The Somerset Herald.

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Salisbury citizens are talking about water works for that place.

Attorneys Scott & Ogle have placed a large and handsome new safe in their office.

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

There is a river in Idaho called the Grip. Northern paper comes out in favor of damning it.

A near Somerset township farmer tapped his maple trees last week and reports a good flow of sap.

Clearance sale of fine furniture at Devlin's 79 and 81 Franklin St., begins Aug. 9th. Bargains at about half price.

A boy wrote in large characters on a car-load of coal on a Lehigh Valley R. R. siding in Allentown: "This coal for the poor." The car disappeared soon vanished. Now the railroad officials don't know what to do about it.

Have you seen Devlin's Brussells Carpets 75 cents per yard, in any pattern? Lace curtains lower than jobbers prices. Goods guaranteed on any article.—80 and 82 Franklin St., Johnstown, Pa.

William Heintzeman and family who live near Upper Turkeyfoot, were nearly blown to pieces Monday night by some fiends, who exploded dynamite at the front door, smashing the windows and badly wrecking the house. Mrs. Heintzeman was seriously injured.

Twenty years behind the times is what they say when you use the Wooden Keelers for maple sap. Do you know tin sap buckets are cheap. Write to P. A. Schell, Somerset, Pa., for prices.

The man who thinks a newspaper should be made up exclusively of reading matter suited to his particular whims and prejudice is easy hard to please. He forgets that there are others who are interested in subjects which he deems obnoxious. All kinds of people read newspapers, and there must be variety in the kinds of news published.

If a fellow comes around and wants to bet $5 that if you will tell him the last four figures of the number of a bank note, he will give you the letter of the note, don't you take him up. You offer to bet him the same way, that if you succeed in getting him to bet, divide the figures of the note by 4. If they divide even and one remains, the letter is A; if two remain the letter is B; if three remain the letter is C, and if they divide even the letter is D. If you know how to divide you will win his money.

All who are troubled with Constipation should find a safe, sure, and speedy relief in Dr. Pitts' Pills. Unlike most other cathartics, these pills strengthen the stomach, liver, and bowels and restore the organs to normal and regular action.

At the next meeting of the Board of Trustees of Franklin and Marshall College, at the request of the faculty, the co-educational question will in all likelihood be adopted, and then another new departure is about to go into effect. Notice to the college authorities has been sent from the War department at Washington informing them that their request to have an army officer attached to the college has been granted, a lieutenant will be detailed for the service. He will have charge of the drilling and disciplining of those students who choose to enter a military corps, and will have the supervision of the gymnasium.

The concert given by the Franklin and Marshall College Glee and Serenade Club last evening at Trinity Reformed church was a good success in every respect. It was to a good audience, for the culture of the town was present. Every seat was occupied when the club sang the first selection. The large crowd had come for an evening's enjoyment, and the triple encores was the best proof that the glees were highly appreciated. It would be unfair to single out any number from this program, for all the parts were rendered with equal artistic skill. It is seldom that such harmony is produced by glee clubs, and the boys carried off the laurels of the season. Everybody was so pleased with the visit of the F. & M. College Glee Club that their return will be welcomed with delight.—*Pottsville Evening Chronicle.*

Every woman, who arrives at middle age retains the color and beauty of her hair, and every woman may do so by the occasional application of Ayer's Hair Vigor. It prevents baldness, removes dandruff, and cures all scalp diseases.

When may a lady offer to shake hands with a gentleman, is another question that seems to remain unsettled. A writer for the *Dress Free Press*, who is regarded as good authority on all such questions, makes this ruling: "A lady never extends her hand to a man whose acquaintance she is making. She may or she may not shake hands with a lady who is introduced, but she must not offer her hand to a strange man. A low bow is the elegant form of salutation. A cultivated woman will not shake hands with any man, no matter how long she is acquainted with him, unless she respects and admires him. A gentleman never extends his hand to a lady first. To do so would be presumptuous and subject him to a snubbing. A man shows his breeding the way he eats his dinner; a woman shows her breeding the way she receives people."

An unusual and interesting case in the Potter county court at its recent term was a conviction under the statute of this State relating to barratry. A barrator, according to this old statute, is one who incites to quarrels and lawsuits among his neighbors, a meddlesome person who stirs up unnecessary and unwarranted litigation. The statute has for years been a dead letter and the present is the first time in many years that the law has been put in force. The barrator in this instance was George W. King, who had become notorious for involving himself and his neighbors in petty lawsuits, and was constantly stirring up small disputes in the community. This sort of thing became a nuisance, and finally when people found relief to be a virtue the people of Judge Honeycomb sought relief. The old musty statute regarding barratry was found, and it finally fitted King's case. He was indicted at a recent term of criminal court in Potter county for this offense, and the case came to trial before Judge Olmstead, at Coudersport. King was adjudged by the jury to be guilty of barratry as charged by the indictment and the judge sentenced him to pay a fine of $50 and all costs of prosecution, which including attorneys' fees, will amount to between $600 and $700.

The annual meeting of the State Board of Agriculture will be held in Harrisburg today and tomorrow, and the question of oleomargarine bids fair to be an important feature. As the United States Government continues the sale of oleomargarine when properly inspected and stamped, there is a strong feeling springing up that the State of Pennsylvania should not prohibit its sale unless the seller tries to pass it off as butter. At present, under the law of 1885, no one can buy or sell a pound of oleomargarine in Pennsylvania without being liable to a fine of $100. A person with even one boarder in the house cannot buy it outside the State and use it without being liable to a similar penalty. It sells for 14 cents a pound, while butter retails for 35, and many of the members of the State Board of Agriculture will declare loudly this week, that the law was passed simply to favor the dairy interests of this State at the expense of the workingmen's stomachs. A majority of the farmers will clamor for its repeal. The law was passed as a "health" measure, but health officials have emphatically that the sale of oleomargarine is not injurious to health, while the sale of such butter as is bought by the poorer classes to day most certainly is. The discussion of the subject promises to be quite heated, especially when the report of the Dairy Commission, appointed two years ago to carry out the law, is given. Governor Pattison will preside at the meeting.

S. B. Yoder has been appointed postmaster at Pugh, Stonycreek township.

Mr. Jerry Rhoads, one of Somerset's best know stone masons, is confined to his home by serious illness.

The Franklin and Marshall College Glee and Serenade Clubs, who appear at the Opera House, Thursday evening, will be greeted by a full house.

Mrs. Jane Miller, eldest daughter of Hon. A. J. Colborn, is suffering from an attack of scarlet fever at the home of her sister, Mrs. Frank Bealle, in Frostburg, Md.

Thieves visited the smoke house of George Brugh, in Jefferson township, one night last week, and carried off a large lot of pork and other meat. The robbers left no clue.

Dr. H. D. Moore, of Middlecreek township, attended the mass meeting held at Johnstown, Monday evening, for the purpose of securing increased railroad facilities.

Captain William H. Sanner, notice of whose sickness with scarlet fever was made in our last issue, has recovered to such an extent as to permit of his attending to business.

Mrs. S. D. Livengood, wife of the Meyersdale banker, was stricken with paralysis at her home in Pittsburgh at an early hour last Monday morning. Her condition is critical.

The family of Mr. J. B. Snyder will leave Somerset, Thursday, for Wilmerding, Allegheny county, where they will reside in the future. The best wishes of their many Somerset friends go with them.

The younger members of Somerset Council Royal Arcanum, have volunteered to give an entertainment in the Opera House, on the evening of February 22d, for the benefit of the Childrens' Aid Society.

John M. Yoder, son of Mr. and Mrs. Benedict Yoder, of Stonycreek, notice of whose serious injury, at Iowa City, Iowa, appeared in last week's HERALD, has since died. The body was interred at Sharon Center, Iowa.

The following services will be conducted in the Presbyterian Church next Sabbath, Jan. 28th. Rev. T. J. Bristow, Pastor, will preach morning and evening, 10:30 A. M.; 7 P. M. Sabbath School and Pastor's Bible Class at 3 P. M.

Mr. Lawrence Snyder, a popular young resident of Meyersdale, and Miss Airy R. Young, the accomplished daughter of Mr. J. W. Young, of that place, were married in the Roman Catholic Church at 8:30 o'clock Wednesday morning.

Sallie, wife of Daniel Showman, a well-known resident of Showmanstown, a suburb of this place, died Sunday morning from the effects of grip. She was about sixty years of age. The body was interred in the Metzler Church Cemetery Monday.

Two new dwellings will be erected on north Main Cross Street early this spring. One will be erected, by Mr. Isaac Simpson on his lot adjoining Mr. Albert Ferner, and the second will be built by Mr. Milton Long, on a lot recently purchased from Mr. John N. Snyder.

The time of the Court last week was taken up to such a late hour Saturday afternoon that action on the water works ejectment case was deferred indefinitely. An order was made that the injunction was to remain until argument is heard on it at a day to be fixed by the Court.

On January 11th, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Shaulis, of near Edie, Mr. William E. Kimmell and Miss Nora I. Shaulis were joined in marriage. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. F. Gephart, of Lavansville, in the presence of a large number of invited guests.

One of the welcome callers at the HERALD office Saturday, was Mr. Solomon Coleman, of Brothersvalley township, who for the past fifty-five years has been a subscriber to this paper. Mr Coleman has been a close observer of political events, and he thinks the Democrats will never again be called into power in this country.

The name of William H. Peterson, of this county, has been restored to the pension roll. William P. Foust, of Somerset, has been granted a pension. The minor children of John E. Pile, who was killed on the Bare Rock Railroad, have been pensioned. Amos Finnegan, of Meyersdale, has been granted an increase of pension.

W. H. Ruppel, Esq., has brought another ejectment suit against Edmund Holsopple, of Bethel. This one is for the possession of about 1,150 acres of coal land on which Mr. Holsopple held options. It will be remembered that Mr. Ruppel won the first suit against Mr. Holsopple, which was for coal lands the latter held in his own name.

George Ludy, aged about sixty-five years, a well-known and esteemed citizens of Lincoln township, died Sunday morning from Bright's disease. He formerly lived at "Ludy's Mill," near Jenner X Roads. He was married to a daughter of Benjamin Stuffi, of Jenner township. He is survived by his widow and ten or twelve children.

In less than one month from this time the commission of Mr. Keller as postmaster at this place will expire, and the candidates for his official shoes are hustling. Two new candidates, A. H. Coffroth, Jr., editor of the *Democrat*, and ex-Associate Judge Henry Huffley, have shied their castors into the ring during the past ten days. The fight will be transferred to Washington in a few days.

W. W. Patrick & Co., the Pittsburgh Bankers, who suspended payment some time since, have been granted an extension and Monday the doors of their banking house were re opened for business. Mr. Patrick's friends claim that he will weather the storm all right, and that after paying every penny of his indebtedness will have a comfortable fortune left. Mr. Patrick is a native of this county.

At two o'clock to-morrow Mr. Tobias Yoder, of Conemaugh township, and Miss Salome Peachy, will be married at the home of the bride's parents in Allensville, Mifflin county, Pa. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Moses Yoder, of near Davidsville. Messrs. Valentine and Samuel Yoder, brothers of the groom, will be present at the wedding. Mr. Yoder and his bride intend making their home in Mifflin county.

Joseph Baush, a venerable citizen of Quemahoning township, died last Wednesday, of old age. Mr. Baush was over eighty years of age, and resided on his farm adjoining Stoystown, all of his life. He was a highly respected citizen, and a consistent member of the Lutheran Church. He is survived by his widow and one son—James H.—residing at home, and one daughter—Mrs. Jerome Stufft—of Jenner township.

A furious battle was fought in Danville, Pa.,—the home of Mr. Simon Krebs, of the Little Coal Co.,—last Wednesday morning, between five robbers, who broke into the post office, and three policemen, who were joined by a number of citizens. In the encounter scores of shots were exchanged and one of the officers fell mortally wounded. Two of the robbers were shot but were gotten into a boat by their confederates and rowed to the opposite side of the Susquehanna, and in the darkness all made their escape.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Rhoads, of Edie, Lincoln township, mourn the death of their four-year-old son—"Jimmie"—who died Sunday afternoon. Saturday the child was playing on the walk in front of the house when he fell and sustained internal injuries. He regained his feet but in attempting to climb up the stairs leading to the house he fell a second time. The child's mother heard his screams of pain and rushing to him carried him into the house and sent for a physician. Nothing could be done to relieve the little fellow's sufferings and he lingered in great agony until death came to his release.

FOR BETTER R. R. FACILITIES.

Immense Mass Meeting Held at Johnstown Monday Night.

Citizens of Johnstown are very much aroused over the prospects of securing additional railroad facilities for that city and Monday night a monster mass meeting was held in the Johnstown Opera House for the purpose of taking concerted action in order to induce the Beech Creek railroad to extend its line to that place.

The Opera House was found to be too small to accommodate the crowd, estimated at 5000 people, who desired to attend the meeting, and it was necessary to hold an overflow meeting in the public park.

John D. Roberts, cashier of the First National Bank, presided. Addresses were made by a number of representative citizens, and by ex-Judge Baer, of Somerset. Ringing resolutions were adopted and a committee of fifteen was appointed in order that the advantages and natural resources of this section can be more properly presented and urged upon the railroad authorities, and to offer such reasonable inducements to railroads now seeking entrance to this region as will encourage them to push ahead at once.

Ex-Judge Baer was highly delighted with the success of the meeting and to a HERALD representative he said that he was fully satisfied that one if not two additional lines of railroad would be built through this county in the very near future. The inference to be drawn from Mr. Baer's remarks is that the Pennsylvania R. R. is jealously watching every movement made by the Beech Creek authorities and just as soon as the latter road extends its line into this region the former will be after it "with a hot stick," so to speak.

The extension of the Beech Creek Railroad to Johnstown is a matter of vital importance to the residents of Somerset county. Once its line enters that city it will be but a very short time until it is extended to the rich coal fields in the north of this county, and it will ultimately be extended to Connellsville, where connection will be made with the Pittsburgh & McKeesport Railroad. When this is accomplished a new trunk line from New York to Chicago will have been established.

If the effort to induce the Beech Creek to extend its line in this direction succeeds it will mean that not only will the rich coal deposits in Quemahoning and the townships lying north of it be developed, but that the far richer coal beds of Somerset, Stonycreek and Brothersvalley townships will be benefited as well, and that great prosperity will result to the entire county.

Parties in a position to know what they are talking about claim that the coal field now being operated by the Listie Company produces a decidedly better quality of steam producing fuel than the beds farther north. They maintain that their beds extends east and not north and it is only to be found in Somerset, Stonycreek and Brothersvalley townships.

Coming Home From the War.

Captain H. F. Picking has completed a full term of sea service, and orders were issued at the Navy Department, Friday, detaching him from command of the Charleston upon the reporting of his relief, Captain G. W. Coffin. Captain Picking, as is known to our readers, has been in charge of the U. S. fleet congregated in the bay of Rio Janerio for the past six months, looking after the interests of the government during the rebellion in progress in that country. His relations with President Cleveland and the State and Navy Departments have been of the most confidential character, and in all that he has done he has won the commendation of his superiors and of his fellow officers. The change of command of the Charleston will take place in about a month.

A few days since the editor of the HERALD received from Captain Picking a file of the *Rio News*, the only English newspaper published at the Brazilian capital. In it frequent complimentary reference is to the Captain of the Charleston.

While Captain Picking is a comparative stranger to most of our readers, the fact that he is a Somerset boy and has gained distinction in the service of his country, makes anything pertaining to him a matter of local interest.

A Case of Mistaken Identity.

Not a little interest was aroused in court one evening last week when two or three witnesses were called upon the stand for the purpose of impeaching the credibility of a witness who had previously given in evidence on the other side of the case—an important land suit. All swore to the best of their knowledge and belief that the witness whose evidence it was desired to impeach had been convicted of the crime of larceny and had served a term in the penitentiary. One of the witnesses went so far as to say that his brother had secured the prisoner's release from the penitentiary on condition that he would go into the army as his (the witness' brother's) substitute. On cross-examination it turned out that the witnesses had secured their information from hearsay and that they knew nothing of the facts testified to from their own knowledge.

Then the witness whose evidence had been attacked took the stand and solemnly declared that he had never been accused of the crime of larceny; had never been tried for that crime and had never served a term in the penitentiary. He admitted before retiring from the stand that he had always understood that a man bearing the same name as himself, a resident of Fayette county, had been convicted of larceny and had been an inmate of the penitentiary.

It was subsequently explained by one of the council who introduced the testimony that attorneys can not always tell what witnesses who have previously been examined will testify to when called upon the witness stand.

Begged a Drink With Pockets Full of Money.

"Bub" Weller, the barkeeper at the Mansion House, was occasioned a surprise Thursday evening, says the Berlin *Record*, that fairly made him rub his eyes a time or two to make sure they were not deceiving him. The cause of the surprise was a tramp who came in and tried to beg a drink of beer. Upon being persistently refused he rammed his hand into an inside coat pocket and drew out a roll of bills as thick as one's wrist. Finding no small denominations he replaced the bills and jerked out a second roll from another side pocket. Failing again to find a small bill he replaced the roll and went down into one of his pantaloon pockets and hauled out a hand full of silver from which he paid for his drink. The gentleman had begged a meal or two before going to the hotel. The idea was advanced that he might be the person for whom the $2,500 is being offered on account of the murder and robbery of a mining boss in Maryland. The tramp lodged at the Mansion House and struck the road again Friday morning.

Primary Election Notice.

The Republican Primary Election for Somerset Borough will be held at the Courthouse in said borough on Saturday, January 27, 1894, between the hours of 1 and 7 o'clock P. M.

Candidates will announce their names to the Committeeman or leave notice of announcement at the HERALD office on or before Friday evening, 26th inst.

N. E. BEAKEY, Committeeman.

Bound to Knock Mr. Barleycorn Out

Over in Berlin a petition is being circulated and signed calling upon the Burgess and Town Council to call a special election for Saturday next to determine whether or not a majority of the voters are in favor of having a licensed hotel in that town. The expense of the election is to be born by private parties, and if it takes place will probably be hotly contested. How an election of this character is to be brought to the attention of the Court and what effect it will have in the matter of granting licenses to applicants from that place is yet to be developed. So far as we know this is the first instance of the kind on record.

JURORS FOR FEBRUARY TERM.

The following named persons have been drawn to serve as Jurors at the ensuing term of Court, commencing Monday, February 26, 1894:

GRAND JURORS.

Brothersvalley—H. H. Brant.
Elk Lick—E. A. Winters, Josiah J. Engle.
Jenner—John H. Horner.
Lincoln—John J. Baker.
Meyersdale Bor.—R. M. Newcomer.
Northampton—Jacob Poorbaugh.
Paint—John Geisel.
Rockwood Bor.—Henry Yutzy.
Shade—Joseph H. Koontz, Joseph C. Lambert.
Somerset Bor.—Ed. Henneberger, Cal. Zigler, Thomas Jones, Hiram King.
Somerset—Jacob A. Barron, David Tayman, Wm. A. Miller, Oliver Shafer.
Stonycreek—Wm. C Barnett, Ed. Lowry.
Stoyestown Bor.—James J. Metzgar.
Summit—John Lindsman.
Upper Turkeyfoot—Aaron Cramer.

TRAVERSE JURORS—FIRST WEEK.

Addison—Jesse McClintock, Thomas J. Bird.
Allegheny—Wesley C Frazier.
Berlin Bor.—George P. Brubaker.
Black—Jacob S. Wiltrout.
Brothersvalley—Henry G. Hay.
Conemaugh—Samuel G. Shetter, El. J. Rhoads, Scott Lohr, John W. Shaffer.
Confluence Bor.—A. T. Humbert.
Elk Lick—Zachariah Faidley, Daniel Duecker.
Fairhope—G. W. Owent, L. F. Dorn.
Jefferson—John H. Morrison, Gillian Mull, Henry L. Kastner.
Jenner—Samuel Speizle, Jeremiah J. Shaffer, Levi Friedline.
Lincoln—Jacob J. Pile, Frank Weller.
Meyersdale Bor.—Cyrus Just, Peter Stahl, Alex. Paul, James May, Josiah Lint.
Middlecreek—P. K. Moore, Singleton Kimmel, Jeremiah Whipkey.
Milford—Jacob N. Walter.
Ogle—Harrison Oldham.
Paint—David J. Berkey, Daniel Foust.
Quemahoning—David Miller, Daniel E. Long.
Shade—Adam Berkeybile.
Somerset Bor.—Frank Weimer.
Somerset—Fred Bingner, John Tayman, Josiah Heminger.
Southampton—Daniel Everline.
Stonycreek—Irvin B. Miller, Alex. Hunter.
Summit—Herbert Harding.
Ursina Bor.—Alex. Nedrow, Henry Zimmerman.

TRAVERSE JURORS—SECOND WEEK.

Addison—Elijah Holliday.
Allegheny—Andrew Poorbaugh, Joseph H. Miller.
Berlin Bor.—Ananias Decter.
Black—D. F. Kimmel.
Brothersvalley—Simon F. Hay.
Casselman Bor.—Walter Wilkins.
Elk Lick—Henry Keim, Norman D. Hay.
Fairhope—Wm. H. Day.
Jefferson—Alex. Shaulis, Daniel Maul, Joseph Brugh.
Jenner—Isaac Kimmell, Adam S. Shaffer.
Larimer—Lewis Mankemier.
Lower Turkeyfoot—J. M. Glotfelty.
Meyersdale Bor.—Henry Miller.
Milford—David Putman.
Middlecreek—R. A. Snyder, C. R. B. Cramer.
New Baltimore Bor.—George Straub.
Northampton—Calvin Poorbaugh, Levi Lancaster, Henry E. Miller.
Ogle—Martin Rouzer.
Paint—S. W. Heckler, Jacob A. Weaver, J. L. Manges, Samuel C. Helman.
Shade—Aaron D. Shaffer, Cyrus Berkeybile, Samuel Weible, Jacob Yost.
Somerset Bor.—Wm. H. Carrol, Wm. H. Reitz, James B. Saylor.
Somerset—George Marteeny, George Kneedy, Henry Yinkey.
Stonycreek—George B. Dively.
Wellersburg—Wm. J. Huff.

California Excursions.

The well-known Phillips Excursion Company have arranged to run weekly excursions to all principal California and other Pacific Coast Cities from all points on the Baltimore & Ohio R. R.

The parties will leave the East on Wednesday of each week, commencing January 17, and passengers will be booked through to destination. There are no Pacific Coast tours offering as good accommodations at less expense. For full information address A. Phillips & Co., No. 111 S. 9th Street, Philadelphia, or call on nearest ticket agent B. & O. R. R. Co.

Special Court Proceedings.

Almost three days of last week's special term of Court were taken up with the trial of the case of Ernest and Sarah Eifert vs H. M. Lytle and A. C. McCune. The plaintiffs claimed that the defendants had cut a lot of timber from their lands and converted the same to their own use. Damages in the sum of $10,000 were asked, but in a suit at law damages are always sky high and the amount fixed by the jury is generally accepted as being the just amount that should be recovered. The determination of this case devolved upon the land boundaries. The original survey of the lands had been made many years ago and ineffectual efforts were made by surveyors to re establish the original lines. The question then arose as to whether natural boundaries should obtain, or whether the testimony of witnesses who had assisted in making the original survey, and other facts which tended to show that the survey was a correct one should govern. The case was warmly contested on both sides, and argument of counsel before the jury consumed over a half-day. The verdict was for $1,650, for the plaintiffs.

A jury was next called to try the care of Daniel Augustine vs. Henry Smith, defendant, and El Nicklo, garnashee. After all of the evidence was in the case was taken from the jury to await the determination of other suits bearing upon the question involved.

In the suit of Zachariah Keefer vs. Isaiah Good, Sheriff, the jury returned a verdict for the defendant.

A number of other cases on the calendar were either continued or settled.

Change for Teachers.

The great offer being made by the Pittsburgh *Dispatch* to take the sixty teachers of the public schools of Pittsburgh, Allegheny and other points in Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia and Maryland to Atlantic City in July is the talk of the hour. The additional inducement that the twelve teachers of the sixty who receive the largest number of votes will be taken on a supplementary trip to Philadelphia, New York and Boston after the Atlantic City trip is over is indicative of the liberality which governs the Pittsburgh *Dispatch* in everything it does. Give your favorite teacher the benefit of a splendid summer outing.

About Electric Lights.

An exchange says that people who use incandescent lights should always keep in mind the fact that there is danger lurking around the little illuminators. This is the advice of an old electrician. It is an easy matter to explain without going into the technicalities of electrical science. Of course you may say fifty or a hundred volts will not do much harm, but don't be too sure about that, and particularly don't imagine that fifty or a hundred volts is all that your little wires will carry. Sometimes the current gets crossed with a high current wire. I is expected by some electricians that the safety fuse will blow out, and thus cut off the connection, but sometimes this fuse don't work. Many instances could be cited in which they did not, and as a consequence, there were disastrous results. No matter how much care is taken to make lights safe, there is always danger in fooling with lightning. Never attempt to turn on the light should the floor be wet, for a ground circuit is a deadly thing, and don't take hold of metal fixtures with one hand and then use the other to turn on the light. These precautions are easily observed.

Brick For Sale.

We have 300,000 No. 1 red brick for sale, in large or small quantities, at our yard south of Somerset. ROSS DAVIS & CO.

Secretary Edge Tells How Good Highways Can be Had.

In his forthcoming report, Secretary Edge, of the State Board of Agriculture, will talk as follows on the road subject: "While a radical change in the construction of roads must necessarily lead to a great outlay of money, better roads than we now have can be had with no extra outlay of money; but there must be a change in the manner of building or working our roads. It is expecting too much to look for an entire change in all the roads of the country at once. Then, if it were practicable to make a part of the roads permanent, the trouble would be, where to begin. There are not so many principal roads as formerly. The roads near cities and large towns are more important than those more remote, but not so much so as formerly, since railroads enter nearly every city and town and do most of the carrying of freight and passengers. The roads most used are those where the railroad station is at a distance from the town. Such roads might be made permanent at the expense of the county or state, but the very large part of the roads must remain "dirt roads" for a long time to come. The roads of the country are growing more equally important. In sections where cheese factories, creameries or canning factories are located, the roads are brought into more general use. When we get a general mail delivery, and the school system is changed so as to have one central graded school in each township, and the children brought in and returned every day in wagons, the roads will be still more equally important. In order to improve our country roads three things are necessary. First, let there be a general awakening of the people in every township on this subject, and say we will have better roads. Second, select men for the supervisors who know something about a road and have the backbone to see that they are built and maintained. Third, select men for pathmasters who can supervise the building of a road and who will see that every dollar credited to any man for work done is earned. The township which starts out with this end in view, can have good roads, and that, too, without any additional cost in the matter."

Death of Harvey J. Simpson.

Mr. Harvey J. Simpson, second son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Simpson, of this place, died at his home in Moundridge, Kansas, at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday evening, aged 33 years and 10 months. Death resulted from convulsions of the brain, superinduced by a nervous affliction. The remains were brought to Somerset, arriving here on the Sunday morning train, accompanied by the bereaved widow and Mr. Edward Simpson, a younger brother of the deceased, who went to Moundridge ten days ago in response to a telegram conveying news of Harvey's critical condition. The funeral took place from the home of the deceased parents at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon, Rev. Harkey, of the Lutheran Church, conducting the services.

Mr. Harvey J. Simpson left Somerset for the west about twelve years ago and engaged in the harness business which he since carried on very successfully. Three or four years ago he paid a visit to his Somerset relatives and friends. Four or five months ago he was taken seriously ill and his parents went to Moundsville and watched by his bedside until his health was restored.

Referring to the death of Mr. Simpson the Moundridge *Leader* says: "In the loss of Mr. Simpson the community suffers the loss of a much esteemed and successful business man; a man who enjoyed the confidence and good will of a host of friends and neighbors. As a townsman he had no rival, always ready to do his part when called upon, and continually expounding the principles of true citizenship. To the surviving wife and family his death is a severe shock, as well as to his neighbors and numerous friends. Mr. Simpson was married less than a year ago and had provided a pleasant and inviting home, together with a well established business, the result of diligent labor."

Vick's Floral Guide, 1894.

It contains descriptions that describe, not mislead; illustrations that instruct, not exaggerate. This year it comes to us in a suit of gold. Printed in eight different colors besides black. Colored plates of Chrysanthemums, Poppies and Vegetables. On the front cover is a very exquisite bunch of Vick's New White Branching Aster and on the back is the New Double Anemone; 112 pages filled with many new novelties of value as well as all the old leading varieties of flowers and vegetables.

We advise our friends who intend doing anything in the garden this year to consult Vick before starting operations. Send 10 cents to James Vick's Sons, Rochester, N. Y., for Vick's Guide, it costs nothing, as you can deduct the 10 cents from first order. It certainly will pay you.

Duties of Constables.

Judge Bregy, of Philadelphia, has handed down an opinion in reference to Constables and their duties and quotes the following section of law on the subject:

"The constables of the respective wards, boroughs or townships in each county shall, in the first week in each term of the Court of Quarter Sessions, make returns, under oath, of all places in his bailiwick where vinous, spiritous, malt or brewed liquors or any admixture thereof are kept for sale or sold, except stores kept by druggists or apothecaries, stating which of said places are licensed under this act and which are unlicensed, and it shall be the special duty of the Judge of said court to see that this return is faithfully made. And on failure of any constable to comply with this provision, or if it be found upon examination or inquiry by said Court that any Constable has either wilfully or negligently omitted to return all such houses and the names of the proprietors thereof in his bailiwick he shall be guilty of wilfully and negligently making a false return and the Court shall suspend him from office, and direct the District Attorney to indict and try the said officer, and if found guilty he shall be fined in a sum not exceeding $500 and undergo an imprisonment, either simple or solitary, not exceeding two years, both or either, in the discretion of the Court."

Notice!

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned Commissioners of Somerset county, Pa., that they refuse the payment of any scalp orders for foxes and minks, the Act of 1889 being unconstitutional.

HENRY F. BARNETT,
S. U. SHONER,
J. G. EMERT, WM. P. HAY,
Clerk. County Commissioners.

Keep Your Mouth Shut.

Don't be offended. The admonition is not meant as a reflection upon your talkativeness. Talk as much as you please but keep your mouth shut when your are not talking, advises the *N. Y. Herald*.

People who keep their mouths closed except when they are talking, eating or drinking, rarely contract colds or coughs. Savages, even those who live in northern latitudes, seldom take cold. Scientists say it is because they are closemouthed.

Disease germs floating in the air find a direct route into the lungs of a person who breathes through his mouth. They are arrested by the fine, sieve like network of hair in the nostrils of the individual who breathes through his nose. Keep your mouth shut and you may defy pestilence.

The teeth suffer from too much and too frequent exposure to the atmosphere. Sudden changes of temperature, whether liquid or atmospheric, are hurtful to them. The best teeth in the world are those of the savage tribes, whose members always keep their mouths shut except when talking or eating.

Throat and lung diseases are often contracted by persons who go about open-mouthed. The frosty air of winter inhaled directly into the lungs through the mouth is a frequent cause of bronchial disorders. Taken through the nose it is modified and sifted of many of its dangers. Keep your mouth shut.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

Queer Police Proceeding.

WEST END, Bedford County, Pa.

EDITOR HERALD:

I am creditably informed that the authorities of a recently incorporated borough in Bedford county, appointed as police officer a man who is fresh from the fatherland, but who has proved himself to be a dutiful and resolute defender of the law, especially in regard to disciplining the boys of the village.

A few evenings ago the boys determined to even up with the officer. They prepared a "stuffed paddy," in the image of the officer and named it "Grover." The "paddy" was tied to a fence in the attitude of a drunken man and within earshot of police headquarters. When all was ready the boys raised a boisterous laugh with the premeditated purpose of drawing the attention of the "man of authority" to the scene. The ruse worked first rate, for in a few minutes he appeared with "billy" in hand, and sternly commanded the boys to desist from making further noise. One of the lads apologetically informed him that they were only laughing at the drunken man leaning against the fence. Then the officer inquired "where bees a drunking man?" The "paddy" was pointed out, and in an instant the officer grasped it with the grip of a tiger and in the shadow of night commanded, "you usht go mid me."

"Grover" was slow to respond to the officers' command, when that worthy flourished his mace over his head and exclaimed "don't you reshist; if you dos I'll usht knock you right away down," and tightening his grasp he succeed in bringing "Grover" down to the pavement.

Upon investigation the policeman found that his subject had neither life nor soul in him, and releasing his grasp on the inanimate objects thrust he quietly remarked, "I beliefs you bees nod somebotty," and hurriedly retracing his steps to po ice headquarters, he tendered his resignation, to take effect immediately.

FIRST EFFORT.

NOTICE.

In the matter of the assignment of Samuel N. Garey and wife to Philip Hay, for the benefit of the creditors, the Assignees and the Assignee, having filed their petition praying the Court to ratify, approve and confirm the sale, conveyance and transfer of the real estate made to Catharine Geary, and that the Assignee be released and discharged. Notice is hereby given that the prayer of the petitioners will be granted by the Court of Common Pleas of Somerset county, unless objection is made thereto on or before the 26th day of Feb. 1894.

VALENTINE HAY,
Atty for Petitioners.

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that Jonas Stevannus and wife, Bussenman, of Brothersvalley Twp., Somerset County, Pa., have made a voluntary assignment to me of all their estate, real and personal, in trust for the benefit of their creditors. All persons indebted to said Jonas Stevannus and wife will make immediate payment to the undersigned and all persons having claims against them will present them duly authenticated to

SAMUEL S. FORNEY
Assignee,
Berlin, Pa.

Scott & Ogle,
Attorneys.

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that Mary Buckman, of Rockwood, Somerset county, Pa., by deed of voluntary assignment has assigned to me in trust for the benefit of her creditors, all the estate, real and personal, of the said Mary Buckman. All persons indebted to the said Mary Buckman will make immediate payment to me and those having claims will present the same without delay at the Buckman Hotel, Rockwood, Pa., on Saturday, January 27th, 1894.

ISAIAH GOOD,
Assignee.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

In Re estate of Adam Snyder, dec'd.) In the Orphans' Court of Somerset County, Pa.

Having been appointed Auditor in the above estate, by the Orphans' Court of Somerset County, to make distribution of the fund in the hands of the Administrator to and among those legally entitled thereto, and to ascertain outstanding advancements, etc., notice is hereby given that I will sit at the office of Hay & Walker, in the borough of Somerset, for the purpose above stated, on Wednesday, January 24, 1894, at 10 o'clock A. M., when and where all parties concerned may attend.

A. L. G. HAY,
Auditor.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of George Geiger, late of Larimer township, deceased.

The undersigned, on motion of Scott & Ogle, Esq's, having been appointed Auditor to distribute the funds in the hands of S. Hoover Jacobs, Administrator, hereby gives notice that he will meet to attend to his duties at the office of Colborn & Colborn, Somerset, Pa., on Tuesday, Feb. 13th, 1894, when and where all parties interested can attend if they think proper.

L. C. COLBORN,
Auditor.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE

Archibald Livengood and Sarah Livengood, his wife, In the Court of Common Pleas of Somerset county, Pa., of No. 31, Feb. T. 1893.

Samuel J. Bowser.
Voluntary Assignment.

Having been duly appointed Auditor in the above estate, by the Orphans' Court of Somerset county, to make distribution of the fund in the hands of the Assignee to and among those legally entitled thereto, notice is hereby given that I will sit at my office in Somerset borough, on Saturday, Feb. 10, 1894, when and where all parties interested can attend.

FRED W. BIESECKER,
Auditor.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Eliza Crissey, late of Shade 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 for settlement duly authenticated, at the late residence of dec'd., at Jacob Walters, on Friday, the 16th day of Feb. 1894.

JAMES F. HAMER,
Executor.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

Estate of Magdalena Thomas, late of Conemaugh township, 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 said estate will present them duly authenticated for settlement at the late residence of dec'd., in Greenville township, on Saturday, Feb. 17th, 1894.

LYDIA FINGER,
CYRUS WERNER,
ALFRED A. RINGER,
JACOB P. MILLER,
Administrators.

Executors and Trustee's Sale

—OF—

Valuable Real Estate!

As Executor of the last will and testament of Sarah Weigle, dec'd., and by virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Orphans' Court of Somerset county, Pa., and to the undersigned directed as Trustee of the estate of Jacob Weigle, dec'd., late of Stonycreek township, Somerset county, Pa., I will expose at public outcry, on the premises in Shanksville, in said township, on

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1894,

at 1 o'clock P. M., the following described real estate, viz:

The home property of the late decedents, consisting of one lot of ground, having thereon erected a good two-story dwelling house, together with a stable and other outbuildings, all in good condition. This is a very desirable home.

Terms:

Ten per cent. of the purchase money to be paid when the property is knocked down, one-third of the remainder on delivery of deed, and the balance in two equal annual payments, to be secured by judgment, with interest.

DAVID WEIGLE,
Executor and Trustee.

PUBLIC SALE

—OF—

Valuable Real Estate!

By virtue of an alias order of sale issued out of the Orphans' Court of Somerset county, and to us directed, we will expose to public sale at the homestead, tract No. 1, on

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, '94,

at 10 o'clock A. M., the following described real estate, late the property of John Nair, dec'd.

No. 1. A certain