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The Biggest and the Best Net For Getting Results.



In setting fish to get results You have to take the net results.

In business, too, to get results You figure on the net results.

Netting fish and netting profits suggest each other. In each case you must put out a net that moves around and gathers up the results.

So far as business goes, the local newspaper is the biggest and best net for getting results. It circulates around town and in the country also.

Are you advertising?

WANT COLUMN.

AN OPPORTUNITY.

WANTED!—A hustler for each town in Somerset county to represent a strong old line eastern life and accident company, having \$1,000,000.00 capital stock. This is a good opening for a hustler. Write, giving age and reference. All communications confidential.

"MANAGE," P. O. Box 134, McKeesport, Pa.

Six Post Cards for 5c., at Egan's. tf.

WANTED!—A good company writing best sick, accident and natural death policy on earth, same rate for all occupations, desires special agents to handle farm, country and town trade. Good Pay. Can handle as a side line. Address Box 154, Scranton, Pa. 1t

Three packages Indian Corn Flakes, or 3 large bottles Blueing, or 2 large cans Veribest Pork and Beans for 25c., at Egan's. tf.

Timothy Seed, \$2.00 per bushel. Clover Seed, \$6.00 per bushel. H. C. SHAW. 4-22

Just received a fine lot of Lake Herring, at Egan's grocery. tf.

Egan sells 2 lbs of good Coffee for 25c. tf.

A B. B. H. Special Watch, good time-keeper, guaranteed for one year, only 75c., at Egan's store. tf

Persian Dates, 7c. per lb., at Egan's grocery. tf

Cleaned and stemless Currants, only 9c. per lb., at Egan's grocery. tf

WANTED!—Rents to collect, Deeds Mortgages, Pension Vouchers, etc., to fill out and attest. Satisfaction guaranteed. P. L. LIVENGOOD, STAR Office. tf

Piano Tuning and Repairing.
Chas. H. Lantz, the reliable piano and organ tuner and repairer, will be at the Valley House, Saturday, April 10th, to remain for a few days. Leave your orders early. Twenty-one years experience. No introduction needed to the people of Salisbury. Satisfaction guaranteed.
CHAS. H. LANTZ.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

Below will be found the names of the various county and district officials. Unless otherwise indicated, their addresses are Somerset, Pa.

President Judge—Francis J. Kooser, Member of Congress—A. F. Cooper, Uniontown, Pa.
State Senator—William C. Miller, Bedford, Pa.
Members of Assembly—W. H. Floto, Meyersdale; A. W. Knepper.
Sheriff—Charles H. Weimer.
Prothonotary—J. B. Gerhard.
Register—Bert F. Landis.
Recorder—Norman E. Berkey.
Clerk of Courts—F. A. Harah.
Treasurer—Russell G. Walker.
District Attorney—John S. Miller.
Coroner—Dr. H. S. Kimmell.
Commissioners—Josiah Specht, Kanton; Rush S. McMillen, Rockwood; Hiram P. Hay, Berlin. Solicitor—Charles W. Walker.
Jury Commissioners—George J. Schrock, M. L. Weighley, Jenners.
Directors of the Poor—J. F. Reiman, William W. Baker, J. C. Dietz, Listie, Attorney for Directors, H. F. Yost.
Superintendent of Schools—D. W. Seibert.
County Auditors—Jacob S. Miller, Friedens; W. H. H. Baker and Samuel A. Kretzman, Rockwood.
Chairmen Political Organizations—Jonas M. Cook, Republican; Alex B. Grof, Democratic; Fred Grof, Berlin, Prohibition. tf

MRS. WOY NOT DEAD.

An Error We are Glad to Correct.
Some time ago THE STAR published an item which stated that Mrs. Luther Woy had died, and knowing that the lady had been quite ill for a long time, and believing our information concerning her death to be a true report, the item was published in good faith. However, we are pleased to learn that the report was not true, and we congratulate both Mr. and Mrs. Woy on the fact that Mrs. Woy is still in the land of the living. The following lines received a few days ago from her husband, who is working at Jenner, where he and his family now reside, ought to be ample proof that we are not in error this time.

"Someone has told you my wife died. The Mrs. is as well as can be expected, and is a very lively corpse. I am also pleased to report the arrival of a fine, large boy, born week before last. The smile won't come off.

"Work has fallen off to three days a week here. A good many of the old boys are here toughing it out."

Local Option in the Legislature.

The effort to secure a local option law from the Legislature of 1909 has ended disastrously, so far as the bill was concerned, but there are some defeats that are the best guarantee of coming victory. When on the evening of March 9th the "Fair Local Option Bill" went down to defeat, there was practically no applause, and even now the liquor interests of the state and their allies are wondering how much of a real victory they secured. At most they can only see exemption from a local option law for the short period of twenty-four months, and some of the wiser ones, seeing that the Local Option movement has not been halted, are wondering whether it would have not been better for them to have accepted the "Fair Bill" without having to run the risk of a tremendous downfall two years hence, due to the accumulated sentiment and indignation which will gather back of the Local Option movement in the meantime.

With the defeat of the "Fair Local Option Bill" in the Legislature, the query uppermost in the minds of multiplied thousands of Pennsylvania citizens, is as to the future of the Local Option movement in this state. There can hardly be a dissenting voice to the proposition that the movement must go on to ultimate triumph. To even halt now would be to yield to unnecessary discouragement, and to surrender without further resistance to the domination of rum in the Keystone State.—Somerset Democrat.

All kinds of Legal and Commercial Blanks, Judgment Notes, etc., for sale at THE STAR office. tf

SUGAR SEASON CLOSED.

Largest Maple Sugar Crop in History of Somerset County.

The warm, sunshiny days that ushered in the present week, closed the maple sugar season with a rush, and all the sugar-makers were very glad of it. For once the sugar-makers got their full satisfaction of sugar-making, and never before did they reap such an enormous crop. The quality is of the finest, too, but the price is not as high as the producers would like to see it. They say the merchants do not want to pay them more than about 6 cents per pound for their sugar, while the purchasers who buy maple sugar from the retail dealers complain of the high prices they are required to pay for it. Our local retailers are asking nine cents per pound for the best quality of maple sugar, while in Connellsville, Bedford and other towns in some of our neighboring counties that produce little or no maple sugar, it sells at prices ranging from 12½ to 15 cents per pound, according to quality.

Much sugar and syrup is being held by local producers who expect to realize higher prices later on, but whether the higher prices will materialize, remains to be seen. Some people think prices are more apt to decline than to advance, and it need surprise no one if such proves to be the case.

Some enormous yields are being reported by local sugar producers. Elijah Livengood, as usual, stands at the head of the list. His crop this year reaches a total of about 30,000 pounds, and had he opened his camp early and tapped his trees as heavily as some producers do, he could probably have made 50,000 pounds. David Keim reports a yield of 15,000 pounds, and yields ranging from 8,000 to 10,000 pounds are quite common in this locality, this year.

SOME FABULOUS REPORTS CONCERNING SOMERSET COUNTY'S ENORMOUS SUGAR CROP.

Each year some very erroneous reports get into the newspapers concerning the maple sugar industry in Somerset county. In this statement we have reference only to the newspapers published outside of the maple sugar zone, which usually publish all kinds of wild rumors concerning the immensity of the crop, as well as much rot concerning the mode of its manufacture, as described by newspaper correspondents that know no more about the manufacture of maple sugar than a hog knows of Latin and Greek.

Along this line we take pleasure in reproducing a few extracts from a letter recently received by Samuel A. Beachy from Dr. A. Enfield, of Bedford, Pa. We imagine we can see the merry twinkle in the genial doctor's eyes, and we know that his many old-time friends among THE STAR's readers will have a good laugh over his keen sense of humor. Among other things written to Mr. Beachy, the doctor has the following to say:

"Your letter received, and yesterday I called on some of my merchant friends in regard to maple sugar. They all claim it is too high. They claim to have bought cake and crumb at 8 cents. delivered. Barnett told me that one man was down from Berlin and agreed to take 7 cents for his whole crop, 13 barrels.

"Maple syrup retails here at \$1.00 per can, but they charge 12½ cents for cakes, and 15 cents for crumb sugar. Our local papers are to blame, as they have published some wonderful stories about the great yield in your county, and declare that it is being manufactured into denatured alcohol, also that Somerset county farmers are spreading it upon poor soil instead of lime, to keep the soil sweet.

"One paper here says that Elijah Livengood, the sugar king, has made 300,000 pounds, even though he opened late, and adds that he expects to boil until the 4th of July, after which he expects to turn all his sour grass into sweet hay.

"Frank McMullen is going to locate in Washington City, the best market for maple sugar in the United States. I told him about your goods and quoted prices. He is a pushing man and a good salesman. I told him he could sell to Roosevelt and Ben Tillman to sweeten their dispositions.

"The traveling men are responsible for some of these exaggerated reports of maple sugar production. They ought to read Prov. 19: 9, Acts 5: 3, and Rev. 22: 14 & 15.

"Sit up Old Home Week, and stop stirring so much sugar. I have five nice maple trees around my yard, but the school boys have all the bark sucked off now, and I fear they will perish."

Making it Easy to Escape from School.

County Commissioners Rush S. McMillen and Josiah Specht, accompanied by a state factory inspector, inspected the fire escape at the Rockwood public school building, on Tuesday afternoon, pronouncing it a most modern equipment in every respect. According to the factory inspector, Rockwood is the only district in the county that has taken the precaution to safeguard its school children by the erection of a fire escape.—Rockwood Leader.

Here in Salisbury some of our young folks occasionally escape from school, or rather escape going to school, without the aid of fire escape or any other kind of aid, except the aid of over-indulgent parents who foolishly take sides against the teachers when their spoiled offspring and the teachers have a clash. The truant officer, if Salisbury has such an officer, ought to round up all the "hookies" and home and store loafers and see that they are kept in school. What the boy or girl needs who is constantly having trouble with the teacher, is a good sound whipping every once in a while, and not the foolish indulgence and wasted sympathy of the parents. A second whipping should be administered by the father or the mother, every time it becomes necessary for the teacher to administer one.

If the plan herein suggested were more generally resorted to, there would be fewer boys and girls growing into worthless ignoramuses, while the number of intelligent, useful men and women would be increased correspondingly. The trouble with many parents is that they help their children to make little devils of themselves, and then expect the Sunday schools to make little angels of them. Naturally, they are usually disappointed, and after their sons and daughters grow up to be either numskulls or criminals or both, they see the fruits of their own folly, when it is too late to help matters much.

Wouldn't This Jar You?

An elaborately equipped room has been opened in one of New York's most sumptuous hotels for the accommodation of pet dogs. It is designed to offer every comfort to the most carefully reared dog, while its master or mistress may be otherwise engaged. The dogs are checked in the care of a maid. A long felt want is thus satisfied. A man or woman taking a dog out for a stroll, may thus be relieved of the responsibility, while lurching or making a call.—Somerset Standard.

Yes, it jars us, and in the language of one William Shakespeare, we may well exclaim, "What fools these mortals be!" A place has also been prepared for the poodle pukers and disgusting, dizzy dog dunces, where they will in due time also be taken care of. The place is not said to be very sumptuous, except in the matter of fire works, and a good tracking snow never lays over night in that place. In fact it is supposed to be a real warm place, and no man or woman ever gets cold feet there.

B. & O. Employees Tear Out Crossing Put Down by Somerset Street Railway Company.

On Friday night there were big doings in local railroad circles. The Somerset Street Railway Company on Friday afternoon installed a crossing over a right of way of the B. & O., on West Sanner street. At midnight a force of B. & O. workmen appeared on the scene, tore up the rails of the street railway company and constructed a siding for the B. & O. This will likely lead to protracted litigation, as both companies claim the right of way. A number of years ago the main tracks of the B. & O. were constructed on this right of way, but for several years only a portion of this right of way has been in use, and that as a siding. Last week the B. & O. commenced the construction of an additional siding along this right of way, as already noted in these columns, and expressed their intention of extending their tracks to Race street. The Somerset Street Railway Co., having been granted franchises to construct tracks along several streets of the borough, at once installed their crossing directly in the path of the B. & O.'s siding. It is stated that by virtue of legislation, the street railway company has the right to cross the right of way of the B. & O., it being used only for a siding, and not having been used even for that purpose, for a long time.—Somerset Democrat.

UP BEFORE THE BAR.

N. H. Brown, an attorney, of Pittsfield, Vt., writes: "We have used Dr. King's New Life Pills for years and find them such a good family medicine we wouldn't be without them." For Chills, Constipation, Biliousness or Sick Headache they work wonders. 25c. Elk Lick Pharmacy. 6-1

How They Keep Down Drunkenness at Coatsville, Pa.

At Coatsville, Pa., the borough authorities have made out a list of the names of all persons in the town of known intemperate habits, and have served notice on all the saloon-keepers not to sell any intoxicating drinks to any of the persons whose names appear on said list. The list contains 102 names, and each saloon-keeper has been supplied with a copy of the same. The plan is said to work well, and it should be tried right here in Salisbury. The habitual drunkards and persons of intemperate habits who reside in this town are well known to the Burgess and Town Council, and it wouldn't be a bad idea to put the Coatsville plan into effect here. There are a good many poor women and little children in this community who hardly know what it is to have their stomachs hit with a good, substantial meal, on account of the worthless, drunken fathers and husbands drinking most of their earnings.

Considerable of this drinking is done, too, by professing Christians, who on communion days in the churches can be found well up in front, looking as sanctimonious as sick monkeys, and partaking of the Holy Sacrament, while on week days and in the evenings they can be found in the saloons, reveling in debauchery, profanity and filthy stories.

Stanley Boucher left here on Monday for Damascus, Va., where he has secured employment with the same lumber company his brother George is working for. He has decided to learn the saw-filing trade, for which high wages are paid at big lumbering mills using band saws. He is to have \$2.00 per day while learning the trade, and when he becomes an expert filer he can readily command four times that amount for his services. Stanley was one of the applicants for rural mail carrier on the route to be in operation here by May 1st, but he got tired waiting for the announcement of the appointment. He acted wisely in deciding to learn a good trade in preference to fooling away time with the Postoffice Department, the poorest managed institution of our entire government, and we wish him much success.

WORDS TO FREEZE THE SOUL.

"Your son has 'Consumption. His case is hopeless." These appalling words were spoken to Geo. E. Blevens, a leading merchant of Springfield, N. C., by two expert doctors—one a lung specialist. Then was shown the wonderful power of Dr. King's New Discovery. "After three weeks use," writes Mr. Blevens, "he was as well as ever. I would not take all the money in the world for what it did for my boy." Infallible for Coughs and Colds, it's the safest, surest cure of desperate Lung diseases on earth. 50c. and \$1.00. Elk Lick Pharmacy. Guarantee satisfaction. Trial bottle free. 5-1

Gigantic Coal Deal.

A gigantic coal deal was made in Pittsburg, last Thursday, in which J. C. Brydon, who is well known in Somerset county, is interested. The deal is for 3,000 acres of Connellsville coking coal lands in Fayette county, fronting on the Monongahela river. The purchase was made by the Isabella-Connellsville Coal & Coke Company, from J. V. Thompson and his associates. The price paid was \$1,700 an acre, making a total of \$5,100,000 for the coal, and the company purchased in addition \$50,000 worth of surface land to be used for development purposes.

John C. Brydon, President of the company, is also President of the West Kentucky Coal Company, and was formerly general manager of the Davis Coal & Coke Company of West Virginia, the Consolidation Coal Company of Maryland, and the Somerset Coal Company, and has had 20 years experience in coal and coke business.

Two Bright Business Sayings of Swift & Co., the Chicago Meat Packers.

Well-advertised goods, made by a responsible house, are sold to the consumer before the retail dealer puts them on his shelves.

Success is a train of good products running on the rails of good advertising. Every retail dealer's store should be a station on the line.

ENGRAVED INVITATIONS for weddings, parties, etc., also engraved visiting cards and all manner of steel and copper plate engraved work at THE STAR office. Call and see our samples. All the latest styles in Script, Old English and all other popular designs at prices as low as offered by any printing house in the country, while the work is the acme of perfection. tf

No B. & O. Employee Must Be Seen in a Saloon.

There is no let-up in the prohibitory measures introduced recently by Vice President G. L. Potter, with regard to B. & O. employes, especially trainmen, drinking on or off duty.

Notwithstanding the fixed rule that the use of intoxicants is absolutely forbidden, and repeated warnings that have been given from time to time, several employes have been either suspended or dropped from the service since the new year.

To illustrate what a determined stand the company has taken in this direction, several local men were in Baltimore within the past week, making an effort to secure re-instatement in the service. While awaiting an audience with Vice President Potter in the anti-rooms in the general office, they were asked by the clerk if it was a "whisky case." "If your's is such," said the clerk, "you might as well not waste time, but leave the office, as Mr. Potter will under no circumstances reopen such a case, now or ever."

A prominent local official in a recent talk with trainmen taken out of the service for alleged drinking, is said to have stated: "Any man who works for the B. & O. and goes into a saloon, leaves his job on the outside, which can be picked up by a better man, and thus he runs chances of losing it when he comes out of the door to take it up again."

The reason that so many Cumberland division men have been sufferers of the anti-drink edict, is that it is said to have become noised on other divisions that no punishment was meted out to men on this division for drinking, and to refute this assertion is the intention of the local management to discharge men wherever found guilty of an infraction of the company's rules in this respect.—Oakland Republican.

"I'D RATHER DIE DOCTOR, than have my feet cut off," said M. L. Bingham, of Princeville, Ill., "but you'll die from gangrene (which had eaten away eight toes) if you don't," said all doctors. Instead—he used Bucklen's Arnica Salve till wholly cured. Its cures of Eczema, Fever Sores, Boils, Burns and Piles astounded the world. 25c. at Elk Lick Pharmacy. 5-1

Stem-Heat Trough for Maple Syrup.

Windber, April 1.—Reducing sugar-water to syrup in a large pipe trough is something new in the sugar-producing districts in Shade township. This means of boiling sugar and syrup has been introduced into the township by Albert Gohn, proprietor of the East End Hotel, of this place, who owns a farm in this township.

The trough is fifteen feet long and eighteen inches deep. In the bottom of it are placed nine galvanized pipes about an inch and a half in diameter. Steam is forced through the pipes, and when the register shows 80 to 100 pounds of steam, "she boils to beat the band."

Mr. Gohn has expended about \$1,000 in making the changes and improvements. Besides the installation of the boiler, etc., he has built a new furnace for coal to be ready for a big run." His sons Frank and Robert, and Zach Lambert, are in charge of the camp.

Do Trout Shrink?

The nearness of the open trout season has brought out the Brosius case, which was introduced in the local courts about a year ago, and which was to have come up for argument last week. It will be remembered that Ray S. Brosius, of Morrellville, while engaged in fishing in this county, last year, was arrested for having trout in his possession under six inches. The defendant was fined \$30 and costs.

Brosius is anxious to test the case in court. He denies that he violated the law, and claims that the fish were six inches in length when taken from the stream, but that they shrank after being out for several hours. The question is, "Do trout shrink?"—Somerset Standard.

As an experienced and skillful trout fisher, the editor of THE STAR can vouch for the fact that trout actually shrink after being out of the water for a couple of hours. All kinds of fish shrink after being taken from the water, but very seldom do fish of any kind shrink while the average fisherman is telling of the size of those he has caught.

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