The Somerset Herald.

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WEDNESDAY..... November 2, 1892.

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

All the latest things in millinery at Mrs. K. B. Coffroth's.

A six million dollar fire visited Milwaukee, Wis., Thursday night. Three hundred families were rendered homeless and many of them are suffering for want of food.

The Oyster Season has opened! Thanking you for your patronage in the past, and ask a continuance of the same at my old stand, basement of Cook & Beerits' Block.

W. H. Platt.

Harry, son of Rev. J. H. Knepper, of Johnstown, while at work in the Cambria mills Saturday morning, was struck on the stomach by a keg of nails and seriously injured.

The large steam saw mill owned by Eaton Bros., of Latrobe, located near Trent, was destroyed by fire one night recently. It was the holder of this mill which blew up some time ago killing two men.

Chairman Bierecker and his assistants at Republican headquarters have been kept busy as nailers the past week answering the thousand and one queries that have been propounded concerning the election law by letters from all over the county.

M. M. Tredwell & Co's. Opening this week. Pattern Hats.

It has been claimed here that the election officers will not be allowed to eat from 7 o'clock in the morning until after the votes are counted at night. Section 29 of the law is misunderstood by many of the election Board as any member of the election Board cannot leave with outsiders until the count of the ballots have been completed. This means that they will either have to carry a luncheon with them or fast.

Beauty is said to be only skin deep; but to possess and preserve a beautiful skin, pure and healthy blood is essential. This is best secured by taking Ayer's Sarsaparilla in small and frequent doses. It is the most reliable of blood-purifiers.

Aged 105 years, Mrs. Margaret Donaldson, died, was buried at Pittsburgh on Sunday. She was known far and wide in this section as "Aunt Peggy." Born in slavery in Maryland she was given her freedom papers in Somerset county in 1832.

Call and see our new stock of jewelry and beautiful things, and very cheap, just arrived.

Mrs. K. B. Coffroth.

Geo. Muhlenberg, the 17-year-old son of Mrs. Elizabeth Muhlenberg, died last Sunday morning of diphtheria and was buried in the Odd Fellows' cemetery on the evening of the same day. He could not be induced to take any medicine. Mrs. Muhlenberg and daughter have recovered from the disease.—*Berlin Record.*

Mr. H. C. White, of Messrs. A. J. White & Co., Tailors and Clothiers, Chambersburg, Pa., will visit Somerset about Nov. 12th, with his samples of Suitings and Overcoatings. Satisfaction rendered at reasonable prices.

The contract for printing 190,000 election tickets for Westmoreland county, was, on Monday, awarded by the Commissioners, to Keagan & Co., of Pittsburg. Are there no printers in Greensburg, or the unincumbered and foreigners scoop in jobs that should be given to home men?—*Irwin Standard.*

Jos. Campbell, of Reading, has offered $100 in gold to any person who will show him a passage in the Scriptures which favors baptism by sprinkling. Consequently, every every Sunday school scholar and teacher in Berks county is diligiently leafing over and reading every page in the Bible.

If you want a stylish Hat or Bonnet go to Mrs. K. B. Coffroth's.

Samuel Shade, an aged resident of Paint township, Somerset county, was in this city Monday for the first time in three years. Mr. Shade, who is 85 years of age, has been confined for several years with rheumatism, and has only been within the last two or three weeks that he has been able to walk.—*Indiana Herald.*

Hand Millinery Opening, Pattern Hats, this week and all week.

M. M. Tredwell & Co.

Rev. Thomas Dixon, of New York, the author of "The North Carolinian, who lectured before the Teachers' Institute in this place last fall, will be running on Staten Island one day last week. When about to depart on a boat for that city with $1 robbie he was arrested, given a hearing, and fined $100, or $5 for each dollar. He says he will appeal to the fish commissioners to have the fine reduced.

A beautiful new line of Stamped Goods just received at

Mrs. K. B. Coffroth's.

Wm. Bender lost another child from diphtheria making four in all from that fatal disease. The last to go was little 2-year-old Willie, who died on the 21st. There are now remaining two children, the oldest, a girl of 9 years, who has been staying with her grand-mother, and a babe about 4 weeks old. These have not had the disease yet and we trust they may have the good fortune to escape it.—*Berlin Record.*

Of all other remedies for scrofula fall, Ayer's Sarsaparilla, if persistently used, effects a cure. Being a powerful alterative, it purifies the blood of all impurities developing the germs of scrofula, and imparts health and vigor to every fibre of the body.

Abram Summit, near Altoona, Pa., is without water, for more than acanty use for drinking purposes. When fire broke in the building of George Croft Sunday afternoon, it looked as if the place was doomed. Water could not be struck Croft. He remembered that barrels of cider in the yard. A bucket brigade was formed between the cider barrels and the burning roof. Three barrels of No. 1 cider did the business, and the fire was extinguished with comparatively little loss.

The Lehigh Mining Company desire to inform the residents of Somerset and surrounding country that they are now prepared to furnish coal for domestic use. The coal from their mines is of a superior quality, and may hereafter be ordered about Somerset. Leave it at their office in the Baer block and receive prompt attention.

Joseph S. Hengey, aged 23, a well-known young man employed as an operator in the telegrapher's office in Pittsburgh, attempted suicide at Greensburg last Thursday by taking poison just prior to the time set for his wedding to Miss Maggie Dunlap, a daughter of a well-known farmer living near that place. He succeeded the deed on a Pennsylvania railroad train as he stepped at the station where the bride and friends were in waiting. His failure to get from a Pittsburgh tailor a new suit of clothes which he wanted to wear at the wedding is given as the cause of his rash deed. The physicians attending Hengey say he cannot recover.

M. M. Tredwell & Co's. Opening Tuesday, Nov. 1st, to continue all week.

The following letters remaining in the Post Office at Somerset will be sent to the Dead Letter Office if not called for within ten days from this date, November 2, 1892:

Carroll, Wilson; Blakeney, J. I.; Cbyle, Mrs. Connole, T. B.; Enfield, Freeman; Geiger, J.; Heiple, Aaron; Horresty, Mrs. Lape, Noah; McKendrick, Robert; Pearl, Rev. D. F.; Mauat, Jacob; Miller Mrs. Rosa Alice; Saylor, S. M.; Smiltz, C. O. R.; Smith, Wm. E.; Wiggins; Mrs. Wilson, John A.; Wilson, Howard Yorkers, George; Youkers, Shed.

FOREIGN.

Austria, Aug.

Josiah Keller, P. M.

Miss Ivet returned from the city. While there I purchased all the stylish things in millinery, Fancy Goods, Hats, Ribbons, Trimmings, Velvets, Windsor Ties, Veiling, Crape, Underwear, etc. Will be pleased to have you call and examine these goods.

Mrs. K. B. Coffroth.

Messrs. S. F. and W. W. Picking, of Chicago, arrived in town Saturday evening. They will remain until after the election.

Meyersdale had two fires last week. The first destroyed a large tenement house occupied by six families. The second did slight damage to the electric light plant.

Miss Mollie, fourth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. "Bob" Walter, formerly of this place, now of Wellington, Kan., was married on Tuesday, October 18th, to Mr. Charles Richardson, a prominent young business man of that city.

Isaiah Wechtenheiser and Abraham Musser, who were sentenced to the penitentiary from this county in 1883 for a term of eleven and a half years, have regained their liberty. Good behavior reduced the length of their term of imprisonment.

At three o'clock last Thursday afternoon, in the parlor of the Somerset House, Dr. P. P. Ritter, of Meyersdale, and Miss Lucy M. Kyle, daughter of the landlord, ex-Sheriff Kyle, were united in marriage by Rev. B. B. Collins, of Meyersdale. Only very close friends of the family were present. Mr. and Mrs. Ritter will make their home in the Metropolis of the county.

A number of election officers in different parts of the county have resigned, probably on account of fear of getting into difficulty through some misrepresentation of the new ballot law. We do not blame them. From all accounts it will require the wisdom of Solomon to avoid making mistakes in receiving and counting the ballots in strict accordance with the Act of Assembly.

Nearly every cistern and two-thirds of the wells in town are dry as powder horns and it would be utterly impossible to secure a sufficient quantity of water with which to fight a fire in case one should break out. Owners of houses cannot exercise too much caution in looking after the fires in their homes, especially on nights when the wind is high as it has been for the past several nights.

The case of the Commonwealth vs. the officers of the National Guard, who caused private lams to be strung up by the thumbs and drummed out of camp, after one-half of his head had been shaved, because he proposed three cheers for the man who attempteled to assassinate Chairman Frick, of the Carnegie steel Co., is now on trial in the county courts. The Court decided that it had jurisdiction over the military authorities of the State.

John Reese was sentenced to a term of six months in the Allegheny county jail and to pay a fine of $500 by Judge Buffington in the U. S. District Court, at Pittsburgh, last Wednesday. On the same day Wesley Miller was given a six months term in the workhouse and is to pay a fine of $300. Both men were convicted of illicit distilling. E. F. Goller, late postmaster at Fort Hill, escaped with a sentence of thirteen months in the western penitentiary for tampering with the mails.

It is understood that the Park Hotel, in this place, will change hands as soon as the license can be transferred, Mr. "Lew" Vannear becoming the new proprietor. Mr. Vannear has been associated with his father-in the hotel business for a number of years and he will keep the "Park" up to its present high standard. A rumor is abroad that the elder Mr. Vannear will erect a new hotel on the corner formerly occupied by the Glade House, of which he became the owner some time since.

Charles Ringler, of Addison township, an inmate of the Poor House, became violently insane one day early last week and on Thursday was removed to the Dixmont Insane Asylum, at Pittsburgh. It required three men to put Ringler on board the train, even after his hands and legs had been pinioned. At Rockwood he became so violent that it was necessary to have a physician administer a hypodermic injection of morphine before the journey could be continued. Ringler had attempted self-destruction before he was removed to Dixmont.

The Electric Light Company turned on the light for an all night service Monday evening, and from now on will charge all consumers. The light for the first three or four nights, while the carbons were being tested, we understand was gratis. With the introduction of electricity the streets of our town are beautifully illuminated. Of course there are two or three points in town that receive no benefit from the new system and the town council will have to provide light for the tax-payers living on those streets. A half dozen additional lights will furnish sufficient to illuminate every street perfectly. Nearly every store in the town has introduced electric lights.

"Hiawatha" Lodge, No. 444, I. O. O. F., dedicated their new hall at Addison last Friday, and they are now housed in one of the finest secret society buildings in western Pennsylvania. Every lodge in the county was represented at the dedication and a number of visiting Odd Fellows were present from other counties. Dr. Hikok, of Bedford, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, delivered the dedicatory address at an open meeting held in the afternoon, to an audience that crowded the hall to its full capacity. In the evening the Dr. exemplified the unwritten work of the order, after which a grand banquet was served in the lodge room. The new building is 40x80 feet, two stories high. The first floor will be used as a town hall.

"Nobody," says the Pittsburgh *Leader*, "need wish for a prettier, or from various points of view, a more satisfactory wedding than the one that opened the gates of matrimonial bliss for Miss Marion Giddings and Dr. William F. Robeson." The ceremony took place last Tuesday in one of Pittsburgh's leading Episcopal churches, when the bride was given away by her cousin, E. E. Kiernan, Esq. A reception followed at the home of Mrs. R. S. Kiernan. Dr. and Mrs. Robeson will be at home to their friends after December 1st, on Hays street, Negley place, East End, Pittsburgh. Miss Giddings is the only daughter of Mr. E. J. Giddings, formerly a resident of this county, but for a number of years past a citizen of California. Dr. Robeson is one of Pittsburgh's most promising young physicians.

A visitor in Somerset the past few days, who had some trouble in learning just where he was at, inasmuch as many changes have taken place in our surroundings since he left Somerset county thirty-three years ago, was Mr. W. M. McMillen, of Atlantic, Iowa. He is a son of J. S. McMillen, formerly of Lower Turkeyfoot township, now of West Liberty, Iowa, and he is related to the McMillens of Addison and Middlecreek townships. Although just in the prime of life Mr. McMillen has accumulated enough of the where-with-all to enable him to retire from active business and for the past four or five years he has devoted all of his time to pursuing what has been a "fad" or his for twenty-five years, collecting rare and valuable curios, until he now has a collection worth many thousands of dollars.

"I have a photograph here I want to show you," he said to a HERALD reporter Monday morning, as he carefully unwrapped a large-sized picture. "This is a photograph of the largest steer in the world. I felt that I was able to own him so I concluded to buy him and exhibit him at the World's Fair. He stands 6 feet 4 inches high; measures 11 feet 1 inch from horns to rump; is 2 feet 9 inches across the hips; girth measurment 10 feet 11 inches; from brisket to top of shoulders 4 feet 11 inches; weight 5700 pounds. He is poor, as you see, and I am afraid to fatten him for fear his legs will not support his weight. He is 6 years old and I have a standing offer of $3 000 for him. I have named him "Jumbo" and have exhibited him to managers of the World's Fair on three different occasions this the post summer." Mr. McMillen left Somerset Monday and will make a tour of the Southern States before returning to his home.

PRITTS ESCAEPS AFTER BEING CAPTURED.

A Public School Opened in the "Moonshine" District.

About ten days ago George Fisher, the one-armed detective who has been engaged in hunting for illicit stills in the moonshine district of this county for the past six months, called at the County Commissioners office and inquired whether the reward offered for the capture of "Bill Pritts, charged with the murder of the late Jonathan Hochsteller, had been withdrawn. Being assured that it had not and that $50 would be paid to the captors of Pritts by the Commissioners, he expressed a willingness to "lag" the aforesaid William and deliver him to the Sheriff. Nothing has since been heard from Fisher, but Thursday a well authenticated report was received from Trent postoffice saying that Fisher and two other men had surprised Pritts, who was engaged at making shingles in a shanty near his home on the Fayette county side of the mountain, and after a short chase through the woods overhauled him and led him captive to his house. Pritts was granted permission to collect a few odds and ends to bring with him to jail and while he was thus engaged two or three of his sons, assisted by the female members of the Pritts family and several neighbors; who happened to be present, attacked Fisher and his companions and drove them from the house. Later in the day, after Fisher and his two fellow captors, had abandoned the idea of recapturing their man, Pritts was conducted to a place of safety by members of his family.

To the credit of the people inhabiting the much talked of moonshine district it is to be said that they have determined to drive Pritts out of that country and to hand him over to the officers of the law as soon as opportunity offers. They have also determined to drive away all the members of the famous "Freundshoft" and "New Constitution" organizations who return to their former lawless occupation, and if it is possible will give that community a character second to none in the county for order and sobriety. Only recently a public school has been opened in the "moonshine" district and if it is permitted to continue throughout the term it will have the honor of being the first public school taught in that district in a number of years. A gentleman, who recently visited the school says it presented one of the most pitiable sights he ever witnessed. Many of the scholars are young men and women, eighteen to twenty years of age, and are only now learning the letters of the alphabet and it appears to be harder work for them to master their "a, b, c's" than it would be for them to perform a day's labor upon their fathers' farms. They are all delighted with the school, however, and have named it the "Columbia School."

Large Republican Meeting at Rockwood.

The Republican meeting held at Rockwood on Wednesday evening last, was one of the largest and most enthusiastic political meetings ever held there. Liberal subscriptions had been made towards procuring the Meyersdale brass band for the occasion. Upon its arrival the band played several lively pieces in front of the Merchant's Hotel, and then marched to Phillippi's Hall where the people had already began to assemble. The Hall was soon crowded to its utmost capacity, among the number being a few ladies. The meeting was called to order by J. D. Miller, who nominated Henry Werner for President. Hon. E. D. Miller then nominated a number of well-known citizens for Vice Presidents and Secretaries. J. D. Hicks, Esq., was then introduced and was received with loud applause. Mr. Hicks, in an hour's speech, showed clearly that it is to the interest of the country that the Republican party be kept in power. He contrasted the condition of the country under a protective tariff with the period of free trade. He closed his admirable address with a glowing tribute to Harrison as the soldier's friend, and who responded when his country called him while Cleveland sent a substitute. This should be sufficient cause itself to elect Harrison. The people of Rockwood and vicinity were very favorably impressed with their next congressman, J. D. Hicks.

Mr. Hicks was followed by Mr. Blake, of Altoona, who presented some strong facts bearing on the issues of the day, and who was listened to with close attention.

Senator N. B. Critchfield then took the floor. The Senator was at his best and made one of his happiest speeches. His anecdotes brought forth peals of laughter, and when he was in his sober words the audience followed with close attention his enunciations of Republican doctrine.

Hon. A. J. Colborn made the closing address and though it was getting late, his bursts of enthusiasm kept up the interest to the end. After giving three rousing cheers for Harrison and Reid, the meeting, which was said by many to have been the most successful ever held in Rockwood, adjourned. The band passed the time after the meeting until the night express east, in playing some of their favorite pieces.

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Comes Well Recommended.

With regret we learn of the departure from this place of Superintendent A. J. Fullen and his corps of salesmen of the Wrought Iron Range Company, who have been in this vicinity for the past four months. When these men arrived we would have pronounced them as "fakers" and doing business in a reckless manner, had not we formerly heard of the Home Comfort Company. They came here contracting and dealing out their ware in the most orderly and gentlemanly style. We visited their warerooms and took a look through the range they were selling and were much suprised to find a range stand the test to which Mr. Fullen subjected it to, and for comfort and convenience the article is well named. These men have sold five hundred and four of their ranges to the most thrifty tradesmen and farmers of our community, nearly all of whom have given the best testimonials of the high merit of the Home Comfort. These ranges were all sold at one stipulated price, either cash or notes, and the notes are never sold or thrown into banks for collection, as other firms do, but are presented at the door by the Company in the same gentlemanly manner as the range was sold at first. In conducting their business here they have always been prompt to meet every emergency and have spent considerable cash in our midst. They fully deserve the esteem of any place they may chance to go. Their next location will be at Indiana, Indiana county, Pa.—*Fayette Monitor.*

A Peculiar Accident.

On Thursday evening Mrs. Nathanel Hamer, of Hooversville, met with a peculiar and serious accident. She had a pair of scissors in her hand, and while passing from one door to another she slipped, when the door was slammed in such a manner as to run the scissors into the flesh of the left arm. They entered to the depth of several inches, with the blades slightly apart, when they were snapped together, cutting off the main artery. The blood flowed in alarming profusion, but Dr. I. C. Barlott, who happened to be near, was at once summoned, and, with the assistance of her husband, succeeded in stopping the flow of blood before she became exhausted. It was very fortunate that the doctor was present, as had there been three minutes delay the woman would have bled to death. After the flow of blood was stopped, the doctor succeeded in getting the injury dressed, so that it is thought no permanent injury will follow.

Modern Housework

May be done more easily, more conveniently and with less expense on the Cinderella Range than with many others; all the old objections to ranges removed. It will save you time, money and hard work. It is a good baker and is sold with that understanding. Sold by James B. Holderbaum, Somerset, Pa.

Lot for Sale.

One lot for sale adjoining Mrs. Jane Pugh, on East Water Street. For particulars call on Mrs. Jane Pugh, the undersigned.

Jane Pugh.

"One Woe Doth Tread Upon Another's Heel So Fast They Follow."

The County Commissioners have had "a peck of trouble" ever since they entered upon the work of preparing for the election to be held next Tuesday under the Baker Ballot Law. But the past week troubles have trod so fast one upon another that they may well have wished Representative Baker and his law at the bottom of the sea or the bottomless pit. To begin with, when the copy was prepared for the printer to print the tickets, the name of George H. Hocking, of Meyersdale, was inserted as the candidate for Congress of the Prohibition party. Wednesday morning when the official certificate of nominations from the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth was received, it was observed that while the names of John C. Speicher and John C. Reitz appeared upon it as the duly nominated candidates of the Prohibition party in this county for Representatives, the name of Mr. Hocking, candidate for Congress, was omitted. A telegram was immediately sent to Secretary Harrity inquiring the reason why Mr. Hocking's nomination was not certified. A reply was received stating that there were no papers on file in the Secretary's office that would warrant such action.

The same petition that was forwarded to the Secretary of the Commonwealth asking that the nominations of Messrs. Speicher and Reitz be certified also asked for the certification of Mr. Hocking's name as the candidate of the Prohibition party for Congress in the 20th district.

Blair county alone cast enough votes at the last general election for the Prohibition candidates to entitle that party to a district nomination and under the provisions of the law setting forth that where any political party which polled three per centum of the entire vote may make and certify nominations in any electoral division or district of the State, notwithstanding the fact that they may have polled less than three per centum of the entire vote cast in said district they were clearly entitled to make a nomination.

The probable reason why Mr. Hocking's nomination was not certified is because it was not properly made. If our recollection is correct Mr. Hocking was nominated by a Prohibition convention held at Meyersdale, last April, without the formality of a district conference and without all of the counties in the district being represented.

Friday evening, after nearly all of the official ballots had been printed, a telegram was received at the Commissioners' and Sheriff's offices, signed by A. L. Tilden, Deputy-Secretary of the Commonwealth, saying the nomination of David D. Blauch had been certified as the candidate for Congress of the People's party. This piece of information had a startling effect upon the Commissioners and the Sheriff. The latter had just finished posting his official proclamation to the electors of the county in the last of thirty-nine districts. A fresh lot of posters containing the name of Mr. Blauch were printed that night and Saturday night found them up in the places occupied the previous day by the original proclamation. It required prompt action on the part of the Sheriff but he performed the work successfully. The Commissioners' Clerk, Mr. Werner, betook himself to Meyersdale and soon had the *Register's* press turning out a new lot of ballots containing Blauch's name in the People's party column.

Probably the most surprised man in the district was Mr. Blauch when he learned that the powers that be at Harrisburg had decided that he was to run for Congress. When the last day expired for filing petitions for nominations, it was publicly announced that Mr. Blauch and his friends had been unsuccessful in their efforts to secure the requisite number of signers to his petition to have his name printed on the official ballot, and since that time it has been generally understood that he had abandoned the idea of becoming a candidate altogether.

The official certificate of Mr. Blauch's nomination was not received by the County Commissioners until Monday morning and when it did come to hand there was nothing on the envelope in which it was enclosed to indicate where it had come from or where it had been mailed. It is the opinion of several of the leading attorneys at the Somerset county bar that Mr. Blauch's name was certified too late to appear upon the official ballot in accordance with law and that by reason of its appearing there the election in this county will be invalidated.

The same state of affairs exists in twenty-two other counties in the State, nearly all of them strongly Republican, and it is a matter of serious doubt whether a majority of them can have their ballots printed in time to be distributed as the law requires.

It looks very much as though there was a conspiracy abroad to defeat the will of a majority of the voters not only of this Congressional district but of the entire Commonwealth.

2-1-4 Cents Per Pound.

The Johnstown flood wire is all sold, but we have received from the factory a lot of barb wire which will be sold at two twenty-five per hundred pounds. Guaranteed to stand stretching. This is a good bargain Call and see it.

Jas. B. Holderbaum.

Republican Meetings.

In addition to those spoken of in the last issue of the HERALD Republican meetings were held last week at Confluence, Rockwood, Salisbury, Meyersdale, Berlin, Wills Church, Shanksville and Friedens. These meetings were all well attended and very considerable enthusiasm was manifested. The meeting at Meyersdale, Thursday evening, was an old-time Republican rally and the large crowd was more than pleased with the eloquent and forcible address of the Hon. John Balsell, of Pittsburgh, who was the principal speaker of the meeting.

Candidate Hicks spoke at all the meetings and Hon. A. J. Colborn, Senator N. B. Critchfield and John W. Blake, the latter of Altoona, Blair county, spoke at most of them. If the numbers in attendance at these meetings and the interest and enthusiasm manifested are any indication, the full Republican vote of the county will be polled next Tuesday. Meetings will be held this week at Edie, Lavansville, Gideon, Jenner X Roads, and, perhaps, at several other points.

A Modern Marvel.

When the Pittsburgh *Times* took possession of its splendid building last April, its publishers promised that the *Times* would grow in excellence in the same proportion as its quarters have been enlarged. The *Times* had already won such a proud position among the newspapers of the country that there was general curiosity to know how the promise would be redeemed. That curiosity has been most pleasantly gratified. The *Times* has been so enlarged, and so many new features have been added, that it is everywhere cited as a marvel of modern journalism. The chief wonder is that a newspaper, so complete in every respect, can be sold for one cent a day, or $3.00 per year, little more than the cost of a first class weekly paper. If any of our readers are not familiar by personal inspection with the merits of the *Times*, we advise them to send for a sample copy, which will be mailed free to any address. If there is no agent for the *Times* in your locality it will pay you to write to the *Times* for terms to agents.

The Drought Continues.

Such is the widespread extent and severity of the drought, that as it continues from day to day its effects are really becoming appalling, and there seems to be no prospects of its ending. What are regarded as sure signs of rain in the morning pass off by noon, clouds vanishing, which were supposed to be charged with water, without a drop falling to the parched earth. The conditions are certainly unprecedented, and if a change is not soon had the suffering of man and beast cannot be otherwise than distressing.

Removed!

Dr. G. J. Beachy has removed his Dental Rooms and Residence to No. 64, Bedford St., four doors from City Hall, Cumberland, Md.

Columbus' Eclipse.

When Columbus had landed in the new world he bestirred his wits to think up some harmless bit of strategy whereby he could make the natives respect and fear him. He had more than once brought his superior knowledge into play, during his long westward voyage, in order to quiet the mutinous spirit of his crew, and now again did he devise a plan that served as a safeguard for himself and his little fleet. Columbus told the natives that at a certain hour of a certain day, then near at hand, darkness would spread across the sky at noon and the sun would take upon itself the color of blood. And, sure enough, at the time thus forset all happened as he had said. This act made a marked impression upon the minds of the natives and gave the Admiral an ascendency that could not otherwise have been obtained. But what really did our Christopher do? He merely foretold an eclipse of the sun—an October eclipse of which last Thursday's shadowing was a recuring event.

The shade appeared on the sun at 5 minutes and 56 seconds after 12 o'clock, just 19 seconds late. It disappeared at a few seconds after 3:00 o'clock. The point of contact was 28 degrees from north on the western limb. At the time of greatest obscurity a little less than two-fifths of the sun's surface was visible.

The eclipse was visible at all points on the North American continent except the extreme western projections. It was also visible from the West India Islands, from that portion of South America lying immediately north of the equator and from the Azores Islands, but not from Europe or Africa. The eclipse lasted 3 hours and 30 seconds and covered about three-fifths of the sun's surface. It could be plainly seen with the aid of a small piece of smoked glass.

The once mysterious phenomenon of an eclipse is now thoroughly understood. It is no longer regarded as the act of a maliguant spirit, but is recognized as a purely physical phenomenon, due to the opaque body of the moon intervening between the observer and the sun. As the moon revolves about the earth once each month, it must once in each lunar period pass between the sun and the earth. Usually, however, it passes above or below the sun, and is invisible. It is only when its course lends it directly across the sun's face that it is seen at all, and then only as a jet black surface blotting out a portion or occassionally the whole of the sun's disc. When the situation of the observer coincides with a line drawn through the center of the moon and the sun the eclipse is total, or annular. When, as in this eclipse, the line of sight does not correspond exactly with the centres of the two bodies a portion of the sun is always visible and the eclipse is described as partial.

Easy to Manage.

The Cinderella Range is easy to manage, many other ranges are not. The construction of the Cinderella admits of plenty of air under the grate, which prevents it from burning out, and every provision is made for cleanliness. Examine it before you buy. Sold by James B. Holderbaum, Somerset, Pa.

Republican Meeting at Shanksville.

Shanksville, Oct. 31, 1892.

Editor Herald:—

One of the largest and most enthusiastic political meetings that has been held in this township for a good many years was organized at this place, shortly after one o'clock Saturday afternoon, by the election of the following named officers: President, C. A. Brant; Vice Presidents, J. J. Walker, J. K. Will, Chauncey Lowry, Peter T. Miller, J. J. Rayman, Josiah Kimmell, William Weible, S. B. Yoder and Jefferson Kimmell; Secretaries, M. J. Snyder, Dr. L. F. Miller, Geo. M. Keefer and Jacob Knepper.

The meeting was addressed by J. C. Lowry, Esq., of Somerset, and J. D. Hicks, and J. W. Blake, Esq's., of Altoona. The speakers were roundly applauded and the meeting adjourned with three cheers for Harrison, Reid and the whole Republican ticket. The stalwart Republicans of old Stonycreek township are fully alive to the importance of the coming election and they will be at the polls to a man on November 8. If every township in the county will do as well as Stonycreek the Republican majority in the county will not fall below 2500.

Republican.

Mrs. Harrison's Last Work.

A Loving Memento to be Sent to Every One of Our Woman Readers.

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The Pansy for November.

is at hand, in a bright new cover, suggestive of the Columbian year and its interests. With this number the *Pansy* magazine enters upon a new year, and judging by the good things included in the present contents, it begins in good earnest. Mrs Isabella M. Alden (Pansy) and Margaret Sidney, each have a new serial, the latter being Columbian Year Sketches. Shorter stories and sketches, poems, anecdotes, all by our brightest and best writers, with the popular Junior Christian Endeavor Department constitute an excellent number of an excellent magazine.

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has two good Thanksgiving stories. There is likewise the story of two Poland donkeys, with fine illustrations, and a Tiptoe March with a pretty picture. A Boy and a Girl, The Studio Dolls, and Talks by Queer Folks are as interesting as can be. Joker and his Relations do some very strange things. Home, Sweet Home is a sweet story which points an excellent moral. With its large and small picture, verses and rhymes, *Little Men and Women* is as charming as ever.

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Pennsylvania's Schools.

The department of Public Instruction furnishes the following statistics relating to the public schools of Pennsylvania for the school year ending June 6, 1892.

Number of school districts in the State, 2,358; schools, 23,436; graded schools, 11,488; superintendents, 124; male teachers, 8,162; female teachers, 17,176; whole number of teachers, 25,339; average salaries of male teachers per month, $42.15; female teachers, $31.41; average length of school term in months, 7.77; pupils, 977,528; average number of pupils, 708,719. Total cost of tuition, building, fuel and contingencies, $14,329,140.47; state appropriation, $2,000,000.

Compared with the preceding year, ending June 1, 1891, the net increase in number of districts was 29; increase in number of schools, 552; increase in number of graded schools, 548; decrease in number of male teachers, 9; increase in number of female teachers, 433; increase in salary of male teachers per month, $1.56; increase in salary of female teachers per month, $0.51; increase in school term in months, .01; increase in number of pupils, 8,022; increase in cost of tuition, $505,201.11; increase in cost of building, purchasing and renting, $102,161.29; increase in cost of fuel, contingencies, debt and interest paid, $810,431.48.

REPUBLICAN MEETINGS.

Meetings will be held at the following times and places, when the issues involved in the great political battle now being waged will be presented and discussed by able speakers:

Wednesday " 2, 1 P. M. Lavansville.
Thursday, Nov. 3, 1 " " Gideon.
Saturday, Nov. 5, 1 P. M., Jenner X. Roads.

Information and instructions in regard to casting a legal ballot under the new ballot law, will be given by competent persons at each of the above meetings.

Other meetings will be announced in due time.

Geo. R. Scull, Secretary. F. W. Biesecker, Chairman.

Mt. Moriah Items.

Mrs. Hiram Gardner is paying a visit at the home of her son, H. H. Gardner, in Johnstown. The latter's wife is seriously sick.

Mrs. Daniel Stufft has been in very feeble health for a long time, suffering from paralysis, and requires constant attention. Her husband, the ex-Judge, has been constantly at her side, but during the past week he too has taken sick and for several days was not expected to live.

The Lutherans will hold their quarterly convention at the Horner church next Sunday, Nov. 6th.

Dr. Crist spent Columbus day in Pittsburgh. From his description of the parade and the decorations he saw there they must have been unusually fine.

Samuel Thomas has removed from Noah Biesecker's farm into his new house on the Jonas Maurer farm.

Hucksters are numerous, but butter and eggs and general produce are very scarce.

There is very little political talk in this neighborhood. About all one hears is general condemnation of the foolishness on the part of those who had the authority and who have seen fit to compel the voters of this end of Quemahoning township to go a mile farther out of their way, to Spruceton, to vote.

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Stonycreek Items.

Farmers down this way are taking advantage of the warm and dry weather to get their corn husked. The crop is one-third short this season, owing to the drouth.

Some of our supervisors would do more towards improving the roads if they would haul and break a few loose stone on them. Either this should be done or the loose stone on the roads should be removed.

Wild turkeys are very plenty this fall. Sam Walker and Jeff Landis chased a drove for a half day recently. Jeff says he wounded one. We hope he will get close enough to kill it the next time he goes hunting.

Mr. Daniel Schrock gave an old time apple smitting one night last week. All of his neighbors were present and report having had a most en joyable time.

Josiah Mosholder's new house is receiving the finishing touches at the hands of the carpenters. It will be one of the handsomest houses in the township when completed.

Nearly everybody down this way is busy threshing.

The Cholera Scare.

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MARRIED.

MILLER—RIZER.—At the residence of Abram Musser, in Somerset Borough, on Friday, Nov. 28, 1892, by Elder Peter Vogel, Mr. Abram Miller, of Alexham, Pa., and Miss Clara Rizer, of Hyndman, Pa.

KORNS—FRIEDLINE.—On October 9 1892, at the Reformed parsonage, Somerset, Pa., by Hiram King, Mr. Frank E. Korns and Miss Felicia H. Friedline, both of Jenner X Roads, Pa.

VANNEAR—HOFFMAN.—On Oct. 12, 1892, at the Reformed parsonage, Somerset, Pa., by Rev. Hiram King, Mr. Lewis Welty Vanear and Mrs. Carrie Hoffman, both of Somerset, Pa.

FISHER—TAYMAN.—On Oct. 18th, at the home of the bride's parents, Lavansville, Andrew S. Fisher, a member of the Bedford county bar and Miss Lillian, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Tayman.

RAYMAN—SCHROCK.—On the twenty third day of October, by Rev. Phillip Cupp, at his residence in Somerset township, Miss Minerva C. Rayman, of Stonycreek township, and Mr. Irvin A. Schrock, of Stonycreek township, Somerset county.

DIED.

SHAFFER.—At his home near Friedens, Sept. 25th, 1892, aged 76 years, 11 months and 21 days Henry Shaffer was a respected citizen, kind father and husband, and a faithful and influential member of the Lutheran church at Friedens, for upwards of 57 years. Com.

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Geo. R. Scull, Auditor.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Jacob Weaver, late of Paint township, Somerset county, Pa.

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