The Somerset Herald.

GEORGE R. SCULL, Editor.

WEDNESDAY.....August 5, 1891.

Women Huns do farm work near Uniontown.

Musical instruments at Snyder's drug store.

An Irishman wrestled with a bear at Altoona and was knocked out.

Solid comfort rockers (big enough for two), at Devlin's next to Mansion House.

The date fixed for holding the annual Bedford county Fair is September 22nd, 23rd 24th and 25th.

For a good stove, and warranted, go to J B. Holderbaum's Hardware Store, Somerset, Pa.

Sausage or fresh pork may be kept sweet and nice in summer by frying it as if for immediate use and packing it in large jars in lard.

The finest line of pictures and mouldings in Somerset at Pritts & Kantner's Book Store.

The Census Office in Washington last week dismissed 900 more clerks, and on the 15th proximo will let 400 go in addition to the 1000 recently dropped for lack of work.

Cradles, single and double, all sizes, color and shapes. Yes, Devlin's for them, 215 Broad st., Johnstown.

Seventy-four agricultural societies will hold fairs in Pennsylvania this fall. Crawford county has four live organizations of this kind—more than any other county in the state.

Agent for Hammond Type-writer. A good chance for an active man. Address Thomas F. Hammond, 116 south 6th St. Philadelphia.

The grave of Barbara Freitchie in the German Reformed church cemetery, near Frederick, Md., is marked simply with a headstone bearing her name, age and "1862." There is a tangle of briers and creeping vines running wild over the mound. She was born in Lancaster.

Farming, grazing, mineral or timber lands for sale cheap, in the booming state of W. Va. Special inducements to those desiring homes. Write what you want.

DUNCAN MCREA, Real Estate Agt.
Kingwood, W. Va.

Indiana, Pa., is preparing for a big soldiers reunion, August 27th. The following regiments have accepted an invitation to be present: The 11th and 12th Pennsylvania Reserves, the 55th, 56th, 61st, 67th, 74th, 78th, 105th, 135th, 140th, 206th, and the 19th Pennsylvania Cavalry.

Dr. Curwin, of Warren, and Hon. John M. Reynolds, of Bedford, members of the Committee appointed by Governor Pattison to locate a place for the Insane Asylum to be erected soon, were in consultation with the Governor Thursday. Among other places Bedford was considered. Its health-giving waters, excellent climate, and geographical location, it is claimed, make it a place well suited for the institution. Enough ground, well located, lies near the springs.

There is nothing that equals fresh buttermilk for removing tan, freckles, sunburn or moth spots says *The Ladies' Home Journal*. It has the great advantage that it does not injure the skin, but renders it soft. Use a cloth or sponge and bathe the face, neck and arms thoroughly with buttermilk before retiring for the night; then wipe of the drops lightly. In the morning wash it thoroughly and wipe dry with a crash towel. Two or three such baths will take off all the tan and freckles. It will keep the hands soft and smooth.

Franklin College, New Athens, O., is thorough, cheap, convenient. Catalogues sent free.

Martha Frick, daughter of H. C. Frick, Andrew Carnegie's millionaire partner, died at Cresson, Wednesday last, aged 6 years. In 1887, while in Paris, the little girl swallowed a pin. Over two years afterward she began to suffer pains in the side. An abscess formed and the pin was discharged. The effects of its long lodgment were fatal, however, as ever since the child has been wasting away from an incurable disease. The case was of such a peculiar character that it baffled the best medical skill obtainable, and the child died after extreme suffering for two years.

The grasshoppers has put in an appearance in Western Pennsylvania, after an absence of many years, and is doing business in a manner that threatens to seriously damage the farmers. Thus far the hoppers have confined their depredations to the oats and grass crops. They do not eat the grain entirely, but cut the stock and leave it to perish. A German township farmer says they cut off 25 bushels of oats from a small field. It is thought that the late sudden and severe rain storms have merely delayed the attack upon the grain, and that it will suffer later on. A Tyrone township farmer says one-third of his oats crop has been cut off by the pests, and that a great deal of his grass has been destroyed by them.—*Connellsville Courier.*

Sidney Brooks, who holds the title of the champion lock-picker of the country, is under arrest in Pittsburgh for stealing a suit of clothes. Brooks was born in Uniontown, Pa., 41 years ago and became an expert railroad engineer. He became known in almost every city in the United States. He spent several weeks in Somerset, about five years ago introducing this lock and incidently teaching two or three bad boys how to pick locks with tooth picks. He became general agent for the inventor of a burglar proof door and window lock. He next gave public exhibitions of his skill as a picker of locks. He could do the work with wooden toothpicks. His street lectures were followed by numerous small robberies. It was thought that Brooks' lectures had given the hard characters a clew to use in opening locks without keys. Suspicion never rested on Brooks himself at the time. During six years he earned $75,000 by selling the invention. He has spent it all.

The occurrence which led to the trial by court-martial of Captain Armes created considerable comment at the time it took place. Captain Armes, at the time of the inauguration of President Harrison, was a retired army officer living in Washington. On inauguration day Captain Armes received some fancied grievance from some Pennsylvania officials. A few evenings afterward he met Governor Beaver in the lobby of a hotel and publicly insulted him, even going so far as to pull his nose. Catain Armes was tried by court-martial for conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman, was found guilty, and sentenced to dismissal from the army. The President subsequently commuted this sentence and ordered that Captain Armes be restricted within a limit of fifty miles of the District of Columbia for a period of three years. Upon recommendation of the Secretary of War, the President has now commuted this sentence, and Captain Armes in the future can go where he pleases.

A certain young woman of near Greensburg ran away from home some time ago, and although searched for far and wide, she could not be found. About the same time a young man, rather delicate looking, made his appearance at a farm house about ten miles from the girl's home and applied for work, saying he could do any kind of farm work. The farmer hired him and he proved to be an excellent worker. Things were running along smoothly until one evening the young man engaged in a game of ball with other young fellows, and in running to catch a ball, in the excitement of the play, he stumbled and fell, cutting his head on a stone. He was carried into the house and a physician summoned, who in the performance of his duties discovered that the farm hand was a woman. The farmer and his family were astonished at the revelation, but their astonishment was increased when they discovered that she was none other than the young woman who had run away from home, an account of which they had read. The woman was sent home and is now married.—*Greensburg Press.*

Mrs. Charles Gebhart, of Dayton, Ohio, is at the Somerset House.

D. J. Horner has gone to Detroit, Michigan, to attend the G. A. R. National Encampment.

A bright, sunny day will attract thousands of people to the Lutheran reunion at Friedens, on the 6th.

Thousands of bushels of cherries have been permitted to rot on the trees in this county for want of a market.

Rev. A. H. Spangler and wife, of Port Royal, Juniata county, are the guests of Mrs. Spangler's sister, Mrs. J. H. Pisel.

Mr. Curtis Kooser, of the U. S. Express Company's clerical force, Pittsburgh, is spending his vacation at his home in this place.

Miss Florence Wilson, one of Wheeling, West Virginia's, interesting young ladies, is visiting her school friend, Miss Louise Scull.

The Somerset club have accepted an invitation from the Berlin club to play a series of three games of lawn tennis. The dates for the games have not yet been fixed

The Misses Laura and Maud Hileman, daughters of Register and Recorder A. J. Hileman, left Friday for a three weeks' visit to friends in Confluence and Addison.

Rev. Henry Wirgman, of the Methodist church, and his family, left Saturday morning for a month's visit to the home of Mr. Wirgman's parents, Romney, West Va.

Congressman Scull left for Pittsburgh, Monday, where he will join his brother, S. F. Scull, in a trip to St. Clair Springs, Michigan. He will be absent about two weeks.

The Democrats of Bedford county, nominated Hon. John M. Reynolds for President Judge and Hon. E. F. Kerr for delegate to the proposed constitutional convention at their primary election Saturday.

C. W. Knight, Esq., of the Ft. Stannix Engineering company, of Rome, New York, has been in town for several days investigating the surrounding country with a view to introducing a water supply into Somerset.

Daniel Rauch, of Jenner Cross Roads, a brother of Dr. Rauch, is stopping in this city for a few days, after which he will leave for Rock Falls, Illinois, where his brother, H. M., is practicing medicine.—*Johnstown Herald.*

Rev. L. R. Beacom, of Sharpsburg, Pa., is spending a few weeks with friends in this place. Sunday morning he preached a highly entertaining sermon in the M. E. church. He will preach in the same church next Sunday.

Rev. T. Bach, Presiding Elder of the Evangelical Association for this district, paid the HERALD office a brief call Monday morning. He was returning to his home in Rockwood from the grove meeting at Pleasant Hill, Sunday.

The B. & O. Railroad advertise another cheap excursion to Pittsburgh, for Thursday of this week. The round trip fare from Somerset, including admission to the great exhibition of Paine's "Last Days of Pompeii," is $2.70.

MRS. George C. Lichty and her daughter, Lillie, returned to their home in Somerset township, Friday, after a six week's visit to relatives in Waterloo, Iowa. They found their friends all well and happy, and had a very enjoyable visit.

Deputy-collector of Internal Revenue, A. P. Johns, of Uniontown, is in town to-day. The number of deputies in this district has been curtailed and Somerset county has been added to the sub-district composed of Greene and Fayette counties.

The County Prohibition Convention, in session at Rockwood, Saturday, nominated Wm. M. Price, of Pittsburgh, for President Judge of this district. We have been unable to learn the names of the gentlemen nominated for county officers—if any were nominated.

It is reported that Mr. F. A. Benford has secured a lease of the Cambria Club House, Johnstown, and will conduct it as a hotel. Mr. Benford is known to the traveling public as the manager of the Hulbert House, the best conducted hotel that city ever had prior to the flood.

Dr. Foutch, of Rockwood, is recognized as the champion bass fisher of the Casselman. The doctor puts in a great deal of his time, when not occupied with professional duties, with rod and reel, and always succeeds in catching enough fish to supply the tables of himself and friends.

Somerset is the only one of the eighteen counties in the Internal Revenue district that will recive any benefit from the bounty on maple sugar. Over four hundred farmers in this county have made application for license. Not a single application has been made from any of the other counties in the district.

About 7 o'clock Friday evening burglars entered the house of a man named Yoder, living in Conemaugh township, Somerset county. The watch-dog began barking furiously, and the parties hastily skipped. Access was gained through an open window. Nothing of value was taken. —*Johnstown Herald.*

According to promise the Meyersdale *Commercial* put in an appearance last week. Brother Smith has had a full share of the ups and downs of journalism, and while not exactly on the high tide of success at present, promises "to make the coming fourteen volumes superior in every respect to the original series."

The heaviest hail storm known in these parts for a great many years, visited the northern end of Somerset township, Thursday. The hail stones were large as birds' eggs and fell with sufficient force to penetrate leaves and cut them from the trees by thousands. John P. Rhoads is reported to have gathered up enough hail stones to churn ice cream.

One of the prettiest and most successful dances enjoyed by our young people in a long while was given at the Somerset House Friday evening. Music was furnished by the Royal Italians and refreshments were supplied from Baltimore. Guests were present from New York, Baltimore, Pittsburgh, Wheeling, Connellsville, Uniontown and Meyersdale.

Hon. Charles Hunsecker, one of the leading members of the Montgomery county bar, and his wife, arrived in town last Saturday evening from Bedford, where they had been stopping for several weeks at the Springs Hotel. They will remain in Somerset for a few days, the guests of Mrs. Hunsecker's sister, Mrs. H. L. Baer, before returning to their home in Norristown.

Farmer Christ Miller, who lives just west of town, met with painful accident Wednesday. While attempting to climb up the front ladder of his hay wagon the ladder broke, precipitating him to the ground, breaking his collar bone, and also inflicting several slighter injuries. His physician, Dr. Louther, says he is getting along very nicely and will be able to be about again in a few weeks.

Messrs. Smith & Robinson, Johnstown architects, have been entrusted with the preparation of the plans for the Markleton Sanitarium, mention of which was made in these columns several weeks ago. The main building is to have a frontage of four hundred feet, a depth of from 40 to 60 feet, and a height of three stories. The cost is to be $50,000. In the basement will be a gymnasium, laundry, hot water boilers, etc. There are to be accommodations for 125 patients. A complete system of fresh water, Turkish and electric baths will be a feature of the institution.

Knights of the Golden Eagle are hard at work preparing for the Annual Reunion to be held at this place on the 28th, and from the encouraging reports already received from other counties are led to believe that the largest crowd ever assembled in Somerset will be attracted here on that day.

Thursday morning the second consignment of children sent out by the New York *Tribune* "Fresh Air Fund" arrived in Salisbury, where they will spend two pleasant weeks with the good people of that village, and who will show the little city children a royal good time. The Rev. Evans, of that place, has them in his charge, and will see that they enjoy themselves while in the country. The first consignment left for their city homes Monday.

The first annual reunion of the Reformed church of Somerset county, will be held at Rockwood on Thursday, August 20th. Representatives from every church in the county are expected to be present. An interesting program will be provided. Special excursion trains will be run from Cumberland, Connellsville and Johnstown. Returning, trains will leave Rockwood for Connellsville at 4:12 p. m., Cumberland at 3:25 p., and Johnstown at 5.30 p. m.

Professor E. Cliff. Heffley, formerly of Berlin, this county, but now of Pittsburgh, has been appointed Director of the Musical Department of Grove City College, that city, at a salary of $3,000. Mr. Heffley has accepted the position and will enter upon his work at the opening of the fall term—August 15th. The *Commercial* says he is well known in musical circles as a musician of rare attainments and a teacher with few equals in the art of music. The college people are highly pleased over securing such able talent.

J. J. Hoblitzell, Esq., and Judge Baer returned on Sunday from a Southern trip. The route lay through West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee and Virginia. One purpose of the visit was to inspect a tract of 100,000 acres of coal and timber lands, which is in the hands of Mr. Hoblitzell for sale. The timber is exceedingly valuable and the coal equal to the best coking coal anywhere. There is an immense body of it, at a workable depth of eight or ten feet. The party rode into the mines on horseback. Judge Baer was much pleased with the trip, which he greatly enjoyed, as well as with the novel customs and habits of the people.—*Meyersdale Register.*

The 15-year-old son of Josiah Zerfoss, of Somerset township, had a narrow escape from a horrible death Monday morning. The boy and his father went to the farm of a neighbor, Jonas Stutzman, to do some mowing, and the boy was engaged driving the machine, when the mower came in contact with a stump and threw him on to the blades. The horses became frightened and started to run, dragging the unfortunate youth before the sharp teeth of the scythe. He would certainly have been mangled had it not been for the prompt arrival of his father, who ran in front of the horses and succeeded in stopping them. When the boy was released from his perilous position his clothes were torn in shreds, and the fore-finger of his right hand, which had been caught between the sharp blades of the scythe, was hanging only by the skin. He was brought to town, where his wound was dressed by Dr. P. F. Shaffer.

Lincoln township is troubled with a gang of thieves who confine their operations to hours when people are away from home attending church. Last Sunday evening, while the family of Ben Miller were attending church at Casebeer's, there home was entered and robbed of $20 belonging to Mr. Miller, and a considerable amount belonging to his mother-in-law, Mrs. Bowman, who makes her home with him. Mr. Miller is treasurer of the church, and fortunately had most of the church money, together with his own, in his pocket. On the same day Geo. Gohn's house was robbed of a lot of bread, pies and cakes while the family were absent at church, at Lichty's.

Two Sundays before, the house of Sol Baker was entered while the family were at church and over $200 was stolen. On the same Sunday Eli Berkey, who is the collector of school taxes for Lincoln township, and who makes his home with his brother Abram, surprised thieves while they were attempting to force their way into the house and frightened them away. There is no doubt that all of these robberies were perpetrated by the same gang and that they are residents of that neighborhood. Suspicion rests upon several "tough" young men and they are likely to be brought up with a short turn.

To be Taken With a Pinch of Salt.

A *Gazette* reporter interviewed Judge Baer on Wednesday as to whether he intended being a candidate for re-election. His Honor said that under no consideration would he be a candidate for re-election, and that he did not think there was anything that could induce him to stand for re-election. Judge Baer said that he intended returning to the practice of the law.—*Bedford Gazette.*

An Office for the County Superintendent.

The following is an exact copy of the act of the last legislature making it the duty of the county commissioners to furnish office and storage rooms for the use of the county superintendent of schools:

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Pennsylvania met, and it is hereby enacted by the same,* That from and after the passage of this act it shall be the duty of the county commissioners in each county in this Commonwealth, and they are hereby authorized and required to provide, furnish and maintain and fit suitable office rooms, at the respective county seats of said counties, for the use of County Superintendents of Schools in all the counties of the commonwealth, and the said County Commissioners shall also provide, furnish and maintain safe and suitable storage, in connection with such office room for the preservation and safe keeping of the school records, books and documents pertaining to such offices.

SEC. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved June 8, 1891.
ROBERT E. PATTISON, Governor.

The only unoccupied room at the disposal of the county commissioners is the one in the Court House recently vacated by Sheriff Good, and we understand that it will be refurnished for the District Attorney. In this event it will be necessary for the commissioners to secure quarters for Superintendent Berkey in some other building. It is reported that Superintendent Berkey will remove his family to Somerset before the winter school term begins.

A Case of Interest to Careless Supervisors.

The verdict in a case tried in court at Mercer, Pa., a couple of weeks ago, is a warning to careless supervisors and township authorities. It was the case of W. M. Scurrey vs Fairfield township, brought to recover damages for the loss of a horse, caused by a washout in a township road. The plaintiff proved that the road had been left by the authorities in an unsafe condition for forty days or more, and that he had used due diligence in handling his horse. The jury took twenty-four hours to weigh the evidence, and several times wanted to give it up without making a decision, but the court told them it was a plain case and that under their oaths he did not think it reasonable that they should not agree. A verdict was finally rendered for the entire claim, one hundred and seventeen dollars and fifty cents, with interest, in all amounting to one hundred and twenty-one dollars and ninety-eight cents. As the costs in the case are considerably more, it is probable that Fairfield township would have found it considerably cheaper to have repaired the washouts more promptly. This should be a warning to some supervisors in our own county.

Indiana Normal to Have a Gymnasium.

The trustees of the Indiana Normal School will let the contract this fall for the new Gymnasium. It is to be a model in the way of beauty, modern construction, and size. This school always leads. It is the pioneer in all progressive movements.

Names for the Monument.

The following additional names have been received for the Soldiers' Monument:

Albright, John	Hardin, Perry
Albright Benjamin	Herring, Peter
Ankeny, John	Irvin, Frank H
Ankeny, Henry	Kounell, John
Bear, Jacob	Keller, George
Brenham, John H	Lepley, Samuel
Conn, Uriah	Leasure, John
Cook, Edward	Miller, Joseph J
Coffman, Jonas	Maurer, Wm H
Daughtery, David L	Moore, Oliver
Firestone, Joseph	Moore, Josiah
Fleegle, Henry	Moore, Andrew
Fleegle, Jacob	Miller, Tobias
Gohn, David	Miller, Noah
Herbberger, John	Nicklow, Michael
Houpt, John	Putman, William
Hartzell, George	Rose, Daniel
Hochstetler, Adam	Sturtz, Jacob
Hutzell, Dennis	Stahl, William
Hutzell, Jacob	Stuck, John
Hair, William	Shaffer, Daniel
Havener, Robert	Spangle, Adam

A few other names have also been received which further investigation seems to show, are those of persons who have died at home since the war and after their discharge from service and which therefore cannot be placed on the monument.

A Terrible Fight with Two Dogs.

C. J. Ober, of South Woodbury township, on last Sunday morning, with his family visited his brother-in-law, David Carper, of Woodbury township. On arriving at Mr. Carper's, Mrs. Over and her daughter proceeded to the house, while her husband attended to the horse. After the horse was put in the stable, Mr. Over attempted to go to the house, when inside of the yard, two large dogs belonging to Mr. Carper, made a desperate assault upon him. The largest of the two attempted to get hold of his throat, the other took a good hold upon his leg. Mr. Over is a very powerful, muscular, determined man. Had he been a weak man physically and less determined the chances are the result would have been very serious.

He fought them with natures' weapons until Mr. Carper came and beat them off. A little cold lead would be an excellent remedy for such brutes.—*Bedford Gazette.*

Arrested!

Pritts & Kantner for slaughtering prices on pictures. The slaughter will continue during the month of August at Pritts & Kantner's Book Store.

Must Wait for Artificial Limbs.

The appropriation at the disposal of the surgeon general's office for artificial limbs, and for commutation, where the pensioner does not take the artificial limb supplied by the government, is already exhausted, and about 4,000 pensioners will have to wait for their commutation money until after Congress meets. The appropriation for this year would have paid all claims under the law, as it existed prior to March 3d last, but an amendment was passed on that date making the period for the renewal of artificial limbs three years instead of five. All the claims that would have been spread over the next two years under the old law became matured under the new law on the date of its passage; but Congress made no provision to meet the increased expenditure and the regular appropriation has covered only a third of the cases.

900

M. E. Schrock, Somerset, has on hand 900 bolts of remnants and job lots of wall paper that will be closed out during the next thirty days at prices never before heard of. 5 double rolls and 18 yards 3 inch border for 40 cents. 6 double rolls and 4 inch border 50 cents, better grades proportionately low. These prices are for remnants and job lots only, but are all this years goods. We carry the largest stock of wall paper, window shades and building paper in the county.

Reformed Church Reunion.

The reunion of the Reformed church in Somerset county will be held at Rockwood, on the 20th of August. Round trip rates will be granted, as per posters of the B. & O. R. R. Co., from Connellsville, Johnstown, Cumberland, and intermediate points. Lunch can be had on the grounds by any preferring not to take baskets.

The following program, with singing by a consolidated choir, has been arranged for the day:

"The Reformed Church in Europe," by Dr. A. R. Kremer.

"The Reformed Church in America," by Dr. W. Rupp.

"The Reformed Church in Somerset Classis," by Rev. A. J. Heller.

"The Womens' Church Work," by Valentine Hay, Esq.

All, irrespective of creed, are most heartily invited to attend this reunion.

COMMITTEE.

Wanted.

In Somerset county, some good butter shippers. Address

R. S. MCDOWELL,
No. 6374 Penn Avenue, East Liberty.

Important to Collectors of Taxes.

The following act of Assembly which passed the Legislature at its last session is one of the most important to all collectors of taxes. Collectors will now understand how long they can hold public money in their hands:

AN ACT

To amend section nine of an act approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, entitled "An act regulating the collection of taxes in the several boroughs of the Commonwealth, *by providing the time in which tax collector's shall pay over taxes and make settlements,* be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows, to wit:

"The collector of taxes shall collect the taxes charged in said duplicates and pay over the same to the respective treasurers or authorities entitled thereto after deducting his commission for the collecting thereof, which is hereby fixed at two per centum on all taxes paid to him on which an abatement of five per centum is allowad, and at five per centum on all taxes afterwards collected. *Provided,* That where the total amount of taxes charged on duplicate is less than one thousand dollars the said collector shall receive three per centum on all taxes paid to him on which an abatement of five per centum is allowed. *Provided further,* That all taxes collected within the sixty days as provided in section eight of this act shall be paid over as aforesaid within fifteen days after the expiration of said sixty days, and all taxes thereafter collected during his term of office shall be paid over as aforesaid at regular intervals of one month, and full and complete settlement of taxes collected shall be made with the treasurers or authorities entitled thereto not later than three months after the expiration of his term of office. Approved June 2, 1891.

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When you go to Pittsburgh, Pa., stop at the Anchor Hotel, corner Liberty and Fourth streets. It is a strictly first-class Hotel conducted on the European plan. Lodgings, 25—35,—or 50 cents.

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Bishop Vincent, of the M. E. Church:—After a careful examination of Johnson's Cyclopædia, I am convinced that while it is excently adapted to the needs of professional and business men, it is eminently useful to the earnest, thorough self-educator.

This work, with its corps of contributors, offers accurate articles on the widest range of subjects. To the value of trustworthy information is added the inspiration of personality, associated with great names.

I heartily commend this Cyclopædia to all, and especially to those who are pursuing self-set courses in the university of life.

Hon. A. R. Spofford, Librarian of Congress:—It is found in the library of Congress to answer more questions satisfactorily than any other work of reference.

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Prof. R. F. Weidner, D. D., Augusta, Tenn.: I have constantly used Johnson's Cyclopædia during the past ten years, (the earlier and the later revised edition) and I regard it as the best Cyclopædia published for general use, both for popular and for the general work. I say this advisedly, having used Johnson's Cyclopædia side by side for years with Appleton's, Brittanica, and the others.

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PRITTS & KANTNER.

The K. G. E. Reunion on Aug. 28th.

The Executive Committee of the Knights of the Golden Eagle "Western Combined Reunion Association" are zealously at work making all necessary arrangements for the occasion.

The Executive Committee has appointed a number of sub-committees to assist in making the reunion a great success. The Transportation Committee has already made arrangements with the B. & O. R. R. Co. for special trains over all of its divisions in the district, at one fare for the round trip. Arrangements of a similar character are about completed with the Pennsylvania Company. All trains will arrive at Somerset before 11 o'clock a. m.

Flattering reports have been received from a majority of the Castles and Commanderies in the district. At least 1500 Sir Knights will be present to take part in the parade, which is to eclipse anything the people of Somerset county have ever seen. The following bands have been engaged: Mineral City Band, of Johnstown; Meyersdale Band and Euterpean Band, of Somerset, and the committee is corresponding with the South Fork Band, Connellsville Band, Confluence Band, Salisbury Band, Baldwin Band, Listonburg Band and Petersburg Band. The day will be spent in the Woy Grove, one-half mile south of town. Able speakers will be present to deliver addresses. The dancing platform in the grove is being repaired and the famous Royal Italian Band of Connellsville has been engaged to furnish music for those who wish to "trip the light fantastic toe." The Driving Association of this place have made arrangements to give a series of races on their race course west of town, which will be one of the pleasing features of the day.

No efforts will be spared on the part of the committee to make the occason a memorable one in the history of the Order.

Committee.

At Cost!

All pictures for the next thirty days at Pritts & Kantner's Book Store commencing August 1st.

Pleasures of a Trip to the Sea-Shore via B. & O. R. R.

Over the mountains of Western Pennsylvania, down the picturesque and historical valley of the Potomac, across the fertile fields of Maryland, through Washington, Baltimore, Wilmington and Philadelphia, across the Delaware River, and through New Jersey to the shore of the boundless ocean is the itinerancy of the third excursion of the summer to Atlantic City, on Thursday, August 13th via B. & O. R. R.—a trip well worth the taking for the beauty of the scenery en-route, and the luxury of the train service of handsome coaches and Pullman cars, independent of the delights of a dip in the surf, of a stroll along the famous board walk, and of a sail out at sea. To farmers and those engaged in allied pursuits the excursion is most opportune, coming as it does in the midst of the lull following harvest. Passengers by day trains can spend the night in Philadelphia and take any regular train of the Reading route the following day, Friday, for the sea-shore. Tickets will be good for return passage on any regular train until August 22nd inclusive and on return journey will permit holders to stop off at Washington, which at all seasons has peculiar charms and most varied attractions for visitors.

For time of trains and rates of fare consult appended table:

LEAVE	A. M.	P. M.	RATE.
Rockwood	14.43	12.40 a. m.	$9.00
Johnstown	7.45	2.05 p. m.	9.25
Somerset	9.16	6.00 "	9.00
Meyersdale	12.08 p. m.	1.06 a. m.	8.50
Hyndman	12.59 "	1.55 "	8.50
Cumberland	1.50 "	2.40 "	7.50

Correspondingly low rates from other stations.

Pullman Parlor Cars on day train and Pullman Sleeping Cars on night train.

Ladies can get boarding, room, books, tuition, fuel and light, at Franklin College, New Athens, O., for $2.85 per week. Attendance quadrupled. Catalogues sent free on application.

Tribute of Respect.

It is hereby resolved by the Council of Graef's church, that whereas, Brother Houseman, who has been laboring as minister of the Hooversville charge for more than four years, has handed in his resignation on account of failing health, and prays us to accept it on account of the labor being too great for him to perform, we, as Graef's congregation feel it a privilege to heartily recommend Brother Houseman to any congregation where the traveling will be less fatigueing.

Brother Houseman has faithfully and religiously, as minister, labored amongst us, and has been successful both spiritually and financially in building up the church. The Lord truly has been with him.

Brother Houseman and family have, by their religious example and walk among us, endeared themselves to all.

We as a congregation feel that our loss will be the great gain of some other congregation.

We heartily recommend Brother Houseman in his calling as a faithful minister.

Samuel McGregor,	Levi Koontz,
Jacob McGregor,	W. Custer,
R. W. McGregor,	Jacob A. Miller.

Committee.

Letter from Nebraska.

BEAM CITY, July 29, 1891

EDITOR HERALD—

As I am a native of old Somerset perhaps my friends would be pleased to hear from me, through the HERALD, about this part of the country.

Southwest Nebraska can well boast of her magnificent crops, of all descriptions, this season. Wheat is yielding from 25 to 30 bushels per acre; oats from 60 to 80 and everything else is turning out proportionately well

Furnas county is well represented by people from Somerset county. At a reunion of Pennsylvanians last fall, there were over thirty people from Somerset county. Among them were Frank and George Seibert, Wm. and Israel Baer, and and others of my playmates.

I was raised four miles east of Somerset by Wm. H. Fritz, and in the spring of '64 I concluded to go west. When I reached here I took "Uncle Sam" at his offer and secured 160 acres of land for $16. I could not make enough out of my farm for several years to live, but in those days the county only had a population of about 300; now it has over 8,000.

PETER PENROD.

Take No Chances.

During the present heated term, surrounded by impure water and subject at any moment to epidemics, why risk your health your happiness, and probably your life when a simple, pleasant and most effective preventative to human affliction, is at your command. Physicians everywhere, and nurses, will promptly assure you of the advantage of good, pure liquor, such as Klein's "Silver Age," or "Duquesne" pure ryes, goods that are without a compeer in the market, and the boast and admiration of everyone testing them. Ask your druggist or dealer for them. The "Silver Age" sells or $1.50 per full quart, and the "Duquesne" for $1.25. If they do not keep it, send to the reliable wholesale liquor house of Max Klein, 82 Federal street, Allegheny. You find pure Guckenheimer, Finch, Overholt, and Gibson Ryes, either at $1 per quart, or six bottles for $5.00.

A complete catalogue and price list will be mailed on application.

Lost.

A copy of the Meistersbaft System of the German language, consisting of fifteen small paper books, enclosed in pasteboard cover. The finder will be suitably rewarded by returning the same to this office.

MARRIED.

RUSH.—KING.—On Sunday, July 19 1891, by G. Lint, Esq., Norman R. Rush, of Turkeyfoot township, and Ellen King, of Somerset borough.

McCamant's Tax Scheme.

HARRISBURG, Aug. 3.—Auditor General McCamant is preparing his reply to Treasurer Wright in reference to the abuses in the mercantile appraiser system of assessing and collecting. In this connection the Auditor General declares that the present system of collecting State taxes is all wrong. It is too cumbersome and expensive. The Auditor General favors the budget system, which might be applied in two ways. First, a commission would sit each fall and determine on the amount necessary to run the State Government during the following year and to defray the expenses of counties and townships, municipalities to levy taxes for their own expenses.

The Auditor General would wipe out all or nearly all taxes, but the income, which is the best method of taxation. The adoption of this idea, however, would be a radical departure from the laws now on the statute books and has been declared to be inquisitorial, therefore the Auditor General suggests another method of simplifying the method of collecting State taxes. This is to prepare the annual budget of the cost of running the State and assess the counties upon their valuation.

Wiped Out in Midair.

One afternoon about 3 o'clock, just before a heavy shower, several gentlemen were sitting in front of a store in West Nashville when one of the party observed a large turkey buzzard that was sailing majestically across the sky, and remarked that if the buzzard did not look out he would get wet.

Their attention was thus called to the bird and all were lazily watching its flight when suddenly, just as it was opposite and above them, they were blinded by a flash of lightning, which seemingly exploded on the back of the buzzard.

They were astonished somewhat, but recovered themselves and looken for the buzzard, but alas, the majestic bird was out of sight. All that was left of him was a few black tail feathers, which fluttered pathetically to the ground.

Those who witnessed the phenomena succeeded in catching several of the scorched feathers, which they exhibit in corroboration of the story.—*Nashville American.*

A Fisherman and a Bull.

READING, July 31.—James M. Bennethum, a Reading fisherman, had quite an adventure in hunting white worms for bait. He obtained permission from a Bern township farmer to grub in an orchard, and while diligently at work was approached from the rear by a vicious Jersey bull. In preparing for a charge the bull grunted and snorted, which caused Mr. Bennethum to hastily look around. One glance was sufficient, and leaving his grubbing hoe drop Mr. Bennethum ran to the nearest tree and swung himself into the limbs before the bull recovered from his surprise at the man's hasty departure. But the bull followed and pawed the earth under the tree for an hour and a half, until Mr. Bennethum's loud cries brought the farmer to his rescue.

A Frightened Family.

Thursday night the residence of Jeremiah Nuthall, near West Newton, Westmoreland county, Pa., took fire. Mr. Nuthall, with his wife and four children, was in an upper story, and had it not been for an extraordinary occurrence they probably would all have burned to death. The fire started in the basement. On the walls of the kitchen were hanging two loaded shot-guns, and when the flames reached these guns they exploded together, making a report which awakened the family, who had barely time to escape before the building fell in. Mr Nuthall was severely burned and one of his children slightly injured by a falling rafter. The household goods were a total loss.

Enormous Wheat Crop.

DULUTH, Minn., July 31.—On every hand are heard glowing accounts of an enormous wheat crop. Spencer, Moore & Co., says: "Think Minnesota and Dakota will have 110,000,000 bushels. The harvest is late and generally will not be finished for two weeks yet."

Up in the Red River country there are magnificent yields of wheat, and nothing but an early frost can now hurt it.

Millions of Bugs Killed.

MADISON, Wis., July 31.—A box of inoculated chinch bugs was brought from Kansas some time ago and turned loose in a wheat field. Yesterday returns came in from the farm where the experiment was made that the ground was covered with millions of dead chinch bugs. They had caught the deadly malady from the inoculated bugs. Farmers are rejoicing at the success of the experiment.

Wheat is Being Held.

TOPEKA, KAN., July 31.—Very little wheat is moving. Grain dealers insist that the reason is that the wheat is not yet thrashed. Those who remember the printed circular sent out by the Alliance leaders recently firmly believe that the farmers are taking the advice given in it and are holding back their crops for bigger prices.

Rotten Eggs for Sam Jones.

HOUSTON, TEX., July 30.—Somebody turned the lights out while Rev. Sam Jones was preaching here last night, and the crowd fired a fusillade of rotten eggs at him. Many of the missiles took effect not only on Jones, but a number of the audience who were women.

He Could Hire a Substitute.

UNIONTOWN, Pa., August 3.—Justice H. L. Shank, of New Geneva, this county, has decided that the school board of Perry township must pay School Teacher Woolsey, whom they refused to pay some of his last term's wages, because he hired a substitute to teach a week for him while he was absent. The board claimed that Woolsey had no authority to hire any one to teach.

Woolsey sued them before Justice Shank, who gave judgement in his favor. The board has appealed the case to court and the matter is one of much interest in school circles.

Ingalls Writing a Book.

WASHINGTON, August 3.—Ex-Senator John James Ingalls, the picturesque Kansan, was in the city to-day, on his way to Atlanta, where he delivers a lecture on Tuesday. Mr. Ingalls, since his retirement from the Senate has been devoting a considerable portion of his time to writing a political book. The book will deal in contemporaneous history in Mr. Ingall's inimitable style, and was written with the double purpose of airing his political philosophy and paying off some old scores.

To-day Mr. Ingalls said he had made an arrangement with a New York publisher for issuing the book. It will not go to press until Mr. Ingalls returns from his European trip in the fall.

Farm for Sale.

I offer at private sale on reasonable terms, my farm in Brothersvalley township, adjoining lands of Alex Musser, Dan Musser, W. G. Schrock and others, containing 217 acres, 80 acres in timber.

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