The Somerset Herald.

GEORGE R. SCULL, Editor.

WEDNESDAY.....December 23, 1895.

President Chas. T. Mayer, of the B. & O. R. R., has tendered his resignation.

Diaries for 1896 for sale at Fisher's Book Store.

One million five hundred thousand pounds of dried apples have been shipped out of Mason county, W. Va., to Germany.

The nomination of Hamilton P. Wilson as postmaster of Altoona was sent to the senate Friday for confirmation by President Cleveland.

Pictures framed at Snyder's Art Store (latest style and at trifling cost.

The January number of *The Forum* will contain a memorial paper by Mr. Goldwin Smith, William Hollis Gladstone, "Newman Vose" and the Rejoinder to Pa...

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

All the clock manufacturers of the country have combined in a trust, and hereafter the price of clocks will be almost double the former rates. The people will have the consolation of setting the clocks a little faster apart, say about twice the former distance.

The talk of the town is Snyder's Art Store. There you can find pictures. Piles of them. All kinds and cheap. What elegant presents they make.

To the aged, with fair poor appetite, feeble circulation, and impoverished blood, Ayer's Sarsaparilla is a most welcome and precious cordial. It renews the youth of age, by invigorating every organ, and filling the body with health and vigor. See Ayer's Almanac in the new year.

Do you know that we have an Art Store in Somerset? We have, and a good one. You can see hundreds of pictures of all descriptions at

SNYDER'S ART STORE.

The good weather which has prevailed so far this winter has given the farmers a chance to get their fall work in good shape and has saved them much by keeping up fall pasture to an unusually late date. In fact stock will be able to get much nourishment from the grass for some time to come.

We have a lot of books and many other nice things that make excellent presents. We wish to close out this line and will sell them at less than cost. It will pay you to call and see them at

SNYDER'S ART STORE.

Philip Armour & Co., of Chicago, is defying the sentiment and legislation enacted to prevent the sale of oleomargarine. The firm at first showed a inclination to obey the law, but recently openly violated it in Iowa. Prosecution will be instituted against Armour after the holidays by the department of agriculture.

You buy presents for Xmas and New Year's? Everybody does. There is nothing nicer than a fine picture; something your friends will always keep and treasure. You can get anything in this line at

SNYDER'S ART STORE.

The January *Forum*, among many other interesting features, will contain an article by Col. Carroll D. Wright, late Director of the Census, on "The Peoples Census;" an article by Mr. William Ordway Partridge, the sculptor, entitled "The Development of Sculpture in America," and a paper by Mr. James H. Penniman, of Philadelphia, on the "Criminal Crowding of Public Schools."

The State Normal School of Indiana, Pa., will open its Winter Term Tuesday, Jan. 7, 1896. A faculty representing eleven colleges and universities. Elevator for girls. Electric light throughout. The finest Model School in the State, supervised by five specially prepared teachers. For catalogue address the principal, D. J. WALLER, D. D.

Aunt Peggy Strong, of Greene county, 81 years old, and blind for several years, tells a story of how a messenger from heaven came to her room, took her by the hand, talked to her about the celestial city to which she was to go, and pointed out the place she was to occupy. When her friends suggest that she dreamed, she says no, she was wide awake. She firmly believes that she was visited by an angel.

We will give three months, subscription to any girl, who is not already a subscriber, who will bring us the "wish bone" of her Christmas turkey. By the wish bone we mean the forked bone similar to the one in the breast of a chicken. The first girl to send us one of these bones will have a new beau before a month, and be married within a year. This agreement is for white girls only and the offer will close January 1, 1896.—*Confectioners Press.*

Our readers who have been looking for Hood's Calendar for 1896 will be glad to know that it is out and may be obtained from the druggist or by sending 6 cents in stamps to C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass. The new calendar is certainly a triumph of art. It represents a lovely head in beautiful brown tints, surrounded by a gold frame, embossed and decidedly "up to date." It makes a useful ornament for the home and a pleasant reminder of Hood's Sarsaparilla.

McClure's Magazine for January is to have an article giving the whole story (never yet published, but long desired by the public) of Mr. Blaine's relation to his own candidacy for the Presidency in 1884. It is written by Murat Halstead, whose opportunity for knowing all the facts was unequaled; and it embodies conversations with Blaine and an important unpublished letter written by him a few days after his defeat. Some very interesting portraits will accompany the article, and the Blaine letter will be reproduced in facsimile.

Experts report that it is impossible to send a telegraph dispatch through the Hoosac tunnel, four and a half miles from North Adams, Mass. It has been tried with all kinds of wire, and with a cable, such as is used under the ocean, but in vain. Telegraphic wires, in consequence of this curious condition, have been carried over the surrounding mountains. A careful exploration of the tunnel has been made, but no magnetic or other ore has been found to interfere with the transmission of a message.

The conscience and pride of good citizenship of G. Green, of McCune, Kan., got to working together recently and produced an odd situation. Mr. Green got intoxicated, boisterous and disagreeable during a visit to the neighboring town of Pittsburg, and created considerable disturbance on the streets. He was not arrested. A few days later he appeared before the county attorney at Pittsburg and swore out a warrant against himself for disturbing the peace. He was arrested, arraigned, plead guilty, paid his fine and went home with a shriven conscience.—*New York Sun.*

The spring elections are not a great way off and the substance of the law relative to these elections may not be out of place at this time. The election next spring will take place on Tuesday, the 18th day of February. According to the Act of the Legislature of 1893, the nominations by party primaries for borough and township offices and school directors must be filed eighteen days before the election, which will be January 31st, and nomination papers fifteen days before the same, which will be February 3d. It is a safe rule not to wait until the last day, but to file the certificates as early as possible.

Merry Christmas.

Candidates for borough constable are already in the field.

Parker & Parker's store will be closed throughout the day Christmas.

Mr. H. B. Philson represented Somerset county at the State Convention of bankers held in Philadelphia last week.

Leonard Ferrel, of Glade, found his commission as postmaster at that place in his Christmas stocking.

In the Westmoreland county contest last week C. L. Vannear won his suit against Jacob S. Pecking for possession of a seat of mountain land.

Subscribe now for the Pittsburg *Dispatch* and secure a complete cyclopedia of the world for 1897. Send for the great paper immediately.

A report reached here Monday of a drunken row at Lizie Sunday night in which a number of heads were cracked and eyes blackened.

Miss Mabel K. Brubow, a teacher in the New Brighton, Pa., schools, is home with her parents—Rev. and Mrs. T. J. Brubow—for the holidays.

Local merchants are smiling over the great rush for holiday goods. Saturday, Monday and yesterday were very busy days in all of the stores.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Poorbaugh and Mrs. John P. Hay, of the State of Iowa, are spending the holidays with Brothersvalley township relatives.

C. C. Schmucker, a progressive young Jenner township farmer, handled J. L. Bentley's celebrated "Maple Grove" cream five mile north of Somerset.

Miss Agnes M. Brubow left last week for New Brighton, Pa., where she has secured a position as stenographer and type-writer with a large manufacturing company.

Captain George and Forsythe Harrison, the former of Piedmont, W. Va., and the latter of Cumberland, Md., spent Saturday and Sunday with their brother, Capt. Chas. J. Harrison.

Rev. W. Houpt and family desire, through the columns of the HERALD, to express their thanks to their numerous Somerset friends for a Christmas and a purse containing money.

Somerset's school children will enjoy two weeks' vacation this year, the board of directors having decided that the schools shall not re-open until the first Monday in the new year.

Samuel Wilson, of Moline, Ill., a former well-known resident of this place, arrived in town Monday morning and will spend a week in visiting his acquaintance with his boyhood friends.

On the evening of the 19th inst., Albert Flick and Mary E. Hay, of Jefferson township, were united in the holy bonds of wedlock by Rev. C. C. Gearhart, of the Lavansville Lutheran Church.

Berlin Odd Fellows will hold an open meeting Friday evening to be followed by a banquet at the Mansion House. All members of that organization in the county have been invited to be present.

Rev. J. W. Domer will hold a quarterly conference in the Evangelical church on Saturday next, at 1:30 P. M. He will also conduct communion services at the Pleasant Hill church on Sunday morning.

Rev. Gebhart conducted Christmas services in the Lavansville Lutheran church last evening. He will conduct similar services in the Casebeer church this evening and in the Bakersville church, Thursday evening.

General Passenger Agent Chas. O. Scull, of the B. & O. R. R., will arrive at 8:10 this morning and will spend the day at the home of his father, Hon. Edward Scull. He will return to Baltimore tonight on a special train.

Among other girls and boys who have been absent at private schools and who are home for the holidays are Misses Leah Krebs, Nellie Kooser, and Flossie Knepper, and Messrs. John Beerits, Hermanus Baer, Webster Good and Gerge Knepper.

Last evening the children of the reformed and United Brethren churches rendered specially prepared Christmas programs, consisting of songs and recitations, after which the usual annual feast of candy and cakes was served. To-night the children of the Disciple, Lutheran and Methodist Sunday Schools will give similar entertainments.

Mrs. Nora Arighi, who was married in April last and removed with her husband—Peter Arighi—to Kent county, Ohio, died at the home of her father, E. C. Ferner, in Allegheny township, on the 9th inst., after a painful illness of several months duration. The deceased was twenty-two years old and was a member of the U. B. Church.

The annual banquet and camp-fire of R. P. Cummins Post G. A. R., will occur on New Year's day in the Opera House. An interesting program has been provided and it is anticipated that comrades from all parts of the county, accompanied by their wives, will be present. The assault on the tables has been set for 12 o'clock.

Mr. J. H. Penrod, of Washington, D. C., is visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. J. H. Pisel. Mr. Penrod was formerly connected with the signal corps of the U. S. Army, but resigned from that service to engage in journalism. Many of our readers will recall a series of interesting articles contributed to these columns a few years ago from his pen.

The residents of this place will be sorry to learn that the tract of timber adjoining the borough limits on the northeast, familiarly known as "Oak Ridge" will soon be laid bare by the woodsman's ax, Fox Bros., lumbermen and charcoal dealers, having acquired it by recent purchase. "Oak Ridge" has long been a favorite pleasure resort for Somerseters.

One of the largest timber deals made in this county in recent years was consummated last week when James B. Saylor purchased the David Casebeer tract of some 1400 acres situate along the Berlin road, half-way between Berlin and Somerset. The tract is timbered with hemlock, white pine, red oak, and white oak. The transaction involves between $10,000 and $15,000.

A. J. Colbora, Jr., delivered an address at the annual banquet of the New England Society of North-eastern Pennsylvania, held at Scranton, on Friday evening last. His subject was "New England in the History of Our Nation." The address was published in full by the Scranton papers. We hope to reproduce it in the columns of the HERALD in a future number.

J. F. Nickle's dwelling house near Scullton was totally destroyed by fire Friday night. The fire had gained such headway before it was discovered that the occupants of the building were compelled to escape in their night clothes. Only one or two articles of household furniture were saved from the flames. There was no insurance on the building or contents. Mr. Nickle will rebuild immediately.

Edward J. Need, the handsome and popular young weighmaster of the Listie Mining Company, and Miss Fannie G. Shaver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Shaver, of Somerset township, were united in marriage on Tuesday, 18th inst. The ceremony took place in St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Johnstown, and was performed by the rector, Rev. D. Lewis. The happy young couple have gone to housekeeping at Listie.

Golden Wedding.

On the 24th day of December, 1845, Mr. John J. Schell and Miss Rosa B. Ankeny, of this place, were united in marriage, and yesterday they celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of that interesting event at their comfortable home on Union street, surrounded by all of their children—except one, Mrs. Annie Lewis, of St. Louis, Mo., who was detained at home by the critical illness of one of her children. The members of the family present were Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Wilson, of Moline, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. Ross Rist, and Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Clark, of Uniontown, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Schell and Miss Edith Schell, of Somerset, and a number of grand children. Mr. and Mrs. Schell kept "open house" throughout the evening when several hundred of their numerous friends called to extend congratulations.

It is the exceptional couple who survive the struggles of a half-century and are permitted to celebrate their "golden wedding" in the enjoyment of excellent health. The exception is more marked in this case when it is remembered that Mr. Schell has led an unusually active life, always being prominent in matters concerning the civil and commercial interest of our county. His estimable wife has been equally active in promoting the interests of society and church and have been his cheerful and earnest coadjutor. The HERALD unites with their numerous friends in wishing them life's richest blessings during the rest of their days upon earth.

A Noble Deed.

Mrs. Jacob Koontz, wife of one of the best known farmers of the north of the county, died very unexpectedly at her home near Stoystown, in Quemahoning township, at an early hour Thursday night. From the information had it seems that the deceased had suffered from heart trouble for several years, but was not incapacitated from attending to the ordinary duties of the household, and a fatal termination of her disease was never dreamed of for a moment by her husband and the other members of her family. Shortly after Mr. and Mrs. Koontz had retired for the night Thursday the latter aroused her husband and in a faint voice asked him to conduct her to the open air as she was experiencing great difficulty in breathing. Mr. Koontz hastily complied and carried her to a window. A doctor was sent for but before he arrived the sufferer expired. The deceased was about forty-five years of age and was a general favorite in the community in which she lived. She is survived by her husband and a large family of children.

A Notable Retreat.

The HERALD acknowledges the receipt of a communication from Jacob Schrock, of Somerset township, in which the writer admits his somewhat made under oath that he received only $250, voluntary subscriptions, to aid him in replacing his barn and personal property, all of which were destroyed by fire during the past summer. Mr. Schrock had removed his household goods into his barn in June pending the erection of a new house, when the barn was struck by lightning and set on fire. The furniture was insured, but unfortunately for the owner, he failed to get a permit from the company to remove it from a dwelling house to a barn, and the policy was therefore rendered null and void. The owner had a policy of insurance on the barn and farm products, which was allowed. Mr. Schrock feels that he owes this statement to the public inasmuch as maliciously disposed persons have circulated a story to the effect that he was the recipient of over $2,000 by voluntary subscription.

An Afflicted Family.

William Shaulis, of Lincoln township, who was seriously injured a few weeks ago by the burning of the feed box of a threshing machine, suffered a relapse and died for one last week. He was on the eve of his barn when he stepped upon a loose board and was precipitated to the floor below. He sustained a number of ugly cuts on the head and his back was badly wrenched. Mr. Shaulis' wife, who is visiting relatives in Jefferson township, is unable to return to her home owing to physical disabilities. Some time ago she scalded one of her hands and before the sore had entirely healed she accidentally pricked it with a bit of a rusty hoop. Blood poisoning soon developed and it is feared that a amputation will have to be resorted to in order to save her life.

Cambria's Congressional Candidate.

Alvin Evans, Esq., a leading attorney of Ebensburg, will ask the endorsement of the Republicans of Cambria county for Congress at the coming primary election. The Johnstown *Tribune* says: "There is nobody who knows Mr. Evans but has the greatest respect for him as a republican, a lawyer, and as a private citizen. Should he receive the indorsement of the district conference he will have the earnest support of every member of the party, and be elected by an overwhelming majority."

A Promotion.

Mr. M. R. Bowman, well known all over this county through his connection with James B. Holderbaum as agent for agricultural machinery and farming implements, has accepted a position with the McCormick Harvesting Machine Company. His new position comes in the nature of a promotion since he has successfully handled the McCormick machines for the past ten years. His headquarters will be in Pittsburg and his territory will cover Western Pennsylvania, Eastern Ohio and West Virginia.

Fifty-Two Dividends.

As a general thing investors are pleased to receive only two dividends a year, and if they are paid with regularity are fully satisfied. When one, however, can receive fifty-two dividends in a year upon an investment of only three dollars, the matter deserves very serious attention. *The Independent* of New York for forty-seven years has held the first position among the great religious literary and family weeklies of the land. It presents features for the coming year far in advance of any heretofore offered. It has the leading contributors of the world, it prints the best poetry, it has twenty-one departments, edited by specialists, devoted to Fine Arts, Science, Insurance, Finance, Biblical Research, Sunday School, Missions, Health, etc. *The Independent* is particularly fitted for intelligent people, whether professional men, business men or farmers, and for their families. It costs but six cents a week, and gives a great deal for the money. A subscriber receives fifty-two dividends a year.

The subscription price of *The Independent* is only three dollars a year, or at that rate for any part of a year, and a sample copy will be sent to any person free by addressing *The Independent*, New York City.

Regulating the Speed of Trains.

The borough council has succeeded in having the railroad people observe the ordinance so long a dead letter, that no trains be permitted to run at a greater rate of speed within the borough limits than six miles an hour, and strict orders to such effect have been issued. Should any one observe a train running through town at a higher rate of speed please report number of engine and direction and nature of train, to Burgess Huston, who will at once report the engineer for punishment. In this work all can assist, and all should. This is a protection to all crossings, for at that low rate of speed accidents are extremely improbable.—*Meyersdale Commercial.*

Somerset's council should secure a similar observance of its ordinance regulating the speed of trains in the borough limits.

Hagerstown and Lancaster Almanacs, German and English, Wholesale and Retail at Fisher's Book Store.

Try Pisel's 30 cent oysters.

Salisbury's Informed Church Dedicated.

The members of the Reformed congregation at Salisbury have a new church edifice this year, which was dedicated to the worship of the Triune God, on Sunday, 22d inst. The dedicatory sermon was preached in the morning by Rev. C. Bowman, D. D., President of the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa. It was truly a learned and eloquent discourse and was well received by the large audience present. In the evening Rev. O. P. S. Wenrich, of Schuylkill Haven, Pa., preached an appropriate and interesting sermon. Large congregations witnessed the Reformed people of Salisbury in the erection of this church, even one subscribed their well-earned reputation. The church is without exception the finest in the county. Not only is this true of the exterior but more emphatically so of the interior. The plan is novel and attractive, and the building is most substantially constructed from the foundation up. The exterior of the building is finished in the native white oak, and is not artificially varnished and polished. The seating is the work of a skilled artist. Nothing flashy, gaudy, or cheap looking, but everything rich and beautiful. The large and varied colored window is the exclusive work of an ornamental wood work, and the outside seating, present a variegated color effect blend with such exquisite harmony as to challenge universal admiration. To sit in this church when it is brilliantly illuminated as it was on Sunday evening, with a large and dazzling chandelier of many lights under a powerful reflector, canopied over with a brilliant and unique ceiling, and walls in harmony with the rich seating, is not only a feast to the eyes but to the soul. All the surroundings are calculated to inspire elevated and sublime thoughts, and the mind is involuntarily led to contemplate the incomparable sacrifice of the upper temple. The church, with all its furniture, cost $18,000, of which $4,000 was paid prior to the dedication. The work was begun in the spring of last year by Mr. Jacob Holsopple, of Berlin, and completed by Mr. Jacob Holsopple, of Somerset, under the direction of the building committee, of which Rev. D. H. Lint is chairman and Mr. Jacob Holsopple, of Berlin, secretary. The church was dedicated free of debt, the congregation having subscribed the entire amount needed, $4,000 being given by outside workers and liberal givers in Somerset. One gentleman gave $1,000. One lady gave $1,000. But where all gave so well we do not discriminate. Many outsiders gave substantial aid, the church is a host in itself and knows how to render sweet music. The congregation, pastor and people congratulate themselves and the community upon the grand and magnificent success. Revs. Tirrell and Hassler, of the Reformed Church, were also present and assisted and contributed to the work. Rev. Johnston, of the Lutheran Church, Rev. Mildron, of the Evangelical Church, and the Methodist minister of the town were also present, and they, and many of their members, not only showed their good will by their presence, but by their contributions.

SPECTATOR.

Notice to Contractors.

The plans and specifications for the Hotel Building can be seen at the Somerset House. All bids must be handed in on or before January 6, 1896.

SOMERSET HOTEL CO.

Popular Young People Married.

LAVANSVILLE, PA., Dec. 23, 1895.

EDITOR HERALD:—

On evening of 22d inst., about 60 invited guests assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jere Miller, in Lincoln township, on the occasion of the marriage of their daughter, Miss Carrie, to Mr. Charles Weller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred. Weller, of Somerset township, by their pastor.

After the ceremony and congratulations all were invited to the dining room where a sumptuous supper was served, that all enjoyed. After a pleasant, social time during the evening the guests bid Mr. and Mrs. Weller God speed, upon the voyage of life together, and returned to their homes delighted with the pleasant event they were invited to witness.

C. F. GERHART.

Silver in Infinite Variety.

Never was silver so much in vogue as now. It finds its way to the dining table, the bureau, the parlor and into all sorts of personal decoration. In fact it is especially correct wherever the designer chooses to employ it. In its greatest variety and most perfect taste it may be found at Neff & Casebeer's Somerset and Rockwood stores, moderate prices and excellent taste combining to make these store exceedingly attractive the ensuing Christmas days, when everyone is in search of seasonable novelties.

School Directors to Meet.

A public convention of school directors will be held in the supreme court room, at Harrisburg, January 30 to discuss the question of school management and to consider the proposition to organize a permanent state association of school directors. All school superintendents, directors and others interested in educational matters have been invited to attend.

The questions for consideration are the transportation of pupils, township consolidated schools, township high schools, standard plans of school houses, what legislation is needed for the schools, and what should be the basis of distribution of the school appropriation. Governor Hastings, Superintendent of Public Instruction Schaeffer and other state officials will make addresses.

Mrs. A. E. Uhl's Clearance Sale begins on Dec. 26th.

Pisel's own make mince meat, the best.

Christmas Presents.

Persons desiring to make Holiday presents in the way of handsome Bibles or Hymn books, and wishing to have names stamped on the cover, will do well to give their orders at an early day to Chas. H. Fisher, that the work may be done and the goods received on time.

Fisher's Book Store

makes a specialty of getting this work done. Lutheran, Disciple, Methodist, Presbyterian, Reformed and other Hymn books and bibles imprinted. Persons wishing to order special books, not in stock, for presents, should give their orders at an early date.

CHAS. H. FISHER.

Last of the Season.

The last deer killed this season was shot on the afternoon of the 14th by Henry Weaver, of Stonycreek township. Mr. Weaver was one of a party of eight who surrounded a handsome "buck" on a knoll a short distance from Roxbury and fired the lucky shot that killed him.

The Practice of Medicine.

General Latta, secretary of the State medical council, has prepared for the information of the physicians and surgeons of Pennsylvania an interesting summary from the laws of the several states and territories of the United States regulating the practice of medicine. The summary includes only the status of the diploma, preliminary requisites and provisions for examinations. All other matter, such as details, executions, fees, penalties, &c., is omitted.

New Hampshire is the only state without any legal requirements. Diplomas confer no right to practice in twenty-two states and in eighteen states non-graduates may be examined by state boards. Eighteen states and territories have various requirements as to registration or approval of diplomas. The summary is a very interesting document to practitioners of medicine and will be distributed gratuitously by General Latta and other members of the medical council.

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

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Somerset at Milwaukee.

Most of our Somerset readers will remember Chas. H. Trent, a son of Daniel Trent, of this place, and who received his education as a compositor in the HERALD office. Mr. Trent has for some years been a resident of Milwaukee, and, it seems from some of our exchanges from that city, that it has a civil service commission of which Mr. Trent is a member, and which has charge of the appointing and discharging of school teachers and other servants of the municipality.

Mr. Trent has lately made himself conspicuous in the city of his adoption, by some innovations introduced by him with regard to the tenure of office of school teachers.

We quote from a Milwaukee paper:

"A resolution embodying a rule of great importance to the teachers of the Milwaukee public schools is to be considered to-morrow evening by the committee on rules of the School Board. It relates to the tenure of service of the teachers, and provides that no teacher shall be removed without having been properly notified of the intention of the school authorities, and without having been given an opportunity to be heard in regard to the matter. The proposition was made several months ago by Commissioner Trent, and was voted down by the Board by a narrow majority. It has since been modified in an unimportant particular, which was the ground of some opposition, and is now in shape to receive the support that it deserves.

The trend of civil-service reform is in the direction of fair treatment for employes. Men and women in the public service are to be made secure in their positions, and given to understand that so long as they fulfill their duties, and conduct themselves properly in society they will not be disturbed by the powers that be. The rules of the Milwaukee School Board are notably fair in this regard, and the Trent resolution provides for a change that will still further strengthen them in accordance with civil-service reform principles."

The above resolution of Mr. Trent was finally carried, and the great city of Milwaukee will be indebted to a Somerset man for what is undoubtedly a very proper method of dealing with the much abused pedagogue in cases of the kind referred to.

To Our Patrons in Somerset County.

To all who sit for photographs up to January 15, 1896, we will present one of our Calendars for 1896, showing a Genuine Photographic View of the Westmoat Cemetery and the Monument to the Unknown Dead. The Photo itself is sold for 50c. So we write our friends to avail themselves of this offer.

BOSTON ART CO.,
JOHNSON & CO.,
Successors to G. M. Greene.

Supt. Schaeffer's Annual Report.

Superintendent Schaeffer has submitted to Governor Hastings the annual report of the department of public instruction for the school year ended the first Monday of June. The report calls attention to the wisdom of the last legislature in not reducing the school appropriation and states that $5,300,000 a year does not cover one-third of the expenditures for public instruction. The report has this to say about other legislation enacted by the last legislature: "Good results may be expected from the recent legislation designed to prevent the spread of contagious diseases and to improve the sanitary condition of the school houses and surroundings. The religious garb bill has had the effect of excluding the nuns or sisters from the ranks of public school teachers; in some instances the children whom they formerly taught have also been withdrawn from the public schools. But the most far-reaching of all the recent laws is the act making education compulsory. Under this act children between the ages of 8 and 13 are required to attend school at least sixteen weeks each year. The moral effect of this legislation is very salutary in causing some people to attend who would otherwise have absented themselves. The full effect of the law cannot be seen so long as the school census has not been taken. In accordance with the opinion of the attorney-general this census is first to be taken in connection with the spring assessment of 1896. * * * All our people should honestly seek to carry its provisions into effect to the end that no child may be deprived of an education. During the year 6,472 schools were open during ten months; 4,007 during nine months, and 2,855 during eight months. The remaining 12,014 schools were in session between six and eight months."

'96 WILL BE A GREAT YEAR.

And The Pittsburg Dispatch Will Tell All About It.

Next year promises to be a remarkable one for news. There will be national conventions which everything indicates will be more than usually exciting, and an election of vital importance. There are wars and rumors of wars, and international complications almost without number. It is the year in which the Greater Pittsburg is to be inaugurated, and the new era in Pennsylvania politics bids fair to make matters lively from one end of the State to the other. The Pittsburg *Dispatch* will have the most accurate, complete and exclusive reports of these events, and of all others that will transpire. The *Dispatch* is now the only newspaper, not only in America, but in the world, which has a staff correspondent inside of the lines of the revolutionary army in Cuba, insuring prompt and trustworthy information of the great struggle which is attracting so much attention. What other papers get by hearsay and rumors The *Dispatch* receives direct from its own staff on the spot.

But while the news is of the first importance the other features which go to make up the modern newspaper-magazine will receive even more attention than in the past. Nearly all of the really prominent authors of the two hemispheres have been engaged to write for The *Dispatch* during 1896. The list includes: A. Conan Doyle, Rudyard Kipling, Sarah Orne Jewett, Harold Frederic, Justin Huntly McCarthy, Bret Harte, Anthony Hope, Mrs. Burton Harrison, John Strange Winter, S. Baring Gould, Frank R. Stockton, S. R. Crockett, and, in fact, practically all of the famous authors whose novels and tales delight the reading public.

The ablest scientific and economic writers will vie with the most noted humorists to both instruct and entertain. The department devoted to the fair sex and the household will be placed on an even higher plane, if that be possible, than before.

On January 1 The *Dispatch* will publish its New Year's feature, a comprehensive chronological record of the events of 1895. This has been imitated, but never on the scale of the original in The *Dispatch*. It is something which alone is worth a year's subscription as a work of historical reference, in which all subjects, local as well as general, are treated.

At 2 cents, 10 cents a week, or 15 cents with the Sunday issue, delivered through carriers or newsdealers, The *Dispatch* is the best value on earth.

A Great Opportunity

For a merry Christmas time. To close out all stock bought for Christmas trade I will offer as an inducement to buyers, Low prices on Dinner sets, Toilet sets, Lamps and all odd pieces in China and Imported ware. Come quick! stock is going out.

E. B. COFFROTH.

WANTED—A NAME.

A Chance for our Lady Readers to Exercise Their Inventive Genius.

Every body reader of the HERALD is invited to assume the office editorship for one issue in course of common events. Place the editorial sanctum in charge of the Editorial Association, and let each one write up the paper according to her own sweet will or whim. The only thing not mandatory is that the paper should be ready on publication day and be issued. Suggestions will be in order until Sept. 15, 1896.

Florindale City Hotel is the name suggested by a Somerset girl, who thinks it would be most suitable owing to the fact that Somerset is 2300 feet above the sea and not far away from the Alleghany and Laurel Hill Mountains.

A Jenner township young lady writes: "I think *Keep Cool Hotel* would be an appropriate name for the new hotel. My reason for offering this suggestion is that it will be thought cool by the public during hot weather."

A Shade township reader writes: "I would suggest as a name for the new hotel *Mount Vernon Lodge*, because of its elevation, the comfort and rest it will afford the many thousands who will even only add lodging place, and in memorial of the man who made all things possible for our dear old Keystone State."

The following comes from a young lady residing at Pine Hill: "I think *Highlandview House* would be a very appropriate name for the new hotel, because it is located on a hill and commanding a fine view on all sides."

Grandview is the favorite name of a New Lexington lady who wishes to have it selected for the new hotel.

Do Not Fail to Read This.

The noted Specialist, Dr. M. Sale, who has been so successful in the treatment of private diseases of both sexes, and all kinds of chronic diseases, may be consulted, as usual, free of charge, in Somerset, at the Hotel Vannear, on Friday, Dec. 27th.

Local Institute.

The teachers of Allegheny township and New Baltimore Borough will hold Institute at New Baltimore in the Topper Building on Saturday, Jan. 4, 1896. Opening at 9 o'clock A. M.

Address of Welcome—N. J. Topper.
Recitation—Miss Cora Speicher.
"Use and Abuse of Free Text-Books"—Howard Wagner.
"Corporal Punishment"—John Flamm.
"Examinations, Their Use and Abuse"—Uriel Menges.
Paper—Miss Emily Miller.
"Teaching Penmanship"—C. N. Verner.
Essay—Miss Etta Hillegass.
"How to Interest a Class in Physiology"—Howard Deaner and Miss Nora Englika.
Topical Talk—Prof. S. G. Coughenour.
"Teaching Geography"—Miss Nellie Rhoads and Miss Katherine Conlehan.
"The Model Teacher"—Prof. I. G. Carver.
Solo—Joseph Topper.
"The Teacher as a Housekeeper"—J. M. Cook.
"What Should be a Teacher's Aim"—C. H. Hartge.
"Teaching History in the Advanced Grades"—M. A. Tipton and Chas. Hall.

The Institute will consist of three sessions—forenoon, afternoon and evening. The program will be interspersed with instrumental music and queries. Teachers, directors and friends of education are cordially invited to attend this Institute.

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New Coal and Lime Yard.

The Listie Mining and Manufacturing Company has established a Coal and Lime yard near Cunningham's planing mill at the B. & O. station, Somerset, where a good supply of the best Coal and Lime to be had in the county will always be kept. Coal will be delivered promptly by the wagon load to any part of the town. Apply at the yard, or the company's office in the Baer Block.

Clearance Sale of Wraps.

I intend clearing out my stock of Ladies' Misses' and Children's Wraps of all kinds during the month, thereby giving all the advantage of getting Clearance or Reduced Sale Prices, usually given after Christmas.

MRS. A. E. UHL.

Eczema in any part of the body is instantly relieved and permanently cured by Doan's Ointment, the sovereign remedy for all itchiness of the skin.

Took First Prize.

Pisel's supply of candy for the Columbian made this year, is the best they have ever had. They have Lowney's Best Chocolates, put up in packages of one, two and five pounds, which won first prize at the World's Fair.

Mrs. A. E. Uhl's Clearance Sale begins on Dec. 26th.

Assignee's Sale

—OF—

Valuable Real Estate!

By virtue of a deed of voluntary assignment of David J. Shaulis and George J. Shaulis, for the benefit of their creditors.

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Somerset county, and to me directed, we will expose to public sale at the Court House, in Somerset borough, on

Saturday, January 18, 1896,

AT 1 O'CLOCK P. M.

the following real estate, to wit:

No. 1. A certain piece of land containing lands of A. B. Lambert, Wilson Barron, Josiah Miller, Ad. Lint Miller, David Gardner, Peter P. Shaulis, Heirs of Shaulis and John Gardner's heirs, containing one hundred and ninety-four acres, more or less, [illegible] one house.

Two Dwelling Houses,

Bank barn and other buildings.

No. 2. A certain piece of land adjoining the lands of Peter P. Shaulis, Jacob Lavan and Frederick Shaulis, containing seven and 32 perches strict measure.

No. 3. A certain piece of land adjoining lands of South Penn Railroad Company, David L. Shaulis, (now Elizabeth Bendit) John Kimmell, David Gardner, Derrick Lands and lands of Jonathan L. Miller, containing 3.3 acres more or less. This tract is underlaid with a 4-foot vein of coal.

—Terms:—

Ten per cent. of the purchase money is to be paid when the property is knocked down; 15 (less 10 per cent.) on confirmation of sale and delivery of deed; ½ in 6 months and ½ in one year, with interest on deferred payments from confirmation of sale.

FREDERICK SHAULIS,
Assignee.

Special Notice.

Pure Rye Whiskies from the best known distilleries, according to age, from $2.00 to $3.00 per gallon. My own importation of fine old Ports, Sherry, Rhine and Moselle Wines from $2.00 to $3.00 per gallon. St. Helena pure old California Wines, dry and sweet, 75c to $1.50 per gallon. Also agent for the celebrated Lake Chautauqua Wines, $1.50 per gallon. Seneca Lake Pure Wine Vinegar, 40c per gallon. The finest imported Gins, Cognacs, Scotch and Irish whiskey, Stout, Bass Ale, &c., at lowest prices. Call or write to A. Andriessen, 188 Federal street, Allegheny. Special Price List on application. No extra charge for jugs or packing. Mail orders promptly attended to.

A. ANDRIESSEN,

188 Federal Street, Allegheny, Pa.

The American people are nothing if not practical, and

The Useful Holiday Present

is gaining ascendency more and more every year over the frivolous sort. The useful, practical kind are the only ones we have here.

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Some Sensible Xmas Suggestions.

It's an awful bother to find something for the men. Here's a list that'll please any of them to choose a gift from:—

.....A Necktie.....
.....An Umbrella.....
.....A Muffler.....
.....A Dress Shirt.....
.....Silk Hose.....
.....Dress Gloves.....
.....Suspenders.....
.....Cuff Buttons.....
.....A Sweater.....
.....A Correct Hat.....
.....A Mackintosh.....
.....A Soft Pick.....
.....Etc., Etc.....

All the very latest and not at all expensive.

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W. S. Kimmell,

Cook & Beerits Block.

THE GREAT

RED LETTER SALE

Has now Commenced.
Call and see us if you want BARGAINS.

$28,000

Worth of Dry Goods, Notions, &c., to be closed out.

Look at the 8 great LEADERS.

44 Appleton A Muslin,	6c	per yd
44 Lawrence L S "	4c	"
150 pcs American Indigo Blue Calico	5c	"
150 pcs Lancaster Gingham	5c	"
50 pcs Shirting Calico	4c	"
50 pcs Soft Oil Cloth—Best make	13c	"
300 lbs Wool Carpet Chain	25c	per lb
500 lbs Cotton Carpet Chain	13	"

A Large and Desirable Stock of

Silks, Wool Dress Goods, Velvets, Dress Trimmings, Ribbons, Gloves, Corsets, Ladies' Cloth Waists, Wool Skirts, Wool Flannels, Outing Flannels, Shirtings, Mens', Ladies' and Children's Underwear, Table Linens, Napkins, Towels, Bed Spreads, Blankets, Comforts, &c.

We have 75 Ladies' and Misses Jackets, 15 Cloth Capes, and 10 Fur Capes on hand that will be sold regardless of cost.

In Carpets, Rugs, Portiers, Oil Cloths, Window Shades, Lace Curtains, and Table Covers. We have a big stock to show you at

BOTTOM PRICES.

Our stock comprises nearly everything wanted in our line. It would require too much space to numerate all the kinds and amounts. Please call and see us and be convinced that this is the sale for bargains.

Parker & Parker.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION

OF THE

First National Bank,

AT SOMERSET, in the State of Pennsylvania, at the close of business, Dec. 13, 1895.

RESOURCES:

Loans and discounts		$ 124,046 00
Overdrafts, secured & unsecured		26 71
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		12,000 00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds		1,750 00
Banking-house, furniture, & fixtures		8,704 52
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)		122 86
Due from State Banks & bankers		1,793 12
Due from approved reserve agents		23,159 28
Checks and other cash items		169 19
Notes of other National Banks		1,200 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents		35 21
Specie	$10