The Somerset Herald.

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A Good, Old-Fashioned Winter.

[From the Indianapolis News.]

My grandpa's always talkin' 'bout the winters long ago—
How it blew like sun now, thrums he used to know.
Many a time we've heard him say, me and Bob and Billy,
When "bad weather an' rain an' mud made our mothers silly,"
"I'll tell you what it is, boys, 'd fill me full of joy
Twice a good, old-fashioned winter, like we had when I'm a boy.
Give me ice an' give me snow,
Give me sleet an' give me blow;
Give me cold 'at goes clear through,
Give me chillin'—chilling, too.
And there's the things, I tell you, 'at makes you glad you're livin',
As a good, old-fashioned winter, boys, I hope we may be given."

Since New Year's eighteen ninety-three my grandpa's changed his tune.
Funny how big folks, you know, can change their mind as soon!
Funny, too, how they'll forget all they've said to you,
As far as ricky different things, like they mean 'em, too!
For grandpa's growling every day, morning, noon an' night,
An' all the folks at our house 'll tell you I am right.
Cause there's no sir 'cause there's snow,
Cause the natural gas is low,
Cause the cold jes goes clear through,
Cause I say it's bully, too!
Do you spose he 'spects to see, though he calls it "bully weather,"
A good old-fashioned winter an' August come together?

Oil leaters for sale. W. P. Hay, Bakersville.

The coal trust likes "a coal spell," better than other people do.

It requires a stout man to lick these new Christian postage stamps.

If you believe all men are upright just watch them walking on the ice.

The wheat under the snow is doing well. Snow is a good friend to the farmer.

It is astonishing to see how much smaller a ton of coal is when the price is away up.

Readers of the HERALD should not forget that J. N. Snyder, the druggist, can fit their eyes.

The identity of the person who killed Frank Cooley has at last been established. He is Frank Smith, a young farmer.

A fine line of sleighs, Robes and Blankets at J. B. Holderbaum's Hardware store. Call and see them.

Woman's age is a sacred thing. In the Old Testament the age of only one woman is recorded, that of Sara, Abraham's wife.

Go to J. B. Holderbaum's hardware store and see the good pair of Bob-sleds, selling at $48.00 per set.

These exquisite creations of the printers' art, the comic valentines, once again dazzle the populace from the stationery shop windows.

Do you need a nice new suit? If so, you can get it at Holderbaum's at 20 per cent below the value, for 30 days only.

Betsy McCurdy, and old maiden lady living near Greensburg, supposed to be poor, died one day last week and in her home a tin can was found containing $1,200 in gold and silver coins.

Do you need a new Hat? At Holderbaum's you can get one, for the next thirty days at 20 per cent less than they can be bought elsewhere.

The Republicans of Donegal township, in Westmoreland county, have nominated Mrs. Mary Williams for School Director. Mrs. Williams is a graduate of Holyoke Seminary, Mass. She confidently expects to be elected.

James B. Holderbaum, the hardware man, gives timely notice to owners of horses that he is prepared to supply them with the best cutters and sleds in the market.

Admirers and enemies of Mr. Blaine will alike be interested in the very full article which appears in the February *Cosmopolitan* reviewing his characteristics as a man and statesman. A number of fine portraits are printed with the article.

Remember that Mahlon Schrock is headquarters for all kinds of grain and mill feed, at bottom prices, also a full line of fresh Groceries and Flour always in stock.

It is rumored that Rev. Dr. N. C. Schaeffer, of Kutztown, principal of the Keystone State Normal School, will probably be the successor of Rev. Dr. D. J. Waller, jr., Superintendent of Public Instruction. The latter's term expires in April.

Think of 20 per cent off the price on Carpets even in the face of the big advance! You can get it at J. M. Holderbaum's for the next 30 days. This is your chance.

Attorney General Miller, when he heard the news remarked: "At the funeral of Daniel Webster, one of the neighbors who lived near Marshfield, looking on the face of the dead statesman, said, 'Daniel Webster, the world will be lonesome without you. The same may be said with propriety of James G. Blaine."

S. C. Kelly, Esq., of Mt. Pleasant, is dangerously ill at the Markleton sanitarium from a peculiar cause. A little over a year ago he strangled while drinking coffee and ruptured a blood vessel. Since then he has suffered intensely from it, and after seeking relief at Asheville, N. C., returned to Markleton two weeks ago.

The popular idea that water is purified by freezing has again been disproved by recent careful experiments, which show that the average amount of impurity retained by the ice is 34-3 per cent. of organic matter. As the organic matter is the more objectionable of the two, the case was worse than was formerly supposed.

Mattie Crawford is evidently utilizing his social opportunities during his present American visit for a study of American women, and in the next issue of *The Ladies' Home Journal* he will give the results of his observations and describe "The American Woman" as she appears to him after an absence of ten years; in what respects she has changed, and whether she has improved in her dress, manners and tendencies.

If feet or hands are frost bitten keep away from the fire, but thaw them out in a moderately warm room, by applying snow or very cold water. When the frost is entirely out, soak for an hour in water as hot as can be borne, containing all the powdered alum that it will dissolve. This will draw the blood to the surface and reestablish circulation, and there will not be chilblains. The hot water and alum bath is also the best cure for the soreness and swelling that follows frost bites not properly treated.

Hon. N. B. Critchfield, the prominent Somerset county grange, was to-day named as chairman of the State Board a Legislative Committee. Hon. N. Seanor, of Indiana, also a member of the State Board, will no doubt be the secretary of Senator Critchfield's legislative committee. This committee is a most influential factor in shaping legislation in behalf of agriculture on the "Hill." This committee will make at this session of the Legislature, as they have done in the past, a determined fight to prevent the repeal of the Oleomargarine act.—*West Chester Local News.*

Still in the Lead.

The Wm. H. Holmes Co., Distillers, Importers and Wholesale Liquor Dealers, jobbers in all the leading brands of Rye and Bourbon Whiskies. Distillers of "Holmes' Best" and "Holmes Old Economy" Pure Rye Whiskies and Greene County Apple Brandy. Our importations of fine brandies and wines have been unusually large the past year, and we are better prepared than ever to furnish wholesale dealers, hotels and taverns with complete outfits of pure choice goods at first hand prices. Drop us a postal and we will have salesmen call upon you or send for price list. THE WM. H. HOLMES CO., 516 First Avenue and 129 Water Street, Pittsburg, Pa.

Mr. Willis Bittner and Miss Annie Rhoads, of near Husband, Somerset township, were married last Tuesday.

Rev. D. E. Craighead, of the Somerset Presbyterian church, preached to the Presbyterian congregation of Johnstown, Sunday morning.

The Board of County Commissioners have not yet fully fixed upon the amount of millage they will levy for county purposes for the ensuing year, but it is more than probable that it will remain the same as last year, 5 mills.

Joseph Meyers, aged about sixty-five years, died Monday night at his home in Hooversville, the cause being consumption. Deceased is survived by his wife, one daughter and five sons, all of whom reside at or near Hooversville.

Jeremiah Glotfelty, a leading citizen of Greenville township, died Saturday, aged about seventy-five years. He is survived by his wife and a large family of children. All of the children are married. The funeral took place at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning.

A sewing class is the latest organization under the auspices of the Childrens' Aid Society of this place. The class meets in the Academy building every Saturday afternoon, when the ladies of the Society instruct the children who may attend in the art of needle work. The attendance is quite large.

Hon. L. D. Woodruff has disposed of the Johnstown *Democrat*, of which he has been editor for the past twenty years. The new editor and manager is Mr. Warren Worth Baily, late of Chicago. The new editor promises to make a first-class interior daily out of the *Democrat* and we hope that he may succeed.

Mr. John W. Gardner, the aged and respected farmer of Jenner township, who was stricken with paralysis about two months ago at the home of his son-in-law, Mr. Abram Beam, at Jennertown, has recently been taken to his home near the Glessner post office. He has not spoken a word since overcome by the disease.

Eli or Livingood, of the *Salisbury Star*, was a visitor in town during the Farmers' Institute and paid a pleasant call at this office. The *Star* is holding tight to its share of the journalistic string, and has the praiseworthy merit of "speaking out in meetin'" on all subjects and especially when things don't move the way its editor wants them to.

Horace G. Walker, eldest son of the late Charles Walker, died at the home of his mother, a short distance south of Somerset, about 2 o'clock Monday afternoon, aged forty-two years. Death resulted from congestion of the brain. Mr. Walker was a man of more than ordinary intelligence and ability, and his untimely end will be regretted by a large circle of friends.

The house, Thursday, passed on second reading a bill amending the marriage license law, providing that a license to marry may be issued in the county wherein either of the parties reside. The bill was amended so as to include the county where the marriage is to be performed. When this bill comes up in the senate it will likely be further amended by increasing the fee for a license to one dollar.

Many of our town's people have been wondering why Mr. Wesley W. Davis has been walking with a painful limp the past few weeks. Mr. Davis is suffering from a gunshot wound in his left foot received in the second battle of Bull Run. The old sore breaks out every year or two, occasioning him great suffering and inconvenience. Mr. Davis has another gun shot wound, below the knee in the same leg, received in the battle of Gaines' Mill.

E. L. Benford has been committed to jail at Greensburg, on a charge of forgery. It is charged that he forged the name of M. M. Dick, a West Newton banker, and then used the check to dupe an innocent merchant named Taylor, at Murrysville. He also forged the name of Riley Walton, a Pittsburgh stock dealer, to a check drawn on the Barclay bank for $75. This check was cashed by a Jeannette butcher. Benford has a wife and child living at Brownsville.

The contract for furnishing 200,000 crossties for use on the Pittsburgh division of the Baltimore & Ohio, has been awarded to H. C. Houston, of Connellsville. It is the yearly order, and the ties will be delivered and most of them put under the steel before the end of the year. The contract calls for oak. Mr. Houston, who has furnished ties for a number of years past, says that he obtained the greater portion of the timber in Somerset county, although it was necessary to go much farther back from the railroad than formerly.

The house committee on education has reported affirmatively the Farr compulsory education bill. It differs from the bill vetoed by Governor Pattison last session only in the substitution of the words, "a school in which the English branches are taught," for "public, parochial or private schools," and requires every child between the age of eight and twelve years to attend such a school at least sixteen weeks each year. It is estimated that there are 100,000 children between those ages in the state who do not attend any school.

At a meeting of the Somerset County Agricultural Society, held in the law library room Wednesday afternoon, Senator N. B. Critchfield was re-elected president, H. J. Hoffman, secretary and George C. Lichty, treasurer, for the ensuing year. Valentine Hay, P. K. Moore, M. J. Beachy, A. G. Kimmel and O. P. Shaver, were appointed members of the executive committee. The executive committee, in conjunction with the president, was instructed to select a vice president from each township and borough in the county. They were also instructed to formulate plans, to be presented at the next annual meeting, for holding annual county fairs. The report of the treasurer shows a balance of $55.50 on hand. It costs 50 cents to become a member of the Agricultural Society and farmers all over the county are urged to unite with it.

It will be remembered by persons who were in attendance at the Farmers' Institute last week, that Senator Critchfield and Hon. John C. Weller, who were attending the Institute, could not remain for the closing session but left for Harrisburg on Wednesday evening in order to appear before the House Committee on Education, to oppose the bill extending the school term to seven months. Judging from the sentiment expressed by a vote of the Institute, many of our readers will be glad to know that the efforts of those who opposed the bill were not in vain and that the bill was defeated in committee by a vote of two to one.

This, however, does not end the matter. The same bill is before the Senate and if passed by that body it will go before the House as a Senate bill. Those who are opposed to its passage hope that the knock it has already received before the House committee will help to secure its defeat in the Senate.

The Democratic primary election Monday evening was not devoid of humorous features. The antagonistic elements in that party did not get into one another's hair quite as deep as on former occasions, but they took several tugs at it just the same. Candidates for councilmen were nominated against their own personal protest entered before the election board as well as against the protest of aspiring leaders of the local Democracy. Following is the ticket placed in nomination:

Burgess, Jacob S. Picking; Town Council, J. G. Ogle, J. D. Swank and Valentine Hay; School Directors, H. L. Baer and Earnest O. Kooser; Tax Collector, James B. Tredwell; Justice of the Peace, Solomon Uhl; Constable, Wm. Stoddard; High Constable, Fred Holbrook; Street Commissioner, Peter Fink; Judge of Election, R. M. Linton; Inspector, Frank Gilbert.

Killed by an Explosion.

Samuel Houpt was instantly killed by the explosion of the boiler in Frank Granger's planing mill, at the foot of Turkeyfoot street, shortly before 12 o'clock, Friday. Messrs Houpt and Granger were at work on the second floor of the mill, the former at a bench immediately over the boiler and the latter at a scroll saw only a few feet away. The boiler was hurled from its foundation through the floor and roof and fell on the outside of the building. Houpt was evidently struck by a piece of flying timber or metal. His skull was crushed and presented a ghastly appearance. Granger got out of the building, how he doesn't know, and was uninjured.

The report of the explosion was heard in all parts of the town and men and women rushed into the streets to inquire what had happened. A cloud of smoke led the people to the scene. The mill was on fire in several places, but the flames were soon extinguished. Houpt's body was found in a corner on the second floor of the building. It was lying in a pool of blood and was covered with debris. The body was carried to the dead man's home only a few rods away, where his wife and four young daughters were eagerly awaiting the return of the husband and father for dinner.

The mill was badly wrecked and the loss will reach $1500.

Samuel Houpt, the unfortunate man who lost his life, was in his forty-second year. He was the eldest living son of Mr. William Houpt, of this borough. His mother died only about ten days ago. The deceased was a member of the Knights of the Golden Eagle, and had an insurance policy in that order for a small amount. The funeral took place Sunday afternoon when the body was followed to the grave by the local order of Knights of the Golden Eagle.

Where Has the Money Gone?

An act of Assembly requires a copy of the annual settlement of the school districts of this Commonwealth to be placed on file in the office of the clerk of the Court of Quarter Sessions, which shall be at all times subject to inspection by any citizen thereof. The same act makes it optional, whether or not the annual statement of the receipts and expenditures of the school districts be published in the two local papers having the largest circulation.

A careful search made in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Quarter Sessions of this county failed to reveal more than one annual statement of the receipts and expenditures of the school funds of Somerset borough school district for the past eleven years.

It had been the uniform custom of the directors of Somerset borough school district to advertise the annual statement of the receipts and expenditures of said district in two papers published in the district up until the year 1889, when the publication was suddenly discontinued. Why was the publication of this important information to the tax payers of the district discontinued? Was it on account of a virtuous streak of economy or was there something in it the directors wished to have suppressed?

The statement made in last week's HERALD in regard to three mills building tax having been collected annually from the tax payers of Somerset borough school district was made on information derived from tax collectors of the district and others. I may be true that the millage for building purposes was only two mills during the period from 1880 to 1891, but prior to that time it was three mills and some years even more. Three mills building tax on the assessed valuation of the school district nets not less than $1,150, and two mills, therefore, must net not less than $750. It follows that in eleven years the entire revenue for building purposes must have been between $10,000 and $11,000.

With this large sum of money collected for the purpose of meeting a bonded indebtedness of $5,800 it was necessary for the board of directors to borrow $900 (to meet the current expenses of the schools, so we are informed) a year or two ago.

The annual report of the County Superintendent shows that the receipts of Somerset borough school district from all sources (outside of building tax) has always been in excess of the cost of maintenance of the schools, teachers' wages, janitors' salary, fuel, etc.

And still the school's do not compare in efficiency with those of a number of the country districts.

In view of the burdensome debt that has so long oppressed the tax payers of the district, the school directors of the district found it expedient to purchase a tract of land adjoining the Union school property. May a long suffering people be permitted to inquire why this lot of ground was purchased? Of what earthly value is it to the schools that already had a surplus of play ground?

A prominent contractor of the borough is authority for the statement that when he went to the board of directors and asked for the plans and specifications they demurred about giving them to him and said that he was too late. He finally secured the plans and specifications, put in a bid for the proposed addition to the Academy building, and as a result of his action all bids were rejected.

Death on the Rail.

The most disastrous wreck in the history of the B. & O. railroad occurred at Williams station, this county, at an early hour Monday morning. Four men were killed outright and three others will die. The dead are conductor John C. Nez, fireman William Niland, conductor Charles Dunlap and engineer George Wallace. The wreck was a rear end collision and occurred on a heavy grade. It appears that the first train, which runs nightly between Meyersdale and Cumberland, was shifting freight. The colliding train was a fast freight running between Pittsburgh and New York. While coming down the heavy grade at Bowman's the through freight divided and the engine with 25 cars became unmanageable and rushed down the mountain side with lightning speed. The engine party was not aware that the train had parted until it arrived at a point about two miles from the scene of the wreck. As soon as the engineer saw that the train had parted he sounded the alarm. He reversed his engine and did all in his power to bring his train to a stop but without avail. Down the mountain side the runaway train rushed until Williams station was reached, where was sighted the rear end of the Keystone coal train, which was shifting at that point.

The engineer called to Fireman Niland to jump for his life, while he remained at his post. Neither of them left the engine until within a few feet of the standing train. In an instant the monster engine ploughed its way into the cars and death and destruction followed. Thirty of the freight cars, together with a caboose in which there were several men, were broken to splinters and caught fire from the broken engines.

As soon as the wreck occurred wreck trains were telegraphed for from Cumberland.

When the wreckers reached the scene of the disaster there was no trace of Engineer Wallace and Conductor Nez, of the runaway train, but later Nez was found buried under the heavy timbers of the broken cars. Shortly afterward Fireman Wm. Niland was found about 100 feet from the wreck, but was unable to speak. He was placed on a stretcher and conveyed to a passenger coach, where he died in a short time. Conductor Dunlap was afterward taken out. Brakeman Connelly and Sharff and Flagman Grimes were afterwards rescued, but it is thought that their injuries are of such a serious nature that they cannot recover.

William Niland is a brother of the fireman Michael Niland, who was shot and killed by Florence Fuhrer who is now serving a term in the penitentiary for the crime.

It is feared that Engineer Wallace's body has not yet been found and it is feared that it has been cremated.

Anything you want in Gents' Furnishing Goods you can get at J. M. Holderbaum's for the next 30 days at 20 per cent less than at any other place in town.

ISAAC JONES TELLS A STORY.

The Best of All Swimmers, and How He Played a Joke on a Crowd.

From the Johnstown Tribune.

All old Johnstowners remember and have a very kind feeling for Isaac Jones, who in his time, has startled them by falling from the top of the Company Store building to the cellar, and surprised them by not sustaining any more serious injuries than the occasion seemed to require; who has won their gratitude by repeatedly diving for the bodies of drowned persons and always finding them, and who no matter how you take him, is one of the best and most helpfull of men.

That's Isaac Jones. Mr. Jones parted with Johnstown a number of years ago and has since lived in Somerset, taking an occasional tumble from a building, just to keep his hand in. Yesterday he was back at the old home, but it is no part of our intention in this narrative to say that the object of his visit was to buy a cradle for the new baby which yesterday morning came to cheer him in his old age.

We started out to speak of Mr. Jones' prowess as a swimmer, for as such he excels, and it was in a conversation about the old days that we drew from him the substance for what appears below.

Mr. Jones was born with a liking for water and is still a strong temperance man. At an early age he went to sea, and for several years was a sailor. He is not the man who jumped overboard from a swift steamer, in the middle of the ocean unknown to the crew, and, after playing around for an hour or two, caught up with the ship before it reached port; but when his vessel was at anchor he often "took a header" and dived into the blue and briny deep a hundred feet or so, and then, coming up for ozone, disported among the fishes far as long as two hours at a time swimming miles, forth and back, before returning to the ship.

Mr. Jones' reputation as a swimmer and diver was so well known, and he had given such frequent exhibitions of his skill after coming to live here, that impossible stories were told about what he could do in that line, and he once engaged in a bit of harmless deception which many who saw or heard of his "wonderful feat" may not to this day know was only "one of his tricks."

Mr. Jones was one of a crowd who were enjoying a bath in the Stonycreek, above "the Rocks," one evening after dusk, and had done some remarkable diving, which made the kids of that day open their eyes and mouths in wonder. He was asked how long he could stay under water and said "five minutes, easily," and then the mouths and eyes opened wider.

Some one said that was a physical impossibility, and then Mr. Jones quietly took one of the older swimmers into his confidence, posted him in the middle of the creek in water up to his waist, took a big stone in his hands, as he explained to "keep him down," and dived head first, into the "deep hole." As he cut the water there was a little splash, and all was still. The minutes passed, and the boys began to wish they hadn't urged him to the test. Three, four minutes by somebody's watch, and still the famous diver was hugging the bottom of the creek, hanging on to his ballast. The suspense was painful. The crowd felt sure he was drowned, and several suggested diving for his body, but no hero stepped forward to perform the act.

Mr. Jones did not have his watch along, but from the shelter of his friend's body out there in the creek, to which he had swam under the water with swift and silent strokes he could tell by the actions of the crowd when the time was up, and then, swimming back under the water to near where he had dropped the stone, he came up, like a second old Neptune, before the astonished eyes of the waiting crowd, and, with a big gasp to complete the deception, convinced them that he had really stayed under water five minutes and more!

Mr. Jones is now getting to be an old man, but he is still vigorous, and he told us yesterday that he would not be afraid to undertake to swim the Mississippi River with his hands and feet tied; and we believed him.

Republican Primary Election.

More interest was displayed in some quarters over the Republican primary election in this borough Saturday, than was ever before manifested in a similar contest. A presidential election drops into insignificance when compared with a contest for councilmen and school directors at a borough primary. All other officers were lost sight of. The battle waged from sunrise till dark and after the smoke of battle had cleared away the following was found to be the result:

BURGESS
W. H. Wellley, 144
L. C. Colborn, 95
TOWN COUNCIL
J. G. Ogle, 116
J. D. Swank, 115
Harry C. File, 104
Thomas Jones, 136
John G. Sanner, 135
E. H. Werner, 117
SCHOOL DIRECTORS
J. R. Scott, 154
J. C. Lowry, 127
D. J. Horner, 148
Geo. H. Love, 125
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE
Oliver Knepper, 110
Samuel P. Snyder, 66
CONSTABLE
Wm. Gilbert, 147
Jacob Fleck, 91
HIGH CONSTABLE
Simon Berkey, 255
TAX COLLECTOR
A. H. Huston, 177
E. W. Rhonds, 61
JUDGE OF ELECTION
Geo. M. Saylor, 238
INSPECTOR
Jere. Rhonds, 241
AUDITOR
Milton E. Craver, 238
STREET COMMISSIONER
Martin Fleegle, 243

The count of the election officers was eagerly awaited by crowds of voters collected in the different stores and offices about town. The offices in the Court House in which the primary election was conducted was filled with interested spectators, all of whom followed the score of the tally clerks and when it was known that the sheets of the tally clerks showed a majority of only one vote for candidate Werner, a re-count was asked for by a friend of Mr. Ogle's. This request called forth a prolonged discussion with the result that the election officers decided to comply with the request. The re-count showed that both, Mr. Werner and Mr. Ogle had received each one vote more than the original count had given them.

Fifty-five votes were cast for Solomon Uhl for Justice of the Peace.

When Doctors All Agree.

It is a fact well established, that February and March are the most trying months to aged or enfeebled persons. Pneumonia, Influenza and kindred chest affections are liable to get in their deadly work. There is but one thing to do, build up and fortify the system with a pure stimulant. Medical men all over the country agree that Klein's "Silver Age" at $1.50 per quart, and "Duquesne" at $1.25 per quart, stand without a peer. If you want fine six-year-old Guckenheimer, Finch, Gibson, Overholt, or Bear Creek, you can have them at $1.00 per quart, or six quarts for $5.00. We are recognized headquarters for the choicest brands of Wine, Liquor, Cordials, etc. Goods express ed anywhere. Send for complete price list; mention this paper.

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MARRIED.

MULLEN—BAKER.—On January 23d, 1893, at the office of Noah Casebeer, J. P., Somerset, Pa., Mr. William Mullen and Mrs. Susan Baker, both of Black township.

BECK—HOCHSTETLER.—On Thursday, 29th inst., at the Reformed parsonage, Somerset, Pa., by Rev. Hiram King, Mr. Albert H. Beck and Miss Cora G. Hochstetler, both of Jefferson township.

Changing the Ballot Law.

Senator Baker, of Delaware County, has introduced a bill making many and important amendments to the ballot law. Under these changes any party polling one per cent. of the largest vote cast, for any State officer, is recognized as a political party, and may certify its nominations. The present law requires three per cent. Parties polling less than one per cent. must present nomination papers. For state offices, congress and legislature not more than 500 signatures are required, while for all other officers there must be at least ten signers.

Certificates of nomination and nomination papers for the three highest classes of officers must be filed thirty-five and twenty-eight days respectively before election instead of fifty-six and forty nine; county and municipal twenty-eight and twenty-one instead of forty-two and thirty-five. For boroughs and townships the limit is unchanged. The time for filing objections in the three classes is extended from thirty to thirty-nine, twenty to twenty four and three to five, respectively. The Secretary of the Commonwealth must certify nominations to the sheriffs and commissioners twelve days before election, instead of ten, as now required.

The method of marking ballots is changed to require a cross mark opposite the name of each candidate voted for except presidential electors, where one mark opposite the party name votes for all. The number of official ballots furnished is unchanged, but only a sufficient number of specimen ballots are required, and the county commissioners may require the election judges to come to their office on the day before election and receive and receipt for all ballots for their districts.

One voting compartment is to be furnished for every seventy-five voters, instead of every fifty, and a certain door must be placed across the upper part to screen the voter from observation while making his ballot. The name and residence of a person vouching for an unregistered voter must be endorsed on the ballots' check list, opposite the voters' name. Reasonable compensation for party watchers shall be included in the proper election expenses of candidates and political committees.

The most important change is that relative to the "disability of voters." It reads as follows: "If any voter, before receiving his ballot, declares to the judge of election that he cannot read it, or that for any physical cause he is unable to mark it, the judge shall require him (except in cases of manifest physical disability) to make oath or affirmation to the fact, stating it specifically, and shall then permit him to select one qualified elector of the district as a helper, who shall be permitted to enter a voting compartment with him. The said helper shall first declare, on oath or affirmation, that he will not attempt to influence the vote of said voter, but will only give him the help he may desire, and that he will not disclose the contents of the ballot to anyone except when required so to do in any legal proceeding. The inspector in charge of the voting check list shall in any such case note therein, opposite the name of the voter helped, the words helped by (naming the helper) on account of (stating the cause)."

A public count is also specifically provided for.

PUBLIC SALE OF Valuable Real Estate!

By virtue of an order of sale to me directed, I will expose to public sale on the premises, on

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1893,

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All that certain tract of land situate in Jenner township, Somerset county, Pa., adjoining lands of Peter Friedline, Henry Rauch, Levi Friedline, John Fisher, Urias Schmicker, Joseph Ream and other lands of the estate of the above decedent, containing

142 ACRES,

more or less, about 80 acres cleared, balance good timber, a large number of fine maple trees, and having thereon erected a good two-story, and basement plank house, barn and out buildings, orchard and good water; convenient to church and school.

—Terms:—

Ten per cent. on day of sale, one-third on delivery of deed, one-third in one year and one-third in two years with interest. Possession given 1st April, 1893.

WORTH J. PICKING,
Trustee.

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RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE POOR AND HOUSE OF EMPLOYMENT OF Somerset County, Pennsylvania,

For the Year Ending January 2d, A. D., 1893.

JOHN HAMER, ESQ., TREASURER OF THE POOR HOUSE OF SOMERSET COUNTY, in account with the County of Somerset, Pennsylvania, for the year ending the second day of January, A. D., 1893.

No.	Receipts	Dr.
1.	To amount of sales at the poor house in 1892	$ 1418 20
2.	" Somerset county for order No.——of 1892—Musselman fund	30 00
3.	" " " " " " " " to balance account	10287 81
	Carried forward	11776 01

Outdoor Expenses.	Am't	Totals
Amount forwarded		$ 11776 01
Outdoor relief	$ 799 57	
Maintenance of children	126 26	
" " O. D. paupers	63 00	
" " inmates of Dixmont	631 05	
" " " at Harrisburg	227 80	
" " children at Elwyn	60 00	
Out-door Coffins	175 75	
" " " medical attendance	44 00	
R. R. fare for O. D. paupers	90 22	
Visitors traveling expenses	32 25	
Paid other counties and telegrams	26 15	
Directors expenses on official business	87 00	
Justice and Constable fees	30 34	
Conveying O. D. paupers	36 32	$ 2571 91
POOR HOUSE EXPENSES		
Dry goods and clothing	$ 621 17	
Tobacco	138 62	
Wheat and flour	256 60	
Applebutter	84 50	
Hardware	29 31	
Beef, bacon, butter and salt	403 63	
Coffee, tea and crackers	323 80	
Groceries	166 22	
Sugar and molasses	178 82	
Shoes and leather	130 08	
Soap and brooms	28 75	
Rice	32 08	
Thread	27 75	
Potatoes and fruit	67 85	
Coal oil	175 12	
Stationery	32 00	
Drugs and medical examiner and certificates	157 12	
Justice and Constables fees	108 75	
Postage, envelopes and box rent	21 25	
Printing and advertising settlement	262 00	
Coffins	49 50	
Prothonotary and Recorder fees	49 90	
Vinegar, carding and weaving	30 32	$ 3512 18
FARM EXPENSES		
Implements	$ 280 34	
Smithing	42 60	
Hardware	92 87	
Fertilizers and lime	277 58	
Seeds and plants	90 35	
Lumber and freight	51 25	
Repairs and saddlery	40 10	
Labor and dynamite	74 40	$ 949 29
IMPROVEMENTS		
Lumber	$ 181 27	
Repairs	267 30	
Paints and paper	67 48	
Labor, mechanical	196 90	
Balance on new building	500 00	
Iron pipes	72 73	
Steam heater	1000 00	$ 2285 68
EXTRAORDINARY EXPENSES		
Furniture	$ 102 50	
Records	45 00	
Live stock	2 00	
Assessment to poor association	20 00	
Insurance	195 00	
Money paid on indenture agreements	238 90	
Musselman fund library	65 28	
Electric light	28 25	$ 696 93
SALARIES AND WAGES		
Director Weller	$ 50 00	
" Dickey	50 00	
" Miller	25 00	
Attorney and clerk, Colborn	220 00	
Physician, Carothers	150 00	
Chaplain, Saylor	40 00	
Treasurer, Hamer	60 00	
Steward, Miller	100 00	
Cook, Rice	76 00	
Janitors, Kimmel and Ryan	104 00	
Clerk to settlement, Schrocker	19 00	$ 1475 00 $ 11776 01

THE DIRECTORS OF THE POOR

IN ACCOUNT WITH SOMERSET COUNTY, PA.

NO.		CR.	DR.
1.	To amounted estimated for expenses		$ 11000 00
2.	By " received from County Commissioners on above order	$10327 81	
3.	" " of estimate unexpended to the credit of said Board	672 19	
		$1000 00	$ 1100 00

ACCOUNT OF C. C MUSSELMAN DONATION—Deed Book, Vol. 62, page 73.

1.	To amount received from County Commissioners, int's on Musselman fund.		$ 30 00
2.	To " over paid due from general fund		$ 15 28
3.	By " expended for newspapers, etc.	$ 45 28	
		$ 45 28	$ 45 28

DIRECTOR'S INDIVIDUAL ACCOUNTS FOR 1892.

FREDERICK WELLER, POOR HOUSE DIRECTOR, IN ACCOUNT WITH SOMERSET CO.

1.	To amount of poor house order No.— 1892		$ 25 00
2.	" " " " " " — "		$ 25 00
3.	By one year's salary as director	$ 50 00	
		$ 50 00	$ 50 00

WM. DICKEY, POOR HOUSE DIRECTOR, IN ACCOUNT WITH SOMERSET COUNTY, PA.

1.	To amount of poor house order No.— 1892		$ 25 00
2.	" " " " " " — "		$ 25 00
3.	By one year's salary as director	$ 50 00	
		$ 50 00	$ 50 00

JOS. L. MILLER, POOR HOUSE DIRECTOR, IN ACCOUNT WITH SOMERSET CO. PA.

1.	To amount of poor house order No.— 1892		$ 25 00
2.	" " yet due		$ 25 00
3.	By one year's salary as director	$ 50 00	
		$ 50 00	$ 50 00

OUTSTANDING ORDERS UNPAID.

No.	Year	To whom issued	Amount
428	1892	Joseph L. Miller	$ 25 00
324	"	Joseph S. Miller	1 00
400	"	Levina Berkey	8 00
427	"	J. H. Miller	1 00
			$ 35 00

We, the undersigned Auditors of the county of Somerset, in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do certify that in pursuance of the 47th Section of the Act, enacted "An Act relating to counties, townships, etc.," passed the 19th day of April, A. D. 1874, we met at the seat of Justice, in the county of Somerset, on the 2d day of January, 1893, and after being duly sworn, did audit, adjust and settle the several accounts required of us by law, agreeably to the several Acts of Assembly and supplements thereto, according to the best of our judgment and ability, and that the foregoing are true and correct statements of the following accounts, viz:

1st. John Hamer, Esq., Treasurer of the Poor House and House of Employment of Somerset County, with said County of Somerset.
2d. The account of the C. C. Musselman donation.
3d. The estimate accounts.
4th. The individual accounts of the Directors of the Poor, with the County of Somerset, all for the year 1892.

The said Treasurer and the Directors were duly summoned to appear before the Auditors with their books and papers, and they did so appear and produced their books, orders, bills, vouchers and papers, (see summons attached.)

In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals this the 30th day of January, A. D., 1893.

Attest—
H. M. BERKLEY, Clerk.

U. D. BROUGHER, [SEAL.]
HANMAN SHAFFER, [SEAL.]
JOHN G. HAY, [SEAL.]

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