. * * * The black horse Winchester died on October 2, 1878, and is set up on exhibition at the Military Institute, Governor's Island. The gray horse was burned up in the Chicago fire, on the 9th of October, 1871.

I went through the fire and am still on my feet, and if you will call and pay the little account you owe me, I will go into business again in the beautiful room the Odd Fellows are building.

J. B. Snyder.

Shanksville Chips.

Farmers are through haying and harvesting, they are now busy at their oats.

Our host of the Shanksville House, has added to his stabbling, a large additions for the accomodation of his increasing patronage.

Abraham Wilson, has broken ground, on one of his lots, on which he intends erecting a fine dwelling.

At the Y. W. C. T. U. held on Tuesday evening, there were added 15 new members. With more to follow they now number 30 members.

J. J. Walker, our enterprising farmer harvested with his Osborne binder 1821 shocks of wheat of 10 sheaves each. It was said by parties from the west, that his wheat fields were the finest they had seen in all their travels, his large and commodious barn 130 feet in length being too small, he had the steamer to thrash 353 bushels of his wheat to give room for his later crops. There was hauled from his barn on day of threshing 61 loads of straw; he also has about completed, in town a very fine and commodious dwelling house for his son-in-law, who is is one of our most progressive farmers.

Scribbler.

A Call.

Sixth Annual Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Somerset county.

Headquarters Somerset county W. C. T. U. Somerset, Pa., Aug. 13.

The sixth Annual Convention of the Woman's Chritian Temperance Union of Somerset county will meet at Rockwood September 5, 6, 7, 1888.

Local unions are urged to send full quotas of delegates.

This year is fraught with gravest interest to our organization, as well as the homes of Somerset county, and it is meet that we earnestly counsel together. So deeply do we feel the need of harmony and sympathy between the Home forces that we cordially invite all organizations having for their object, the destruction of the Liquor Traffic to send fraternal delegates. And lest this may exclude some earnest friends whose cooperation we desire and need, we open wide our doors, and ask such friends living in communities without these organizations, but who wish to aid us in our struggle against the legalized saloons, to call an informal meeting and send representatives to sit in counsel with us.

In behalf of the Rockwood Union, which will provide entertainment, we urge you to send in promptly the names of all delegates and visitors to Mrs. Growall, Rockwood.

President.

A Perry County Snake Story.

The New Bloomfield, (Pa.) *Times* is responsible for the following: John Hippie, residing in Fishing Creek Valley, lay down under a tree for a rest on Tuesday of last week, and soon fell asleep. He was awakened by a feeling of suffocation and a terrible gripping at his waist. He succeeded in reaching home, telling his wife that he never felt such queer sensations in his life, and then laid on the lounge while his wife loosened his pants and prepared to bathe his stomach with a hot liniment. When the pants were unbuttoned at the waist she was horrified to see a large black snake crawl out, and the suffocating feeling speedily left. John eagerly aided his wife in killing the reptile. It had evidently crawled up the pants leg as the man was asleep, and had coiled itself tightly around his body. John will hereafter tie a string around the bottom of his pantaloons when he sleeps in the field.

To Dispose of Counterfeit Notes.

The treasury department has issued a circular to bankers saying that complaints have been received of the alleged indisposition on the part of bank officers to brand counterfeit notes coming in to their possession in the course of business, and calling attention to the requirements of the law on the subject. The circular says "The surest way to prevent a re-issue of counterfeit notes is by branding or cutting thereon either of the following words: 'Counterfeit,' 'Altered,' 'Worthless,' 'Bad.' If by inadvertence a genuine note should be thus branded or cut no loss accrues to the person performing the act, every national bank being compelled to redeem its issue."

Sure Death.

A farmer who has successfully tried it gives this recipe for a solution that will destroy the potato bug: Take three pounds of lime, slack, and add six to eight gallons of water, and a teaspoonful of concentrated lye. Mix all together and apply to the vines with a common sprinkler. It will work like a charm, one or two applications ridding the patch of the beetles and larva. This is a cheap and safe remedy, and if effectual must be far preferable to Paris green or London purple.

Notice for Coal and Janitors.

The School Board of Somerset Borough School District will receive sealed proposals for the furnishing of good rough coal per bushel for the two school houses for the ensuing winter. They will also receive sealed proposals for making the fires, and sweeping the rooms and halls, and the general care of the buildings and grounds. Proposals will be received by the Secretary up until August 24, 1888.

By order of the Board.

L. C. Colborn, Secretary.

From the ex-President of the N. Y. State Senate.

State of New York, Senate Chamber, Albany, March 11, 1886.

I have used Allcock's Porous Plasters in my family for the past five years, and can truthfully say they are a valuable remedy and effect great cures. I would not be without them. I have in several instances given some to friends suffering with weak and lame backs, and they have invariably afforded certain and speedy relief. They cannot be too highly commended.

Ebenezr L. Pitts.

A Card.

We desire to return our sincere thanks to the ladies of other denominations; to the lady guests of the "Parker House" and "Somerset House," for contributions and assistance, and to the community in general for their patronage during the late "Lawn Fete" of the Presbyterian Church. To Mr. Wm. W. Pickling, of the B. & O. R. R., we are under special obligations.

Lady Managers.

Practical Education.

The Rochester Business University appears in this issue with a new advertisement which we commend to those young men and young women who contemplate pursuing a commercial course, or who wish knowledge that will materially promote their interests. The new catalogue mentioned in the advertisement is an elegant book, setting forth the claims of an excellent school in a very pleasing manner.

"As a matter of sweet experience," writes a gentleman to the New York *World*, "let me say that a touch of oil of tar on the skin of my nine-year-old boy has kept mosquitoes from molesting him. Before he was bitten hundreds of times every night, and every bite made a lump. The smell is liked by all, I believe. Take an empty four-ounce bottle to any drug store, and for five cents enough will be procured to last a family of five a whole season." This is a cheap and simple remedy, and should be tried.

I have always claimed patience as one of my virtues, but it is being severely tried by parties owing me book accounts, and not calling to settle. Now, I need the money. Don't put me off any longer.

J. B. Snyder.

Good health is one of the greatest of boons and a barrel of lime may preserve the health of a whole neighborhood.

Found at Last.

That A. Benford & Son is the only firm in town that sells nine cakes of Grip Soap for 25 cents.

The district over which the late John H. Dibert presided as Masonic District Deputy Grand Master has been divided, Blair and Cambria forming one and Bedford and Huntingdon the other. Col. John P. Linton has been appointed Deputy Grand Master of the former, and Alexander Elliott, Esq., of Huntingdon, of the latter.

There will be a Sunday-school picnic and harvest home at the grove near Pine's Church, in Milford township, on Saturday, August 25th, 1888, to which the public is cordially invited. This is one of the finest natural parks in the county, with an abundance of fresh, cold water. There will be refreshments and horse feed on the ground. Several prominent ministers will be present and address the audience.

By Order of the Committee.

Cure for Cholera Infantum.

The following cure for this dreadful disease was given me by my family physician, Dr. I. J. Meals (now dead), of Mill Creek, Pa., in 1873. Since his death in 1874 I have recommended and published it widely in order to save children from an early death:

Saturate flannel with alcohol: cover the child from the breast down over the bowels: if child is small warm the alcohol; soon after this application is put on the child will go to sleep, from which it should not be disturbed; when it awakens give it light food. I could procure scores of certificates where children have been cured with this simple remedy when able physicians said they must die, but as this cure is so simple, not costly, and free, they are not necessary.

M. L. Rex.
Mapleton Depot, Pa.

State Prohibitionists.

Harrisburg, Pa., August 9.—The Executive Committee of the Prohibition State Committee met here this afternoon. About ten members were present. The object was to name a candidate for Auditor General and arrange campaign matters. After some discussion Captain M. S. Marquis, of New Castle, Lawrence county, was unanimously nominated for Auditor General, and he was notified by telegraph. It is not known whether or not Captain Marquis will accept, but the committee decided to risk it, knowing his devotion to the cause.

It was decided to open headquarters in Philadelphia about September 1. A. A. Stevens, of Blair, was elected Vice-Chairman, to act with Chairman Barker during the campaign. It was announced in committee and for the first time made public that the National Prohibition headquarters will be removed from Chicago to New York at an early date.

Twelve tents have been secured, which will be removed from county to county during the campaign, and among the prominent speakers already engaged are Gov. St. John, General Fisk, Rev. Mr. Brooks and National Chairman Dickey.

Fight With a Big Snake.

Lancaster, Ohio, August 8.—On Wednesday evening, a well known farmer of Rush Creek township, near Bremen, went to a blackberry patch some hundred yards distant, to gather a basket of the fruit. He had scarcely picked a dozen berries when a hideous reptile sprang at him. Meyers shook the reptile from him time and again, but finally it succeeded in coiling around his arm with crushing power. Meyers, growing faint, and realizing the desperate situation, seized a fence rail and struck his snakeship a stunning blow on the head, when it recoiled and fell to the ground apparently unhurt, but did not renew the fight. Meyers started for the house with his arm terribly swollen, but became deathly sick and fell unconscious in the barnyard, where he was soon found by his family. Mr. Meyers is certain the monster was ten feet long and sixteen inches in circumference. A hunting party is being organized to follow the trail and kill the reptile.

A Horrible Accident.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., August 9.—To-day Joseph Richards, fourteen years old, was driving a mule in the Murray slaft here. A train of five loaded cars ran away and struck the boy with such force that his head was driven entirely into the mule's abdomen. His shoulder was broken and he was otherwise injured. When the horrified miners discovered the boy's terrible condition they endeavored to extricate him, and found the united strength of two men necessary. The boy's head penetrated the stomach of the mule. The boy was taken home for dead, but revived somewhat, though his skull is fractured and he will probably die. The mule died almost immediately after the accident.

Gray After White Caps.

Indianapolis, Ind., 10.—Gov. Gray again stated yesterday that he would do all in his power to suppress the White Cap outrages, and that the attorney general had signified his willingness to go into the counties where depredations were being committed and aid the prosecution.

"It is a hard matter," said the governor, "to bring them to justice, because no one will testify in the case. I have no doubt many have been before the grand jury having full knowledge of offenders, but dare not give information for fear of their personal safety. The White Caps, for the most part, are men of good standing in the communities where they live, and those who are brute's mostly deserving punishment at the hands of the law, but do not get it. However, I shall do everything that can be done to bring the perpetrators of these outrages to justice."

Dropped His Booty.

Jefferson City, Mo., August 9.—It has been learned here that a bold mail robbery was committed on the Missouri Pacific road between this city and St. Louis, August 4, in which over $17,000 was stolen, of which $5,000 was from the State Treasury.

The discovery of the crime was accidental. Two farmers near Washington, Mo., were approaching a suspicious looking man on the highway when he became frightened, and, in attempting to flee, dropped a large package. The farmers secured it and at once discovered that it was plunder from a mail robbery. They turned it over to the postmaster, who notified the postal authorities, and a secret service agent from St. Louis is now endeavoring to trace the robbers.

Proposals of Peace in Kansas.

Topeka, Kas., Aug. 9.—Everything is reported quiet in Stevens county, the bitterness and excitement seems to be dying out, and it is thought the Sheriff will be able to preserve the peace. A convention was held at Hugoton, and a committe of five appointed to extend peace offerings to the Woodsdale people are in favor of peace. It is thought as soon as the fire-eaters on both sides can be squelched everything will go along peacefully again.

Attacked by a Cow.

Washington C. H., Ohio, August 9.—While the wife of James Stoughton, a farmer, living near the camp ground west of town, this afternoon was leading a cow by a rope, the animal became infuriated and turned upon her. The helpless woman was thrown to the ground and fearfully gored and trampled. The injuries to her chest are so serious that she may die. She is about thirty-five years of age.

Slaughter of Infected Cattle.

New York, Aug. 9.—At the dairy farm of E. Hill, in West Chester county, about fifty cattle infected with pleuro-pneumonia are being killed daily.

MARRIED.

DURST—YOMMER.—On Tuesday evening, August 7, 1888, at the Lutheran parsonage in Salisbury, by Rev. Orias F. Harshman, Mr. Silas W. Durst, of Elklick Township, to Miss Elizabeth Yommer, of near Grantsville, Md.

DIED.

SNYDER.—At Rockwood, on Thursday, August 9, 1888, Mrs. Susan Snyder, aged 70 years.

Notice to Citizens of Somerset.

Numerous complaints having been made to me of destruction of property and annoyance to citizens caused by cows running at large at night. Notice is hereby given that Section 2(k) of the Borough Ordinances will hereafter be rigidly enforced, and the night policeman is hereby instructed to enforce the same.

Section 2(k) Borough Ordinances—No cow shall be permitted to run at large within the Borough between the hours of 8 p. m. & 5 a. m. during the months of May, June, July August, September and October of each year. Any person so offending or doing shall pay a fine of not exceeding one dollar, and it is hereby made the duty of the High Constable to impound such animals found running at large, and make sale thereof according to the provisions of section 20.

A. C. Holsinger, Burgess.
Somerset Pa., July 24, 1888.

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