

The Somerset County Star.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Business booming.
Grantsville is a lively burg.
Salisbury continues to improve.
Rockwood is expecting a cigar factory.
West Salisbury is no slouch of a town.
Salisbury is the best town in the county.
Our literary society has done gone and died.
The electric road boometh. Let 'er boom.
Operations at the oil well will soon be resumed.
The blue birds are putting in their appearance.
Business in Salisbury is good and still increasing.
Aunt Lizette Simpkins has been quite ill for some time.
New Centerville is talking of erecting a table and chair factory.
Isiah Fuller orders THE STAR sent to his address at Avilton, Md.
Supt. Buchanan, of the Extract Works, is a very pleasant gentleman.
And now Geo. K. Walker wears that peculiar smile. "It's a boy."
The groundhog period is past, but we still have groundhog weather.
The best horse bills in the county are all printed at THE STAR office.
THE STAR's subscription list grows faster than anything else in the county.
Harriet Weaver has had part of her porch boarded up to be used as a kitchen.
J. W. Ringler orders THE STAR sent to Peter Wagner, at Moyer, Fayette county, Pa.
S. L. Livengood can play sixteen different musical instruments and play them well.
P. S. Hay will have a special sale on March 25th and 26th. Read his announcement.
Our job department is certainly booming. We even receive job orders by telegraph.
Mellinger, the Cumberland tailor, was in our town last week taking orders for clothing.
It is reported that John Slicer, of Meyersdale, will build a three-story addition to his hotel, 35x70 feet.
It just beats the mischief how some of our school teachers are teaching the young idea how to shoot.
Meyersdale doesn't want to let a few men take all the electric road stock. How thoughtful Meyersdale is.
A distillery is to be built at Berkeley's Mills. That town needs a postoffice a good deal worse than a distillery.
Cyrus Pike has been granted a pension. He has received \$144.80, and will continue to receive \$13 a month.
If anybody thinks THE STAR's circulation isn't getting there with both feet, let 'em come in and examine the books.
Geo. Lowry's old coin will now have to take a back seat. H. A. Reitz showed us one the other day that was made in 1780.
J. D. Livengood, M. J. Beachy and J. L. Beachy all went to Pittsburgh on Monday to buy a large stock of hardware.
Salisbury is the best and most substantial town in Somerset county. Nature backs her up, and that's mighty good backing.
Lou Brown, our genial colored friend, has commenced the erection of a dwelling on the northeast corner of John and Water streets.
Levi Lichtler sells lots of maple sugar in Tacoma, Wash., by telegraph. Levi is one of the greatest telegraphers for business in this county.
George Keim came home sick, the other day, threatened with an attack of pneumonia, but THE STAR is glad to note that he is recovering.
Thirteen carloads of coal were consumed last month at the Standard Extract Works. That will give you some idea of the size of the plant.
We have been doing lots of printing this week for the sugar-makers. THE STAR office is the best place to get syrup labels, shipping tags, etc.
Bob Showalter informs us that the brakemen on the Salisbury railroad have received an increase of 13 per cent in their wages. They deserve it.
In the last six months fifty-six cars of merchandise were received at West Salisbury, twenty-seven of which were loaded with corn, oats, flour and feed for H. A. Reitz.
Judge Longenecker has ordered that jurors who are unable to reach their homes on the day they are discharged, shall be allowed pay for an additional day. That's right.
Mr. Yannear proposes building two wings to his "Park Hotel" property, this spring. When they are completed this popular house will have double its capacity.—Somerset Herald.

J. J. Reitz, late of Salisbury, is fitting up a good storeroom at Berkeley's Mills

and will engage in merchandising. J. J. is a first-class man and THE STAR wishes him much success.

James Matheny, who was recently arrested with the Fayette county moonshine gang, has been acquitted. The other fellows were fined \$1,000 each and get six months in the "pen."

Township supervisors who neglect to put up "finger boards" at the intersection roads subject themselves to a fine of \$10. The law is being enforced in several counties.—Somerset Democrat.

What doth it profit a man if he drinketh all the hard cider in the barrel, and then, after swallowing the bung hole also, is knocked galleyst by the ground flying up and smiting him in the face?

If you have chapped hands, face, or rough or red skin, from any cause, use Stewart's Almond Cream. It will please you and bring quick relief. Only 10 and 25 cents a bottle. Sold by J. L. Barchus.

Prof. Dickey brought County Supt. Berkey around this week to have him get acquainted with THE STAR. That was right; we want to get acquainted with all the good people in the county.

The Supreme Court has decided that a property owner is responsible for an accident that may occur on his or her pavement through negligence, such as a bad or an icy pavement.—Somerset Democrat.

S. S. Miller sold his noted wild turkey gobble (tamed) to Samuel Cushman, of the State Experimental Station, Kingston, R. I., for \$10. Mr. Miller is going to make the raising of pure blooded Bronze turkeys a specialty.

Never skip the advertisements when reading a newspaper. They show just what live business men are about, and everyone who has trading to do will find it pays to trade with those who advertise.—Somerset Herald.

Will Fogle has moved to Berlin, because the citizens of that burg wanted a good stone mason to locate there. Will is a first-class workman, and the citizens of Berlin and vicinity are to be congratulated on securing him.

Misses Annie and Lydia Beachy, who spent the winter in attendance at a business college in Philadelphia, returned home last week. They have fully mastered book-keeping, type-writing and stenography.—Meyersdale Commercial.

Last week Life Livengood with only two hands, made 2,000 pounds of sugar, put in one day at hauling hay and cut and hauled to the sawmill enough logs to make sufficient lumber for a house. Who can beat that for one week's work?

Last week there was quite a wreck on the Grassy Run branch of the S. R. R. Several loaded coal hoppers left the track and ran into S. R. Hare's new store building, doing considerable damage. Fortunately, however, no one was hurt.

J. A. Berkey, of Somerset, was in town this week, looking after his political fences. Mr. Berkey is a very pleasant gentleman and withal a man of excellent qualities. No better man could be elected to the office of District Attorney.

Now is the time to consult Prof. Samuel S. Little, the Graduated Optician of Cumberland, Md., about your eyes. He makes a specialty of testing and fitting the eye with properly adjusted glasses. At Dr. Lichty's office, March 23rd and 24th.

Job work keeps rolling in so lively these days as to make it almost impossible to publish THE STAR. It's very little time we have to devote to news gathering, and of course the paper will have to suffer during this, the busiest job season of the year.

John Black was arrested several days ago on a charge preferred by his wife, and is now doing time in the county jail. Black has had a varied career and it is asserted that he carries upon his person the scars of several bullet wounds.—Meyersdale Register.

This item has been handed us with request to insert: "The books will be open next Monday morning for shares of the electric road. Come quick, as half of them have been taken." Somewhat indefinite, but we "follow copy."—Meyersdale Commercial.

Solomon's Temple, as described in the Scriptures, would not be regarded as a very imposing structure in this day and age of the world. Its length was 207 feet, breadth 36 feet, and it was 54 feet in height, with a portico or veranda 38 feet long and 18 feet wide.—Ex.

The Standard Extract works, of this place, is a great institution. The plant is being increased right along. The company is now going to make tannic extract of bark as well as of wood. Persons having bark to sell will do well to read the company's new "ad" in this issue.

And still they come, J. S. Beachy, of Arthur, Ill., writes to THE STAR as follows: "I have seen several copies of your new paper and like it very much, as it gives news from my former home, at Grantsville, Md. I herewith enclose you a postal note of \$1.50 for a year's subscription."

As an inhalation, turpentine has proved of great service in bronchitis, pneumonia, pleurisy and other throat and lung affections. If you have a cough, sprinkle a little on a handkerchief and hold it to your mouth and nose for a few minutes, breathing the vapor, and note the relief.—Ex.

The demand for houses increases right along in our town. Why don't our cap-

italists build them? The more houses the more people and the more people the more business. Rents are going up higher and higher and money put into new houses in Salisbury will be a profitable investment.

Sam Mier says the Elk Lick Oil Co.'s statement published in THE STAR, week before last, was the direct means of bringing in considerable cash for the completion of the well. THE STAR is a great medium through which to secure the attention of the public and make men open their pocketbooks.

We are informed that the champion cider drinker, of Boynton, has again been getting on the outside of too much of the fermented juice of the apple. Now, look here, old fellow, didn't THE STAR tell you not to monkey with hard cider when it gets there? Be careful not to repeat the dose.

J. H. Bushman, a Baltimore commercial man, was a guest at the Valley house a few days ago. Mr. Bushman used to be a printer in Harrisburg, many years ago. He is quite a historian and likes to talk of early days of our country. THE STAR is under obligations to him for some valuable information.

During the past few weeks a great many of our readers have expressed themselves highly pleased with the stand THE STAR takes against publishing resolutions of respect and other dry and uninteresting slush of the same sort. They all say: "Right you are; don't bore us with resolutions unless you get well paid for it."

He didn't read the papers, for they hadn't any news; at least they didn't coincide with his special views; and when he came to town one day, with criticism ripe, he climbed to an electric lamp to light his ancient pipe. He hadn't read the papers but he knew just what was best; he simply touched the wires and the fluid did the rest.—Ex.

An exchange fathers this story: A traveler saw a Nebraska farmer standing at the foot of a corn stalk, and looking skyward, asked him how tall the stalk was. The farmer answered that he did not know, that he had sent one of his boys up a short time before to measure it, and that the stalk was growing faster than he could climb down.

The Hyndman Bulletin says: "One hundred and fifty nine carloads of coal were shipped east over the Connelleville road, the output of the Elk Lick coal region in twenty-four hours, Saturday of last week." And right here THE STAR takes pleasure in informing the Bulletin that on the same day a great deal of coal was also shipped west, out of the Elk Lick region.

Dr. A. Enfield has been announced to go to Albany next week to testify as a witness before a committee of the New York legislature now engaged in investigating the Keeley cure for alcoholism. He claims to have discovered the remedy used by Dr. Keeley, and he will testify that he believes it to be dangerous, though he will admit that it is an effective cure.—Bedford Gazette.

In the matter of the defeated Democratic candidates for school directors of Meyersdale to have their Republican brethren ousted and themselves declared elected, the court granted a rule on the Republican directors to show cause why their certificates of election should not be canceled and their Democratic opponents declared elected. The rule is returnable at the Argument Court, April 12th.

Samuel Critchfield, formerly of this county, now of Johnston, is the inventor of an ingenious arrangement to enable railroad engines to take coal without stopping. The apparatus is constructed above the track in such a way that, when the engine passes under, a trap is sprung, emptying the coal into the tender. It is claimed that the device will be of great value in saving time and money.—Somerset Standard.

J. M. Hay's sale was the greatest event of the season. A seething mass of people attended, but the way the folks were all accommodated about noon, when lots of good eating was handed out, was something worthy of note. Immense as the crowd was, everybody says that no large crowd was ever better provided for. Joe Hay is noted for doing everything in proper shape, and the people say he did not fall in that respect on Wednesday.

When you want a mechanic, or a laboring man, says an exchange, get a worthy citizen, a neighbor who will use his wage money in purchasing goods. When you want an article of merchandise, purchase it of a reputable home dealer, that profit may remain to enrich the community. All these people help educate your children, share your tax burdens and make your city the place it is. Send your money abroad only for what you cannot purchase at home. This helps the town.

Every community has a few pessimists that rush to the home paper when they want some unimportant thing put in print, but ask them to subscribe for the home paper and you will be told that they haven't got time to read it, as they already have more papers than they can read. That kind of would-be important individuals are never known to possess much of anything but self-conceit and a strong inclination to meddle into other people's business. It is always well to give such intellectual dwarfs a wide berth.

The Wechtenbeiser brothers, whose trial for burglary here some ten years ago created so much interest, will in a

few months be released from the penitentiary to which they were sentenced, we believe, for eleven years and six months. Good behavior has shortened their term to a considerable extent. Musser, who was considered the worst man of the three, has not taken advantage of the reduction of time made for good behavior, and will not secure his freedom, we have been informed, until the expiration of his full term.—Democrat.

Col. Edward C. Tilson, Jacob Garlitz and Solomon Sibert, all well known men of Garrett county, Md., recently passed away. Col. Tilson was Mayor of Deer Park and was one of the most prominent men of the county. Jacob Garlitz was a brother of the late Basil T. Garlitz, who recently died in Cumberland, Md. Mr. Garlitz was noted for his great strength and general good qualities. Mr. Sibert was the son of a Revolutionary soldier and was noted for his ready wit and the off-hand stump speeches he used to make. Sibert was in all probability the last surviving son of a Revolutionary soldier in Garrett county. He died poor and alone in a little house on Meadow mountain, near Bittering.

Two Judges of Pennsylvania have announced that they will hereafter decline to naturalize foreigners who can tell nothing about the Constitution of the United States or that of the Commonwealth. They are Judge Endlich, of Berks county, and Judge Faust, of Center county. While it may be claimed, says the Pottsville Journal, that this is rather a severe requirement of foreigners, especially in view of the fact that very few native-born know little about either instrument when they arrive at man's estate, and are granted the right of a ballot, the injunction may nevertheless prove effective in putting a stop to, or at least lessening, the custom in many states of rushing foreigners into court and securing their naturalization just on the eve of election.—Huntingdon Local News.

To Whip the Editor.
"What are you crying about?" asked a kind-hearted stranger of a lad standing in front of a newspaper office weeping as if his heart would break.
"Oh, pa's gone in to whip the editor."
"Well, has he come out yet?" pursued the gentle Samaritan.
"Pieces of him have," said the boy, with a fresh burst of tears. "and I'm expecting the rest every minute."—Ex.

When to Stop Advertising.
An English trade journal once requested a number of its largest advertisers to give their opinions concerning the best time to stop advertising, and the following replies were received:
"When the population ceases to multiply, and the generations that crowd on after, and never heard of you, stop coming on."
"When you have convinced everybody whose life will touch yours that you have better goods and lower prices than they can get anywhere else."
"When you perceive it to be the rule that men who never advertise are outstripping their neighbors in the same line of business."
"When men stop making fortunes right in your very sight solely by the discreet use of this mighty agent."
"When you can forget the words of the shrewdest and most successful business men concerning the main cause of their prosperity."

The Young Gote and the Old Ram.
Little Johnny in San Francisco Examiner.
One time there was a young gote which felt butty, and there was a ole ram which lay in the road, half a sleep, a chune his cud. The gote he had been shot up in a pastur of his life, an had never saw a ram, an he said to his sister, the gote did.
"You jest stand still and see me whip that treck off the face of the erth."
So the gote he went up before the ram an stomped his feet an shuke his hed real frieffle, but the ram he didn't get up, but only jest kept a chune his end an watched out between his lashes. Bime by the gote he backed of an tuck a ram an then arose up in the air an came down with his hed on the ram's hed, whack! The gote hed was busted, but the ole ram he never wank his ey. Then the ole ram he smiled with his mouth, and send to the buttegoes sister. "Pears to be me, miss, that kangaroo of yonr'n is mity careless where he lites, he come gum darsed near making me swallow my cud."
The old rams is the petrachors of the flock, and the she ones is a you, but the labin it gambles innocent, an is billy respeckted.

Stop! Stop! STOP!

Give me a call and be convinced that I am selling cheap. If you are looking for a safe and reliable place to trade, I wish to inform you that

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Have just received a nice lot of Cashmeres, Delains, Gingham, Calicos, etc. Also a fine lot of Gents' and Boys' Hats and Caps.

THE LATEST SPRING STYLES.

I have the old reliable Latrobe Boots and Shoes, also Ladies' Coralline Shoes, which give full value for your money. I also carry the purest and best of Groceries.
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GEO. K. WALKER, SALISBURY, PA.

We need more Shops, Factories, etc., etc., in our community, and we should all get forth our best efforts to get them here; but stop: We should patronize those already here.

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These flours will suit any and everybody in price and quality.

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Buckwheat Flour, Cornmeal, Red-dog Medium, Red Middings, Wheat Bran, Chop of all kinds, Oilmeal, Pratt's Poultry and Cattle Food, etc., always on hand. Corn and Oats by the carload.

Farmers, I will pay you highest market prices for your grain, and I kindly solicit your patronage in custom and exchange work. Will exchange on either grade flour. Forty pounds Purity flour for bushel good red wheat; try it. Respectfully,

H. A. REITZ, Elk Lick, Pa.

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JACKSON—Whrt's de causation?
BASS—She jist swallowd her false teeth.

Also will it pain you after being tricked by clever misrepresentations. No matter what article you buy I guarantee you full weight, measure and the best quality for the lowest prices of anyone in town.

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- Toweling, Cotton, Linen & Flax, per yd. 5, 6 & 10c
- Japanese Silk Handkerchiefs..... 10c
- White Dress Shirts..... 10c
- Table Salt, 5-lb. sack..... 5c
- Excellent Bluing, pint bottle..... 10c
- First-class Coal Oil, per gallon..... 12c
- Pure Linen Paper and Envelopes, one of each to Gentile Bread Pipes..... 25c
- Common Marbles..... 15c per 10

"Why stand ye idle all a day?" You cannot make a fortune in a day, but you can start laying a foundation for one if you buy where you can buy cheapest.

Wm. Petry, Stationer Block, Salisbury.

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