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### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Sugar makers are beginning to scald their keelers.

Somerset has a night school. A very good thing in our community.

Chas. Wegman, of Grantsville, was a Sunday evening visitor in this city.

J. N. Davis has purchased the Jacob McCloskey farm for \$1800, it is reported.

Scott Johns is the boss fox hunter of this borough, having killed two Reynards this season.

The Prohibitionists of Meyersdale have placed a ticket in the field for the borough election.

Every self-respecting head of a family, says the Detroit Free Press, ought to take his home paper.

M. C. Berkley has returned from Philadelphia, and his numerous friends here welcome his return.

The Farmers' Institute favors compulsory education. Here, too, compulsory education is a good thing.

Steam heating fixtures are this week being put into the Hay house. Mr. Hay has also added an additional lot of furniture.

**WANTED!** To rent a small portable sawmill, or let the cutting of about one million feet oak timber. Address STAR office.

Salisbury is going to have the best spring normal school in the county. Phillips and Stung are the men that can give it to us.

J. E. Gnagay, the popular landlord of the Farmers' hotel, of Grantsville, is a frequent sojourner in Salisbury. Always glad to see him.

A boiler explosion took place last Friday in Granger's planing mill, in Somerset. Samuel Hout, an employe in the mill, was instantly killed.

Phineas Compton read a paper at the Farmers' Institute, entitled, "Farming a Study," which is highly complimented by the Somerset newspapers.

Representative Miller has been placed upon the committees of Appropriations, Federal Relations, Judiciary Local Legislative Apportionment and Library.

Benford, the forger, was arrested in Greensburg, Feb. 1st. This is the chap that recently had some bogus checks cashed in Somerset and Meyersdale.

The Star is holding tight to its share of the journalistic string, and has the praiseworthy merit of "speaking out in meetin'" on all subjects.—Somerset Herald.

M. J. Beachy was on the sick list a few days this week, but is again able to be at the store. Mrs. Beachy is now ill, but it is hoped that she, too, will have a speedy recovery.

It is reported that Chas. Ohley, of Palestine, W. Va., is dead. Mr. Ohley used to be a resident of Salisbury. His brother, Wm. Ohley, is Secretary of State of West Virginia.

There is no doubt about the intentions of the Brooklyn girl who took poison and fired four shots from a revolver into her left breast. The early spring flowers will bloom on her grave.

Representative Weller has been made chairman of the House Committee on Agriculture, and placed upon the Committees of Statistics, Centennial Affairs and Congressional Apportionment.

The Populists of Elk Lick township say are here to stay. They will have a ticket on the ballot at the coming election. This is the only township in the county that will have a Populist ticket in the field.

The great Meyersdale pin factory, the largest and best paying institution in that

burg, has gotten itself into a hole, but Brother Smith, with the Sheriff, will help them out in course of time.—Hyndman Bulletin.

It is reported that Pocahontas is soon to have a Jr. O. U. A. M. lodge. This noble order is gaining a strong foothold all over the country. It is an order that is a power for good in every American community.

Senator Critchfield has been made chairman of the Senate Committee on Agriculture. He has also been given a place upon the following committees: Appropriations, Public Health and Sanitation, Judicial Apportionment and Vice and Immorality.

Somerset has what is termed the Children's Aid Society, composed of many of the leading ladies of the town. The object of the society is to secure good homes for children of poor parents and to promote all charitable objects. Every town ought to have a society of that kind.

The Mountain Electric make another forward step. The addition is an iron foundry of which our old friend Samuel Gipe, of Berlin, formerly of Salisbury, will be the chief de facto. Orders for electric bells and other supplies continue to come in and all is satisfactory.—Commercial.

Jeremiah Glotfelty, an old and respected citizen of Greenville township, died last Saturday night and was buried on Monday. Mr. Glotfelty was upwards of 80 years old, and his was a life well spent. He was a man of sterling good qualities and a zealous member of the Reformed church.

A very disastrous freight wreck occurred a few miles east of Sand Patch tunnel, early on Monday morning. A freight train going down the mountain became unmanageable and crashed into the rear end of another freight. Some thirty cars and contents were destroyed and several men killed.

The Farmers' Institute, held in Somerset, last week, opposed the bill extending the public school term to seven months. Some people seem to be very much afraid of getting too much education. We take notice that the states which have nine months school in the year are away ahead in education.

We see by the papers that some of Somerset's legal lights are posing as members of the Somerset County Agricultural Society. Those lawyers may be farmers, in one sense of the word, but they are not agriculturists by a deuce of a sight. They are farmers whose occupation seems to be farming the farmers.

Walter Hefflev, of Somerset township, has sold his fast horse, "Midnight," to Messrs. McIvaine and Overholt, of Scottsdale, the consideration being \$410. "Midnight" made quite a reputation last season, winning a number of races and always securing one of the purses offered for any race in which she was entered.—Democrat.

The mails are very uncertain, and many papers which are started to subscribers never reach them. If you miss a number, don't censure the publisher, and don't remain silent, but report the loss to him and another will be mailed. Persons who do without the papers they have paid for, and complain of the publisher, do injustice to all concerned.

It is reported that there is to be a joint debate between the Hon. H. W. Delozier and Marshallus Janus Cincinnati Livengood upon the political issues of the present borough campaign; said debate to be held in the Opera house, a few days before the election. These two silver-tongued orators will doubtless be greeted by a large audience. Exact date will be announced later.

An Act of Assembly requires township and borough auditors to file annually, in the office of the Prothonotary, a statement of the financial condition of the districts. This law has been practically a dead letter so far as Somerset county is concerned, and we would suggest to auditors, in order to save themselves trouble, that they attend to this matter promptly in the future.—Herald.

Jacob Wasmuth, of Meyersdale, the man who caused the excitement at Peter Hefflev's sale, a couple of weeks ago, by his insane actions, was incarcerated in the insane department of the County Home, on Tuesday of last week. A commission will be appointed to examine his mental condition and in all probability he will be sent to Dixmont asylum for treatment.—Democrat.

An exchange is responsible for the statement that bananas are to become a useful article to manufacturers. Out of them can be made not only a bread-flour, but sausage and beer, while the juice of the peel contains a really indelible ink and a superior article of vinegar. The fibre of the peel is to be utilized in making a cloth, which is said to have great strength and remarkable beauty.

For the benefit of Democrats—no one else caring whether Mrs. Cleveland wears shoes or not—we will say that a manufacturer in the town of New Canaan, N. Y., has received an order for a pair of fine shoes for Mrs. Grover Cleveland. The material used is the best French Kid, the size is No. 5½ and the width B. The shoes are to be worn, it is understood, during the inaugural ceremonies in Washington on March 4.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Beachy and Mr. and Mrs. Compton were among Salisbury's delegation to the Farmers' Institute. Mr. Beachy is a member of the

Executive committee and an active participant in these annual occasions. Through his influence, largely, the farmers of Elk Lick have become greatly interested, and many of them are in attendance at the sessions of the institute convened at Somerset.—Meyersdale Register.

One of our exchanges can not understand how the saucy little English sparrow lived through the cold weather of this winter. Where did he get his food and water? Is the question that perplexes our journalistic brother. So far as the water is concerned, the question is easily answered. He ate snow instead of drinking water. By observing the habits of birds, one can often see them eating snow, even when water can be easily obtained.

It is amusing to note the great ado the Somerset papers are making over the great (?) amount of coal being mined by the Listic Co. The most insignificant mine in the Elk Lick region puts out more coal every week than the Listic company can put out in a month; and there are some mines in this region that put out more coal in one day than the Listic company can put out in 40 days. But Somerset is a great mining town—in her mind.

Mr. S. D. Yoder, one of the largest dealers in blooded stock in this whole vicinity, and breeder of Short Horn cattle, Thoroughbred sheep, etc., of Garrett county, Maryland, called at the Vedette office on Tuesday. Mr. Yoder is a wonderful specimen of manhood, over six feet high, and weighing over two hundred pounds. He is an authority for all the neighborhood in everything that pertains to farming and stock raising.—Somerset Vedette.

Somerset and Berlin have a few groundhog holes, which they erroneously call colleries, coal mines, etc. But, all the same, Salisbury is the only mining town in the county. The Elk Lick coal region employs hundreds of men and ships thousands of tons of coal every month. Thousands of dollars are paid out in Salisbury, every month, to miners and mine laborers. There is more work and more money here than in any other part of the county. This can not be concealed.

It does not pay to paint the nose. Though the scenic effect is dazzling, and the color once established, abides forever, the end does not justify the means. Nose paint is the most expensive adornment in the world. It costs high in money, health and morals, and while it brightens the countenance with a perennial blush, it gives the immortal germ in the background a dark fringe around the border and puts a skeleton in the closet at home, where bony figures encircle the neck of domestic happiness and choke it till it is black in the face.

It may be of interest to her many friends to know that Miss Grace Beachy, now a student at the New York school of applied design for women, New York City, is progressing rapidly, and is much pleased with both the school and the eastern metropolis. In a letter to her father, Dr. U. M. Beachy, the President of the school states that he may well feel proud of his daughter, she having received one promotion already and another will likely occur soon. Miss Beachy will return here in the spring on a vacation.—Meyersdale Register.

A draft has been presented to the School Board, showing that our school building can be remodeled so that it will have six rooms and easily seat 300 pupils. This can be done at such a small cost that the Board would in all probability do well to adopt the plan. All the addition that will need to be added to the building will be a stairway on the outside. The cost will be very small. The draft can be seen by anyone who asks the Board to show it. If the plan is adopted, our school house will fill the bill a long time yet. Go and examine the draft; you will find it a good one.

There is one thing that our "borough dads" ought to remedy by ordinance, and that thing is this: Farmers should be prohibited from carrying on a regular hugster business in this town without license. For example, take Val Bender. Now we have nothing against Bender whatever, but it is right to allow him to carry on a regular butcher and hugster business without paying a license to the borough? We say no. Of course, we want to see every farmer have the right to sell his own produce wherever he pleases, without a license; but if he wants to buy cattle, poultry, etc., to make a regular business of butchering and hugging, as Bender did all last summer, thereby competing with our shops in town, he should be compelled to pay a license. This matter can not be attended to any too soon.

A railroad employe, going from this country to work on an English railway, would have to acquire a new vocabulary of his occupation. He would find, for instance, that what he knew as the engineer here, is called the driver over there; that the fireman is a stoker; the conductor, the guard; that what to us is a car or coach, is a carriage over there; that the carriages are divided into compartments, in which the passengers are locked, and the guard, instead of passing through the carriage walks along a foot-board, on the outside. He would discover that what is called a train here, is a "car" there; that freight trains are called goods trains; that trains are not shifted or switched but shunted; that when a traveller boards a carriage he gets no check for his baggage, which is there called luggage, but has to trust to luck to get it at the end of the route.—Somerset Vedette.

For some time past a rumor has been afloat that Meyersdale was to have another enterprise—this time in the shape of a creamery. With a view to becoming well informed as to the establishing of a creamery here, Messrs. J. M. Hay and Wm. P. Meyers last week departed for Chicago, Ill., where they visited and inspected quite a number of creameries in Kane county, that state, which contains 43 creameries and 33 condensing factories. These establishments are all run co-operatively with the farmers and it is anticipated that the same arrangements will be adopted here. The company will be a stock concern, and will undoubtedly be a boom to the town. Messrs. Hay and Meyers are ready to report to the committee and a meeting will likely be held this week, when the cost of a plant, expense of running and other important things will be submitted to the people interested.—Register.

W. S. Lichty returned from Wray, Col., Tuesday night, having made arrangements to move his family there. He reports the country as fast filling up with settlers from nearly every state in the Union. He says the weather out there reminds him of Florida, the mercury ranging among the 70's. The day he left a party were starting out to hunt alligators. A native of Wray has invented a way of tanning the hides by utilizing the bark of the coveats. Oranges, bananas, figs and sweet potatoes are as plenty there as here. The wheat crop was immense, the straw stacks resembling mountains of molten gold, and the grains so large that many of them made a bushel. The cornstalks are used for bridge timbers and corn cobs for wagon tongues, while many of the grains make a good feed for a horse. Just hear W. S. describe the beauties of the Wray country and you will go out and locate at once.—Carleton (Neb.) Reporter.

Dr. L. Webster Fox, a noted authority, says: "Tobacco and alcohol are the two most prominent agents which not only pervert, but also destroy, special senses, and of which men of this age too freely indulge, especially in social life. It is a well authenticated fact that boys who have indulged in the use of tobacco are not mentally and physically as strong as those who abstain; not only have medical men recognized the tendency to a depression of the vital force in boys and young men who are constant users of tobacco, but athletic trainers will never select their boats' crew from such ranks. These men think that tobacco weakens the heart. It is the same with foot ball teams or tug-of-war men; they may be giants of strength, but when the final test comes, that subtle fluid flying through their nerves with lightninglike rapidity is suddenly snapped; collapse and defeat follow. The excessive use of tobacco not only weakens the muscles of the eye, but also produces a lowering of the acuity of vision and a form of color blindness.

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**Democratic Salary.**  
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- For Burgess, C. T. Hay.
- For High Constable, B. F. Boyd.
- For Town Council, Ferdinand Breig.
- For Street Commissioner, Alfred Wagner.
- For Auditor, P. M. Wahl.
- For Constable, W. C. Wagner.
- For Tax Collector, A. J. Smith.
- For Judge of Election, E. H. Lambert.
- For Inspector, R. A. Kidner.
- For School Directors, C. S. Lichter, for 3 years. Joseph Wagner, for 3 years. J. C. Balliet, for 1 year.

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