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GEORGE R. SCULL, Editor.

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p instantly relieved. Dr. Thomlectric Oil. Perfectly safe. Never At any drug store.

horse and bicycle races advertised e Lavansville track have been initely postponed, but will probably place early next month.

rd Marshall, the war correspondwho was wounded at Las Guasimas, has undergone amputation of a leg. operation was made necessary beof paralysis and in order to retard gress.

uch thing as "summer complaint" Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild berry is kept handy. Nature's dy for every looseness of the bowels.

orts from Long Branch give assurof the permanent improvement of alth of Vice President Hobart, and ends rejoice at the prospect of his able to again resume the duties of fice in the winter.

Yu, of Shanghai, who enlisted in vy in 1884 and was formerly atd to Dewey's flagship Olympia, has granted a pension of $30 a month g trouble. He is the first Chinese oner of this government.

es Harren and Agnes Herzog, who engaged to be married, were itly killed on Tuesday at the home of Herzog, near St. Cloud, Minnesota. were sitting on the porch, when ning struck the corner of the house.

men "set their houses in order" uch thoroughness as the late Dan. Vanatta, supervisor of the State al at Trenton, N. J., who held the taker's receipted bill for his funerpenses some time before he died.

one in Virginia has discovered great many of the judges in that monwealth are disqualified to hold offices because they can not subbe to the oath, which is required in Commonwealth, that they have not ged in dueling and will not engage on.

el Speigle, son of John and Laura ple, died at the home of his parents mer township, at 7 o'clock Monday ing 23d inst. He had been sick for time with hip-joint disease and meningitis developed and caused death. Master Speigle was in his th year.

ckville has a crow hatchery, said to e only one in the world. This bird's ck head makes a handsome trim for women's hats; and milliners are ted with paying 25 cents for each head gs of crows hatch in the ordinary en incubator in fifteen days, and in weeks the birds are big enough to illotined.

n Williams, a young farmer of Union, O., is an expert squirrel er, and is also afflicted with somnbulism. Last Saturday morning at reak he awakened to find himself edge of a wood half a mile from He was in his night robe and rrying his gun. He had evidently nd off on a squirrel hunt.

angelist Moody, when asked if he ything to say on the death of Col. soll, replied: "I don't believe in g about a man when he is dead. I he was driven away from Chris by the abuse of Christians. He ailed at by them until he saw only rk side of our religion. In short, t twisted when he was young."

ong the many applications received nsus-Supervisor A. F. Shenk, of ster, is that of A. B. Myers, of ter, York county, who wants to be erator of the Second Ward of that gh. Mr. Shenk is puzzled to know Myers can fill the position, for in mmunication he says he lost both s in a premature explosion. Myers he is a first-class penman and taught l for fifteen terms.

r. C. C. Hays, who some time ago bed us with the information that en different nationalities were repted in Windber, now comes forward the statement that he has discovered er, making fourteen in all. This iscovery, says the Era, is that of a ly of Bretons, whose language is ar to that of the Welsh. Friday Reverend reported one more, a family king the Croatian tongue, making languages spoken in Windber.

members of the St. James Luth Sunday School, in Jenner township, hold their annual picnic on the n Shaffer property, near the Hair house, on Saturday, August 5th. Trinity Lutheran Church Choir of stown, under the leadership of Mr. , will attend. The choir, which is sed of about twenty members, ing twenty selections during the and Rev. J. H. Hutchinson, of Jenown, and others, will make appro addresses.

ry Baker, who resides near the mit of Laurel Hill, and who is well n throughout the county, surprised atives during the present harvest. Baker is in his eightieth year, but, thstanding his advanced age, he hay with a stout young man, g up his side of the wagon, ghout hay making time. When the rrived for harvesting grain he han cradle and shocked after a binder, ng pace with his vigorous young horer. Greensburg papers recently the work accomplished by a youth enty-eight years in the harvest of that county, but his performances comparable with Mr. Baker's.

s. Stephan Sedoric, a Polish woman, w Kensington, aged 25 years, and mother of two little children, has d three frame houses in that place, hich she did all the work, including g the cellars, laying the foundation making and carrying mortar, car work, painting, plastering, shingetc. Her work, says the Greensburg orat, is commended by experts as first class. Two of the houses are ied as dwellings, while the third is not quite completed, will be as a storeroom. Her husband is yed in the glass works and together are laying the nucleus for a snug me.

newed effort on the part of the pro of the Pittsburg, Johnstown, sburg & Eastern railroad to com the building of that road from Al, its present western terminus, to stown and there connect with the more & Ohio railroad, has made an ranging advance during the past The company has purchased the ns & Philipsburg connecting line, all that now is lacking to complete st rival road to the Pennsylvania s nnecting line between Altoona and stown, a survey of which runs gh Ebensburg and continues down Blacklick about six miles, when it es the Pittsburgh pike and runs into stown, there connecting with the more & Ohio.—Pittsburg Commerial Gazette.

recently chartered railroad to con Ligonier and Somerset, under the of the Pittsburg, Westmoreland & rset Railroad Company, with $220, capital stock, has elected the follow ficers: President, J. Henry Coch of Williamsport; Secretary and urer, L. H. Allen of Buffalo, and ral Manager, Capt. N. Allen. The is a lumber development project, affords valuable connections with Ligonier Valley and Pennsylvania the Baltimore & Ohio. The same inrs that are building the road have ized the Byers-Allen Lumber Com , with a capital stock of $50,000. The company is officered by Capt. N. n, President, and L. H. Allen, Secry and Treasurer.

F. J. Kooser, Esq., left last Thursday for Atlantic City.

Attorney W. H. Ruppel is confined to his home by a severe cold.

Miss Venie Hartzell is visiting in Bedford at the home of Mr. Albert Fyan.

A large crowd from this place and vicinity attended the annual Lutheran Reunion at Markleton yesterday.

The annual Teachers' Institute will be held in this place during the week beginning Monday, December 4th.

Mrs. John G. Sanner, of Pittsburg, is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Kate B. Coffroth, on Main street.

During the absence of John H. Uhl, who sails to day for Europe, his law office will be in charge of Chas. F. Uhl, Jr.

Mrs. Bixler, daughter of Rev. H. H. Flick, of Accident, Md., is visiting with friends at her old home, near Lavansville.

Charley Neff will go to Connellsville this morning, where he has secured an appointment as brakeman on the B. & O.

The HERALD is indebted to Senator John S. Weller for copies of the various annual department reports of the State government.

Mrs. W. A. Ennis and two children, of Philadelphia, are guests at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Shafer, on Union street.

Mr. P. A. Schell has secured a contract to provide a steam heating apparatus for the Baer Block, on the north-west corner of the public square.

Mrs. Maud Cook and child, of Rochester, N. Y., are visiting at the home of the former's parents—Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cook—on Patriot street.

All of the poles for the telephone line from this place to Bakersville have been delivered and are now being placed in position to receive the wires.

Religious services will be held in the Lavansville Reformed Church next Sunday morning and in the Somerset Reformed Church in the evening.

Letters addressed to the following named persons remain uncalled for at the post office: Chas. Harris, Alex Hayes, H. H. Longville, Emma Lose, F. T. Sharer.

Mr. Leroy Sparks and Miss Luzetta V. Beal, both of Fayette county, were united in marriage on Thursday, July 27th, by Esquire Noah Casebeer at his residence in this place.

Mr. Elmer E. Snyder and Miss Annie E. Shaffer, both of Black township, were united in marriage at the Somerset House, Monday, July 31st, Esquire Noah Casebeer officiating.

Ed. L. Gallagher, the genial and efficient chief clerk in the office of Register and Recorder Cover, is enjoying a ten days' vacation at the seashore, he having left Thursday for Atlantic City.

At the Reformed reunion at Rockwood, on August 17th, addresses will be delivered by Rev. Clouse, D. D., of Baltimore, and Rev. I. N. Peightel, of Greencastle. Both are said to be eloquent orators.

The unsightly front fence is rapidly disappearing in this town, and the resultant effect, in bringing out the hitherto hidden beauty of many residences and flower plots, is a subject of general remark. More front fences should go.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Kimmel, of Pittsburg, are guests at the residence of the former's father, John O. Kimmel, Esq., on Union Street. Mr. Kimmel is chief rate clerk in the passenger department of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Granger and daughter, Miss Mary, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Saylor, and Mrs. R. E. Pritts, drove over the mountain to Ligonier last Friday, where they attended the annual picnic of the A. O. U. W. at Idlewild Park.

While descending a hill near Bakersville one day last week, Elmer Hechler, who was hauling a heavy load of lumber to Somerset, had his left foot badly crushed by one of the rear wheels of the wagon. He was in the act of drawing the brake when his feet slipped from under him. Hechler resides at Lavansville.

Mrs. Albert Stein, wife of the proprietor of the Commercial Hotel, underwent a surgical operation for the removal of a small tumor on her right side at the Mercy Hospital, Pittsburg, last Thursday. The operation was successfully performed and Mrs. Stein expects to be able to return home within the course of ten days.

The Ligonier and Somerset base ball clubs will meet Friday afternoon at Edgewood Park. The home club, only recently organized, is composed of excellent material and the boys believe that they will make it hot for the Westmorelanders from start to finish. There should be a large crowd at the Park Friday afternoon.

John, the six-year-old son of B. & O. section foreman Samuel Shoemaker, of this place, was accidentally killed Monday afternoon, while riding on a hay wagon near Buckstown, where he was visiting with relatives. The particulars of the fatal accident could not be learned before going to press. The father and mother of the victim left for Buckstown at an early hour Tuesday morning.

Elizabeth, relict of Josiah Meyers, deceased, died July 22d, aged 74 years, at her late residence in Jefferson township. She was the mother of eleven children, ten of whom survive her. Deceased was a consistent member of the Brethren Church for more than fifty years. Interment was made in the cemetery at Sipesville, the services being conducted by Elders Silas Hoover and Robt. T. Hull.

Superintendent Gibson, of the Pittsburg Division of the B. & O., spends Sundays and occasional warm nights at the Highland Inn, where his family are guests for the summer. Mr. Gibson is one of the hardest-worked officials in the service of the B. & O., but, notwithstanding the demands on his time, he is always accessible to those who call upon him, and it follows that he is extremely popular with the railroad employes and the traveling public.

Kenneth, the ten-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Rhoads, died at the home of his parents in this place at an early hour Saturday morning from inflammation of the bowels. He had been sick for only a few days and his death was a great shock to his parents and to his many little friends. Kenneth was an unusually bright lad, of sunny disposition, and was well known throughout town. Mr. and Mrs. Rhoads desire—through the columns of the HERALD—to thank the many friends who kindly aided them in the hour of their bereavement.

President George F. Baer and General Manager Smink, of the Reading Iron Company, visited Somerset last Saturday when they made a personal inspection of the large body of coal land near Mostoller Station, recently purchased by Judge W. J. Baer for their company. Development of the coal is already underway and a large tipple is in course of erection at Mostoller. Side tracks are also being put down at that place for the use of the Company and it is expected that the first shipment of coal will be made from Mostoller to Reading in the course of the next few weeks. The Reading Iron Company consumes over 300 tons of bituminous coal daily, in addition to immense quantities of coke, and ultimately the Company will secure all of its fuel from the Mostoller coal field. It is reported that the Company will, at an early day, construct a branch railroad extending four or five miles in length from Mostoller to the heart of the 9,000 acres of coal land they now own, and that at a point already selected several openings will be made and a large number of coke ovens will be built. The Company is now employing a number of men and when they begin regular shipments of coal the force will be largely increased. Mr. W. J. Benford, a former Ursina boy, but more recently of Philadelphia, is in charge of the work now under way at Mostoller.

SEWER CONTRACT AWARDED.

Ott Bros., of Pittsburg, the Successful Bidders.—Work Will be Under Way Within Ten Days.

At a special meeting of Town Council, Monday evening, Ott Bros., of Pittsburg, were awarded the contract for constructing certain portions of the sewer system devised for Somerset by Engineer James S. Haring, their bid being $19,023 13. The streets included in the contract, in addition to the main outlet, are as follows: West street north to the intersection of Union street; Main Cross street north to the intersection of Union street; Garrett street; portions of Third and Fourth alleys and Patriot street to the intersection of Union Street; Pleasant street north to the intersection of Catherine street; East street north to the intersection of Main street; Main street east from Parson's run to Pleasant street.

The successful bidders, Messrs. Ott Bros., are contractors of large experience, they having built most of the sewers for the cities of Pittsburg and Allegheny. The senior member of the firm, who was present at the letting, said that work will be commenced just as soon as the necessary material and labor can be secured, which he believed would be within ten days. Under the conditions of the contract the work is to be completed within one hundred working days.

The members of Council are unanimously of the opinion that they did the best possible thing under the circumstances when they awarded the contract, and are confident that if the work soon to be underway is carried to successful completion, their action will be approved by an overwhelming majority of the citizens.

It is to be regretted that the appropriation voted for sewer construction was limited to $20,000, but there is still time for the voters to authorize the expenditure of an additional appropriation, and if this is done, Council have been led to believe that they can, with an additional sum of $7,000 or $8,000, extend the proposed system until it will provide sewer connections for ninety five per cent. of the improved properties within the corporation limits.

WHEN THE CIRCUS WAS TABOOED.

Church-Members Given Permission to View the Animals and Acrobats.

The coming of John Robinson's circus Friday, August 11th, revives anecdotes of long ago, when the three ring railroad circus was unknown and all traveling exhibitions penetrating this then remote region traveled overland, making drives of from thirty to fifty miles between "show towns."

An old resident and prominent member of the Disciple Church was in the HERALD office last Wednesday morning when the advance agent of the Robinson Circus entered for the purpose of contracting for advertising space. At the mention of the familiar name—"John Robinson"—he pricked up his ears and earnestly declared: "Well, I haven't attended a circus for a good many years, but I'll have to see Brother Robinson's; he's a member of our Church, you know."

The advance agent turned with a patronizing smile and said: "Why, how's that? Mr. Robinson, the old man, you know, has been dead for a number of years, but I am glad to learn that he was a Church-member."

After expressing regret at the death of "Brother" Robinson, our loquacious friend continued: "Oh, yes; John Robinson was a Church member, and I always believed him to be a good one. He was a member of our denomination—'Campbellites,' they used to call us—but we are known throughout christendom to-day as 'Disciples,' or 'Christians.' Alexander Campbell was the founder of the denomination, and he used to preach here, the local Church being one of the pioneer Campbellite Churches. One of Campbell's boys, it is said, married a daughter of John Robinson's, and, if I am not mistaken, he used to do bareback riding in his father-in-law's big show; but I reckon he has retired from the ring long ago. Well, when John Robinson's circus used to come to Somerset in the old times, and it somehow managed to get here once a season, or at least every other season, there was great excitement. The preachers of that day, you know, forbade the Church-members to attend a circus, declaring that it was an instrument of the devil, and only those who had children who were willing to promise to be satisfied with a peep at the animals and not to look at the ring in which the clowns and contortionists cavorted together with the equestrians and equestriennes, had the brazen hardihood to go to the menagerie and afterward's face the withering contempt of the preachers and the good women-members of the flocks. After young Campbell married into the Robinson family a great change took place. The first time the show came here after that the local Campbellite minister announced, so I have been told, at a prayer-meeting: 'Brother John Robinson's Menagerie and Aggregation of Athletes will give an exhibition in Somerset next Tuesday afternoon, and all of the brethren and sisters who can afford to do so should not miss the opportunity to see the animals, many of which we have read about in the Bible.' The bars were down after that, and John Robinson's circus never failed to draw a large crowd when it returned to Somerset."

No Pennsylvania Peaches.

A Department report upon the state of the peach crop in Pennsylvania reveals a peculiar calamity. It has been well known that Western Pennsylvania will have no peach crop this year and Eastern Pennsylvania fares but little better. The new inter-mountain peach region, however, suffered less from the extreme cold of last February and none at all from late spring frosts. But a leading grower, who reported early in the summer a probable harvest of two thousand bushels of the luscious fruit, now informs the Department at Harrisburg that his trees and those of his neighbors have been stripped of fruit by a severe hailstorm. This is a disaster extraordinary, destroying the only peach crop in the State—a crop that would have paid good dividends in a year of general shortage. There will be peaches, of course, chiefly from California, but the lovers of fruit will be obliged to content themselves in the main with apples, pears and plums, which are all abundant.

Anthrax in Bedford County.

A special telegram dated at Harrisburg on Tuesday, to the Philadelphia Inquirer says Dr. Leonard Pearson, the State veterinarian, is more worried about the outbreak of anthrax in Bedford county than he is about the threatened epidemic of smallpox in Western Pennsylvania. It is reported that six horses have already died from the disease, and that one man is dying from blood poison. The germs of the disease came from China hides brought into this country a year ago. Cattle died from drinking the water of streams that had become contaminated from the tanneries where these hides were found last Spring, and a horse owned by gypsies who had camped along the stream died from the disease. It is expected that steps will be taken to have the tannery building destroyed, and the territory thoroughly disinfected.

Church Reopening.

The reopening service of Horner's Evangelical Lutheran Church, which has been undergoing repairs, will be held, nothing preventing, on Sunday, August 13th, at 10 o'clock a. m. A cordial invitation is extended to all to be present.

The Tenth Regiment is expected to arrive at San Francisco to-day, where they will be given an enthusiastic reception by a committee made up of delegates from the home towns of the various companies. After remaining in camp for about ten days the trip across the continent will be started. The regiment should reach Pittsburg about the middle of August.

TENTH MASCOT.

James Riffle, a New Baltimore Boy, a Great Favorite With the Volunteers in the Philippines.

A San Francisco dispatch noting the arrival of the invalids of the Tenth Regiment, on the Morgan City from Manila, in that city last Monday, says:

James Riffle, whose parents live in New Baltimore, Somerset county, Pa., and who went to Manila as the mascot of the Tenth recruits, returning May 6, is in the city, and was at the Presidio seeing the Tenth boys there to-day. Riffle says that while he was with the regiment he was told that he would be put in the guard house if he went on the firing line, but one day he was in the trenches selling badges to the Nebraska men when the firing began and he ran two miles to the Tenth's position. "I saw that fight all right," he said, "and if they would let me go to the front I would go back to Manila." Riffle is the mascot of the boys from Pennsylvania and the youngest soldier that ever shouldered a Springfield in the Philippines.

"I was bound to go to war, and I did," said the lad, who is barely 14 years old. "My folks objected, and so I sneaked along the side of the train which was filled with soldiers at the depot in Pittsburg. I asked the boys what the chances for enlistment were, and they told me I'd better go to bed before the 8 o'clock policeman got me. Then I got sight of Con Buckley, and he hid me under his seat. The next thing was Spaniards galore.

"The hottest place I got into was at De Loma church, three miles from Manila, on the night of March 17. You bet that was a corker, and I got all the mascot business I wanted. Time and again I could hear bullets whistling around my ears, and once a big shell popped behind my back. That same night I captured a horse belonging to a Filipino, and sold it for 17 Mexican dollars. After that I was laid up with the fever.

"My opinion of Colonel Hawkins is that he's a trump. He's my friend."

Luther League Convention.

The Seventh Annual Convention of the Central Luther League of the Somerset County Conference was held in the Lutheran church, Lavansville, July 27th and 28th.

At the opening session devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. C. M. Wachter, of Hooversville. The address of welcome was a happy effort on the part of Rev. C. F. Gebhart, and the response was made by Rev. M. S. Romig, of Shanksville. Owing to the absence of the President, Prof. J. C. Speicher, who was detained at home by sickness, Vice President Rev. M. L. Young, Ph. D., presided. Mrs. A. F. Speicher, of Salisbury, was appointed Secretary pro tem.

Following the organization the first topic on the program, "The Three-fold Sphere of Our Organization, (a) Devotional, Rev. E. S. Johnston; (b) Literary, Miss Carrie Johnston and Rev. M. L. Young; (c) Social, Rev. A. B. Miller, was taken up and ably discussed by the persons named.

When the Convention reconvened Friday morning the election of officers for the ensuing year was taken up with the following result: President, Prof. J. C. Speicher; Vice Presidents, Rev. M. L. Young and D. W. Sorber; Secretary, Mrs. A. F. Speicher; Corresponding Secretary, C. R. B. Cramer; Treasurer, H. E. Shaffer; Delegates to the National Convention, Mrs. A. F. Speicher, Rev. C. F. Gebhart and Prof. J. C. Speicher; Alternates, Rev. M. L. Young, Rev. M. S. Romig and B. B. Collins; Delegates to the State Convention, Rev. M. L. Young, Miss Carrie Johnston, Rev. M. L. Romig, Prof. H. S. Rhoads and Rev. D. S. Hoover.

"How Can Young Men be Induced to Take a Deeper Interest in the Work of the Church?" was discussed by D. W. Sorber, H. S. Rhoads, R. J. Hemminger and Revs. Romig and Gebhart.

Rev. D. S. Hoover, of Somerset, delivered an excellent address on "Working and Praying."

The Committee on Credentials reported that twelve Societies were represented by forty-one delegates.

"Benefits of Young People's Societies to the Individual, the Community, and the Church," was next taken up and discussed by O. O. Saylor, D. W. Weller, H. E. Shaffer, Edwin Tayman and V. R. Saylor.

Closing addresses were made by Revs. Gebhart, Miller, Johnson and Young.

The Convention was most enjoyable throughout, and the delegates present are all loud in their praise of the hospitality shown them by the people of Lavansville.

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Biggest Ship on Earth.

The Cramp ship-building firm, of Philadelphia, began last week to lay the cribbing for two vessels each 610 feet long, to be followed later by the construction of a vessel 700 feet in length. The dry dock upon which these vessels will be built will be over 800 feet long. The new vessels are to be built for the International Navigation Company. The contract price approximates $2,000,000 for each ship. The largest ships that enter the harbor of New York are the Fuerst Bismarck and Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, of the North German Lloyd line. The length over all of these vessels are 625 feet. The largest vessel afloat is the Oceanic, whose length is nearly 670 feet. The Cramps, with their 700-foot ship, will excel the world in marine architecture both in size, speed and tonnage.

The Wild West

A wagon passed through northern Kansas, says a Missouri paper, bearing the following inscription: "Colorado and irrigation, Kansas and starvation. I am going to my wife's relation and make no demonstration." They ought to come to Missouri where there is no irrigation and a man with education can engage in speculation, bring along his wife's relation and have free salvation with no danger of starvation. This is worth consideration. That made a Kansas editor warm under the collar and he is responsible for this outbreak: "The above narration is a sort of prevarication that has obtained a circulation among people of vivid imagination. Such fabrications hindered immigration, retarded education, prevented irrigation, are the shame of civilization and are absolutely without foundation. The population mentioned in the above narration are the scum of creation, are beyond salvation and can have free transportation to that land of speculation or to the Indian nation or to eternal damnation upon application."

Meyers Case With the Governor.

Prothonotary Barron visited Harrisburg last week for the purpose of delivering the court record in the Meyers case to the Executive Department. Governor Stone will not set a day for Meyers' execution until after he has returned from his summer vacation, and probable not until after he has heard from Meyers' attorneys, who say that they will ask the Executive to appoint a commission to inquire into the condemned man's mental condition.

Colonel Hawkins a Sick Man.

The following special San Francisco dispatch appeared in yesterday's Pittsburg Post:

Colonel A. L. Hawkins, of the Tenth regiment, of Pennsylvania, is in a most critical condition. Such is the authentic report brought home by the officers of the Utah artillery, who arrived here on the Hancock two days ago from Manila.

When they left the colonel at Nagasaki, Japan, doctors were constantly in attendance in his state room in the Senator, which was to sail the following day in the wake of the Hancock. Malaria fever and a cancerous formation in the bowels, it is said, now imperil the life of the Pennsylvania colonel. From a man weighing 250 pounds he has been reduced to a shadow, his present weight being only 160 pounds. Hard, hot fighting in the swamps of Luzon has been his undoing.

WINDBER A WONDER.

Phenomenal Growth of a Town in Two Years' Time.

MEYERSDALE NO LONGER THE METHOPOLIS.

The town of Windber, like an Oklahoma, has been of phenomenal growth. It was not built in a night, however, as has been claimed for some of the unstable "mushroom" towns of the west and southwest; but it reached its present population in an incredibly short time and is destined to be a permanent and thriving city, says the Era in an interesting write up of the new mining metropolis.

The growth of this town, now bordering on the proportions of a city, has been remarkable, almost beyond belief. Where, only a few short years ago, the stately oak and lofty pines nodded in the silent breeze and only the song of bird and cry of beast broke the stillness of the forest's depth, now stand huge business blocks and rows of pleasant dwellings, surrounded by mills and mines. The streams, once clear and sylvan homes of speckled trout, are turned alternately black and white by dust from mines, whence comes product from nature's abundant storehouse underground, and white by mills that work upon the surface.

Where so recently could be seen o'er the hills and through the valleys only almost imperceptible trails or paths, now speeds the iron horse on rails of steel, carrying to the progressive citizens of a great town supplies of every imaginable variety and taking their product to the markets of the world. What a tranformation scene to gaze upon, indeed! Such rapid strides cause one to wonder and reflect!

Unlike many towns that have suddenly sprung into existence and as suddenly dwindled back to nothing, this one will be permanent. Its permanency was assured from the beginning by the great natural resources of the region. Hundreds of thousands of acres of coal and timber furnish a supply that could not be exhausted for at least half a century. And in addition to this the agricultural industry that always follows in such cases might be taken into consideration. There can be no doubt as to the stability of this hustling, bustling town. Just watch us grow. Yes, Windber has come to stay.

While giving all due credit to the enterprising and progressive citizens of other counties, cities and towns who have located here for whatever measure they have contributed to the success and progress of the town, it is but fair to say that its real founders were the Berwind-White people, whose coal-mining operations gave rise to its existence. The casual observer will notice, too, that Windber is but a transposition of the syllables in Berwind.

Differing somewhat in their policy from other coal-mining firms, the Berwind-White company erected dwellings for those of their employes who so desired, permitting them to pay in monthly instalments on the property instead of paying rent. This plan was a commendable one, since by it many of the workmen now own their homes. This is another excellent proof of the permanency of the place.

Those who saw Windber even only a few months ago would hardly recognize it now, so rapid have been its growth and progress. An electric lighting plant, complete water system, business houses, and all the conveniences of a modern city are here.

Mr. J. S. Cunningham, chief engineer of the Berwind-White company and one of Pennsylvania's most celebrated and practical coal men, spent years in the location and development of the mineral deposits of this great region and many thousands of dollars in purchasing the mineral rights for his company. The company owns fully 30,000 acres of coal land in the vicinity—an immense area.

The first mine to furnish coal for the world's markets from this vicinity was Eureka No. 30, located near our sister town, Scalp Level. But other developments were bound to follow soon, and at the present time six collieries of the Berwind-White company are running full blast, producing millions of tons of coal yearly. Two other mines will soon be in condition for shipping and progress will no doubt continue as rapidly in future as it has done in the past.

Does Coffee Agree With You?

If not, drink Grain-O—made from pure grains. A lady writes: "The first time I made Grain-O I did not like it but after using it for one week nothing would induce me to go back to coffee." It nourishes and feeds the system. The children can drink it freely with great benefit. It is the strengthening substance of pure grains. Get a package to-day from your grocer, follow the directions in making it and you will have a delicious and healthful table beverage for old and young. 15c. nd 25c.

While excavating for foundations for a new building a few days ago, says the Johnstown Tribune, workmen under charge of Foreman Duncan, of the Johnson company, discovered, twelve feet beneath the surface, the skulls of three human beings and some partly decomposed bones that they believe belonged to another cranium. Whether the skulls are those of Indians or of some prehistoric race has not yet been determined.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Belinda Barclay, late of Somerset township, Somerset Co., Pa., dec'd.

Letters of administration on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned by the proper authority, notice is hereby giv en to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same to present them for settlement, duly authenticated.

ADAM S. MILLER,
Administrator of Belinda Barclay.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

There came straying on my premises in Milford township, Somerset county, Pa., on Sunday morning, July 23, 1899, a dark brown mare, two white feet, white star on face, weighs between 1300 and 1400 pounds. The owner can recover property by proving ownership and paying expense of keeping and advertising.

JAS. W. SEIBERT.

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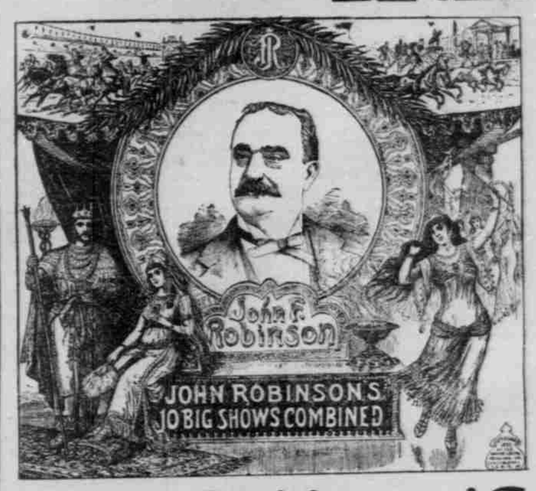

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