The Somerset Herald.

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Hay and Straw for sale in large or small lots by MARION SCHROCK.

This is the last week of Parker & Snyder's Red Letter Sale.

"Pound down again," exclaimed the man when the lost young man called.

Musical supplies for stringed instruments at Snyder's drug store.

A happy man is one who is willing to share of the blame in a fuss.

For Robes and Horse Blankets see J. B. HOLDERBAUM.

The trouble with doing one's duty is we don't have time to do anything else.

Fine Somerset County Applebutter for sale by MARION SCHROCK.

Some of the insurance companies of late refuse to insure people who dye their hair.

Fresh Groceries, Flour and Feed at Marion Schrock and have them delivered, FREE.

Bridgeo's Commissioner of Labor reports the average wages in that State at $1 a day.

Do you want to buy a first-class musical instrument at a moderate price? Go to Snyder's drug store.

Friday was the coldest day of the winter in St. Paul, Minn. At 7 o'clock in the morning the thermometer registered 26° below zero.

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

The annual State convention of city and borough superintendents of schools will be held in Harrisburg next Thursday and Friday.

Give your best girl a sleigh ride in one of the handsome sleighs now on sale at J. B. HOLDERBAUM'S.

This has been a long monotonous kind of a winter lately; and people who love a sleigh ride have been accommodated.

Miller, of Mercer, has directed that all buggies must face on front streets, and that all screens and frosted windows must be removed.

Holderbaum has sold fifty-one sleighs in this season, and has a fair assortment left yet, but they are selling very fast. Hurry up if you want one.

Some restaurant keepers mix a little water with their butter. This gives it an agreeable taste and flavor, and makes it much more palatable.

Holderbaum's Hardware Store has been crowded with customers buying Sleighs, Bob Sleds, Robes, Blankets, Whips and Harness from his immense stock ever since the snow fell.

The salary of the president of France is $50,000—about a thousand a day. Doesn't look a good deal of a "limit" to a Yankee throw away such a salary as President Perier.

The electric light which is to be erected on Fire Island, on the New York coast will give an illumination of about 250,000,000 candle power. It is expected to be in operation by and by.

In Schuylkill and Centre Counties this year there has been a falling off, estimated at over seventy-five per cent. in the cutting and rafting of lumber, and over 50 of the mills have been closed.

Railroad stocks and bonds the railways of the United States are capitalized at $50 per mile, while those of Great Britain are capitalized at $223,000 per mile, nearly 90 per cent. higher than in this country.

A chemist advises that canned fruits and vegetables should be opened an hour or two before being used. In this way they become richer, as the oxygen of the air is shut off at the time of sealing is retained by them.

Jean Gaynmiller of Monongahela City, was married to death by offers of marriage from women in all parts of the United States. He was written up in the Pittsburg Sunday papers several weeks ago as wanting a wife and now he does nothing but to read half his mail.

Sam Mitchell of Texas has died, leaving a fortune of nine thousand acres of land, money, bonds and mortgages. He has no nearer heirs than the descendants of his grandfather, Joe Mitchell, several of whom live in our neighborhood.

The exclusive use of white bread is blamed for the prevailing decay of the teeth. As fine meal is necessary to good health and as this is a characteristic common of the wheat discarded in making white flour, a noted foreign scientist sees a way in the way of good teeth for future generations except by a return to a liberal consumption of bread made of the whole wheat flour.

It is well known that lime water has a medical effect on the growth of children in countries where the drinking water is impregnated with salts of lime the contrary is the fact. An English medical society states that, for a perfect baby diet, alkaline water is needed for the purpose who eats heavily of meat, and this comes nearly every one, except the vegetarian.

In one of the experimental agricultural stations in Germany the remarkable yield of 8 tons of potatoes per acre has been obtained by treating the seed tubers with a solution of ammonia. The potatoes were steeped for 24 hours in a solution of 25 pounds of saltpetre, six pounds of solution of ammonia and 25 gallons of water, and afterwards allowed to stand and dry for a day, in order that their buds might recover before planting them.

Judge Love, of Centre county, stated from the first opinion in the petition of Myton against Bell, from Bradford county. Both Bell and Myton were running to the Court House to get judgment against a party. Myton was considerably ahead, but he was stopped by a policeman, who thought Myton was a regular business man, who was before the court "on the shift." Myton was arrested and Bell reached the Court house and got the judgment. Myton then went before an auditor, who decided in his favor, and Judge Love confirmed the auditor's finding.

Everyone who wants to explain what "what" signifies, says it has a variety of meanings, varied to suit the circumstances. For an example: When we read that "we expect our wife home today," "we" refers to the editor in his own mind, "we" are a little late with our work," it includes the whole office from "devil" down to the devil and the towel; in "we are having a boom," the town is meant; "we received over $50,000 last year," it embraces the nation; but "we have long sinners in our midst," means that a man who takes a paper and never pays for it is very ill.

Mr. Wm. C. Cornwell, President of the I. N. State Bankers' Association, has written an article for the February *Farm and Home* entitled "Should the Government Retire from Banking?" in which he denies that the currency troubles in the United States are due to the Government's assumption of the prerogative, rightly belonging to banks, of issuing money for circulation; and he explains why this function should naturally be left in the banks. In the same number of the Farm, Mr. Alfred S. Heidelbach explains "Why Gold is Exported." The principal reasons he gives for the continued drain of gold from this country are: Fear of foreign investors because of recent legislation in our railroad management; dismay at the condition of the money and our currency, and the fear that if they invest money here, they may not be able to get back as good money as they gave. He says that no change of the state of affairs may be expected until the Government goes out of the banking business and we have a more elastic currency.

Beautiful, clear, crystal ice, ten inches thick, is being harvested from the ponds south of town.

Cards are out announcing the approaching marriage of Mr. J. B. Rankin and Miss Maggie Barkey, of Shade township.

Berlin wants the membership of her town council increased from three to six members, and the matter will come before the Court at the next regular session.

Communion services will be held in the Presbyterian Church on next Sabbath, Feb. 3d, at 10:30 a. m., with preparatory services on Thursday and Friday evenings of this week.

Charles H. Coffroth, the popular furniture dealer, has gone to Grand Rapids, Mich., where he will attead the annual furniture exhibition now going on in that place, and will purchase a large lot of new goods.

Captain William Jordan's many Somerset county friends will be pleased to learn that he has secured a lucrative position at Harrisburg during the session of the Legislature. The Captain hails from Westmoreland county, but is about as well known in Somerset as he is at home.

Addison Dial, of Ursina, who is employed as a brakeman on the B. & O., was caught between the bumpers as he was making a coupling one day last week and was badly squeezed. He was removed to the Cottage Hospital at Connellsville for treatment. His injuries are not serious.

Mr. Charles Simpson, eldest son of Isaac Simpson, of this place, who was taken to Columbus, Ohio, ten days ago for the purpose of having an operation performed for the removal of blood clot on the brain, has returned home again. His friends think that he has been greatly benefitted by the operation.

Charles W. Walker, Esq., has been commissioned Notary Public by Governor Hastings. Mr. Walker's nomination was one of the last sent to the Senate by Governor Pattison, and no objection being filed to it the nomination was promptly confirmed. The commission of A. L. G. Hay, Esq., as Notary Public, expired Friday.

Five or six cases of scarlet fever are reported in town. In the absence of a Board of Health the School Board should take every precaution to prevent the disease from becoming epidemic, and in order to do this it may be necessary to refuse admission to the schools to children from families in which the disease is known to exist.

Senator N. B. Critchfield has been reelected Vice President of the State Board of Agriculture. As the Governor of the State is by virtue of his office President this is the highest position in the gift of the members of the Board, and the reelection of the resident member is a high compliment to Somerset county as one of the leading agricultural counties of the State.

Mr. Washington Megahan, who is known all over the county as a successful builder and contractor, met with an unfortunate accident a few days ago while visiting at the home of his son John, in Wilkinsburg, Pa. He tripped and fell down a flight of cellar stairs sustaining serious injuries to his spine. He has since returned to his home in this place and was able to be about on Monday.

The many friends of ex-Sheriff John A. Walter will be pained to learn that he is critically ill at his home in this place. Last Tuesday he slipped and fell heavily upon an ice covered pavement breaking two of his ribs. Mr. Walter has been a sufferer from heart disease for a number of years and since the accident that organ has exhibited most alarming symptoms. His three sons, who are employed in different parts of the State, were summoned to his bedside Sunday.

Charles F. Uhl, Jr., and Rufus Elie Meyers, were admitted to the practice of the law in the several courts of this county last Tuesday night, after having passed a rigid examination at the hands of the examining committee and a further examination in open court. Both are bright young men and will strive to gain eminence in their profession. Mr. Uhl, we understand, will for the present have his office with Messrs. Coffroth & Rappel, while Mr. Meyers has taken a suite of rooms on the second floor of John R. Scott's Main Cross street building.

A Ligonier correspondent of the Pittsburg *Times* has revived the following moldy "fake":

"Reports from Jennertown, Somerset county, state that the house of a Mr. Shaffer, formerly the home of Herman Umberger, who was murdered by Joseph and David Nicely February 27, 1889, is haunted. The informant says the old bell rings without any apparent cause, and that the spirits of the old man and his murderers, rush from the house and disappear in an adjoining wood."

The protracted meeting in the Liehty Church closed last Sabbath evening. The attendance throughout the meeting was irregular, some evenings being very good and on others quite small, owing to the condition of the weather, which, by the way, has changed from one extreme to the other at frequent intervals during the past six weeks. As a result of the meeting there was one conversion made and two additions to the church received. Beginning next Sabbath evening Rev. Houpt will conduct a series of meetings in the Evangelical Church in this place. An invitation is extended to the public to assist in the good work.

Attorney Frank Barr, of Philadelphia, was in Johnstown last week, settling for options taken by the Pennsylvania company on property through which the extension is to be run. He was busy writing checks in payment for the property, and Friday made out one for $17,000. All who are paid have been given notice to vacate the property within ten days.

This action of the Pennsylvania company means much to Johnstown and the surrounding country, for they are given positive assurance that the Johnson company plant will not remain inactive. The line will also ultimately extend into the large coal territory in Somerset county, and thus add greatly to that industry.

A dispatch from Huntingdon, says; The Pennsylvania Midland railroad, a 25-mile line under construction from Cessna, Bedford county, to Brooks Mills, Blair county, seems to be financially embarrassed. Contractor E. A. Tennis has been sued by 49 laborers and sub-contractors for non-payment of claims, and, the chief engineer and his corps of assistants have ceased work and instituted suits for several months' wages. Engineer J. Murray Africa retains possession of every plan or draft of the road, and it would be impossible to proceed with the work without them.

One stonemason, it is said, has a claim of $4,000 against Contractor Tennis. A Mr. Gerrish, of Maine, is one of the chief promoters of the road.

George, the 14-year-old son of Adam Groff, of Allegheny township, met with a serious accident while coasting on Sunday evening.

A sharp piece of wood on the road, that had escaped his attention struck him in the pit of the stomach and penetrated to a depth of seven or eight inches. He managed to make his way to his father's house where one of his sister's pulled the splinter from his body. The lad was in terrible agony and Dr. Gary, of Berlin, was sent for to dress the wound. The last report says that the boy's condition is critical. The hills in the neighborhood of the Groff home are very precipitous and it is said that a sled dashes down them with the swiftness of a bird. Young Groff had been coasting on one of the steepest hills all afternoon and was making his last trip when the accident occurred.

Somerset Borough Nominations.

The Republican primary in this borough, Saturday afternoon, was one of the most hotly contested in recent years. In fact the interest manifested exceeded that worked up in the famous "water" fights of one and two years ago. Four candidates were in the field for councilmen and a similar number did battle for the nomination for school director. Three worthy citizens asked the nomination for street commissioner; two were willing to serve in the capacity of assessor, and the same number expressed a desire to act as inspector of elections. There was only one candidate for the nomination for Judge of Election, and only one name appeared upon the ticket for High Constable and one for Auditor.

The greatest interest was taken in the school director fight and both sides had made a canvass of the town. M. J. Pritts and P. L. Casebeer were running mates, and Capt. W. H. Sanner and F. P. Saylor stood shoulder to shoulder. After the scrimmage it was found that Saylor and Casebeer "fell outside the breastworks," the latter the victim of the deadly "plumper."

An active effort was made by interested parties to "turn down" Councilman Wesley Davis, but the astute Wesley outwitted them at every turn of the game and demonstrated his ability to win in a canter. His election serves to illustrate that it is not safe for corporate interests to monkey with the municipal buzz-saw.

As said above the election was hotly contested at every turn, but at the same time it passed off without any quarreling and should leave no sores. So far as we have been able to learn the result has been accepted in good faith by all who participated in the primary.

Following are the names of the successful candidates and the offices for which they were nominated:

Town Council, Frank S. Cunningham, W. W. Davis; School Directors, W. H. Sanner, M. J. Pritts; Assessor, W. R. Coffroth; Street Commissioner, Herman Cunningham; Judge of Election, Alex Huston; Inspector, F. J. Hoffman; High Constable, Chambers Huston; Auditor, J. E. Ferner.

DEMOCRATIC NOMINATIONS.

A Democratic caucus was held at the office of the *Democrat* on Saturday evening, when the following ticket was placed in nomination:

Town Council, H. L. Baer, W. C. Weaver; School Directors, Valentine Hay, Curtis K. Grove; Assessor, Washington Megahan; Street Commissioner, Charles Brennison; Judge of Election, A. H. Coffroth, Jr.; Inspector, F. S. Gilbert; High Constable, W. H. Stoddard; Auditor, C. W. Walker.

County Centennial Committees.

General A. H. Coffroth was unanimously elected chairman of the meeting held in the Court House, Thursday evening, for the purpose of taking the necessary preliminary steps looking toward the proper celebration of the county's one-hundredth anniversary. Hon. A. J. Colborn and Valentine Hay, Esq., were elected Vice Presidents. The Secretaries were Capt. W. H. Sanner and A. L. G. Hay, Esq.

L. C. Colborn, Esq., briefly stated the object for which the meeting had been called.

On motion of J. C. Lowry, Esq., the Chair was authorized to appoint a committee of fifteen on finance. Oliver Knepper suggested that a general committee of 150, to be composed of representative citizens from every district in the county, be appointed. The suggestion was adopted.

Geo. R. Scull, John O. Kimmel, H. L. Baer, F. P. Saylor and Noah Biesecker, were appointed a committee to select a date for holding the celebration.

Rev. Hiram King, W. H. Koontz, W. J. Baer, J. A. Berkey and C. J. Harrison were appointed a committee on program.

On motion the Chairman was authorized to appoint a committee of 15 on County History and Statistics.

The meeting adjourned to meet on Tuesday evening, February 26, in the Court House, when the Chairman will announce the names of the gentlemen selected to serve upon the committees named above.

L. C. Colborn and J. M. Cook were appointed corresponding secretaries.

A general disposition was manifested to make the Centennial a success.

Claims He Was Swindled.

Joseph Wolf, the Hungarian liquor dealer, and generally known as "The Hungarian King," of Braddock, alleges that he has been defrauded out of a large sum of money, something like $60,000 by Jasper Augustine, formerly of Addison, this county. Wolf has kept a saloon and boarding house at Braddock for the past 15 years. He always had a desire to invest his money, and land was his hobby. He bought a tract of it near Braddock sold it out in lots and made some money. Then he felt like reaching out. He claims that he employed Augustine, whose acquaintance he had formed through a business transaction, as his confidential agent.

He alleges that the first venture Augustine made was the purchase of the Natty Brownfield farm, in South Union township, Fayette county, for which he paid $1,000 an acre, the coal included. After the purchase Wolf sent Augustine south, where other large tracts were purchased by him upon the recommendation of the latter. Now Wolf claims that the value of the land was very much overestimated.

Wolf has filed a long bill in equity in the Fayette courts charging fraud on the part of Augustine. The bill contains numerous charges of fraud in business transactions conducted by Augustine as agent for Wolf for property in Fayette and Somerset counties and also for property outside the State. Augustine in turn has entered up judgments against Wolf in the Prothonotary's office aggregating about $70,000. He has issued executions on eight of these judgments.

Officers Elected.

The following officers have been elected to serve during the current year in Captain James Hinchman Camp Sons of Veterans:

Captain, E. E. Pugh; 1st Lieutenant, R. W. Berkey; 2nd Lieutenant, N. E. Knepper; 1st Sergeant, E. L. Fox; Quartermaster, F. K. Sanner; Sergeant of the Guard, J. H. Fox; Chaplain, N. E. Berkey; Corporal, J. F. Kantner; Musician, Albert Huston; Color Sergeant, Alfred Bailey; Camp Guard, G. R. Zufall; Picket Guard, J. E. Ferner; Camp Council, N. E. Knepper, J. E. Ferner and F. K. Sanner.

How to Secure Trout Fry.

Representative Wm. H. Miller desires, through the columns of the county press, to inform the public that he will co-operate with his constituents in securing from the State Fish Commission brook trout with which to stock the trout streams of this county. All persons interested will confer a favor by communicating with Mr. Miller, who will forward blank applications. All applications for trout fry must be endorsed by one of our representatives or by Senator Critchfield before they will be filled. The excense of delivering trout fry at the nearest railroad station is defrayed by the State.

Seed Distribution.

Congressman Hicks writes the HERALD as follows: "Will you kindly announce through your columns that in order to make an impartial distribution of the seeds and documents placed to my credit by the Agricultural Department, I desire all persons who will appreciate either seeds or documents to please send me their names and address by letter or postal card, or any one sending me a list of names or addresses the same will receive prompt attention."

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,
Freeburg, Pa. Director.

A BORN APACHE LONG IN THE EAST, WANTED TO BE A SOLDIER.

His Father, a Famous Scout, Sent Him to this County to Be Educated and Has Paid for His Support.

From the Pittsburg Times.

The hopes of a full-blooded Apache Indian, who desired to be a soldier for Uncle Sam, were crushed by a letter received at the United States recruiting station, on Penn avenue, from the War Department yesterday. The letter said he was not wanted.

The Indian has an interesting history. He is called Charles Naltuey, and is aged 24 years. Since he was 7 years old he has not been in the West. Most of the time has been spent on a farm in Somerset county, near Berlin. He has educated himself by night study and attendance at winter schools and can speak English perfectly. The father of Charles has been employed by the United States government for more than 30 years. First he was an interpreter, and is now chief of one of the departments of Indian police on the Apache reservation in Arizona. He has considerable fame as a warrior, and his prowess is always on the side of the government. He is well known to army officers. After his marriage, which was according to the customs of the whites, he became more civilized. When his son was born and his wife died, he kept the child with him until he was 7 years old. Then he sent him to Somerset county and placed him in the care of some farmers who are of the celebrated Amish settlement. Old Naltuey wanted the boy to become a civilian, to be reared away from the scenes of bloodshed and strife of the frontier. He has contributed to his support all the time.

The young Indian has not taken kindly to farm life, though he remained quietly in Somerset county in obedience to his father's wishes until two weeks ago. His inborn tendencies to lead the life of his father came so strongly to the surface that he determined to enlist and go to Arizona. Two weeks ago he made application to the recruiting station, and his papers were sent to Washington for approval. The Indian stayed at the station all the time and was in a feverish anxiety over the delay of an answer.

In the letter the War Department officials stated that Indians had been proven to be of little value as soldiers, and instead of enlisting any more, although they might be civilized, the intention was to disband the forces now composed of red men.

Naltuey was intensely disappointed at the refusal. He returned to Somerset county, but told Recruiting Sergeant Allison Bingner he meant to go West anyhow. He is tired of being partially supported by his father and says he can make a living for himself.

A Bitters Man Convicted.

L. N. Kreinbrook, the Mt Pleasant patent medicine manufacturer, was tried before Judge McClung at Pittsburg, last week for selling liquor without license, and convicted. Kreinbrook was arrested on an information made by Thomas Johnson at Judge McClung's suggestion last fall. At that time a young man named Swindlinger, of Blythesdale, Allegheny county, pleaded guilty of illegal liquor selling, which was found on Constable William Jones' return. Judge White was in Criminal Court then and Attorney John A. Robb, Jr., who was counsel for Swindlinger, explained to the Court that the alleged liquor sold was patent medicine. Constable Jones had a number of persons present who testified that the medicine, which was known as "Lewis Botanic Bitters" and which was manufactured by Kreinbrook, was of a very intoxicating nature, and where any great quantity had been taken had been worse than whisky. In view of circumstances surrounding the case and the fact that Swindlinger was a cripple, Judge White suspended sentence on a promise to sell no more of the medicine.

The same story was told at the trial of Kreinbrook, with the addition of a chemical analysis, which showed that "Lewis" Botanic Bitters" contained a large per centage of alcohol. Attorney Robb, who was also Kreinbrook's counsel, offered a report of an analysis of another well-known patent medicine, which contained 6 per cent. more alcohol than Kreinbrook's medicine, but Judge McClung would not admit it as evidence, because the defendent was not being tried for selling any other medicine.

Left

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

A Good Man Gone to Rest.

On the 25th inst., Jacob Barkman died at the age of 88 years, 7 months and 9 days. Brother Barkman was born, lived all his life and died on the same farm, in Milford township, this county. He united with Samuel's Lutheran Church when 18 years of age, and was a faithful and consistent member of that same church up to his death. He was honored and respected by every one who knew him, because his life was in harmony with his profession. We heard it remarked: "Father Barkman never wronged a man out of a penny." If we could say that of all professors, the church would not be so much at a discount as it some times is. "I will honor him that honereth me," was vividly illustrated by the crowded house at Father Barkman's funeral. The deceased is survived by his wife and five children, a son and a daughter preceded him to the grave.

A. B. M.

Surprise Party.

The residence of David Cable, in Shade township, Somerset Co., Pa., was the scene of a pleasant surprise party, Tuesday, January 15, 1894.

To Mrs. C. W. Weigle, of Hooversville, is due much for the success of the party. For some time past she had everything in readiness, waiting for an opportunity to take the family by surprise. The happy day arrived when, during excellent sleighing, Mr. Cable started on a tour of school visiting, and the success of the party showed the result of her plans. The guests, among whom were Mrs. C. W. Weigle, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Weigle, Mr. and Mrs. Zach. Lambert, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Wash Custer, Misses Lou and Eliza Weigle, and others, having brought baskets of provisions along, were soon engaged in the enjoyment of them. After spending the afternoon very pleasantly, the party broke up, each and all expressing themselves as having had a fine time and of a desire to come back again.

SUBSCRIBER.

Too Much Noise.

Just keep a little quiet and drop in Sipe's store and see prices of some Overcoats he is closing out away below cost, also Mens' Suits. Best bargains in town.

Revival of the Curfew Bell.

There is to be a revival of the curfew in Canada, and if it prove successful in the cities and towns of that dominion it is not unlikely that it may be used in some parts of the United States, writes John Gilmer Speed in the *Ladies' Home Journal*. The law which has been enacted by the Legislatures of Quebec and Ontario was drafted by the Society for the Protection of Women and Children, and provides that the Municipal Councils in cities, town and incorporated villages shall have power to pass by-laws for the regulation of the time after which children shall not be in the streets at nightfall without proper guardianship. The law so provides that these councils shall cause a bell to be rung at or near the time appointed as a warning, to be called the curfew bell, after which the children so required to be at their homes or off the streets shall be liable to be warned by any constable or police officer to go home.

Musical Instruments

Violins, Mandolins, Guitars, Banjos and other stringed instruments at Snyder's drug store.

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

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

HOW PEOPLE LIVED IN THE OLD DAYS.

Some History and Anecdote of a Part of Somerset County.

From the Johnstown Tribune.

A correspondent at Crumb, Somerset County, sends us the following concerning that place and its oldest family. We print it as being of interest, not only to the people who now live in the region of which it speaks, but to any who may chance to read:

We know that in 1828, though Pennsylvania had been settled to a certain extent, there were yet vast stretches of unbroken forest in many sections. One of these was about what is now eastern Somerset County, along the top of the Alleghenies, near Crumb, and contained about one hundred square miles of territory. There were found plenty of wolves, deer, bear, and other animals. In 1828 William Oldham moved into this wilderness and commenced to build a home, having sold a farm fairly well under cultivation on Chestnut Ridge. He purchased about eight hundred acres of land and paid for it altogether by the revenue derived from killing wolves, for the scalps of which a good round sum was paid by the State. This was not so great a task as it would seem, for wolves were plenty and land was cheap, and could be readily purchased for twenty-five cents an acre. The writer has been told by good authority of four hundred acres of land in the vicinity of Rummel that was purchased for four sugar kettles.

Within a few years the land was paid for. On one occasion Mr. Oldham discovered a den of wolves on Ogie's Ridge. His son William, who is still living, was along and went into the den, returning with nine young wolves, which brought in a bounty of $45.

It was a very lonely place where Mr. Oldham took his family to live, in evidence of which we are told that they did not see any outside their own little circle on one occasion from January 1st to March 15th. The Oldham family were the only settlers here until 1832, when Mr. Felix, father of Rev. Felix, came into the community. In 1833 Mr. Oldham built a saw mill on Piney Run. The mill was built of boards which had been hewn out with an ax; by running very steadily for a whole day, it was possible to cut on it about three hundred feet of lumber.

Though the men of those days were good marksmen, generally, they did not always succeed in lugging their game without trouble and dangerous experiences. On one occasion Mr. Oldham was out hunting along the foot of the Alleghenies, when he discovered a bear and two cubs. He fired and wounded old bruin, who made off in as great haste as her condition would permit. Thinking he could capture one of the cubs, Mr. Oldham seized a club and started after them; he had followed only a little way, when, in raising his weapon to strike one of the cubs, he stepped into a hole and fell, dislocating his ankle. His blow fell with precision and he killed the cub, but he had other things to think of just then. He managed to extricate himself, and, crawling to a tree, fastened his foot in a crotch and pulled his ankle into place. He got to a cabin near by, where he slept when on such expeditions, and remained there two days and two nights before he was discovered.

On another occasion Mr. Oldham's son Nathan was hunting near the top of the mountain, when he wounded a large buck. His dog soon overtook the animal, and was holding him at bay when Mr. Oldham, Jr., came up. In his haste to reload his gun he had put in too heavy a charge, and the result was a broken gun, with very little injury to the deer. Thinking he and his dog could manage the animal, he took hold, when, to his great regret, the dog gave up the fight, leaving him to struggle with the wounded deer himself. This was anything but a pleasant situation, for every old hunter will testify that a savage bear is a combatant fully as agreeable as a wounded deer. But after his body had been cut and was bleeding freely, and his clothing was nearly all torn off him, Mr. Oldham managed to put an end to his antagonist with a knife.

Among the hunters who used to come to the mountain in search of game was Henry Koontz, father of William Koontz, of Geistown; and of John, George, and Winfield Koontz, who are also great hunters.

In 1836 a road was opened from Fishertown, Bedford County, to the saw-mill owned by Mr. Oldham. The surveyor was William Potts; John Potts, William McDonald, and William Oldham were viewers, and Nathan Oldham and William Kirk were chain carriers.

Railroads were a novelty in those early days, and Pennsylvania was almost destitute of them. A certain Mr Parks came here from Philadelphia to see about land owned by him. He and his wife came by stage, but when ready to return he purchased a horse, took his wife on behind him, and returned thus to the Quaker City.

The land which Mr. Parks came to see is known as the "Hurricane," being a tract swept by the great hurricane that traveled almost from the Pacific to the Atlantic in 1791. On Shade Creek, where the forest was especially dense, trees and brush were so matted and twisted together that the easiest way out seemed to be to burn the mass. Fire was put in, and the ground was baked so hard that little or nothing will grow there since, and the place is known as the "Firebrake."

In 1844 Mr. Oldham built a grist mill on Piney Run. This mill would grind about ten bushels of grain per day. Later the interior was changed and the mill was turned into a factory for making chair legs, table legs, etc., and later still it was converted into a bowl factory.

Another farm was cleared at last on the side of the mountain, where Joseph Smith now lives—a distance of about five miles from this place. The Oldhams and Felixes then had neighbors.

Prior to 1857 the nearest schoolhouse was seven miles from here. In 1857—a teacher—David Wilson—brother of C. O. Wilson, of Roxbury, Cambria County, was hired to teach in an old house. In 1857 a schoolhouse was built here, and we have since been on the onward move. We who live here, hope some time to see this part of the Allegheny mountain among the noted places of the earth.

Pine Grove Items.

Miss Olive—daughter of Mr. J. A. Maurer—was seriously injured while coasting.

Mr. George Steinbaugh, our enterprising lumberman, is busily engaged in sawing timber for the neighbors of this vicinity.

Mr. Arthur Smith, while watering his horses, was kicked, but is slowly recovering from his injuries.

The County Superintendent, Prof Berkey, paid our school a visit which was very highly appreciated by the teacher and pupils.

The Beaver Dam Literary Society, of Quemahoning township, will hold their next society at the Pine Grove school house, on Friday evening, February 8th, 1895. They propose to render a very interesting program, consisting of a number of dialogues, essays, recitations, vocal and instrumental music, etc. The public is cordially invited to attend.

P. G.

Yes, it is true that Sipe sells you Ginghams, Muslins, Prints and everything in the Dry Goods line as cheap as any merchant in town.

February 16th.

Don't forget that Mrs. A. E. Uhl's Clearance Sale lasts until February the 16th.

Institute Program.

Following is the program for a local institute, consisting of Somerset township and borough, to be held at Husband, Feb. 2nd, 1895:

"How can we best create a desire for learning on the part of our pupils?"—H. L. Young.

"Should History and Geography be Taught Jointly?"—R. K. Smith.

"Duty of Parents to their Children"—H. J. Hoffman.

"How to create Interest during Recitations"—A. J. Homer.

Paper—Annie Weller.

"Public Schools and the Newspaper"—J. P. Livengood.

"Naturalness in Teaching"—U. S. Shober.

Recitation—Linnie Saylor.

"Relation of Education to Society"—C. E. Ringler.

"The Recitation"—E. E. Pritts.

"Home Reading by Pupils"—James M. Blough.

"Habit in School"—N. E. Berkey.

Reading—C. M. Blough.

Five-minute Talks—Harry Cupp, S. E. Bowman.

Two sessions will be held—afternoon and evening.

How to Buy a Horse.

An old horseman says: If you want to buy a horse, don't believe your own brother. Take no man's word for it. Your eye is your market. Don't buy a horse in harness. Unhitch him and take off everything but his halter, and lead him around. If he has a corn or is stiff, or has any failing, you can see it. Let him go himself a way and if he walks right into anything, you know that he is blind. No matter how clear and bright his eyes are, he can't see any more than a bat. Back him, too. Some horses show their weakness or tricks in that way when they don't in any other. But, be as smart as you can, you'll get caught sometimes. Even the expert gets stack. A horse may look ever so nice and go a great pace, and yet have fits. There isn't a man who could tell it until something happens. Or he may have a weak back. Give him the whip and off he goes for a mile or two, then all of a sudden he stops on the road. After a rest he starts again, but he soon stops for good, and nothing but a derrick can start him. The weak points about a horse can better be discovered while standing than while moving. If he is sound, he will stand firmly and squarely on his limbs without moving them, with legs plumb and naturally poised; or if the foot is taken from the ground, and the weight taken from it, disease can be suspected, or, at least, tenderness, which is a precursor of disease. If a horse stands with his feet spread apart or straddles with his hind legs, there is a weakness in his loins and the kidneys are disordered. Heavy pulling bends his knees. Bluish, milky cast eyes in horses indicate moon blindness or something else. A bad tempered one keeps his ears thrown back; a stumbling horse has blemished knees. When the skin is rough and harsh and does not move easily to the touch, the horse is a heavy eater and digestion bad. Never buy a horse whose breathing is at all impaired. Place your ear at the heart, and if a wheezing sound is heard, it is an indication of trouble.

DIED.

ZERFOSS.—Earnest Beal, son of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Zerfoss, near Will's Church, on January 26th, aged 26 days.

RUFUS E. MEYERS,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,
Office in Scott's Law Building, 2d floor. Somerset, Pena'a.
All business entrusted to his care will be attended to with promptness and fidelity.

COURT PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, The Hon. JACOB H. LONGENECKER, President Judge of the several Courts of Common Pleas of the several counties composing the 16th Judicial District, and Justice of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery, for the trial of all capital and other offenders in the said District, and P. J. HONSER and NOAH BIESECKER, Esq's., Judges of the Courts of Common Pleas and Justices of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery for the trial of all capital and other offenders in the County of Somerset, have issued their precepts, and to me directed, for holding a Court of Common Pleas and General Quarter Sessions of the Peace and General Jail Delivery, and Courts of Oyer and Terminer at Somerset, on

Monday, Feb. 25th, 1895.

NOTICE is hereby given to all the Justices of the Peace, the Coroner and Constables within the said county of Somerset, that they be then and there in their proper persons with their rolls, records, inquisitions, examinations and other remembrances, to do those things which to their office and in that behalf appertain to be done, and also they who will prosecute against the prisoners that are or shall be in the jail of Somerset county, to be then and there to prosecute against them as shall be just.

EDWARD HOOVER,
Sheriff.

REGISTER'S NOTICES.

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons concerned as legatees, creditors, or otherwise, that the following accounts have passed Register, and that the same will be presented for confirmation and allowance at an Orphans' Court to be held at Somerset, Pa., on Wednesday, Dec. 12th, 1894.

First and partial account of Josiah Pile, executor of George Pile, dec'd.

First and final account of Jessie C. Switzer, administrator of Simon Switzer, dec'd.

First and final account of Cyrus Ringer and Jacob P. Miller, administrators of John M. Werner, dec'd.

First and final account of Noah Pritts, administrator of Adam P. Rekle, dec'd.

First account of W. D. Youngkin, administrator of J. C. Youngkin, dec'd.

Second and final account of Stephen McClintock, executor of John P. McClintock, dec'd.

First account of Robert E. Ross, one of the executors of M. A. Ross, dec'd.

Second account of Jacob I. Kaufman and Levi Yoder, executors of Isaac Kaufman, dec'd.

First account of Jacob J. Kline, one of the administrators of Benjamin Kline, dec'd.

First and final account of Wm. H. Miller, administrator of William Holder, dec'd.

First and final account of Wm. H. Miller, administrator of William Dinges, dec'd.

Registers Office, Jan. 30th, 1895. } JACOB S. MILLER, Register.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Sarah Flick, late of Jefferson 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 the same will present them duly authenticated for settlement to the Executor at the late residence of said dec'd., on Monday, March 11th, 1895, at 2 o'clock p. m., when and where he will attend for that purpose.

VALENTINE HAY,
Executor.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Daniel Hoffman, dec'd., late of Conemaugh township, Somerset county, Pa.

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., in Conemaugh township, on Friday, Feb. 8th, 1895.

AARON F. SWANK,
Executor.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Hiram H. Grady & Anna M. Grady to R. Sewell Wright. } In the Court of Common Pleas of Somerset county, Pa. No. 198, Sept. T. 1893. Voluntary Assignment.

The undersigned auditor appointed by the said Court, to distribute the funds in the hands of the assignee, among the creditors of the said Hiram H. Grady, hereby gives notice that he will sit at his office, in Somerset borough, Pa., on Thursday, January 31, 1895, to attend to the duties of said appointment, when and where all persons interested may attend.

GEO. R. SCULL,
Auditor.

SHERIFF'S SALE
—OF—
Valuable Real Estate

Jacob Seehler & Louisa Seehler vs. Henry Hay. } In the Court of Common Pleas of Somerset Co., Pa. No. 1, May T., 1894. (Partition Docket.)

By virtue of an order issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Somerset county, Pa., in the above stated case, to me directed, I will offer for sale by public outcry, at the Court House, in Somerset borough, on

Friday, Feb. 22d, '95,
at 1 o'clock P. M.,

the following described real estate, to wit:

A certain messuage and tract of land situate in Milford township, Somerset county, Pennsylvania, adjoining lands of Valentine Hay, Mary Hay, S. P. Weimer and others, containing about 100 acres and eight perches, being the same tract of land conveyed by Jacob D. Snyder and wife to Henry Hay and Louisa Seehler by deed dated April 8, 1885, recorded in Deed Record, Vol. 65, page 67, having thereon erected a

A TWO-STORY FRAME
Dwelling House,

bank barn and other outbuildings, with the appurtenances.

Terms: made known on day of sale.

Sheriff's Office, Jan. 30th, 1895. } EDWARD HOOVER, Sheriff.

Administrator's Sale
—OF—
Valuable Real Estate!

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Orphans' Court of Somerset county, Pa., and to me directed, I will expose to sale at the Court House, in the borough of Somerset, Pa., on

Friday, February 22, 1895,
At 1 O'clock P. M.,

the following real estate.

No. 1. All those 2 certain lots of ground situate in the borough of Ursina, Somerset county, Pa., and known on the general plan of said borough as lots Nos. 215 and 216, having thereon erected a

TWO-STORY FRAME
Dwelling House,

stable and other outbuildings, fronting on Weyand Avenue 37½ feet each and extending back 150 feet each to an alley, bounded on the east by an alley and on the west by lot of Mrs. Andrew Holliday.