

Edward R. Soull, of Pittsburg, spent Thanksgiving with his parents in this place.

Mrs. S. Darrah, of Denver, Pa., is visiting the home of her sister, Mrs. W. H. Platt.

Concessions of new Baltimore & Ohio brick depot and freight station will be completed January 1.

Mr. E. E. Patton, B. & O. City Passenger Agent, at Washington, D. C., spent last week at the home of his mother in this place.

Hon. W. H. Miller and wife, Queenshoning township, ate Thanksgiving dinner at the home of their son-in-law, Mr. T. L. Cleaver.

Hon. George F. Ross and wife, of Reading, Pa., were in the home of the latter's father, John O. Kimmel, Esq., several days last week.

The union Thanksgiving services, held in the Lutheran church on Thursday last, were well attended. The offering for the poor on that occasion was \$22.15.

Howard Cronwell, who is employed in one of the Frick Coke Company's department stores, near Scottsdale, is visiting at the home of his mother, on Main street, in this place.

Mr. Willis Rhoads and wife, of Butler, Pa., arrived here last Wednesday and spent four or five days at the home of the former's parents—Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Rhoads.

Mr. Frank S. Cunningham, who holds a lucrative position with the W. D. Wood Co., at McKeesport, Pa., spent last week at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elias Cunningham.

Conductor Waite and Train Dispatcher G. O. of the Somerset & Cambria R. R., are away on a western tour. They will visit Kansas City, Omaha and Salt Lake City before returning home.

The dance given at the Somerset House, Friday evening, was the most successful society event of the season. Out-of-town guests were present from Pittsburg, Erie, Meadville, and Meyersdale.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Zimmerman, of Jeners township, are preparing to remove to Ohio, where they will reside permanently. They have already shipped their household goods to the "Backeye" State.

George G. Pile, who has been successful in his position in the grocery business for the past year in Altoona, spent several days last week at the home of his mother, Mrs. George W. Pile, in this place.

Mr. Charles Hancock, of Danville, Pa., spent Thanksgiving at the home of Mrs. Simon Krebs, near Altoona, and his young son has been here for several months.

Mrs. Clara Belle, wife of Albert Ringler, of Brothersville township, died on Wednesday, November 24th, aged 23 years.

Rev. J. H. Knopper, of Meadville, Pa., is in the city on business, and is expected to return on Monday next.

Mr. Nelson B. Miller and Miss Anna M. Stahl, both of Somerset township, were united in marriage on Thanksgiving day, November 26th, at the residence of the bride's mother, Rev. T. J. Brainerd.

Rev. Edgar G. Miller, of Easton, Pa., will conduct religious services in the Lutheran church on Sunday, Dec. 2nd, at 10:30 a. m., and at 7 p. m. Rev. Miller will also preach at the Casser Church, in Lincoln township, at 2:30 p. m., the same day.

Mr. John G. Bender, of Friedens, and Miss Annie C. Joads, whose home is near that place, were united in marriage on Wednesday, November 25th, at the residence of Mr. J. H. Coleman, at Coleman Station, Rev. J. Welch, of Friedens officiating.

Mr. C. S. Vannear, proprietor of the "Hotel Vannear," has been critically ill for the past ten days, suffering from pneumonia. His condition is improving, and he is expected to be able to leave his home on Monday next.

There will be no services in the Presbyterian church next Sunday. Communion will be held on the Sunday following, December 13th, at 10:30 a. m., conducted by the pastor, Rev. T. J. Brainerd. Preparatory services will be held on Friday and Saturday evenings, December 10th and 11th, at 7 p. m.

A collier, whose name we have been unable to ascertain, was killed on an accident Friday morning, while hunting for rabbits, which deprived him of the second leg of his right foot. He was resting his gun on his back when the weapon was accidentally discharged, striking the leg.

The West Virginia Mayors' Association was organized at Clarksburg, on Monday, and Grant Kendall, Mayor of Fairmont, was elected president of the association. The object of the Association is to take united action in the various municipalities of the State in regard to securing proper legislation, and to promote the interests of the State generally.

Joseph C. Miller, of Bakewellville, accompanied by his attorney, Hon. A. H. Coffroth, and a number of witnesses, left Monday evening for Pittsburg, where a suit for libel brought by Mr. Miller against the editors and proprietors of the "Somerset Herald" will be tried in the Allegheny county court to-day. The alleged libel was published in 1895, at the time of the death of the prosecutor's brother at Dixon.

William Gibbons was lodged in jail Saturday afternoon where he will be held until a charge of robbery is made against him. Gibbons was employed as a miner by Joseph Oyer and bore a good reputation up until the time of his arrest. Gibbons' position was identified by one of the witnesses who had entered her name. A warrant has been issued for the arrest of Gibbons' confederate and his arrest will follow in a day or two.

Parker Y. Kimmel, who is employed in the passenger department of the Pennsylvania Company, at Pittsburg, and who has been several days at the home of his father, John O. Kimmel, Esq. The senior Mr. Kimmel celebrated the eighty-third anniversary of his birth on Saturday last. He is one of the best preserved men to be found in the State, his eyes being as bright and his step as elastic as a young man of thirty. Mr. Kimmel attributes his splendid health to the regular habits he has followed from youth up.

The Mozart Symphony Club, who will furnish Thursday night's entertainment of the Teachers' Institute course, will appear at the Opera House again on Friday night, when they will give an entire change of program. This is perhaps the finest musical organization that has ever appeared in Somerset and the demand for tickets for Thursday night is increasing. The orchestra is well equipped with the best of instruments and the music is of the highest quality. They bring good cheer with them and diffuse it among those who enjoy their music. Tickets are being sold at a low price and are expected to be in great demand.

While there was no formal action taken by the residents, this town was turned over to the school teachers of the county at an early hour Monday morning, and has since been in their possession. The teachers are well pleased with the school and are looking forward to the coming year with confidence. They are well liked by the community and are bringing good cheer with them and diffusing it among those who enjoy their music. Tickets are being sold at a low price and are expected to be in great demand.

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STARTS OUT WELL.

The Philadelphia Times on Monday last published the following:

An association of about fifty families in Western Pennsylvania, all of whom are descendants of Jacob Baker, a Continental soldier who fought at Brandywine, and of property in this city and vicinity shortly after the close of the Revolutionary war, have a representative here, who is endeavoring to establish a legal claim to an estate valued at \$60,000.

The heirs have a claim on an old deed recently unearthed in the office of the County Clerk. The claim is dated May 19, 1792, and is made in the name of Jacob Baker, bachelor. The Baker heirs' representative, George B. Smith, claims that there is no record of the transfer of the property to the heirs. He is hopeful that Jacob Baker's heirs may be able to establish a legal claim to the estate in the courts.

The claim of the Baker heirs, which is somewhat visionary, is interesting, because of the romantic story upon which it is based. Jacob Baker, the original owner of the property claimed, served as a colonel in the Continental army during the war of the war was paid off in scrip, the national currency of that time. With his earnings, which aggregated several thousand dollars, Baker purchased farming lands on the outskirts of the old town of Philadelphia. For ten years following the close of the Revolution, Baker and his family lived alone, but the latter finally married and had several children, contrary to her brother's wishes, and Baker announced his determination to disinherit her. He, however, died intestate, and the sister never presented a claim to the property to the heirs. Only recently there were five legal representatives of the heirs in Philadelphia working on the claim. Attorney Shoemaker is now looking up the case, says he is ready to present the claims of the heirs to the courts in a short time.

Making Themselves Numerous. Since the Somerset County Telephone Company was organized, it has had a hundred or more tall poles on the various streets of the town, poles are beginning to wonder what compensation the taxpayers are to receive other than the facilities offered as a telephone exchange. Telegraph, telegraph and electric light poles have become very numerous during the past several years, in some instances marred the beauty of otherwise pretty streets. Somerset is rapidly forging ahead in the material progress of the town and in a handsome condition, and their condition is all the more deplorable when contrasted with the marked public improvements that have been made in other cities of the same size and population. It can probably devote the coming three or four months to arranging for permanent street improvements next year.

Rheumatism Cured in a Day. "Mystic Cure" for Rheumatism and Neuralgia radically cures in 1 to 3 days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits; 75 cents. Sold at Benford's Drug Store, Somerset, Pa.

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Mr. Yoder's Effort to Have His Father Declared Insane Fails.

UNUSUAL PROCEEDING BETWEEN MEN-NONITE BRETHREN.

The novel proceeding of a son appearing against his father in a court of law, where it is sought to make it appear that the father is mentally disqualified from taking care of his estate, was witnessed here last week. The proceeding, owing to the fact that the parties are both members of the same peculiar belief, holds their taking a prescribed oath, and requires them to wear hoods and eye masks instead of the familiar button, and in this way to disfigure themselves with the usual amount of attention given to cases of a similar character.

The proceeding was instituted by Mr. Yoder, the only child and natural heir of Christian Yoder, a venerable Elk Lick township farmer. He testified that he had worked on his father's farm until he was twenty years of age, and for three or four years thereafter, when he removed to West Virginia, where he still resides. He declared that the run-down appearance in which he presented himself, as well as the fact that he was allowed to have three or four women in his employ, indicated to his mind that he was squandering his substance, and that the Court should appoint some one whose business it would be to see that his affairs were properly and economically managed. He admitted that his father had treated him with more or less liberality, but since his death, and his property, some five or six years ago, and only a short time ago divided with him the proceeds of a lumber sale, but recently he declared the old gentleman had not been so liberal in his treatment of him, and was going so far as to refuse to tell him how he expended his money. A number of witnesses were called who swore that in their opinion Mr. Yoder was mentally incompetent to manage his estate, and most of them basing their opinion on the fact that for several years he has permitted his farm to run down and has not gathered the same proportion of crops as in former years.

On the other side fifteen or more witnesses testified that they had known old man Yoder for many years and that there was nothing in his conduct to indicate that he was mentally deficient, while several declared that he showed a good judgment in refusing to employ farm hands to raise what at 20 cents per bushel, when he himself was incapable of doing so, and that he was a man of seventy-four years of age. Old man Yoder did not testify in his own behalf, although he was an interested spectator throughout the proceeding and frequently consulted with his attorneys in regard to the examination of witnesses. He exhibited no outward resentment at the conduct of his son and had gone to his home before the verdict of the jury was rendered.

The proceeding was held before lawyer H. L. Beer, who was appointed commissioner by the Court, and a jury of six men were charged with hearing the evidence and rendering a verdict in accordance with the facts. Portions of Wednesday and Thursday were occupied in taking testimony and hearing arguments of counsel. The jury found Mr. Yoder sane, having arrived at that conclusion by the testimony of the witnesses.

The scene presented during the trial was a novel one, as instances are rare where the machinery of the law has been invoked in this county to settle disputes between members of the same church. The branch of the church to which the elder Yoder owed allegiance has no ministers or bishops in Western Pennsylvania, so that when his wife died he was compelled to send to Ohio to a Bishop to officiate at her funeral, and when he wishes to partake of sacrament or communion, he has either to send for a Bishop or go to Ohio in order to partake of the sacrament.

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As usual we have made preparation for all visitors to our store during this and next week, and will offer

Astonishing Values In High Grade Merchandise.....In All Departments.....

Special bargains in Latest Style Wraps in latest and prevailing textures and shades.

Varied Assortment of DRESS - GOODS in Novelties, Plaids, Serges, and plain effects at prices extraordinarily low. Silks, Velvets and Braids to match goods for trimming.

OUR MILLINERY DEPARTMENT is complete, so that we are selling prettier hats at greater bargains, together with a higher grade of workmanship and better materials than can be found elsewhere in the county.

The Approach of CHRISTMAS

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KID GLOVES, UMBRELLAS, STAMPED LINENS, EMBROIDERY SILKS, ICE WOOLS, HANDBERCHIEFS, DOLLS, NOVELTIES in Sterling Silver, etc.

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given to all Justices of the Peace, the Coroner and Constables of Somerset County, Pa., that if they are then and there in their proper persons with their offices and seals, and if they are not then and there to appear at the Court on Monday, December 13, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m., and there to prosecute against them as shall be directed.

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