e Somerset Herald.

GEORGE R. SCULL, Editor.

DNESDAY ..... August 24, 1898.

is said that the official register of the nish army bears the names of 280 utenant generals.

he regular term of argument court vened at 10 o'clock yesterday morn- Judge Longenecker presiding.

Within the past 60 days the receivers of Baltimore & Ohio railroad have or- ed almost 6,000 new freight cars.

Farmers claim that at least one-third of oats crop has been ruined by the un- precedented rainfall during the past forty s.

esuvius is again in a state of active ption. Four streams of lava are flow- down the mountain side at the rate of yards an hour.

A blessing alike to young and old; Dr. wler's Extract of Wild Strawberry. ture's specific for dysentery, diarrhoea d summer complaint.

A stray pig was found on the premises A. E. Bittner, near Somerset, on dnesday last. The owner can recover perty upon payment of damages.

Associate Justice Brewer says that if had read in the Bible of such victories those of Dewey and Schley we would rcely bring ourselves to believe them.

Major John R. Lynch, of the Third labama Volunteer Infantry (colored), is e only negro paymaster in the volun- er or regular service. He is an ex-Con- ressman from the state of Mississippi.

The largest American flag in the coun- y was Saturday afternoon unfurled be- tween two mountain tops east of Tyrone nd 580 feet above the surface of the usiata River. It measures 60 by 100 et, and is suspended from a galvanized on cable, 3,200 feet long.

Things have changed since Major hafter now Gen. Shafter was captured y General Wheeler's cavalry and sent to libby Prison. The man who would have prophesied that Wheeler would be serv- ng under Shafter thirty-six years later ould have been considered daft.

Wanted. High-grade man or woman f good church standing, first willing to earn our business, then to act as mana- er and correspondent here, on salary.

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The school directors of Southampton ownship have elected the following eachers for the ensuing school year: Mountain, W. A. Hay; Comps, A. E. Pugh; Kennell's Mill, L. W. Korns; Korns, H. S. Martz; Cooks, Allen F. Meyers; Spruce Bank, Maggie Everline.

John Watson Mauk, the Pennsylva- nian who killed the confederate General A. P. Hill, died Friday afternoon at 4:15 o'clock at his home at Centerville, in Cumberland Valley, aged about 65 years. Some weeks ago Mr. Mauk received a stroke of paralysis, which was the cause of his death.

McClure's Magazine for September will contain an article by George B. Waldron on "The Commercial Promise of Cuba, Porto Rico, and the Philip- pines," and an article by Ray Stannard Baker describing the elaborate and costly system by which the news of the war has been reported for the American news- papers.

Three hundred and sixty-seven thou- sand acres of land will be restored to the public domain in Minnesota on October 5 next, when entries for homestead titles can be made. The land is in Duluth and Crookston districts, and is part of the Red Lake Indian reservation. The area of ground involved comprises sixteen town- ships.

Lieut. Richmond Pearson Hobson, the hero of the Merrimac, was promoted Sat- urday to be a full-fledged naval con- structor. He has fully passed his medi- cal examination at Washington. His relative rank is that of lieutenant. At the time of his service on the Merrimac he was assistant naval constructor with the relative rank of lieutenant, junior grade.

Commissioner of Pensions H. Clay Evans says that numerous pensioners are going to unnecessary expense in affixing internal revenue stamps to pension papers. This is particularly the case in regard to pension vouchers which are found to be stamped oftener than other papers. He wishes it to be known that the law does not require stamps to be placed upon any pension paper.

Before Santiago, Chaplain Brown, of Arizona, was seen to seize a carbine of a wounded trooper as the fight began to grow fierce and worked his way to the front of the fighting line. Colonel Roose- velt remonstrated. "According to the articles of war, chaplain," he said, "you are not allowed to handle firearms." "D—the articles of war!" came the quick response. "Here's where I'm needed now." And there he stayed.

Patrick J. Corbett, father of James J. Corbett, the heavyweight pugilist, on Tuesday morning shot and killed his wife and then turned the weapon upon himself with fatal effect. It is believed that the murderer was demented. He had been in extremely ill-health for some time. Death was instantaneous in both cases. The shooting occurred at the resi- dence of the Corbett family in San Fran- cisco shortly before 5 o'clock.

A deal was consummated Saturday by which the Cambria Iron Company has been absorbed by a larger corporation to be known as the Cambria Steel Company, and to have a capital stock of $24,000,000. The Cambria Company has been unable to compete successfully with its great rivals in the iron and steel business dur- ing the past few years, it is said, on ac- count of its antiquated machinery. With increased capital it is believed the Cam- bria Company will regain its lost prestige.

Secretary Alger will not resign, and has received from the President assuran- ces of his continued confidence and ap- preciation. The President naturally re- grets very much the criticism of the War Department, but he has told Secretary Alger that he believes the Secretary has done the best he could in the circumstan- ces and deserves gratitude rather than re- proaches from the country, and that he desires him to remain in his Cabinet throughout his Administration.

The School Directors of Conemaugh township have elected the following corps of teachers for the coming term: Davids- ville, Sem Kauffman; Eash, Stephen D. Yoder; Glessner, Harvey Livingston; Hostetler, John Lehman; Blough, E. J. Blough; Keafer, Herman A. Walker; Kauffman, J. J. Stahl; Foustville, James Y. Kauffman; Miller, Daniel E. Heck- man; Saylor, Irvin Thomas; Wertz, Albert Hammer; Livingston, William M. Mittenberger; Tice Hill, J. M. Grif- fith; Thomas' Mills, Harvey Shank.

Among America's rich young women Miss Helen Gould has done the most ef- fective work in relieving the United States troops in the present war. One of her friends estimates that she has ex- pended over $500,000 in procuring sup- plies, delicacies, etc., for the sick and wounded soldiers, not counting in her gifts to the government, one being a check for $100,000 to the U. S. treasurer. By her philanthropy she has greatly en- deared herself to the people of the United States and has perpetuated her name in history.

Ever since many barrels of crude oil were emptied along the tracks in the Pennsylvania railroad yards at Derry, as an experimental move to keep down dust, the officials have been watching the effects closely, and now that the dusty season is here they are enabled to judge of the merits of the scheme, and it is generally admitted that an oiled track, like an oiled floor, is almost perfectly dustless. The Limited express No. 5, now goes flying through Derry yards at the rate of 70 miles an hour, and there is scarcely any dust to be seen.

Mr. and Mrs. William Tospon, of Pitts- burg, are visiting Lavansville friends.

Mr. Isaiah Flick and family are domi- ciled in their new residence near Lavans- ville.

Dr. J. S. McMillan has returned from Atlantic City, where he spent a ten days' vacation.

Mrs. Fred. W. Biesecker has gone to Steubenville, O., for a short visit with relatives.

Miss Margaret Shaw, of Moscow Mills, Md., is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Beerits in this place.

Mrs. Carrie Sprout, of Allegheny, is a guest at the home of her relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Knepper.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Endsley, of Johns- town, were Sunday visitors at the resi- dence of Mr. Abner McKinley.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Herr and daughter, of Butler, Pa., are visiting at the Herr residence on Main street.

Rev. C. F. Jacobs, pastor of the Luther- an Church at Steelton, Pa., is visiting at the home of his parents near Bakersville.

Miss Alice, daughter of Mr. H. C. White, of Chambersburg, is a visitor at the residence of Mr. A. W. Knepper, on Main street.

Attorney A. Bruce Coffroth, of Lincoln, Nebraska, is spending a few days with his father, General A. H. Coffroth, at the Somerset House.

Superintendent Gibson, of the B. & O., came to town Monday evening on his pri- vate car. He passed the night at the Highland Inn.

Misses Gallagher and Hacket, of Derry, Westmoreland county, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Cover, on Patriot street

Dr. Ure and Mr. Graham, with their families, of Allegheny, are at Morrison's "Orchard Farm," near Bakersville, for a few weeks' visit.

Mr. John S. Fleming, of Harper's Fer- ry, W. Va., and Miss Myrtle Ferrell were united in marriage on Thursday, August 17th, at the home of the bride's brother, in New Centreville, Rev. A. B. Miller officiating.

Lieutenant-Colonel James E. Barnett, in charge of the recruits for the Tenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, sailed from San Francisco for Manila Sunday morn- ing. Private "Joe" Levy writes that the health of the recruits is excellent and all are anxious to reach the Philippines.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Snyder, of Blairsville, spent several days last week at the home of the former's brother-in- law, Mr. Jacob Neff, in this place. "Ce- der" left here some twenty years ago, and although he has resided during that time in Western Pennsylvania, this was his first return visit to his native home.

Messrs. S. F. and William W. Picking, of Chicago, are passing a few days at the family residence on Patriot street. The former was recently appointed Secretary of the Civil Service Examining Board at Chicago, the duties of which appointment he discharges in addition to his duties as Secretary to the Light House Inspector of Lake Michigan.

Mr. Paul A. Schell left Wednesday night for Charleston, S. C., from whence he sailed on Friday for Porto Rico. He carried letters of introduction to General Miles and other army officials with him, and will enjoy exceptional opportunities for inspecting that beautiful island. Mr. Schell will probably visit Santiago before returning to the States.

Since the Mountain Express was dis- continued the S. & C. Sunday passenger train makes a round trip between Som- erset and Rockwood, arriving here at 11:34 a. m., and leaving at 4:39 p. m. Many Pittsburg passengers have taken advantage of the new service, as it gives them an opportunity to spend Saturday afternoon and Sunday in Somerset.

Lieutenant Charles E. Tayman, of the Twenty-fourth U. S. Infantry, is in Camp Wikoff, Montauk, L. I., from whence he writes to his father—David Tayman—at Lavansville, that he is comparatively well, although reduced almost to skin and bones through starvation before San- tiago. He expects to obtain a furlough shortly, when he will pay a visit to his parents.

The White House table a few days ago was supplied with fresh peas from the garden of Mr. A. E. Bittner, who runs a truck farm north of town, on the Stoyes- town road. Mr. Bittner raises only the choicest vegetables and fruits and he was anxious that President McKinley should sample one of the excellent varieties of peas recently distributed by the Depart- ment of Agriculture, which he claims is the finest thing of the kind he has ever grown in his garden.

Jonathan Mosholder's barn near Berlin was fired by lightning between 7 and 8 o'clock last Wednesday evening. Mr. Mosholder and his two sons saw the flames as soon as they broke out and with the assistance of neighbors worked heroically to save the contents of the building from destruction. In this they were partially successful, but the build- ing and several hundred dollars' worth of farming implements and the result of the season's harvest were consumed by the flames. The building and contents were insured for $950, which is said to cover about one-half of the total loss.

Many persons who were attracted to the Lutheran reunion last week by the announcement that Senator Wellington, of Maryland, would be present and de- liver an address, were disappointed when they learned that that distinguished gen- tleman had failed to keep his engage- ment, and they cannot be blamed if they conclude that Senator Wellington's prom- ises are made only to be broken, as this was the second or third time he has dis- appointed the same people. Hundreds of people were prevented by rain from attending the reunion, but the crowd present numbered about 1500.

Mrs. Seba Shumaker, wife of Cornelius Shumaker, died Sunday morning at her home near Meyersdale, aged about 70 years. She is survived by her husband and the following children: Wm. W. and Edward C. Shumaker, Berkley, Pa.; Mrs. George Holzhour and Mrs. Lilly Bauman, Rockwood, Pa; Mrs. Joseph Shelbear and and Erven C. Shumaker, Summit township; Alonzo H. Shumaker, West Salisbury, Pa., and Harry H. Shu- maker, a member of a Nebraska regi- ment which went on the first expedition to the Philippines and is now at Manila. She was a member of the German Bap- tist Brethren Church.

The removal of the Fifth regiment from Camp Thomas to Lexington, Ky., is taken as an indication that the War Department will keep that body of troops in the service and that ultimately they will be sent to Cuba or Porto Rico to do garrison duty. The newspaper reports that the Fifth has asked to be kept in the service are not in accord with communi- cations received here from privates, who say that the men are anxious to be dis- charged from the army, now that there is no fighting to do, and to return to their homes and resume their peaceful busi- ness avocations. Some of the men allege that the regimental officers from purely selfish motives desire that the regiment be kept in the volunteer army.

There was a notable gathering at the residence of Mr. Josiah Hyatt, in Lower Turkeyfoot township, on Sunday last, of the descendants of Mrs. Sarah Sanner, who on that day celebrated the eighty- third anniversary of her birth. Capt. W. H. Sanner, of Somerset, C. M Sanner, of Confluence, and Mrs. Hyatt, were the only children present, but they were ac- companied by some forty grandchildren and great grandchildren of the venerable lady. Mrs. Sanner is a daughter of the late John C. King, one of the earliest pi- oneers of Somerset county, and, notwith- standing her advanced age, she is still able to perform light household duties, and to visit among her neighbors and relatives. She has one surviving sister, Mrs. Henry Younkin, ninety years of age, residing in Kansas.

Councilman's Roseate Views.

EDITOR HERALD:—

As "Taxpayer" refers to the meter in the court house, we may assume that he knows all about it, and to say anything to him about it would be a work of super- erogation. But to "Taxpayer's" fellow water consumers who have not seen proper to rush into print because they were admonished not to waste water we will say that the water service at the court house and other county buildings is not a metered service, but is paid for at the flat rate of $170 per annum. All of this "Taxpayer" might have told himself, but his excellently nice sense of fairness did not permit him to say anything else, except a cunningly worded insinuation that the official whose business it is to read the meter did not understand its intricacies and would likely make a failure of it. Those consumers whose ser- vices are supplied at meter rates can tell him differently.

"Taxpayer" wants to know why the same consideration has not been shown the Hotel Vanmar and Somerset House as has been shown to the new hotel. Well, we are not able to say just how much the Hotel Vanmar people appre- ciate "Taxpayer's" efforts to create sym- pathy for them along this line, but it is said of the Somerset House man that a broad smile lit up his face as his eye fell on "Taxpayer's" disquisition. Why, bless his kind heart, the Somerset House is no consumer of borough water, that build- ing for years past having secured its water from a private source, and as the proprietor of that house appeared before the council as one of a committee from the new hotel to ask to be supplied with water, it is pretty safe to say that "Taxpayer's" sympathy for the Somerset House is about as badly wasted as some of his water has been. As to the Hotel Vanmar, there is no discrimination against them—they pay the schedule rate on the water they use. True, they pay a water tax on the assessed value of their property, but in so doing they are part owners of the water works, as is every other citizen of the borough, and any profit from supplying this water (and we assert that it is supplied at a profit) in- ures to their benefit to the extent of their investment. So does it inure to the ben- efit of all other taxpayers, each one ac- cording to his interest.

The waterworks now has a gross rev- enue that rests on a basis of considerably more than $2,000 a year. The right thing for the waterworks to do is to earn all it can. It pays better to sell the water than to waste it. The greater its earnings, the better for the owners, the people of the town, for these earnings will help pay the debt all the sooner and so wipe out the water debt entirely, years before it would otherwise be, and the water debt once paid, our consumers can have the cheapest water of any town in this broad commonwealth And we would remind "Taxpayer" that they have already helped towards the payments that have been made. The law expressly provides that outside parties may be supplied. If "Taxpayer" really believes that we are giving them water at a loss, we wish he would labor with the hotel people and convince them of the fact also. "Tax- payer's" question as to the additional cost of supplying this water is a proper one and at a proper time it will be duly answered.

This controversy started on water waste, and in excusing it "Taxpayer" sees proper to lug in matters entirely outside of that. Among other things he charges that a large part of the borough revenue has been squandered in scatter- ing stones over some of the streets. Pray, where has this been done? It is to be feared that his specs had so much water splashed over them that his vision is somewhat obscured. It is true that about 2,000 lineal feet of streets have been cov- ered, not scattered, with broken stone to a width of from 16 to 18 feet and with a center of from 8 to 12 inches, and these stone have been carefully graveled so as to bind them into a solid and compact roadbed. Will "Taxpayer" please tell us whether he has heard any complaints since these streets have been so repaired. If he will call upon the Burgess he will learn that from complaints heard from other taxpayers 12,000 feet more of streets can easily be found that need this same treatment.

What constitutes permanent repairs in "Taxpayer's" opinion, anyhow? We would like to know whether he has any- thing new to offer that would suit the needs and means of the town. Perhaps he thinks that our streets should be paved with vitrified brick or Ligouier block. If this is what he means and wants, has he ever figured the cost of it? In his first article he says that he has a front of some twenty feet. If such a street improvement as that were made along his frontage, it would be under the paving law which assesses two thirds of the cost upon the abutting property owners and one third on the borough, and "Taxpayer's" share of it, at the low- est possible figure at which good work can be obtained, would be about $45, and maybe $10 more. Would he be willing to pay such a sum along with his share of general tax, and then lay a good sidewalk to match it, as he would have to do? We assert without hesitation that there is not a sidewalk in town that would not have to be torn up and relaid.

Most of the criticism of our present methods of improving the streets rests upon the fact that some of our people really think our streets should be paved, and they have allowed themselves to be persuaded, and in turn are trying to per- suade others, that any of our streets can be paved with brick or blocks at a cost of but little, if any, more than it costs to cover a roadbed with stone ballast.

If this were a fact, then the criticism would be well placed; but it is not a fact. If everything is to be counted in, it could hardly be done for ten times the cost of a street made with the best stone ballast obtainable.

We have carefully looked into the cost of street paving elsewhere and at some time in the near future we propose to tell just what such improvements will really cost, so that our constituents will be able to do their own figuring, and at least know what they will be asking for.

Our streets are subject to heavy haul- ing and there are many bad places in them, and, as before stated, about 2,000 feet have been given a solid bottom this season. That more of this has not been done in the only manner within our means is certainly not the fault of the writer.

COUNCILMAN.

Sewerage and Public Building.

It is announced that the qualified voters of the borough of Somerset will be given an opportunity at the next general elec- tion to express their sentiments in regard to bonding the town corporation for the purpose of constructing a system of sew- ers and the erection of a municipal build- ing. That both improvements are badly needed, in fact are almost imperatively required, few voters, we believe, will gainsay; but whether it is advisable to undertake both at one time, or which should be undertaken first, is a matter which the voters will be called upon to decide. The town meeting recently held has had much to do with the proposed action of the borough officials in regard to securing the sentiment of the people as to the necessity of putting down sewers, while a petition signed by a majority of the voters of the borough asking for a municipal building, has caused them to move in that direction also. The voters will doubtless welcome the opportunity to express their sentiments by their votes in these matters, and it is the part of wis- dom to give them ample notice to con- sider the benefits to be derived therefrom and the cost.

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 disap- pears. The first dose greatly benefits; 75 cents. Sold at Benford's Drug Store, Somerset

Mr. Stein and His Dogs.

Mr. A. J. Stein, of the Commercial Hotel, exercises good taste in everything until it comes to buying a dog. He is a tasty dresser, wears his hat at the proper angle and sees the reflection of his hand- some face in the polish on his shoes. He drives a well-groomed horse in a pretty road-cart, passes everybody on the road without turning his head to see whether his challenge for a race has been accept- ed or not, and never boasts of the speed of his roadster. But, when it comes to dogs he seems to have lost the discern- ment characteristic of the American rep- resentatives of the Celtic race who strug- gle under the load of German names. He first purchased a mastiff that would keep an entire colony of Amsterdamers poor providing food for him, and was com- pelled in self-defense to contract with the Somerset Provision Company for all the swill from their creamery in order to keep the brute from starving. Not satis- fied with swilling the swill the mastiff rolls in it every morning, thus compelling his owner to pay an additional water rate in order to have him and secure a permit from the local health officers for the ponderous mass of flesh and tawny hide to promenade the streets, or retire to a shady nook to wink himself to sleep, without offending the nostrils of all pedestrians. "Tiny," for that is the ap- propriate name to which this 168 pound canine responds when not engaged in eating or sleeping, has been pining for company, and on Friday Mr. Stein purchased a genuine bull-dog for "Tiny" a running mate. The new purchase is a brindle in color, with stripes around his belly similar to those seen on the native brindle cow of uncertain age and un- savory reputation. His face is black as a rainy night in "Hexeberger," with small gleaming deep-set black eyes, and black lips that conceal a set of dangerous look- ing teeth. His tail has been cropped sev- eral inches too long, while his ears escap- ed the notice of the surgeon who per- formed the amputation. Square set on a pair of well-bowed legs Mr. Bulldog, for he has not yet been christened, presents as homely a picture as dog fancier ever looked upon. In fact his very presence causes cold shivers to pass through the bodies of all who behold him, except his proposed running mate "Tiny," and the only known reason why "Tiny" tolerates his presence is attributable to the fact that he is either too indolent to look at him, or his hide is too tough to feel the holes torn in his throat by the bull-dog's teeth. The dogs are not happy, but Herr Stein is, and he is convulsed with laugh- ter every time the brutes get together, which has been most of the time since he became the owner of the brindle dog.

Lincoln Club Meeting.

The members of the Lincoln Club are hereby notified that a meeting will be held at the law office of F. W. Biesecker, Esq., on Saturday, August 27, at 7:30 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing officers of the club for the ensuing year and electing delegates to represent the Club at the annual meeting of the Republi- can State League to be held in Pitts- burg September 7, 8 and 9, and transact- ing other important business.

Attest— GEO. R. SCULL,
L. C. COLBORN, President.
Sec'y.

The Little Queen's Picture.

Wilhelmina, who is to be crown Queen of the Netherlands on September 6 next, has personally sent to Mr. Bok, the editor of The Ladies' Home Journal—himself a Hollander by birth—one of her private portraits for publication in the next num- ber of his magazine. It is the last por- trait which will be taken of the little lady before her coronation, and will be printed in connection with a specially prepared sketch, showing the personality of the first Queen of Holland from every point of view.

Card of Thanks.

The Pioneer Fire Co. desire through the columns of the HERALD to thank the people who contributed to and patronized their festival so liberally, and, also, to thank the young ladies who waited on the tables, etc.

The company also wish to state that they have several dishes yet, and any person who is short of any will please let them know.

J. W. FREASE,
MAHLON SCHROCK, Secretary.
President.

Corner Stone Laying.

Rev. J. Q. A. Curry, Presiding Elder of Somerset district, United Evangelical Church, will preach on the Court House lawn at 3 p. m., Sunday, August 28, 1898. In case of rain the services will be held in the Court House, after which the cor- ner stone of the new Evangelical Church of Somerset, Pa., will be laid. All are cordially invited. Come one, come all!

D. P. K. LAVAN,
Pastor.

The Last Triumph of the War.

Never was there a more beautiful ex- ample of poetic justice than the fall of Manila. When Dewey destroyed the Spanish fleet the Spanish authorities warned the cable company not to trans- mit any messages to or from him on pain of forfeiting its concession. Hence it took the Government about a week to send him news or orders. Hence he did not know that peace had been arranged. Hence he moved on Manila in serene un- consciousness; the American flag is now flying over the captain-general's palace, and Augustin, who would not let Dewey use the cable, is a fugitive in Hong Kong.

The capture of Manila will hold a place in American history by the side of the battle of New Orleans, but with a differ- ence. Jackson's victory served to redress the balance of an uphill struggle, in which by land we had been more often worsted than successful. Dewey and Merritt have gloriously crowned a glo rious work. They have given us the cli- max of an unbroken series of triumphs. The sun of victory, which first rose over the Philippines, has completed its round and shines again on the same spot.—New York Journal.

Tribute of Respect.

Trinity Lutheran Sunday School of Somerset, Pa., having sustained irrepar- able loss by the death of a faithful teach- er, it is ordered that the following min- ute be entered:

J. B. Snyder entered into rest on the 16th of August A. D. 1898. For several years he has been one of our most earn- est, capable and zealous teachers; regular in attendance, careful in preparation and enthusiastic in teaching; warmhearted and sympathetic; loyal to his church, diligent as a Bible student, and anxious to serve his God. We are not blind to his imperfections—for who is free from them? But the grave "buries every error, covers every defect, extinguishes every resent- ment. From its peaceful bosom spring none but fond regrets and tender recol- lection."

We mourn our loss, we sympathize with the afflicted widow and children, but from intimate association with our departed brother we believe that for him "death is a crown of life."

W. H. RUPPEL,
H. F. BARRON,
CHAS. F. UHL, Jr.,
ANNIE E. FREASE,
ANNIE BAIRD,
Committee.

Adopted by the School, August 21, 1898.

NANNIE PRITTS,
Secretary.

Commissions of Evacuation.

The President has appointed the two commissions to adjust the evacuation of Cuba and Porto Rico. They follow:

For Cuba—Major General James F. Wade, Rear Admiral William T. Samp- son and Major General Matthew C. But- ler.

For Porto Rico—Major General John R. Brooke, Rear Admiral Winfield S. Schley and Brigadier General William W. Gordon.

From Camp Thomas.

EDITOR HERALD:—

The Fifth Regiment has occupied its new camp grounds for a week, and most of the time has been devoted to placing it in a good sanitary condition, so that we have had little time for recreation. The camp is near Lytle, along the main road leading through the Park, and is about the most desirable location to be had. Dozens of wagons loaded with fruit and such other delicacies as would tempt one cut off from home delicacies line the road and are surrounded by an eager throng of purchasers. Those who have become tired of army rations—and who have the price—can secure a meal of such toothsome luxuries as chicken-potpie, sandwiches, apple-dumplings, and all kinds of pies, cakes, drinks, etc. What- ever may be said of the dullness and in- activity of the people of the South, there is one thing they all seem to be on to, and that is that the easiest way to reach a sol- dier's pocketbook is through his stomach.

The grand review last Wednesday was witnessed by thousands of people from Chattanooga and surrounding country. The weather was as hot as the hinges of hades and many of the men returned to camp exhausted and worn out. The review, is said to have been ordered for the purpose of satisfying the idle cu- riosity of the business men of Chattanoo- ga, and right here it can be said that more fatalities have resulted from the blind stupidity of officers in overtaxing the physical strength of their men than all other causes, including the unsanitary condition of portions of the camp, com- bined; and when it is done, not through necessity, but simply to show the officers' power over the men, it is worse than a crime.

Company I is apparently halting be- tween two stools. Since peace has been declared we are confronted by a new question. Will we ask to be returned home or to do garrison duty in one of the new possessions? When we enlisted it was for the purpose, as we thought, of fighting the Spaniards, but the fighting is apparently over.

A furlough of thirty days, with trans- portation home, will be granted all in the hospitals as soon as they are strong enough to travel. This has more to do with the improvement of the sick than all the medicines that can be poured into them. Privates Shaffer, Deitz, Stutzman, and R. G. Pugh expect to leave for home on furlough shortly.

Private Gallagher disappeared five days ago, and has not since been heard of. As he had made application for a discharge on account of disability, it is not likely that any effort will be made to bring him back to camp.

The boys have been kept in good spirits by the continued rumors that our camp will shortly be removed to Lexington, Kentucky.

The donation of tobacco sent by the peo- ple of Somerset was highly appreciated by those who shared in the distribution.

August 20, 1898. ***

The Fifth Pennsylvania and Twelfth Minnesota regiments, comprising the First brigade of the Third corps, received orders on Sunday to leave Monday for Lexington, Ky. They marched to Ross- ville, under command of Brig. Gen. John A. Wiley and began loading at noon.

Letter From Manila.

Earnest Koontz, a former Somerset boy, who is a member of the Tenth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, now at Manila, writes to his cousin, Assistant-Postmaster Frank Sanner, under date of July 17 as follows:

"We left Honolulu on June 25, and after a long and tiresome ride arrived here in Cavite harbor at ten o'clock this morning. There are about seventy-five ships in the bay, most of them warships. Germany has the largest number next to the United States.

"A battle between the insurgents and Spanish is now in progress. We can hear their guns and see the smoke. The weather is very hot. Most of the natives wear nothing but trunks. They come out around the ships in swarms to sell fruit and tobacco. You can buy a good cigar for a cent. Their boats are made of logs hollowed out, and many of them are so narrow that they have bamboo sticks on either side to keep them from tipping.

"We passed the Wake Islands on the fourth, and the Ladrones on last Friday a week, and they were the only two sights of land we had until we reached the Phil- ippines. We had a very easy time com- ing over on the ship. There was no drill- ing, and very little guard duty. We put in most of the time sleeping and reading. The monotony was relieved by target practice every few days. We shot at a target five hundred yards out on the wa- ter, and the officers complimented us highly.

"The wrecks of the Spanish fleet sunk by Dewey can be seen plainly from where we are anchored. It hardly seems possible that I am ten thousand miles from home. Our money is worth just twice as much here as it is at home.

"Some of the boys who came on the first expedition visited us this morning. They say that they like life in this far- away country first-rate.

"Ensign Orlo Knepper visited Howard Cromwell and me yesterday. He was busy and did not stay long."

THIRTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT OF G. A. R. AT CINCINNATI, O.

Reduced Rates via Pennsylvania Rail- road.

For the thirty-second National En- campment of G. A. R., to be held at Cincinnati, O., September 5 to 10, 1898, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets at rate of single fare for the round trip.

These tickets will be sold on September 3, 4, and 5, and will be good to leave Cin- cinnati returning not earlier than Septem- ber 6 not later than September 13, except that by depositing ticket with Joint Agent at Cincinnati on September 5, 6, 7, 8, or 9, and on payment of twenty-five cents, re- turn limit may be extended so that pas- sengers may remain at Cincinnati until October 2.

—LAST—

Atlantic City and Seashore Excursion Thursday, August 25. Greatly Reduced Rates. BALTIMORE & OHIO RAILROAD.

The last popular seashore excursion, via the Baltimore & Ohio R. R., will be run Thursday, August 25, to Atlantic City, Cape May, Sea Isle City, Ocean City, N. J., and Ocean City, Md. Tickets will be good twelve (12) days, including day of sale.

Stop overs will be allowed on return trip at Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington on tickets sold to New Jer- sey resorts, and at Baltimore and Wash- ington on tickets sold to Ocean City, Md.

Tickets will be sold on above date from Somerset, Pa., for $9 00 round trip, and train will leave at 10:02 a. m.

Call on or address nearest Ticket Agent Baltimore & Ohio R. R. for tickets and full information.

Teachers' Examination.

A special examination will be held at Somerset Saturday, Sept. 3d, 1898. All teachers who have not yet passed an ex- amination are requested to be present.

E. E. PRITTS,
Co. Supt.

News Items.

General Miles and his staff sailed from Porto Rico for home Monday night.

General Shafter on Monday telegraph- ed the War Department that all of the Spanish prisoners, 21,000 at Santiago, would be loaded on transports and ship- ped back to Spain this week.

Seven persons were killed and twenty- eight injured in a railroad collision on the New York, New Haven and Hart- ford Railroad, near Sharon, Mass., Sun- day night.

GAME LAWS.

Season in Which Birds and Animals May Legally be Killed.

Following is a digest of the game laws in force in this State at the present time, with the season in which birds and ani- mals may be legally taken:

Quail or partridge, from October 15 to December 15.

Pheasant, ruffed grouse and prairie chicken, October 15 to December 15.

Wild turkey, October 15 to December 15.

Woodcock, month of July, October 15 to December 15.

Rail and reed bird, September 1 to No- vember 30.

Plover, July 15 to January 1.

Geese and ducks, September 1 to May 1.

Elk and deer, November 1 to Novem- ber 30.

Squirrel, October 15 to December 15.

Hare and rabbit, November 1 to Decem- ber 15.

Under the new law no more than ten pheasants or ruffed grouse, two wild tur- keys, ten woodcock or fifteen quail may be killed by one person in one day, and no more than two deer in any one year. Market hunting, buying, selling and the shipping of game birds and animals are prohibited. The killing of birds other than game birds is prohibited. Sunday gunning is prohibited. Decoys may be used in hunting ducks and geese only. All game must be shot with a gun. Dogs must not be used to hunt deer or elk, or to capture or kill them in the waters, streams ponds or lakes. The use of fer- rets for hunting game is prohibited. Eng- lish and Mongolian pheasants are pro- tected for five years from June 4, 1897. Killing or wounding or catching with trap, net, snare, birdlime, poison or drugs is prohibited. However, the English sparrow, kingfisher, hawk, horned owl, barred owl, green heron and night heron are not protected. Fifteen days' time is allowed after expiration of season to dis- pose of game.

Big Price For a Broken Heart.

Not long since a Danville, Ill., jury or- dered the male defendant in a breach of promise case to pay the competent sum of $54,333.33 to the afflicted fair one. Though it is a pretty high estimate of blighted af- fection, there is another estimate which, if not in dollars and cents exactly as high, yet in general consideration of excellence reaches as lofty an altitude. This is the es- timate of the people as to the efficacy of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters as a remedy for constipation. The action of this gentle but effective laxative is never accompan- ied by the griping so marked in the oper- ation of most cathartics. It is an incompa- rable remedy for and preventive of malarial, rheumatic and kidney com- plaints, and a promoter of appetite and sleep.

The Alum Heart.

Many people are suffering from some sort of heart disease who have no idea of the cause of it.

Disturbances of the digestive organs affect the heart's action, and therefore foods which interfere with digestion pro- mote troubles of this character.

Alum baking powders are a prolific cause of heart troubles. The physiolog- ical effect of burnt alumn is to coagulate the blood. This interferes with its free flow through the arteries and valves of the heart. Physicians have ceased the use of alum as a specific for children's croup, because of its tendency from the causes named to produce heart failure.

In presence of the overwhelming testi- mony as to the danger of alum when used in food, no one will knowingly use an alum baking powder. Nevertheless many such powders are used and the public suffer in consequence. The seller of these powders may be unaware of their true character or perhaps heedlessly disregards it for the greater profit there is in them. The consumer must be on his guard.

Where alum powders are not branded as such, nor the sale prohibited by law, it is better to avoid the use of any new or doubtful powder until it has been an- alyzed. The purity of all powders may be suspected if they are sold at a price lower than the price of the best standard brands. We know the Royal to be a first class cream of tartar powder, and if consumers insist upon having that brand they will then be sure of a pure, health- ful article.

It behooves everyone to use extraordi- nary care in purchasing food supplies. We do not hesitate to recommend the Royal to all who are in doubt as to the powder they have been using, as the United States Government tests place that brand at the head of all the tartrate powders.

Mrs. A. E. Uhl

HAVING bought a large stock of staple foreign dress goods, such as Henri- ettas, Cashmeres, Serges, Mohairs, &c., before the great advance in prices that occurred during the last year, I am able to sell these desirable fine dress goods at much lower prices than merchants can that must buy them now. Ladies always wish to get the best at the lowest prices. Here is a great opportunity to get these goods at the low prices of last year. I also have an excellent stock of Novelty Wool Suitings, ranging in price from 25c to $ .00 a yard.

Call and see and examine for yourself.

Mrs A E Uhl

ROYAL BAKING POWDER Absolutely Pure

Colonies, Not Territories.

Philadelphia Press.

When a new government is organized in Cuba and the United States withdraws its troops, Cuba will enjoy the fullest freedom of trade with this country and the island will leap into a new prosperity; but Cuba will not be represented in Con- gress and Cubans will have full control of their own affairs.

In Luzon, after annexation, the same policy will be necessary, whether Manila alone is annexed or the entire island of Luzon is taken; neither can ever become a State. In time, as capacity for self- government may develop, an autonomous State may be formed there; but represen- tation in Congress will be impossible. A Territory has representation because it is to be a State. Alaska has no repre- sentation, because in no near time will it ever become a State.

Luzon, like Alaska, will have no repre- sentation. It must be governed as a col- ony, not as a State. Why not Porto Rico? This island has a larger population to-day than any State ever admitted into the Union; but the population, while peace- ful and homogeneous, is different in race, language, laws, customs, habits and am- bitions from that of any State in the Union. Porto Rico we can not assimilate in generations, but, given a local autono- mous government, the island will have peace, prosperity and home rule. Left to this separate existence, managing its own affairs, enjoying American trade, protect- ed by the American flag, its prosperity will increase by leaps and bounds. Spain has ruined these islands by insisting on bringing them into the Spanish system. If the United States is wise it will give these islands the privileges and prosperi- ty of colonies and will not bring them within our system, to their loss.

New Fall Stock Arriving!

A good many new figures have already been received in

The New Dainty Patterns in.....

Black Dress Goods and Tailor made suits

Other new goods are coming in al- most every day.

The next week we will spend in New York and Philadelphia, select- ing with our usual care, the choice new productions, which shall make our store attractive and busy all through the coming autumn days.

A large and complete line of Children's and Ladies' Wraps and Millinery will soon be displayed.

Respectfully yours,

Sifford ...AND... Kuykendall.

Telephone Call, No. 14.

Public Sale —OF— Valuable Real Estate

In pursuance of the proper authority I will expose to public sale on the premises, late the homestead of John G. Coleman, dec'd, on

Saturday, September 17, 1898, At 1 o'clock P M.,

the following described real estate, viz: A certain farm or tract of land situate about 8 miles north of Somerset borough, on the S. & C. railroad, at Coleman Station, in Quemahoning, Stonycreek and Somerset townships, Somerset county, Pa., adjoining lands of Josiah J. Long, Daniel E. Long, Levi J. Long's estate, Emanuel Pile, Samuel Cole- man, James Smith, Adam Barnhart, George H. Coleman and others, containing one hun- dred and thirty acres more or less, with a good two-story

Frame House, Grist Mill,

bank barn and other outbuildings thereon erected, convenient to church, school and good market at Johnstown, Pa. Well water- ed, a good orchard and in an excellent neigh- borhood.

This farm will be sold as a whole or in par- cels to suit purchaser.

Terms!

Ten per cent. of the purchase money on day of sale, balance of one-third on confirmation of sale and delivery of deed, one-third in one year and one-third in two years from date of sale, deferred payments to bear interest and be secured by judgment bond.

Possession given April 1, 1899.

JAMES L. PUGH,
Executor of John G. Coleman, dec'd.

SEEDING TIME!