# The Somerset Herald.

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WEDNESDAY.....July 7, 1897.


E. G. Nicely of Ligonier narrowly escaped death from being stung by a locust. He was standing in front of his store when the insect lit upon his head. It was only through the greatest exertions that the physicians counteracted the effect of the poisonous sting.

Hay harvest has commenced. Some of the fields of early clover have been cut and in the words of the old saw farmers are making hay while the sun shines these days. The hay crop is reported to be good this year resulting from the abundant rains of the early season.

We do not intend to indorse any except articles of genuine merit, but we take pleasure in referring to "Garland" stoves and Ranges, whose superiority is too well established to be called in question. They are believed to be unequalled by any in the world.

A Hollidaysburg dispatch says: Colonel A. L. Rutherford, receiver of the Pennsylvania Midland railroad, has been authorized to complete the road to Brooks Mills, Blair county, at an expense of $70,000. He expects to do so, within two months. This is the line reported to have been bought by the Beech Creek company to obtain a through and shorter route between Pittsburg and Philadelphia.

When a finger grows so thick that a ring can not be taken off, an easy way to reduce the swelling is as follows. A narrow rubber band is taken and placed several times around the finger near the nail and while the hand is held up the band is slowly rubbed down until it reaches the ring. This is repeated several times, and after a few minutes it will be found that the finger is thin enough to slip off the ring without the slightest difficulty.

The post office at Connellsville was robbed at an early hour Thursday morning. About $90 in cash, nearly $300 worth of postage stamps and about 20 registered letters, besides papers and a mail pouch containing mail for western points, were stolen. The robbers entered through a rear window. A hole was drilled in the top of the large safe, in which powder was placed. The force of the explosion blew the door of the safe across the room, demolishing in its course a stove. The main body of the safe kicked backward and went partly through the wall of the office.

Any stove or range bearing the name of "Garland" is warranted to be the best that can be made. "Garland" stoves and Ranges are too well known to need any endorsement from us, and we only need to call the attention of our readers to their reputation and advise them to examine into their merits.

Someone has said the world needs religion to-day that will make a man's word as good as his note; that will make the maker pay 100 cents on the dollar, sell 16 ounces to the pound, 36 inches to the yard, 4 pecks to the bushel and 128 cubic feet to the cord; that will make workmen do a full day's work for his pay whether the eye of his employer is on him or not; that will make capital disgorge the lion's share of the profits and divide them equally and justly with labor; that will cause the manufacturer to cease from adulterating his goods, the clerk from robbing his employer and the official from embezzling the funds committed to his trust; a religion that will make men upright, honest, pure and trustworthy in all the walks of life; a religion that not only makes men happy, but righteous.

It is possible to catch a whole string of diseases through holding money in your mouth. A scientist says that a man who carelessly puts a penny in his mouth subjects himself to greater danger than if he were exposed to the bitterest weather without clothing. Scientist who have been testing coins find as a rule, the germs that find lodgment on their faces are powerless to harm human beings unless they are able to penetrate the skin and get into the blood; but in cases of consumption and one or two other of the more deadly maladies, the organism may be given a foothold by being inhaled into the lungs. In cold weather there are frequent cracks and small abrations on persons' lips, and there, of all places, the germs find the best opportunity to reach the blood. Shopkeepers who are in the habit of handling coppers should be careful to wear gloves, if their hands are cut or scratched.

If strength is what you want, you should study what causes your weakness.

It is practically lack of food.

But you eat three meals a day, and all you can eat at a time.

Yes, but do you digest it?

Food undigested, is not food. It is not nourishment.

It doesn't create strength.

To digest your food take Shaker Digestive Cordial at meals. After a while you will digest food without it. Then you will be strong and healthy.

Shaker digestive Cordial cures indigestion and all its symptoms, such as nausea, headache, eructations, pain in the stomach, giddiness, loss of appetite, etc. It makes your food nourish you, and makes you strong and fat and hearty.

Druggists sell it. Trial bottle 10 cents.

Miss Ida Platt, of Chicago, is the only colored woman lawyer in the country, says the New York Tribune. It is asserted that she is the only colored woman in actual practice in the United States, and the only one ever admitted to the bar of Illinois. She is a daughter of Jacob E. Platt, a lumber merchant of Chicago. She was born in that city in 1861, and graduated from the Central High School at the age of 16. Later she entered the office of Holger de Roode as private secretary, where she remained for nine years. Five years ago she entered the law office of Jesse Cox as stenographer, and began study in the Chicago College of Law, from which she graduated in 1893, and then received her license to practice at the bar of Illinois. She has risen rapidly in her profession, and won the respect of her fellow-barristers. She has a large clientele, much of her work being among foreigners. She speaks French and German fluently, and is an accomplished musician.

Again the rumor is revived that the Confluence & Oakland branch of the B. & O. is to be extended from Manor Lands its present terminus, to Oakland, Md. Pittsburg capitalists are interested with Garrett county people in the scheme, and a conference will be held with them soon by receivers Cowan and Murray. A charter has been procured for this line, and it has surveyed and found practicable two years ago. The chartered company is called the Deer Park and Pittsburg Connecting railroad, and the directors are F. Latrobe and G. W. Hanlenbeck of Baltimore, Md., L. T. Yoder and Samuel W. Vandersal of Pittsburg, and Gilmore Hammill, D. E. Ofutt and John T. Mitchell of Oakland. The big lumber firm of Knabb & Co. has a narrow gauge nearly half way up the river, and own the right of way. Their line and rights can be had on reasonable terms. The extension of the Confluence and Oakland has been contemplated since the time it was constructed. It would give the Baltimore & Ohio a shorter route from Pittsburg to Oakland, Mountain Lake and Deer Park, and would reduce the time about two hours over the present route via Cumberland. An additional line over the mountains in the event of an accident or blockade would also give an outlet and save delay.

We will sell cheap for cash to close out 1 2-horse, 1 one-horse New Conklin Wagons. This is a rare chance to get the best wagon made at a bargain. Also 2 Osborne Mowers very cheap. Inquire at store of

P. A. SCHELL,
Somerset Pa.

Mr. Abner McKinley, of New York City, is in Somerset.

The celebration at Confluence on Saturday was a pronounced success.

Attorney S. U. Trent spent the 4th with his Somerset friends and relatives.

Dr. W. S. Robeson and wife, of Pittsburg, are guests at the home of F. J. Kooser, Esq.

Edward B. Scull, Esq., of Pittsburg, spent the fourth at the home of his parents of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McCutcheon and family, of Allegheny, Pa., are guests at the home of Capt. C. J. Harrison.

Veteran Daniel Trent, of the East Ward, who has been seriously ill for the past five or six weeks, is slowly improving.

Mr. P. Y. Kimmel, of the Passenger Department, Pennsylvania Company, spent the 4th with his father and sisters in this place.

Messrs. S. F. and William W. Picking, of Chicago, spent Saturday, Sunday and Monday, at the home of their sisters on Patriot Terrace.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Herr and child, of Butler, Pa., arrived in town Friday and will remain for a short visit at the home of the former's brothers and sisters.

Col. "Tom" Winters, a graduate of this office now a compositor on one of the Pittsburg dailies, paid a visit to the home of his parents in this place last week.

Mr. Will Endsley, who holds a lucrative and responsible position with the Cambria Iron Company, Johnstown, is spending a short vacation with his parents in this place.

Mr. A. A. Streng, of Lavansville, has been elected principal of the Latrobe public schools for the term of 1897-98. Last year he served as assistant principal in the same place.

J. C. Lowry, Esq., has received his credentials as a representative of the "Lincoln Club, Somerset, Pa.," to the National League of Republican Clubs, whose annual convention meets at Detroit in September.

Mr. Calvin N. Kincaid, of Milford township, and Miss Sadie E. Landis, of Brothersvalley township, were united in marriage on July 1st, at the home of the officiating clergyman, Rev. S. C. Long, in Jennertown.

Mr. Robert Beerits left yesterday for Riddlesburg, Bedford county, where he will serve as an usher at the wedding of his friend Lloyd Shaw, of Piedmont, West Va., who will be married to-day to Miss Louder, of Riddlesburg.

William Younkin, of Meyersdale, and Miss Lizzie Hibner of Williams, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Hibner, by Rev. Mackey of Meyersdale, on Thursday, June 24th, at high noon.

Agent G. W. Benford, of the Bell Telephone Company, informs us that the managers of that concern have decided to extend the long distance line from Somerset to Meyersdale and Cumberland, and that construction will be commenced in the near future.

Associate-Judge Horner has been confined to his home for several days suffering from an old sore; resulting from amputation of his right leg during the war. His condition up to this time has not been such as to alarm his many friends, all of whom hope to see him soon fully restored to his accustomed good health.

Mr. George Moorhead, who will be remembered by many of our older readers as a clerk in Parker's store twenty years ago, dropped into town Saturday and spent the day with relatives. He is now a resident of New York City, where he is connected with a large wholesale dry goods establishment.

L. C. Colborn, Esq., accompanied by his wife and daughter—Miss Louise—leave this morning for Toronto, Canada, where Mr. Colborn will participate in the International Convention of Charities and Corrections, he being one of the three delegates from Pennsylvania. They will be absent ten days or two weeks.

Mr. Beam Sellers, the genial and handsome young clerk at Ferner Brothers shoe store, left last Wednesday for a visit to the home of his parents at Morrill, Kan. He took his bike with him and will teach some of the lads in the wild and woolly west how "hill climbers" ride. This is Beam's first vacation in two years.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cunningham, of McKeesport, arrived in town Friday and remained at the home of the former's parents—Mr. and Mrs. Elias Cunningham—until Monday, when Mr. Cunningham returned to resume his duties in the W. Dewees Wood Co's Mill. Mrs. Cunningham will remain in Somerset for several months.

Mr. Charles H. Fisher recently came into possession of an oil painting which he prizes highly and which has been greatly admired by all who have seen it. The scene is "The Stepping Stones," the beautiful and romantic spot south of town, where the waters of Kimberly run dash over the rocks in ceaseless riot. Mr. Fisher had an excellent photograph—taken by Photographer Welfley—of the scene and during the recent visit of a traveling artist secured his services to reproduce it on canvass in oils. The painting can seen seen at Mr. Fisher's store for a few days.

Mr. A. B. Cober, son of H. A. Cober, of Brothersvalley township, was badly poisoned a few days ago in a photographer's gallery, at California, Pa., whither he had gone with a number of the members of the graduating class of the South-West Normal for the purpose of having a class picture taken. The young man came in contact with a malignant climbing ivy, with the result that his entire body was affected, his eyes being swollen shut for several days. Mr. Cober had been selected to deliver an oration at the graduating exercises on Thursday, 1st., inst., but owing to his misfortune was unable to discharge that honorable duty.

Robert Schmucker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Schmucker, who reside near Davidsville, was seriously injured last Sunday, while visiting at the home of his relative—Mr. Stephen Griffith—at Friedline's Mill. Young Schmucker had gone into the barn at Griffith's place to get his horse to return home. While passing a young horse in a stall near where his own animal was feeding he was kicked on the right side and two ribs were fractured. The injured man was taken to the Griffith residence where Dr. Joseph Covode, of Jenners, attended him. He has since been conveyed to the home of his parents, and was resting very well at this writing.

The many Somerset friends of Mr. F. G. Parker will be pleased to learn of a promotion he received on the 1st inst., when he was transferred from the position of Superintendent of the Bessemer Department to that of Superintendent of the Rolling Mill, Cambria Iron Company. Mr. Parker has been connected with the Cambria Iron Company for a period of twenty years and enjoys the reputation of being one of the best organizers and executive chiefs of that large concern.

Another Somerset county boy to receive recognition and promotion on the 1st inst., by the same Company, was Mr. Albert Trent, son of the late William Trent, of Listie, who assumed the position of acting Superintendent of the Order Distributing Department.

At a meeting of the Berlin School Board last week all of the teachers employed last term were re-elected for the ensuing term.

A missionary meeting will be held in the Somerset Reformed church this evening at which members of the Board of Home Missions will speak.

Letters addressed to the following named persons remain uncalled for at the post office: Elizabeth Ackerman, Levi Harding, Geo. W. Wright.

Rev. Hiram King will conduct religious services in the Lavansville Reformed church next Sabbath morning at 10 a. m., and at Somerset at 7:30 p. m.

The Reformed Congregation at Shanksville will hold a lawn fete in the church yard at that place on Saturday evening. The public is invited to be present.

It is rumored that thieves recently stole $350 from the residence of John Kelso, a Lower Turkeyfoot township farmer. The family were absent from home at the time and it is supposed the robbers knew where the treasure was hidden.

At a meeting of the stock holders of the Somerset County Telephone Company, held at Meyersdale, on July 3d, a dividend of three and one-half per cent. on the capital stock was declared out of the net earnings of the preceding six months. The following officers and directors were elected: A. F. John, President; James E. Ferner, Vice President; E. M. Beachley, Secretary; H. M. Berkley, Treasurer. In addition to the dividend mentioned above, a handsome sum was added to the surplus account.

A stave factory is a new industry in course of erection at Trent, in Middlecreek township. The factory building is nearly completed and the machinery, all new, has been delivered. The owners of the plant come from the northwest part of the State and will manufacture barrels for the Standard Oil Company. They have purchased several hundred acres of fine oak timber land in the neighborhood of Trent. About fifteen skilled mechanics will be employed in the factory.

Miss Miriam Grace Winters, youngest daughter of Ex-Sheriff and Mrs. John Winters, of this place, and Mr. George F. Shepherd, of Cumberland, Md., were united in marriage at the home of the bride's brother—Robert—in Johnstown, on Monday evening, June 28th, the ceremony being performed by Rev. C. C. Hays, of that city. The bride is one of Somerset's prettiest and most popular young ladies and the groom is a promising young business man of the Queen City.

One of the very prettiest homes about Somerset now nearing completion, is the cottage residence of Mr. Harry Kifer, on the Stoystown road, just north of town. Mr. Kifer's architect, who in this case happens to be himself, has displayed rare taste in the outlines of the building, while the interior is arranged with a view to making everything as convenient and comfortable as possible. Now that that section of town is being built up it is proper the street be given an appropriate name. "Hay Avenue" has been suggested.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the First National Bank held in their banking room on Friday evening, a semi-annual dividend of three per cent. on the capital stock was declared, the premium account was reduced $200, $2,000 was added to the surplus fund, and a balance of over $2,000 was carried over as undivided profits, all out of the earnings of the last six months. The officials of the bank say that the business has shown a gratifying increase over the volume of business transacted during the preceeding six months.

The audience that crowded the Opera House last Thursday evening was delightfully entertained by Mrs. Henry N. Cameron, elocutionist, assisted by the Somerset Mandolin and Guitar Club. Few more pleasing recitals have ever been given in this place, each number being loudly applauded. In addition to her oratorical abilities Mrs. Cameron possesses a charming personality, her every gesture being a model of grace and refinement. The pantomime of the familiar hymn "Jesus Lover of My Soul," made a lasting impression upon all present.

The Superintendent of Public Instruction has issued a pamphlet containing statistics regarding 537 school districts in Pennsylvania that levy less tax for school purposes than their apportionment of State appropriation for schools. In Adams county there are seventeen districts which levy less school tax than they get from the State. Several districts in that county get three times as much from the State as they get from the tax payers at home. Somerset county has six districts which receive more from the State than from local tax payers, while Cambria and Bedford counties have four such districts each.

The Alert Fire Department of Meyersdale, Pa., will hold a grand picnic and tournament on Saturday, July 24th, 1897. An elaborate programme consisting of a grand firemen's parade, hose contest, prize drill, ladder climbing contest, 50 foot run, break coupling and make connections, etc., has been arranged and a general good time has been provided for.

For this occasion the B. & O. R. R. Co. has granted exceedingly low rates, a schedule of which will be published later. A cordial invitation is extended to all to be present with the guarantee of the Alert Fire Department that all who come to Meyersdale that day will be amply repaid for having done so.

"Old Sol" was the most patriotic citizen hereabouts on the 4th. In fact he got up so much steam that all others were thrown into the shade and he had the field to himself. The heat of Saturday was sufficient to satisfy most people, but Sunday went the record of the preceding day one better. There was not a thimbleful of air going until after midday and thereafter only enough for a few breaths. The streets were comparatively deserted throughout the day and evening, most people preferring to remain at home where they could dispense with outer garments. Thermometers of uncertain reputation in various parts of town recorded the heat anywhere from 88 to 96 degrees. It was certainly the hotest day ever experienced in Somerset. Monday was another scorcher only relieved by a gentle shower in the early afternoon and by a feeble breeze kicked up by a passing hail-storm north of town.

Judge Brubaker of Lancaster County, administered last week a scathing rebuke to the County Commissioners. Ten days ago the Court made an order that the marriage licenses index books should be made by Bookbinder Roy. The County Commissioners countermanded the order and gave the order for the books to a favored bookbinder.

He told them that the countermanding of his order to Roy was a piece of impertinence and if it occured again he would have the whole Board arrested for contempt. The Judge warmed up at this stage and talked plainly to the Commissioners. He told them their other clerk, W. W. Griest, run them and it would be better for the welfare of the county if they would run the county affairs instead of being mere figure heads. It seemed to the Court that they were unable to do anything without consulting Griest.

Judge Brubaker continued: "The Commissioners office is run to meet political patronage and assessors are paid three times what they earn; the temple of justice is defiled by the use of the office of the Commissioners for factional purposes—the county auditors cannot find anything wrong, but the Court proposes to appoint a committee of investigation who would find out what is going on."

# CIRCUS SNAP SHOTS.

### Additional Features of the Combine Show Brought to Light.

### "BARKERS" ON PARADE.

If there was an old "Greenbacker," an old "Sorehead," an old "Kicker" who was absent from the "fake" convention last Tuesday it was because he did not have the price of a railroad ticket, or the walking in his section was not good.

They were mostly there and those who were not had their ears to the ground impatiently listening for news from their brethren.

And what an amount of enthusiasm they brought with them.

Nothing like it had been witnessed since '82, when their gallant leader, "General" Koontz, struck the party colors, raised the black flag and engaged in open warfare against the Republican party that had frequently honored him and his followers, including his able second in command, "Colonel" Kooser, who was conveyed to the scene of the first battle in that memorable conflict in an ambulance, being too feeble from long wrestling with his inner-conscience to ride a mount.

As in 1882, J. G. Ogle, Esq., the irrepressible, was on hand in his capacity of "orderly, bottle-holder, general utility man," or what not, with resolutions cut to fit and in abundance, the reading of which called forth salvos of cheers and caused many of the listeners to fall upon one anothers necks through sheer joy at hearing the old familiar phrases that had caused their hearts to throb and their pulses to quicker beat in those days of long ago. It was something akin to the finding of a long lost brother. Even the rasping voice of the ever zealous, if not always discreet, Berkey, was like unto sweet music in the ears of this wondering band who have been grazing in short pasture for some fifteen years, and he was allowed to fire off his little demagogic speech, while the heat and enthusiasm increased.

But we can not do it justice; only one who was there in the flesh and with the true spirit can fitly portray the enthusiasm, hence we quote:

"The great crowd in the court room could no longer suppress its enthusiasm, and calls for 'Koontz' came from all parts of the room. This finally brought to his feet Hon. W. H. Koontz, who certainly needed no introduction to a body of representative citizens (just what they represented is somewhat misty) of Somerset county. The General was greeted with prolonged applause and when this ceased (how considerate) he said in part:

"Just six hundred and eighty-two years ago, at Runnymede, the bold barons, sword in hand, compelled King John to sign Magna Charta, the palladium of British liberties. (Had not Mr. Ogle with his usual foresight dispatched Messrs. Shober and Kimmel to lay on the roof it would have been swept from the building by the storm of enthusiasm that greeted this announcement.) The principles upon which the Republican party were formulated in 1856 were free speech, free territory and free men. (Tremendous applause.) The war of 1860-'65 resulted in the shackles falling from the limbs of 4,000,000 of slaves. (Defening applause, which would have rung the Court House bell and probably caused an alarm of fire had not Mr. Ogle thoughtfully had the bell muffled.) Subsequent to the war the question of the reconstruction of the states lately in rebellion, the payment of the large national debt, the resumption of specie payments and various other questions had been raised, but were ultimately settled according to the views and principles of the Republican party. (Applause lasting 5 minutes by the watch.)

"In 1882 a revolt occurred in the ranks of the Republican party in Pennsylvania which resulted in the defeat of Gen. Beaver and the election of a Democratic Governor, and, I am proud to say, I was the leader of the revolt in this county. (Loud applause from the Democratic contingent.) In 1886 it was I who led a revolt in the interests of a Democratic candidate for Congress in this district, but with poor success. (Slight applause, mingled with hisses.) I did the same thing in 1890 and while unsuccessful in defeating the Republican candidate for Congress, the State administration was once more handed over to the Democratic party. (Wild and enthusiastic applause.) I need scarcely refer to our strenuous efforts to elect a Free Silverite to Congress last fall, but let us not be dismayed by this recent failure. We have a Democratic Poor Director and Jury Commissioner in sight for the next three years unless I wrongfully read the signs of the times and the tremendous vote polled at our late primary is not misleading. (Applause and cheering, while Capt. Harrison, Judge Horner and others shook hands with the speaker.)

When the enthusiasm following the "General's" remarks had somewhat subsided, Mr. Kooser took a pinch of snuff and an Ex-County Commissioner rendered a song entitled:

"I AM A GOOD OLD KICKER."

AIR:—When Kooser Gets to Congress.

"I'm a good old kicker,
An' that's just what I am,
And for the Republican party
I don't care a d——n;
I'm glad I fit agin it,
And am sorry that they won,
But I ain't goin' to ax no pardon
For anythink I done."

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I'm a good old kicker,
An' that's just what I am,
I listed under ole Marse Gineral
When this hyar fight began;
I fit agin Gin'l Beaver
Way back in '82,
An' I'll do some mo' tall kicking,
Befo' dis yar fight is thro.

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I'm a good old kicker,
An' that's just what I am,
I hate all rules an' regulations,
An' defy 'em all I can;
I never paid an assessment,
An' d—n me if I do,
I've not been reconstructed,
I'm a kicker through an' through.

"The audience soon caught the point of the General's speech and applied it with rounds of applause. Then came calls for 'Kooser' (second fiddle but always there) and the gentleman whose 'fool friends' have been a sort of nightmare to the moribund ring arose amid great applause." (In that very much mixed audience it was feared by some that Mr. E. O. Kooser, Secretary of the Democratic County Committee, might arise under the impression that the vociferous "calls for Kooser" were meant for the only son and junior member of the firm. It was a timely and happy deliverance when the senior Kooser got first to his feet.)

"Mr. Kooser disclaimed any intention of making a speech of any length," but despite his intentions, force of habit compelled him to do so. Mr. Kooser always goes to great lengths, not alone in speeches, for he is built that way. However, after this modest but unintentional introductory, he proceeded to do the "grand, gloomy and peculiar" act. He apologized at great length for the smallness of the vote polled at the late fake primary, but with true optomistic vision saw in it a tremendous uprising of the people, considering it was an "off year." Just how far "off" most of his listeners apparently knew. He said that from 1200 to 2000 votes had always been considered a large vote in off years, but as the speaker had been "off" the Republican band wagon for so many years his hearers were somewhat dubious about accepting him as an authority on statistics. His relief and joy "that the proceedings of the convention have been without friction or tumult" (save the tremendous applause) was truly touching. His reference to last spring's primary, when he carried the county for Congress, and when, from his point of view all matters political take their date, did not call forth the anticipated applause. It was too old a saw for even that boisterously enthusiastic audience. His beseeching of his hearers to believe that the managers of the fake primary and fake convention were acting honestly and in good faith caused some doubtful glances to be exchanged, which meant "he doth protest too much for a man conscious of his own and fellows rectitude." While still engaged in a vain effort to make himself and hearers believe in the righteousness of his cause, a mighty cheer came rolling up from the room below, on the ground floor, where the members of the Republican County Committee were holding their annual meeting, that fairly took the speaker off his feet. Hysterically gasping for breath he paused for an instant; then, recovering himself, dramatically proclaimed: "The bosses are not here to-day; the groan of the dying ring, now in your hearing, comes from the cellar of the Court House, where are assembled the fallen heroes of the once glorious "Scull ring." "

* * * (Through an error, it is presumed, this literary gem was attributed to J. A. Berkey in the last issue of the "personal organ," but it was Mr. Kooser's own; credit to whom credit is due.)

With one sweep of his pen Mr. Kooser changed the party (his party) rules, and, overlooking the result of the last judicial campaign announced the decision of the Court declaring his candidates the nominees of the Republican party.

As he took his seat the audience arose and cheered; cheered long and loudly. (It may have been their method of giving expression of their delight that the speaker had finished) much the same as many of the same audience had done in 1882, and the great fake convention was declared adjourned.

And how the large Democratic contingent enjoyed it. They cheered, laughed and perspired, and felt, so far as they were concerned, that it was good for them to be there.

And now that the amusement is all over for this season, "the cries, the roars, the bellowings" having been heard, we have to wait but a few brief weeks to hear "the gurgle of the smothered noise" when the regularly elected delegates participate in the State Convention, and the regular party nominees are placed on the regular Republican ticket.

### Binder Twine! Farmers Look Here!

We have just received a carload of binder twine from one of the best manufacturers. Quality guaranteed.

I will sell while this car lasts at following prices for cash:—

Sisal, per pound, - - 5 cts.
Standard, per pound, - - 5 cts.
Manilla, per pound - - 6 cts.

If charged or in less than bales, 1 cent per pound advance.

Twine open for inspection at our store.

J. B. HOLDERBAUM,
Somerset, Pa.

### A Fine Game of Ball.

"Late" Witt occupies the top notch in the heart of the "rooters" since his wonderful running one-hand catch of a hot liner last Wednesday afternoon. It was a beautiful exhibition of skill and was cheered to the echo by the large crowd gathered at West-Side Park to witness the game between Berlin and Somerset.

Somerset deliberately and with exact precision gathered up "Red" Davis' crimson locks and notwithstanding his boasted "steam" pinned them under the nape of his neck and sent him home looking like a "Dolly Varden belle" after a night at the circus.

Davis shoots the ball with terrific force, but he was unable to keep it under control and on two or three occasions shot it high over Hall's head, thereby permitting Somerset to score. Davis' shortcoming wasn't the only drawback to Berlin. Fogle dropped a fly that would have clung to a charcoal basket.

Swindell was a surprise to the visitors who looked upon him as an easy mark, but when they went before his wide sweeping curves, beautifully controlled at critical points, their eyes bulged forth as though they were composed of glass. Swindell doesn't have the steam of Davis, but his nerves are steady and he has no tendency to "go up in the air." As a result of Swindell's skill only one safe hit was made by the visitors, a clean two-bagger by Fogle. "Midget" Crawford gave Swindell excellent support and played the game without an error. Pugh, Uhl and Witt all distinguished themselves in the field and the three double plays credited to them were finely executed. "Spud" Hurst punched the ball for a safe hit and afterwards took a slide to third in a manner that received prompt recognition from the "rooters."

The game was the most enjoyable played on the home grounds this season. Very little kicking was indulged in and the best of feeling existed between the competing teams. Following is the score:

| BERLIN | R | H | P | A | E | SOMER. | R | H | P | A | E |
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| Hall, c | 0 | 0 | 10 | 5 | 2 | Pugh, 1 | 0 | 1 | 13 | 0 | 0 |
| Menges, r.f | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | Crawf'd, c.f | 1 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Kim'l, m | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Uhl, 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 0 |
| Snyder, 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 | Harlan, m.f | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Erhart, s | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | Pick'g, 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 1 |
| Fogle, 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | Hurst, 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Landis, 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | Witt, s | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 |
| Vann, 1 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 2 | Saylor, r | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Davis, p | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | Swind'l, p | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Totals | 5 | 8 | *21 | 9 | 10 | Totals | 8 | 6 | 27 | 14 | 5 |

*Swindell out hit by batted ball.

| Score by innings: | | |
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| Berlin | 0 0 0 0 3 0 0 1 1 | 5 |
| Somerset | 1 0 2 2 1 1 1 0 x | 8 |

Summary. Earned runs—Berlin 1. Two base hit—Fogle. Passed balls—Hall 3. Wild pitches—Davis 4. Bases on balls—Davis, Crawford, Uhl, Hurst. Hit by pitcher—Erhart. Stolen bases—Hurst, Crawford, Witt 2. Left on bases—Berlin 3, Somerset 6. Struck out—Pugh, Crawford, Uhl 2, Harlan 2, Picking 2, Witt, Saylor 2, Swindell, Hall, Menges 2, Kimmel, Davis. Double plays—Picking, Uhl, Pugh, Swindell, Uhl, Pugh. Pugh (unassisted). Sacrifice hits—Hall, Fogle, Saylor. Time—2 10. Umpire—Walker.

### Ohio Democratic Convention.

The Ohio Democratic State convention, held at Columbus last Wednesday, was one of the most memorable political occasions in the history of Ohio. It was a convention of unanimity on principles and of differences on men. In the contests for favorites it was also a convention of endurance, as the delegates took no recess and were in session continuously from 10 a. m. till almost that hour at night before the following ticket was nominated:

Governor, Horace L. Chapman; Lieutenant Governor, Melville D. Shaw; Supreme Judge, J. P. Spriggs; Attorney General, W. H. Dore; State Treasurer, James F. Wilson; Board of public Works, Peter H. Degnan; School Commissioner, Byron H. Hurd.

While there was some differences of opinion on adopting the anti-trust and the Cuban resolutions, there was not a dissenting voice in the convention to the declaration for the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1 without the co-operation of any other nation. And the name of William J. Bryan was mentioned in some way by every speaker as the only sure way of bringing out a chorus of applause.

### Mother and Daughter's Suicide.

OWENSBORO, Ky., June 30.—Mrs. Paul Weitmeier and her daughter, Miss Pauline Weitmeier, committed suicide by taking carbonic acid some time last night. Both were dressed handsomely when found by neighbors this morning. On a table by the bedside were two glasses which contained carbolic acid, and a note saying they desired to be buried just as found. They conducted a dyeing establishment and were in comfortable circumstances. Mrs. Weitmeier has a brother, Dr. Hengler, of Paterson, N. J.

### What Do the Children Drink?

Don't give them tea or coffee. Have you tried the new food drink called Grain-O? It is delicious and nourishing and takes the place of coffee. The more Grain-O you give the children the more health you distribute through their systems. Grain-O is made of pure grains, and when properly prepared tastes like the choice grades of coffee but costs about ¼ as much. All grocers sell it. 15c and 25c.

### How About That Call For the Fake Primary Election?

### A COMMITTEEMAN WANTS TO KNOW.

EDITOR HERALD:

The Combine organ, in its issue of June 10th, in speaking of the petition signed by committeemen for a primary election, said: "Up to this time this call has been presented to 28 members of the Committee, and 25 of these have signed it, declaring that 'whereas the present chairman of the County Committee has refused to accept both the fee and the announcement of certain candidates and has announced that he will not call a primary election this year, we, the undersigned Committeemen do hereby issue said call.'" Then, in the issue of the same organ, of June 24th, they publish what purports to be the call above referred to, but the wording of it is vastly different. Now, I want to say that neither the call I have quoted above or the one as published in the issue of June 24th is anything like the one that was presented to me by ex-County Commissioner Shober, and at the time it was presented to me there were 18 signatures attached to it. Why did they not publish the exact copy of the call that the Committeemen signed? Because they dared not do it. Chairman Berkley published the "call off" the Committeemen signed, word for word, letter for letter. If the same "arguments" were used with other Committeemen that were used with me in an endeavor to have me sign the call, and I have no doubt they were, it is surprising that only 25 signed it. I challenge ex-Commissioner Shober and Commissioner Kimmel to publish the call or petition, word for word, that they circulated. They dare not do it, as it will expose them to the public as political fakirs of the first water. Then again, of the 25 Committeemen who signed this fake call, 6 refused to hold a primary because they had been misled into signing it. Their names are, M. A. Zimmerman, Daniel Mickey, Joel Bauman, Simon Thomas, Nelson Gerhard, W. M. Putman. Again, two of those who signed the call and held a primary resigned as soon as the primary was over. I was present at the meeting of the County Committee held on Tuesday last, and a more harmonious and enthusiastic gathering of Republicans I never attended. I did not see the ex or the County Commissioner present who tried to induce me to sign their fake call, but that was not surprising, as there were none there who were not earnest and sincere Republicans. Now a word to Mr. F. J. Kooser, who it seems bossed the fake call, the fake primary and the fake convention. If you were sincere in wanting a primary election, Mr. Kooser, why did you not put up the share of your candidates to pay the expense. If you were honest in your declaration that a large majority of the members of the Committee wanted to hold a primary why did you not publish the paper exactly as they signed it? Were you and are you not now trying to fake the people? The people of my township think you are. Last spring, when you were a candidate for Congress, you carried my township, one of the Republican strongholds of the county, by a very handsome majority. This spring the votes that were polled at your fake primary can be counted on the fingers of your two hands. Next spring, when you are a candidate for Congress again, those who voted at your fake primary may vote for you again, but I don't think many others will. The people like fair and honest dealing but are opposed to fakirs, political and otherwise.

COMMITTEEMAN.

July 3, 1897.

### A Mountain Tragedy Recalled.

Mrs. Elizabeth Baughman expired at the home of her son John, in Brothersvalley township, on June 23th, in the ninety-fifth year of her age.

The death of this aged woman recalls a mountain tragedy which occurred in Elk Lick townships about the year 1849. She was the widow of Henry Baughman, a German, who then lived near the top of the Negro mountain, near one of the roads leading to the "Peck" settlement. Baughman was a rather intelligent man but somewhat hot tempered. One day in April his cows which had been turned loose failed to come home, and Baughman with two of his sons—14 and 12 years old—started out in search of them. When they returned home that night the youngest son was not with his father and elder brother, but Baughman inquired whether August had come home, saying that the boys had run a race—That Henry, the older one, fell down, but that August kept on running and that was the last he had seen of him. When told that the lad had not returned home Baughman did not seem much alarmed, and remarked that the boy must have gone to one of the neighbors and would probably return in the morning. But when he failed to return search was made for him—eventually almost the entire township joining in the hunt—but without finding any trace of the lost boy. People finally begun to suspect that the lad had met with foul play and one day Baughman was placed under arrest. It was noticed that he always tried to keep the older boy from talking much with the people who were engaged in the search.

After the arrest of the father an opportunity was presented to question Henry the older boy, who said that his brother become tired and lagged behind, and that his father had become very angry and struck him a violent blow with a cane or stick that he had, the boy falling to the ground and blood streaming from his nose and mouth. The boy was senseless and Baughman carried him some distance from the road and laid him between two rocks—and compelled Henry to keep silent about the matter.

Searchers under the guidance of Henry visited the place but found nothing of the boy. Near by the ground seemed to have been freshly dug up, but when the spot was carefully examined the body was not there. Baughman was tried in our courts before Judge Black for murder, and was found guilty of manslaughter and sentenced to the penitentiary for eleven years and nine months. He served his sentence and returned to his family. He lived in Elk Lick for many years and died there at an advanced age. All his life he maintained that he did not kill the boy and always said that he would return home some day.

In the summer of 1855 part of a human skeleton was found in a swampy place on the mountain—perhaps it was a thicket of laurel—The skeleton was badly decayed, but was pronounced from what was left as being that of a child of ten or twelve years. The distance from where the skeleton was found and where Baughman had carried the boy was about two miles, and it it now supposed that the boy had not been actually killed by the blow given him by his enraged father—that after being left on the mountain top he regained consciousness and started to reach some house, got lost in the thicket and perished in that way; that Baughman had returned to the spot during the night for the purpose of burying the body, and after digging a grave as was found—he failed to find the boy's body—the lad having revived and left the spot.

Plant an "Ad" in the HERALD.

### Recent Deaths.

Annie, wife of Jacob Sala, died at her home in Scalp Level, at 2 o'clock Friday morning from consumption. Mrs. Sala was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Yoder, of Conemaugh township, and was about thirty-five years of age. She is survived by her husband and two children.

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Augustus Hoffman died at his home, in Brothersvalley township, on Saturday evening, June 26th, after an illness of only five days. Death resulted from congestion of the liver. Deceased was in his sixty-fourth year. Mr. Hoffman was a native of Germany, coming to this country in 1857. He is survived by his wife and eight children, all but two of whom are married.


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