The Somerset Herald.

GEORGE R. SCULL, Editor.

WEDNESDAY, January 27, 1897.

At Canton Friday Miss Helen McKinley, sister of the President-elect, fell on a slippery sidewalk and broke her arm.

General Passenger Agent Scull, of the B. & O. R. R., recently estimated that the immigration travel would be nearly double what it was four years ago. The improvements that have been made on the B. & O. within the past year will enable him to easily handle fifty per cent. more people than ever before.

Mrs. Mary M. White, nee Windsor, who is said to be in a dying condition, has made a statement before a Notary Public in Annapolis, Md., in which she withdraws all she said about the Catholic Church and the life of nuns. She created a sensation a few years ago by posing as an "escaped nun" and attempted to make money on the life of the nun.

The B. & O. has some distinctions and advantages that the public are not fully aware of. It is the shortest line to Washington from St. Louis by 102 miles; from Chicago by 55 miles; from Indianapolis by 112 miles; from Cincinnati by 47 miles; from Cleveland by 83 miles; from Buffalo by 94 miles, and from Pittsburg by 75 miles.

Mr. F. J. Wilson, of Parnassus, Westmoreland County, who lost the sight of his eye last week by the bursting of a blood vessel, is not suffering as much as he did for a few days following the occurrence. Previous to losing the sight of this eye he had been totally blind of the other one, but since losing the sight of the second she has been able to see some out of the eye that was previously affected.

The Countess Castellane nee Anna Gould became the mother of a son at Paris on Monday last. If the boy lives and his mother's inheritance of $15,000,000 remains intact and on an ordinary increase, he will be a very well-to-do young man financially at twenty-one. The Count Castellane and Miss Gould were married in New York city March 9, 1896.

Busy newspaper men, who often find it inconvenient to serve on juries, are usually obliged to four of the seven superior court judges of this state for a decision which in effect disqualifies editors for jury service. As newspaper men are obliged to think, they must form opinions, or at least impressions, and hence are not eligible to sit on important cases. Bank winds are greatly to be preferred in such cases. If the juror is unable to read, so much the better.—Uniontown News-Standard.

Joel T. Headley, the historian, died Jan. 11 in Newburg, N. J., from paralysis. He was born in Walton N. Y., in 1813, and was educated at Union College and Auburn Theological Seminary. He was afterwards pastor of the Presbyterian church in Stockbridge, Mass., and was at one time engaged with Horace Greeley in the editorship of the New York Tribune. He wrote several historical works, among them being "Life of Cromwell," "Washington and His Generals," "Life of Farragut." He was elected secretary of state in 1858 on the Know Nothing ticket.

Richard McWilliams of Irwin, Westmoreland county, aged 17, committed suicide at Stewart's station, Thursday, by hanging himself. His father and mother passed some time ago and he has been living with his father. He was visiting his mother at Stewart and was expected home that evening. He failed to make his appearance and not having been with his mother during the night a search was instituted yesterday morning with the result that his body was found hanging dead in the barn. No cause can be assigned for his act.

Judge Miller, of Lawrence county last week refused the application for a new trial in the case of Dr. R. W. Bell, convicted of criminal malpractice in the case of Miss Inky Kirker. At noon the Judge sentenced Dr. Bell to pay $500 fine and undergo imprisonment in the Western Penitentiary for four years and two months. Judge Miller claimed that for the good of society he must make an example of Dr. Bell. The doctor denied the guilt when asked what he had to say. The scene in the courtroom was sensational. Bell broke down and wept.

The Tribune Almanac for 1897, now out, is heavy, thoroughly up to date, and a strong and valuable number. Political platforms occupy rather more space than usual, the past year having been prolific in platforms, and at least a digest is given of every one of the national and state creeds of 1896. Election returns are fully presented, with names of the new Members of Congress and Senators, and all the usual variety of statistics on finance, trade, agriculture, coinage, banking, production of the precious metals, public revenue, population, colleges, education, prominent societies, railroads, telegraph and telephone companies, public debt and expenditures, fires of 1896, and other important matter. The recent Government bond issues and proposed impeachment of President Cleveland, the censure of Mr. Bayard, the Venezuelan business, international arbitration and Cuban Revolution are fully and concisely treated, and there are a number of valuable minor features, such as facts about the Sugar bounty, a list of dates of important historical events, number of American soldiers in each of our wars, labor laws, civil service laws, salaries of all the leading Federal and State officers, facts about the naval and land militia, and so on. The Tribune almanac sells for 25 cents a copy, and is as necessary in the house as a dictionary. Price, 25 cents a copy.

When it is considered that the (Farmers') Institutes partake of the nature of University Extension as applied to agriculture, and are highly appreciated and patronized by farmers, enabling them to secure some measure of technical training, which is becoming more and more essential to success, it is urged that the appropriation therefor should be more liberal. It is the only organized State establishment for education in agriculture excepting the School of Agriculture at the State College. The institutes also do an exceedingly valuable work in arousing public interest in the subject of agriculture, while the School of Agriculture continues the work thus started and provides for further systematic training. For the support of both these agencies the State has made during the past six years an average annual appropriation of $150, which is an average of five and four-tenths cents for each farm in the State. In other words, out of each $100 appropriated by the Legislature of 1895 seven and three-tenths cents was for Farmers' Institutes and five and three-tenths cents for the School of Agriculture, while fifty-four cents covers the entire appropriation for agricultural purposes. This amount, considering the great interests to be subserved, is not only inadequate but manifestly disproportionate.—From Gov. Hastings's Biennial Message.

The Mount Lebanon Shakers have invented a great many valuable things. They were the first to make brooms by machinery; the first to put up seeds in little packages; the first to manufacture cut nails.

They are out with a method of curing dyspepsia by resting the stomach. Their remedy is known as the Shaker Digestive Cordial. It supplies food in an artificially digested form and at the same time aids the digestion of other foods in the stomach. In other words, by the use of the Shaker Digestive Cordial, a dyspeptic virtually gets along without the use of his stomach until it is restored to its natural strength and vigor. A single 81 cent bottle will oft-times give marked relief. Get a bottle from your druggist and try it.

Tansil is the best medicine for children. Doctors recommend it in place of Castor Oil.

Mr. Albert E. Fyan, of Bedford, was in town yesterday.

Mr. George B. Gebhart, of Dayton, O., was in Somerset, on Thursday, visiting with his uncle—Mr. George R. Parker.

Mrs. Levi Sanner, of Black township, is suffering from a broken arm, the result of a fall she sustained one day recently.

Mrs. Mae Biesecker and daughter Elizabeth have returned home after a three months' visit with relatives in Minneapolis.

Mrs. T. J. Bristow sustained a broken arm last Thursday afternoon when she slipped and fell on an ice-covered walk near her home.

Richard Sipe, of Lincoln township, has returned home from Philadelphia, where he had been undergoing treatment at the Medico-Chirurgical-College hospital.

Rev. D. L. Yoder will preach at the following appointments next Sabbath, Jan. 13: Lichty's at 10:30 a. m., Pleasant Hill at 2:30 p. m., and Somerset at 7 p. m.

Mr. Albert Hartzell, Superintendent of the Everett Electric Light Company, who had been spending a few days with his parents—Sheriff and Mrs. M. H. Hartzell—returned home yesterday.

Thursday evening a party of Somerset young people enjoyed a sleigh ride to Stoyestown, where they met a similar party from Johnstown. Both parties were entertained at the "Custer House."

The recent "cold spell" has frozen a crust of ice from six to eight inches thick on the stream south of town, and icemen are busily at work harvesting a crop of ice for next summer.

Mr. Edward W. Walker, of Milford township, and Miss Edith Berkley, of Berkley's Mill, were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, on Thursday evening, 21st inst., Elder Silas Hoover, of the Brethren Church officiating.

Word reached here yesterday afternoon of the death of Miss Viola, daughter of Hon. A. G. Will, who expired at her home in Rockwood, on Monday night, after a lingering illness, aged about 30 years. Her mother died in Pittsburg several months ago.

Rev. T. J. Bristow will deliver his popular lecture on "Sticks and Umbrellas" before the teachers' joint institute to be held at Garrett on Friday evening, February 5th. Rev. Bristow delivered this lecture before a Somerset audience on a previous occasion. It is full of humor.

The name of Henry L. Walker, of Stonycreek township, was on the slate read before the members of the Legislature last Tuesday, he having been selected as an assistant messenger of the house. Mr. Walker left for Harrisburg Sunday night, in company with Senator Critchfield and Representatives Miller and Sanner.

Mr. Herman B. Kooser, formerly assistant station agent of the B. & O. in this place, but now Commercial Agent of the Missouri Pacific Railroad, with headquarters at Salt Lake City, spent a few hours with relatives here last Tuesday, stopping off on his return from New York. Mr. Kooser is steadily advancing in the railroad world, one promotion following fast upon the heels of another.

Mrs. Ira Beachly, who deserted her blind husband ten days ago, was in Somerset last Thursday, when she engaged a livery team and was driven to her home at Beachdale. Her husband is reported to have forgiven her and taken her again to his bosom. The fellow in the case visited Meyersdale on Thursday, and it is said that the couple parted company at Rockwood.

The "Week of Prayer" services held in Christ (Casebeer) church, during the week of January 19-22, were well attended. The communion services on Sunday, 24th, was largely attended, the church being crowded, despite the stormy weather. Over 200 partook of the sacrament, which was administered by Rev. Gebhart. There were four additions to the congregation.

The Board of pardons have recommended that a pardon be granted Frank Bear, of Westmoreland county, who was convicted of arson in 1889, and is now serving out a sentence of 14 years in the Western Penitentiary. Bear was a prosperous young miller at Greensburg and was convicted of procuring two men to burn down the flour mills of his two most formidable rivals in business. It is now alleged that the evidence against Bear was perjury.

Regular adjourned court met yesterday afternoon. It was thought that the motion for a new trial in the case of John and James Roddy, convicted of the murder of David Berkey, would be argued this week, but the court stenographer has not yet filed a transcript of the testimony, and counsel for the defendants are not willing to proceed until this has been done. It is probable therefore that argument will be postponed until the next regular term, which meets on February 22d.

Emma M., wife of Harry Saylor, departed this life at her home near Lavansville, on Friday, January 22d, aged 24 years. Death resulted from grip, which developed an affection of the lungs. She leaves a husband and one son, and a host of friends to mourn her death. Mrs. Saylor was highly respected in the community in which she lived. She was a consistent member of the Lavansville Lutheran church. The funeral took place on Sunday, Rev. Gebhart officiating, assisted by Elder Hull.

Peter Hauger, one of Brothersvalley's most venerable citizens, notice of whose serious illness was made in last week's HERALD, passed from earth on Friday last, at the ripe age of eighty-one years. He is survived by his wife and one son—Joseph Hauger—and by one daughter—Mrs. Joseph Mason. The funeral took place on Sunday, and was attended by a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends. Deceased was one of the county's foremost farmers and citizens. A man of strong intellect and sound judgment, his counsel was eagerly sought by his neighbors to whom his death comes as a personal bereavement.

The many Somerset county friends and acquaintances of Mrs. R. D. Brownfield, formerly Miss Lillie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Robert Walter, formerly of this place, will be pained to learn of her death, which occurred at her home in Wellington, Kansas, on Sunday night. The cause of her death is not known here, although her sister—Mrs. R. R. Roberts—had been notified of her sickness ten days ago, and received later advices to the effect that she was improving and would recover. Mrs. Brownfield was about 32 years of age and was a general favorite wherever she was known. Her parents recently removed from Kansas to Illinois.

Irvin Biesecker, of Jenner township, had a narrow escape from a horrible death one day last week. Biesecker was employed at undermining coal in the Gonder mine and neglected "propping the bench." He was lying directly under it and when he noticed the coal breaking loose from the roof he quickly rolled over to get out of the way. He was not quick enough, however, and was caught under the heavy weight. Fortunately the fall of the huge block of coal was arrested by a heap of slack, thus allowing Biesecker a space of eight inches to lie in. Ed Gondor, who was the only person witnessing the scene, raised the coal as soon as possible and took Biesecker to the house. Dr. C. F. Livengood, who was quickly summoned, said Biesecker received internal and external injuries, but no bones are broken. As the patient cannot be moved the fear is that his injury may prove very serious, but we hope not fatal.

Big Deal in Coal Lands.

The estate of J. S. Taney, in Paint township, was sold at public sale, Thursday afternoon, to J. S. Cunningham, of Tyrone, agent of the Berwind-White Company, for $1,400. There are forty-eight acres in the tract, which is underlaid with coal.

Another and larger deal for coal land in the same neighborhood was made earlier in the week, when Mr. Cunningham secured one hundred and fifty acres of coal land, near Scalp Level, from the heirs of the late Daniel Weaver, for which he is said to have paid $15,000 in cash.

A corps of engineers are now employed in surveying the two tracts mentioned.

Will Provide for Her Children.

Mrs. Mary McElfish, formerly of Rockwood, who was charged by the Anti-Cruelty Society of Allegheny with abandoning her 4-year-old daughter to the tender mercies of a boarding house, had a final hearing before an Alderman, on Saturday afternoon. Mrs. McElfish realized that the evidence against her might justify the charge, consequently she asked permission to plead guilty to a modified charge, that of negligence rather than wilful abandonment. The McElfish children, a bright little boy and a girl, 6 and 4 years respectively, have been placed in the custody of a mission. The mother says that she has arranged to pay what she can towards their support until she is able to satisfy the Society that she can and will take care of them herself.

Republican Nominations.

Saturday's Republican primary election in this place was devoid of the exciting features that have characterized former contests for the nomination of municipal officers. The number of patriots willing to sacrifice personal interests for the good of the public was not as large as usual, there being no rivalry except for Burgess, Tax Collector and Street Commissioner.

The following ticket was placed in nomination:—Burgess, J. H. Pisel; councilmen, W. H. Welfley, H. S. Keifer; tax collector, W. M. Schrock; school directors, J. M. Cook, H. S. Kimmell; street commissioner, D. S. Knee; judge of election, A. H. Huston; inspector, A. C. Davis; high constable, S. P. Snyder; auditor, S. J. McMillen.

"Tucker" says that he was nominated for Mayor without having made a single pledge, and that he will appoint a cabinet, who will act with him for the best interests of the borough. There will be no friction in his cabinet, he says, unless it is over permitting things to run wide open on Fourth of July, New Year's and other holidays, when young America is wont to make noisy demonstrations. "Tucker" has always stood in with the boys and he will not deviate from this rule when he is elevated to the most dignified and important office in town.

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The following ticket was placed in nomination by the Republicans of Confluence at a primary election held on Saturday: Burgess, M. Henry; Judge, T. B. Frantz; Inspector, W. C. Dodds; Collector, W. E. Pullin; street commissioner, H. Frantz; High Constable, Leroy Williams; Council, G. W. Phillippi, Fred Koontz; School Directors, J. R. Brown, W. S. Mountain.

The electors express themselves as being much pleased with the change of method, from caucus to primary, in making nominations.

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The Republicans of Stonycreek township have nominated the following ticket to be voted for at the February election: Tax Collector, F. F. Brant; School Directors, J. J. Reiman, Edward Walker; Judge, C. A. Will; Inspector, Geo. Rayman; Treasurer, W. J. Keefer; Auditor, Josiah J. Walker; Clerk, George Keefer. (Our correspondent failed to give the the names of the nominees for Supervisor. —ED. HERALD.)

Good News, if True.

The Pittsburg Leader of Saturday evening contained the following of local interest:

Thursday morning the first P. R. R. train passed over the newly made connection with the B. & O. from Johnstown to Moxham. This was the first move in the game which it is said will eventually put a competing line into the coal lands of Somerset county, which heretofore have only been partially worked. In the past few weeks the Berwind-White coal company (the power behind the throne) has spent thousands of dollars purchasing Somerset coal lands. The P. R. R. is also interested; for several years ago a spur was built from Johnstown to East Conemaugh and the company built the heaviest iron bridge on their system for the branch, as well as a handsome warehouse at Johnstown. Both these moves caused much remark at the time.

At present the company has a large force of surveyors working on an extension along the B. & O. lines. The Somerset coal is acknowledged to be the best mined for ocean burning and now instead of going to Baltimore, the coal will be shipped, when the present scheme is culminated, to Pittsburg and Philadelphia via Johnstown.

Shot For An Owl.

A strange accident happened in the mountains near Ohiopyle on Friday night, says the Connellsville Courier, Adolph Abbey and his brother Christopher went out into the woods as night approached to hunt foxes and raccoons. They separated with the understanding that they should meet at a certain spot. The hounds which they had with them to tree the game had in the meantime started up a coon, which after a long chase took refuge in the branches of a tree in the vicinity of the meeting place agreed upon. Adolph reached the spot first and climbed up the tree with the intention of cutting off the limb upon which the coon was in hiding. While he was partially hidden in the branches, up about 40 feet from the ground, Christopher arrived at the scene. He was carrying a shot gun loaded with buckshot. Seeing what he supposed was an owl in the tree he raised the gun to his shoulder and took deliberate aim at his brother. Adolph saw his brother pointing the gun in his direction, but he did not believe that he would pull the trigger. But he did, and the cries of his brother told him how sadly mistaken he had been in his game.

The wounded man did not fall out of the tree when shot, but he received so deadly a load of buckshot that he was actually helpless. His brother, although nearly distracted with grief, heroically bore him to the ground. A wagon was at once procured, and into this the wounded man was lifted and brought to the Cottage Hospital at this place. An examination showed that thirteen of the shot had taken effect, some of which punctured the lungs. Abbey's death was hourly expected the first day he was in the Hospital, and none of the shot were extracted, but he rallied and is still living. There is a slight chance of his recovery.

Blank Books! Blank Books!

Town and County Merchants, Farmers, Millers, Mill Men, Coal Operators, Secretaries of Societies, anybody, and everybody needing blank books of any kind will find a large stock and great variety at

FISHER'S BOOK STORE.

Ledgers, Journals, Day Books, Cash Books, Records, Justice's Dockets, Receipt Books, Society's Minute Books, Time Books, Diaries for 1897, Books of Judgment Notes, Memorandums, in fact all styles, kinds and qualities of blank books always in stock at Fisher's Book Store. Blank books for Tax Duplicates, Books for Township Supervisors, Blank books for everybody.

CHAS. H. FISHER.

Berkshire Pigs For Sale.

Will sell thoroughbred Berkshire Pigs, 8 weeks old, at $2.50. Brood Sows, due to farrow in March, at $10. Boars fit for service at $10. No finer strain of Berkshire to be had, and all worth double the price for breeding purposes.

P. HEFFLEY.

Remarkable Feats of a Blind Man.

Ira Beachley, the blind merchant of Beachdale, is certainly a most remarkable man, if one-half of his alleged performances are correct. When it is remembered that Beachley has been in total darkness since early youth and that no special effort has been made to develop his remaining faculties one is at a loss to understand how he has been able to acquire the knowledge, which he undoubtedly possesses, of modern discoveries and appliances.

When the telephone line between Meyersdale and this place was first constructed Beachley manifested a lively interest in it, and a phone having been located in his place of business, he constantly kept his ear to the wire. By and by his inventive genious asserted itself and he began to pry into the mechanism of the instrument that transmitted the voice of a person twenty miles distant into his ear. He soon solved the riddle and was happy.

One day he visited the Somerset office and learning that the phone was out of order, he hesitatingly asked "to see it." Persons present smiled at his request, knowing that he was bereft of sight. Beachley dexterously removed the front of the box and swiftly passing his fingers over the delicate mechanism suddenly halted, remarking as he did so, "here's where the trouble is." In a moment he had adjusted the tiny little wires which had become crossed, and the instrument worked perfectly thereafter.

Beachley was the lessee of the phone line for a brief period, and he is reported to have undertaken to keep the line free of obstructions, being able to locate them unaided. It was not an unusual thing for him to drive along the route and cut off branches of trees that interfered with the working of the wires. He was generally accompanied on these trips by a small boy.

The blind merchant has long been accustomed to putting away and hitching up horses, and frequently visits distant parts of his father's farm unaccompanied.

Two Somerset business men testify to the following story, which illustrates Mr. Beachley's fearlessness as well as his natural intuitiveness. The gentlemen referred to were hunting in the neighborhood of Beachdale, when their attention was attracted by a dog, sitting in front of Beachley's store, which one of them claimed as his property. After a short discussion one of the men spoke to the dog, when the animal leaped into the vehicle in which he was traveling, showing every evidence of greeting an old friend. The hunters started down the road at a brisk speed and their surprise can better be imagined than described when a few minutes later they saw the blind merchant, mounted on a horse, galloping after them. Beachly overtook them and an angry discussion followed. The dog came on to Somerset. A few nights afterwards one of the men who tells the story treated Beachley to a serenade over the 'phone.

Notwithstanding the darkness to which he has been doomed, Mr. Beachley is of a sunny, happy disposition, always prepared to make a sharp retort to the sallies of his friends. Not infrequently he makes visits to distant parts of the country, one of his last excursion being a visit to New York City, made for the purpose of "seeing the Brooklyn bridge," as he jocularly expressed it. Upon returning from a visit to the city Mr. Beachley is able to talk entertainingly of his trip, always concluding a description of an interesting object with "I saw that myself."

Mr. Beachley's business career has been marked with gratifying success, and is another instance of a blind man overcoming obstacles under which thousands of men with all of their faculties succumb.

Horror at Bedford.

At 11 o'clock Saturday morning the frame house occupied by William Croyle, which was situated on the outskirts of Bedford, was discovered to be on fire, and before an alarm could be given the whole structure was in flames.

Mrs. Croyle succeeded in throwing two of the children out of the window to the father below. It is supposed she went back to get the other two children and was suffocated, for she disappeared from the window and was not seen again.

When the dead bodies of the mother and children were taken from the ruins of the house nothing but the trunks remained. The legs, arms and heads were burned off. The two-weeks'-old baby, which was thrown out of the window, is so severely burned that it will probably die from the effects. The father was also burned about the head and arms.

A Longer Term.

Of school legislation at Harrisburg there will be three important features this winter. One bill to be presented most likely by Representative Hammond, of Westmoreland county, will be an act fixing seven months as the minimum duration of a school term. This act is intended to benefit the country school districts.

For another thing the granger element will ask for a special appropriation of a half million dollars for township high schools. An act was passed in 1895 providing for the establishment of three kinds of township high schools; first, second and third class. The first-class schools are to have four-year courses; second three-year courses, and third, two-year courses. The proposed act will ask for a pro rata division of the half million dollars according to the classification of the school. With the State Treasury almost empty its chances of success are not brilliant.

The third bit of legislation is the Merrick bill, presented in the Senate this week. It provides for the division of the school appropriation in three parts. One-third is to be divided according to the number of paid teachers employed; one-third pro rata to the number of pupils, and the remaining third according to the number of taxables in the school district. The act provides for a triennial registration of taxables and an annual census of school children between the ages of 6 and 16.

A GREAT PUBLICATION.

"The Philadelphia Press" Almanac for 1897 Leads All Others—Some Reasons Why.

"The Philadelphia Press" Almanac for 1897 is beyond question the most complete, comprehensive and valuable almanac publication issued by any newspaper in Pennsylvania, and is in all respects fully the equal, if not the absolute superior of the best publications of the country. It is, in a word, worthy of the great newspaper whose name it bears. Local features are included in it, which have never appeared in any similar publication. A complete list of the judges and county officers of every county in the State is among these. It gives the official vote in detail for Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland, and the vote by divisions for Philadelphia and Camden. It gives the most complete directory to the various State governments ever printed, and in its church directory for Philadelphia presents what never before has been attempted—figures showing the numerical strength in membership, and in churches of all the denominations. In its general departments, it presents a mass of well-edited, concisely expressed information, covering every field of human activity, in so valuable a manner that no intelligent citizen who takes an interest in his government and in society in general can afford to be without a copy of the work. It brings up to date as wide a range of subjects as are covered by an encyclopedia. The book is handsomely printed and substantially bound, consists of nearly 700 pages and is sold by newsdealers for 25 cents, or mailed to any address postage prepaid.

The Noss Jollity Company gave one of the best entertainments of the year at the Opera House last Thursday night.

Seeking Out the Demons.

EDITOR HERALD:—

I notice at the close of your article on the death of Miss Sadie Beal, in this week's paper, that the people of Meyersdale are "fully determined to seek out these surgical demons, who kill young girls at fifty dollars a head, under the specious plea of 'hiding their shame.'"

That certainly is a very commendable determination, and we sincerely hope they will carry it out to the letter; for such criminal malpractice, wherever it can be ferreted out, ought to be prosecuted to the utmost extent of the law, which would greatly diminish that sort of murder.

However, we can not help but think that the reform ought to begin one step further back. The indignation ought to burn against the principal in the crime rather than against the agent; against the man who sends the "beautiful young woman to the butcher" rather than against the butcher.

The real criminal, the real murderer, is he who betrays the woman. And when once society arises in its virtuous might, as it ought, and brands the betrayer of woman as he deserves, this anguish, these heartrending agonies which now drive multitudes of "beautiful girls" to "surgical demons" or deliberate suicide, will no longer come into existence. For then will the *reprobate demon* have occasion to adopt the literal language of Cain: "And I shall be a fugitive and a vagabond in the earth; and it shall come to pass, that every one that findeth me shall slay me."

I appeal to the fathers and mothers and sisters and brothers, who believe in social purity, will we not, in the name of our daughters, in the name of virtue, in the name of Almighty God rise up and say, "These murders must cease."

A. B. MILLER.

Glade, Pa., Jan. 21, 1897.

Eczema of the scalp, or scald head even in its most severe form is never-failingly cured by Doan's Ointment, the surest specific for all itchiness of the skin.

Sales Continued.

The sale of the real estate of the late Michael Sipe, situate in Jenner township, has been continued until Saturday, February 6th, when it will be offered at the Court House.

The house and ground located on the northwest corner of the public square, also the property of the late Michael Sipe, was offered for sale yesterday afternoon, when the highest bid received was $3,825. It was not knocked down at that figure and will be offered at public sale again on Friday, February 19th.

68 Degrees Below Zero.

The coldest region on earth is the country around Werchojank, in Siberia, says Prometheus, where the thermometer sometimes falls below 68 degrees Centigrade below zero (90° Fahrenheit below zero). The average temperature of January is 49 degrees Fahrenheit below zero. Notwithstanding this rough climate, more than 10,000 people inhabit that region. As the air is general calm and dry in winter the cold is not felt very much.

The variations of the temperature within 54 hours are very great in the summer; in May for instance, the thermometer will sometimes rise to 85 degree Fahrenheit during the day and fall to freezing point at night.

Clearance Sale.

To make room for spring goods, I will commence a clearance sale Jan. 13th.

I will show you Underwear, cheap Pants, Gloves, Mittens, Over Shirts, Working and Dress Shirts, Hats, Caps, and other goods at prices that will astonish you. Call and examine the bargains to be had in my line.

Respectfully,

W. B. BENNER.

Agent for Palace Steam Laundry of Johnstown, Pa.

P. & P.

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25 yds Toweling for 99 cents.
22 yds Outing Cloth for 99 cents.
22 yds 4-4 good Unbleached Muslin, 99c.
16 yds Heavy Sheeting 99 cents.
22 yds 4-4 Gilt Edge Bleached Muslin 99 cents.
16 yds 4-4 Hill and Androscogin Bleached Muslin 99 cents.
Soft Oil Cloth, 12½ cts per yard.
14 yds 4-4 Fruit of the Town and Lonsdale 99 cents.

All-Wool FLANNELS,
WOOL CLOTHS,
DRESS GOODS,
in the different
Weaves and Makes.

VELVETS, SILKS,
TOWELS, NAPKINS,
TABLE LINENS,
BED SPREADS,
BLANKETS,
PORTIERS,
CARPETS,
are all to be marked

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Cotton Carpet Chain, 12½c per lb.
Wool Carpet Chain, 25c per lb.
Stocking Yarn, 50c per lb.
Ladies' Jackets from $1.50 to $2.50.
Misses' Jackets from 75c to $2.25.

Our Goods Have Been

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and at right prices. Will offer at great bargains. Don't delay, but come early and get first choice.

PARKER & PARKER.

LEGAL NOTICE.

To Nancy E. Barnes, of Pasadena, state of California; Jennie Nishwitz, residing in the Sandwich Islands; Cyrus D. Boose, Charles Boose and Richard Boose, of Lima, Ohio:

You are hereby notified that in pursuance of a Writ of Partition issued out of the Orphans' Court of Somerset county, Pa., I will hold an inquest on the premises on the real estate of Cyrus Coleman, dec'd., situate in Somerset township, Somerset county, Pa., on Saturday, the 20th day of February, 1897, when and where you can attend if you think proper.

Sheriff's Office, Jan. 13, 1897. } M. H. HARTZELL, Sheriff.

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

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

The Pure Food Law.

The Philadelphia Ledger says: Judge Hemphill, of Chester county, has declared that the Pure Food law of June 26, 1895, is unconstitutional. A West Chester grocer was convicted, under two counts, for selling cottonseed oil as olive oil. According to the testimony, the substitute was pure cottonseed oil, with no admixture of olive oil. The act is entitled "An act to provide against the adulteration of food and providing for the enforcement thereof." Counsel for the defense claimed that the act was unconstitutional because its object was not clearly expressed in the title. The body of the act declared that a substitute of an inferior substance was to be deemed an adulteration, and the Judge was of the opinion that this definition introduced a new additional subject not expressed in the title. He, therefore, set aside the verdict, regretting that he could not sustain the provisions of the act, which was, in itself, worthy, but he was compelled to contrue a penal statute strictly. Thus it appears from Judge Hemphills decision that a man who sells cotton-seed olive oil is not amenable to law, provided he swindles his customer outright by giving him no olive oil at all; but, if he is conscience stricken to the extent of giving the customer a proportion of the article for which he paid, the dealer is properly a subject for the penalties of the law.

Somerset County O. I. C. Lime.

Farmers between Rockwood and Listie wishing to purchase lime will find it to their interest to see the undersigned before purchasing elsewhere.

U. D. BRACHER,
Somerset, Pa.

SHERIFF'S SALES

By virtue of sundry writs of Fieri Facias issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Somerset county, Pa., to me directed, there will be exposed to sale at the Court House, in Somerset borough, on

FRIDAY, FEB. 19, '97,

At 1 o'clock P M.,

the following described real estate, to-wit:

All the right, title, interest, claim and demand of M. K. Johns, of, in and to a certain lot of ground situate in the village of Hillsborough, Paint township, Somerset county, Pa., containing about ⅝ of an acre, bounded on the north and east by a public road, and on the south and west by land of Joseph Johns, having thereon erected a two-story frame dwelling house and other outbuildings, with the appurtenances.

Taken in execution and to be sold as the property of M. K. Johns, at the suit of S. C. Ream, et. al.

—ALSO—

All the right, title, interest, claim and demand of Isaac Blanset, of, in and to a certain farm or tract of land situate in the village of township Somerset county, Pa., containing 45 acres, more or less, 30 acres clear, balance timber, adjoining lands of Nancy Smith, Geo. C. Lichty, W. H. Miller, Philip Baer, Gottlieb Straub, Chauncey Miller and Geo. W. Miller, having thereon erected a one and a half-story frame dwelling house, a one and a half-story log dwelling house, a two-story plank dwelling house, stable and other outbuildings, with the appurtenances.

Taken in execution and to be sold as the property of Isaac Blanset, at the suit of Sally Berkley's use.

—ALSO—

All the right, title, interest, claim and demand of Zach Queer, of, in and to a certain lot or parcel of ground situate in Lincoln township, Somerset county, Pa., containing one acre, adjoining lands of William Shaulis and Adam Miller, having thereon erected a one and a half-story frame dwelling house, stable and other out-buildings, with the appurtenances.

Taken in execution and to be sold as the property of Zach Queer, at the suit of Peter Sipe.

—ALSO—

All the right, title, interest, claim and demand of Andrew Sheets, of, in and to all that certain lot of ground situate in the borough of Meyersdale, Somerset county, Pa., being lot No. 5, in the Olinger survey, in said borough, located on the north side of North street, fronting 50 feet on said street, and running back 164 feet to Penn street, having thereon erected a two-story and a half story frame dwelling house and out-buildings, with the appurtenances.

Taken in execution and to be sold as the property of Andrew Sheets, at the suit of Elizabeth Bockes.

—ALSO—

All the right, title, interest, claim and demand of Eliza Custer, of, in and to a certain lot or parcel of ground situate in Stoyestown borough, Somerset county, Pa., located on Main street, bounded on the north by the Bedford pike, east by lot of William McVicker, south and west by alleys, having thereon erected a two-story frame dwelling house, stable and other out-buildings, with the appurtenances.

Taken in execution and to be sold as the property of Eliza Custer, at the suit of Herman J. Shafer's use.

—ALSO—

All the right, title, interest, claim and demand of Perry Collier, of, in and to a certain tract of land situate in Addison township, Somerset county, Pa., containing 522 acres, more or less, about 250 acres clear, balance timber, adjoining lands of Charles Umberson, Daniel Bowser, Marcellus Frazee and Melvin Coddington, having thereon erected a two-story frame dwelling house, bank barn, horse stable and other out-buildings, with the appurtenances.

Taken in execution and to be sold as the property of Perry Collier, at the suit of Sullivan Johnson, et. al., executors of M. A. Ross, dec'd.

—Terms:—

NOTICE—All persons purchasing at the above sale will please take notice that 10 per cent. of the purchase money must be paid when property is knocked down; otherwise it will again be exposed to sale at the risk of the first purchaser. The residue of the purchase money must be paid on or before the day of confirmation, viz: Thursday, Feb., 25, 1897. No deed will be acknowledged until the purchase money is paid in full.

M. H. HARTZELL, Sheriff.

Jan. 27, 1897.

Notice of Appeals.

Notice is hereby given that appeals will be held from the assessments of 1897, at the Commissioners' office, Somerset, Pa., for the several districts of the county of Somerset, on

FEBRUARY 18, 19, and 20, 1897,

when and where all persons and corporations feeling themselves aggrieved at the enumeration of their taxable property and effects, in such cases made and provided, are requested to attend and state their grievances for redress according to law.

The appeals will be held on the above mentioned days between the hours of 9 o'clock a. m. and 5 o'clock p. m.

GEORGE F. KIMMEL,
GABRIEL GOOD,
L. A. KUTCHMAN,
Co Commissioners.

Attest:—
J. G. Emert, Clerk.

NOTICE IN DIVORCE.

Rose Blanch Fichtner, by her next friend J. W. Brown, vs. John Daniel Fichtner } In the Court of Common Pleas of Somerset county, Pa. No. 29, Dec. T., 1896.

Alias Subpoena in Divorce.

To John Daniel Fichtner, the defendant above named:—

You are hereby notified to be and appear at the next Court of Common Pleas for Somerset county, to be held at Somerset, on the 4th Monday of February, A. D. 1897, (22d day) to answer a complaint of Rose Blanch Fichtner, your wife, the plaintiff above named, and show cause, if any you have, why your said wife should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you, agreeably to the prayer of her petition and libel exhibited against you before said Court.

Sheriff's Office, Jan. 27, '97. } M. H. HARTZELL, Sheriff.

COURT PROCLAMATION.

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

Monday, Feb. 22, 97.

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

M. H. HARTZELL, Sheriff.

REGISTER'S NOTICES.

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

Wednesday, May 24, 1897.

First and final account of Jacob Poorbaugh, executor of Jonathan Bittner, dec'd.

First and final account of Isaiah Silbaugh, administrator of Milton Silbaugh, dec'd.

First and final account of Thomas Nedrow, executor of David Humbert, dec'd.

First and final account of Hiram J. Meyers, executor of Joseph Meyers, dec'd.

First and final account of Jacob C. Knavel, administrator of Lucy Berkey, dec'd.

Third account of P. S. Hay, surviving executor of Matthew Patton, dec'd.

Second and final account of Henry Rauch and Aaron F. Bittner, executors of John Rauch, dec'd.

First and final account of Augustus Kuhn, administrator of Morgan Friedline, dec'd.

First and final account of James M. Cover, administrator of John Duncan, dec'd.

First and final account of James M. Cover & Levi Friedline, administrators c. t. a. of Gillian Friedline, dec'd.

First and final account of David Gardner, one of the administrators of John Gardner, dec'd.

First and final account of H. L. Brant, administrator of Josiah J. Brant, dec'd.

First and final account of W. L. Dull, executor of Anthony Dull, dec'd.

First and final account of J. G. Barclay, one of the executors of George Barclay, dec'd.

First and final account of S. D. Livengood, guardian of Herman Tressler, dec'