The Somerset Herald.

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1891 is gone forever.

There are 52 Sundays.

Be sure to write it 1892.

Keep the new leaf clean.

Half well enough alone.

Don't gild leaf; but look first.

Next Christmas falls on Sunday.

The new postal cards, in two sizes, are out.

Eye-glasses for old and young at Snyder's drug store.

There are just 65,007 postoffices in this country.

There are two Esquimaux boys in the Indian school at Carlisle.

The Silver who jore most about the grip are those who haven't had it.

Mrs. S. E. Uhl advertises her annual "clearance sale" in this week's paper.

The poor mortal whose birthday falls on Feb. 30, can celebrate this year and wait four years for the next occasion.

Walter Shrock's is headquarter for choice family groceries, tobacco and fine cigars.

Polishing "to wear tights" cost Lillian Russell $2,000. A single "tight" has frequently cost a fellow more money, besides a separation.

There must have been a smile in heaven when an English vicar recently announced that he would be a confirmation class for girls at 1, and "females" at 8.

Pain's pad salve, and warranted, go to J. Geldebaum's Hardware Store, Somerset.

The Westmoreland Bar Association at a meeting on Thursday, indorsed Judge Harry White, of Indian County, as a candidate for President Judge. The Indorsement was made without regard of party.

Ear and shelled corn and clean white oats are always on hand a Mahlon Beal's Grocery, Flour, Feed and Grain Store.

J. F. Imberg, of Huntingdon, Pa., proposes to grind free of charge all the grain given to him, and in addition donate one dollar for every ten given by others, and give the flour to the starving Russians. A car load of flour will soon be shipped.

The promptness with which Ayer's Cherry Pectoral stops a hacking cough and induces refreshing sleep is something marvelous. It will do this to give instant relief, even in the worst cases of throat and lung trouble, and is the best remedy for whooping cough.

The Allegheny County Commissioners have decided to prosecute a number of registrars who have refused to perform the duties of the office to which they were elected. The penalty for neglecting this duty is a fine.

"How is the winter of our discontent made a glorious summer" by Ayer's Sarsaparilla. The wonderful medicine so invigorates the blood and enriches the blood that cold weather becomes positively enjoyable. Arctic explorers would do well to make a note of this.

If you are suffering from weak eyes or defective vision, call at J. N. Snyder's drug store and be fitted with glasses to suit your sight. You cannot afford to neglect your eyes.

A recent publication by Harper & Bros. of Von Moltke's notable book, "Franco-German War," lends interest to the life of the great soldier had another side of his character shown to the world. A selection of his letters to his mother and to his brother, Adolf and Ludwig is promised in the year. These letters cover a period of nearly seventy years, and portray the nature and character of the man as no other publication could.

All are invited to consult Prof. Samuel S. Litner about your eyes, Jan. 6th and 7th at the Somerset Hotel parlors. Satisfaction guaranteed. Reasonable charges made for proper glasses.

Frank Nicely, fireman on the New York and Chicago Limited, while leaning out of his cab window was struck by the mail train and instantly killed at Lilly, Pa., on Monday. Nicely was a cousin of the Nicely boys, who were killed at this place. The remains were taken to his home at Ligonier. The train was standing on a siding to allow a freight to go by, and the rear coach was struck by the main track. Nicely leaves a widow to whom he was married December last.

Readers of the HERALD should not forget that J. N. Snyder, the druggist, can fit their eyes with glasses as well as any optician. He has had five or six years experience in fitting Dr. Kings glasses.

Fred Douglass has recently secured a place as clerk in the agricultural department for his daughter of his old master in the days of slavery. The lady was brought up in luxury, but has for ten years experienced great privations; and when the case was presented to Secretary Rusk he appealed to poetic and pathetic aspect. Perhaps Mr. Douglass was once the chattel of the lady's father and was actually sold on the block like an ox or a mule, he not deeming himself in her behalf, but willed to reveal his own instrumentality in the matter. The facts came out however, in other way.

We have arrived a car of low grade flour in bulk and sacks. Reduction made for ton lots.

MAHLON SCHROCK.

The Pinkerton burglar who Tuesday night killed Watchman Ernest Findley and attempted to kill Policeman John J. Nesper, at Philadelphia, has been identified by his heartbroken mother. He is Robert J. Cascaden of Philadelphia. He is well connected socially, and it is believed that prompted him to resort to crime (the need of money) is a source of surprise to all who know him. On the evening of the murder he started with his brother-in-law to a Sunday-school entertainment. The brothers were left here, and Robert proceeded to the house of Coyle & Coyle, which he was accused of burglarizing when the crime was committed. It is said that on account of his youth it will be impossible to try him for murder in the first degree.

A company of capitalists are at present driving an immense tunnel from a point near the Rapids river below the Falls, through the solid rock under the town a distance of a mile or two, to a point under the property along the river above the Falls, and at that point they will sink an immense shaft and put turbine wheels into it. These are to be moved by water from a canal leading from the river above. By so doing they expect to gain a force equal to 25,000 horses; with which they will run an electric plant capable of lighting the cities and towns of the United States, and a compressed air plant capable of driving all the engines within a distance of several miles. It is the greatest and most novel enterprise at present underway on the continent, and if it is successful will illuminate the light and motive power business of the country.

Miss Helen Gould, who made her first bow in New York society last Saturday, will shortly preside over her widowed father's home and represent him socially. She is one of the greatest heiresses in the world. Years ago stories were circulated affecting Jay Gould's credit. He invited some friends to dinner, than incidentally displayed to them in his safe bonds and stocks more than $25,000,000 in value. That put the stories, though Gould didn't say so, at his wealth. Russell Sage, his most intimate friend, said a few months ago that Gould's income from his investments was larger than any other's man's in the world. He is known to have bonds and stocks in seven companies worth $102,000,000, besides Government bonds, mortgages, etc., not less than $22,000,000. Should he only use tenth of this wealth to his sister Helen she will have over $10,000,000. It is said he will set apart $75,000,000, it is said, for her.

The post office at Jenner X Roads has been made a money-order office.

The HERALD is under obligations to Senator N. B. Critchfield for valuable public documents.

Moses Yoder, of Lull Post office, has returned from a six week's visit to friends in the state of Indiana.

In jumping from the rear door of P. A. Scheil's store into the ally below, a distance of about six feet, Wm. Saylor, of this place, sustained a painful sprained foot, Saturday afternoon.

Jury Commissioners Daniel W. Saylor and Solomon Shoemaker took the oath of office Monday, and Friday or Saturday will draw the names of jurors to serve at February term of court.

William Truby, of Indiana, Pa., who will be well remembered by the citizens of Salisbury, Pa., where, several years since he was engaged as a jeweler, is lying ill at the Rockwood House, Rockwood, Pa.

Our friend Ed Richardson, a Shade town ship boy, who has been chief of Johnstown's police force ever since that big town became a city, was presented with an elegant gold watch New Year's morning by the members of the force.

At a meeting of the Directors of the First National Bank, Saturday evening, a dividend of three per cent. was declared upon the capital stock and $1,000 added to the surplus out of the earnings of the last six months.

John Neff, clerk at Parker & Parker's, met with an accident a few days ago that has caused him to go to his home in Jenner township for repairs. He was doing some work about the gas machine when a heavy weight fell on his right foot crushing it severely. His place has been supplied by Wilson Shaver, of Somerset township, a former employe.

At the meeting of the members of the Somerset Bar, held at the law offices of Messrs Coffroth & Rupple Wednesday evening, it was decided to tender a banquet to the outgoing and incoming Judges on the evening of January 26th. A committee of five, with F. W. Biesecker, Esq., as chairman, was appointed to make all necessary arrangements.

Simon Hanger, one of Brothersvalley's most prosperous farmers, died after a few days illness, at 3 o'clock, A. M., on the 26th ult., at the home where he was born, spent his childhood and lived until he closed his eyes in the sleep that knows no waking until the final resurrection. By an honest, upright christian life Mr Hanger has won the esteem of all with whom he came in contact. He was aged 65 at the time of his death.—*Bella Record.*

Washington Megahan, the well-known builder and contractor of this place was taken suddenly ill while attending services in the M. E. church Sunday morning. It was at first feared that he was suffering from an attack of apoplexy and that his death would result any minute. He was taken to his home and a physician was summoned who soon learned that he was suffering from an affection of the heart and that he was in no immediate danger. His condition is greatly improved to-day.

Ed L. Fox, son of Samuel Fox, and Laura, eldest daughter of Cyrus C. Schrock, of Somerset township, were married at noon, Thursday, Dec. 31st, at the home of the bride's parents, by Rev. A. J. Beal, of the Evangelical church, in the presence of only relatives and immediate friends of the high contracting parties. After the wedding dinner the happy young bride and groom took the afternoon train for Pittsburg. On their return from the wedding trip they will reside in Somerset.

The additional siding room on the Connellsville road, necessary for the proper handling of the through New York-Chicago trains, is being built as rapidly as possible. Five or six miles of track, at various points, is now in progress of construction and will probably be finished in time for operation with the inauguration of the spring schedule when it is thought the through service will be put on. While this additional siding will relieve the main track, Superintendent Holbrook is not satisfied with the amount and more will eventually be built.

The county auditors met at the Court House Monday morning and after organizing at once proceeded to elect a clerk and attorney to the board. It was deemed advisable to elect one person, a lawyer, to fill both positions. There were several applicants, but A. C. Holbert, Esq., was the unanimous choice of the board, and was duly elected. Mr. Holbert has served in a similar capacity on former occasions and is familiar with the duties, and besides, he is one of the very best men that can be found for this important and laborious work.

The usual noisy demonstration was made on the streets Thursday night in welcome of the New Year. Promptly at 12 o'clock the torch was applied to a large pile of boxes and barrels in the public square and hundreds of young men and boys paraded around the fire tooting horns, beating drums, shooting off fire arms and cans filled with rock powder. The din was increased by crowds marching up and down Main street ringing hand bells and cheering in chorus. About 1 o'clock it was decided that the New Year had been sufficiently welcomed and quiet and good order again prevailed.

A press message from Washington is authority for the statement that Secretary of War, Steven B. Elkins, has appointed N. George Keim, his private secretary. Mr. Keim is about thirty years of age and a native of Elkinck township, this county. He was principal of the Somerset borough schools for several winters and was one of the most successful and popular teachers the schools have ever had. For the past three or four years he has been employed by Mr. Elkins as private tutor to his boys. The announcement of his appointment will be welcome news to his host of friends in this county.

Jury-Commissioner Kepple, of Westmoreland County, lives on the boundary line near Leechburg. When called to Greensburg by his duty, he does not take a drive of a couple of hours across country, but drives two miles to the railway station at Leechburg, goes down the West Penn to Pittsburgh, and thence by the Pennsylvania Railroad to Greensburg. As he is paid six cents per mile for mileage, in addition to his daily salary, the mileage bill is a large one, as he goes back home by the same roundabout way. Mr. Keppler's last bill rendered for mileage was 3,400 miles, calling for $204.

That Ohio postmaster who has a draft for six cents from the Post Office Department is outdone. Allen H. Rosenkrans, postmaster at Penfield, Clearfield county, under Cleveland, at the close of one quarter took credit for one-half a cent due the government in calculating commissions and on another quarter of a year he did the same. When his accounts were audited the Treasury Department notified Mr. Rosenkrans that he owed the United States one cent. This amount was immediately remitted by him to Pittsburgh, the proper receipt returned and the one cent draft forwarded to Washington.

The Pittsburg *Times* of Saturday contains a cut of its now nearly completed magnificent new building on Fourth Avenue, a few doors from Smithfield street. The new *Times* building is built of the most expensive materials, is eight stories high and contains one-third more floor room than any other office building in Pittsburgh. It will be finished throughout with all of the most approved conveniences and will be a model home for a great journal. During the eight years of its existence the *Times* has steadily forged ahead until now it is recognized as not only one of the leading journals of Pennsylvania, but of the United States.

Judge Baer's Last Official Act.

Hon. J. H. Longenecker was sworn in Friday morning as President Judge of the sixteenth district, composed of Bedford and Somerset counties, at Bedford. The oath was administered by Judge Baer, in the presence of Judge White, of Indiana and Judge Dean, of Blair, and the members of the bar.

The last official act of Judge Baer was the granting of a new trial to John Dean, convicted of murder in the first degree at the November sessions for killing Jack Carson, in Everett. After this decision, by consent of District Attorney Pennell, Dean was brought into court and pleaded guilty of murder, the understanding being that, in view of the character of the evidence, the judge was to fix the grade of the crime. The judge then sentenced Dean to the western penitentiary for 11 years and 10 months.

Grand Army Banquet.

The roll of R. P. Cummins Post, No. 210, G. A. R., carries the names of 121 comrades in good standing. Seventy five of this number answered roll call New Year's morning and were present at the installation of officers elected for the present year. Capt. W. B. Keller, of Fisher Post, No. 20, Johnstown, was present and conducted the installation ceremonies, having been detailed for that purpose by Department Commander Boyer. Following are the officers for 1892: H. F. Knepper, Com.; J. F. Beachy, S. V.; John Pugh, Jr. V.; Geo H. Love, Adj.; J. M. Cook, Quar.; Rev. F. P. Saylor, Chap.; Dr. J. M. Louther, Sur.; A. H. Huston, Officer of the Day. Upon the conclusion of the ceremonies at the lodge room the "vets" fell in line and marched to the Opera House, where an elegant dinner had been prepared for them by the wives and daughters of the members of the Post.

The annual report of the R. P. Cummins Post contains some interesting information. Not a single death occurred among the members during the year. The relief fund was only called upon for $13.70. The cash receipts at the annual meeting amounted to $67.00. Cash in the treasury $208.71. Few Posts in the department of Pennsylvania are in a more healthy condition, physically and financially, than R. P. Cummins Post, No. 210.

Are We In It?

We do we should say we are—have been in it up to our eyes ever since the great annual Red Letter Sale commenced. Our counters have been sky high with goods, and while in some cases we found it impossible to wait upon customers, still we did the best that we could under the circumstances, and endeavored to accommodate all. Goods have been going fast, and while many good bargains still remain, they will not remain long, so if you want to take advantage of our Red Letter Sale come quick. It will only continue three more weeks, when our first arrival of early spring goods is due. Bear in mind our Red Letter Sale only comes once a year, and always offers opportunities not to be had at any other season.

PARKER & PARKER.

Farmers' Institute.

The third annual session of the Somerset county Farmers Institute was called to order in the court house at 9:30 a. m. Tuesday morning.

A. J. Boose, of Summit township was elected President and Albert Berkey, of Quemahoning township Secretary.

Senator Critchfield introduced the speakers from abroad. Hon. John A. Woodward, of Centre county; J. T. Aillman, of Juniata county, lecturer of the Pennsylvania State Grange; Wm. Frear, Professor of Agricultural Chemistry, State college; S. B. Heyes, of York county, who will deliver an illustrated lecture an Geology; Secretary Edge of the State Board of Agriculture, E. E. Critchfield of Mt. Pleasant, Pa.

Following the introduction of the above gentlemen the regular program was taken up.

Jacob Hoffman, of Jenner township read a very intelligent and forcible paper on "Reforms needed in our Road Laws."

"Shall we keep house or make homes?" was the subject of an interesting essay read by Mrs. Robert Pickworth of Quemahoning, Pa.

A violin solo by Master Robert Beachey, of Elk Lick township was generously applauded.

Representrtive farmers from all sections of the county were present and the attendance promises to exceed that of former years.

In Honor of Judges Baer and Longenecker.

The members of the Bedford bar gave a sumptuous banquet Thursday night in the Hotel Waverly, in Bedford, in honor of the retiring and incoming judges. Hon. W. J. Baer retired, and Hon. J. H. Longenecker, who was sworn in that day, for a ten years term, were the guests of honor.

J. P. Reed presided as toastmaster. The following toasts were responded to: "The Judiciary," Hons. W. J. Baer and J. H. Longenecker; "The Bench," Hons Harry White, of Indiana, and John Dean, of Blair; "The Bar," John H. Jordan and ex-Judge Hall; "The Junior Bar," E. M. Pennell and Frank E. Colvin; "Professional Ethics," Hon. John M. Reynolds; "Our Country," Hons. John Cessna and R. C. McNamara; "Bedford County," and a song, Col. J. W. Tate.

The banquet was the finest ever served in the town.

Take Notice.

All persons owing me book accounts will please call and settle without further delay by cash or note. It will save trouble to comply with this request.

MRS. A. E. UHL.

A Mountain Duel.

David Myers, a well-to-do farmer lives in West Virginia, just across the Fayette county line, up in the mountains near Bruceton. A few nights ago a stranger came to his house and asked to be housed and fed for the night. Hospitality was extended him and later when it was about bed time the stranger was shown to his room above. Only a few days before Joseph Recknor had been robbed and Myers was afraid that the man he was sheltering was a spy there for the purpose of helping to rob him. About ten o'clock Myers heard the man get out of bed and went up to see what was wrong. The fellow drew a revolver on Myers and the latter jumped upon him and took it from him. After which he kicked him out of the house. The next day the same man and another stranger returned and remaining down in the road, called to Meyers to bring down the revolver he had taken. Myers told them to come up and get it. The men then threatened to burn Myers' barn if he didn't bring them the revolver. Myers refused and one of the men started for the barn, swearing he would burn it. Myers got his squirrel rifle and started towards the barn also. The man he had kicked out of his house the night before, drew a revolver at this time and fired, the bullet striking the door jam at Meyers' side. Myers then pulled up his long rifle and fired, striking the first shooter a glancing blow along the side of his head, knocking him from his horse and cutting a terrible gash. Myers then ran to him and began beating the man with his gun. The other man did not show up and Myers would have killed the fellow had his wife not interfered and told him the man was dead. Myers said if that was the case he would quit, but if he thought the man was still living he would finish him. The man was left lying in the road, but the next morning he had been carried away.

A New Year Greeting.

The proprietor of Fisher's Book Store wishes to convey his thanks to the numerous patrons of the store, for the liberal and generous patronage extended to the establishment during the year 1891. The year's operations have been remarkably satisfactory. The trade of December, including specially the holiday sales, were the largest the store has been favored with during its 15 year's operations. Wishing you all a happy and prosperous New Year, we are your Obedient Servant.

CHAS. H. FISHER.

Big Blanket Ballot.

"The new blanket ballot which will be voted under the new law, at next November's election," said Secretary of the Commonwealth Harrity to a correspondent, "will be about the size of a page of THE HERALD."

As soon as the State Commission shall have determined on the exact size and details of the new ballot Secretary Harrity will send a specimen copy of it to the County Commissioners and others interested in the printing of the official tickets.

This ballot will probably be as large as any that will ever be used in this or any other State. The names of thirty-two Presidential electors for each party, the nominees for Congress, including the candidates-at-large, and for Senator, Representative and county offices, must all be printed on one ticket. If the names were printed one after the other on a ticket four inches wide the ballot would probably be three yards long.

Liquor Sellers' Bondsmen.

In a written opinion filed Friday by Judge Clayton of Delaware county, his honor holds that all bonds of hotel-keepers which are signed by good securities are sufficient under the law, regardless of the residence of the bondsmen.

Anticipating that the question would be raised that the act of June, 19, 1891, was null because of an error of reference to a previous act which it was intended to amend, his honor came into court with his opinion and handed it to the prothonotary.

He says the only mistake in the act is in the date of approval of the law of 1887, which is given as May 24 instead of May 13. There were twenty-one acts of assembly approved on May 24, 1887, not one of which has a title in any respect similar to that mentioned in the amending act of 1891.

By a careful examination of all the acts of that year but one can be found to which the amending act can possibly apply, and that is that of May, 13, hence it is clear that the legislature intended to so amend it as to permit the court to take bondsmen from any locality within a county instead of restricting it to the ward, borough or township in which the hotel might be located.

A Black Eye for the Governor.

The Supreme Court delivered a blow from the shoulder at the State Administration Monday when it reversed the decision of the Dauphin County Court and decided that Superintendent of Public Instruction Dr. D. J. Waller, Jr., is entitled to retain that office. It will be remembered that there was a vigorous fight over this office at the last session of the Legislature. Dr. Waller was appointed by Governor Beaver in March, 1890, to serve out Dr. Higbee's term. On May 28, 1891, Governor Pattison attempted to supplant Dr. Waller with Prof. Z. X. Snyder, of Indiana County, but the Senate, by a vote of 31 to 19, refused to confirm the appointment. After the adjournment of the Legislature Governor Pattison again appointed Mr. Snyder and issued a commission to him. In July last the Dauphin county court entered judgment of ouster against Mr. Waller

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses have been issued since our last report:

Jesse Rubright, of Black township, and Mary Jane Kelley of Middlecreek township.

Edwin L. Fox and Laura Schrock both of Somerset township.

William D. King, of Lower Turkeyfoot township, and Mattie J. Phillippi of Upper Turkeyfoot township.

Anna H. Lowry and Anna L. Stairs, both of Westmoreland county.

Edwin Winters, of Quemahoning township and Laura M. Griffith of Lincoln township.

James F. Hoover, of Somerset township and Lizzie Fisher of Brothersvalley township.

Grant Yoder of Somerset township and Lizzie M. Flickinger of Brothersvalley township.

W. L. Swan, of West Virginia and Sadie E. Romesburg of Summit township.

We Mean Business.

Persons knowing themselves indebted on our books are requested and earnestly requested to call at once and settle their accounts by cash or note, as the books must be settled. We sell goods at short profits and cannot afford to sell on long time.

PARKER & PARKER.

A Unique Magazine.

A unique experiment will be tried in the February issue of *The Ladies' Home Journal*. The entire number has been contributed in prose, fiction and verse by the daughters of famous parentage as a proof that genius is often hereditary. The work of thirty of these "daughters" will be represented. These will comprise the daughters of Thackeray, Hawthorne, Dickens, James Fenimore Cooper, Horace Greeley, Mr. Gladstone, President Harrison, William Dean Howells, Senator Ingalls, Dean Bradley, of Westminster John Ward Howe, General Sherman, Jefferson Davis and nearly a score of others. Each article, poem or story printed in this number has been especially written for it, and the whole promises to be a successful result of an idea never before attempted in a magazine.

Taxed in Pennsylvania.

Judge Bittinger, of York, has decided a collateral inheritance case of considerable importance in favor of the state. George Small died in Baltimore about a year ago, leaving as a portion of his estate a one-third interest in a joint partnership controlling a flouring mill, real estate investments, &c., the whole being worth $300,000. The widow took one half of her husband's interest, which was $150,000, leaving $75,000 upon which the state claimed collateral inheritance tax of five per cent., amounting to $3,750.

The executors contended that the estate was not liable for the tax because Small was a resident of Baltimore, and the stock, being personal property, followed his person in law, and was taxable, if anywhere, in Baltimore. The attorney general, on behalf of the commonwealth, argued that the estate being an interest in a joint stock partnership engaged in business in Pennsylvania, and the real estate being capitalized as stock, the stock was actually within the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and therefore taxable here. Judge Bettinger sustained the commonwealth's contention, and gave judgment for the amount claimed.

Wanted.

One girl for general housework. The best price will be paid. Apply to

A. J. HILEMAN.

Register and Recorder, Somerset, Pa

Original if not Elegant.

A Chest township, Clearfield county, justice of the peace, has adopted the following unique form of marriage ceremony: "By the authority vested in me as a 'Squire in the township of Chest and county of Clearfield; by the millions of logs that have floated down the creek; by the thousands of Italians who are making a railroad 'checker board' of our soil; by the fifty Democratic 'kickers,' who swear that they will never again vote the ticket; by the monotonous squall of the cats on the backyard fence; by the tramp, tramp, at midnight, of the numerous citizens who have chickens twice a week, and who never owned one; by our friendly neighbors who never quarrel; by the waters of Chest creek, the Susquehanna river, the earth and the sea, and all that in them is, I pronounce you man and wife, and may the Lord have mercy on your souls."

Card of Thanks.

Rev. C. B. Gruver, of Berlin, desires through the HERALD, to express his high appreciation of the gifts received from his Glade congregation. He also extends thanks to the Berlin congregation for a Christmas envelope to replenish the purse, and for other remembrances and tokens of appreciation by individuals throughout the charge.

For Sale.

Eight acres of improved land, adjoining Somerset borough. For terms, call on or address Geo. Auman, Somerset, Pa.

FOR A NEW SOMERSET.

Public Improvements that May be Made in the Course of Time.

If any one should tell you that Somerset's public spirit is bigger than its bank account, don't you believe him, my boy.

There are few if any business men in this town whose signature to a check will not pass on 'change. This being the case in a slow going community like ours, and considering how unmindful we have been of the spirit of progressiveness elsewhere visable, what can we not confidently look forward to when the new Somerset is fairly established and the fame of it's public spirited men has girdled the globe.

It would certainly startle many of the older residents of this village to awaken from a peaceful sleep on a bright September morning, long hours after the busy husbandman has been abroad garnering the golden sheaves growing on our fertile hillsides, and rubbing his heavy eyelids, slowly walk to his chamber window and peering through the moss clad lattices, behold a twenty-story granite structure towering high in the air above the Glade House lot. The ground floor of this structure used as a public market; the second floor given up to municipal apartments, the next five floors sumptuously fitted up for business offices and the eigth floor a public natatorium, filled with sparkling and invigorating water from Kimberly run. The rents derived from such a structure would yield a handsome profit over and above the interest on the money invested, while the excess could be turned into the municipal treasury. Such a public enterprise is not beyond the range of possibility and it is likely to be one of the first undertaken by the ardent young citizens of the new Somerset.

"Phil" Armour, Chicago's millionaire meat packer, is said to realize hundreds of thousands of dollars annually from the sale of beef tongues alone. In fact it is said that the profit derived from those small particles of the number of beeves annually slaughtered more than pay the running expenses of his immense plant. Somerset is preeminently a grazing county and capitalists have long since been considering the practicability of erecting huge slaughter houses and packing establishments along the banks of Cox's creek. Now since it is reported that steps are being taken to have that majestic waterway made navigable, it is hoped that their long dormpt of plans will materialize. If private capital is unwilling to undertake this vast enterprise, there can be no good reason urged why the borough corporation should not push it to completion and swell its treasury with the large amount to be realized from the sale of tongues alone.

A public improvement that is sorely needed by the people of this town, since Mr. Reitz has determined to take his plant to Baltimore, is a flour mill. The hungry mouths of this fast growing people must be fed and there is certainly no reason why their bread stuffs should not be chopped at home. Those who have hitherto objected to hazarding their capital in milling property on account of a scarcity of water can no longer urge that as an objection, and if they do it can have but little force since the electors of the town have risen in their sovereign power and voted for an exhaustless supply of water. The "Pillsbury Mills" at Minneapolis, grind 10,000 barrels of flour per day. Suppose their profit is 50 cents per barrel and you have an income of $50,000 a day or $18,250,000 a year. As a matter of course the "Somerset Mills" cannot hope to equal the figures of that booming western city, but they can at least reduce the price of bread for our people to first cost and thus enable them to more easily bear the burden of taxation.

A few gifted gentleman, who are evidently afflicted with the Belamy theory, insist that the borough should construct the mills and operate them in the interests of the common weal, and by this means banish forever the frightful bug a boo of taxation. This same class of gentlemen maintain and produce figures to substantiate their claims, that with the advent of the day when the municipality shall operate all public enterprises, matured budding and yet to be evolved, the revenue derived will be sufficient to give every resident a pension large enough to place him beyond the pale of want and to relieve him of all physical labor. The writer believes that this scheme is susceptible to objections which must from the very nature of them prove fatal. In the first place no class of men are entitled to pension excepting those who served in the armies of their country. Secondly, it would establish a community which would have nothing to do but argue religion and foreign politics. And thirdly, it would be contrary to the Divine teaching concerning the manner by which we shall procure our bread.

A steam heating plant for business blocks and dwellings, has been casually referred to by a few speculative persons. It would be a luxury that would bring joy and comfort in more ways than one, and would reduce the cost of warming our homes to a minimum. But that is not the greatest boom it would confer upon a long suffering and teeth chattering public. Think of the lives that are annually sacrificed through having to live between cold walls in this town; go to the cemetery and read the names of the hundreds who have paid the penalty of their negligence or poverty in not providing against the cruel blast of winter. By all means let our people encourage this project and if necessary, let the borough authorities grant the promoters a subsidy. A general steam heating plant would condemn at once the barbarous practise of chopping wood and carrying coal. Such a plant can undoubtedly be made self-sustaining; in any event it will cause many a halo to fit better in the sweet by and by.

While the people of the new Somerset have been elbowing their way rapidly to the front and are availing themselves of all the comforts and luxuries civilized man has yet devised, they have paid but little attention to the social duties of life, and have provided no amusements for their hours of relaxation. An attempt has been made, however, to organize an orchestra of several hundred pieces. The instruments have been procured but the performers have not yet become fully acquainted with them. The first open air concert given by this organization occurred on the night of Dec. 19th, and was followed by a second and more harmonious one on the 1st inst.

We have in stock a lot of children's Hoods of latest styles that we will sell at less than cost, 25c to 50c each. With some exceptions all goods in our store will be sold at cost for next 30 days. We make this offer to clear our shelves and counters for early spring goods.

M. M. TRENCHELL & CO.

The HERALD will publish death notices free of charge, but hereafter will charge regular advertising rates for resolutions of respect adopted by religious and social organizations. *Post mortem* resolutions can be of no benefit to the deceased and are very uninteresting reading to the living.

Holidays During 1892.

Monday will be a great holiday during the present year. Washington's birthday comes on Monday, and so does Memorial Day. The Fourth of July is also billed for a Monday, and Labor Day will be celebrated on a Monday.

Christmas is down on the calendar for Sunday, and will therefore be celebrated on Monday.

Thanksgiving day and election day are the only holidays during the year that will be celebrated on any other day except Monday.

People who believe in luck and are superstitious, may decide upon Monday as a lucky day during 1892.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best Salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by J. N. Snyder, Druggist

How to Address Cards of Invitation.

Before the free delivery system prevailed in American cities it was the custom to take invitations to balls, parties and weddings around and deliver each one at the door of the person invited. This is still the custom in some of the cities, but it does not prevail to and extent, as the postal free delivery answers the purpose quite as well and the old style involved a great deal of unnecessary labor. Under the old custom, the cards of invitation were placed in envelopes upon which was written "Mr and Mrs. John Smith." No directions were added, as every one in town knew where every one else lived. This is still the custom with regard to the envelope holding the cards. But now, when they are sent through the mails this envelope is placed in another one which is sealed, and on which is written the full address, with street number and name of the city. It is usual to preserve invitations, for awhile at least, and the outside envelope is discarded, as the postoffice marks and canceled stamps do not look neat in a card basket in the reception room, and besides this, if there be only one envelope, and it be sealed, when this is broken there is nothing in which to preserve the cards of invitation.

The Red Letter Sale of Parker & Parker is now in full blast. They have a large and splendid stock to select from. Parties that call early get the plums.

New Year's Maxims.

T. DeWitt Talmage in Ladies' Home Journal.

Make it the best year of all your life—the brightest, the happiest and the best. Imbue your heart with the freshness of the morning, your soul with the sparkle of the dawn. Resolve by good deeds and thoughts to make this the most triumphant year of your life. As a series of short maxims to carry with you through this year, let me give you these:

Make every day begin and end with God.
Be content with what you have.
Have a hearty, joyful family altar in your domestic circle.
Fill your home with as much good reading and bright music as your means will allow.
Think ill of none, but well of all.
If fortune favors you think of others.
Don't sham; be real.
Keep busy and you will keep healthy.
Respect all sacred things.
Love God.

Mid-Winter Excursion to Washington via B. & O. R. R.

On Thursday, January 14, the B. & O. R. R., will begin the annual series of mid-winter excursions to Washington from Parkersburg, Wheeling, Pittsburgh, and all intermediate stations to Washington Junction, Md. For this, as for similar excursions during preceding winters the B. & O. will offer an exceedingly low rate, an unexcelled train service, and every accommodation necessary for the comfort and convenience of passengers,—all of which should render the trip a very desirable one. With each succeeding season these excursions to the national capital are growing in popular favor.

Washington is full of attractions. It always is. Congress is in session. The public buildings, the White House, the museums and the art galleries are always open to visitors free of charge. Then, too, there are to be seen the elegant private residences, the broad avenues, the spacious parks and the numberless monuments.

Tickets will be valid for return passage ten days after day of sale, allowing ample time for visiting Mt. Vernon, Old Point Comfort, Richmond, and other adjacent points.

Tickets from Pittsburgh, Wheeling and intermediate points to Martinsburg are valid to Baltimore.

For rates of fare and time of trains consult appended table. For accommodations on Pullman Sleeping or Parlor cars address nearest B. & O. agent.

LEAVE.	TIME.	TIME.	RATE
Rockwood	10.56 a. m.	12.40 a. m.	$6.00
Johnstown	7.35 "	3.30 p. m.	2.40
Stoystown	8.42 "	4.30 "	4.65
Somerset	9.16 "	5.01 "	4.30
Meyersdale	11.18 "	1.00 a. m.	5.65
Hyndman	2.00 "	4.00 "	4.35
Cumberland	12.25 p. m.	5.30 "	4.55

Additional trains leave Cumberland 7.00 and 9.50 a. m. and 11.30 p. m.

Correspondingly low rates from other stations.

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

The New Year is inaugurated by us by a great reduction in prices all around.

M. M. TRENCHELL & CO.

Will Come Out on Top.

From the Johnstown Herald.

The friends of T. R. Marshall will be pleased to learn that on Friday his assignees paid one-third of his debts, or about $4,000. In about three months another payment equally as large will be made, and three months later he will be able to pay off all claims.

President Harrison's daughter, Mrs. McKee, has written her first article. It treats of "The Training of Children," and will be printed in the February issue of *The Ladies' Home Journal*.

The following letters remaining in the Postoffice at Somerset, will be sent to the Dead Letter Office if not called for within ten days from January 6, 1892:

Boyer, N. J.; Holliday, Mrs. Jessie; Hutchine, Master M; Meyers, Mrs. John C.; Nicodemus, Hanson; Parton, James A.; Perrin, Amos; Shaffer, Henry; Seghler, Richard; Shaft, Newton; Walker, W. H.; Zimmerman, Maale.

JASTAN KELLER, P. M.

Bakersville Items.

The measles have been rampant in this vicinity during the past few weeks.

I. P. Crise got a chopping mill last week and is now ready to serve his neighbors in the way of chopping their corn and oats.

It is reported that a new miller will soon take charge of the Henry Lohr mill.

Henry Schlag, Sr., was seriously ill last Sunday, but Dr. S. B. Miller, of Lavansville, was called and gave the old gentleman relief.

Last Monday our young friends Tommy and Edgar Morrison, started for the west to stay one year.

On the 20th inst., Leander West, living near this place, departed this life. Aged 55 years. Mr. West was born in Jasper, Highland county, Ohio, and followed engineering and smithing for many years. He was a fine and ingenious workman, kind hearted and honest in his dealings with his neighbors. He was laid to rest in the Lutheran grave yard at this place.

Our Sunday-school had a Christmas tree on Christmas eve and every person present was treated to candy and an orange. There were many presents on the tree, among them a well filled purse for the pastor and his wife.

REPORTER.

MARRIED.

On December 29th, 1891, Jesse Reubright, of Milford township, and Mary Jane Kelley, of Middlecreek township, Somerset county, Pa.

DIED.

MEYERS.—At Hunnelstown, Pa., Jan. 2nd, 1892, Flora May Meyers, daughter of James M. and Lucinda Meyers, aged 13 years 2 months and 9 days.

The Failures of a Year.

The mercantile failures for the year 1891, as reported by the mercantile agency of R. G. Dunn & Co., indicate that the number of failures in the United States is 12,273, as against 10,907 in 1890. The failures in 1891 are greater in number than in any previous year since the record has been kept by this agency, running back to 1857. In amount of liabilities, however, the figures are almost precisely the same as those of the year previous, amounting to $189,000,000. The amount lost, therefore, does not exceed that of the previous year, while the average of each failure is $15,471 in 1891, as against $17,406 in 1890.

Your Own Fault

If you do not get a perfect baker when you buy the new Range. The Cinderella is sold and guaranteed a good baker. It lasts longer and looks better than any other on the market. Sold by

JAS. B. HOLDERBAUM.
Somerset, Pa.

Here We Are Again

WITH OUR

GREAT ANNUAL R. L. S.

Commencing to-day, and each day thereafter for 30 days, at which time we will sell off a large assortment of Dry Goods, Notions, Fancy Goods, etc., at cost. Now is your time for Bargains.

20-inch Black Silk, price $1.00, R. L. 80
" " " " 90 " " 67½
24-inch " Satin Rhadams $1.40 " " $1.10
46 inch " Silk Warp Cashm. " " " 1.12
40-inch Col'd " " " $1.25 " " 95
46-inch Blk Henrietta (all wool) $1.00 R. L. 83
46-inch Blk Henrietta (all wool) 90 R. L. 67½
46-inch Blk Henrietta (all wool) 85 R. L. 62½
46-inch Blk Serge (all wool) 90 R. L. 67½
52-inch " " " " $1.00 R. L. 80
40-inch " Cachmere " " 90 " " 67½
40 inch " " " " 60 " " 45
" Col'd " " " 60 " " 45
" " " " " 50 " " 40
38-inch Colored Bed Cords 35 " " 40
30-inch Plain and Fancy Stripe Cachm. 25 R. L. 21
36-inch Plain Cachm. 35 R. L. 29

Velvets and braided trimings to match at cost. In the Domestic Department we will sell best makes Dress Ginghams Were 10 cents Red Letter 8 cents
Lancaster Gingham were 8 R. L. 7 "
Willington " " 7 " 5 "
Arlington " " 7 " 5 "
Striped and Bar'd Outing Cloth were 10 and 12½ Red Letter 8 cents
50 pieces 32-inch Century Cloth were 8 Red Letter 5
50 pieces 32-inch Crown Sateens were 10 and 12 Red Letter 8
American Indigo Blue Calicoes 5 cents
Merrimac and Cocheco