The Somerset Herald.

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WEDNESDAY ..... Jan. 23, 1895.

[illegible] Snow for sale in large or [illegible] by
MARCUS SCHROCK.

[illegible] tons in Monticello, Fla., is [illegible] different limbs grafted apples, pears, peaches, pears [illegible]

[illegible] supplies for stringed instru- [illegible] at Snyder's drug store.

[illegible] Valley Railroad, ten [illegible] in Westmoreland County, [illegible] up in the near future for [illegible]

[illegible] of Brothersvalley [illegible] will hold their primary election [illegible] January 26th, in the store room [illegible] Crook & Co., Berlin.

[illegible] has sold fifty-one sleighs [illegible] this season, and has a fair as- [illegible] on hand yet, but they are selling fast. Hurry up if you want one.

[illegible] in a neighboring county, could [illegible] by for a newspaper. Last [illegible] received a circular letter offering [illegible] by mail a receipe for making a fine slick dressing every hour of [illegible]. He sent the money and receiv- [illegible] reply, "Grease it."

[illegible] Flour and Feed [illegible] Schrock and have them de- [illegible]

[illegible] paper says: Out in Indi- [illegible], where they sell the hams, [illegible], etc., and live on [illegible] all winter, every school erects a [illegible] on the playground in [illegible] the neighboring fences and [illegible] way to spend.

[illegible] want to buy a first-class musi- [illegible] at a moderate price? Go [illegible] drug store.

[illegible] Messenger says the assess- [illegible] Office Industry has placed the nor- [illegible] property on his books and [illegible] the valuation of the property at [illegible]. The tax would amount to $3,000. [illegible] authorities contend the prop- [illegible] exempt from taxation and will [illegible] the matter.

[illegible] HERALD should not for- [illegible] N. Snyder, the druggist, can [illegible] with glasses.

[illegible] Dean, of Juniata County, who is [illegible] Judge Bell in the Blair County [illegible], Pillar ruled that a man who rode [illegible] pass could collect mileage. [illegible] grew out of the case of Special [illegible] Dennis O'Connell, who charg- [illegible] of Blair about $15 mileage [illegible] he travelled on a pass.

[illegible] of Judge Longenecker, like [illegible] Judges when there is only one [illegible] under 30,000 inhabitants, is [illegible] annum. The Judges of Phila- [illegible] $5,000 per annum and those of [illegible] 300,000 inhabitants and over, and [illegible] there is only one Judge, the salary [illegible] equally.

[illegible]mann's Hardware Store has [illegible] crowded with customers buying [illegible], Sleds, Robes, Blankets, [illegible] and Harness from his immense [illegible] since the snow fell.

[illegible] the resolutions passed by the [illegible] Indiana county, at their recent [illegible] meeting, was this one: "That [illegible] 'Professors' belongs only to those [illegible] fill, or have heretofore filled [illegible] of our universities and colleges, [illegible] as teachers of Indiana county, [illegible] this title is addressing any [illegible] that these persons."

[illegible] County Applebutter for [illegible]
MARCUS SCHROCK.

[illegible] of Maryland paid over [illegible] of a million dollars for the [illegible] which they engaged last sum- [illegible] first cash man $30, and brought [illegible] nothing. One of the worst [illegible] was that these miners had no [illegible] of their own, but were [illegible] to call work solely for the pur- [illegible] of showing their sympathy with [illegible] in the West.

[illegible] announced by the Pennsylvania [illegible] of fisheries that they are [illegible] to receive applications for [illegible] to be placed in the streams of [illegible]. The distribution of fry will [illegible] in the latter part of March and [illegible] through April, May and June. [illegible] bidding fry must have their ap- [illegible] endorsed by the state senator [illegible] representative from their district.

[illegible] your best girl a sleigh ride in one [illegible] handsome sleighs now on sale at
J. B. HOLDERBAUM'S.

[illegible] advertisements are laid out to single wo- [illegible] in Bisbee's Rest, about 60 [illegible] south of Tucson, Ariz. Although [illegible] population numbers 800 there is not a [illegible] woman out in the camp, and 200 men [illegible] advertised for wives in a Tucson [illegible]. They must be of good character [illegible] understand the duties of a household. [illegible] miner offers a dowry of $10,-

[illegible] O'Hill, an Indian, aged 81 [illegible] called on Governor Hastings to [illegible] to secure legislation to en- [illegible] to recover land on which a por- [illegible] City is built. He is a grandson [illegible] Cornplanter, and says he is able [illegible] that the deed given to his grand- [illegible] never relinquished by him, [illegible] belongs to the Cattaraugus reserva- [illegible] of Seneca Indians in Erie county, [illegible] York.

[illegible] Bishop of a Church Conference [illegible] told those delegates who used [illegible] to expectorate on the floor or [illegible] handsome new carpet, which had [illegible] down put down. He told them [illegible] they must chew tobacco to go [illegible] and they would find a nice, new [illegible] and plenty of fresh sand to [illegible] upon, or they could bring [illegible] spittoons, and in case of an emer- [illegible] they could use their hats.

[illegible] Harness and Horse Blankets see
J. B. HOLDERBAUM.

[illegible] Evangelical church at Salts- [illegible] making rapid progress toward [illegible] and will be formally dedicat- [illegible] the service of God by Bishop Dubs, [illegible] D., Sunday, February 10. The [illegible] is a very neat one, will be heat- [illegible] the agency of hot air and when [illegible] will be one of the neatest and [illegible] little churches in the county. [illegible] deserves great credit for his [illegible] in having the building designed [illegible] and pushed during the most inclement [illegible] of the year, and in such limited [illegible] as also his congregation, and the [illegible] people of Salisbury who showed [illegible] sympathy when the con- [illegible] were turned out in the cold.—[illegible] Democrat.

[illegible] following letters remaining in the [illegible] at Somerset will be sent to the [illegible] Office if not called for within [illegible] days from this date, January 23, 1895: [illegible] C. M.; Clarke, Mrs. Mary; [illegible] Dan; Flick Mrs.; Journal office; [illegible] Annie; Killen, Sadie; Lowry, [illegible] Liberty; Maggie; Miller, Wm.; [illegible] M. C.; Pile, Clara; Scott, Miss [illegible] Annie; Thomas, Ed; Wil- [illegible] Ed.; Weston, Sam; Wagner, J. S.
FOREIGN.
Samuel, Rosa.

SOLOMON UHL, P. M.

[illegible] Pyle, correspondent writes a [illegible] paper as follows: The driller [illegible] at work on the Stewart estate in [illegible] struck oil at 11 o'clock yester- [illegible] at a depth of 230 feet. The sand [illegible] to be 10 feet thick. Notwithstand- [illegible] there is good the drilling is con- [illegible] as a letter pay is expected in a [illegible] distance. Should no better show of [illegible] the well will be shot as this [illegible] show of oil developed. The [illegible] was found at the depth of 185 feet [illegible] and was then only about 6 feet [illegible]. That an oil field exists here is no [illegible] question. All that remains to be [illegible] is the extent of territory and [illegible] of deposit. Some of our women [illegible] their diamonds and mountain hoos- [illegible] their garments made in New [illegible] before long if oil keeps up to the $ [illegible] or the writer will be fooled.

A number of sleighing parties left town every night last week.

A few new tenement houses are badly needed in this place.

A successful festival, under the auspices of the Grange, was held at Listie last week.

Regular Argument Court convened at 1:30 P. M., yesterday, Judge Longenecker presiding.

A report of the joint-institute held at Ursina reached us too late for publication in this issue.

Grant Zufall, of Meyersdale, who mysteriously disappeared a day or two before Christmas, has not yet been heard from.

Samuel Dickey, of Middlecreek township, has killed 3,250 pounds of pork so far this season. Can any of his farmer friends beat this?

Mr. A. Berkey, of the firm of Berkey & Zimmerman, general merchants at Stoyestown, is lying critically ill at his home with scarlet fever.

The Advisory Council, Jr. O. U. A. M., composed of two delegates from each Council in the county, will meet in this place, Friday, 25th inst.

Joseph Ream, who intends to locate at Dixon, Ill., has sold his farm, which is located about two miles west of Jennertown, to his brother Samuel for $1,600 cash.

Mr. I. W. Pile, who had been in a Pittsburg hospital for treatment, has returned to his home, in this place, permanently cured, and as he says "feeling better than I have for twenty-five years."

A party of hunters recently discovered a cave in the Laurel Hill mountain, three miles north-west of Edie, on the walls of which is an inscription bearing the date 1746. The writing is in a foreign language.

Mr. Tobias Cober, of Toledo, Ohio, has been spending the past four weeks in Somerset township as the guest of his brother-in-law, Rev. Valentine Blough. Mr. Cober was a former resident of this county.

The contest for Supervisors of Somerset township promises to be very animated at the Republican primary election to be held Saturday. Four Supervisors are to be elected and there are ten candidates in the field already.

The usual services will be held in the Presbyterian Church, Somerset, Pa., Jan. 27th, morning and evening, conducted by the pastor, Rev. Bristow. Communion services Sabbath, February 3d. Preparatory services will be announced next week.

Dr. J. W. Carothers has leased a suite of rooms over Snyder's drug store and will occupy them for offices on the 1st of April. The Dr. has also leased the Baer cottage, on West Patriot street, for a residence and will take possession of it about the same time.

Mr. Freeman Hoffman, proprietor of the Hoffman House, opposite the S. & C. R. R. station, has traded his farm, in Jenner township, for the house and lot owned by Mr. George Hochstetler, on South Main Cross street. Mr. Hoffman will retire from the hotel business for the present.

Judge Archibald, of Lackawanna county, who presided at the special term of court held here last week, won the highest encomiums from the members of the bar and all who had business to transact before the court. His Honor is still a young man, but is serving his second ten year term upon the bench. He is regarded wherever known as one of the leading jurists of the State.

"Johnny," the five-year-old son of John Stoner, of near Edie, met with a painful and distressing accident one day last week. The youngster was playing on the floor, when he fell on a table fork, three prongs of which penetrated his right eye, entirely destroying the sight. The Stoner family are reported to be very poor, and our correspondent suggests that the poor authorities should see that the wounded child receives proper medical attention and is otherwise provided for.

Mr. Vannear expects to open his new hotel for the accommodation of the public about the third week in February, in time for February term of court. The rear half of the house should be finished by that time, with office accommodations on the public square. The hotel will be equipped with electric bells, electric light steam heat and water, and when finished will be the best built and finest hotel in south-western Pennsylvania, outside of Pittsburg. The proprietor has not yet decided upon a name for his house, but is considering, among others, "The Park," and "Hotel Vannéar."

Annie, wife of Edward Friedline, died at her home near Jenner X Roads, at 5 o'clock Thursday evening, after an illness of about two weeks, of inflammation of the bowels. Mrs. Friedline was born about twenty-six years ago and had always resided in Jenner township. She was a daughter of Isaac and Sarah Kimmel, who live near the Beam Reformed Church. About eight years ago she was united in marriage with Mr. Friedline, and to this union two daughters were born. Mrs. Friedline was well known throughout the community in which she lived as a skillful performer on the violin.

George R. Boyd, a young man from New Geneva, was before Judge Kennedy at Pittsburg, on Monday. He pleaded guilty to six charges of forgery and one of larceny. The suits were brought by R. T. Williams, the New Geneva pottery man. The larceny consisted in stealing $300 in money and checks from the prosecutor. The forgeries resulted from schemes to make money easy, signing the prosecutor's name to checks and getting them cashed at McKeesport and Pittsburg banks. Boyd was sentenced on each charge, and in all was given a term of four years and nine months to the Western Penitentiary.

Boyd is a native of Somerset and served a former term in the "pen" on a sentence from the court of this county.

"Moses" Hadson, a weak-minded cripple, who will be remembered by many residents of Somerset on account of his standing around the Court House and other public places on pleasant summer days and bawling in loud tones of his great wealth and philanthropic purposes, fell in the snow and froze both of his hands during the late cold snap. Hudson has only partial control over his legs and arms and when he accidentally or otherwise falls to the ground has to be assisted on to his feet. On this occasion no one saw him fall and he was found when too late to save his hands from freezing by a member of Michael Griffith's family, with whom he makes his home. The unfortunate man has sufficient means to keep him from want.

Anent the County Centennial it has been suggested that this year would be a proper time for the Somerset County Agricultural Society to re-establish the county fair. A display of the agricultural products and of the improvements made in agricultural implements during the past one hundred years would make a highly interesting exhibit. No body of men in the county are more actively awake to their interests or are better satisfied with their advancement than are the farmers and this year would seem to be a most fitting time for them to make a public display of their resources and achievements. The Agricultural Society has succeeded in arousing great public interest in the annual sessions of Farmers' Institute and it should take the initiative in the matter of establishing an annual county fair.

SUICIDE IN JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP.

Mrs. George Flick Takes a Dose of "Rough on Rats" and Thus Ends Her Days.

Mrs. George Flick, of Jefferson township, died in great agony at an early hour Saturday evening from the effects of a dose of poison, taken with suicidal intent. The woman had been in delicate health for a long time, and a year or two ago her friends noticed that her mind was affected. She was perfectly sane most of the time, but at intervals of a few weeks she would become very despondent and irrational. It never occurred to the members of her family that she would take her own life and when she complained of feeling ill last Friday morning little attention was paid to her complaints. Later in the day she commenced to vomit and, the family becoming alarmed, sent to Lavansville for Dr. Miller. The Dr. soon found that the patient had taken a dose of poison and upon questioning her ascertained that she had taken a dose of rough on rats for the purpose of putting an end to her life. The physician exerted every effort to save the patient's life, but he had been called upon too late, and the miserable woman grew steadily worse until the following evening, when she expired in great agony.

The deceased was about sixty-five years of age and leaves a husband and two grown sons to mourn her loss.

It is reported that Mrs. Flick made an unsuccessful attempt to poison herself several years ago.

Left

A few nice strings of bells at
J. B. HOLDERBAUM'S.

Speaking About the Weather.

Prof. Irl Hicks, a weather prophet of national fame, predicts that the roughest and most trying part of the present winter will fall in February and March. He says: "Let all concerned make a note of this. We believe that April and May will usher in an early season, and that the conditions will be good for passing agricultural pursuits. Heavy hail storms and marked tendency to local cloud bursts will characterize the precipitation of these months. June will prove the most stormy month of next summer, and the heaviest rain falls of the season will occur in that month. Rains may not be distributed as is greatly to be desired, but all sections will be visited by seasonable falls, while enormous downpours amounting to local floods will occur in many places. The remaining months of the summer and early autumn promise to be dry and warm."

Uniformity of Deeds in Somerset County.

Register and Recorder Miller has adopted a new system of recording deeds, and hereafter all deeds, so far as possible, recorded in Somerset County will be uniform. Mr. Miller will exchange the new form for old style deeds with all Justices of the Peace, Attorneys, Notaries, Scrivernors, et cetera. He will, also, arrange with dealers in blank forms in all parts of the county to furnish the new blank deeds at moderate cost.

County Centennial.

A valued correspondent writes as follows concerning the proper time for celebrating the one hundredth anniversary of Somerset county:

"During the present year Somerset county will complete the first hundred years of its separate existance as a county. All will agree that there should be some suitable celebration in commemoration of this event, and there are but few who will dissent from the proposition that it should be the greatest celebration that the county has ever seen. That this may be so the time at which it shall be held will cut an important figure as will the manner in which it is to be done.

"It should be participated in by the people of the entire county, and to draw the people of the county to the county seat, there must not only be an attractive programme, but it must be fixed at the most convenient time of the year, when the people have most leisure time, as, also, when good weather may be looked for.

"The act creating the county was passed 17th of April, 1795. At that season of the year we frequently have rough, boisterous weather and all roads in the worst possible condition. If per chance there should be reasonably mild and pleasant weather, then the farming class are busily engaged with their spring work. If there are any pleasant days they must make use of them. Clearly then that date would be a very undesirable one for an occasion of this sort.

"The 4th of July in itself might be a time suitable enough except in that all over the county the people are accustomed to have their local celebrations. In one sense they are largely gotten up under the auspices of churches and sunday schools on account of the children, and in many instances people would not wish to see them deprived of their annual holiday in order that they might attend a gathering at the county seat on that day.

"The act creating the county provided for a Board of Commissioners who were to locate the seat of justice for the new county, and this duty was completed on the 12th of September, 1795. The first session of the county commissioners was not held until late in October. We are of the opinion, therefore, that if it is desired to draw the people from all over the county to the county seat, that some date in the month of September would be the proper time.

"The roads are then usually in their best condition, the weather usually pleasant and agreeable and the people just then have time and leisure, and gatherings of this sort held at that season of the year are almost invariably a success, when point of numbers is considered. As to manner of celebrating the event we make no suggestion, except that it would not be complete without a parade. It would be a proper thing to enlist the various organized societies—such as the Eagles, Odd Fellows, Juniors, &c.—Some of these have a membership of 500 or 600 in the county, and with their help a very creditable parade can be gotten up, if this matter is properly arranged. Then we have our Grand Army Posts and our many veteran soldiers, and they would all respond to the call and add eclat to the occasion and help to make it an affair that will live in the memory of the people almost to the time for our second centennial."

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A Level-Headed Editor.

The editor of a Western paper, who has gotten tired of the obituary resolutions, writes:

"If this world should be so unfortunate as to lose me, I intend to have it understood before I go that eight lodges to which I belong shall not publish resolutions in 'each of the city papers' nor 'furnish a copy' to the 'bereaved family,' informing the public and my loved ones two weeks after the funeral that it has 'pleased' the all-wise Ruler of the Universe to interfere with my terrestial career; that I have, in fact, been 'removed from our midst.' Neither will I have a black bordered hand bill distributed about town advertising my untimely leavetaking—good news travels fast enough. And lastly, but by no means least, my grief stricken relatives will confer on me a great favor by not having a 'card of thanks,' signed by the family and addressed to the 'kind friends and neighbors, who so generously aided us and sympathized with us in the recent'—unpleasantness. Of course these customs were launched into use by the best and kindest of motives, but the fifty or more years' of hardship to which they have been subjected has reduced them to cold stereotyped formalities, meaningless and useless."

Sharp Notice.

Persons knowing themselves indebted on our books will please call and settle their accounts by cash or note. Parties who have not settled by Feb. 1st, will be notified by statement.

PARKER & PARKER.

A PROMISING INDUSTRY.

A Packing House for the Purpose of Preparing Meat for Market Started Up Monday.

Monday, Mr. George H. Love, of the Somerset Dairy Company, set the wheels of a new industry in motion, which promises in a short time to build up a prosperous business for Somerset, and one which may in the course of time give employment to a large force of men.

The industry referred to is nothing more or less than a packing house, with a capacity to slaughter and dress 25 hogs per day. As a matter of course the packing house is now only in an experimental stage, but Mr. Love's well-known ability to "hustle" when he takes hold of anything gives color to the belief that he has undertaken to build up an industry of large proportions in this community.

There is no good reason why a packing establishment should not be conducted on a large scale in Somerset. For years past Somerset county has been one of the principal stock growing counties in Pennsylvania, and during recent years a number of farmers have turned their attention to raising hogs for market. Nearly all of our farmers agree that a handsome profit is to be made out of raising cattle, sheep and hogs for the city market, where they come into competition with the meats from western packing houses. If a profit is to be made when stock has to be transported in a live state to the market, is it not reasonable to suppose that larger profits will result from slaughtering them at home and shipping the dressed meat? Mr. Love thinks so, at least, and as a result of his thinking so he has decided to test the matter.

About two years ago Mr. Love had a pipe line constructed, connecting his creamery, opposite the Somerset & Cambria R. R. station, with his barn on the brow of "coal hill," a distance of perhaps 500 yards. Through this pipe all of the surplus milk and butter-milk accumulating in the creamery—which otherwise would go to waste—is driven by steam to the barn, where it is deposited in a system of troughs and is subsequently fed to a large number of hogs.

Recently Mr. Love concluded that it would be more profitable for his company to sell the dressed meat of the hogs raised than it would be to ship them alive to market, and with this object in view he set about building a packing house on a small scale.

The slaughter house as arranged at present contains a number of pens into which the hogs are driven and separated. When they have been assorted, a single animal is driven into a particular pen, where he is stabbed and the next instant is plunged into a tank of boiling water where he is tickled with a big iron rake until in a moment or two all of the bristols in his hide have become detached. A steel hook is attached to his hind legs and a turn of a crank elevates the scalded and hairless animal above the water and swiftly conveys him by means of an overhead track into an adjoining room, where he is disemboweled and the meat is cleanly washed. Another turn of the crank and Mr. Hog is stretched on another table, where he is cut up into hams, sidemeat, etc., which are immediately placed in pickle. After remaining in pickle the required length of time the meat will be removed to the smoke-house, where it will be properly cured and prepared for shipment. The chopping machine and lard reducers are operated by steam. Everything about the entire establishment works with a hum.

Twenty-five hogs were slaughtered Monday, and it is expected that a similar number will be killed each day hereafter. If the business is found as profitable as anticipated it is more than likely that the capacity of the establishment will be increased and enlarged, when beef will also be slaughtered and prepared for market.

The Somerset Dairy Company employ a number of traveling salesmen, and as their business brings them in contact with grocers and butchers throughout the East it is probable that they will find no difficulty in the way of establishing a market for the product of the packing house.

As said before, the "Love Packing House" is only in an experimental stage at this time, but with the business energy and capital at its command it is an enterprise of great possibilities.

Company "B." Boys Surprise Their Former Commander.

Captain John H. Hite, late of Co. B., 5th Reg., Pa. Vol., was treated to a genuine surprise on Friday last. His estimable wife was the leading spirit in the affair and a week before she had issued invitations to all of the surviving members of her husband's late command, requesting them to be her guests on the day mentioned; enclosing these invited, however, to keep the matter quiet as she intended to surprise the Captain.

For several days prior to Friday there was great activity in the culinary department of the "Hotel Hite," and when the gallant Captain inquired what the unusual bustle portended he was told that the Woman's Relief Corps, of Johnstown, had written that they would be in Stoyestown, Friday, 40 strong, and had engaged dinner at his hotel. The Captain never for a moment doubted the truthfulness of this explanation and when the morning train arrived from Johnstown he escaped to the barn rather than confront so many ladies.

After a while he heard the strains of marshal music in the air and looking out the barn door he was surprised to see a body of veterans massed in front of his house commanded by Chas. W. Pugh. A closer inspection of their faces revealed the fact that 23 survivors of his late command were before him. His surprise was complete. In speaking of the matter afterwards the Captain said "I never dreampt of anything of the kind, but was really expecting a party of old ladies."

The comrades were welcomed by the Captain and his wife and at 12 o'clock the doors of the dining room were thrown open, when all sat down to a table groaning under its burden of good things.

After dinner Hon. Fred Graf, of Meyersdale, in behalf, of the survivors of Co. B., presented Captain Hite, with a beautiful gold headed cane, suitably engraved. The Captain was quite overcome at this unexpected present, but managed to return his thanks in a becoming manner. Subsequently a permanent organization of the survivors of Co. B. was effected.

John W. Mostoller, who it will be remembered, was recently awarded a medal for distinguished action in battle, by the War Department, was present. He had his medal with him and proudly permitted his comrades to inspect it.

The members of Co. B. present were as follows:

Elias Poorbaugh, Shanksville; Herman H. Wilson, Johnstown; Jesse Liston, Listonburg; John Brant, Shanksville; Solomon Uhl, Somerset; John Wagner, Buckstown; George Oiler, Johnstown; E. W. Rhoads, Somerset; Herman Shank, Johnstown; William Slick, Johnstown; Josiah Bowers, Johnstown; Chas. W. Pugh, Stoyestown; Nicholas Barnett, Stoyestown; Chauncy F. Lambert, Stoyestown; Emanuel Custer, Johnstown; Jno. Geiger, Buckstown; Jonathan Boyer, Hooversville; John Koontz, Reitz P. O.; John Cook, Lambertsville; Jonathan Spangler, Lambertsville; Herman Baldwin, Shanksville; Fred Graf, Meyersdale; John W. Mostoller, Stoyestown; Eben Cariffi, Johnstown; Wm. Wilson, Stoyestown; Wm. F. Blair, Stoyestown; John Metzgar, Stoyestown; John H. Hite, Stoyestown.

Following are the names of the ladies present: Mrs. Wm. Slick, Johnstown; Mrs. Fred Graf, Meyersdale; Mrs. John Cook, Lambertsville; Mrs. Jonathan Spangler, Lambertsville; Mrs. John Geiger, Buckstown; Mrs. John Wagner, Buckstown; Mrs. Chauncy Lambert, Buckstown; Mrs. John Koontz, Reitz; Mrs. E. W. Rhodes, Somerset; Mrs. Nicholas Barnett, Stoyestown; Mrs. Carrie Pugh, Stoyestown; Mrs. John Boyer, Hooversville; Mrs. John Brant, Shanksville; Mrs. Emanuel Custer, Johnstown.

The Confluence Bridge Again.

The Uniontown *News Standard* in its last issue says:

The commissioners have returned from Confluence where they met the commissioners of Somerset county on Thursday. The object of the conference was to discuss the necessity and advisability of erecting a bridge over the Yough river at Confluence. A joint meeting was held in a hall which was attended by a large number of leading business men and merchants. Views were exchanged freely and many suggestions offered. Some of the business men pointed out the necessity for the bridge. It was shown that the residents across the river in Henry Clay township were put to a great disadvantage by reason of their having no bridge to let them into Confluence and to the B. & O. R. R. At present the river is forded when the water is low, but when there is a high stage of water the Henry Clay township people are compelled to go to Somerfield and then down the river on the other side a distance of about ten miles to reach Confluence. In cases of sickness all this distance has to be traveled to get a physician. The commissioners from both counties listened attentively to all the remarks and suggestions and were finally unanimous in the belief that a bridge should be erected.

The citizens on each side of the river were requested to prepare petitions to the courts of each county asking for the bridge. This is the only means by which the bridge can be obtained. These petitions must be passed upon by the grand jury and court of each county, and if they act favorably, then it is the duty of the commissioners of each county to proceed with the erection of the bridge, each county defraying half the cost of construction. The Fayette county residents in the vicinity of Confluence will prepare a petition immediately which they will endeavor to get before the March or June grand jury. The residents on the Somerset side will also present a petition to the courts of that county and endeavor to get it through as speedily as possible.

The movement for a bridge over the Yough river at Confluence began back in the sixties and crystalized into petitions to the courts of both counties. The petition was passed by the Somerset grand jury and approved by court in 1874, and a similar petition went through the Fayette courts in 1888. The commissioners of the two counties did not move in the matter. The Somerset county petitioners undertook to make them move by a mandamus from court compelling them to show cause why the bridge should not be built. It appears that the whole proceeding was invalidated by the action of the Somerset county court and grand jury in both passing on the petition at the same term of court. Then another hitch arose over the amount of expense to be borne by each county. The county line follows the channel of the river which runs very close to the Somerset side at Confluence. The Somerset county commissioners wanted each county to build to the line which would let them out with building little more than the abutment on their side, leaving all the balance of the bridge to be built by Fayette county. These and several other obstacles prevented the construction of the bridge at that time. The legal work will all have to be done over again.

At the meeting yesterday the commissioners selected a new site, farther up the river than the location first selected. It is a more convenient point and will shorten the bridge nearly 100 feet. They would not venture an estimate as to the cost or the proposed bridge.

NO BRIDGE AT CONFLUENCE.

The county commissioners on Tuesday received a communication from the county commissioners of Somerset county with reference to the bridge over the Yough river at Confluence. It was written by J. C. Lowry, the commissioners' attorney, and in it he states that he has examined the law carefully and finds that Somerset cannot build half the bridge much as they would like to do so. This matter, he says, was carefully discussed 20 years ago and it was then decided that Somerset county could not build farther than their line which runs very near the Somerset side of the river. In fact, Attorney Lowry alleges, they cannot build more than the abutment. This, he claims, was the decision reached 20 years ago and an order of court was made declaring that Somerset county could not build more than the abutment.

After thus presenting Somerset county's side of the question Attorney Lowry goes on to show the necessity for the bridge and makes a great plea for the Fayette commissioners to stir themselves and thus give the residents on both sides of the river in the vicinity of Confluence a means of crossing the river. He adds that if Fayette county decides to build the bridge Somerset will do all she can to cooperate, though that cooperation doesn't reach beyond the abutment. In replying to the communication Clerk F. H. Rosboro pointed out the law to the effect that in the construction of a bridge over a boundary stream between two counties, each county is to bear half the expense. Fayette county cannot consent to build the bridge on any other conditions, the order of the Somerset courts to the contrary notwithstanding.

For Rent or Sale.

The old established Meyer's Grist Mill, with steam and water power attachment. Possession given at once. For terms apply to
B. F. & I. E. MEYERS,
Meyersdale, Pa.

Musical College.—Spring term opens May 6. The object of this school is to furnish instruction and will be found advantageous to students in every stage of proficiency. For catalogue, address,
HENRY B. MOYER,
Director.
Freeburg, Pa.

Items of Interest.

New Jersey Republicans have nominated Wm. J. Sewell for United States senator to succeed Senator McPherson, Democrat.

Governor-elect Morrill took the oath of office at Topeka, Kansas, Monday, and the Populist administration was replaced by a Republican one.

Miss Mary E. Stevenson, the daughter of the Vice President, who has long been ill, died about 1 o'clock Friday afternoon at Ashville, N. C.

Henry Mizzner, a wealthy farmer of Hadley, Mercer County, attached a rifle to a beam in his barn and shot himself through the heart.

Wm. B. Smith, who stole 70,000 2-cent stamps from the government printing office, was sentenced to three years and six months' imprisonment in the Albany penitentiary.

Petitions signed by over 100,000 citizens of Pennsylvania have been submitted to Congress asking for the passage of Representative Wm. A. Stone's bill to regulate immigration.

Ruben Garner, of Celt post-office, Dallas county, Missouri, was hanged by a mob on Thursday, but was cut down and resuscitated by friends. Garner was suspected of having robbed a store.

Sarah Falon, a domestic employed at the house of George Baily on South Gallatin avenue, in Uniontown, met a horrible death on Tuesday evening. She was burned to death by the explosion of a lamp.

THE COLD SNAP

of the past ten days was old-fashioned and chilly outside, but the fortunate visitors at Mrs. A. E. Uhl's Store, since her Low Priced Clearance sale begun, were quickly warmed up by the SOFT SNAPS in the lowest prices for good goods ever made in Somerset. These Soft Snaps can be had until the 16th day of February.

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

Royal Baking Powder
ABSOLUTELY PURE

Mt. Moriah Items.

The earthly remains of Mrs. Mary Gardner were brought here from Johnstown and interred by the side of her husband, George Gardner, in the Horner Church Cemetery. The deceased was 65 years of age and had been a life-long resident of this township. Her maiden name was Blough. She went to Johnstown about one year ago in order to secure professional attendance, and died in that city last Wednesday.

The general health of this community has been so good the past year that our doctors are thinking of engaging in some other business.

Miss Sadie Gardner has returned home after a seven months' absence in Johnstown.

X.

Horses Wanted.

The undersigned is prepared to buy horses and mares from four to eight years old. Any person having such horses for sale bring them to Somerset, or make it known by letter to S. D. SHOEMAKER, Somerset, Pa.

Husband Notes.

A sleighing party composed of Somerset gentlemen were entertained at dinner at the home of Mr. W. S. Weller, on Friday.

Merchant Shaffer's wife, of this place, has gone on a visit to her parents in Jenner township.

Washington's birthday, Feb. 22nd, will be celebrated in the public school at this place in an appropriate manner. Rehearsals for the entertainment are now going on.

Candidates for township supervisor are hustling for votes, an unusual thing in Somerset township.

X.

Like the Sun

That shines for all, we are presenting brilliant and shining examples of cheapness in our grand aggregation of HATS and MEN'S FURNISHINGS. Here are bargains rare as a Fourth of July snowstorm. The lightning of reduction has struck our prices all 'round leaving only fragments of former figures. Our store is clear from any accumulation of unsalable remnants that can't be cheap enough to be worth buying. Buy what's worth buying at a low price and you will be the gainer and a better satisfied PERSON in the end. At this season of the year bargains in clean, new stock are as plentiful with us as the leaves on the trees in the summer time, and those who leave them pass will forever regret it. Our store is a fertile spot for money savers.

Jonas L. Baer,
"The Hustler."

THE GREAT EVENT
OF THE SEASON!

THE ANNUAL
Red Letter sale
—OF—
Parker & Parker
—COMMENCING—
December 29th and Continuing Until February 1st, 1895.

All goods sold regardless of cost. Consisting of Dress Goods, Silks, Velvets, &c.
40-inch all wool serges sold at 40 cts, Red Letter price 25 cents.
40-inch all wool serges sold at 35 cts, Red Letter price 25 cents.
36-inch Cashmeres sold at 25 cents, Red Letter price 16 cents.
32-inch Dress Goods sold at 15 cents, Red Letter price 10 cents.
An Endless Variety of All Kinds of Black and Colored Cashmeres.
SERGES. Novelties in Dress Goods at prices never before offered.
Dress Ginghams sold at 10 cents, Red Letter price 7 cents.
20 yards of Lancaster Ginghams for $1.00.
25 yards of extra good quality Gingham for $1.00.
A few odds and ends in Ginghams at 2 cents per yard.
Old Canton Flannels, Shirting, Mens' 22½ yards of American Indigo Blue Calico for $1.00.
25 yards of shirting Calico for $1.00.
22½ yards of Merrimac Cocheco Calico for $1.00.
25 yards of Cotton Dress Goods for $1.00.
Outing flannels sold at 12½, 10 and 7, Red Letter price 10, 8 and 5.
22½ yards of good Canton Flannel for $1.00.
wear reduced to cost.
4-4 Lonsdale Bleached Muslin, former price 10 cents, Red Letter 7 cents.
4-4 Fruit of the Loom Bleached Muslin, former price 10 cents, Red Letter Sale 7.
4-4 Hill Bleached Muslin, former price 10 cents, Red Letter price 7 cents.
4-4 Androscoggin Bleached Muslin, former price 10 cents, Red Letter price 7.
4-4 Lonsdale Cambric, former price 12½ cents, Red Letter price 10 cents.
4-4 Gilt Edge Bleached Muslin, former price 7 cents, Red Letter price 5 cents.
4-4 Nonpareil Bleached Muslin, former price 7 cents, Red Letter price 5 cents.
3½ yards of good Unbleached Muslin for $1.00.
20 yards of extra heavy Muslin for $1.00.
4-4 Appleton's A Unbleached Muslin, sold at 8 cents, Red Letter price 6 cents.
4-4 Great Falls E Unbleached Muslin, sold at 8 cents, Red Letter price 6 cents.
4-4 Piedmont Unbleached Muslin, sold at 8 cents, Red Letter price 6 cents.
In Table Linens, Napkins, Towels, Red Spreads, Bleached and Unbleached Shirtings, Tickings, Cretones, and Skirts, we are prepared to sell at great BARGAINS.
Ladies' fine Capes and Coats. Children's Coats sold regardless of cost.
Best five-quarter table oil cloth that sold for 45 cents, Red Letter price 34.
Wool Carpet Chain at 28 cents.
3-ply Cotton Carpet Chain at 15 cents.
5-ply Cotton Carpet Chain at 16 cents.
Grey and Black Stocking Yarns, 50 per pound or 5 cents cut.
In our up-stairs department we will offer special prices in Carpets, Portiers, Rugs, Lace Curtains, Blankets, Comforts, Chinilo, Table Covers, Trunks, Satchels Oil Cloths, &c.

☞Our stock has been reduced to be at the new tariff which takes effect the first of the year. Come right along and make your selections before stock is broken.

Parker & Parker.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE.

—OF—

Valuable Real Estate.

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Somerset county, Pa., and to me directed, I will expose to sale on the premises, on

Saturday, Feb. 16, '95,
AT 1 O'CLOCK P. M.

all the following described real estate, late the property of Jonathan Smith:

A certain tract of land situate in Quemahoning township, Somerset county, Pa., two miles south of the village of Stoyestown, adjoining lands of Isaiah Zimmerman, Charles Zimmerman and Frank Spangler, containing

65 Acres more or less.

—Terms:—

Ten per cent. of the purchase money to be paid in cash on day of sale and the balance of the one-third on or before the confirmation of sale; one-third in six months and one-third in one year from confirmation of sale. Deferred payments to bear interest from confirmation of sale and to be secured by judgment bond on the premises.

JOHN H. ZIMMERMAN,
Assignee of Jonathan Smith.
Scull & Biesecker, Atty's.

Administrator's Sale

—OF—

Valuable Real Estate.

By virtue of an order issued out of the Orphans' Court of Somerset county, Pa., to me directed, I will expose at public sale, on the premises, at the late residence of George H. Lambert, dec'd., in Shade township, said county, on

Wednesday, Feb. 13th, 1895,
at 1 o'clock P. M.,

the following described valuable real estate, to-wit:

No. 1. The homestead farm of said decedent, situate in Shade township, Somerset county, adjoining lands of Jacob McGregor, Henry Umberger, Washington Custer and Philip Zimmerman, containing 200 acres more or less, 100 acres of which are cleared, balance timber land, having thereon erected a

—Two-story—
LOG HOUSE,

frame bank barn, sugar camp and other outbuildings.

No. 2. A tract of land situate as aforesaid, adjoining No. 1, Samuel Sorber, Washington Custer and others, containing 25 acres more or less, 5 acres of which are cleared, balance in timber.

No. 3. A tract of land situate as aforesaid, adjoining Nos. 1 and 2, Gideon Berkebile and Samuel Sorber, containing 17 acres more or less, 6 acres of which are cleared and the balance in timber.

No. 4. A tract of land situate as aforesaid, adjoining lands of Noah Blough, Pierce Lang and John Rhonds, containing 36 acres, all finely timbered, having thereon erected a water power saw-mill, and a coal mine opened.

The above tracts of land are all underlaid with coal and are on the line of the Pennsylvania Midland Railroad Co., and also adjoining the Walker lands, upon which extensive coal operations are in progress. For any further information desired in regard to the lands, please write the Administrator.

Terms:—Cash, unless otherwise announced on day of sale.
JACOB McGREGOR,
Administrator of Geo. H. Lambert, dec'd.
Reitz, Pa.
Colborn & Colborn,
Atty's for