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Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Carothers are entertaining the latter's mother, Mrs. First, of Clinton county.

Mr. Jackson Michael, of Clearfield county, was the guest of Rev. Hoop for several days last week.

Mrs. Nancy Peifer, widow of the late late "Opie" Peifer, died at the County Home, Saturday morning.

The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania is now in session in Pittsburgh. Cases from Somerset county will be heard next week.

Mrs. Elizabeth Baker has purchased the E. H. Warren plantation of four acres on "Coal Hill," a short distance east of this place.

John M. Glessner, of Stonycreek township, last week threshed his grain crop, realizing 1800 bushels, of which 1,670 bushels were oats.

Mrs. Susan Bittner, the most venerable resident of Northampton township, died Sept. 29th, in her 84th year. She is survived by 10 of her 13 children.

All of the ministers of the Reformed Church in this county and one lay delegate, were present at the writing of the minutes of the annual meeting of the Reformed Church in Butler, Pa., this week attending the annual meeting of the Pittsburgh Synod.

Sheriff Hoover levied upon the "Alpine Hotel," Hooversville, to satisfy executions amounting to \$1,300, issued against the proprietor, William Wirth. The personal property was sold Monday.

Rev. W. Hoop is conducting a series of meetings in the Husband Evangelical Church. The quarterly meeting will be held next Sabbath when the Presiding Elder, Rev. J. W. Damer, will be present.

Services will be held in the Presbyterian Church next Sabbath, Oct. 13, morning and evening, conducted by the pastor. Subject of morning sermon—"Some Lessons From the Decision of Ruth." Sabbath school at 3 p. m.

Work reached here yesterday, that the large saw mill on the Mosewaukeo river, which was destroyed by fire in the Pennsylvania Midland Railroad Company, in Slade township, was destroyed by fire. The loss is placed at \$2,500.

George Snyder, C. P. Hefley, A. C. Davis, D. J. Horner and several other veterans, whose names we are unable to learn, left Monday for Mt. Pleasant, Pa., to attend the annual meeting of the Grand Reg. Pa. Vets., which is being held today.

Walter Heffley's trotting stallion "Nutmeg", which has been at the Cumberland race track last week, coming under the wire with his nose close to the winner's heels; recorded time 2:30. "Nutmeg" will trot at Hagerstown next week.

The Court has appointed the following election officers for the new borough of Hooversville: Judge, John Hamer; Inspectors, F. C. C. Barrett, E. K. Ober and Amaniah Lohr were appointed borough auditors.

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A Productive Farm. By long odds the most productive farm in this county the past season was the "Maple Grove" farm, five miles north of here, owned by Josiah L. Berkey, Esq. Mr. Berkey's production of grain, including the sale of his crops will reach \$8,000. As an instance of the productivity of "Maple Grove Farm," Mr. Berkey's last week harvested more than 20 two-horse wagon loads of grain. Among other crops harvested were 40 acres of splendid corn and 600 bushels of wheat. The most profitable of Mr. Berkey's crops, however, is now being gathered from the 300 heavily loaded apple trees comprising his magnificent orchard.

Charged With Stealing a Watch. Harry Lane, an erstwhile expounder of the scriptures and vendor of patent medicines, was arrested in Johnstown last week and brought here, when he was given a hearing before Esquire Knupper on a charge of the theft of a gold watch from Miss Nettie Lichty. Miss Lichty makes her home with her uncle, Mr. Frank Courtney, on travel Hill, and last Tuesday night Lane enjoyed the hospitality of the Courtney family. When he took his departure, he was seen to look Miss Lichty's watch with him. He bought a ticket for Rockwood and walked to Geiger's station, where he took the train for Johnstown. People who know Lane say that he has "a look in his eye" and is not responsible for his actions. He was released on his own recognizance.

An Excellent Entertainment. It is to be regretted that there was not a larger audience present at the entertainment given in the Opera House Saturday evening by the Salisbury Cornet Band, assisted by several specialists. The numbers on the program were all rendered with exceptional ability and fully demonstrated the perfection of the organization as reached under the instruction of Prof. Irvin Bode. Prof. Bode, by the way, is a versatile genius and can sing a song with the same ease and grace that marks his cornet playing. He sang a popular ballad to the entire satisfaction of the audience. The gem of the entertainment was a violin, mandolin and guitar trio executed by Messrs. and Miss Livingston. Mr. George S. Scully recited several selections in capital style. The performance throughout was one of merit and was enjoyed by all present.

The band rendered several choice selections on the streets Saturday afternoon.

A Tell Tale Bear. Joseph H. Dooley, whose home is near Old City, was arrested at Davidson, Maryland, on Monday. He is suspected of being an accomplice of Joseph Sweeney, who was arrested at Cambellville a few days before, charged with robbing the Bakersville post office. The Jefferson township constable followed the two men who were accused of the robbery to within a few miles of Cambellville. Sweeney was arrested while trying to escape of some of the stolen goods. Dooley was arrested towards Davidson as his partner. No stamps were found on his person when he was searched. S. T. Hooten, Inspector of Mails in this district, visited Cambellville, when Dooley was given a hearing before a U. S. Commissioner. He was shown a picture of Sweeney and denied any acquaintance with any person resembling the likeness. He admitted that he had been at Bakersville, but claimed that Sweeney was not his partner. The strongest evidence against the accused was that he had a scar on his face. Bakersville people who saw his face said that Sweeney's partner had a scar on his left cheek, but Dooley's scar was on the right side of his nose. A further hearing was fixed for Tuesday morning.

Lot. On Monday evening on the public road between Hooversville and the Jefferson township, and Somerset, a double-barreled brook-loading shot gun in a gun case. The finder will be suitably rewarded upon leaving the same at this office.

A New Aid Important Rating. Judge White, of Pittsburgh, expressed a new idea last week with respect to the law of beneficial organizations, relating to the standing of members. The suits of Margaret Frier, widow of Thomas Frier, against the members of the Hooversville Branch of the Emerald National Association, actions to recover death benefits, were tried. The defense was that the persons named in the complaint were not members of the association, but were not in good standing according to the rules and by-laws of the Association.

In charging the jury Judge White said that in his judgment the words "good standing" carried more to the character of the member than his financial relations to the Association. The jury returned verdicts of \$33 in favor of the plaintiff in both cases.

The coroner of the county over the case will be carried to the Supreme Court, and if Judge White be sustained, beneficial associations will be seriously affected, as in all cases the words "good standing" will be construed to mean the meaning of the member's financial standing.

Household Popularity. The popularity of the Cinderella Range is well established by its great sale in Somerset county. It is sold guaranteed to bake. Sold by JAS. B. HOLDBRAUM, Somerset, Pa.

Interesting School Statistics. The annual report of County Superintendent Berkey for the term of 1894-5 has recently been distributed among the directors, teachers and friends of education throughout the county. It was prepared with the same accuracy and fidelity that have characterized all of Superintendent Berkey's previous reports and makes a pamphlet of 45 pages. From it we gather the following interesting facts:

Number of Schools 25; teachers 206; males 212; females 84 pupils enrolled 11,274; males 5,368; females 5,906; pupils over 16 years of age 1,973; pupils under 16 years of age 10; estimated number of pupils between six and sixteen years of age not in school 318; schools in which the bible is read, 20; official visits by directors, 1,125; official visits by Superintendent, 239; average salary of teachers, \$23.42; cost per pupil \$1.05.

New school houses were built in Addison, Elk Lick, Jefferson, Larimer, Ogles and Somerset townships, at prices ranging from \$416 to \$839.

The Alliance school in Addison township was the smallest in the county. Only five pupils were enrolled.

The Berkey school in Paint township had the largest enrollment under one teacher, 100 pupils. The enrollment of Salisbury and Ursina had the highest tax rate for school purposes—ten mills. New Centreville had the lowest—one and one-half mills.

Somerset township has twenty schools and 729 pupils.

Ursina paid the highest average wages—\$41.00 per month.

Elk Lick paid the highest wages among the townships—\$45.00 per month.

Every district in the county has complied with the new law relative to the purchase of text-books and supplies for the schools.

Farm for Sale! Cheap! 103 acres, 15 acres in timber, three-fourths of a mile from Somerset, on easy terms. Apply to KNEPPER & GOOD.

The Army of Pensioners. The following statistics concerning the Pittsburgh agency will be of interest to local veterans and others who draw a quarterly stipend from Uncle Sam: The Pittsburgh pension agency comprises 41 counties. Western Pennsylvania, the Susquehanna river being the eastern boundary. The number of pensioners on the rolls for the year ending October 31, 1894, was 14,901. There are 14,901 invalids drawing pensions under the act of June 27, 1892; 137 survivors of the Mexican war and three survivors of the Indian war, making in all 30,000 invalids or pensioners who served in the armies. There are 3,001 widows drawing pensions under the general law; 4,425 widows under act of June 27, 1892; 113 Mexican widows and 1,300 widows of Indian war. Under the general law there are 50 minors who are entitled to a pension until they are 16 years of age, 30 dependent mothers and 3 helpess widows. Under the act of June 27, 1892, there are 283 dependent mothers; 141 dependent widows and 132 helpess widows. There are also on the rolls the names of five army nurses, drawing pensions for services rendered during the rebellion.

The quarterly payments take place in January, April, July and October. The money paid for pensions per quarter averages about \$1,675,054 or \$6,301,025 per annum.

Making Apple Jack. The apple crop is so plentiful this year that the distillers of "apple jack" are in great demand. One of the largest distillers, says the Alleghenon, Pa. Democrat, one of the largest operators in the business is Mr. Elias O. Creitz, of Jacksonsville, Pa. He has a large crop of good apple trees turning out from 200 to 300 barrels, and using up from 20,000 to 25,000 bushels of apples. The apples are crushed in a large iron apple press, similar to the one used in the distillation of wooden still, but with a patent scraper by which the labor of one man is dispensed with. The pomace is then placed in large stonks, holding about 80 bushels, and is fermented for two or three days. Mr. Creitz has 150 stemmers for fermenting purposes. He has two copper stills holding about 60 gallons each in operation day and night, and attends to the distillation of the pomace, which is about twenty hours a day. He runs out about 24 gallons of whisky every twenty-four hours. 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