The Somerset Herald.

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WEDNESDAY..... August 26, 1896.

Harrison, a son Wm. Hersh, broke his hit leg above the knee, Thursday last, hile working for Wm. Baer, gathering e sheaves. He did it by jumping in ntest with other lads.—Meyersdale mmercial.

Mahlon Schrock is headquarters for roceries, Flour, Grain, Feed and Hay.

eat in Lincoln, Neb., the city officials ve provided a hall for those who wish discuss the silver question, and when e men begin their oratorical efforts on e street in their endeavors to convince ch other on the burning question of the y a friendly officer hales them to the ll and there the discussion is ended by e or the other talking his opponent to a ndstill.

Low grade flour is lower in price than ver. Mahlon Schrock keeps the best ade for sale.

Mayor Wagoner, Controller Lenhart, y Engineer Goltstein and all of the rty-four councilmen of Johnstown re arrested on the charge of maintain- g a nuisance. The prosecutor is Alder- an Patrick Graham, who claims that officials have caused the value of his operty to depreciate through their fail- e to open a sidewalk along his proper- The hearing takes place Friday even- of this week.

Mahlon Schrock sells Ceresota flour, best in the world, as cheap as others second grades. Try it.

No fake race in this. Articles were ned Tuesday evening last for a bicycle ce between Messrs Chas. H. Young d Paul Werner of this place, on the merset race track. The race to take e Labor Day, September 7, for a purse $200, each putting up $100, the stake- der being Mr. J. J. Berkeybile. Feel- runs pretty high between the young en and the race will decide which is better rider.—Meyersdale Commer- al.

It will pay for a term of six weeks, ard and thorough instruction in music, the Musical College, Freeburg, Snyder unty, Pa. Pupils can enter any day. r catalogues address, HENRY B. MOYER.

The new whistle recently adopted as a ltimore & Ohio standard is a regular mbinat chime and unlike most of the istles in use on other lines. It is arse but melodious, and easily distin- shed from the voice of the Pennsylva- engines, and approaches nearer to sound made by the engines of the ke Shore. The Lake Shore was prob- ly the pioneer in adopting the chime istle for passenger engines. Several the engines now running between ffalo and Columbus and Pittsburg d Cumberland on the Baltimore & Ohio re been equipped with the new istles.—Pittsburg Post.

DANA'S Sarsaparilla is not only the st of all remedies for the Nerves, Liver, dneys, Stomach, and Blood; *but if no ood, you can get your money back.*

The same guarantee applies to DANA'S ilk Cough Syrup, and Plasters. For sale by David Gildner, M. D. Agent, ockwood, Pa.

The largest ballot of any yet printed an election of this State will be used the coming Presidential contest. It ssures two feet by nearly three feet. e number of parties in the field is that has caused the increase in the size the sheet. There are nine columns. ight parties are already in the fight and e ninth column is for the use of any rty that may yet decide to go into it. e parties and their candidates as they ll appear on the ballot are: Republi- n, McKinley and Hobart; Democratic, ryan and Sewall; Prohibition, Levering d Jones; National, Beatty and South- rd; People's, Bryan and Watson; cialistic Labor, blank; Free Silver, ryan and Sewall; Sound Money, blank.

Newspapers and citizens generally are ving their attention called to the fact at under sections 2 and 5 of the regis- tion act of 1895, it is the duty of the ssessor of each election district to be sent at the election house of said dis- ct during the two secular days, the last o which shall be the sixty-second day fore the Tuesday next following the st Monday of November, to wit: Tues- y and Wednesday, the first and second ys of September, from the hours of 10 clock A. M. to 3 o'clock P. M., and m 6 o'clock P. M. to 9 o'clock P. M. ch of said days, for the purpose of ring and acting upon applications to ansfer, or relating to names upon the ginal registry list, or that are sought be placed thereon or struck therefrom, ovided in said act, of which list thus sted and completed said Assessor all, on the following day, to wit, Thurs- y, September 3d, make a return to the unty Commissioners.

You cannot say that you have tried ything for your rheumatism, until u have taken Ayer's Pills. Hundreds ve been cured of this complaint by the e of these Pills alone. They were ad- ded on exhibition at the World's Fair a standard cathartic.

Secretary of Agriculture Edge announce- the appointment Friday of six special ents of the department to secure sum- s of commercial fertilizers for analy- and report violations of the fertilizer w by manufacturers and their selling ents. The department agents are ex- resentative John F. Thomas, Carroll- n, Cambria county; J. G. Preston, ownsville, Berks county; S. S. Bly- der, Leechburg, Armstrong county; m J. Weldner, Arendsville, Adams unty; Isaac P. Jackson, Kelton, Ches- r county, and Oliver D. Schrock, Ham- r. There are over 925 brands of fer- zers licensed for sale in this state. All mples analyzed are drawn under oath d the special agents must also certify der oath that they are not interested the manufacture or sale of any com- rcial fertilizer. This ensures entire rness and impartiality. The agents e been ordered to report for duty next nday.

"For five weeks I lived on cold water, to speak," writes a man who suffered ribly from indigestion. He could hardly keep anything on his mach. What stayed, wasn't properly ested and gave him terrible pangs. This is not an uncommon case. Dys- psies don't get enough nourishment. ey are generally thin and weak. They may eat enough, but they don't gest enough. Much of what they eat rns into poison. If this keeps on ere's no telling what disease they may ch next.

That's why it is best to take Shaker gestive Cordial, as soon as symptoms indigestion appear. It cures all the evils of indigestion, and vents the evils which indigestion uses. Sold by druggists, price 50 cents to $1.00 r bottle.

A healthy infant sleeps most of the e during the first few weeks, and in early years people are disposed to let dren sleep as they will (N. Y. State L. Jour.). But from six or seven rs old, when school begins, this sensi- policy comes to an end, and sleep is off persistently through all the years to manhood and womanhood. At the of ten or eleven the child is allowed sleep only eight or nine hours, when parents should insist on its having t it absolutely needs, which is ten or ven at least. Up to twenty a youth ds nine hours' sleep, and an adult uld have eight. Insufficient sleep is of the crying evils of the day. The ss of proper rest and moral condi- ns of the nervous system, and especial- of the brain, produces a lamentable dition, deterioration in both body and nd, and exhaustion, excitability and ntal disorders are gradually tak- the place of the love of work, general ll-being and the spirit of initiative.

Miss Dari Roberts, of Blairsville, is visiting with Somerset relatives.

Miss Ida Boreland, of Monongahela, is visiting with her friend, Mrs. Robert S. Scull.

Russel Uhl, of Wilkesbarre, spent last week at the home of his parents in this place.

Mr. Howard Johnson, of Berlin, has assumed the management of the Confluence Press.

Mr. Fred Good, of Pittsburg, is spending his annual vacation with friends in Somerset and Somerset township.

Regular adjourned court convened yesterday morning with Judges Longenecker, Horner and Biesecker on the bench.

Mrs. Ross B. Ried and daughters, of Uniontown, are visiting at the home of the former's father, Mr. John J. Schell.

Sarah Ann, wife of Jefferson Will, of Stonycreek township, died on August 11th, aged 58 years, 1 month and 21 days.

J. M. Lambert, mail agent between New York and Pittsburg, is visiting at his former home in Stonycreek township.

Mr. John Hoffman and bride, of Philadelphia, are visiting at the home of the former's grandfather, Mr. Barnett Picking.

Professors Robert and Berkley Patterson, of the Pittsburg High School, are spending a few days with Somerset friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward B. Scull, of Pittsburg, are visiting at the home of the former's father—Hon. Edward Scull.

The members of the Loyal Temperance Legion are requested to meet in the Disciple Church on Wednesday evening August 26th, at six o'clock.

Mr. Isaac Kimmel, of Jenner township, was among our Monday callers. He is an enthusiastic Republican and reports very few free silverites in his section.

The gross receipts of the festival held in the Court House yard Saturday night for the benefit of the East End Fire Company were $136, and the net receipts $116.

Miss Grace Kemp, of Harnedsville, and Miss Minnie Lenhart, of Somerset, have returned to their homes after a pleasant visit with Miss Katie Rhoads, in Rockwood.

Mrs. James Bradley, of Jeannette, Westmoreland county, who had been visiting at the home of her brother, Mr. G. H. Walter, in this place, returned home Friday morning.

F. G. Parker, of Johnstown, was a Sunday visitor with Somerset friends. Mr. Parker returned Saturday from a two weeks' visit to the seashore and is burned brown as a berry.

Miss Mary Rakin, who is one of the leading teachers in Beaver county, at present employed in the public schools at Beaver falls, is visiting with her school friend, Miss Eve Bristow.

Mrs. Kate B. Coffroth returned Thursday from a visit to Atlantic City. She was accompanied by Mrs. Jacob P. Kimmel and Mr. John O. Kimmel, who will be her guests for a week.

William, the eight-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Josiah Johnson, of Kantner, had his leg broken Friday, by being thrown from a moving wagon, his leg catching in one of the front wheels.

Governor Hastings has appointed Senator N. B. Critchfield one of the thirty-eight delegates from Pennsylvania to the National Farmers' Congress, which will be held at Indianapolis, November 10-12.

Mr. Robert J. Colborn, of Scranton, arrived in town yesterday, and will spend his vacation at the residence of his father, Hon. A. J. Colborn. His brother, A. J. Colborn, Jr., will arrive here today.

The lawyers and clerks engaged in a game of base ball at Vannear Park Friday afternoon, in which the limbs of the law bested the counterjumpers to the tune of 25 to 13. The feature of the game was a home run by attorney Ruppel.

City Superintendent J. M. Berkey, of Johnstown, who spent last week with his family in Berlin, left Monday morning for Columbus, O., where he will appear throughout the week before the Franklin County Teachers' Institute in the role of an instructor.

Mr. Emanuel Atchison, one of the best known residents of Berlin, was stricken with paralysis while sitting in front of Collins' store, one evening last week. His condition has very much improved since and his friends are led to believe that he will ultimately recover.

The Republicans of Berlin and Brothersvalley township organized a McKinley & Hobart Club, Saturday evening. The names of seventy-five active Republicans have already been enrolled and the prospects are that this number will be increased to two hundred in the course of a few days.

The 121st annual reunion and harvest home picnic of the Jersey Church will be held in the grove near the church, in Lower Turkeyfoot township, on Saturday, September 5th. Rev. W. H. Conrad, of Philadelphia, and other prominent speakers will be present. The public is invited.

Dr. U. M. Beachley and wife, of Meyersdale, were the guests of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey M. Berkley, several days last week. Friday was the sixty-eighth anniversary of the Dr.'s birth, but no one would believe he was that old judging from his appearance.

Two pleasant callers at this office yesterday morning were Rev. E. O. Eldridge and Mr. S. P. Pearson, of Washington, D. C. These gentlemen with their families are spending a fortnight at Bucktown, where they are the guests of Mr. Pearson's father-in-law—Mr. Charles W. Williamson. Rev. Eldridge is pastor of one of the leading Methodist congregations at the National Capital and is an ardent Republican.

Sarah, widow of Daniel Statler, died at her home in Buckstown, on Wednesday, 19th inst., aged 79 years. The funeral took place Friday evening, when religious exercises were conducted by Rev. J. J. Welch, assisted by Rev. Fidridge, of Washington, D. C. Interment was made in the family burying ground. Deceased was a faithful member of the Lutheran church for many years. She is survived by two daughters.

Lawyer Paul H. Gaither and family, of Greensburg, arrived in town Saturday evening, having driven over the mountain in a carriage, and will remain for ten days visiting with relatives and friends. The senior member of the legal firm of which Mr. Gaither is a member died ten days ago and the firm has since been reorganized with Mr. Gaither at the head. Westmoreland county papers say that Mr. Gaither is one of the leaders at the bar of that county.

We learn from the Lykens, Dauphin county, Register, that the Lutheran parsonage occupied by Rev. H. H. Flick, was totally destroyed by fire on Sunday evening, 16th inst. Some of the household furniture and several hundred volumes of Rev. Flick's extensive library were saved from the flames. Mr. Flick estimates his personal loss at $2,000, on which he had $1,050 insurance. Mr. Flick and his family are at present being entertained by their neighbors and friends. The unfortunate victim of the fire is a native of this county and for many years was one of the best known and highly esteemed farmers of near Lavansville.

Plums Galore.

Plums are so plentiful in the home market that they attract but little attention and no complaints are heard of bad boys robbing trees, although every lad in town is surfeited with this delicious fruit. John H. Huston probably pays more attention to the cultivation of plums than any other resident of town and boasts of the largest and choicest varieties. Last week he brought to the HERALD office a number of Lombardy plums that for size and flavor have never been equaled in this part of the country. A singular freak of the tree, from which the plums brought to this office were taken, was twin plums, each as large as a good sized walnut, growing on a single stem.

Popular Organization.

"The Urban Club" is the name of an organization composed of a large number of young ladies and gentlemen of this place who hold annual fetes on H. C. Beerits' handsome lawn every August full moon. Last Wednesday night the Club exceeded all previous efforts in the way of decorations and illumination and the spectacle presented by hundreds of beautiful Chinese lanterns lighting up the walks and hidden among the shrubbery and trees was one greatly admired by all who saw it. Unfortunately for the members of the Club the night air was too cold to permit dancing on the lawn and they were compelled to carry out their program in the parlors of Mr. Beerits' house.

Reformed Reunion.

The reunion of the Reformed Church in Somerset county, held August 20, 1896, was pronounced a success by every one. The day was fair and the temperature at the right degree for full enjoyment of the exceedingly orderly assembly of several thousand people. The Salisbury Cornet Band, whose musical proficiency is well known, added greatly to the occasion by their excellent rendering of several of their numbers. The program arranged for the day was an excellent one, and the speakers treated their subjects both ably and eloquently. Dr. A. R. Kremer, of Berlin, had for his theme, "The Author of the Swiss Reformation." Dr. W. Rupp of the Theological seminary at Lencaster, "The Heidleberg Catechism." Fred. W. Biesecker, Esq., "Reunion." A. L. G Hay, Esq., "The Young People to the Front." Dr. A. E. Truxal, "Church Literature." H. L. Baer, Esq., "The Women in the Congregation."

Contract Let for the Summer Hotel.

Readers of the HERALD and other local papers have been told so often that work on the summer hotel on Tayman Hill would be under way at a certain specified day and have been so often disappointed that they have arrived at a point where they are unwilling to believe that the proposed building will be erected until they have heard the ring of the carpenter's hammer.

We learned to-day from several of the directors of the Hotel Company that the contract for the hotel building had been recently awarded to F. Mertens & Son, leading contractors of Cumberland, Md., and that the building will be completed throughout and opened to the public on June 1st next. We also have it on reliable authority that at least four cottages will be erected on the hotel company's grounds before the end of the present year. Those who will erect cottages are Messrs. Dilworth, Simpson, Wood and Scott, of Pittsburg.

Should be Removed.

How in the name of the eternal fitness of things the members of town council could so far forget themselves as to permit the unsightly borough scales, located on the public square, to be replaced by a new weighing machine is beyond the ken of a majority of the people of this town. No excuse can be offered for their conduct in this direction unless it be that council are altogether indifferent as to the sanitary condition of the principal section of the town, or are entirely devoid of artistic perception. Few, if any, of the towns in this section of the State have a more imposing public square than Somerset. Nearly all of the buildings facing it are of modern design and construction, and why their beauty should be marred by a public scale, on which cattle, coal, hay and what not, are weighed at all hours of the day passes comprehension. With the facilities at the disposal of council it is out of the question to keep a public institution such as this in good sanitary condition, and a foul stench must continue to assail all pedestrians who have occasion to use the streets in that neighborhood. As if to show their contempt for oft-expressed sentiment in regard to removing the scales to a less public location council have caused the new one to be elevated to a commanding height, where it attracts the attention and censure of all who behold it. Let the scales be removed to a side street or alley.

A Scurvy Trick.

The most reprehensible conduct ever witnessed on a ball field in this county was that of the Meyersdale team on the home grounds, Saturday afternoon, when they gathered up their traps and ran to the railroad station at the close of the 4th inning, without offering a word in extenuation of their childish performance. Meyersdale agreed to play Somerset, having first stipulated that the game should be called promptly at 1 o'clock in order that it could be finished before the arrival of the 3:42 train, on which they proposed to return home. The game was delayed for a quarter of an hour on account of rain, and was again delayed for fifteen minutes at the end of the first inning. But the delays occasioned by the rain were not a marker to the delays caused by the kicking of the Meyersdale players, who realized that they were outclassed and doomed to certain defeat when Davis struck out the first three men who went to bat. There was only one avenue of escape left and that was to prevent five innings from being played. Every time the umpire opened his mouth was a signal for Meyersdale to kick. The kicking was not confined to the Captain of the club, but each individual player hurried from his position in the field to register a kick. Finally the anxiously awaited signal came, the passenger train whistled for Somerset, and the badly whipped team from the Metropolis fled from the field. Thomas who pitched for Meyersdale was dead easy and was pounded all over the field by such players as Landis, of Berlin, and Kinkead and Mainhart, of Johnstown, who played with Somerset. The score was 7 to 3 in favor of Somerset at the close of the 4th inning.

Will Preach at Uniontown.

Rev. T. J. Bristow expects to preach next Sabbath in the Uniontown Presbyterian church, in the absence of the regular pastor, Rev. A. S. Milholland, D. D. There will, therefore, be no services in the Somerset Presbyterian church on that day. Regular services on Sunday, Sept. 6th.

A Common Cause of Baldness.

A common cause of alopecia, according to Dr. Henri Fournier, is that the scalp is washed too often, and is thus lacking in oil. Many races oil the hair, and such are seldom bald. Some animals also, as, for example, birds, which possess neither seborrheat nor sebaceous glands, have a gland which secretes an oily substance, which the animal rubs on the skin to protect the feathers from the action of water. The product of sebaceous glands is remarkably rich in fat, and possesses a notably small amount of water. The falling of a certain number of hairs is a physiological phenomenon. The author is of the opinion, however, that the application of oil to the scalp would be beneficial to most persons, and it is suggested that the rubbing into the scalp of a pomade or other fatty substances be made part of the daily toilet, the pomade to carry with it some antiseptic substance.

Buy your crocks and stoneware from MAHLON SCHROCK.

THE TWENTIETH DISTRICT CONGRESSIONAL CONFERENCE FAILS TO ORGANIZE AT BEDFORD.

Will Try it Again at Tyrone.

An ineffectual attempt was made for several days last week to organize the Republican congressional conference of this district at Bedford. By general consent it was agreed to make another attempt to organize at Tyrone, to-day, Wednesday.

The Johnstown Tribune, of Saturday, says:

The report published in the Pittsburg papers that Mr. Evans is sick, is without foundation in fact.

The Cambria Conference would not go into Conference yesterday unless the Thropp Conferrees, of Bedford, who had the certificates of the Bedford County Convention, were admitted.

Somerset and Blair asked that the Conferrees of Somerset, Blair, and Cambria organize the Conference and decide upon the admission of Thropp's delegates. Thus the matter stood yesterday, and it was agreed to make another effort to organize at 10 o'clock this morning, which, as appears by the above, was equally fruitless.

Died on the Operating Table.

Anna R. Will, a widow of Glade, this county, died on the operating table at the South Side Hospital, in Pittsburg, Wednesday. She was sixty-three years old, and was employed as a domestic at Glade. She has been afflicted with a tumor for years.

Accompanied by her son and Dr. Gardner, the family physician, she went to Pittsburg to have an operation performed, and went to the South Side Hospital. Dr. Gardner and Dr. Stafford were to perform the operation. She was placed on the operating table and ether administered.

The anæsthetic could hardly have taken effect before the physicians noticed that a serious change had occurred in the woman's condition. They took her into another room, tried artificial respiration and electricity to revive her, but she died.

Dr. Gardner, in his testimony before Deputy-Coroner Moreland, said that the woman had been accustomed to sleep on her right side. Being placed on her back with her head low he believes the tumor pressed against the heart and lungs, causing suffocation. He says an overdose of ether was not administered.

The Best School

Is none too good for young people who have ability and are willing to work. The California, Pa., State Normal in some way succeeds in doing the best things for its students, and in helping them to make the most of themselves.

Died at the Hospital.

Robert Baldwin died at the Cambria Hospital Friday morning at 6:30 o'clock.

Baldwin was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Baldwin, of Berlin, and was 21 years of age. He was a carpenter by trade and went to Johnstown some six months ago and secured employment at the Cambria works. A month ago he had the misfortune to scratch one of his hands with a small piece of steel. Little attention was paid to the injury at the time and was regarded as a trifling matter by the young man until the arm began to swell, when he consulted a physician. His condition rapidly grew alarming, however, and during the last week it was known that he had little or no chance for recovery. Up to within a few hours of his death he was an intense sufferer.

The remains were shipped to Berlin for interment.

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Then be happy, whether rich or poor. At the California, Pa., State Normal a full preparation to teach and a normal diploma are within the reach of any one who has good health, mental ability, and willingness to work hard. Don't wait till "times are better." Write for catalogue.

Missionary Meeting.

The W. M. S. of Somerset Classis, Reformed Church, will meet at Stoyestown, on Thurday, Sept. 3, 1896, at 1:30 p. m. Each congregation is entitled to two delegates, whose names should at once be sent to Rev. F. Wetzel, Stoyestown, Pa. All are invited.

Good Bread.

If you want good old-fashioned bread like mother used to bake, buy the Cinderella Range. Its large, high oven insures good baking and roasting. Sold by JAMES B. HOLDERBAUM, Somerset, Pa.

A Call.

The 12th Annual Convention of the Somerset County Woman's Christian Temperance Union will meet in the Methodist Church, Somerset, Sept. 2nd and 3d. An interesting program will be carried out. Several excellent speakers from abroad will be present, and assist during the Convention. Mrs. Wm. B. Rhoads of Allegheny, and Mrs Annabelle Holney, of West Pittston, Pa., will deliver addresses. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Do Not Fail to Read This.

The noted Specialist, Dr. M. Salm, 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, Sept., 4th, and every 4 weeks thereafter on same day. Consultation and Examination free.

Among Some of the Fairest Scenes

On this continent and in the tropics, malaria poisons the atmosphere with its pestilential breath, sowing the seeds of disease and death in every direction. It is in such localities that the preventive and remedial qualities of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters are most conspicuously shown. For every form of malaria it is a signally efficacious remedy, and conquers disorder of the stomach, liver and bowels, remedies inactivity of the kidneys, and counteracts the weakness and lack of stamina which invite disease by levelling the barrier which a vigorous operation of the digestive and secretive organs opposes to it. No defensive medicine in use has stronger commendations in professional quarters both for purity and remedial qualities.

A Judge Shot While Hunting.

S. D. Moser, President of the Morgan County, W. Va., Court, was mysteriously shot in the woods near Paw Paw, on the line of the B. & O., on Saturday, says a dispatch from Cumberland, Md. Mr. Moser started squirrel hunting, and had only gone a short distance in the woods when some one shot him from an ambush with a shotgun. Some of the shot took effect in his breast and side, inflicting serious and perhaps fatal wounds. Mr. Moser has no idea who his assailant was.

Cornerstone Laying.

The cornerstone laying of the new United Evangelical church at Lichty's, will be laid August 20.

The services will be held in the Lichty grove, joining the church property at 10:30 A. M. and 2:30 P. M. by Rev. A. C. Miller, of Hyndman, Pa.

All are invited to attend.

D. L. YODER, Pastor.

Not one complaint has ever been made by those using Ayer's Sarsaparilla according to directions. Furthermore, we have yet to learn of a case in which it failed to afford benefit. So say hundreds of druggist's all over the country. Has cured others, will cure you.

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

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FOUGHT FIFTY RATTLERS.

Heroic Encounter of "Jake, the Snake-Killer," With Half a Hundred Reptiles—He Killed 38.

MARKLETON, Pa., Aug. 23.—These mountains, besides giving life and sustenance to a race of hardy Americans, grow snakes. They overrun the hills and hollows in countless numbers, and include the venomous copperhead, the deadly rattler, the silent blacksnake and many species of harmless and prettily colored reptiles. Naturally they have enemies, and they quarrel with and kill themselves and are also destroyed by the mountain cattle. But their archenemy is man. And the greatest of this class is "Jake, the Snake Killer." He has a reputation that has not been equalled in seven years and is proud of it. His other name is Jacob Witraut, and he is a storekeeper in this town, on the bank of the Casselman river and right at the base of the mountain. He is a veteran soldier of German descent; a tall, wiry man with bronzed hands and face, a tawny mustache, a taciturn nature, much modesty and great strength and unflinching courage. He is known all over Upper Turkeyfoot and Black townships and from Rockwood to Confluence.

"Jake's" great battle was with a nest of rattlesnakes, and while he has killed hundreds of others in his 65 years, his name and fame rest on this particular encounter, of which he gave me a monosyllabic account the other day, after close questioning. While his neighbors know Wiltraut would not lie, he and they have the rattles to prove that the fight really did occur and that the snakes were killed. "Jake" was out gathering blackberries early in the morning and had penetrated almost to the summit of the mountain, when he stumbled into, or upon, the den of reptiles. Hereabouts the snakes make up a colony and live upon the cooperative plan. There must have been 50, ranging in length from two and a half to four feet, with from one button to 15 rattles on their tails. This is how the age of the snake is told. At three years they get a button, and annually thereafter, until they die of age or get killed, they add a rattle to the button. A snake is not thought much of until he can make a respectable noise with his rattles against the button. Last year a gray haired rattler was killed near this town and a postmortem examination showed that he had one button and 25 rattles. This marked an age of 28 years. But, as Kipling says, "that is another story, and the man who was the hero is dead."

When "Jake" got fairly inside the "den," the whole colony of snakes rose in their might and shook their rattles. This made a dreadful noise and nearly took away the nerve of the mountaineer. Then the snakes began exuding their horribly pungent poison, that filled the air with noxiousness and almost overcame the hunter. The poison thrown out by one snake is insufficient to affect anyone; but the combined effluvia of 50 snakes makes the air reek with a sickening foulness. Fighting off the feeling of faintness—which, yielded to, meant his end, for the snakes would have bitten him to death—Wiltraut dropped his berry buckets and seized a good sized club.

The snakes came at him from all sides. He struck with sure aim and a strong arm. The snakes struck at him, flaunted their rattles and poured forth their poison. "Jake" kept his eyes wide open and his club swinging all around him. He backed away or leaped forward, and the reptiles followed him.

The struggle lasted 35 minutes, and in that time Wiltraut had threshed over 20 yards of rocks and stumps and underbrush. Then, when he had knocked over the last snake in sight, he sat down to recover his wind. Dead snakes lay all around him. He gathered into one noisome heap 33 reptiles, and then cut from their tails a bushel of rattles. These he brought to town in his berry buckets, after he had thrown away his morning's picking. The rattles were distributed among friends, "Jake" keeping the largest sets for himself. Many men went into the mountain and saw the heap of slaughtered snakes. These and the rattles were proof enough. In the whole battle "Jake" had not been injured. His only regret is that about 20 of the snakes crawled away among the trees and rocks. Some of them were badly wounded, and "Jake" feels sure that, with the way he swung his club, not a rattler of the whole colony wound have lived, if they had not turned tail and fled. "Jake" still has his rattles. Some of his neighbors have fashioned theirs into ornaments and brightened them, so they glisten like pearls.

According to the veracious statements of a dozen lumbermen hereabouts, there is another den of rattlers on the same mountain, wherein live anywhere from 100 to 1,000 of the slimy reptiles. This is proven, they say, by throwing a stone into the den and hearing the load rattling and smelling poison. This den is said to have existed for years, and some day it will be attacked by the hunters and cleaned out. But some of the hunters may be "cleaned out," too, for these snakes are said to be the biggest ever known and to have strength, a great supply of poison and cunning because of their years. The den, though, is right in the midst of a goodsized hemlock thicket, and when the lumber is needed the snakes must go. So that "Jake's" feat may be more than triplicated one of these days.—JOHN J. GREGG, in Pittsburg Times.

Shot Swarming Bees.

H. C. Moore and John Reybuck, Rush township, Northumberland county, farmers, had a thrilling experience with several swarms of bees Wednesday that they will not soon forget. They are under the care of doctors, as their faces, head and hands are terribly swollen as the result of hundreds of stings inflicted by the angry little insects.

Knowing that Mr. Moore owned a pair of clippers, Reybuck visited his farm Wednesday in order to have his hair cut, but while this work was under way, Farmer Moore's seven hives of bees began to swarm, and the men armed themselves with tin pans, on which they beat furiously in order to attract the attention of the swarming bees.

The charm did not work, however, and fearing that the queen bee was about to lead the swarm to a clump of trees some distance from his farm, Mr. Moore resolved to apply heroic measures. Procuring an old shotgun he fired into the swarm and succeeded in attracting undivided attention. Hundreds of bees fastened themselves upon both farmers' faces and hands and stung their persecutors with a vengeance.

Run as the farmers would they were continually surrounded by the angry bees and it was not until they had almost buried their faces and heads in the soft earth of a corn field that they found refuge from the angry insects. The farmers were nearly smothered before the remaining bees followed their queen to a clump of woods on a neighboring farm.

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In an Awful Condition.

Deputy State Veterinarian J. Stewart Lacock, of Allegheny, last week completed a post-mortem examination of the cattle of William Stoner, of Alverton, Westmoreland county, which were slaughtered at the shindery of John Schillp, in Allegheny, because they were afflicted with tuberculosis. The worst fears of the veterinarian were realized, the insides of the animals, to use a common expression, had simply decayed away.

The original herd of cattle owned by Mr. Stoner numbered 20 head. There were four calves of various ages, three heifers, about fifteen months old, and 13 milch cows. The test showed that nine of the latter were affected, three of the heifers and one of the calves. The animals were all of the finest blooded Holstein stock, and to all outward appearance were in a healthful condition, with the exception of the cough from which they suffered.

The 13 animals slaughtered were all examined last week and the discovery made was sufficient to completely sicken Mr. Stoner, the owner of the cattle, who was present. The lungs were almost completely gone and what remained of them were diseased to such an extent that the sight was horrible to behold. Not only the lungs, but all parts of the vital parts of the animals were affected. The udders particularly were badly diseased, and it is from this source that tuberculosis is conveyed to humans. The star cow of the herd was the worst affected. In the udder was an ulcer twice the size of a goose egg. Mr. Stoner stated that this cow had been giving four or five gallons of the finest looking milk every day, and he had serious doubts that it was affected. He was more than satisfied after what he saw.

Not only in the older animals, but in the younger ones as well, was the disease very apparent. The one calf that was killed was in an awful condition, while the heifers seemed to be worse than any of the others, the disease having no doubt been born in them.

Although Mr. Stoner has not been using the milk from the cows since the inspection was made several weeks ago, yet there is no doubt that the animals were in a very serious condition before the inspection occurred, and it is possible that serious results may follow. The cattle not condemned at the last inspection are still on the farm of Mr. Stoner, secluded from all other cattle. They will be inspected again about the middle of September, when there is little doubt they too will be affected, by reason of their long association with the cattle that were diseased.

Mr. Stoner was perfectly satisfied with the test, and will make every effort to have all the farmers in his locality have inspections made of their stock. He has several brothers who are dairymen in Westmoreland county, and he took home with him a number of applications for tests, confident that, after he told of the condition of his own cattle, they would be glad to avail themselves of the opportunity to have theirs tested.

William Waugh, the New Brighton man who suspected his cattle were affected, has made application to the State Veterinarian for tests, and Dr. Lacock expects to be ordered to that place in a few days. Last week he stated that some four other New Brighton dairymen had asked for inspections, but at this time he is unable to disclose their names.

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Saturday, Aug. 29, '96,
At 11 o'clock A. M.,

at the Court House door in the town of Oakland, Garrett county, Maryland, offer for sale at public auction all those tracts and parcels of valuable timber land, known as the

"Cheney Lands,"

lying and being in Garrett county, Maryland, and described in a certain deed from Norman Jacobs to Alfred Wilmoth bearing date the 6th day of July, 1883, and recorded in Liber W. H. T., folio 560, etc., one of the Land Records of Garrett county, all those lots or parcels of land situated on Blue Lick creek, in said county, being parts of an original tract of land called

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