# The Somerset Herald.

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IF SPAIN should go under it would create a terrible panic in Castile soap.

UNCLE SAM is again showing to the world that he is a man who can keep his temper at a trying time.

THE war fever in Spain may abate in a short time. No nation, however proud, is expected to attempt the impossible.

IF Mr. Wanamaker doesn't move lively his letter to the "business men" will have to be put among the shelf-worn bargains.

AT THE Union county primaries on Saturday a direct vote was taken for United States Senator, Governor and Congressman, and M. S. Quay, W. A. Stone and Thad A. Mahon were respectively endorsed for those offices.

REPUBLICAN primary elections were held in a number of the counties of the State last Saturday, and in all of them delegates favorable to the nomination of Col. W. A. Stone for Governor were selected. Chester county elected seven delegates, all of whom are favorable to Col. Stone.

THE Wanamaker organ at West Chester, the Republican, charges President McKinley with wire-pulling from the beginning of his administration, that he may succeed himself. When De Lome said practically the same thing all Americans were indignant, but when the abject organ of a Philadelphia millionaire merchant and politician says it, a few of our people applaud it as patriotic. Where's the difference? The Republican should be given its passports. Great is the power of a 3-column advertisement for every day in the year.

WANAMAKER is slow in writing his letter, says the Lancaster Inquirer. It is thought that he has determined not to be a candidate for Governor. Possibly it has at last dawned upon him that the meeting at the Bourse was made up principally of "leg-pullers" who care more for a share of his millions than for either Wanamaker or Reform. It costs money to pay the campaign expenses of candidates for the Legislature all over the State, as the Wanamaker managers have been promising to do in this county, and maybe John can't exactly see any chance for reimbursement.

THE Indiana Gold Democrats, at their late conference, decided to stick to their organization, and put up a candidate for Congress in each district of that State this year. This is an excellent example for the Cleveland and Palmer Democrats of the country. If they should do this in every State they would keep the dishonest money vote in the House of the next Congress down to small figures. They ought to do so in every Northern and Western State at least, and in the old border States. A sweeping defeat for the Bryanites next November would drive the base money issue eternally out of politics. This is an end for which every true follower of Jefferson and Jackson should labor.

THE Republican primary election in Blair county will take place on Saturday of next week. C. W. Stone has announced his candidacy for Governor and will be voted for along with the other candidates, and it is said that W. A. Stone will also announce, and that the contest for the Blair delegates will be between the two Stones. Alvin Evans, Esq., has announced as a candidate for Congress, and will contest with Congressman Hicks and N. P. Mervine for the Congressional Conferees from that county. Some thirty candidates have announced for the various positions to be filled. The outcome of the Congressional contest will be watched with much interest by the Republican politicians in the other counties of the district. Should Congressman Hicks fail to carry his own county he would be practically eliminated from the contest for the district nomination, while if Mr. Evans should carry Blair he would go into the conference with six conferees, for it is conceded that he will get the conferees from his own county (Cambria), and would thus be in a position to control the nomination. If he couldn't land the nomination himself he could at least name the winner. Should Mr. Mervine win in his own county it would be anybody's fight in the district conference.

MR. JOHN WANAMAKER has not yet made public his decision as to whether or not he will accept the call of the Taxpayers' Union to be their candidate for Governor, and as a consequence "the venerable 'General' Koontz," as the Brookville Republican styles him, has not yet, in his capacity as President of the Taxpayers' Union, appointed an Executive Committee of nine members to "conduct the ensuing campaign." In the meantime the Republicans in the various counties in the State are holding their primary elections, and the two Stones, William A. and Charles W., are good-naturedly contesting for the delegates at almost every primary. From present indications both will go into the Convention with the support of a large number of delegates, and, should either be nominated, the other will cheerfully acquiesce in the nomination, or that of any other candidate, and will earnestly support the nominees of the Convention.

If President Koontz ever appoints his Executive Committee of nine members to "conduct the ensuing campaign," it will be after the State Convention has made its nominations, and the "ensuing campaign" will be conducted in the interests of Mr. Wanamaker or some other assistant-Democratic candidate. The "General" assisted in electing a Democratic Governor in 1882 and again in 1890, and he will probably do the same thing this year if he gets a chance.

### Must Support Nominees.

At a recent meeting of the Lancaster County Republican Committee, the following very sensible resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, It is the common rumor that one or more candidates, who propose to ask the support of the Republican voters of Lancaster county at the approaching primaries, have affiliated themselves with an independent movement in State politics, the purpose of which is understood to be the rejection and attempted defeat of the candidates who may be placed on the Republican ticket by the ensuing Republican State convention; therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Republican County Committee believes it to be the right of the Republican voters of the county to know whether or not the candidates who ask their support will abide by the action of the Republican State convention, and whether or not such candidates will loyally support the nominees of said convention.

*Resolved*, That we call upon all candidates who seek the suffrages of Republicans at the approaching primary to publicly declare themselves on this question to the end that the Republican electors of Lancaster county shall know what candidates, if any, do not propose to stand by the Republican party in the contest for Governor and other State and county officers at the election in November next."

At the conclusion of the reading of the above A. J. Kauffman, Esq., of Columbia, addressing the committee, said he failed to understand the import of the resolutions. He was a reader of the newspapers, but he did not know that there was an independent movement abroad in the State, and he asked the gentleman who offered the resolutions to explain. He inferred that the recent meeting of Republicans at the Bourse in Philadelphia was implied, but he was unaware that that meeting any statement was made declaring for an independent candidate for Governor, or, further, than any of those who attended the meeting had asserted their intention to desert the candidates of the party.

Hon. John H. Landis in reply, said that all Republicans should regret the necessity for resolutions of such a character as he had offered at any time, but it was especially to be deplored at the present. Now, of all times, there should be harmony and a united feeling. But the meeting of a number of gentlemen at the Bourse was of such an unfortunate character as to lead many Republicans to believe that the ostensible object was to start an independent movement; that the attitude of the members of the party assumed at that gathering was for the express purpose of electing an independent candidate for Governor. Many newspapers led the people to believe that this was the object, and such was the interpretation placed upon the action of those Republicans by some members of both parties. We have voters in Lancaster County who, within the past forty-eight hours, have said that if a certain gentleman is nominated for Governor they would not support the ticket. Other Republicans prominent in the State, some of whom are asking for an honor from their fellow-citizens, have said the same thing, so Republicans have a right to know where their candidates will stand, and every candidate who is asking for the suffrages of his party should consider it a privilege and a duty to support his ticket, and they should be invited to express themselves on the subject. Mr. Landis' speech was greeted with applause.

In many counties of the State the party rules require all persons who wish to announce as candidates at the Republican primaries to sign a written pledge that they will support the entire ticket nominated. We think it only right that this should be done, and in view of the fact that several persons in this county who contemplate being candidates at the coming primary, have publicly announced that they would not support certain candidates for the Governorship if nominated, Chairman Berkley should refuse to receive their announcements unless they recant and pledge themselves, not only to support the ticket nominated at the primary, but also the nominees of the Republican State convention. No man who did not vote the Republican ticket at the last general election can legally vote at the primary. No man who will not cheerfully pledge himself to support the entire Republican ticket at the fall election should be allowed to be a candidate at the primary.

### It is Safe to Stand Upon.

From the Baltimore American.

The chairman of the Republican Congressional Campaign Committee has just made this announcement: "The coming campaign will be fought out on the lines of the platform adopted at St. Louis. That will be our only guide, save as new issues are created as contingencies arise and new policies are made in Congress. No committee has a right to make a platform for the party, and so we will be governed by that adopted in 1896:

That platform, though it is now two years old, has lost none of its strength. It was just the sort of document needed then, and there are very few sections of it that have not now an important bearing upon the issues that will be before the people in the congressional campaign of this year. It was upon that platform that McKinley was elected president, and it served as a battlecry in the greatest fight for sound money and good government that was ever made in this country. That platform took a position on the tariff question which, carried out by the Dingley bill, has put the government's business on a sound basis, and stopped the monthly deficits in the treasury. It declared in no uncertain words against any debasement of the national currency, and in favor of a policy that would maintain inviolate the obligations of the United States.

It is important just at the present time, in view of the disaster to the Maine in the harbor of Havana, to remember that the Republican platform of 1896 declared in favor of a strong and dignified foreign policy, and insisted that it was the duty of the government of the United States to use its influence and good offices to restore peace and give independence to the Island of Cuba. This did not mean, and does not mean, that the United States should go to war with Spain to secure the independence of the island, but it does mean just that sort of a policy which this administration is seeking to carry out—one that will secure the end desired without involving the country in serious and unnecessary complications with any other nation. That platform also favored the continued enlargement of the navy and a complete system of harbor and seacoast defenses, and the work that the government is now doing in this respect proves that it is following out the course then laid down by the representatives of the Republican party.

That document helped to win one of the greatest national political battles ever fought. That platform was strong and sound in 1896; it is strong and sound in 1898. It is still safe to stand on.

### Gold Democrats Meet.

The Sound Money Democrats will nominate a full State ticket and have candidates for Congress in every district in Pennsylvania. This was decided upon Friday afternoon at a conference held at the Hotel Walton, Philadelphia, at which were present representatives from 20 Congressional districts. James Denton Hancock of Venango presided, and Thos H. Greevy of Blair was secretary.

The following letter from ex-President Cleveland to A. B. Farquhar of York, who read it, provoked much enthusiasm:

"Westland, Princeton, N. J., March 1.—

My Dear Mr. Farquhar:—Your letter is received, and I hope most sincerely that there may be a sound money movement in Pennsylvania that will be strong and useful. I can not account for the arrogant confidence of the free silver forces, except upon the theory that they are led to believe that there is very little aggressive effort to be made by their opponents. It is a very strange thing that the apparent apathy in many of our sound States should give plausibility to such a belief. If any one believing with us supposes that free silver can be prevented from controlling the two Houses of the next Congress without effective organization and hard work, the quicker he abandons that idea the more useful he will be as a Sound Money man.

I am so earnest in my desire to see our country blest with safe money and a suitable financial system, that I am of the opinion we ought to give patriotic and consistent support to any plan which insures this result, and which has the elements that promise its successful advocacy.

"Yours very truly,
"GROVER CLEVELAND."

A general discussion followed upon the present political situation, and it was decided to issue an address to the voters of Pennsylvania through a committee. It was also decided that the emergency in the State demanded prompt preparations on the part of the Sound Money Democrats to hold a State convention at an early day to nominate candidates for all the State offices to be filled and afterwards to inaugurate an active and aggressive campaign and to devote especial attention to election of Congressional candidates in favor of Sound Money.

An executive committee of 15 was appointed to carry into effect the action of the conference. It was stated that this committee will hold a meeting at an early date to fix a time for the holding of a State convention.

# CRISIS NEAR AT HAND.

## Spain Asks Lee's Recall And Is Refused.

## BIG WAR CREDIT ASKED.

## President McKinley's Firm Stand.

The occurrences of the past three days seem to indicate that the Cuban trouble will eventuate in war between the United States and Spain. Spain has demanded the recall of General Fitzhugh Lee, our Consul-General at Havana, and asked that the supplies which our Government may see fit to forward to the starving inhabitants of Cuba be sent on other than war vessels. To both of these demands or requests President McKinley made a prompt and firm refusal. On Monday Congress passed the Senate bill for two additional artillery regiments to the standing army, and, after a conference at the White House with the President and the chiefs of the various departments, Chairman Cannon, of the House Appropriations Committee, introduced a bill appropriating $50,000,000 for the national defense. The bill, which will likely be promptly passed, provides "That there is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated for the national defense and for each and every purpose connected therewith, to be expended at the discretion of the President and to remain available until June 30, 1898, $50,000,000."

The bill probably looks to the purchase of ships and war material in Europe.

Evidence multiplies at Havana that various persons had been warned of the Maine's danger before the explosion occurred. One merchant's wife was told nine days before the horror that she and her young lady friends had better not go aboard the battleship, as it was to be blown up.

A big rope that stretched from the shore to the Maine will also appear in evidence when the Court of Inquiry returns to Havana.

One high American official who has been before the probers is quoted as being positive that a mine blew up the Maine.

In explanation of the Government's warlike preparations it is explained that an absolute lack of conclusive evidence as to how the Maine was blown up has necessitated ample arrangements to meet the worst contingency, even though the worst is not at all expected.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 6.—The Spanish situation developed two new phases to-day when it became known that the Spanish Government had formally requested the recall of Consul General Lee at his post at Havana, to which request the United States has courteously but firmly refused to comply; also that Spanish Government has suggested the impropriety of sending relief supplies to the Cuban reconcentradoes in the cruiser Montgomery and gunboat Nashville, to which suggestion the United States had given a like answer in the negative.

The first intimations of these steps came in a brief and explicit cable dispatch from Madrid. Prior to its receipt, however, the authorities here had been fully conversant with the facts, although no intimation had been allowed to get to the public on either subject. The disclosure from Madrid left no further ground for reticence in Washington, and, after a conference at the White House between the President, Assistant Secretary Day, of the State Department, and Secretary Long, of the Navy Department, the following authorized statement was handed to the Associated Press by Judge Day as comprising everything that was to be said by the administration on the subject:

M'KINLEY'S REPLY.

The President will not consider the recall of General Lee. He has borne himself throughout this crisis with judgment, fidelity and courage, to the President's entire satisfaction. As to the supplies for the relief of the Cuban people, all arrangements have been made to carry a consignment this week from Key West by one of the naval vessels, whichever may be best adapted and most available, destined to Matanzas and Sagua.

Although the officials here are non-committal on the subject, it is believed that the request for General Lee's recall was made at least a day or two ago, and that the Spanish Government, after receiving the reply of the State Department, has not insisted either upon Lee's recall or upon its contention that the relief supplies should not be sent to Cuba in naval vessels.

### Will Marry to Sell Liquor.

CHAMBERSBURG, Pa., March 4.—Having been granted a license to sell liquor, Morris D. Jacobs' next step will be to procure a marriage license. This is practically the promise he made in Court today.

Jacobs was an applicant for a license for a hotel at Funkstown. Judge Stewart, in disposing of the application, said it was with great reluctance that he granted a license to an unmarried man. Jacobs relieved the Court's compunction on this point by stating that he would get married at once. The new condition imposed upon license applicants by the Court may have a tendency to hasten several marriages, since a liquor license has come to be a valuable franchise, and two or three unmarried aspirants for privileges of that character are preparing to file applications next year.

### Call It a Nuisance.

GETTYSBURG, March 5.—At the April term of court Gettysburg borough will have a test case of the ordinance enacted some time ago regulating the soliciting of tourists and travelers at the several depots upon the arrival of trains by the hotel porters and those engaged in the battlefield business as the result of four solicitors being arrested yesterday and given a hearing before Chief Burgess J. Ed McCammon for an alleged violation of the ordinance.

Three of them paid the fine imposed upon them. The fourth, however, refused the payment and gave bail for his appearance at the next term of court. This has been a source of great annoyance to the traveling public, and the authorities, with the assistance of the railroad officials, have decided to regulate it so far as possible.

### Singularly Sad Suicide.

William Love, a prominent citizen of Westmoreland county, committed suicide Monday evening by shooting himself in the brain. His aged mother was with him at the time, but as she was too feeble to summon aid she had to sit and watch her boy die.

The family, with the exception of William and his aged mother left home in the afternoon to attend a funeral. Love went to his room about 1 o'clock and a moment later a bullet crashed through his brain.

His old mother went to her boy. She was too feeble to go to the home of the distant neighbors to secure aid. There was nothing left for her to do but make the young man as comfortable as she could and wait. For hours she sat by the body on the floor, but when help came life had departed.

The family found the mother sitting with her arm around the neck of her son. She said he had been dead two hours.

Love was unmarried and aged 31 years. The cause is attributed to disappointment in love.

### Normal School.


The Meyersdale Normal and Preparatory School prepares for teaching and for college. Six teachers. First term begins May 9. Second term begins July 25, 1898.

J. C. SPEICHER,
Principal.


### The Martin Trial.

Following is Sheriff Martin's story of the Lattimer riot, as told on the witness stand:

"Friday morning I reached Drifton and found all my deputies there. We went to a lumber yard, a central point. At 1 in the afternoon I got a message that the strikers were marching through Cranberry, bound for Lattimer. I hurried off with the Hazelton deputies to intercept the men at West Hazelton. While going there I repeated my instructions to the deputies about keeping cool and avoiding trouble if possible.

"The mob swore at us when we approached, cursed me and would not budge when I told them to do so. I read my proclamation and walked through them, asking them to go home. One young man swore at me violently and said they would go to Lattimer in spite of me. I arrested him. One man picked up a stone, but dropped it when I pointed my revolver at him.

"I told a crowd of spectators to go home as the strikers were desperate and there might be trouble. Finally the strikers left the road and started off over the lots. Soon I heard they were going to Lattimer and I hurried off with my deputies to intercept them. I told them again to keep cool and not to shoot unless their lives or mine were in danger. After lining them up alongside the road I told them I would go out and meet the strikers and try once more to disperse them. A deputy asked if he should not go with me. No, I said, I'll go alone. I thought one man was enough to die at once. I felt somehow there was going to be trouble. I met the strikers about fifty yards from the deputies and asked them where they were going.

"To stop the Lattimer breaker,' a lot of them cried.

"I told them they must not go and tried to read my proclamation to them, but they crowded around me, swearing at me and hustling me to one side. One man tried to grab me, and I then attempted to get hold of him, but the crowd then jumped on me and pounded me about the body. I dropped my paper and pulled my revolver. One of the men tried to snatch the revolver from me, but failed. Then he struck me an awful blow in the face and knocked me to my knees. I tried to shoot him but my revolver would not explode. Then the shooting commenced. It lasted about half a minute.

"In the crowd I saw three men armed with revolvers and one with a knife, the latter made a stab at me but missed. Two men were shot just behind me to the left. I was in the direct line of fire."

The cross-examination conducted by Mr. Scarlett lasted for two hours and will be resumed. While many minor details were brought out nothing was adduced to affect the main story.

### Spent Too Much On Election.

SPRINGFIELD, O., March 4.—The Circuit Court has handed down a judgment to oust Mayor John M. Good, Democrat, for violation of the Garfield law governing corrupt election practices. This is the first time in the United States that any mayor has been ousted from office for spending too much money at election. Judge Adams, of Zanesville, reported the finding. The evidence proved that J. S. Elliot, a member of the Board of Public Affairs, gave Captain Rudd, of the Bushnell Guards (colored) $25; that ex-Mayor Burnett spent $25 for drinks at Grier's saloon and $45 at a Red Cross dance for drinks, and that beer was bought at various other places. The total of $283 was expended. The office was declared vacant, to take effect in five days. The Garfield law was recently declared constitutional by the Supreme Court, and limits the expenses of money by a candidate to $100 to each five thousand voters. City Council will appoint a mayor to serve until the spring election.


### THE NEW OBSERVATION CARS

Between Baltimore and Pittsburg

ON THE

Baltimore & Ohio Railroad.

The new Observation Cars "Undine" and "Bianco" on trains Nos. 5 and 6, the New York and Chicago Limited Trains on the Baltimore & Ohio R. R., are the latest cars of this pattern from the Pullman Shops. They are magnificently furnished with splendidly equipped buffet, parlor, state room and observation end. The observation platform is a special feature. It is six feet deep, with extended roof, the sides being protected by large plate glass windows. Passengers can enjoy the magnificent scenery on all sides in perfect comfort. The buffet is ever ready to supply light refreshments, and dining cars en route serve full meals. The cars are the handsomest ever built by the Pullman Company, and will be run daily between Baltimore and Pittsburg on the trains mentioned.


### Peacemakers Suffered.

TEXARKANA, Ark., March 6.—The fiercest street battle ever witnessed in Texarkana occurred this afternoon. Five men were engaged, one of whom was killed outright, another mortally wounded, the third seriously injured, while the other two are in hiding and the extent of their wounds is not known. The casualities: Vinson Graviano, dead, shot through the heart. S. Graviano, mortally wounded, shot through the breast, shoulder, arms and leg. Peter Darrigo, seriously wounded in the groin and leg.

All the participants were barbers. A. Gingotta and his son-in-law "Mike" Cannela were disputing in front of Antonio Columbus's saloon, and were about to come to blows when the Graviano brothers came up and attempted to stop the argument. Gingotta and Cannela then turned upon the Gravianos and both sides drawing revolvers, the battle was soon in progress. More than 30 shots were fired. Gingotta and Cannela fled and are still at large.


### Pushing Ahead.

Winning new customers, is ample proof that the vast variety and good quality of our line, together with our low prices, is attracting more attention than ever, being evidence that we are selling cheaper because we are selling more Furniture. The past year's sales, exceeding very largely those of previous years, have been placed to our credit—naturally caused by our low prices, which *are* lower than named elsewhere. Our '98 line is better than any before—now ready for inspection.

C. H. COFFROTH.


### A Tribute to the National Educational Association.

The March Number "Book of the Royal Blue," issued by the Passenger Department of the B. & O. R. R. is dedicated to the Teachers of the United States, account of their annual meeting to be held at Washington next July. This issue contains twenty-five superb half-tones from recent photographs of the National Capital, with valuable suggestions to visitors intending to go to Washington. There is also a special illustrated article on the Congressional Library. This edition is made doubly interesting as it contains a descriptive article on the U. S. S. Maine, furnished by the Navy Department and illustrated with official photographs of the ill-fated vessel before she went to Havana, and also the morning after the explosion. The latter photograph was bought by Lieut. Hood, of the Maine, the day after the disaster, and it was sent by Admiral Sicard to Secretary Long.

This book should be in every teacher's hands and it will be cheerfully furnished free of cost to Principals or Superintendents of schools who will leave the number required with any Agent of the Baltimore & Ohio R. R. Individual requests will be promptly answered upon receipt of six (6) cents in postage stamps to the Advertising Department, Baltimore & Ohio R. R., Baltimore, Md.


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### More About North Dakota.

EDITOR HERALD:—

Instead of North Dakota's climate being a hard one to live in, it is one of the most healthful in the land. It is an established scientific fact that men attain the highest mental and physical perfection in northern lands where frost holds sway. We are advocating no colonization scheme, but we merely wish to contradict some of the many false statements about the most fertile part of the country, and what is destined to be one of the richest states in the land. All it wants to make it such is population. There is plenty of room there, as North Dakota has thousands of acres of the best farming country in the United States, and a good deal of it can be taken up free under the homestead laws. People in the east allude to the deprivations incident to frontier life among the disadvantages. Leaving a thickly settled community the home-seeker on a new prairie has fewer neighbors; the school-houses and churches may not be as convenient, but there is no settler on a free homestead in North Dakota who can not reach a store, post-office, telegraph-office or railway depot in a drive of a few hours on as good roads all the year as can be found anywhere. City newspapers are in the post-offices of North Dakota next day after publication. The papers from this county reach Dickey county, N. D., on Saturday noon, the same week of publication. Apples, oranges, and all kinds of fruit and products of every clime are to be had in the towns of North Dakota at about the same prices as in the old states. The deprivations of the home-seeker in North Dakota are not to be compared with those suffered by the settlers who went to Illinois, Iowa and Kansas in advance of railroads; nor is there any frontier, as before the days of railroads. The renter who stays in the east is depriving himself of the 160 acres of land by not going to North Dakota. On a rented farm he works for the other fellow; on a homestead he works for himself, and he enjoys all the profits. Church-going people will not be deprived of religious influences and facilities in North Dakota. About all the leading religious denominations are represented there, among which are the Methodists, Episcopalians, Presbyterians, Congregationalist, Baptists, Lutherans, German Baptists, and others. Sunday schools are found in every community. Union S. S. in almost every schoolhouse. As to the prices of what people have to buy in any country, such as dry goods, groceries, hardware, footwear, clothing, machinery, etc., they are fully as low as in the older states. Comparatively speaking, North Dakota is better supplied with stores of all kinds, than many older states. As to fuel, no one need worry, although no timber is growing on the plains, except what is being planted and cared for as other farm products, yet wood for fuel is plenty, as is coal also, both native and from Ohio and Pennsylvania. There is plenty of native coal for all purposes, yet foreign coal has the swing. F.


### For Sale!

Eggs for hatching of thoroughbred Rose Comb Brown Leghorn, and Barred Plymouth Rock Hens—Pure strain. Orders booked now. Also, Green Mountain Seed Oats, and excellent varieties of Seed Potatoes. Address

E. E. PUGH,
Somerset, Pa.


### Commissioners to Stand Trial.

POTTSVILLE, Pa., March 4.—The proposition to withdraw the prosecution of the misdemeanor cases against Controller Severn and County Commissioners Rentz, Martin and Meyers on condition that they would resign from office fell through by reason of Charles Meyers, one of the defendants, refusing to comply with the agreement. He retained new counsel to defend him next week at the trial. The Taxpayers' Association refuses to show any leniency to the convicted Commissioners, Messrs. Rentz and Martin, and former Commissioner Allen at this time, contending it is too late, after the cost and annoyance of a trial has been incurred, to look for mercy. The withdrawal of Meyers from the agreement to settle has caused much consternation among the other defendants.


### After We Move.

We hope when in Pittsburg, Pa., you'll make it convenient to visit the wholesale grocery of W. K. Gillespie, now on Seventh Ave. After March 10 we expect to be in our new home, corner of 9th and Duquesne Way. Drop in to see us.

### Every Housewife

Should examine the Cinderella Range. Bread will raise nicer and bake more evenly, in the Cinderella than in any other. Sold and recommended by

JAS. B. HOLDERBAUM,
Somerset, Pa.

### Country Boys Look Here.

Country boys and likewise countrymen should get a Pittsburgh Commercial Gazette watch. Five new subscriptions to the Weekly Commercial Gazette, accompanied by the subscription price $5.00, secures the watch.

It is a nickel, stem-winding watch, famous as a timekeeper, and is guaranteed for one year. No newspaper or periodical ever offered as fine a premium.

Two new subscriptions to the Daily for a year, four for six months and six for four months will also get the watch.

It is not a toy for children, but a serviceable timekeeper that a man can carry with satisfaction.

Send the subscriptions with the money to the Commercial Gazette office and you will get the watch by return mail.

NOTHING SLOW ABOUT THIS.


### An Interesting Fact Brought to Light By the Maine Disaster.

The Maine catastrophe has brought to light some interesting facts concerning the means employed by a great newspaper to meet the demands of the public for quick, full and accurate information concerning that disaster. Although receiving the complete report of the news-gathering oaganizations, "The Philadelphia Press" is also giving exclusively to its readers daily despatches from the most brilliant corps of special correspondents and artists ever massed on a single piece of news. This includes Ralph D. Paine, Julian Hawthorne, Carl Decker, Sylvester Scovel and Louis Ruyl at Havana and Key West; E. J. Gibson and his assistants at Washington; Julian Ralph, at London, and equally well informed representatives at the other points at which news is likely to be obtained. It is sometimes said that Philadelphia is "slow," but there is nothing slow in the enterprise which enables "The Philadelphia Press" to set up the claim that it is leading all the other newspapers in the country in the promptness and reliability of its news about the Maine, and that it is the only newspaper which commands the services of all the writers and artists named.


### Some Foolish People

allow a cough to run until it gets beyond the reach of medicine. They often say, "Oh, it will wear away," but in most cases it will wear them away. Could they be induced to try the successful medicine called Kemp's Balsam, which is sold on a positive guarantee to cure, they would immediately see the excellent effect after taking the first dose. Price 25c and 50c. Trial size free. At all druggists.


### A Banquet of Horse Meat.

KANSAS CITY, MO., March 6.—Horse meat was served last night at the annual banquet of the Kansas City Veterinary College. Though the spread was elaborate, not a morsel of meat other than the flesh of the horse was served. The students and faculty who gathered around the board made merry and insisted that it was appetizing.

### Spurious Greenbacks.

A Mt. Pleasant dispatch says: A jeweler of Monmouth, near this city, named D. J. Croft, has been arrested and imprisoned in the borough lock-up as a suspicious character and as the probable leader of a gang of impesters and forger. He implicated himself and two young men residing at Jones Mills, whose names are given as Harry Benford and Charles Newell. The three had made up a purse of $300, with which $10,000 in bogus certificates was to be procured, and they had already completed arrangements for a meeting with an unknown member at Connellsville. The circulation of bogus greenbacks has been detected from time to time for some weeks past, and notices have been given to merchants and banks. The investigations will be continued in the hope of implicating still others as members of the gang.


### LOW RATES TO BALTIMORE AND WASHINGTON.

Special Excursion via Pennsylvania Railroad.

On Thursday, March 17, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will run the second of its present series of low-rate excursions to Baltimore and Washington. Special train carrying through parlor cars and coaches will leave Pittsburg 8.00 a. m. Tickets will also be good on train No. 4, leaving Pittsburg at 8.10 p. m., carrying through sleepers to Washington. Round-trip tickets, good to return within ten days and good to stop off at Baltimore, will be sold at very low rates.

Apply to ticket agents, or Thos. E. Watt, Passenger Agent, Western District, Pittsburg.

### At Home.

All who are interested in good housekeeping should examine the Cinderella Stoves and Ranges. The extra large and high oven embodied in their construction insures a good baker. Sold, guaranteed and recommended by

JAS. B. HOLDERBAUM,
Somerset, Pa.

### LAST POPULAR MID-WINTER EXCURSION TO WASHINGTON.

Baltimore & Ohio Railroad.

On Thursday, March 24, the last mid-winter Excursion to Washington, via the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, will be run at the very low rate of one fare for the round trip. Tickets will be good going on regular trains, and good to return on regular trains within ten days, including date of sale. Do not miss this last opportunity to visit the National Capital during the session of Congress. Get tickets and full particulars from Agent Baltimore & Ohio R. R.

### Window Shades! Window Shades!!

50 dozen, just received. You will wonder how they are made at the price we will sell them at.

SNYDER'S ART STORE.

### Give the Children a Drink

called Grain-O. It is a delicious, appetizing, nourishing food drink to take the place of coffee. Sold by all grocers and liked by all who have used it because when properly prepared it tastes like the finest coffee but is free from all its injurious properties. Grain-O aids digestion and strengthens the nerves. It is not a stimulant but a health builder, and children, as well as adults, can drink it with great benefit. Costs about ¼ as much as coffee. 15 and 25c.

### Rheumatism Cured in a Day.

"Mystic Cure" for Rheumatism and Neuralgia radically cures in 1 to 3 days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits; 75 cents. Sold at Benford's Drug Store, Somerset.

### Wall Paper! Wall Paper!!

Cheaper than has ever been known. Prices way down at

SNYDER'S ART STORE.


### Public School Examinations.

The examination for graduation from the public schools of the county will be held, Saturday, March 19th, 1898. The examination in the different districts will be in the hands of the following committees:

Addison at Listonburg, committee, Stephen McClintock, E. W. Silbaugh, C. R. Lininger.

Brothersvalley at Fairview schoolhouse, committee, E. L. Knepper, P. U. Miller, B. F. Rayman.

Elk Lick at West Salisbury, committee, Rev. E. S. Hassler, W. H. Meyers, V. R. Saylor.

Jefferson at Rakersville, committee, E. J. Baker, C. R. B. Cramer, R. N. Hay.

Jenner at Jenners, committee, E. D. Mostoller, R. W. Lohr, D. L. Wiand.

Milford at Gebharts, committee, M. M. Saylor, Hattie B. Will, I. P. Wilt.

Northampton at Bridgeport schoolhouse, committee, J. H. Miller, Annie L. Martz, Lloyd Broadwater.

Paint at Berkey schoolhouse, committee, S. B. Lehman, C. L. Spencer, A. D. Hoffman.

Quemahoning at Stoystown, committee, Valentine C. Muller, F. G. Fryburg, J. G. Rininger.

Shade at Center school-house, committee, Levi Koontz, B. F. Lambert B. L. Horner.

Summit at Peck schoolhouse, committee, R. T. Pollard, M. H. Fike, S. C. Witt.

Somerset township at Somerset, committee, J. C. Gnagey, H. L. Young, E. H. Horner.

Stonycreek at Shanksville, committee, J. J. Reitman, A. P. Kimmell, M. R. Schrock.

Southampton at Wellersburg, committee, S. H. Kennell, H. S. Maritz, J. E. Miller.

Upper Turkeyfoot at Kingwood, committee, William Zufall, S. B. Heury, R. A. Snyder.

The questions for the examination will be prepared by the Superintendent and sent to some member of the different committees. Full instructions regarding the examination will also be sent to the committees.

E. E. PRITTS,
County Superintendent.

# A GOOD RIDDANCE.

## Superintendent H. Hutchinson, of Irwin, Pa., Ejects an Undesirable Tenant.

There is a great deal of truth in the tales told about evictions in Ireland and the north of Scotland during the early and middle part of the present century. It is a hardship for any family to be summarily dumped on a roadside, without friends or wealth, half-famished and half-clad, but such ejectments or evictions are not, by any means confined to the British Isles. Scarcely a day passes in free America without similar cases being recorded, and often in place of extending gratuitous sympathy across the Atlantic, we could find abundant opportunities to lavish it at home. Superintendent H. Hutchinson, of the Westmoreland Coal Co.'s shops, living cor. Third and Oak streets, Irwin, Pa., became involved in an eviction a short time ago. Sometime the reader may be forced to adopt the same measures. Knowing how Mr. Hutchinson proceeded will save a heap of trouble and many a dollar. He says: "For several years I had been bothered with attacks of backache and kidney trouble, especially if I stooped much or caught cold. There was a heavy, bearing down, aching pain through the loins and the secretions became dark and unnatural. I got Doan's Kidney Pills at a drug store, and they fixed me up in a very short time. I would not be without them at any price, as I consider them the best kidney remedy known, and a household necessity."

Doan's Kidney Pills, for sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the U. S. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no substitute.


# Those Dreadful Sores

## They Continued to Spread in Spite of Treatment but Now They are Healed—A Wonderful Work.

"For many years I have been a great sufferer with varicose veins on one of my limbs. My foot and limb became dreadfully swollen. When I stood up I could feel the blood rushing down the veins of this limb. One day I accidentally hit my foot against some object and a sore broke out which continued to spread and was exceedingly painful. I concluded I needed a blood purifier and I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. In a short time those dreadful sores which had caused me so much suffering, began to heal. I kept on faithfully with Hood's Sarsaparilla, and in a short time my limb was completely healed and the sores gave me no more pain. I cannot be too thankful for the wonderful work Hood's Sarsaparilla, has done for me." MRS. A. E. GILSON, Hartland, Vermont.

**Hood's Sarsaparilla**

Is the best—in fact the One True Blood Purifier.

**Hood's Pills** cure all liver ills. 25 cents.


### Administrator's Sale

OF

## Valuable Real Estate!

Under an order granted to me by the Orphans' Court of Somerset county, Pa., I will expose to public outcry on the premises, on

**SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 1898,**
**at 1 o'clock P. M.,**

the following described real estate, late the estate of William Willis, dec'd.

A certain tract or piece of land situate in Quemahoning township, Somerset county, Penn'a, adjoining lands of Wm. H. Miller, David Miller, Josiah Miller and others, containing sixty-one acres, more or less, having thereon erected a story and a half frame dwelling house, bank barn and other buildings.

TERMS—Cash.

D. B. ZIMMERMAN,
Administrator d. b. n. c. t. a.

### Administrator's Sale

OF VALUABLE

## REAL ESTATE!

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Orphans' Court of Somerset county, to me directed, I will expose at public sale on the premises, in Stoystown borough, said county, on

**Wednesday, March 30, 1898,**
**At 1 o'clock P. M.,**

the following described real estate:

A certain house and piece of ground situate in Stoystown borough, Somerset county, Pa., fronting on the old Greensburg, Stoystown and Pittsburg pike, and property of J. H. Hite, containing one-half acre more or less, having a two-story frame house, with basement and other out-buildings thereon erected.

### Terms:

⅓ in hand on confirmation of sale, ⅓ in six months and balance in one year with interest. Ten per cent. to be paid when property is knocked down. Deferred payments to be secured by judgment on the property.

JOHN A. STATLER,
Adm'r de bonis non of Dorcas Statler, dec'd.
Colborn & Colborn, Atty's for Adm'r.

### REPORT OF THE CONDITION

OF THE

## First National Bank,

AT SOMERSET, in the State of Pennsylvania, at the close of business, Feb. 18, 1898.

*RESOURCES:*

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| Loans and discounts | $ 195,081 72 |
| Overdrafts, secured & unsecured | 26 00 |
| U. S. Bonds to secure circulation | 15,000 00 |
| Premiums on U. S. Bonds | 800 00 |
| Banking-house, furniture, & fixt's | 8,708 82 |
| Due from National Banks (not reserve agents) | 379 77 |
| Due from State Banks & bankers | 1,290 95 |
| Due from approved reserve agents | 27,531 80 |
| Checks and other cash items | 1,495 62 |
| Notes of other National Banks | 540 00 |
| Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents | 168 74 |
| Specie: $14,985 00 | |
| Legal-tender notes: $ 8,871 00 | 23,856 00 |
| Redemption fund with U. S. Treas'r (5 per cent of circulation) | 585 00 |
| Total | $ 271,144 42 |

*LIABILITIES:*

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| Capital stock paid in | | $ 50,000 00 |
| Surplus fund | | 30,000 00 |
| Undivided profits, less expenses & taxes paid | | 4,785 52 |
| National bank notes outstanding | | 11,700 00 |
| Due to