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DAY December 27, 1899.

and Mrs. Harvey M. Berkley spent
day with Meyersdale relatives.

P. Y. Kimmel, of Pittsburg, is
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E. E. Patton, of Washington, D. C.,
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e on Patriot street.

and Mrs. John A. Colborn, of
ington, D. C., spent Christmas with
Somerset relatives.

ne McKelvey, who has been at-
ing a private school at Saltsburg, Pa.,
ed for the holidays.

Beeits arrived home Friday
Poughkeepsie, New York, where
have been attending school.

M. Holderbaum, Jr., who has
been attending school at Delaware, O.,
home for the holiday vacation.

E. G. Parker, of Johnstown, spent
day and Monday with his mother
Mrs. Parker at their Union street residence.

Harry A. J. Colborn, Jr., of Scran-
is spending the holidays at the home
his father, Hon. A. J. Colborn, on
Union street.

Edward Lowe, a Philippine war
, who formerly practiced his pro-
here, is spending the week with
Somerset friends.

John First, a prominent civil en-
of Pittsburg, was a Sunday guest
the residence of his brother-in-law, Dr.
H. Grothers.

Owen S. F. and W. W. Picking, of
, arrived in town Saturday and
ained until after Christmas at the
residence on Patriot street.

John O. Scull, of Baltimore, Md.,
and Mrs. Edward B. Scull, of
, spent Sunday and Monday at
home of their parents, on Union
et.

Parker Saylor, son of Sheriff-elect
B. Saylor, who is enrolled as a
at the Pennsylvania College,
burg, is home for the annual holi-
ation.

Miss Laura Scott, Louise Colborn and
Ella Kimmel, who have been attending
ol in Bethany, West Va., arrived
home Wednesday last and will remain
home for the holidays.

Mrs. U. S. Spangler, whose husband
died a few weeks ago at his late residence
Somerset, has received a $3,000
from the Woodmen of the World,
which order her husband was a mem-
er.

A marriage license has been issued by
Clerk of the Orphans's Court of this
county to George R. Friday, of Windber,
and Miss C. Murphy, of Johnstown, Pa.
Mr. Friday is the popular paymaster of
the Windber Coal Mining Co.

Miss Essie Love and his sister Myra,
who have been attending school at
Washington, Pa., the former at W. & J.
College and the latter at the Washington
Female Seminary, are spending the holi-
days at the home of their parents in this
place.

Mr. Charles H. Trent, of Milwaukee,
Wis., spent several weeks here in Novem-
ber visiting relatives and preparing to go to Washington, D. C.,
to work with his brother, returned Sat-
urday evening and will remain until
February 1st at the residence of his
father.

Miss Moses Trent, has been confin-
ed to his home in this place for several
weeks by sickness. "Mose" is known
throughout the county, not only as a
hard working man but as an inimitable
story teller, and his legion of friends are
anxious for his speedy recovery.

Assistant Principal Charles Shultz, of
the Meyersdale school, has tendered his resig-
nation to take effect immediately. The
board met last night for the pur-
pose of electing his successor. Mr.
Shultz is generally recognized as an
excellent teacher and his resignation will
be a loss to the schools.

J. A. Berkey, Esq., fell from a step-
ladder Sunday evening, breaking one of
bones and badly spraining several
others in his left wrist. Mr. Berkey was
helping his wife dress a Christmas tree,
the step ladder accidently toppled
over and in trying to save himself from a
fall he sustained the injuries mentioned.

The J. P. Cummins Post G. A. R., accord-
ing to tradition, will give their annual ban-
quet on Thursday, January 6th. The
wives and daughters of the old
soldiers will meet at the Odd Fellows'
Hall at noon, where they will be joined
by the members of the Post and escorted
to Somerset House, where the banquet
will be spread at 1:30 p. m.

Miss Orda, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.
Henry Haupt, of this place, and Mr.
Oscar V. Rees, of Allegheny, Pa., were
united in marriage at 3 o'clock Christmas
afternoon, at the residence of the bride's
parents. The bride and groom left on the
afternoon train for Allegheny, where they
will make their future home. The cere-
mony was performed by Rev. E. P. Wise,
of the Disciple Church.

Mr. Silas Thomas, of Thomas' Mills,
Somerset township, and Mrs. Lydia
Vogel, of Cambria, were married at
Johnstown Thursday night by Elder Levi
Vogel, at the home of the latter, about
one mile north of Davidsville. Mr. Thomas
is a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas,
of Thomas' Mills, and his bride is a
daughter of Mr. Henry Howard. Mr.
and Mrs. Thomas will make their home
at Thomas' Mills. Mr. Thomas, as well
as his bride, has been married previously.

The "jubilee" had full possession of the
town Monday. Among those who
helped to delight the children were
a party of young men, dressed in
masks and costumes, who paraded through
the town in large sleds drawn by four horses
abreast. An innovation was an "Uncle
Sam" robot, perched on a sled, from
the shoulders of which the woolly heads of
some pickaninnies protruded. The
amusement kept up for three of four
hours and was greatly enjoyed, not only
by the little folks but by those of mature
years.

One of the most terrible accidents re-
cently reported occurred last Thursday a
week ago in Black township, half-way
between Rockwood and Meyersdale.
Allen Shaffer, son of Carl Shaffer, a
well known resident of the neighbor-
hood, was caught by a circular saw at a
mill on the Mankamier farm, where he
was working, and before the machinery
could be stopped he was literally sawed
in two, his body being split from the
shoulders to the hips, and both legs saw-
ed above the knees. Death was in-
stantaneous.

Charles Bowman and two children, of
Black township, died within the past
few weeks from diphtheria, said to have
been contracted while visiting a few
weeks since in the neighborhood of Lull
station, where the dread disease has
claimed two or three families. Two
fatal cases are reported in the neigh-
borhood of Will's Church at the present
time, one being Mr. Charles S. Kifer,
aged two small sons, died from the
disease, and the other a lad named
Pepperman, who has been employed
at the Kifer family.

W. W. Brant, of Stonycreek township,
was the victim of an accident Friday that
will cause him to go through life with
only one arm. He was operating a corn
shredder at the barn of Daniel Walker,
two miles east of Somerset, when his right
hand in some unaccountable manner got
between the iron teeth of the machine
and before it could be extricated, which
was not until after the machine was stop-
ped, his arm was drawn in to almost the
full length and horribly lacerated. Dr.
Scull, who was called upon to attend
the injured man, found it necessary to
amputate the arm. Brant, who is a young
man, was getting along as nicely as could
be expected when last heard from.

"PETE" MEYERS RESPITED.

Governor Stone Grants Condemned Murderer Two Weeks More of Life.

EXECUTION DELAYED UNTIL JAN. 26th.

Governor Stone on Friday respited Samuel Peter Meyers, who had been condemned to be executed for the murder of John Lenhart and Michael Carney on January 11th to January 26th, in order that his attorneys might be given an opportunity to appear before the Board of Pardons and ask that the sentence of death might be commuted to life imprisonment. Attorney A. C. Holbert visited Harrisburg for the purpose of interceding with the Governor in behalf of Meyers, and as soon as he secured the Governor's assurance that he would issue a stay of execution he telegraphed his associate counsel, F. J. Kooser, to convey the glad tidings to Meyers.

When Meyers learned that he would be permitted to enjoy two weeks more of life, he expressed all the gratification he was capable of. Many people are firmly convinced that Meyers is insane, and that he should be sent to an asylum, instead of being executed. During the fifteen months Meyers has been in jail he has deported himself as well as any of the other prisoners.

It is probable that Sheriff-elect Saylor was pleased to learn that the disagreeable task the law imposes upon him has been postponed for two weeks, or until he becomes familiar with his new quarters and his new duties.

Note Book Pencilings.

Divine services will be held in the Reformed Church next Sunday morning.

The Christmas business handled by the local express officials was the largest ever done in Somerset, almost doubling the volume of business handled last season.

Attorneys for Samuel Peter Meyers give notice in another column that they will appear before the Board of Pardons at the next meeting, when they will ask to have the death sentence of their client commuted to life imprisonment.

A local farmers' institute will be held in the Grange Hall, at Husband, Wednesday evening, January 31. Among other topics that will be discussed are the following: "What the Grange Has Accomplished," and "The Chief Elements of Success in Farming." The program will be interspersed with music and queries. The public is invited to attend.

Local merchants express themselves as being delighted with the splendid holiday trade, which was never better than during the season just closed. Cook & Beerits alone sold a car load of candy during the week preceding Christmas, while other merchants sold thousands of dollars' worth of presents of a more substantial character.

Sheriff Hartzell's family is busily at work removing their household furniture from the Sheriff's official residence to his new home on South Main street. Sheriff elect Saylor and family will remove into the residence provided by the county for the Sheriff the latter part of this week, and on Monday next Mr. Saylor will enter upon his official duties.

Saturday morning was balmy and pleasant as a day in June, but before night set in snow began falling and when Sunday morning dawned the ground was covered to a depth of from six to eight inches. Sunday afternoon the jingle of sleigh bells was heard on the streets, hundreds of people taking advantage of the first opportunity to enjoy a sleigh ride this winter.

All of the newly elected county officers have filed their official bonds, which have been approved by the court. The Sheriff, Prothonotary, Register and Recorder and Treasurer are required to file bonds with the State Department at Harrisburg in addition to the bonds filed with the county for the faithful performance of the duties of their several official positions. The latter have all been filed and approved by the Governor.

Now that diphtheria in a malignant form has made its appearance in various sections of the county it is the duty of school boards to rigidly enforce the right of quarantine given them by a recent act of Assembly. It is the duty of directors not only to quarantine against families in which the dread disease has appeared but to close the schools indefinitely where such measure is found necessary to prevent the contagion from spreading.

Herbert Hoffman, an alleged counterfeiter, was taken before United-States-Commissioner Russell at Bedford Thursday, but waived a hearing for court and was committed to jail until March, when he will be tried before the United States District Court in Scranton. Hoffman is accused by United-States-Secret-Service-Detective Flinn, of Pittsburg, of circulating the "queer" at Franklin Mills, Fulton county. When arrested he had in his possession some spurious coins and molds for making the counterfeits.

D. J. Steel, Secretary and Treasurer of the Keystone Coal Company, at Keystone, W. Va., was in Greensburg Thursday night searching for a lost son—Dunn Steel—who disappeared from the University of West Virginia, at Morgantown, some time ago. The boy, it appears, became discontented at the school, and, suddenly disappearing, the faculty believed that he had gone home. He never reached there, however, and the father was greatly distressed at not finding him among friends in Greensburg. Money was recently forwarded to the boy to pay his expenses during the term.

Something for the New Year.

The world-renowned success of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters and their continued popularity for near half a century as a stomachic is scarcely more wonderful than the welcome that greets Hostetter's Almanac. This medical treatise is published by the Hostetter Company, Pittsburg, Pa., under their own immediate supervision, employing sixty hands in that department. The issue of same for 1900 will be over eleven millions, printed in nine languages. Refer to a copy of it for valuable and interesting reading concerning health, and numerous testimonials as to the efficacy of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. The Almanac for 1900 can be obtained, free of cost, from druggists and general country dealers in all parts of the country.

Week of Prayer Program.

The Week of Prayer will be observed in Somerset, as is the custom, by union services, as follows:

Monday evening, January 8, in the United Evangelical Church.

Tuesday evening in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Wednesday evening in the Disciple Church.

Thursday evening in Trinity Lutheran Church.

Friday evening in the Reformed Church.

Saturday evening in the United Brethren Church.

Services will begin promptly at 7 o'clock.

The collection taken at the several services will be devoted to the work of the Children's Aid Society.

Shot the Wrong Man.

A serious shooting affray took place at Windber Christmas, in which a man named Perlin was fatally wounded by another named Brown. A man named Parlett, who had been refused liquor at the bar of the Cambria hotel, became boisterous and knocked Brown down, who while on his knees shot at him, the ball hitting Perlin in the eye. The latter is unconscious, and his death is momentarily expected. Brown was placed under arrest, and Parlett who caused the trouble, was afterward badly used up with a beer bottle.

A SAW MILL TRAGEDY.

George Shafer Loses His Life Thursday Last.

One of those terrible accidents that appear to be inseparable from machinery, occurred on the Mrs. Louise Mankamier tract, two and one-half miles south of Rockwood, Thursday, 14th inst. Domer Kreger, of Kingwood, has the mill in operation and as he was short handed, Mr. George Shafer, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Shafer, of Summit, was engaged by Mr. P. Mankamier to make logs. George had worked but a day and a half when he volunteered to take an off-bearer's place on the mill. This accident, resulting in his death, could not have happened to him had he remained in his first position.

As the engineer turned on the steam for the afternoon's run, the sawyer run the carriage back to put on the first log, the setter, Daniel Mankamier, standing on the carriage at his place, moving the head block back at the time, young Shafer stepped in the carriage for a ride, but soon leaped off, to walk back to his place as off-bearer, which was on the other side of the mill. It was while passing between the head blocks of the carriage and saw, which was rapidly revolving, that in some way he was caught and in a moment both his legs and one foot were horribly lacerated; he was then thrown forward on top of the saw, deep gashes being cut in his left shoulder and breast, his entire left side being forced under the carriage so tightly that it required the power of the three men to throw the carriage clear off the track, when Shafer tore himself clear, dying ten minutes later. The saw was stopped as quickly as possible. The torn remains were placed on a sled and taken to his home by John Heiner, Ed. Hochstetler, William Gerhart, A. and D. Mankamier.

Mr. George Shafer had lived nineteen years and thirteen days. His neighbors and friends speak of him in terms of the highest praise; they all say he was a respectable, promising young man of the highest standing, and sincerely loved by all for his many excellent traits of character.—Meyersdale Commercial.

December Weddings.

The following named couples secured marriage licenses since the first of the present month.

Grayson McElfish, Rockwood.
Darlie Murray, "
John Wiland, Meyersdale.
Bertha Seigner, Romania.
Wm. H. Mosholder, Summit.
Lizzie Albright, "
Weldin G. Will, Somerset.
Estella M. Ringler, Stonycreek.
Andrew G. Glessner, Allegheny.
Anna M. Keefer, "
Harris L. Taylor, Scalp Level.
Nora B. Schuchmaker, Clearfield Co.
Isaiah Baker, Black.
Catherine M. Weimer, Black.
Edwin F. Stahl, Somerset.
Sadie E. Hanger, Milford.
Charles L. Beal, Sand Patch.
Eva Lenhart, Meyersdale.
Charles Kimmel, Rockwood.
Anna B Hutzell, "
Edward Price, Stonycreek.
Maggie M. Meyers, "
Henry Walker, Windber.
Mamie McFeeley, "
Samuel Weyand, Waterloo, Ia.
Elizabeth Heiple, Somerset.
John W. Gaumer, Williams.
Lucia C. Deremer, Fairhope.
George Burket, Stonycreek.
Emma Burket, "
Abraham A. Lambert, Lambertsville.
Hattie Beaner, Bedford County.
Alfred Ringler, Elk Lick.
Mary Minna. "
William Lindeman, Meyersdale.
Mattie Whitford, Keystone.
John A. Stahl, Kantner.
Cora L. Shaver, "
Austin Geisel, Johnstown.
Cora Kimmel, Stonycreek.
John M. Schradle, Northampton.
Minnie A. Hanning, "
P. S. McBride, Westmoreland County.
Annie Miller, " "
Marcellus R. King, U. Turkeyfoot.
Ada S. Faidley, "
Charles W. Turner, West Virginia.
Catharine Steur, " "
Charles Glessner, Brothersvalley.
Grace V. Engleka, Allegheny.
Ross Osler, Fayette County.
Lulu V. Parker, Confluence.
John T. Long, Trent.
Edith Skelly, Scullton.
Joseph J. Shaffer, Hooversville.
Clara G. Reiman, Berlin.
Irvin H. Good, Latrobe.
Catharine Moore, Lincoln.
Ernest V. Rees, Allegheny City.
Corda L. Houpt, Somerset Bor.
Charles Lambert, Shade.
Fannie Rodgers, "
D S. Good, Somerset.
Clara Barron, "
Adam W. Waybright, Elk Lick.
Maria C. Raines, "
Thomas Jones, Pittsburg.
Ada Naylor, Windber.

Lost His Liberty for Love.

H. J. Hannan, alias J. H. Manly, of Johnstown, who is wanted at Greensburg for murder, is under arrest in San Francisco. Mrs. Hannan by attempting to spend Christmas with her husband unknowingly gave the detectives a clue to the fugitive's whereabouts. Before she was out of the State on her long journey across the continent, the California officers were notified to interrupt the happy meeting last Friday by flashing a warrant for Hannan.

The coroner's jury of Westmoreland county has charged Hannan with the killing of John Craig, of Pittsburg, at Greensburg May 25, last. That day the borough was celebrating the one hundredth anniversary of its incorporation. Just at noon, when the streets were packed with people, Craig was shot. The man who committed the crime escaped in the crowd. Craig was taken to the hospital, where he died the following Sunday.

Soon after the shooting George Guyhauff was arrested, but Craig said he was not the man who fired the shot. From Guyhauff it was learned that he, Craig, Hannan and others had been at Altoona a few days before, during the Knights Templar conclave. They had been associated in some enterprise and parted before the receipts had been divided. The first meeting was at Greensburg, and Craig and Hannan had an argument over money matters. They exchanged a few blows. Hannan is said to have bought a revolver and again gone after Craig.

Detective James McCain went to work on the case. In a couple of days he located Hannan at Johnstown, but the county commissioners refused to put up the money to bring him back. Hannan then started South. A month or two after the murder he was located by McCain in Savannah, but the Westmoreland authorities did not go after him. Of late they have been anxious to secure him, and Roger O'Mara, superintendent of the Pittsburg bureau of detectives, was asked to assist in the man's capture.

Mrs. Hannan was living in Dunbar and a watch was kept on her to see if she was communicating with her husband. December 14 she went to Johnstown, returning the following day to Dunbar. On the 16th she went to Pittsburg and bought a ticket for San Francisco. The detectives learned the time she would arrive in the California city and the information was wired there by O'Mara, with orders to arrest Hannan. He was caught Friday. Hannan was known in San Francisco as J. H. Manly, and had been working in a barber shop. The prisoner belongs to a prominent Johnstown family.

Swearing Off Time.

Another swearing off time is near at hand. Another new year will soon be here, the year 1900. Well, it isn't too soon to begin to consider what bad habits to renounce. We all, old and young, ought to know better each year, and at the beginning of a new year is a real good time to begin. Let everybody begin the new year with a full determination to lead a better life.

Alas, no resolution fair,
Shall on the scroll appear;
I'll just endeavor to repair,
The ones I broke last year.

VERDICT AGAINST SHEETS.

Jury Find Him Guilty of Murder of the First Degree for the Death of Augustus Glessner.

MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL FILED.

Milton Sheets, one of the boys charged with the murder of Augustus Glessner, has been convicted of murder of the first degree and his young life will be taken by the law as a forfeit for the life he destroyed.

The Sheets case was given to the jury at four o'clock Wednesday afternoon, and notwithstanding the generally expressed belief that the jury would arrive at a verdict before eight o'clock that evening, they did not bring their verdict into court until eight o'clock Thursday morning.

The prisoner at the bar was the least affected person in the crowded court room when the jury came in, and when the jurors solemnly declared him guilty of the highest crime known to the law, a smile played around the corners of his mouth. If Sheets realized the gravity of his position and the direful consequences in store for him he concealed his feelings admirably.

The defendant's father and mother sat by his side throughout the trying days of the trial. Mrs. Sheets is a very delicate woman and fears were entertained that if she went on the stand to testify it might be at the cost of her life. But when the thought occurred to her that her evidence might be the means of saving her boy from an ignominious death she nerved herself for the struggle. She was a most pitiable object when she declared that Milt was not as strong-minded as her other children, and many of the spectators were moved to tears through sympathy for her. The defendant appeared entirely oblivious of the presence of his parents and throughout the trial exchanged only a few remarks with them.

It was owing perhaps to the fact that Sheets had been a resident of Somerset for six or eight months that so much local interest centered in his trial, the court room being crowded at every session, many ladies helping to swell the attendance.

There was much speculation as to why the jury remained out for so long a time, and when it failed to come in before Wednesday midnight some of Sheets' friends were led to believe that the jury was unable to agree upon a verdict. One of the jurymen, it is said, had declared when called and examined as to his right to sit in the Weller case, that he "would not like to return a verdict that would hang a boy," and their hopes doubtless rested upon his expected unwillingness to agree to a verdict that would mean that Sheets would have to suffer the death penalty. Their hopes were also aroused through the fact that the jury must have known when Weller took the stand and testified against Sheets that the former had been either acquitted or permitted to enter a plea of guilty of murder of the second degree, and it was argued that they would not convict Sheets of murder of the first degree while his accomplice escaped. It is reported, however, that the jury did not take a vote until a late hour Wednesday night, when every vote cast favored a verdict of guilty of murder of the first degree.

Counsel for Sheets promptly filed a motion for a new trial, which will be argued at the next session of regular argument court, pending which Weller will not be sentenced.

New Jennertown Church.

A Reformed Church was recently organized at Jennertown by Rev. S. C. Long, assisted by Rev. Dr. Charles Ferner, late of Philadelphia, who recently located at Jenners.

Messrs. John O. Rauch and Levi Shaulis were chosen deacons of the new congregation, and Messrs. Isaac Friedline and Benjamin Enos elders. A Sunday-school has been organized in connection with the church and the following corps of officers chosen: John O. Ray, Superintendent; E. S. Witt, Assistant Superintendent; Miss Laura S. Hay, Organist; P. S. Pile, Treasurer; Miss Mary Rauch, Secretary; Miss Lilian Maurer, Librarian.

There are now two congregations in Jennertown, the Lutherans having had a church there for some time. Rev. Long resides in that place and will have charge of four churches hereafter, the other three being Beam, Calvary and Edie.

RIDDLED WITH BULLETS.

The Murderer of Sanford White Is in a Dying Condition.

A dispatch from Dunbar says: Excitement ran high in this town and vicinity last Thursday night. Sanford White, Superintendent of Construction of the W. J. Rainey Coke Company, is dead, and his assassin is in the Connellsville hospital, riddled with bullets, and is expected to die at any time.

George Templeton, a negro gambler and desperado, is supposed to have entered and robbed a house of one of the workmen at Mount Braddock last night, and when the robbery was reported at the works this morning Superintendent F. W. Cunningham started an investigation. Among others, he asked Templeton where he spent last night. Instead of replying, the negro at once said he would kill Mr. Cunningham for insinuating that he had anything to do with the thieving.

After some loud talk he drew a revolver from his pocket and, as Mr. Cunningham was unarmed, Sanford White, standing close by, ran and stepped between the men and, without a word, struck the negro in the face, knocking him away from Cunningham. Like a flash Templeton turned the revolver on White and shot him. The ball entered the right breast just over the heart. White staggered backward and gasped for breath, but with wonderful rallying power he drew his revolver and fired twice at Templeton, who was by this time running away. White then fell to the ground and died soon afterward.

Grain-O! Grain-O!

Remember that name when you want a delicious, appetizing, nourishing food drink to take the place of coffee. Sold by all grocers and liked by all who have used it. Grain-O is made of pure grain, it aids digestion and strengthens the nerves. It is not a stimulant but a health builder and the children as well as the adults can drink it with great benefit. Costs about ¼ as much as coffee. 15c. and 25c. per package. Ask your grocer for Grain-O.

Literary Note from The Century Co.

The January *Century* will contain a poem by Rudyard Kipling, "In the Matter of One Compass." Dr. Mitchell's story, "The Autobiography of a Quack," ends in that issue, but another serial by Dr. Mitchell will begin in the March number. It is called "Dr. North and His Friends," and one who has read the manuscript calls it "an epitome of the science, culture and common sense of the nineteenth century."

Johnston Now in Custody.

CLEARFIELD, Pa., December 21.—Jury Commissioner Millard F. Johnston, who has been a fugitive from justice since November 24, has been captured at Marion, Ind., and is on his way to Clearfield in custody of Constable Thompson of Curwensville. At the hearing before Judge Gordon, December 5, the testimony pointed to Johnston as being implicated in the packing of the jury panel for the December term of court. Judge Cyrus Gordon has made a rule on Johnston and J. E. Phillips, the other jury commissioner, who is jointly charged with him, to show cause why their offices should not be declared vacant by reason of alleged misbehavior.

General Lawton Killed.

MANILA, Dec. 20.—Details of General Lawton's death throw strong sidelights on the nobility of his character. With a strong force the General on Tuesday marched all day in a driving rain and attacked the Filipinos at San Mateo.

Captain Breckenridge was shot in the skirmish and General Lawton dismounted and helped to carry the wounded officer's litter.

While bending over the litter and assisting in dressing Breckenridge's wound a Filipino bullet, more treacherous or better aimed than others, passed through his heart and he fell dead.

Officers near him had called the General's attention to the fact that the Filipino sharpshooters were aiming at him. They begged him to be careful. General Lawton resolutely replied: "I must see what is going on in the firing line."

He then started off and had traversed about fifty feet when he was shot. He tipped forward, with blood gushing from his mouth. He did not speak again, for he was dead.

Manley Lawton, the 12 year old son of the General, who accompanied his father in the entire northern campaign, stood outside the gate of his Manila home tonight waiting for the arrival of the body.

"How I dread to see my father dead!" he exclaimed.

The brave boy was overcome with grief when the ambulance with a big cavalry escort thundered down the the street and came into view.

Mrs. Lawton was packing up in a dazed way, getting ready to return home with her dead husband.

Every one is fearful of the result if she breaks down.

General Otis says he feels as if by General Lawton's death he has lost his right arm.

The feeling among his staff is so great with grief that it forbids expression, and no one at headquarters will talk.

Mrs. Lawton seems not to understand that her husband is dead or even to think it possible that he could be killed.

Commissioners Forced to Settle.

TOWANDA, Pa., Dec. 22.—The case of the taxpayers of Bradford county against ex-Commissioners Horace Horton, John Wolf and W. K. Green, known as the taxpayers' appeal from the report of the county auditors for 1896, was to-day settled by the payment to the attorneys for the plaintiffs of $11,000. Appeals were taken by the commissioners and the taxpayers in the spring of 1897.

The case was heard by Judge Archbald of Scranton and he found judgments of $37,178.91 against Horton Wolf and $28,742.35 against Green. Judge Archbald approved the settlement of to-day and the judgments were satisfied. The matter grew out of the building of the new $200,000 court house, the original surcharge being $5,816.06; of this amount the contractor refunded $3,530.80.

Christmas Surprise for Ten Thousand.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 22.—The Carnegie Company gave its employes a great Christmas surprise to-day by posted notices at its various works in this vicinity—the Duquesne Steel Works, furnaces and foundry, the Carrie Furnaces, the Homestead Steel Works, the Lucy Furnaces, the Keystone Bridge Works, the Upper Union Mills and the Lower Union Mills—reading as follows:

"Taking effect on January 1, 1900, common labor at these works will be increased to $1 50 per day, and all other day, turn and tonnage labor (with certain exceptions) will be increased in proportion.

"The exceptions are the tonnage men working under sliding scales where the rates of wages increase and decrease in proportion to the proceeds of the products, and also the men employed in several new sub-departments which have been put into operation within the last two months, and for which new scales were made at the time in keeping with the present improved condition of business."

This adjustment is 7.14 per cent. advance on the wages now being paid, making a total of twenty-five per cent. of increase made by the company voluntarily since the last general scale. About 10,000 men will be affected.

The Indiana Normal School of Pennsylvania will begin the Winter Term Tuesday, January 2, 1900.

D. J. WALLER, JR.

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REPUBLICAN CALL FOR CONVENTION.

Chairman Hanna Issues Instructions for Selecting Delegates.

REPRESENTATION FIXED.

Headquarters Republican National Committee, Washington, D. C.

To the Republican Electors of the United States:

In accordance with established custom and in obedience to instructions of the National Convention of 1896, the National Republican Committee directs that a National Convention of delegated representatives of the Republican party be held at the city of Philadelphia, in the State of Pennsylvania, for the purpose of nominating candidates for President and Vice President, to be voted for at the Presidential election, Tuesday, November 6, 1900, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it, and that said Convention shall assemble at 12 o'clock noon on Tuesday, the 19th day of June, 1900. The Republican electors of the several States, District of Columbia and the Territories and all other electors, without regard to past political affiliations, who believe in the principles of the Republican party and indorse its policies, are cordially invited to unite under this call in the selection of candidates for President and Vice President.

SELECTION OF DELEGATES.

Said National Convention shall consist of a number of delegates at large from each State, equal to double the number of United States Senators to which each State is entitled, and for each Representative at large in Congress two delegates at large; from each Congressional district, and the District of Columbia, two delegates; from each of the Territories of Alaska, Arizona, Indian Territory, New Mexico and Oklahoma, two delegates. For each delegate elected to said convention an alternate delegate shall be elected, to act in case of the absence of the delegate; said alternate delegate to be elected at the time and in the manner of electing the delegate.

All delegates shall be elected not less than thirty days before the meeting of the National Convention. Delegates at large shall be elected by popular State and Territorial conventions, of which at least thirty days' notice shall have been published in some newspaper or newspapers of general circulation in the respective States and Territories.

DISTRICT CONVENTIONS.

The Congressional District delegates shall be elected by conventions called by the Congressional committee of each district in the manner of nominating the candidate for representative in Congress in said district, provided, that in any Congressional district where there is no Republican Congressional committee, the Republican State committee shall appoint from among the Republicans resident in such district, a committee for the purpose of calling a district convention to elect delegates to represent said district.

The election of delegates from the District of Columbia shall be held under the direction and supervision of an election board composed of Hon. John B. Cotton, Mr. W. S. Chase and Mr. L. M. Saunders.

Such board shall have authority to fix the date for such election and to arrange all details and regulations incident thereto, and shall provide for a registration of the votes as cast, such registration to include the name and residence of each voter.

TERRITORIAL DELEGATES.

The Territorial delegates shall be elected in the manner of nominating candidates for delegates in Congress and delegates from the Indian Territory and Alaska shall be elected by popular convention. We recommend that the Territories of Arizona, Indian Territory, New Mexico and Oklahoma each elect six delegates and six alternates, and that Alaska elect four delegates and four alternate delegates, and the admission of such additional delegates to the convention is hereby recommended.

All notices of contest shall be submitted in writing, accompanied by a printed statement setting forth the grounds of contest, which shall be filed with the Secretary of the National Committee twenty days prior to the meeting of the National Convention. Contests will be acted on by the National Convention in the order of the date of filing of notice and statement with the Secretary.

(Signed) M. A. HANNA, Chairman.
Charles Dick, Secretary.

Assignee's Sale

—OF—

Valuable Real Estate!

By virtue of an order of Court, to me directed, the undersigned assignee of John H. Weller, of Somerset township, Somerset county, Pa., will expose to public sale, on

SATURDAY, JAN 20, 1900,
AT 1 O'CLOCK P. M.,

at the Court House, in Somerset, Pa., the following real estate, to-wit:

All that certain farm situate in Somerset township, Somerset county, Pa., adjoining lands of S. J. Bowser, Adam Sumpstine, Herman Shaffer, Cyrus Shaffer, Wm. H. Shaffer, Gillian Koontz and Valentine Hay, containing 60 acres, having thereon erected the usual farm buildings. This farm is underlaid with coal. Within two miles of the town of Somerset and close to schools.

TERMS CASH.

Hay & Hay, Attorneys. CYRUS C. SHAFFER, Assignee.

Orphans' Court Sale

OF

Valuable Real Estate

By virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court to me directed, I will expose to public sale on

SATURDAY, JAN. 20, 1900,
at 1 o'clock P. M.,

on the premises in Shanksville, the following real estate, late the property of John Lutz, deceased:

A certain house and lot of ground situate in Shanksville, Stonycreek township, on the road leading from Shanksville to Buckstown, in said county of Somerset, adjoining Henry Grady and Samuel Statler, now in the occupancy of Charles Ross, containing one acre more or less, with a dwelling house thereon erected.

Terms:

Cash, unless it may be advisable to change them on day of sale. 10 per cent. to be paid on day of sale.

JACOB ROSS,
Executor of John Lutz, dec'd.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PARDON.

To all whom it may concern:—

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Board of Pardons, at Harrisburg, Pa., on the third Wednesday, 17th day of January, A. D. 1900, for commutation of the sentence of Samuel Peter Meyers, heretofore convicted of murder in the first degree, in the courts of Somerset county, from the penalty of death to that of imprisonment for life.

A. C. HOLBERT,
KOOSER & KOOSER,
Attys' for Defendant.

Mrs. A. E. Uhl

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250 Pairs of Misses' Black Hose, 9c per pair, former price 20 cts.