The Somerset Herald.

GEORGE R. SCULL, Editor.

.....March 29, 1893.

Wool country roads in this county are impassable on account of snow drifts.

Mrs. Frank Kimmel, of near Stoystown, died Saturday, 11th inst, aged about fifty years.

The Kramer or Oil City wagon is sold by J. B. HOLDERBAUM.

Last year county liquor licenses amount to $101,331.70, of which the State will get $21,-

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

Wilkinsburg has the largest suspender factory in the world. Its daily capacity is 4,000 pair.

The old school ma'am doesn't wait till Arbor day to plant a birch where it will do the most good.

Notwithstanding modern improvement, it costs more per 1000 feet to manufacture lumber than it did 40 years ago.

The celebrated Studebaker wagon for sale by J. B. HOLDERBAUM.

The many friends of Mr. Samuel Fox, of this place, will be sorry to learn that he is confined to his house by a serious attack of heart disease.

It is worth bearing in mind that these predictions of an early spring come from the same warm-souled sages who early last fall predicted a mild winter.

A spring of pure whisky is reported to have been discovered in the mountains of Western Kentucky. There is every possibility that a big city will spring up around that spring.

Something happens every day to keep a man from becoming proud. He either runs across pictures of himself as a naked baby, or a maiden sentimental verses he signed his name to in a girl's album.

The Bedford County Medical Association will hold a meeting at Bedford Springs on July 11, at which time an effort will be made to form an organization to be known as the Southern Pennsylvania Medical Society.

Seven counties in Pennsylvania are free from debt, viz: Centre, Erie, Franklin, Fulton, Greene, Lawrence, Lehigh, Luzerne, Northumberland, Pike, Sullivan, Susquehanna, Venango, Washington, and Wyoming.

Grove City College will open for the Spring Session April 4th. A young man or woman can pay all expenses for the Spring term, including boarding and tuition, with $50. For all information address the President, ISAAC C. KETLER, Grove City, Pa.

The following letters will be sent to the Dead Letter Office if not called for within 14 days: Baker, Jacob; Flick, Solomon; Hyatt, Myrtle; Hoffman, Jane; Howe, Liddie; Lith, J. H.; Landman; Sandford; Schell, George; Stern, Chas. Stahl, P.R.; Wiz, C. E.

JOSIAH KELLER, P. M.

Thanks for a liberal patronage in the past. My sales after April 1st, I am prepared to deliver and ship fertilizer for all spring crops, such as potatoes and vegetables. Motto: Best goods for least money. Call on or write

A. C. DAVIS,
Somerset, Pa.

Lewis Brinker, a prominent farmer of Penn township, Westmoreland county, was fatally injured while hauling logs on Tue day. He was about to load a log, when it started to roll and pinned him to the ground. He was unable to call for assistance, and was pinned to the ground for six hours. His injuries are internal.

From the Carlisle Indian school nearly 70 boys will go to the country for the summer. The following are some unique Indian names received this week in a subscription list: Miss Plenty Butterflies, Miss Medicine Tail, Miss Shoots-as-he-goes, Miss Grand Father's Knife, Miss Beads-on-ankle, Miss Good Arm, Mr. Comes-in-a-day, Mr. Old Bear, Miss Shell-on-neck.

The Reformed church is arranging for the observance of the one hundredth anniversary of the independence of the church in this country. The anniversary comes on April 9, 1893, and commemorates the day, 100 years ago, on April 30, 1793, when the synod met in Lancaster and peacefully separated from the synod of Holland and assumed an independent position in this country.

Last Friday evening about 7 o'clock a little 4-year-old daughter of James Mulligan, of Ourtown, Westmoreland county, met a terrible death by falling into a bucket partially filled with water in which her father had just washed himself and which he had neglected to empty. While drying in another room, the little child toddled up to the water and looking in, overbalanced and fell in and was drowned.

The Pittsburgh Daily *Chronicle Telegraph* claims to have the finest office of any paper in Western Pennsylvania; the fastest presses of any paper in Western Pennsylvania; to publish the largest paper issued in Western Pennsylvania, and to be the only penny paper in Western Pennsylvania having both telegraph franchises. One cent a day will buy the paper. First-class agents are wanted in all towns.

At the recent term of Elk county court Judge Metzer, of Lycoming, being on the bench, the question was raised whether or not a storekeeper had a right to have two bars in the same house. The Court decided that as long as the license had been granted without restrictions, the storekeeper could sell liquor in every room in his house if he desired to do so, and he could not be convicted of violating the law.

Grafting roses: Have you ever grafted? For example. Would it not look nice to see red and white roses on the same bush. We will tell you how it is done. Cut, say a red rosebush, close to the soil, make a cut in the shape of a cross. Then from the other bush, take a bud germinating; sharpen it to a point, open the cut on the first bush, insert the bud, wrap it well up, and next year you will have red and white roses on the same bush.

Our store is crowded daily! Why? Because the people are getting great bargains in odds and ends in shoes.

FRANK SHIVLER,
Knepper Block.

An Oil City man who wears a wooden leg and is frequently in the hands of the police for drunkenness and disorderly conduct was long a puzzle to the authorities. They would run him into the lockup, with the expectation that he would be, at least, partially sober in the morning and fit to discharge. The surprise came when they found him at night drunker than he was the night before. The secret was discovered a few days ago. His wooden leg was hollow and capable of holding a considerable supply of whiskey. In his solitude and confinement, when he became thirsty at night he would pull his leg and take a drink.

It is generally conceded that cholera will visit this country the coming summer. Now, to avoid it in your homes, see that every particle of filth that the snow has kept well covered for the past few months, is removed from the premises, the cellar aired and cleaned, drains and sewers freed from all vegetable matter and plenty of lime scattered about and if this is done the cholera plague is not likely to bother you. The weather now permits a general cleaning up, and no delay should be made. In some parts of town pig sties, outhouses, &c., are allowed to remain in a filthy condition during the entire summer, and from these disease-breeders much sickness and many deaths are attributed. The Burgess intends giving this matter some attention and people who would rather revel in filth than be clean will be compelled to put their premises in a good sanitary condition. This is a very important matter and every good citizen will do his part to assist in staying off disease.

Rev. Shoemaker, pastor of the Reformed church at Stoystown, and wife are both seriously ill.

Messrs. Cook & Beerits will erect a large two story brick warehouse on their lot adjoining the S. & C. Station this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Webster B. Parker will set up house-keeping to-day in the pretty new cottage erected by H. L. Baer, Esq., on Patriot street.

Dr. J. W. Carothers has removed his family and office from Union street to the residence on Patriot street, recently vacated by the family of F. F. Koontz.

Mrs. Ella Street, daughter of the late Judge Musselman, who had been visiting at the home of her mother on West Main St., returned to her home in Chicago, Friday.

Hucksters George Arisman, Michael Sipe and H. E. Pile, of Jenner township, have furnished the merchants of Johnstown with over nine hundred dozen of eggs within the past week.

Richard Jeffrey, of Elk Lick township, has received the appointment of mine examiner for this district. Mr. Jeffrey is a practical miner of many years experience and is in every way qualified for the position.

If members of the town council would do a little less theorizing in regard to improvements for the good of our town and a little more work on the streets—east Main street, for instance—it would be better for all tax payers.

The *Democrat* volunteers the information that it hustles after news. This statement will doubtless cause its limited number of readers to prick up their ears. The *Democrat* will have to "get a move on" if it wants to succeed postmaster Keller.

A distressing accident occurred in one of the mines near Salisbury last Tuesday. Jesse Jeffrey, a miner, was caught by a fall of slate and was horribly bruised and mangled. His right leg was broken off short below the knee, the bones protruding through the flesh.

Somerset was full of members of the Odd Fellows fraternity Wednesday evening. They were attracted here by the presence of the officers of the Grand Lodge of the State. A special session of the Grand Lodge was held for the purpose of giving instruction to the Past Grands who were present.

Great quantities of maple molasses and tough sugar have been coming to town the past few days, one farmer bringing in a load of one hundred and ninety gallons in separate gallon packages. Maple molasses is selling anywhere from sixty-five cents to one dollar and twenty cents per gallon, according to quality.

James B. Holderbaum, the hardware man, is making arrangements to build a mammoth two story ware house at the rear end of his Main street property. Both floors will be used to display agricultural implements, wagons and buggies. Mr. Holderbaum has two or three other warehouses in other parts of the town.

Mrs. Albert P. Brubaker, of Philadelphia, arrived in town Monday morning. The Dr. will join her here this morning. Mr. and Mrs. Brubaker came to Somerset for the purpose of being present at the marriage of their sister, Miss Dari Brubaker, who will be married to Mr. William F. Joyce, of Baltimore, Md., Thursday morning.

Last Wednesday Mr. Adam Anstead sold one hundred and twenty acres of land in Conemaugh township, to his sons Cyrus and William, who each purchased sixty acres. Charles Lohr, of Quemahoning township, recently purchased one hundred and fifty acres of land in Upper Yoder township, Cambria county, from William Anstead.

About ten days ago a team of black horses, owned by Nehemias Mangus, who is a logman for the Johnstown Lumber Company, were killed near Bethel. The horses were hitched to a log that rolled over a steep embankment, sixty feet high, and they were dragged with it. One of the horses was instantly killed and the other lived a few minutes.

"Solly" Zimmerman will have to answer in the Court of Quarter Sessions on a charge of beating his wife. "Solly" resides south of town and it appears that all was not love and harmony in his cottage, Friday evening, leastwise his wife made information against him for assault and battery Saturday morning. Zimmerman was arrested, but was subsequently released on bail.

Anent the sanitary ordinance introduced in town council, a valued correspondent points out elsewhere in this issue that "cleanliness, next to godliness," like "charity should begin at home." The filthiest lot in town is the property of the borough and the filthiest alley in town leads to the municipal chamber. All the same, the people of Somerset should exert every effort to clean the town up this spring as it has never been before.

Rev. G. M. Alshouse, formerly of the Evangelical Church of North Lima, Ohio, has accepted the Stoyestown Circuit of the Methodist Episcopal Church, which was recently vacated by Rev. C. H. Muse, who went to the State of Indiana several months since to engage in missionary work. Rev. Alshouse will begin his labors on next Sunday. He will preach in the morning at the Hopewell Church, Jenner township and at the Stoyestown M. E. Church at night. He will move his family to near Stoyestown, where his wife formerly lived.

R. A. Barnes, recently employed as a cook at the Somerset House, was arrested one day last week at Millvale, Allegheny county, upon the charge of attempted criminal assault upon a four-year-old child. He was detected in his crime and narrowly escaped lynching at the hands of an angry crowd of citizens. Only the advice of men of cool judgment prevented trouble. The prisoner was taken to Pittsburgh and locked up in the county jail. Barnes is forty years old and comes from Painsville, Ohio, where he has several grown up children, letters from them being found upon his person.

Members of the German Baptist or Dunkard denomination in Cambria county, will endeavor to secure next year's International Council of that church for Johnstown. Johnstown came near securing this year's meeting, and it is believed that the Cambria county brethren can secure it next year without much trouble. These annual meetings are big events, as delegates are present from all parts of the world, and the number in attendance runs up into the thousands. The nearest points to Johnstown at which these monster gatherings have ever been held are Meyersdale, and Cloverdale, Bedford county. Meyersdale has had the Conference twice, and Bedford county three times. Of late years they have been held principally in the west, but as the Dunkards of that region, or their ancestors, nearly all emigrated from Pennsylvania, and hundreds of them from southwestern Pennsylvania, it is only natural that they should desire to revisit the scenes of their childhood, and that they will vote to hold the next annual meeting at Johnstown.

W. H. Ruppel, Esq., with his pockets lined with money, went to Johnstown Monday morning for the purpose of lifting options on coal lands along the border of Somerset and Cambria counties. The owners of the tracts had been notified beforehand and were prepared to settle matters without any hesitation. A majority of the options were lifted at from $10 to $20 per acre. A few farmers were unwilling to take even the latter price. Altogether about 1000 acres were paid for by Mr. Ruppel Monday. Mr. Ruppel is understood to be acting as agent for the Berwind White Coal Company, said to be the largest shippers of bituminous coal in the country.

As soon as the spring opens up fully it is confidently expected that the work of developing the coal in the north of the county will be begun.

Battle of the Bosses.

Coffroth and Fisher Both Want to Name a Postmaster for the "Metropolis."

Mr. William Sufall's commission as postmaster at Meyersdale expires April 1st. Ten full-fledged candidates are in the field for his official shoes. As the matter stands at present it is the field against Wm. H. Hay. Hay is the representative of the Fisher wing of the Democratic party in the south of the county and he is earnestly backed by the leaders of that element in Somerset. It is understood too, that Mr. Harrity and the other members of the Pattison political household have endorsed the petition of Mr. Hay, and they look upon him as a sure winner. But it is anything to beat Hay with the "old guard" of the Democracy and they have succeeded in uniting the field against him. Ex-Senator Fred Grof heads the list of the opposition. He has taken an active part in local politics for the past forty years and is one of the few members of his party who has ever been elected to a legislative office from this district. Grof and General Coffroth, the leader of the anti-Harrity forces, have always had a copper-riveted compact in regard to the distribution of the spoils and they will make the fight of their lives to control the Meyersdale appointment, since it will be the first federal appointment to be made in this district, and will decide who is to say "thumbs up" to the office seekers. General Coffroth and Adlia served together as members of Congress and an intimate friendship was engendered between them at that time that has never lapsed. Only recently when the Vice President passed through this county on a special train headed for the inauguration, he spoke to a crowd assembled at Rockwood station, and, among other things, asked to be remembered to his "old friend General Coffroth, for whom I entertain the warmest feeling." The Coffroth Democrats rely on the Vice President's familiarity with the headsman's office and his friendship for their chief, to exert his influence in behalf of Grof. In case Grof is knocked out, the Coffroth forces will concentrate their strength on Wm. H. Dill, a son of "Andy" Dill, Marshall of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania under Cleveland's former administration. Dill, it is said, has secured the endorsement of Col. McClure, of the Philadelphia *Times*; Col. Singerly, of the Philadelphia *Record*, and a number of other prominent Democratic leaders of the East, who were friends of his father. Dill has only been a resident of Meyersdale for a few years and has never exerted much influence in party politics, and it is not believed that he will be rewarded with one of the best local plums simply because he is a son of a late eminent Democrat. J. M. Oats will be next taken up in case both Grof and Dill are turned down. Mr. Oats is an active young Democrat and would make a good postmaster, but he has been identified with the Coffroth wing of the Democratic party too long to secure anything from the gentlemen who are engineering Pennsylvania politics under the new administration. And so on until the ninth man on the list has had a turn at the political fortune wheel. A united effort will be made in behalf of each in case his predecessor on the list is unable to secure the appointment. Naturally more or less kicking is being done by the applicants who find their names at the foot of the list, but all are so anxious to encompass the defeat of ex-Chairman Fisher, who is the representative of Harrity in this county, that they will submit to almost any humiliation in order to do so.

Chairman of the Democratic County Committee, Frank Johns, a rattling good fellow, a wealthy lumber dealer and a shrewd politician, is reported to have been in Washington for the past few days, endeavoring to secure the aid of some of the State leaders in order to control the Meyersdale appointment. Johns is a resident of Meyersdale and his action as Chairman of the County Committe has been severely criticised by the Fisher element of his party. He has staked his re-election as Chairman on the outcome of the Meyersdale post office fight and will leave nothing undone to accomplish his end. He does not care particularly who receives the appointment, only so Hay does not.

Attorney A. L. G. Hay, a son of Wm. H. Hay, the Fisher candidate for the Meyersdale office, returned from Harrisburg Saturday. He saw both Harrity and Hensel, and the result of his interview with them was evidently very satisfactory, since he has announced that his father will be the next postmaster of Meyersdale. Fisher says the same thing; or in event Hay is knocked out Fisher claims that he will name the man.

It is reported here to-day that charges affecting the character of at least one and possibly three of the candidates for the Meyersdale postmastership, have been filed with the Postmaster General.

Are You Going to the "World's Fair?"

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H. G. WILL, Ag't.,
Glade, Pa.

Many Are Called.—One will be Chosen.

Possibly the announcement in the HERALD two weeks ago that postmaster Keller has served three years as mail distributor in Somerset, incited our Democratic friends to the great activity that has been manifested among them since then. It is currently reported that every other supporter of Cleveland in town carries a petition praying for his appointment as postmaster in his inside pocket. A number of the applicants—not so modest as their neighbors—have been circulating their petitions for signers, and one of them is said to have secured so many signatures that he is no longer able to carry the weighty document, but is forced to drag it after him in a hand-cart. A rumor has been circulated that Mr. Keller will resign, but Mr. Keller disclaims any such intention and will continue in office until the headsman's axe falls. From present indications the battle for the appointment will wax exceeding hot, so hot indeed that the scrimmage for the appointment four years ago will not be a marker to it. The outcome of the Meyersdale postmaster fight will probably have the effect of retiring a number of local aspirants.

Burgesse's Can Not Preside.

Judge Paxton, of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, recently filed a decision relative to the right of the Chief Burgesses of boroughs to preside over the Borough Councils. As it effects the business of Borough Councils all over the State, it is a decision of much importance.

It is a question decided for the first time by the Supreme Court, and the decision is that the Chief Burgesses of all boroughs incorporated under the general borough law, have no right to preside at any meeting of Borough Councils, unless they are members of such bodies. The question has been frequently decided by the lower courts, and while one or two have been made in accordance with the decision of the Supreme Court there are a great number of decisions conflicting with it, and Judge Clayton, of Delaware county, as late as December 3, 1892, decided that Chief Burgesses had power to preside over the Councils. Of course, this decision of the Supreme Court settles the question. This decision has not yet been published outside of one or two legal papers and it will, therefore, be a matter of interest to the members of Borough Councils of our county, in several of which, we believe, the Chief Burgess is the presiding officer. All Councils will now be obliged to elect a President from their members.

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H. G. WILL, Ursina, Pa.
Glade, Pa.

CLEAN UP THE TOWN.

MR. EDITOR:—With your permission I desire to get in a word or so respecting the condition of a certain public lot, and at least one thoroughfare. All the town papers have had something to say in a general way in reference to putting the town into a respectable summer dress, so that visitors will not mockingly say in passing along our streets and through our alleys, what an eyesore this or that property is, or what a horrid stench comes from a certain alley—an alley that reeks with old soiled paper, decaying vegetables and fruit, and other filthy refuse swept from stores and warehouses.

Were it not for the serious side of the case, the resolutions now before Council *calling on* citizens to clean up, would be as amusing as a comic almanac—the amusement growing out of the fact that so far as keeping borough property in anything like a decent condition is concerned our officials have been about as useful as a half dozen men made out of six rye straws and a little buckwheat batter would have been. Precept without example counts for nothing. Before tackling said resolutions, let our good Burgess and members of Council set property holders an example by cleaning up the lot of which they are the custodians.

The borough lot, as it is called (on the rear end of which is a brick nondescript building noted for its filthiness), fronting on Main street, is by all odds the dirtiest, meanest looking, worst kept piece of property within the town limits. Can it be possible that our Burgess, whose eyesight is good, and the holding over members of Council, whose vision is not dimmed, have failed to notice the shameful, disgraceful appearance of this town lot? It has been an eye-sore to every lover of decency and cleanliness. No self-respecting citizen does not blush with shame in being compelled to say to a stranger that the repulsive looking lot belongs to the borough.

Last summer its adornments were old tin cans, broken glass jars, vestiges of crocks, rusty old stoves, thistles and weeds by the many hundreds. Protests, complaints and anathemas finally led to the munificent expenditure of a dollar or so to have the tops of the rank growth of weeds and thistles cut off, thus leaving the picturesque stubbles a foot long to contribute to the adornment of the accumulated rubbish.

During the past winter the sidewalk in front of this lot was about the only one on Main street from which snow was never shoveled.

A few years ago a cheap wooden fence was put up facing Main street, but never a drop of paint did it see. Though pailing after pailing was pulled off or fell off, not one of them was ever replaced. The gate has long ceased to swing on its cheap, flimsy hinges, and now leans quietly against the fence, varying its leaning position by occasionally spreading itself flat on the sidewalk.

For the borough authorities to call on people to clean up their lots, that are perfect paradises compared with this dirty, filthy, indecent town property, is the climax of impudence, stupidity, presumption and arrogance. If the town is too poor to take care of the property, or the authorities too indifferent to the reputation of the place, let it be sold at once, or given away to some one who would have the good name of the town sufficiently at heart to put it in some kind of decent shape. As it is, and as it has been, it is the most offensive, repulsive, disgraceful, shameful spot in the town. Out upon the official balderdash talk of cleaning up streets, cellars, cesspools, water courses, &c., as long as this foul blot remains.

Before wrestling with the people's dirt, Messrs. Burgess and Councilmen, sweep the filth from your official door. Even let Kimberly continue to roll its slu gish water along for the time being at least and do something that is imperatively necessary, and that will add to the good appearance and decency of the borough.

Apropos of the cleansing work, the horridly filthy alley running from Main Cross street past the two largest warehouses in the town requires a passing notice. It is no exaggeration to say that this alley is, by long odds, the filthiest one to be found within the borough lines; that on a warm summer day it reeks with corruption, the stench of which is enough to breed disease and death. Think of its location—not in any of the outskirts, but right in the very center of the town. Decayed vegetables of all kinds, rotten fruit, such as apples, oranges and bananas, mixed up with pieces of soiled paper, make it the hotbed of pollution. The filth of the two warehouses are almost daily swept into it, without, so far as is publicly known, a single protest of an official. What more right have these warehouse proprietors to sweep their offals, pieces of paper, broken boards and barrels, iron scraps, &c., into this alley, than business men have to litter our streets with noisome stuff from their respective stores, offices and groceries? A proper regard for the feelings, comfort and health of citizens and sojourners, is suggestive of jamming all such stuff as named into barrels or boxes, to be hauled out somewhere and either buried or burned.

Will the borough authorities quietly fold their arms and permit this mammoth and hideous evil to go on? We shall see. To content themselves by nosing around to find some poor man's premises with a bucket of ashes on it, or some widow's garden with a handful of straw scattered on it, while wading through filth shoe-top deep in the most traveled section of town, will no longer be tolerated by an outraged community.

A VOTER.

Wanted.

50 pounds good maple sugar and 500 gallons good maple molasses. Cash paid on delivery.

Respectfully,
COOK & BEERITS.

Another Good Sale.

Another sale of coal lands was concluded yesterday in Somerset county which will have an important bearing upon the developments in that region. This was the transfer of a tract of 750 acres along the line of the B. & O. Railroad, which was sold for a cash figure aggregating $19,000.

The lands in question were purchased by John J. McDonnell, John Itel, and Lawrence Symendenger, of Portage, several years ago, and were purchased outright. Several offers had recently been made on the coal, but the gentlemen refused unless they disposed of their interests outright, which they have now done. The lands were purchased by the Berwind White Coal Company, and the money was paid for them yesterday, the advance over the purchase price netting a handsome profit.

This purchase by the Berwind White people indicates that they intend to make extensive developments in that region. These lands lie close to the Holsopple tracts, about which there is some dispute, a claim to hold them by agreement being made by the Berwind White Company, notwithstanding the fact that the Thomases of this city have paid part on the lands as heretofore noted. All of this tract just sold lies along the B. & O., both Border's station and Kauffman's station being located on the same.

The demand for good coal in the Somerset region seems to be growing. Good land and locations are eagerly sought for, although there is noticed a diminution of the rivalry formerly existing, indicating that the speculators believed the prices were too high and they will not buy freely unless they can be obtained at reasonable figures. Enough has been developed, however, to show that this region will before long become the scene of activity somewhat similar to the operations now going on in the north of this county—*Johnstown Herald.*

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In connection with this subject the following letter read before the Farmers' Institute of Indiana county, Pa., will give an insight into what is required and the profits that are to be made:

CAMDEN, W. VA., Feb. 18, 1893.

"Dear Sir:

"In reply to your letter concerning our system of establishing canning factories, I submit the following details which I hope will meet your approval. In the first place your surrounding country must be an agricultural one. If so, I am prepared to satisfy your people there is nice money in the manufacture of canned products, such as peas, beans, corn, tomatoes, apples and all fruits, our specialties being corn, tomatoes and apples.

"You will doubtless want to know what price is paid the producer for his garden truck and fruit.

PRICE PAID FOR FARM PRODUCTS.

"An average price for peas in hulls is 50 cents per bushel, a fair yield being 100 bushels to the acre. Beans in the pod are worth a cent a pound and an average yield per acre is 150 bushels. Green corn in the husk brings from $7 to $9 a ton according to the season, and an acre of carefully cultivated land should produce four tons. Tomatoes on ordinary land should produce 350 bushels to the acre, the average price for the last three years being 23 cents per bushel.

"Of course the yield of apples cannot be safely estimated, but a factory is safe in contracting for them at 50 cents a bushel, there being no choice as to grade, the only requirement being that they are sound when shaken from the tree. Pumpkins and squashes are worth to the canner from $3 to $4 a ton.

"All labor in the factory is done by piece work. Any community adapted to this business should furnish enough produce to manufacture 6,000 cans daily. This would employ from 75 to 85 hands.

IT BENEFITS ALL.

"The business leaves a nice margin to the manufacturers besides paying good prices to the producers. Both are greatly benefitted. If your people knew of the money in the undertaking, and if the country is adapted to garden truck, there would not be any hesitancy about establishing a plant. In many instances the entire cost is covered in two years. Can your people, the farmers especially, engage in anything that will pay them better?"

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Allegheny, Pa.

HICKS' APRIL FORECAST.

A combination of causes conspire at the opening, and during the entire month of April, which are calculated to produce disturbances of maximum severity, and which will overrun the limits of the storm periods in their normal state. Nevertheless, the most marked and dangerous storms will center on and about the central dates of regular storm periods. The first period extends from the 2d to 6th. We name the 3d, 4th and 5th, as danger centers. As we enter the period it will grow very warm in westerly parts, and heavy storms of thunder, rain, hail and tornadoes will develop and travel eastward, turning to snow and sleet in northerly sections. Expect a general cold wave to spread over the country as the storms pass to the eastward, and prepare for frosts, and considerable freezing northward, in the intervening days and nights prior to about the 9th and 10th. On and about these dates it will grow suddenly very warm, and reactionary storms will appear in many parts and with marked energy. Heavy hailstorms are almost sure to result. Another dash of cool to cold weather will fall in behind these disturbances, disappearing gradually up to about the 14. Between the 13th and 17th the whole country will feel the effects of a very warm wave, and storms of great violence are to be apprehended on and about the 15th, 16th and 17th. The disturbances from the 13th to 18th are apt to be prolonged by existing causes into the reactionary storms due about the 21st and 23d.

The 25th is the central day of the last period for the month, which period embraces the 25th to 28th inclusive. During this period it will grow very warm again, and many heavy storms of rain, hail and thunder will travel from west to east across our continent. After the storms, look for cold and frost. The month promises to end very cool.

Justices of the Peace and Constables.

Newly elected Justices of the Peace and Constables and the old officials who are not already provided will find that the place to buy Binns' or M. S. Kinney's Justice or Constables' guides, dockets, fee bills, summons, subpœnas, constables' sale bills and all other blanks used by them is at

FISHER'S BOOK STORE.

This is the place also to buy blank deeds, mortgages, leases, receipts, judgment and promissory notes, and all sorts of legal blanks, Dunlap's book of forms, blank books, legal and fools cap papers, envelopes, etc.

CHAS. H. FISHER.

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Good second floor offices in Printing HOUSE Row. For terms, etc., call at this office.

Dunning by Postal Card.

There is a very general impression among merchants and others who are particularly interested in the subject, that it is a criminal offense under United States laws to mail a dunning letter written on a postal card. A person in this neighborhood wrote to the First Assistant Postmaster General asking for information, and received a reply giving the decision of Judge Thayer, Dec. 14, 1889, on the wording of a postal card that was mailable and one that was not.

The mailable one read: "Please call and settle account, which is long past due, and for which our collector has called several times, and oblige." The unmailable one reads: "You owe me $1.80. We have cabled several times for same. If not paid at once, we shall place with our law agency for collection."

The last sentence, it is stated, ruled out this communication. Postal cards are not mailable if they contain language of "a threatening character," and it is a very serious threat to the average man to tell him that you are going to sue him. There is no law, however, to prevent you from putting an X on your card to let your debtor understand that you are really cross with him.—*Ithica Journal.*

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of certain writs of Fi. Fa. issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Somerset County, Pa., to me directed, I will expose to public sale, at the Court House, in Somerset Borough, at 1 o'clock, P. M., on

Saturday, April 22, 1893,

All the right, title, interest, claim and demand of Henry F. Schaffer and Isabel Schaffer, of, in and to the following described real estate, viz:

No. 1. A certain tract of land situate in Jefferson township, Somerset county, Pa., adjoining lands of Jacob Heimminger, Edward & Noah Horner, John Kimmel and others containing

60 Acres, 60

more or less, about 40 acres of which is clear, having thereon erected a one story plank house and a log barn, with a good orchard of fruit bearing trees on the premises, with the appurtenances.

No. 2. A certain tract or parcel of land situate as aforesaid, adjoining lands Mary Moore, Rebecca Geisel, tract No. 1, and others, containing fifteen (15) acres more or less, having thereon erected a one-story dwelling house, with the appurtenances.

Taken in execution and to be sold as the property of Henry F. Schaffer and Isabel Schaffer, at the suit of Joseph Walcher, use of J. K. Bowman, et al.

TERMS.

NOTICE—All persons purchasing at the above sale will please take notice that 10 per cent. of the purchase money must be paid when property is knocked down. Otherwise it will again be exposed to sale at the risk of the first purchaser. The residue of the purchase money must be paid on or before the day of confirmation, viz: Thursday, May 25, 1893. No deed will be acknowledged until the purchase money is paid in full.

ISAIAH GOOD,
Sheriff.

COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE.

Mary A. Wirick, vs. Israel Wirick. } In the Court of Common Pleas of Somerset Co., Pa. No. 161. Dec. Term, 1892. (Alias Sub, in Divorce.)

To Israel Wirick.

You are hereby notified that I, the undersigned, have been appointed Commissioner in the above entitled case, to take the testimony and report the facts with an opinion, and that I will be in my office, in Baer's Block, on Main street, Somerset, Pa., on Thursday, April 20th, 1893, at 10 o'clock A. M., of said day to take the testimony that may be produced, at which time you can attend and examine if you think proper.

H. L. BAER,
Commissioner.

AUDITORS' NOTICE.

At an Orphans' Court held at Somerset, Pa., on the 11th day of March, 1893, the undersigned Auditor was duly appointed to make a distribution of the fund in the hands of William H. Brubaker and Michael Good, administrators and trustees of David Brubaker, dec'd, to and among those legally entitled thereto, also to ascertain the widow's dower in said estate, hereby gives notice that he will attend to the duties of the above appointment on Friday, April 28, 1893, at his office in Somerset, Pa., when and where all persons interested can attend if they think proper.

JOHN R. SCOTT,
Auditor.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

In re-estate of Samuel Heinbaugh, dec'd.

Having been duly appointed Auditor by the Orphans' Court of Somerset county, Pennsylvania, in the above estate, to make a distribution of the fund in the hands of the Administrator to and among those legally entitled thereto, pass upon disputed claims and ascertain advancements to heirs, I hereby give notice that I will attend to the duties of said appointment at my office in Somerset, Pa., on Thursday, April 20, 1893, when and where all persons interested can attend.

GEO. R. SCULL,
Auditor

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Israel Emerick, late of Southampton Twp., dec'd.

Letters testamentary on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned by the proper authority, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment and those having claims against the same will present them duly authenticated for settlement on Saturday, March 25th, 1893, at the office of J. C. Lowry, Esq., in Somerset borough.

I. D. LEYDIG,
Administrator.
J. C. LOWRY, Atty.

EXECUTORS' NOTICE

Estate of Geo. W. Pile, late of the borough of Somerset, Somerset county, Pa., dec'd.

Letters testamentary on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned by the proper authority, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment and those having claims against the same to present them duly authenticated for settlement on Saturday, the 15th day of April, 1893, at the law office of John E. Scott in Somerset borough.

CHARLES F. PILE,
GEORGE G. PILE,
Executors.
Scott & Ogle, Att'ys.

EXECUTORS' NOTICE.

Estate of Daniel Berkey, late of Stoystown borough, dec'd.

Letters testamentary on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned by the proper authority, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment and those having claims against the same will present them duly authenticated for settlement, on or before Saturday, April 8th, 1893, at late residence of decedent in Stoystown borough.

JACOB KOONTZ,
Executor.

EXECUTORS' NOTICE.

Estate of Joseph Meyers, late of Quemahoning township, dec'd.

Letters testamentary on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned by the proper authority, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment and those having claims against the same will present them duly authenticated for settlement on Thursday, April 13th, 1893, at residence of dec'd.

H. J. MEYERS,
Executor.

EXECUTORS' NOTICE.

Estate of Edwin H. Johnson, late of Somerset borough, Somerset county, Pa., dec'd.

Letters testamentary on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned by the proper authority, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment and those having claims against the same will present them duly authenticated for settlement on Saturday, April 22, 1893, at the office of John R. Scott, in Somerset borough.

HARRIET H. JOHNSON,
Executor.

ADMINISTRATRIX'S NOTICE.

Estate of Catharine McAfee, late of Somerset borough, dec'd.

Letters of Administration on this estate having been granted to the undersigned by the proper authority, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same will present them duly authenticated for settlement on or before Saturday, May 6th, 1893, at the office of J. H. Uhl, Esq., in Somerset borough. All claims to be presented to Uhl & Holbert.

MARIAH E. COOPER,
Administratrix.
Uhl & Holbert, Att'ys.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of John Frederick Uphouse, late of Milford Township, dec'd.

Letters of administration, cum testamento annexo in the above estate having been granted to the undersigned, by the Register of Wills, etc., in and for somerset county notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same to present them duly authenticated for settlement on Saturday, the 15th day of April, 1893, at the law office of John E. Scott in Somerset borough.

CHARLES F. PILE,
GEORGE G. PILE,
Executors.

EXECUTORS' NOTICE.

Estate of Daniel Berkey, late of Stoystown borough, dec'd.

Letters testamentary on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned by the proper authority, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment and those having claims against the same will present them duly authenticated for settlement, on or before Saturday, April 8th, 1893, at late residence of decedent in Stoystown borough.

JACOB KOONTZ,
Executor.

EXECUTORS' NOTICE.

Estate of Joseph Meyers, late of Quemahoning township, dec'd.

Letters testamentary on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned by the proper authority, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment and those having claims against the same will present them duly authenticated for settlement on Thursday, April 13th, 1893, at residence of dec'd.

H. J. MEYERS,
Executor.

EXECUTORS' NOTICE.

Estate of Edwin H. Johnson, late of Somerset borough, Somerset county, Pa., d