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## LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

NEWSY ITEMS GATHERED HERE AND THERE, WITH AN OCCASIONAL JOKE ADDED FOR SPICE.

Zach Wagner orders THE STAR sent to his daughter-in-law, Mrs. J. B. Wagner, at Lorain, Ohio.

Rev. Saliday, of Berlin, in company with Rev. A. K. Travis, was a business visitor at THE STAR office, Thursday last.

Soldiers of the civil war are dying at the rate of 150 a day, according to Pension Commissioner Wars. This is a higher rate than ever before.

Jonathan J. Weller, an aged and well known citizen of Summit township, died recently at his home in Summit Mills, aged nearly 73 years.

Pugh and Hay's Mills are two Somerset county postoffices that have lately gone out of business. The rural free delivery service has knocked them out.

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The fine steel range will be given away at Lichliter's store, Thursday, Dec. 22nd. Come and bring your tickets. The sealed envelope will be opened publicly. 1-

The celebrated court cases between Joseph Wagner, Edward Phillips et al., have been postponed to the February term. The boys will all know just how expensive some kinds of courting is by the time it is all over.

Among those who attended court here, last week, was "Squire" Levi Lichliter, of Salisbury. The "Squire" attended the academy here in the 50's, and has a ready fund of anecdotes of the denizens of the county-seat of that period.

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Last Saturday Mrs. Wm. J. Lichty was taken to the Markleton Sanitarium, where she will take medical treatment. Mrs. Lichty has been in a very feeble condition for several months, and her many friends all hope that she will regain her health soon.

Dr. Bruce Lichty, of Meyersdale, recently purchased a very desirable piece of real estate in that town. It is a lot situated between the Dr. W. H. Meyers and John T. Hoeking properties. The price paid was \$3,700, and Dr. Lichty will erect a fine residence thereon.

Under date of Dec. 6th, in acknowledging receipt of THE STAR at her new home, Newport, Tenn., Miss Marion D. Buchanan writes: "We like Newport very much, and feel sure we will enjoy our new home. Cabbage and turnips are still growing in the gardens here, while roses are in bloom in the front yards."

At Minneapolis a young lady dislocated her jaw in laughing at this story: A man undertook to shave himself, and cut off the end of his nose. He dropped the razor and cut off the end of his great toe. A surgeon was called, and he misplaced the severed parts. They grew together nicely, but ever after the man had to look in the glass to pare his toenail, and take off his shoe when he wanted to sneeze.

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There are seven ages to a woman. She says she's sixteen when she's twelve. Says she's eighteen when she's fourteen. Says she's eighteen when she's twenty-five. Says she's nineteen when she's thirty. Says she's twenty-one when she's forty-five. Says she's twenty-seven when she's fifty-five, and then she stops saying, says an exchange.

It is said they have a new game at Grantsville called the "onion game." One girl bites a piece off an onion, and the boys present pay ten cents for the privilege of guessing who it is. The fellow who guesses right, kisses the other girls, and the one who guesses wrong has to kiss the girl who bit the onion. It is said the game has its strong points.

This paper was misinformed, last week, when it stated that Daniel J. Meyers would take charge of his father's farm, near Berlin. It is correct that Daniel sold his farm to John M. Wright, who will get possession of it on the 1st of next April, but he says he has not yet decided what he will do after he leaves the farm. He may remain in this vicinity.

Yesterday Mrs. T. Glotfelty, Mrs. A. B. Lowry, Mrs. C. W. Studler, Mrs. Clarence Statler and Mrs. P. L. Livengood, who rank high among the many good and good-looking Salisbury women, took advantage of the fine sleighing and drove to Frostburg, Md. Joseph Statler drove the team, and after reaching Frostburg, the party took a trolley ride to Cumberland. The dear "gals" all had a jolly time.

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In the middle west we are not accustomed to thinking of New York as an agricultural state, particularly, but in some things it leads the union in agriculture. Its hay crop this year runs to a value of about \$85,000,000, which is the full equivalent of our maximum gold output. That is quite a snug item for a state that makes no great professions. And that is only one of the great specialties of the state.—Lanark (Ill.) Gazette.

In an effort to ascertain the relative merits of the Georges Creek, Elk Garden and Quemahoning coals, the converted cruiser "Yankee," of the United States Navy, was loaded with 564 tons divided between the three regions, at Baltimore, during the week. The vessel was then sent to Hampton Roads, whence she was to go on orders, probably to Pensacola, Florida; on the road the different coals to be tested for heat-production.—Georges Creek Press.

On Thursday the referee in the bankruptcy case of the Continental Coal Co., came up from Baltimore and disposed of the stock of the Glen McLaren Store Co., at the Keystone mines, A. E. Finegan, of this place, acting as auctioneer. The stock was bid in by T. Nevin Hay for \$1,080.00, he buying the goods for Somerset parties that have a view of leasing the mine, so we hear it rumored. There were but few prospective buyers, and the bidding was very slow.—Meyersdale Republican.

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Two men went into a Boston drug store and told the proprietor that they had made a soda water bet and would have their sodas now, and when the bet was decided, the loser would drop in and pay for them, if that would be satisfactory to the druggist. He answered that it would, and after the sodas had been enjoyed, he asked: "By the way, what was the bet?" "My friend here," said one of the men, "bets that when Bunker Hill Monument falls it will fall toward the north, and I bet it won't."

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Mr. Grant Watkins, the new foreman at the Chapman mine, has added his name to our subscription list. Whenever a new citizen calls, subscribes and pays for the local paper as soon as he locates in a new place, it is always evidence that he will prove to be a good citizen. It proves, at least, that the subscriber takes an interest in the place he has cast his lot, and that he is

no mossback. We welcome Mr. Watkins and family to our large family of readers, and we trust they will like our town.

The practice of selling cheap, trashy novels to school children should be prohibited. Their publication, in fact, should be made a crime against the state. The boy who keeps his head full of the "heroes" read about in 5c. novels will not have much capacity, even if he has the desire, for acquiring other knowledge. These novels injure the boy by constantly retarding his progress, and make all sorts of trouble for his teacher. For the welfare of their boys, parents should see to it that they do not read cheap novels.—Somerset Democrat.

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Mr. Hulbert, in his "Historic Highways in America," quotes a highway law in force in Pennsylvania a hundred years ago. It provided that on certain turnpikes no loaded wagons with tires less than four inches wide could be used, and weight of loads to be hauled were regulated by width of tires. And the maximum number of horses that could be attached to any wagon was eight, and the maximum load was five tons, on 10-inch tires. The penalty for the violation of this law was confiscation of one horse of the team, to be selected by an officer of the state. In those days all inland transportation was on wagons, and it is seen that the present conception of the effect of wide tires on wagons is not a new one.

Supt. A. G. Smith, of the Somerset Coal Company, informs us that we were wrongly informed about the cutting of Conductor Albert Domer, at Elk Lick mines, a week ago last Saturday night. We were informed that while he was about his duties the stabbing took place, but Mr. Smith informed us that there was no train up over the branch that night, and that the real facts were that Mr. Domer was up there on a pleasure trip, in which some females living in that vicinity were the attraction, and that this was what brought about the trouble. Very naturally Mr. Smith did not like to have the report go out that it was not safe for one to come up to the mines when they were attending to their own affairs, and in order that the public may know the truth in the matter we make this correction.—Meyersdale Republican.

The Rockwood Brick Company seems to have been pretty nearly absorbed by the Pennsylvania Coal and Coke Company, of Pittsburg. Last May, we believe, the stock of the brick company was traded for stock of the Pittsburg concern, whose stock was said to be of uncertain value. The latter now claims ownership of the brick plant, we understand, and the original owners and builders of the Rockwood concern are now wondering what their stock in the amalgamated company is worth. It said the coal and coke company's holdings are options on coal land in different sections, which are wholly undeveloped, and may or may not be worth the paper they are written on. F. D. Dunbar and F. H. Marshall are represented to be all of the Pittsburg Coal and Coke Company that is known to Rockwood people. Legal complications may issue from the middle.—Rockwood Gazette.

Yesterday was the editor's 41st birthday, and as a birthday gift he acknowledges, with many thanks, a copy of a most charming poetical work, entitled, "Just California" and "Songs Along the Way." It is a joint gift from the author, Mr. John S. McGroarty, and the editor's brother, W. S. Livengood, both of the editorial staff of the Los Angeles Daily Times. We prize the book very highly, and among the many sparkling productions it contains are some that would do credit to any poet that ever lived. The work contains the humorous, the pathetic, the patriotic, the historic, etc. The author, John McGroarty, is a native of Luzerne county, Pa., and his book contains a number of poems that give proof of his great love and respect for the state of his nativity, his country, his church and all mankind. Poet McGroarty is an Irish American Catholic, and the editor's brother says of him: "He is one of the most loyal Pennsylvanians, and withal one of the finest fellows I have ever known—a good editorial writer, a natural poet, and grinds out some verse that is as good as any I have ever read, the poets laureate not excepted." It may be interesting to THE STAR's readers to know that the Poet McGroarty's father recently celebrated his 99th birthday, and that he is hale and hearty at that great age, notwithstanding that he dug coal in the anthracite mines for fifty years, and during that half of a century he never met with an accident—a remarkable record for a man engaged so long in such a dangerous occupation. Honor and respect to the father, and may his illustrious son live as long to do honor to the family name and benefit mankind by the product of his able pen.

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