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...W. SNULL, Editor.

March 7, 1900.

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...ed blind for nine years as the ...sequence, C. O. Corman, of ...Pa., has recovered his eye... ...medical aid.

...ff's office in Indiana coun... ...last week there have been ...representing 2,000 acres of ...ed at $65,000.

...ed a dispute, James Tay... ...township, Greene county, ...kill his brother, Zacharia ...a shotgun, and is now a ...ntiary.

...the flooded Schuylkill ...frightened horse, near Au... ...county, John Henry ...ow in mid-stream for three ...ed.

...ts a promise Congressman ...ffer is dividing his salary ...hospitals in his district. The ...Stuffed hospitals have each ...check for $1,000. His salary ...year's term will be $10,000.

...ney's famous play, "The ...Pilgrim," will be presented ...Grand Opera Theatre, Johnstown, ...evening, March 20th.

...services at the Christian ...Lord's Day, are as follows: ...Walk Through Grace;" ...The Culture of a Full Man... ...evening sermon is special to ...the community.

...Specialty Company at the ...Theatre, 8 Big Feature Acts. 4 ...acts. This Company is compos... ...of best Specialty People on ...stage to-day. One night ...Friday, March 8, 1900. Admis... ...25 cents.

...County Commissioners will not ...money, owing to the ...Judge Purdy of the Wayne... ...declaring unconstitutional ...payment of bounties on ...and minks and the later ...these. They have paid ...scalps since Jan. 1.

...Esq., the poet and publisher, ...author of FOLEY'S HONEY ...recovered his voice when ...advised to prevent his lect... ...Music Hall, Chicago. All ...

...J. Thompson, secretary of ...monument commission as ...commissioner of the United ...during President McKinley ...was presented to President ...morning the first of the ...dar, which was enclosed in ...$100.

...Anderson, of Somerfield, ...acres of timber land in ...(Clay town-ships, Fayette ...Johnstown business men ...nearly all white oak of the ...and it is estimated that ...cut 7,000,000 feet. Mill... ...and the lumber shipped ...England, to be used in ship...

...bill passed by Congress pro... ...bounty of the three cent ...now discontinued by an Act ...March 3, 1899. To remove the ...doubt in the old coin, viz: ...dollar or a dime, the coin ...it has to be made out ...the eye of the bronze cent ...piece. In the centre is to be ...size of an inch in diameter, ...edge the coin easily distin... ...touch.

...people lose valuable time in ...trying with cough and cold ...should take FOLEY'S ...HONEY AND TAR before it is too ...Refuse ...

...Take notice the following en... ...Tie a string about a yard ...front door key. Then take ...in the right hand and hold it ...hang over the door four or five ...Now hold the key steadily ...and begin to swing back and ...forth in line. Let another per... ...stand in his, and the ...key will change from the ...direction to a circular swing. ...person will place his hand on ...of the second person, the ...Try it and explain it if ...can.

...Barnes, of Burlington Junc... ...has applied for a pension, ...granted. He was a private ...Illinois Volunteer Infantry, ...service in Andersonville ...the loss of both of his legs. ...was injured in an ambulance ...fell up to the ground un... ...crawled on his hands and ...Andersonville, N. C., to New... ...where there was a Union ...passed the ninety miles in ...Wilson captured he tip... ...pounds, but after his ...he weighed only ninety ...

...and large shipment of Gran... ...below the price on ac... ...large quantity purchased. ...of the year to fill up ...stock. Come quick while ...last. Never heard of ...lower than ever heard of ...

...HARDWARE STORE.

The Berlin Normal, Mr. A. B. Cober, principal, will open April 30th for a term of eight weeks.

W. R. Roberts has accepted a clerical position with the Cambria Steel Company, Johnstown.

Dr. Americus Enfield, the well known Bedford physician and specialist, has been in town for several days.

Mr. E. E. Patton, of Washington, D. C., was a Sunday visitor at the home of his mother and sisters on Patriot street.

Mr. Ferd Snyder left Saturday morning for Pittsburg, where he has secured a position as yard clerk for the B. & O. R. R.

Mrs. William Bower slipped on the ice covered sidewalk in front of her residence Monday afternoon and sustained a fracture of her left ankle.

Wilson Lohr has removed from Quemahoning township to Johnstown, where he has purchased a property and expects to make his future home.

The Cambria county commissioners, at their last meeting, decided to reduce the millage to 3 mills for 1900. In 1899 it was 3½ mills and in 1898 4 mills.

Michael Maurer, of Jenner township, who some time ago disposed of his stock and farming machinery prior to removing to Johnstown, has decided to return to his farm.

This ever changing weather is playing sad havoc with the wheat fields. Some farmers claim that from present appearances at least two thirds of the crop planted last fall have been destroyed.

Mr. Samuel H. Sampstine and Miss Susan F. Baker, both of this place, were united in marriage at the Christian Church parsonage, at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon, March 1st, by Rev. E. P. Wise.

It is reported that Messrs. W. H. Kantner and Frank Hetzel have secured an option on the Somerset House and that they are likely to become the owners of the valuable property before the end of the present week.

Town council met Monday evening and effected an organization for the ensuing year by electing J. W. Frease President, R. E. Meyers, Secretary, and Geo. S. Harrison, Treasurer. All of the officers named served in the same capacity last year.

Word was received here yesterday of the death of Mrs. Hattie Picking, wife of Dr. Edward Picking, on Tuesday, February 27th, at her home in Cedar Rapids, Ia. Mrs. Picking was a daughter of Harry Baker, of Jefferson township. She resided in this place for a number of years.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Eshrick, and sons James and Eugene, and Mr. Hermanus Trent, of the Seventeenth Ward Johnstown, Pa., spent Sunday at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Trent, of this place; also Mrs. Bittner and grandchildren Herbert and Viola Trent, of Markleton.

Former County Commissioner C. W. Williamson, of Buckstown, spent several days last week at the county seat. The promised speedy coal development in the region of which Buckstown is the capital brings many of the landowners here for the purpose of transferring their mineral rights to coal operators.

Charles F. Smith, one of the most prominent and best-known farmers of Allegheny township, died February 18th, aged 76 years. He is survived by his wife and twelve children, seven sons and five daughters. Interment was made in the St. John's Church Cemetery in New Baltimore. The pall bearers were six sons of the deceased.

Mrs. Frederick Vogel Little, notice of whose death was made last week, passed away suddenly Tuesday morning, February 27th, at her home in Detroit, Mich., in the forty fourth year of her age. Interment was made in West Laurel Hill Cemetery, Philadelphia, on the following Saturday. Her husband was a former resident of Philadelphia.

Mr. Frank Shivier has disposed of his boot and shoe establishment to Mr. W. P. Odell, of Hagerstown, Md. Mr. Odell arrived here last week and took charge of the business Monday morning. He is a "down east Yankee," having been born in Connecticut. During the past few years he has visited here frequently and is therefore not an entire stranger.

Maple sugar makers all agree that the time of year has arrived to open their camps, but so far the weather has not been favorable for the business. Several farmers who opened their camps three weeks ago have met with poor success, and predict that the season will prove a failure, in marked contrast with last season, which was one of the most profitable they ever enjoyed.

Samuel, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Wertz, of Conemaugh township, died at the home of his brother Alvin, in Johnstown, Tuesday morning, February 27th, from typhoid fever. He was born February 5, 1875, and lived with his parents until a year ago, when he secured employment with the Cambria Steel Company. He was a splendid young man and his death is deplored by all who knew him.

Mrs. Chester M. McKusic, who will be best remembered by our readers as Miss Florence, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Ankeny, formerly a prominent resident of Somerset, but for many years past of Minneapolis, Minn., died at her home in Lester Park, a suburb of Duluth, Minn., on Sunday afternoon, February 18th, aged 37 years. She was married in 1884, and is survived by her husband and three children, one son and two daughters.

County Commissioners are greatly interested in the decision handed down several days ago by Judge Purdy, of the Wayne-Pike district, in which he declares the act of Assembly requiring payment of bounties on scalps for foxes, wildcats and minks unconstitutional. The Wayne County Commissioners have paid no bounties in six years and a rule for a mandamus was asked to compel payment. The rule was dismissed. Thousands of dollars will be saved to the taxpayers by this ruling.

With every number of this week's HERALD there goes forward an index of the representative business men of the county, classified and alphabetically arranged, giving the postoffice address and shipping station of those not located on the line of railroads. Independent of the supplement a large edition of cardboard charts will be hung up in public places throughout the county. The directory was prepared by Mr. Clinton S. Klines, and delivery was delayed until this time owing to his unfortunate illness. We suggest to our patrons that they preserve the supplement for future reference.

Captain Charles E. Tayman, U. S. A., arrived here last Wednesday morning, leaving Sunday for New York, from whence he sailed yesterday to rejoin his regiment, located about one hundred miles from Havana, Cuba. Captain Tayman took the first transport for home upon learning of the death of his mother, who passed away on the night of February 14th. On the trip north he passed through a terrific storm Sunday, February 18th, which will be remembered as the most boisterous day of the present winter. Captain Tayman says that Cuba is a most delightful place of residence at this season of the year, the weather being similar to June days in Pennsylvania.

Not infrequently women sue men for breach of promise, and occasionally men sue women, but it is rare that a rejected suitor tries to recover damages from the man he wants for his father-in-law, says the Pittsburg Post, on virtually the same grounds. Frank Wolesechowky began suit Friday in Pittsburg against Joseph Barnatovies, father of the girl he desires to marry. A capias was issued for the arrest of the defendant. The plaintiff asks for $10,000 damages, alleging that after giving his consent to the proposed marriage the father subsequently refused to allow the wedding to take place and the plaintiff says he has spent $300 preparing for the event. Wolesechowky is a native of Russia. He is 27 years of age, and a coal miner by occupation.

NEW TRIAL REFUSED IN SHEETS CASE.

Court Hands Down a Voluminous Opinion in Reply to the Assignments of Error by Counsel for Defendant.

Sentence of Death Will be Imposed Before Court Rises.

APPEAL TO THE SUPREME COURT.

When Court convened at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon Judge Longenecker handed down an opinion overruling the application made by counsel for Milton Sheets, convicted of murder of the first degree at December term, for the murder of Augustus Glessner. Judge Longenecker said the prisoner would be sentenced whenever District Attorney Meyers made the proper motion, which will be done before the court rises.

Counsel for Sheets anticipated the action of the court and were not surprised when the motion was refused. They say they will take an appeal to the Supreme Court, and expect to go before that body when it sits at Pittsburg next October.

Harry Weller, Sheets' accomplice in the Glessner murder, who pleaded guilty of murder of the second degree, will probably receive his sentence this week.

Following is the opinion of Judge Longenecker overruling Sheets' application:

"After the verdict, December 21, 1899, the defendant's counsel filed a motion for a new trial, specifying five grounds therefor. The first, second and third are stereotyped ones, namely, (1) "the verdict is against the charge of the Court;" (2) "the verdict is against the law," and (3) "the verdict is against the evidence in the case." These three are without foundation and are not pressed on the argument of the motion. The fourth alleges that "the Court erred in the admission of certain evidence and the exclusion of other evidence," without indicating in any manner the portions of the evidence supposed to have been improperly admitted or the offers erroneously excluded. The fifth specification states "that the Court erred in portions of the charge," without any further intimation of the portions of the charge to which the assignment was directed. That was the whole case for a new trial as disclosed by the record, or of which the Court had any intimation.

"Then there was added a request "for further time to present other reasons, and that they be given time to specify other matters alleged in their 4th and and 5th assigned reasons above, until the court stenographer shall have filed the notes of testimony and the counsel shall have had time to examine the same."

"On this motion a rule was awarded with directions to the stenographer to transcribe and file the testimony promptly, and that the defendant's counsel have leave to file additional reasons at any time to January 15, 1900, so that the rule might be argued the 4th Tuesday of January. The stenographer's notes of the trial were filed in ample time, but no additional specifications were filed.

"When argument on the rule was heard January 27th it was contended under the fourth reason mentioned, that the Court erred in admitting the confession made by the defendant of his complicity in this crime in the presence of J. H. Lamber and M. H. Hartzell, upon the ground that he had previously made a statement of similar import to Detective Egan, under certain inducements which, in the opinion of the Court, rendered the original statement so made to Egan inadmissible.

"The case of Com. vs. Harmen, 4th Pa., 269, is relied on to sustain the proposition. But Egan was not present on the day of the confession to Lambert and Hartzell and no reference whatever was then made to what he told the defendant, so that there was no connection between the two conversations, or between the parties, which could supply a motive in the defendant to adhere to a false statement, if such were previously made. Lambert was the editor of a newspaper in Somerset, where Sheets had some time resided, and before the accused uttered a word as to his participation in the beating and robbery of Glessner, he was told by Lambert that whatever he might say on the subject would be published. He understood that the only purpose of Lambert's interview with him was to procure his version of the tragedy for publication in his paper; and that it had nothing to do with the administration of the law or his own protection. No inducement was offered to him to obtain the statement, nor is there any reason to believe that he was in any measure acting under the influence of anything that passed between him and Egan, or upon the basis of any incentive suggested by Egan. We understand the object of the law to be the exclusion of false confessions introduced by promises of protection or the hope of immunity from punishment, and not the rejection of truthful statements coming from the accused.

"We endeavor to guard carefully the rights of the defendant against the admission of any of his declarations which it was believed might have been prompted by the hope of personal advantage. But those made to Lambert being free from any apparent incentive to falsehood, being on the contrary entirely voluntary and proving to be in accord with the other testimony in the case we are unable to discover any error in receiving them in evidence.

"Under the fifth reason, namely, that the Court erred in parts of the charge, it is now contended that the jury were in fact instructed to return a verdict of first degree murder, that there was very inadequate instruction as to the power of the jury to return a verdict in the second degree.

To sustain this position the case of Rhodes vs. Com. 48 Pa. 190, and Lane vs. same, 59 Pa. 371, are particularly relied upon.

"The case at bar was that of a homicide for the purpose of robbery. All the proof showed a cold blooded killing for plunder, accomplished by the defendant on a public highway in the darkness of night, by stealthily following the deceased, approaching him from behind and beating him into insensibility with a stick of stovewood and then looting his pockets. A homicide thus perpetrated is defined by the statute as murder of the first degree. All indictments are drawn charging murder merely, without stating the degree, and, in case of conviction, the statute imposes upon the jury the duty of designating the degree in the verdict. Of course the jury must fix the degree, and the Court can not do it; but we can not believe that it was ever intended by the Legislature in placing that duty on the jury to give them a *carte blanch* to disregard the evidence and return a second degree verdict in a first degree case.

"They are to name the degree, but according to the evidence and the law applicable thereto. If they should choose to disregard both the evidence and the law, it is in their arbitrary power to do so, but that has nothing to do with the Court's duty in the premises. The statute having put it in the power of the jury to specify the degree by their verdict, it necessarily follows that the Court may not encroach on their verdict, it necessarily follows that the Court may not encroach on their province by giving binding instructions on the subject. But it is nevertheless the Court's function to instruct the jury upon the law, according to the facts, only stopping short of binding instructions.

"We do not believe that it was ever intended by the framers of the statute, nor do we find any warrant in the decisions, for a Judge to discuss to the jury what is really not in the case, and thus to mislead it by pointing the way to a second degree verdict when, in fact, all the evidence conspires in establishing murder in the first degree.

"While the jury has the power under this statute to ignore the evidence, it is certainly not the Court's office to aid or encourage it to do so. In this case there was absolutely no standing room for a second degree verdict, and none could have been consistently rendered. The brutal killing of Glessner was defended on the ground of insanity alone. The doctrine laid down rather broadly in the two cases above mentioned, has been modified, and the Court's duty more clearly defined in the later cases of Shaffner vs. Com. 72 Pa., 80, Nevling vs. Com. 98 Pa. 322-337, McMeen vs. Com. 114 Pa. 3009, and Com. vs. Hollinger 199 Pa. 155. The last named case was one of premeditated killing by the defendant, of his wife. We have taken the trouble to procure a full copy of the Judge's charge in that case, and find it wholly devoid of any suggestion as to a second degree verdict, but it points the way steadily to a first degree conviction according to the evidence. The point was therefore made as it is here, that the jury was inadequately instructed as to the degree, and the case was affirmed in a brief opinion. We were not requested to instruct the jury as now contended. Three points were submitted, all of which were affirmed, but they did not raise such a question. In the case of the Com. vs. Nevling the Supreme Court, speaking of the present Chief Justice, said the chief complaint of of the defendant, * * * is that the Court did not adequately present and explain to the jury the subject of a conviction of murder in the second degree. It is but fair to the Court to say that none of the defendant's points exhibited the question as an alternative so as to require any illustration of it. In some of the points it is claimed there could not be a conviction in the first degree, but the alternative of a conviction in the second degree was not suggested and therefore so far as the points are concerned it does not appear that the distinction now contended for so earnestly was presented to the attention of the Court. We may add, in this case no request appears in the points for instructions of the character now contended for, nor was it intimated to us orally at any stage that they were desired or applicable to the evidence, nor even when the jury was sent back to its room with special directions from the Court to ascertain and designate the degree by their verdict.

"The defendant's counsel could not be impressed with the thought that if the defense of insanity failed the verdict would almost certainly be in the first degree.

"If instructions looking to second degree were deemed applicable and desired the request should have been made at the proper time. In addition to the case from which we quote above the authorities are abundant on the point and need not be produced. After the trial and while the rule for a new trial was pending it seems some of the jurors were visited and induced to state in writing that they did not understand that they had authority to ascertain the degree or to render a second degree verdict. Without stopping to remark on the practice of interviewing jurors after they have returned a verdict and separated, and when they are no longer acting or speaking under the obligation of their oaths, we need only say, the jury must be presumed to have understood our charge just as it was delivered, and it therefore speaks for itself.

"But in addition it may be regarded as a somewhat singular circumstance that, in case the jury understood they had binding instructions to return a first degree verdict, that they did not do so when they first came in, but had to be sent back with further instructions to ascertain and name the degree.

"Besides, in thus sending them to pass on the degree they must have understood that they had power to pass upon the subject. If our directions at that time were considered inadequate there was still an opportunity to make a request for full instructions.

"On the whole, we think the case was carefully tried and the matters now complained of are without merit."

March 5, 1900. A new trial is refused and the rule discharged.

By the Court.

J. H. LONGENECKER, P. J.

Special Shoe Sale of Odds and Ends.

I have bought the Shivier stock of Boots and Shoes in the Mammoth Block, Somerset, and to close out some odd lines of Women's and Children's Shoes have put extremely low prices on them, in most cases not more than ¼ or ⅓ the regular price. This is an unusual chance to get good, honest shoes cheap. Sale begins Friday, March 9th.

W. P. ODELL.

Borough Finances.

At Thursday night's session of Town Council a resolution was adopted transferring the sum of $1,500 from the water revenue fund to the sinking fund, and the Treasurer was authorized to redeem a $1,000 water bond of the original issue, the last one remaining unpaid. This reduces the water debt to $20,000, refunding bonds bearing four per cent. interest for that amount having been issued by the borough last July. After June 30th next the borough will have an option on all of the outstanding bonds, and it is believed that at least $1,000 additional of the water indebtedness can be canceled at that time, and that the entire issue of water bonds can be wiped out during the next ten years. During the year just closed a sum approximating $1,000 was expended in making extensions to the water lines, and in purchasing new machinery and materials for the pumping station.

The patrons of the borough waterworks now number over two hundred, and many new patrons will be added during the coming year, so it is not impossible that the bonded indebtedness may be canceled at an earlier day than is now anticipated.

Friday afternoon Engineer James S. Haring consulted with the members of the Council, at a special meeting called for that purpose, in regard to beginning construction work on the proposed system of public sewers on April 15th. Mr. Haring asked permission to assign his contract to another engineer, which was refused, Council unanimously agreeing that Mr. Haring has satisfactorily performed his duties up to this time, and that it would be a difficult matter to secure another engineer of similar ability. Mr. Haring promised to return to Somerset on or before April 15th, and he will push the work to completion within the time, one hundred days, specified in the contract entered into by the borough with Ott Bros., of Pittsburg.

The Grand Jury, in its presentment to the Court last week, recommended that the County Commissioners be authorized to connect the court house and jail with the sewer system at as early a day as practicable. There is no gainsaying the statement that no two properties in Somerset stand more badly in need of sanitary means of disposing of sewage than the buildings mentioned, and we believe that every thoughtful taxpayer of the county, especially those who have occasion to visit the public buildings, will approve the recommendation of the Grand Jury.

Mr. Abner McKinley has notified Council that he desires possession of the lot recently purchased by him from the borough on the 15th of March. Council has accepted a plan for a new municipal building to be erected on Union street, and as soon as a few alterations in the plan have been made by the architect, bids for the construction of the building will be advertised for.

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A ROMANCE OF CONCORD TOWN.

BY ETHEL ROSS OTIS.

We clip the following from the Daily Boston Post of a recent date: In a "short story contest," with several hundred stories submitted, "A Romance of Concord Town" was awarded by the committee the highest cash prize (100). Mrs. Otis is a native of, and until her marriage, a few years ago to a Bostonese, was a resident of Confluence, this county. She is, we are informed, a regular contributor to various newspapers and periodicals.—ED.

It was early morning in Concord. The sun had not yet risen high in the sky, but threw its changing lights and colors across the clouds. The broad, carefully cleared fields, bounded by low stone walls, the comfortable dwelling houses, with tall chimneys and overhanging eaves, told of the thrift and energy of these New England pioneers. Spring was coming; one could feel it in the wind, mild as a May day breeze; the birds were twittering gayly to each other as they splashed in the tiny brooklet hurrying its way to the river beyond; all nature seemed full of new, vigorous life. All in perfect harmony with the scene a maid came gayly dancing down the path—such a demure little creature, with her hair brushed severely back under a close white cap; and although her gown was of a sober hue, and plainly cut, it could not quite conceal the rounded prettiness of a form just budding into young womanhood.

But staid only in dress was Dorothy Dent, for notwithstanding the astonished looks and severe admonitions of all who knew her, she remained the same, a saucy, teasing, impetuous little girl—the darling of the village!

She was a bit of a coquette, too, and it was whispered about that there wasn't a lad in all the country around who had not been "set away a-sighing," save one, Reuben Hale, the parson's son.

Reuben was a scholar, and when evening came, and the other youths and maidens would forget their cares in merry-making, he would steal off all alone, and taking for a companion one of the few books his father's library contained, would live over again the life of years past. He paid very little attention to Dorothy, seldom addressing her, save the "Good morning to you, Mistress Dorothy," when she came to the manor to see his sister Faith. This rather piqued the spoiled coquette, so used was she to universal homage, so on all occasions she worked revenge. His books would mysteriously disappear; favorite nooks down by the river, where he loved to lie and dream in the cool summer evenings, would be found full of sticks and stones; or perhaps when sitting on the rustic seat he had built under the large oak tree in the door yard, and deep in the enjoyment of the writings of some inspired author, down would come a whole shower of acorns, accompanied by a peal of laughter from the saucy face peeping through the branches above him. But never a word said Reuben, though little by little he grew to know that, as the years went by, and the maid was becoming a woman, he loved her as only a man of his mould can love—with a strong, deep, true affection.

And Dorothy? Well, she would stoutly maintain that she "didn't care a mite if he loved her or no," but she knew down deep in her heart that she did care—more than she wished to tell. But she did not pine away for love, as did the lorn damsels of the middle ages; life was one long, happy holiday, for did she not have the other lads—and Reuben, to tease? So on this beautiful morning her heart was light as a bird as she went down from one familiar place to another. Down to her pigeon cote, to see the downy chickens, the little calf, the lambs; all were inspected, and at last up the path again she ran, and in at the kitchen door. There stood Reuben. A strange Reuben, too; for, with fixed white face, he stood aside to let her pass, and continued his conversation with her father.

A little awed, Dorothy slipped away. She had seen that same worried, anxious look upon many faces during the past few months, for the stamp act and Boston massacre had aroused the intense indignation of all the colonists, but she had not realized what might be the result, though the men, Reuben among them, drilled daily on the Common. But now a pang went through her heart, for she had heard the words, "We can not endure this tyranny much longer," spoken by her father as she passed him, so with restless movements she waited.

The Americans had collected military stores at Concord, and rumors were afloat that the British were about to capture them. This was verified early the next morning by Paul Revere, who made his famous midnight ride to warn the people.

We all know the scenes of the next day. How the British force of 800 men faced the homespun-clad Minute Men at Lexington; how they pressed on to Concord and destroyed some of the stores; of the skirmish that took place, and of the final victory for the colonists. All this has passed into history—but, O Dorothy? Did she crouch in a corner, shutting out the sound of the battle with both hands, as did some of the frightened women? No it was a strange, new Dorothy who moved among the wounded like a sweet-faced Sister of Mercy, the surgeon's right-hand worker! Eagerly she searched among the wounded, but no Reuben. "Surely he is safe," thought she; so she worked on. After the wounded the dead were cared for, and side by side they were laid on the village green. One poor fellow had his head completely torn off by a shell, and as they covered over the body the surgeon turned to Dorothy, who was carefully binding a wound, and said: "'Tis sad; Reuben was a good boy!"

The earth seemed slipping away from Dorothy, but with men dying around her there was no time to lose, so with a prayer for strength she went on with her work. At last all was finished, and with faltering steps she went home. A knot of soldiers was in the door yard, talking excitedly. Who was that with blood-stained garments and powder-blackened face? With a glad cry, Dorothy quietly fainted away in the arms of—Reuben. And this was the romance of Concord town.

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ADMINISTRATORS' NOTICE.

Estate of Hiram Tressler, late of Northampton township, deed.

Letters of administration on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned by the proper authority, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same to present them duly authenticated for settlement on Thursday, the 22d day of March, 1900, at the late residence of deceased.

JOHN S. GARMAN, Administrator.

John H. Uhl, Atty.

EXECUTORS' NOTICE.

Estate of Jonas Maurer, late of Jenner township, deceased.

Letters testamentary on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned by the proper authority, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same to present them duly authenticated for payment, on Saturday, March 24th, 1900, at the late residence of deceased.

MARY A. MAURER, FRANKLIN MILLER, D. L. BOWMAN, Executors.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that George E. Rayman has filed his application with the Secretary of Internal Affairs at Harrisburg, Pa., for a warrant for ninety (90) acres of unimproved land situated in Stonycreek township, Somerset County, Pa., adjoining lands of Samuel Snyder on the east, Jonas Yoder on the south, George E. Rayman on the west and Campbell Watkins and Samuel Bent on the north, and at the expiration of thirty days will ask that a warrant be issued to him for the same.

GEORGE E. RAYMAN.

February 13, 1900.

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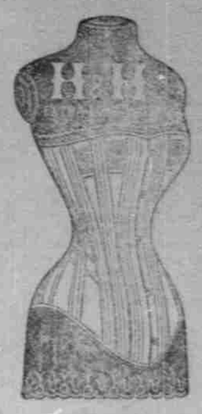

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AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Having been appointed auditor by the Orphans' Court of Somerset county to distribute the funds in the hands of G. F. Shaver, administrator of David Barnhart, late of the township of Quemahoning, deceased, to and among those legally entitled thereto, and to fix the widow's dower I hereby give notice that I will attend to the duties of my appointment at my office in Somerset, Pa., on Thursday, March 29, 1900, at which time all persons interested can attend.

F. J. KOOGER, Auditor.

NOTICE.

The undersigned hereby gives notice that he has made application to the Secretary of Internal Affairs for 39 acres of unimproved land situated in Stonycreek township, Somerset county, Pa., adjoining lands of Joseph E. Spangler on the east, Edward Landis on the south, William and Martin Shank on the west and George Mostoller on the north.

ALBERT E. RAYMAN. Feb'y 19, 1900. Pugh, Pa.