The Somerset Herald.

GEORGE R. SCULL, Editor.

SUNDAY. March 31, 1897.

The Fourth of July falls on Sunday this year.

Baldwin Schrock wants 1000 tons of prime No. 1 Timothy baled hay.

William Bittner, of Allenree, has been granted an original pension.

Baldwin Schrock is headquarters for Mill Feed, baled Hay and straw.

The Grand Army is dying at the rate of one hundred a day. Every fifteen minutes of the twenty-four hours the final roll-call comes for one of the boys.

Poultry produce always taken in exchange for goods at

MAHLON SCHROCK'S

The laws of this state prohibit boys under 16 years from visiting or playing in billiard and pool rooms. The offense is punishable by a fine imposed on the proprietor of the establishment.

The Oswego flour. The best in the world. For sale by

MAHLON SCHROCK

The widow of the late George R. Robbins has made a donation of $5,000 to the Johnstown hospital, the interest of which will be used to sustain a bed in that institution.

Indiana is to have a big summer hotel during the coming season. The probabilities are that it will be one of the largest in the State, for the boarders will be entertained in no less an establishment than the spacious State Normal school building. The trustees have been considering such a move for some time past.

For Sale—One-half interest in a long established, good paying county newspaper in Western Pennsylvania. Sale necessary to settle an estate. Inquire of E. Lee Batford, Pa., or T. C. McGirr, 5 Fifth Ave., Pittsburg, Pa.

Buy your groceries where you can get the best goods for the least money. Mahlon Schrock's is the place.

The proposition to build a $75,000 jail at Bedford is meeting with opposition from the friends of the poor farm project, and a number are talking of starting a campaign in favor of the county establishing a farm before the new jail is erected. They claim it is inhuman and a disgrace to the county without debt and with money in the treasury to farm out the poor to the lowest bidder, and that steps should be taken for the proper care of this class before building a palace for the county's wards.

For Sale—Mrs. A. E. Pisel offers his stock of groceries, confections &c., store fixtures and cream and oyster parlor fixtures for sale on reasonable terms. Possession given April 1st, 1897. Here is a good opportunity for the right person to purchase a well established business. Call on or address Mrs. A. E. Pisel, Somerset, Pa.

H. Jammer & Son, the leading tailors and men's furnishers of Cumberland, Md., will offer for inspection the largest and most complete line of samples of Spring Suitings and Men's Furnishings at the lowest prices ever seen in Somerset, at the Hotel Vannear on Wednesday April 21st.

The postoffice authorities here as well as all other offices in the country are weighing mails now in compliance with a order from the postmaster general. The object is to obtain the weight of the mail that passes through each office, as a basis for the letting of the contracts for the next four years. The work of weighing the mail began March 17 and will be kept up a month. This will be compared with the record four years ago and the new contract will be made in accordance with the comparison. The mails carried by the railroads are also being weighed.

The Indiana Normal School of Pennsylvania will begin the Spring term of thirteen weeks on Tuesday, March 30, 1897. A large corps of skilled teachers. Fully drill a specialty. Beautiful campus. Commodious buildings. Students may enter at any time. They may board at clubs. Write for information.

D. J. WALLER, Jr., Principal.

Announcement is made by the Pennsylvania board of fish commissioners that they can receive no further applications for brook trout; they state that the applications for this species of fish now on hand are more than double the supply from the two hatcheries. The commission further authorizes the statement that if their bills now before the legislature become enacted, they will, within two years, be able to supply nearly if not more than double the number of trout they can now, with scarcely an appreciable increase in expense.

No need to scratch your life away. Doan's Ointment brings instant relief in all cases of Itching Piles, Pin Worms, Eczema, Ringworms, Hives, or other diseases of the skin. Get it from your druggist.

H. Jammer & Son, the Enterprise Tailors and Mens' Furnishers, of Cumberland, Md., will show a line of samples of Spring Suitings, Trouserings and Mens' Furnishings, at the Hotel Vannear on Wednesday, March 31st, and invite all gentlemen who wear made-to-order clothes and are looking for the newest in fabrics to call and inspect their goods. This firm enjoys the reputation of making their garments strictly up-to-date, and guarantee a perfect fit.

Harper's Bazar will begin in the Easter Number, to be published on April 24, a very important new department, entitled "Club Women and Club Work," and conducted by Mrs. Margaret Hamilton Welch. Here the thousands of enthusiastic club women in the United States will find intelligent recognition of their energies, and appreciation of the great things which are accomplished by organized women in single clubs and in state and national federations. Reports will be constantly given of club work, brief and to the point, together with portraits of club leaders, and pictures of club buildings and interiors. The initial article will display several interesting views of the New Century Club House of Philadelphia, and in subsequent issues the Bazar will keep club members informed of what is going on in the world of the women's clubs. Gertrude Smith will contribute a charming Easter story, "The Queen of the Greenhouse," illustrated by W. H. Hyde. There will be Easter stories by Clare Rance and Augusta Stallard, and Easter poems by James Jackson and Mary Lowe Dickinson. From the point of view of Fashion, the Easter Number of the Bazar will be rich and varied. Beautiful Easter gowns and hats will be shown, drawn by artists in Paris and New York, and full descriptions will enable women at the most remote corner of the continent to emulate their New York sisters in the elegance and distinction of their new spring clothes.

The Mount Lebanon Shakers have recently perfected an ingenius cure for Dyspepsia. Their Digestive Cordial combats of a food already digested and a digester of foods happily combined.

The importance of this invention will be appreciated when we realize what a proportion of the community are victims of some form of stomach troubles. Thousands of pale, thin people have little inclination to eat, and what they do eat causes them pain and distress.

The Digestive Cordial of the Shakers corrects any stomach derangement at once. It makes thin people plump. Every one will be greatly interested to read the little book which has been placed in the hands of druggists for free distribution.

What is Laxol? Nothing but Castor Oil made as palatable as honey. Children like it.

All the new styles of wall paper now in stock.

SNYDER'S ART STORE.

Herman Long, of Boone, and Eli Ogline, of Sipesville, have been granted increase of pension.

Mrs. Isaac Yoder, of Conemaugh township, is critically ill with dropsy. She is seventy-four years of age.

Revs. Vogel and Bristow, of this place, conducted religious services in different Johnstown churches on Sunday.

Daniel Snyder, one of Stonycreek township's prominent and successful farmers, was a caller at this office yesterday afternoon.

Somerset Odd Fellows are preparing to celebrate the 78th anniversary of that order, which falls on Monday, April 26. An interesting program will be carried out.

Prof. Daisey's dancing class concluded the term last night with a dance at the Opera House. Music was furnished by musicians from the Cumberland Concert Band.

Two weeks hence and trout fishers will be in their element. Several county streams that were stocked with speckled beauties three years ago will be "free" at that time.

Rev. N. Lucocck, a former popular minister of the Methodist Church in this place, but more recently of Pittsburg, has accepted a call from a leading M. E. Church at St. Louis.

Mrs. William Ray, of Pillville, Jenner township, suffered a stroke of paralysis last Sunday night, which it is feared will result in her death. The afflicted lady is about seventy years of age.

The Markleton Sanatorium is crowded with patients from all sections of the Union. Last week there were only two vacant rooms in the large edifice. The medical staff is hard worked.

Regular services will be held in the Presbyterian Church next Sabbath, April 4, morning and evening, conducted by the pastor. Subject of the morning sermon: "A Study From the Life of Daniel."

Mr. Henry R. Cable and Miss Flora Lambert, popular Shade young people, were united in marriage on Saturday, March 20th, at the home of Mr. William Cook, Justice of the Peace, T. O. Mock, officiating.

A class in physical culture will be organized in the near future by Mrs. Cameron. All ladies that expect to enter the class or that desire further information, are asked to meet at the Hotel Vannear, Friday, April 2d, at three p. m.

Two lads were arrested Monday morning on a charge of having violated a borough ordinance restricting bicycle riding to the public roads. We believe these are the first arrests made since the ordinance was adopted.

Mr. Charles A. Yinkey, who for the past two years has been employed as a plumber by Mr. P. A. Schell, left Saturday for Wooster, O., where he will make his future home. Mr. Yinkey is an expert workman in his line and made many friends here.

At a meeting of the school board Friday evening a question, which had been vexing the minds of a number of citizens for several weeks, was finally disposed of when it was definitely decided to locate the proposed annex to the Union Street school building on the north side.

Prof. S. T. Ford, who comes highly recommended as an elocutionist and impersonator, will give an entertainment at the Opera House, Wednesday evening, for the benefit of the public school library. The cause is a deserving one and the Prof. should be greeted by a large audience.

Miss Mable K. Bristow left Saturday for California, Pa., where she will enter upon her duties as teacher of drawing in the South-Western State Normal. Miss Bristow holds a certificate of merit from the Boston Institute, and while teaching at California will complete her studies in that direction.

Mrs. Catharine Willis, aged 88 years, the oldest resident of Mt. Moriah, Quemahoning township, is suffering from a broken collar bone, sustained a few days ago, when she tripped and fell in attempting to cross the floor of her bed room. Owing to her advanced years she is not expected to recover.

Mr. Washington Stonebraker, who will be remembered as a resident of this place some ten years ago, was stricken with paralysis Friday, at his home in Johnstown. He was found lying helpless on the floor of his blacksmith shop about three o'clock in the afternoon. As this is the first stroke he has suffered he is expected to recover.

No. 2, Vol. 1, of "The Family Visitor," published in the interests of the Meyersdale, Wilhelm and Paradise charges of the Reformed Church, has reached our table. The "Visitor" is a neatly printed little sheet and is filled with interesting matter to the people among whom it circulates. It is issued quarterly at 10 cents per year. Rev. A. E. Truxal is the manager.

Mr. B. F. Snyder, one of the leading citizens of the south of the county, has decided to remove from Upper Turkeyfoot township and take up his residence in North Dakota, where he will engage in farming and stock raising. Mr. Snyder has hundreds of friends throughout the county who will regret to learn of his contemplated change and whose best wishes will follow him to his western home. He will leave for Dakota some time next month.

William Horner, of Jenner township while on his way to Hoversville, Saturday, met with what might have been a serious accident. Just as he was driving past the B. & O. station in his buggy, a freight train with the engine blowing off steam came thundering along and frightened the horse, which became unmanageable and turned around, throwing the buggy and occupant into the mill race near by. Mr. Horner was uninjured, but the vehicle was badly damaged.

During the past few years a number of Somerset people have put down Ohio sawed stone pavements in front of their homes and business houses. They can be procured at a cost but little greater than local flag stone and are so superior for paving purposes that more of them will be used in the future. Mr. Jeremiah Rhoads has accepted the agency for an Ohio Sawed Stone Company and will be glad to furnish estimates for all persons contemplating putting down side walks.

If the advance sale of seats for the Vitascope Company, which will exhibit at the Opera House on Thursday evening, can be taken as an index the audience will be the largest seen in that place of amusement during the present season. Tickets were placed on sale Monday morning and before noon two-thirds of the house was sold. The Vitascope is one of the most marvelous discoveries of the age and no one should miss this opportunity to see it. A number of new views have been obtained since it was last seen here.

Mr. Abner McKinley, only brother of the President, was in Somerset last week for the purpose of packing up his law books, he having recently been admitted to the practice in New York and opened up an office there. Mr. McKinley says he will continue to make his summer home here, although the arrival of his family will be delayed this season on account of his business engagements. It is probable that the President will find it convenient to spend Saturday and Sunday here with his brother's family frequently during hot weather. Presidents Harrison and Cleveland both had summer cottages at Deer Park during their administrations.

Mayor Kendall.

The many Somerset county friends of U. S. Grant Kendall, Esq., will be glad to learn that he has won his first political battle in West Va., he having been elected Mayor of Fairmont, one of the leading towns of that State last week. The contest was a spirited one between the friends and foes of liquor license, with the result that the latter won. It seems the municipal authorities in West Va., are vested with the power to issue licenses. Mr. Kendall is pledged to enforce the liquor laws as he finds them in the law books.

Reliable Piano Tuner.

The people of Somerset and vicinity will be glad to learn that Mr. Charles H. Lantz, of Cumberland, Md., has decided to include Somerset in his territory. Mr. Lantz is an expert piano tuner and for the past score of years has been following his profession in Cumberland. He comes highly recommended by his patrons as a thoroughly conscientious, sober and reliable tuner, but as Mr. Lantz himself says his best recommendation is his work, which speaks for itself. Mr. Lantz will visit Somerset every six months, or oftener if requested. Any orders left at the HERALD office will receive prompt attention. Mr. Lantz is in Somerset at the present time.

A Successful Operation.

Dr. P. F. Shaffer, assisted by Dr. William Rauch, of Johnstown, performed an operation upon John Bowman, of near Edie, Monday morning, which it is hoped will prolong the sufferer's life. Mr. Bowman has been suffering from gangrene for several months and the disease had progressed so far when Dr. Shaffer was called in that he decided that the only hope of saving the patient's life was in amputation of the right leg. The operation was successfully performed, the limb being removed five inches above the knee. Mr. Bowman is about seventy years of age and his advanced years will operate against his recovery, although his physician says he is resting comfortably and gives every promise of surviving the shock.

Too Much Married.

Saturday's Pittsburg papers tell of the arrest of Mrs. Ella Weber, of Beltzhoover, on a charge of passing counterfeit money. The government officials are anxious to get some clue that will implicate the woman's husband. The Times says "he has been watched very closely since his wife's arrest, and, while nothing connecting him with frauds upon the United States government has been found, the officers think they have sufficient proof to convict him of bigamy. While tracing him during the past few days the officers followed him to Rockwood, Somerset county, where it was found he had another wife and seven children."

Word comes from Rockwood that there is no family by the name of Weber living there, but a former resident of that place who deserted his wife and family, is suspected.

Recent Deaths.

Irwin Swartzendruber, aged 31 years, died at the Dixmont Asylum on the 20th. He was thirty-one years of age and had been an inmate of Dixmont for two years. The remains were interred in the Odd Fellows' Cemetry, at Berlin.

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Colonel Heinbaugh, a well-known resident of Ursina, died at his home in that place, on Thursday, 18th inst., in his thirty-seventh year. Deceased was a man of strong character and industrious habits and enjoyed the friendship of all his neighbors. He is survived by his wife and six children.

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William C. Rayman, aged 71 years, died at his home in Brothersvalley township, on Wednesday, 24th inst., after an illness of six weeks duration. Mr. Rayman was born in Stonycreek township and was one of a family of fourteen children. He is survived by his wife and five children, viz: Charles F., and Uriah F., of Brothersvalley township; Benjamin F., of Berlin; Mrs. Rose Hass, of Somerset, and Mrs. Mary Blough, of Somerset township. Deceased was a faithful member of the German Baptist Church since early manhood. No citizen of Brothersvalley township was more highly esteemed than Mr. Rayman and his death will be sincerely regretted by a wide circle of friends.

Meyersdale Normal and Preparatory School

First term for 1897 begins April 26. Second term begins July 26. A teachers' course and a college preparatory course. Specialties in vocal music, instrumental music, drawing and painting. Nine teachers. Write for circulars.

J. C. SPEICHER, Principal.

The Ladies of Somerset County

Are invited to attend the Grand Opening of Pattern Hats and Bonnets, new spring Dress Goods, Ladies' Jackets and Tailor Made Suits at Quinn's, Johnstown, Pa., April 7, 8, and 9.

—ALL COME.—

Fine Dental Work.

Dr. P. P. Ritter, of Meyersdale, Pa., having taken a special course in advanced dentistry, has opened a laboratory in connection with his office in Meyersdale, where he is prepared to do the latest and most improved crown and bridge work, i. e. teeth without plates, making a specialty of the Richmond crown, which is the most artistic crown known to the profession.

My bridge work is the finest and looks and feels like the natural teeth and are nearer to nature than any artificial denture.

I will guarantee my bridge work, as there is no danger of the porcelain face breaking away from the bridge, which happens so frequently with ordinary work.

I am also prepared to do any kind of plate work, especially gold plates, another line of the finest dentistry.

My office will be open every day in the year, and all work shall be done at reasonable prices and within the reach of any who may wish the best dentistry.

Call or address,

DR. P. P. RITTER, Meyersdale, Pa.

A Card.

My attention has been called to the fact that a party pretending to do business under the title of the "Berlin Marble & Granite Works," has been making the impression that he has purchased the works of which I am proprietor. I therefore take this method of informing the public that I am still in business at the old stand and will continue in the future, as in the past, to turn out the highest grade of work at the lowest price possible.

R. H. KOONTZ.

Prop. Berlin Marble and Granite Works.

Of Interest to Housekeepers.

Ladies who value good cooking should examine the Cinderella Range. It bakes light bread and roasts meat deliciously. Sold by

JAS. B. HOLDERBAUM, Somerset, Pa.

A Good Business for Sale.

I have a good general line of merchandise for sale at a bargain. A good chance for the right man. First-class location. Expense low. Reason for selling, being in business 13 years, wish to retire. For further information address,

B. F. STULL, Johnstown, Pa.

724 Bedford St.

Notice.

The Books of Parker & Parker will be in my hands until April 10th. Persons knowing themselves indebted to us will please call and settle without delay by cash or note. I will be at the old stand until the above date. Accounts not closed by that time will be put in the hands of an officer for collection.

G. R. PARKER.

TOBIAS YODER DEAD.

A Gallant Defender of the Union Answers the Final Roll Call While Visiting in the West.

SEVEN REBEL MINNIE BALLS PENETRATED HIS BODY AT THE SAME TIME—LEFT ON THE FIELD OF BATTLE ONLY TO BE CARRIED OFF TO LIBBY PRISON.

Was With Grant at Appomattox.

The residents of this place, especially the old soldiers, were shocked last Wednesday when a dispatch was recived from Waterloo, Io., announcing the death of Tobias Yoder, who had left Somerset four weeks ago to visit at the home of his son, Grant. Mr. Yoder's health had been in a precarious condition for a long time, as a result of wounds sustained in the war, and when he was attacked by pneumonia he did not have the physical strength to battle with the disease. Upon the advice of his physicians and Pension Examining Surgeons he has refrained from hard work for a long time, the physicions believing that he would drop dead suddenly and when least expected.

The body was shipped to his home arriving here, accompanied by his son Grant, on Saturday morning, and at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon was laid to rest in the Disciple Cemetery. The funeral was attended by all of the old soldiers in Somerset and vicinity, the obsequies being conducted under the auspices of R. P. Cummins Post, G. A. R. Rev. Wm. Mullendore delivered the funeral address in which he recited the military record of the deceased.

Tobias Yoder was born in Shade township in 1827 and was past seventy years of age at the time of his death. He was a thoroughly upright, conscientious, christian man and was highly esteemed by all who knew him. He was an uncompromising member of the Republican party and an ardent admirer of President McKinley. Prior to the election last fall he erected a campaign pole near his residence from which floated the stars and stripes. The last time he run the flag up was on the morning of McKinley's inauguration.

He is survived by his wife and eleven children, as follows: Henry H., of Brothersvalley township; Mrs. F. B. Colborn, of Bayard, W. Va.; Jacob, of Columbus, O.; Mrs. John Fisher, of Garrett; George, of Bayard, W. Va.; Milton, of Somerset township; Mrs. Emma Barkett, of Somerset; Grant, of Waterloo, Io.; Francis, of Somerset township; Susan and Nina, who are unmarried and live at home.

Tobias Yoder was one of four brothers, all of whom enlisted in the Union Army at the outbreak of the war. John was killed in the army and Henry died from disease contracted in the service. Moses resides in Stonycreek township.

In addition to the wounds sustained in the war Mr. Yoder subsequently met with mishaps that would have killed an ordinary man. On one occasion he was run over by a hand car on the S. & C. R. R., and when examined by a physician it was found that four or five of his ribs had been broken. On another occasion a coal mine in which he was working caved in, killing a dog lying by his side and requiring Herculenian efforts on his part to remove the slate and earth under which he was embedded.

The following record of Mr. Yoder's military career was compiled for the Waterloo Daily Courier.

Tobias Yoder had an army record equaled by few soldiers and survived wounds which not one man in many thousands could have lived through. Prior to the rebellion he was noted as an athlete and was the champion wrestler of Somerset county. His parents owned a timber farm of over two hundred acres which was cleared in part by the Yoder boys and wielding the ax, together with the rough life of a woodsman developed the muscles of the sturdy Tobias and fitted him for the terrible ordeal which destiny had in store for him. When he was examined for enlistment the surgeon's record shows that his chest measurement was 42 inches over the bare skin.

No more perfect specimen of physical manhood, or braver warrior ever shouldered a musket. Tobias was 34 years of age when the war broke out, and, imbued with the fire of patriotism he enlisted in the first company raised in Somerset county, Company A, 10th Pa., Reserves, which was recruited by General Koontz.

His regiment marched under McClellan's banner in the ill-fated peninsular campaign against Richmond and it was at New Market Cross Roads, in front of Richmond, on the afternoon of June 30, 1862, that Yoder received wounds which would have instantly killed an ordinary mortal. His company had been in the thick of the fight for several hours, and was ordered back a short distance to some timber to clean their guns and receive a fresh supply of ammunition. Prior to this the buckle had been shot from Yoder's cap, and a portion of the skirt of his coat had been carried away by a fragment of shell. A number of the company had been killed or wounded, but the balance after filling their cartridge boxes went forward again. Meanwhile the rebels changed position and the brave Pennsylvanians march into a veritable death trap. They were subjected to a cross fire from rebel regiments belonging to Jackson's and Hill's corps and Yoder was the recipient of seven bullets which struck him in "less time than a man could count five" to use his own language. He did not fall but two comrades started for the rear with him. The Confederates charged and he told his comrades to lay down and save themselves which they did. Two balls passed through his lungs, one crushing the left shoulder blade, and causing the blood to spurt from his mouth. Two struck him in the side, one lodging under the hip bone and the other close to his spine near his kidneys; these two balls passed through a rubber blanket which he carried in a roll diagonally across his waist, which checked their force, otherwise they would have gone clear through his body and caused speedy death. The other three bullets made bad wounds. The tide of battle passed over him and McClellan's retreat left him in Confederate hands. The rebels cared for their own wounded first, occasionally giving Yoder a drink of water from a brook which ran near by and tossing him a corn pone when he asked for something to eat. He lay thus without attention or shelter until the afternoon of the third day when a four horse team and large wagon drove up within about twenty feet of him. Two big, strapping Johnnies climbed down and asked Yoder if he could get into the wagon without assistance. "I'm a little stiff," was his reply, "but guess I can make it if you give me time." He had raised himself up on one knee but wasn't quite lively enough to suit the fellows. They grasped him by the collar and legs "and pitched me into the wagon like a hog," said Yoder in relating the story. "I landed pretty hard, but it didn't hurt me much and aside from the cords in my left arm drawing up from the broken shoulder blade, I had suffered no inconvenience."

He was incarcerated in Libby prison and refused medical attention by his captors. Several Union surgeons were in Libby at that time, but they had no instruments or supplies of any character to dress his wounds with. The most he feared was that the maggots would get into the wounds which were suppurating. Noticing a hogshead of tobacco on the sidewalk near the apartment in which he was confined, he conceived the idea of drawing a supply of this through the window by aid of a window stop which he loosened and which had a small nail in one end. He managed to secure enough tobbacco to successfully plug up the holes in his body, but the theft was discovered and he was reported by one of the guards. For this "offense" he was placed in solitary confinement in Belle Isle for 16 days, but would have got a longer sentence had he not provoked considerable mirth when court-martialed by insisting that he "drew the tobacco." After a prison residence of forty days in which he had fallen away in weight from 180 to 116 pounds, Yoder was exchanged and sent to Chester hospital near Philadelphia, where the surgeons pronounced his case hopeless and told him that he could not live forty-eight hours. He did not die, however, and his case was considered so remarkable that the surgeon-in-chief of the armies at Washington was made acquainted with some of the facts and experts from the capital city went to Chester where a complete history of the case was taken down, the entrance and exit of the bullets noted, with the circumstances of his capture and subsequent treatment. In January, 1863 Yoder was allowed to go to his home in Somerset, where he remained until March when hearing that his regiment was in Washington recruiting, he went to that place. He asked to go on duty but was refused, but undaunted he went with his company when the regiment started to the front again. He fought at the battle of Gettysburg and when his enlistment expired offered his services, but was told that his wounds would bar him from again entering the army. "After I had stripped for examination I kicked up my heels and executed a little dance on my way out of the room to show them how lively I was," said Yoder and this with his earnest pleading not to be left behind secured his acceptance. He remained in the army until the close of the war and was present at Lee's surrender at Appomattox.

The official records of the rebellion show that Yoder's regiment, the 10th Pa., Reserves, was roughly handled by the enemy during the 7-days' battles, from June 26th to July 2, 1862, losing 1 officer and 39 enlisted men killed, 6 officers and 137 enlisted men wounded, 1 officer and 55 enlisted men captured.

After the battle in which Yoder received his wounds he was reported dead, his comrades reporting that they had left him alive, but that with the blood streaming from his mouth and a dozen holes in his body he could not live an hour.

His wife donned widow's weeds. An application had been made out asking that the pay due him from the government be sent to her, when one day a copy of a Richmond paper containing a list of arrivals at Libby found its way to Somerset and as Mrs. Yoder was passing up the street one afternoon, a friend came rushing out of his house with the paper in his hand, but the two words, "mortally wounded" which appeared after her husband's name robbed the news of what little cheer it contained, for she supposed that in his condition, in hostile hands, he would endure a living death until the real came to his relief.

One of the strangest features of this remarkable man's experience is that he felt no pain whatever during the time that he received the wounds and their subsequent healing, and was able to eat any food that he could secure. He seemed literally a man devoid of nerves or the sense of feeling.

At the time of his death, although 70 years of age, he was hale and hearty, had never lost a tooth and every tooth in his head was as sound as a dollar. The bullet which lodged near his kidneys gave him some trouble a few years ago and he submitted to a surgical examination with a view of having it extracted. The surgeons informed him that an operation would be attended with great danger so he concluded to carry the memento of '62 with another ounce of lead which lodged a few inches from it to the grave.

The brave old soldier has listened to the last reveille and answered the final roll call. It can truly be said that he shed his share of blood in defense of his country's honor and his name is entitled to a high place in the list of the nation's departed heroes.

Saw Mill and Farm for Sale.

Located in Shade township, Somerset county, Pa., near Hooversville. The mill consists of Circular, Gang Edger, Lath Mill, Tools, etc. Capacity about 35,000 feet per day.

The farm contains seventy-one acres, on which there is a good house and barn. Also farming implements, blacksmith tools, a full equipment of tools for logging etc. Will be sold as a whole or in part. Address,

F. C. REITER, Hooversville, Pa.

Somerset Normal.

The annual session of the Somerset Normal will open May 17th, and continue eight weeks. Circulars sent on application.

H. S. SCHELL, H. S. RHOADS.

There is a Class of People

who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over ¼ as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15 cts and 25 cts per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

We Have at Last

A purely Art Store in Somerset where you can get anything in the wall paper, fancy queensware, Chinaware, or picture-frame moulding line at prices that are lower than they can be bought in any city. It is

SNYDER'S ART STORE.

Report of the Mutual Life for 1896.

The continuous, magnificent growth of The Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York has for many decades been a source of pride to its army of policyholders and of wonder to those interested in social economics throughout the civilized world. In many respects The Mutual Life stands alone as to its position. There is nothing like it. Its Annual Report of business for the year ending December 31, 1896, the full details of which are now in the hands of the New York State Insurance Department shows that the Company possesses net assets aggregating $234,744,148.42. The books of the Company indicate, according to its own standard of policy valuation, a much larger sum than that, but this year the report is made in conformity with the requirements of the State Department, which excludes assets that are not realized upon, but which are proper to regard as ultimately good and available. The liabilities on the risks in force amount to $205,010,633.74, leaving a surplus fund of $29,733,514.70. This shows an increase in admitted assets during 1896, according to the New York State standard, of $15,040,005.22, and an increase in surplus of $2,853,467.03.

The total income of the Company for the year was $49,702,695.27. The amount paid to policy-holders aggregated $25,437,569.50. Since the date of its organization, in 1843, The Mutual Life Insurance Company has paid to living members $258,959,451.53, and to the beneficiaries of deceased members $178,045,743.76, making a total of $437,005,195 29. The Company has insurance in force amounting to over $918,000,000.

Do you need a new spring suit, pair of trousers, or anything in Men's Furnishings? Then you should call at the Hotel Vannear on Wednesday and see the line of samples H. Jammer & Son, the leading tailors and men's furnishers of Cumberland, Md., have to show you.

For Rent—The store room and rooms now occupied by Mrs. A. E. Pisel, as an ice cream and oyster parlors in the First National Bank building. Possession given April 1st, 1897. Call on or address Geo. R. Scull, Somerset, Pa.

No one who has tried it now doubts that for cheapness and good work the place to get a picture framed is at

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Absolutely Pure.

Celebrated for its great leavening strength and healthfulness. Assures the food against alum and all forms of adulteration common to the cheap brands.

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Aubnema—A Dutch Corner Cure.

From the Bedford Inquirer.

A short time since I visited in the country at a house where a twin boy baby five months old was sick of the whooping cough. His little brother twin had lately died of the disease, and he was an emaciated skeleton, racked by almost distressing cough, with apparently but a slim prospect of recovery. But whilst there is life there is hope, and his mother and relatives thought he might struggle through. Speaking of this hope to a neighboring woman, she said, "No, I do not think he can get well; both those babies had the 'take off' ever since they were a month old. The whooping cough and the 'take off' together will be too much for him." This was a new name to me. I did not want to display my ignorance and hesitated about making an inquiry of the good woman, but I have done so of others since, and the result is information that is curious and may be worth narration.

It is singular what notions about curing diseases have possessed people in all ages of the world. Sixty years ago blood letting was prevalent for numerous ailments, and immense quantities of calomel were given, 40 or 60 grains at a dose. Great harm was done by the regularly graduated physicians of those days if we believe the modern doctors. It is altogether probable that the people of that generation would have been better off if they had had no doctors at all. They killed more than they cured, doctors now say. Perhaps the next generation will say the same thing of the doctors of to-day. Who knows?

The "take off" is a puny condition of a young child. Its food does not nourish it. It does not grow but dwindles away until it looks skeleton-like. It is almost all head, and its face is almost all eyes. Its little arms and legs are like pipe-stems, and its pinched features are pitiable to look at, and the doctor's medicine has been tried and does it no good. The doctor says it has dyspepsia, the old women say it has the "take off."

Well can the "take off" be cured? Why certainly it can—according to the country-side belief. Two or three years or so ago a grandmother brought a small child from Cumberland to Bedford, hired a carriage and took the babe six miles out to the Dutch corner to old Mrs. Reighard. The Cumberland doctors had done the child no good. Death seemed inevitable under their treatment and Mrs. Reighard cured the child in one day—so the friends say. How was it done? Well there's no patent on it. She heated and old-fashioned brick oven such as used to be common, and are still here and there in use, just as if she was going to bake bread, and then greased the naked babe from the crown of its head to the soles of its feet, inclusive, with lard, and wrapped it in and old blanket and put it in the oven and closed the oven—all the while the old woman mumbled to herself in Pennsylvania German and made motions with her hands, as if she was conjuring some evil spirit. She put the child in three times using the oven peel and pushing it far back into the oven—pulled it out and put it in three times—closing the oven door each time, and all the while muttering and motioning with her hands. And then she opened the blanket and the little fellow lay there as red as a cooked lobster, and they rubbed him off and put him to bed and gave him warm milk and the next day took him back to Cumberland, and from that hour he began to mend and soon became a healthy child.

The proof of the pudding is the eating of it. Nothing succeeds like success. And the people believe in it, some of them at least. It is a Pennsylvania German belief. Aubnema is the name for it, which is translated into the English words "take off" of which it is the exact equivalent, and babes are brought miles to the old woman to be operated on the belief in the efficacy of her treatment is wide spread. Old Mrs. Reighard is dead now, but she has a successor in the same neighborhood to whom she taught the art.

With regard to the succession the belief is, that a woman can only teach her art to a man and a man can only communicate it to a woman. How much of the virtue lies in the sweating and how much in the words used and the mystic power of the operator does not appear.

Medical superstition has been as wide spread as humanity. There is found to the farthest period of history and among all nations down to the present time the idea of supernatural intervention in causing and in curing diseases.

Witchcraft was firmly believed in as a dogma of religion which it was wicked to doubt or deny. Pestilences and epidemics were ascribed to the wrath of God or the malice of the devils, which modern science has clearly demonstrated were the results of improper modes of life and the violation of the laws of health. Dogmatic theology attempted for centuries to thwart scientific investigation as wicked. But the world has moved steadily onward and upward. A part from the Dutch words and the mystic three insertions of the babe, there remains the sweating, and old citizens of the Dutch corner by the score will attest the cures,

WM. M. HALL.

Bedford, Pa., March 25, 1897.

OHIO SAWED STONE.

I have decided to handle the Ohio Sawed Paving Stone this season. All persons wishing a nice, good pavement should let their orders now. Orders can be left at W. F. Shaffer's Marble Works.

JEREMIAH RHOADS, Somerset, Pa.

Dr. Sadler has returned from his Trip South and is now ready for all business in his line.

SAVED THEIR EYES.

Pterygium on Both Eyes Cured.

Mr. Moses M. Taylor, Blackburn, Westmoreland county, had a fleshy growth from the inner corner of each eye grow up over the pupil, blinding him so he could not work. Dr. Sadler, 801 Penn avenue, was consulted through Mr. Samuel Harris, whom the doctor had cured of the same thing. Mr. Taylor's eyes were perfectly cured also.

Mr. Geo. Meyers, Springdale, Pa., had the same kind of growth, which had advanced to the danger line. By the doctor's operation, by his special method, which after hundreds of trials has never failed, his eye is as perfect as ever.

The doctor is wonderfully successful in all ear affections.

SALESMEN WANTED

To sell our high grade inspected Nursery Stock. Many new specialties offered this year for the first time, as well as the standard varieties of fruits and ornamentals. No previous experience necessary. Write for terms, stating age, etc. Hoopes, Bro. & Thomas, Maple Avenue Nurseries, West Chester, Pa.

Administrator's Sale

—OF—

Valuable Real Estate!

By virtue of an order issued out of the Orphans' Court of Somerset county, Pa., to me directed, I will expose to sale at Scalp Level, in Paint township, said county, on the premises, on

FRIDAY, APRIL 16, 1897,

at one o'clock p. m., the following described real estate of Kate A. Knavel, dec'd., described as follows:

A certain lot of ground situate in Scalp Level, Paint township, Somerset county, Pa., adjoining lot of David J. Shaffer and the public road leading to Rummel. Containing 33 4-10th perches.

Terms:

Ten per cent, of the purchase money to be paid when property is knocked down; balance of purchase money on confirmation of sale and delivery of deed.

W. C. KNAVEL, Administrator.

Fred. W. Biesecker, Attorney.

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. 9, Sept. T., 1896. No. 29, Dec. T., 1896.

Alias Subpoena in Divorce.

And now, Feb'y 27, 1897, on motion of J. C. Lowry Esq., attorney for libellant, filed, the Court appoint A. C. Holbert, master, to take the testimony in the above stated case, find the facts and report an opinion, &c. Extracts from the Record certified March 1, 1897. The undersigned appointed master, as above stated, hereby gives notice that he will sit in his office in Somerset borough, Pa., for the purpose of attending to the duties of his appointment on Wednesday, March 24, A. D. 1897, at 1 o'clock p. m., when and where all parties interested may attend.

A. C. HOLBERT, Master.

LEGAL NOTICE.

In the matter of the assigned estate of David Barron and Clara B. Barron, his wife, of Milford township, Somerset county, Pa.

The said assignors having presented their petition to the Court of Common Pleas of Somerset county, praying for an order and decree of said Court, directing Samuel J. Bowser, the assignee, to reconvey to the said assignors the real and personal estate of said petitioners included in the assignment; it being represented by said petitioners, that they made arrangements with E. L. Countryman to pay all the debts of the assignors, and that the lien creditors join in asking for the reconveyance. Notice is hereby given that the prayer of said petitioners will be granted by the Court unless objections to same is filed on or before the 15th of April, 1897.

J. A. BERKEY, JOHN H. UHL, Attorneys for Petitioners.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Samuel E. Berkey, late of Conemaugh township, Somerset county, Pa., dec'd.

Letters of administration on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned, by the proper authority, notice is hereby given to all persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate to make immediate payment and those having claims or demands against the same to present them duly authenticated for settlement on Thursday, the 29th day of April, A. D. 1897, at the late residence of the dec'd.

E. M. BERKEY, Administrator.

Fred. W. Biesecker, Attorney.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Harriet Berkeybile, late of Shade township, Somerset county, Pa., dec'd.

Letters of administration on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned by the proper authority, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same to present them duly authenticated for settlement, on Saturday, April 24, 1897, at the residence of the administrator.

PHILIP BERKEYBILE, Administrator, c. t. a.

ADMINISTRATORS' NOTICE.

Estate of Kate A. Knavel, late of Paint township, Somerset Co., Pa., dec'd.

Letters of administration on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned by the proper authority, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same to present them duly authenticated for settlement, on Friday, April 9, 1897, at the residence of Peter Knavel, said township.

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