

# THE SUSSEX REGISTER.

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## ANCIENT LOCAL HISTORY

Compiled From Files of The Register.

In accordance with a long cherished plan, we begin herewith a summary of the more important events of local interest contained in old files of THE REGISTER. The work is somewhat greater than we anticipated, owing to neglect to preserve complete files, and through the fact that in early days news was tardy of announcement. However, we believe it possesses much interest, and those who wish to preserve the record must send orders at once, as no extra copies will be printed.

### 1813.

#### JULY.

5. First issue of THE SUSSEX REGISTER.

Hotels were known only as taverns.

27. Cotton or linen rags sell for 6 cents per pound, cash. James Spence, late of Ireland, begins business in Newton, as a clock and watch maker.

#### AUGUST.

3. Cheap Bibles advertised as for sale at this office; price, \$6, \$8 and \$10. Milton's Paradise Lost, \$2.

3. John Canfield and Moses Northrup advertise fulling and dyeing.

3. Christopher Little, at Hackettstown, advertises manufacture of spinning and carding machines. Picking, greasing and carding wool charged at the rate of 8 cents per pound. Carding, weaving and fulling, \$1 per yard.

#### SEPTEMBER.

7. Henry N. Miller, of Newton, and Wm. Johnson, of New York, the only dry goods merchants who have ads. in paper.

8. Married by Rev. Joseph L. Shafer, Benjamin Halsey to Catharine Couze.

18. Married, by the same, Wm. Beach to Susanna Savercool.

27. Notice for a law to divide the County of Sussex on the East and West Jersey line, or near thereto. Also, for a division between the River Delaware and the Musconetcong, as commissioners may deem proper.

27. Prices at Easton—wheat 12s. 9d.; rye, 6s.; corn, 3s. 9d.; oats, 3s. 5d.

18. Citizens of Newton celebrate at "Mr. Bassett's County Hotel," the victory of Commodore Perry on Lake Erie. The U. S. flag was raised amid the firing of cannon and ringing of the Court House bell. The hotel was illuminated.

15. Timothy Owens, accountant, opens a school at Hamburg, to teach penmanship and bookkeeping.

#### OCTOBER.

4. Twenty dollars reward offered by Abiah Wilson or John Decker, of Wantage, for capture of two runaway slaves, male and female.

Charles Pemberton, as postmaster, advertises a long list of uncalled-for letters.

Thomas Armstrong gives notice of application to the Legislature for a charter for a turnpike company, to run from Goshen to Easton, through Wantage, Frankford, Newton and Hardwick townships.

11. Decided opposition shown to a division of the County of Sussex.

18. Official report of election shows that voters "scratched" their tickets as in present day. Total vote of county (including what is now Warren county) 3,400. Average majority over Federal ticket 1,000. John Llan elected Sheriff.

Direct tax of \$11,022.73, estimated to be at the rate of 43 cents per inhabitant.

28. News received in Newton of General Harrison's victory over the British Army, under General Proctor.

21. A general illumination in honor of the victory. Candles were lighted in the Court House, Academy, Clerk's office, and almost every dwelling house in town. Guns were fired and Court House bell rung.

22. Married: Levi Ayres to Sarah Smith, by Rev. M. Swezy.

23. Citizens of Sussex celebrate victories of U. S. Army and Navy at H. Faunce's hotel in Hope.

#### NOVEMBER.

3. Married: John Hover to Susanna Johnson, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

4. Samuel Price, of Hardyston, appointed Judge for County of Sussex. Robert Price, of Newton, and Thomas Lennington, of Hardyston, appointed Justices of the Peace.

9. New York city excited over a speculation in butter, which raised the price until the market was stagnant for lack of buyers.

8. Dennis & Haggerty, Newton, advertise that they will pay \$2 per bushel for wheat, \$1 for rye, \$1 for flaxseed, 62½¢ for buckwheat, 50¢ for oats, 25¢ per lb. for butter, beeswax 25¢, honey 12½¢.

13. Ezekiel Dennis, as Librarian of Newton Library, gives notice for return of books to re-arrange the library.

30. Married: Thomas J. Lawrence, of Sussex, to Jennet Wilson, of Philadelphia, by Right Reverend Bishop White.

#### DECEMBER.

27. John H. Hall announces the completion of the first half-year of THE REGISTER, and says few weekly papers have had more difficulties to meet in infancy; adding that unless he is more generally encouraged its publication cannot long be continued.

18. Married: Elias Corwin to Mary King, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

### 1814.

#### JANUARY.

1. Internal revenue act takes effect, Edward Condict, of Morristown, collector for district of Sussex and Morris. Retail liquor license, \$10 to \$25. Distillers license 9 cents for each gallon for the capacity of the still. Owners of coaches and carriages were obliged to pay \$20 for a coach and from \$2 to \$7 for other four-wheeled carriages.

17. Rev. William Hough, collector, advertises that such persons who have not paid subscriptions towards building a Methodist church at "Pepercotting" must pay without delay to save costs.

15. Storehouse of Col. John Coursen, in Hardwick, (which then embraced most of the upper portion of what is now Warren county) burned, causing a loss of \$3,000, including books of account.

17. Abraham I. Westbrook, found dead near his dwelling in Sandyston.

18. Married: John R. Howell to Sarah Armstrong, by Rev. David Barclay.

14. Death of Matthew Williams at his home in Frankford township, at the advanced age of 124 years. He was born in Wales in January, 1690; was a soldier during the reign of Queen Ann, and participated in all the most memorable battles of the century, to the taking of Quebec under Wolfe, after which he settled in Sussex county. Losing his wife, by whom he had two sons, he enlisted and served during the Revolutionary war until its close, when he returned to Sussex county, and lived until his death. He was upwards of twenty years in the sea service, and in the army as a soldier more than that time. His recollection was admirable until a short time before his death: he would repeat the different transactions of his life from early days, and give a most distinct account of the different engagements he had been in.

#### FEBRUARY.

2. Married: Rev. Jacob Castner to Sarah Shafer, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

3. Married: By the same, Simeon G. Hankenson to Miss — Anderson.

22. The Washington Benevolent Societies, of the County of Sussex, held meetings at the house of George Hays, in Hope, Thos. C. Ryerson, secretary; the Hamburg and Wantage branch, of which Geo. Backster was secretary, met at "Widow Beardslee's Inn," Hardyston.

21. Thomas Woodward begins manufacture of windmills near Sparta.

21. Abraham and Gershom Coursen dissolve partnership at Hope.

26. Married: Peter Couze to Abigail Price, by Rev. David Bartine.

#### MARCH.

8. Books opened for stock of Decker-town and Newton Turnpike Co.

7. Inhabitants of Newton and vicinity met at the Academy at 1 p. m., to consult together on business of importance (No further mention made.)

2. Hope was booming itself as an aspirant for the position of first town in the county, with water works, etc.

5. Married: Barnabas Carter to Phebe Merritt, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

18. Eighteen men recruited under increased bounty at Hackettstown, by Capt. Shotwell, and sent to Governor's Island.

16. Twenty-three British officers, prisoners of war, passed through Newton escorted by a detachment of 60 U. S. Light Dragoons and Infantry, commanded by Major Cyser. They had been confined at Pittsfield, Mass., in retaliation for American officers confined at Quebec, and were on their way to Philadelphia penitentiary. The prisoners and their escort arrived at Philadelphia on March 23, and the names of the prisoners are printed in the issue of April 4. There were ten regular officers, three naval and nine militia officers.

10. Clover seed sells at \$12 per bushel.

26. Married: Thomas Owens to Charity Gullich, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

#### APRIL.

6. General McArthur lodged in Newton on his way from Washington to the lines.

1. Charles Pemberton, postmaster at Newton, calls on newspaper subscribers to call and settle postage. The law then required that such postage be paid three months in advance.

1. John Rorbach and Charles McIntire began wholesale drygoods business in Pearl street, New York.

Law of Congress makes the road from Morristown, by Newton, to Milford, Pa., a post road.

14. Lieutenant Bestor opens recruiting office in Newton, offering a bounty of \$124, 160 acres of land, \$8 per month as wages and clothing added.

10. Married: Millard Vandegriff to Elizabeth Robbins, by Rev. Joseph Campbell.

John Ayres to Rachel Drake, by Daniel Vliet, Esq.

John Moore to Sarah Hull, by the same Richard Swezy to Rachel Drake, by the same.

16. John Struble to Mary Stoll, by Rev. Mr. Swezy.

9. Bethiel Goble to Nancy Boleden, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

14. Joseph Grier to Christiana Sayacool, by the same.

John Vaneet to Jane Robbins, by the same.

13. Frederick Merrical to Nancy Arvis, by Rev. Mr. Senn.

16. Enoch Willson to Christiana Lundy, by Friends ceremony.

20. John VanSickel to Susannah Wiker, by Rev. Mr. Swayze.

24. David Kerr to Frances Bates, by Thomas Armstrong, Esq.

23. Martha and Benjamin Phillips dissolve partnership.

30. Married: Nicholas Demarest to Mary Mains, by Robert Price, Esq.

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## MAY.

4. Married: James Buckley to Miss Howell, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.
7. Lightning burns barn of Theophilus Hunt, in Hardwick (now Stillwater.)
19. Married: Nathan Potter to Lucy Northrup, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.
17. A weeping willow planted in 1795, taken up in Newton, having reached a circumference of nine feet in 19 years.
19. Joseph Worbasse advocates burning and use on land of Sussex white limestone in connection with Nova Scotia plaster. Previous use of lime had not shown benefit.
23. Trustees of Newton Academy announce engagement of Charles Morford, Princeton graduate, as teacher. Tuition in reading, writing and arithmetic \$2.00 per quarter, grammar, \$2.50; geography, \$3.00; Latin and Greek, \$5.00. Board in families at \$2.00 per week. Only school in Sussex county that taught dead languages.
20. Samuel Johnson opens general store lately occupied by Charles Pemberton & Co., opposite County Hotel and fronting Newton Green.
21. Grant Fitch opens general store a few doors west of Court House.
- Married: David Chandler to Mary R. Sayre, by Rev. John Grier.

## JUNE.

6. THE REGISTER enlarged from its original size, 18x22, to royal, 19x24.
24. Harmony Lodge, No. 8, celebrated St. John's Day with a parade and exercise at Presbyterian church. Rev. J. L. Shafer preached sermon from 1 Peter 4: 8. W. M. made an address on the tenets of Masonry. Church decorated with ambrosia and the sprigs of cassia.
24. Washington Benevolent Society met at house of Martha Phillips and perfected plan for 4th of July Celebration.
26. Married: James Willson to Elizabeth Hunt, by Rev. Thomas Teasdale.

## JULY.

4. Celebration at Newton: Captain Mott's Company of Riflemen parade. Washington's farewell address read by Job S. Halsted; oration by Thomas C. Ryerson. Mansfield and Greenwich Societies also celebrate at Stewart's Inn, Greenwich; oration by Dr. John Ball, of Asbury.
7. Mary Ann, infant child of I. a Beach, Newton, burned to death, by arising from cradle and meddling with lighted candle during absence of her mother.
9. Married: Jonathan Owens to Anna Northrup, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.
- John Baxter to Nancy Smith, by Frederick Haynes, Esq.
1. John Lowrance, Samuel Tuttle and William Coleman establish woolen manufactory at Hope.
22. John Wasserman & Co. advertise that they will pay \$1 per bushel for barley at their brewery in Newton.
19. Matthias Cummings gives notice that the village of Cat Swamp, in Independence township, will hereafter be known as Galilee.
23. Amos Lane, aged 28, drowned near Johnsonburg, while bathing.
24. Dwelling of William Cassidy, Newton, burned with contents while family were absent at church.

## AUGUST.

4. Married: Richard Turner to Euphemia Armstrong, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.
4. Death of wife of Dr. Samuel Fowler.
18. Observed as a day of humiliation, fasting and prayer.
12. Call for 5,000 volunteers, the Sussex Brigade to consist of 598 men and officers.
23. Michael Hendershot, aged 20, dies while mowing in a meadow at Newton, in company with others.
16. Rebecca Drake, aged 23, of Newton, kills herself while demented.

## SEPTEMBER.

8. Drafted men from this vicinity begin march to Powles Hook, commanded by Capt. Moore. Capt. Donlevy's company started from Belvidere on the 5th.

4. Married: Jacob Shepard to Rebecca Sutton, by Rev. J. Campbell.
5. Store of Thomas P. Gustin, Frankford, robbed of goods to the value of \$500. Also notes to the amount of \$500 or more.
22. Friends of Peace meet at Johnsonsburg, and nominate candidates for Congress, council, assembly, etc. Grant Fitch, chairman; Elias Mushback, secretary.
24. Citizens requested to meet at Newton Green for weekly drill, and improvement in military science, in view of further demand for troops.
10. Married: Ezekiel Dennis to Mary Baldwin, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.
20. Death of Charles Morford, aged 21, principal of Newton Academy. He was a son of Zebulon Morford, of Princeton, and took the degree of A. B. at the age of 19.

## OCTOBER.

17. Winans Crane, of Elizabethtown, succeeds Charles Morford, deceased, as principal of Newton Academy.
16. Married: Henry Croft to Rebecca Miles, Benjamin Hamilton, Esq.
- 17-18. General election. Whole number of votes cast 3,372. Average Democratic majority over Federalists, 773.
27. Annual running races at Deckerstown, three days; \$40 for two mile heats, and \$30 for one mile heats. No jostling or foul play.

## NOVEMBER.

9. Married: Thomas C. Ryerson to Amelia Hannah Ogden, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.
5. Married, Peter Gorden to Catherine Frace, by Rev. J. Campbell.
5. Married, John Jerolomen to Sarah Dewitt, by Rev. Wm. Hough.
22. Court opens with a number of important trials, one for murder.
18. Married, Amos Sutton to Phebe Hunt, Robert Thompson, Esq.
13. Married, Isaac Garrison to Elizabeth Stonebush, Benjamin Hamilton, Esq.
12. Married, Jacob Lanza to Anna Rearick, Rev. Jacob R. Castner.
- 22-27. Isaac Harris tried on an indictment for murder of John Dalrymple; convicted of manslaughter, and sentenced to hard labor in state prison for three years. Hugh McCarty convicted on five separate indictments for robbery and other crimes, sentenced to thirty years imprisonment at hard labor. John Thomas convicted on two indictments for robbery, sentenced to twelve years at hard labor.

21. Thomas and Robert McIntire advertise business in Newton as merchants.

8. Married, William Cregar, aged 79, to Sally Letts, aged 19, both of Wantage, by Rev. Mr. Swezy.

12. Henry Mingle to Hannah Lanterman, by Rev. Mr. Sargent.

24. Michael Pope to Mary Reed, by the same.

27. Lieut. Col. John Seward, and other officers of his regiment, in the Brigade commanded by Gen. William Colfax, in camp near Jersey City, published contradiction of a report circulated by Sergeant John Chamberlain, that Major Benjamin Rosenkrantz, of the over-mountain Battalion, Sussex Militia, had shown cowardice while encamped at Highlands of the Navesink.

## DECEMBER.

3. Montgomery, aged 7 years, son of William Reading, of Independence, killed by falling from a loaded wagon.

10. Married, John Tunison to Sarah Roof, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

9. Baker, of 3 Franklin Court, Philadelphia, advertises that he buys and sells white and black boys and girls, men and women servants. Advertisements of slaves for sale in Sussex are frequent.

24. Married: John Predmore to Christina Severs, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

31. George Hen to Mary Radley, by the same.

31. Notice of application for a turnpike road from the Morris and Sussex Turnpike; beginning at the 39-mile post and thence by the best route through Johnsonburg to the Delaware near the Water Gap.

## 1815.

## JANUARY.

12. Observed as a day of fasting and prayer by proclamation of President Madison. All church and public services of this period began at 12 o'clock, noon.

2. Z. Luse and D. Hanna, proprietors of the Morris and Sussex mail stage, announce that on future trips stage will leave Newton at 9 a. m., lodge at Morristown and arrive in New York at 12 o'clock the next day. Fare \$3 through. Start made from Mark Luse's or Daniel Harker's taverns in Newton. New York terminus, Sanford's, at the lower end of Cortlandt street. They also ran a stage to Goshen, N. Y., via Hamburg, Vernon, etc. Also, to Milford, Pa. The New York trips were made once a week, starting from Newton on Mondays; departure from New York was on Wednesday at 9 a. m., arriving in Newton on Thursday at 1 p. m. This was the only medium of news from New York in those days.

3. John Wasserman and Dilman Daub, about to dissolve partnership, advertise their Newton brewery property, of six acres and buildings, for sale. Say the business has been established twelve years and that the surrounding country furnishes barley, hops and wood in great abundance, and there is a ready market for beer.

19. Married, Alexander Reading to Margaret Harker, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

16. Death of Rev. Elias Van Benschoten, at Wantage, aged 70 years.

20. John Rorbach, of New York, advertises the hotel now kept by Mark Luce, on east corner of Newton Green, for sale or rent.

19. Married, Samuel Gunn to Sarah Hough, by Rev. Wm. Hough.

28. Married, Samuel C. Beardsley, Jr., to Sarah Mattison, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

## FEBRUARY.

1. Letter postage increased to 13 cents for any distance not exceeding 40 miles; over 40 miles and not exceeding 90, 15 cts.; and in ratio until it is 37½ cents for over 500 miles.

13. REGISTER issued half sheet in the evening announcing news of the treaty of peace, signed at Ghent, on Dec. 24. This news was received in New York on Feb. 11.

On Thursday morning, Feb. 14th, a meeting was held to make arrangements for an illumination of public and private buildings, from 7 to 9 o'clock, during which time bells were rung and cannon fired. At 4 o'clock Divine service was attended in the Presbyterian church, and at 8 o'clock, the citizens, laying aside party distinctions, sat down to a supper at Major Harker's tavern.

13. Dennis & Haggerty dissolve partnership at Newton.

15-28. Papers filled with Treaty of Peace and notes of celebrations and illuminations throughout the county.

25. Married, Isaac Bird to Margaret Drake, by Robert Thompson, Esq.

Sussex militiamen, who were in service last autumn, received their third month's pay of \$3.

17. Announcement of a mail route authorized by Congress, from Asbury through Hackettstown, Greenville, Newton and Frankford to Deckertown, once a week.

9. Married; Jacob Coursen to Ann Savacool.

23. Married, Jonathan Cregar to Jane Fleming.

## APRIL.

13. Thanksgiving services in Presbyterian church at 12 o'clock, in accordance with President Madison's proclamation.

1. Assistant assessors begin assessment for real estate, slaves, gold and silver watches, furniture, etc., subject to United States direct tax. Robert Price assistant assessor for Frankford, Newton and Byram.

4. Married, John Warbasse to Maria Armstrong.

5. Miss Wetmore, of Morristown, from 1813 to later date, solicits patronage for Girls' Boarding school.  
10. Township officers elected.  
21. Henry D. Struble, of Frankford, first advertises kilns of burned lime.  
27. David Ryerson and Ezekiel Dennis form partnership in Newton.  
27. Thomas D. ty, aged 38, of Newton, insane, kills himself.

MAY.

1. Grant Fitch occupies his new brick store, fronting the Green, one door south of Major Anderson's. (This is the building razed last summer to make room for the Park Block.)

13. Meeting in Newton to encourage the Newton and Deckertown Turnpike Company.

11. Meeting in Hackettstown Presbyterian church for suppression of vice and immorality. The resolutions note growing profanation of the Sabbath, drunkenness, swearing and gambling. The agitation seems to have been in progress for two or three years, an effort having been made to get an act from Congress abolishing Sunday mail carrying and other acts growing out of the war.

21. Married, Allen Griffith to Jane Allen, by Robert Thompson, E-q.

28. Married, William Huff to Dorcas Jones, by Rev. Caleb Hopkins.

28. Barn of Nicholas Ackerson, Frankford, burned by lightning.

JUNE

9. Christopher Little and William Coleman begin the manufacture of woolen cloth at Hackettstown.

29. Pettit Brittain and James Primrose enter in business partnership.

26. Gray mare owned by Mr. Jackson trotted a mile at Brooklyn in 2:30, carrying 150 lbs. weight, on a wager.

JULY.

1. Margaret S. Winans advertises first fancy goods and millinery store in Newton.

6. John Yatman advertises a washing machine.

9. Death of George Rorbach, Newton, aged 70.

23. Married, William Nelson to Amy Willson, by Rev. Thomas Teasdale.

AUGUST.

15. Methodist camp meeting begins near Vienna.

7. Pompton Society for suppression of vice gives notice that it will stop traveling on the Sabbath from a distance. Mar. in J. Ryerson, president—(This was on the Hamburg-Paterson Turnpike, which was a much traveled route.)

5. Married, Andrew Chichester to Mary Barlow, by Thomas Vankirk, E-q.

6. Married, John Truex to Ann Stoneback, by John Willson, E-q.

16. Mark Thompson, Marksboro, inserts first advertisement of brick for sale.

29. Amos Buckley, Hope, follows with advertisement of 100,000.

This has been known as "the year without a summer." We find in the issue of July 8, the following paragraph: "We are happy to learn from various parts of this State, that the crop of wheat and rye promise abundance notwithstanding the unpromising prospects in the early part of the season; the present warm weather we trust will bring forward the corn and grass which have suffered much from cold." In the issue of Sept. 9th mention is made of severe frost on August 13th and 14th at Catskill, N. Y., and that frost had been noticed every month in the present year. August 21st the White mountains in Vermont were covered with snow and the atmosphere on the plains unusually cold. Ice had formed in North Carolina. Aug. 29th frost killed buckwheat in Luzerne county, Pa. The only price quotations are from Richmond, Va., Sept. 6. Wheat, \$1.50 to \$2.00; oats, 55 to 60 cents; corn, per barrel, \$5.75 to \$6.00; apples, per bushel, \$1.00 to \$1.12; hemp, \$1.20 to \$1.50 per ton; Swedish iron \$90 to \$100; American iron \$105 to \$110 per ton.

SEPTEMBER.

9. Married: Jacob Welch to Susan Couse, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

14. Job Corad, 81, to Anna Gustin, 79, by Rev. Wm. Hough.

24. John Stewart to Maria Youngs, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

30. Aaron Howell to Mary Dildine, by Rev. Mr. Sergeant.

30. Jehiel Lendley to Susan Divers, by John Hankinson, E-q.

OCTOBER.

1. Stephen Hurd opens store at Sparta.  
9-10. General election. Daniel Swayze elected Sheriff over Samuel Johnson, by 63 majority. Total vote cast, 3,318.

22. Married, Thomas G. Crane to Nancy Bales, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

21. Married, James Hopkins, 65, to Pheneas Simmons, 68, by Peter Whittaker, Esq.

21. Capt. Benjamin Hunt, near Newton, raised a pumpkin weighing 108 lbs.

4. Attempt to rob toll gate house on Frankford road. Keeper called up at 1 a. m. to open gate; was seized and almost strangled before wife and two daughters came to his rescue.

31. Legislature appoints Samuel L. Southard, Supreme Court Judge for this district, vice Judge Dickerson, made Governor. Also, Ephraim Green, County Clerk, vice John Johnson; Benjamin Halsey and Aaron Hazen, Justices; Capt. John Stinson in place of Major Bugnor, promoted; Capt Benjamin Hamilton in place of Col. Seward, removed from county.

NOVEMBER.

2-4. Deckertown races.

7. Married, Elias Mushbach to Susan J. Thomson, by Rev. John Boyd.

13. Samuel Johnson begins business at store formerly occupied by Charles Pemberton & Co.

6. Isaac Bassett removes to Newton and takes charge of Phillips tavern (now Sussex House).

13. Peter B. Shafer, Stillwater, and Benjamin T. Hunt, Oxford, announce dates for payment of direct taxes.

20. Renewal of agitation for division of county, which had been going on for fourteen years. Belvidere, Hope, the center section of Oxford, and the lower part of Washington, near the Hunterdon line, were advocated as sites for the new county buildings; the plea was needed buildings and a separation of male and female prisoners. The bill was reported from committee in Council, October 26th, and the name of the proposed new county was Jefferson.

23. Married, Joseph Tillman to Katy Simmons, by R-v. James C. Force.

27. First drawing of a lottery at Morristown for benefit of Union Turnpike Company. Ebenezer H. Pierson, Edward Condict, and Joseph Losey were Managers. Capital prize \$8,000; total prizes, 4,014, total blanks 7,986. Tickets \$5 each, and 3,900 prizes were fixed at \$8.

DECEMBER.

1. Valuations reported by U. S. Assessors. Sussex had 430,817 acres; valuation of dwellings, land, outhouses and slaves, \$9,548,241; reduced by Board to \$8,259,834.

5. Married, David Ryerson to Mary Lion, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

4. Married, Benjamin Northrup to Sarah Perry, by Rev. Mr. Armstrong.

14. Married, Aaron Griggs to Sarah Smith, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

18. Benjamin H. Kays announces weaving of coverlets, diaper, etc.

19. Second drawing of Union Turnpike lottery. Four \$5 prizes came to Newton.

25. Judge Hall announces completion of the fifth half year of THE REGISTER, asks for money to pay debts and erect a new office building.

28. Married, Lewis Howell to Hannah Salmon, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

1816.

JANUARY.

1. Samuel and John Johnson desire 50 cords of firewood for brickyard in Newton; will pay \$2.12 per cord, half cash and half trade.

1. Married, James Reeves to Eunice Manning, by Robert Thompson, Esq.

[The dates of marriages are approximately correct, though we have found the words "Thur-day last," etc., to be often misleading. So many marriages by a magistrate were doubtless due to a scarcity of clergymen in the immediate vicinity.]

4. Dwelling of Henry H. Polhemus, in Newton township, burned.

6. Lewis Howell's cabinet shop in Newton burned.

8. John H. Hall announces that he has taken the tavern stand lately kept by Mark Luce, on southeast corner of Newton Green, and that he will also continue the printing business.

9. Public meeting at tavern kept by John H. Hall, to oppose division of the county.

15. Married, Deckster Price to Christina Silsby, by Rev. Wm. Hough.

23. Stockholders of Deckertown and Newton Turnpike Co. met at house of Obadiah Pellet, in Frankford, to choose officers.

26. Leg'slative Council, by vote of 9 to 3, refuses to divide Sussex county. Vote taken on question whether bill should have third reading. Mr. Kennedy, the Sussex member of Council, voted aye, with Messrs. Frelinghuysen, of Somerset, and Beatty, of Middlesex. Members from Bergen, Essex, Morris, Monmouth, Hunterdon, Gloucester, Burlington, Salem and Cape May, voted nay, with member from Cumberland absent.

FEBRUARY.

5. Announcement of charter to build bridge over the Delaware at Columbia, where Mr. Mayerhof has an extensive glass factory.

8. Married, Peter Waldruff to Eliza Anderson, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

10. Married, John Sutton to Elizabeth Williams; Stinson Demund to Amy Willson, by D. Viter, Esq.

11. Jason King, jailor, offers \$5 reward for capture of one David Reeves, thief, who broke jail.

12. This paragraph appears: "A post office has lately been established at Deckertown, in Wantage township, this county, to which a mail is regularly carried from this town once a week. Deckertown is situated about 15 miles northeast of Sussex Court House."

14. David Hunt and George Hopkins, physicians, at Newton, dissolve partnership.

Married, Nathaniel Drake to Anna Willson, by E. Everett, Esq.

Married, Joseph Willson to Elizabeth Kennedy, by E. Everett, Esq.

15. John Johnson appointed Common Pleas judge for Sussex. Capt. Grant Fitch, made Major of first battalion, 1st regiment, Sussex brigade, vice Henry Bale, resigned.

17. Married, William Pettit to Nancy Morrow, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

Married, Christopher Haggerty to Miss Van Kirk, by William Courson, E-q.

24. John Drake to Mary Howard, by Rev. Stephen Sargent.

28. Married, Daniel R. Stiles to Anna M. York, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

MARCH.

1. Married, Charles McConnell to Catharin Hunt, by Benj. Hamilton, Esq.

16. Dwelling house and barn of Joseph Westbrock, Montague, burned, loss \$3,000.

18. Married, Joseph Vanauken to Lydia Patterson, by Samuel Hall, E-q.

Married, David Sayre to Susan Brink.

APRIL.

1. Postage rates restored to what they were previous to the war, ranging from 8c. to 25c.

6. Married, Nathan Drake to Rebecca Morrow, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

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During April nearly everything in the news line is crowded out by sales of lands under the direct tax law.

## MAY.

11. Married, Moore Armstrong to Ann Sausman, by Rev. M. Campbell.
20. Elias L'Hommedieu, M. D., begins practice of medicine at Hamburg.
21. Barroom of Daniel Harker broken into and robbed of money and notes.
25. Married, Robert Purdy to Catharine Ford, by Rev. Wm. Hough.
30. Drawing of Union Turnpike Co. lottery, at Newton.

## JUNE

3. Sussex Brigade met for exercise, by order of Aaron Griggs, Lieut. Colonel.
6. Married, Allen Coursen to Lucy Ayers, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.
8. Married, Alexander McCain, to Rebecca Coon, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.
- Married, John H. Struble to Elizabeth Bouk, by Rev. William Hough.
15. Married, Tunis Price to Ann Broderick.
- Married, George Sager to Elizabeth Aber, by B. Halsey, Esq.
18. Married, John Servis to Mally Dennis, by Samuel Price, Esq.
21. Married, George Hart to Sarah Hil- yer.

## JULY.

1. John Rorbach removes from New York to Newton and opens store 3 doors above Court House.
- Thomas Lawrence resigns post mastership at Hamburg, and is succeeded by Walter L. Shee.
- Walter L. Shee and Rich. M. Lawrence begin business at Hamburg.
4. Celebration at Sparta, John Linn, orator.
13. Citizens of Johnsonburg and Hope met at Morris Thorp's tavern, in former place, to consider injurious depreciation of bank notes.
- Wheat and rye fields, which have suffered much from cold, look more promising. On June 6, in Vermont, snow was from 12 to 18 inches deep. Winter apparel worn.
27. D. Cheesbrough opens a military school at Newton.

## AUGUST.

1. Methodist camp meeting opens at Federal prings, near Johnsonburg.
9. Samuel Carman, of Philadelphia, opens shoe store, in rooms formerly occupied by Thomas and Robert McIntire opposite Col. Fitch's brick store.
31. Married, Abraham Berry to Jane Perry, by Thomas Trusdal, Esq.

## SEPTEMBER.

2. General orders published by Gen. Vliet, announcing result of General Court-martial held at Newton, July 2. Capt. Benjamin W. Hunt found guilty of disobedience of orders, and unbecoming conduct to his superior officer: ordered cashiered. Capt. Thomas M. Armstrong fined \$50 for same offence. Lieut. John H. Hall found not guilty.
- Married, Joshua Landen to Jane Drake, by Geo. Backster, Esq.
9. Married, James Toland to Sarah Schoonover, by George Backster, Esq.
10. Luce and Hanna, stage proprietors, dissolve partnership.
14. Officers of 2d Regiment met for drill at Hamburg, order of Lieutenant-Colonel B. Hamilton.
- Married, Samuel Kays, to Betsy Tut-hill, by John Gustin, Esq.
18. Officers of 1st Battalion, 1st Regiment, met for drill at inn of Abraham Bray, Frankford, by order of Major Fitch.
24. Married, George Hopkins to Eliza Johnson, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.
28. Jason King sells drugs as well as groceries, next door to Court House.
- Samuel Chichester gives a gallon of good spirits in exchange for five bushels of apples.
30. Discount on Philadelphia and New Jersey bank notes 8 per cent. for New York bills, Southern and Western State notes 10 to 25 per cent. Notes of banks of Newark, Elizabethtown, Paterson and Morris-town pass at par with New York bills.

## OCTOBER.

7. Martha Phillips announces return to her tavern, having added four rooms, and made the house more comfortable than it had been in cold weather.
- Numerous items appear condemning the use of corsets, and illustrating mishaps occasioned by wearing them.
14. Specie payment resumed in New York and Newark in sums of one dollar.
16. Citizens of Newton met to ask specie payments.
19. Capt. Benj. W. Hunt, of 5th Company, 1st Battalion, who was cashiered in July, was re-elected to his old command by a majority over two or three candidates.
24. Married, William Allen, Jr., to Elizabeth Allen, by Rev. John Boyd.
21. Samuel Carman opens shoe store in new building, fourth door south of Court House, between stores of Samuel Johnson and John Rorbach.
27. Married, Benjamin Schooley to Patience Coon, by Samuel Price, Esq.
28. Matthias Little opens a grocery in the house formerly occupied by Jos. Bates as a tavern, east side of the green. He also kept oysters and porter, and flattered himself that lovers thereof would call and leave some cash with him.
- In the issue of this date, with a heading "Union of Doctors," we find these marriages: Aug. 15, Dr. Silas C. Cook to Mary Hyndshaw; Sept. 10, Dr. John W. Jenks to Mary Berkley; Sept. 15, Dr. Reul Hampton to Sally S. Beavers.
- F. Landgroff & Co. advertise renewal of business at Columbia glass factory; claim it has no superior in transparency, color, etc.; was made in a variety of shapes and sizes up to 36x40 inches. C. Comegys & Co. were the Philadelphia agents.
- Capt. Mott appointed Colonel in place of Col. Smith.

## NOVEMBER.

5. General election for President, etc.
6. Death of Harriet, wife of Amos Bassett.
11. Trustees of Newton Academy announce engagement of Charles Davis, of Bloomfield, as instructor.
- Buckwheat 75 cents per bushel.
- DECEMBER.
2. Office of SUSSEX REGISTER removed to new building erected by editor opposite Lawyer Halsted's office, and south of the church.
16. Tavern bar of William Snook, Frankford, robbed of \$60 and a silver watch.
23. Dr. G. Hopkins removes to house lately built by Samuel Johnson, near house of Joseph Y. Miller.
- Benjamin Roe opens tavern in Newton, in house lately owned by George Gustin, and near tavern formerly kept by Mrs. Broderick.
24. Married, Aaron Rose, Jr., to Elizabeth Fisher, by Rev. Wm. Hough.
26. Citizens meet at Court House to consult on division of county.
28. Married, Mr. Strader to Eliza Williams, by Rev. William Hough.
29. Two horses stolen from the Baptist meeting house, near Deckertown, during evening service: owned by Martha Dennis and John Clay.

[We have not given such deaths as were published, except in a few instances, as it is presumed that a tombstone preserves that record.]

[Through inadvertence an addenda slip of copy was inserted in the year 1815, which should have had a place in the following year. It referred to the much talked-of "year without a summer," but it does not seem to have been of such importance to our forefathers as later generations have surmised. The reader will easily correct the error.]

## 1817.

## JANUARY.

1. Stockholders of Columbia Bridge Co. organize. John Johnson, of Newton, elected president; David Smith, treasurer; Gershom Bartow, secretary.
22. Bill to create the county of Jackson from lower part of Sussex, postponed to next sitting of the Legislature. Applicants were directed to prepare a map.
- FEBRUARY.
10. Samuel Johnson discontinues business in Newton.
6. Legislature in joint meeting appoints justices and militia officers for Sussex.
14. Intensely cold day.
19. Meeting at church in Newton to form county auxiliary to State Bible Society.
23. Married: James Jeroloman to Eliza Dewitt, by Rev. Wm. Hough.
27. Married: Silsby Reed to Ruth Shay, by the same.

## MARCH.

1. Mr. Jewett opens classes in English grammar, at Newton.
- Married: Lieut. William Silvey to Eliza Davis, by Rev. J. L. Shafer. (This couple lived to celebrate their golden wedding.)
12. Peter Decker publishes an article as to color of our Saviour. D. Stuart, Wm. T. Anderson, and Job S. Halsted deny some of his statements.
17. William Vandegriff & Co. open store in Deckertown.
20. John Lanning to Sarah Fuller, by Rev. Wm. Hough.
- Married: John Riter to Mary Fuller, at same time, by same.
31. Richard Brant opens cabinet making shop nearly opposite Newton Academy.
30. Married: William Rowley to Patty Anderson, by Samuel Price, Esq.

## APRIL.

18. First battalion officers met for drill at house of Abraham Bray, Frankford.
19. Second battalion officers met for drill at tavern of Mr. Onstead, in Newton.
21. Jonathan Owen engages in scythe making.
15. Abraham Middaugh breaks jail. \$30 reward. Described as of pleasing address, has a considerable flow of words, studied law, has practiced pettifoggery as well as villainy, and originally came from western New York, where he also broke jail.
24. R. & S. Price, Jr., caution public against taking two notes for \$100 each, given to Isaac Bassett, in payment of a black boy, as a slave for life. Bassett had previously made a writing giving said slave his freedom at the age of thirty.
12. Married: Paul Farver to Lucy Strait, by Rev. Wm. Hough.
24. Married: Isaac Lanning to Lydia Fuller, by Rev. Wm. Hough.
29. Josiah Leonard to Phenor Jackson, by the same.

## MAY.

3. Married: David Luse to Phebe Cregar.
5. No. 9315 drew \$8,000 (the highest prize) in Union Turnpike lottery, at Morristown.
11. At Hope, a man named Jackson entered a cistern used to store cider, in order to clean it; the foul air overcame him, and John Huling went to his assistance. He too was overcome, and both died in the cistern.
16. C. Pemberton takes George H. McCarter as his business partner.
10. Married: William Lane to Margaret Fredmore, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.
21. Samuel Smith to Margaret Dewitt, by Rev. Wm. Hough.
- 21-22. Matrons of Newton Church make a spinning visit to wife and pa tor.
28. Charles Johnson takes lower tavern in Hackettstown and will entertain visitors to the springs or mountain.

JUNE.

2. Sussex Brigade met for annual training, at house of Isaac Bassett, Newton.
9. B. M. Haggerty begins business in store formerly occupied by Nathaniel Pettit. Calicoes, 24 per yard; gingham, 2s. 6d.; 4 1/4 muslin, 3s. 6d.
- Mail to Deckertown changed from Tuesdays to Monday.
7. Charles Wicks, aged nearly 6, died from eating cherries which had been soaked in spirits, and incautiously thrown into the streets at Newton.
21. Officers of 1st Regiment met for drill at William I. Bassett's hotel, Newton.

JULY.

4. Celebration at Deckertown, Walter L. Shee, orator; Andrew Wilson, marshal. Celebration at house of Peter Whittaker, Frankford; orator, Jas. Warbusse. Celebration at Newton, John H. Hall, orator; Charles Davis, reader; Major Vanclive Moore, marshal; dinner at tavern of John Pettit, with the toasts usual on that day.
14. Independence Lodge, No. 29, of Sussex, expels Duncan McGregor, and asks all printers favorable to Masonry to publish the fact.
- Re-publication of more of the Peter Decker-James Parker controversy in regard to the color of Christ.

AUGUST.

19. Four days camp meeting by the society of Methodists, at head of the meadows near Newton, (probably the old camp ground now part of Woodlawn Park.) Lengthy notice of intention to preserve order and prevent sale of liquor.
14. Four days camp meeting near Belvidere.
- 11-12. Great floods through heavy rains.
21. Child of G. A. Sassenberg, at Columbia, dies from eating stramonium seeds.
22. House of Samuel and Azariah Davis, five miles from Newton, burned with contents, from accidental fire.
30. Pettit Brittin and James Primrose dissolve partnership.

SEPTEMBER.

8. An apology is made for errors in present and succeeding three issues, as the editor is absent from home and the printers are young.
- Single stalk of Indian corn raised in Newton contains eleven ears, most of them perfect.
10. Ten pilgrims (six men and four women) from Woodstock, Vt., passed through Newton, on their way southward. They were dressed singularly; asked no charity, but traveled whither their footsteps directed, believing the Lord will provide for them. Their leader preached, proclaiming the millennium near at hand.
18. Married: Richard Brant to Hannah Bassett, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

OCTOBER.

8. Meeting held at house of Isaac Bassett, to consult about charter for a bank in Newton. John Armstrong, chairman; Wm. T. Anderson, secretary. Job S. Halsted, Daniel Stuart, Col. John Gustin, Grant Fitch, Ezekiel Dennis, Ephraim Green, Jr., and Wm. T. Anderson were appointed to draft petition. Adjourned to October 20.
20. Editor says he will receive grain, potatoes, hay, flax, butter, wood, in lieu of cash: wheat, 14s.; rye, 7s.; buckwheat, 3s.; corn, 6s.; oats, 3s. 3d.
- Result of Sussex election. Daniel Swayze had no opposition for Sheriff and received 2031 votes. Thomas Vankirk for Council, received 1413 votes; his opponent, John Johnson, 913.
17. William and John Vandegriff dissolve partnership at Deckertown.
18. Moses Northrup begins business at Moden.
20. Kays and Predmore dissolve partnership, in Frankford.
19. Married: Samuel Rorbach to Margaret Morrow, by Rev. Mr. Crane.
23. Married: Joseph Stevens to Jane Hanna, by Josiah Munson, Esq.

27. Presbytery of Newton set off from Presbytery of New Brunswick, at a meeting of Synod in New York city. The first meeting thereof to be held in the church at Mansfield, Nov. 18.
30. Married: Philip Drake to Sarah Huston, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.
25. Benjamin Quick to Mary McMickle, by Robert Price, Esq.
27. Robert Killgore, a traveler, publishes a notice denouncing one Abraham Coursen as a liar, for telling him that the distance from I. V. Coursen & Co.'s store to Stephen Roy's was 8 miles, when in fact it was only 1 1/4 miles.
28. Christopher Little and William Coleman, Byram, dissolve partnership.
31. An Easton gentleman furnishes figures showing that from Sept. 19 to Oct. 24, there were 511 wagons, carrying an average of 6 persons, passing through that town, carrying emigrants, chiefly to Ohio.

NOVEMBER.

11. Managers of Sussex auxiliary Bible Society met at Deckertown.
7. Major Grant Fitch made Colonel of 1st Regiment. Captain Michael Roof, Major, vice Fitch, promoted.
10. Married: Matthias Ogden Halsted to Cornelia D. Wade.
17. Warren & McKain start shoe shop in rooms of Joseph Y. Miller.
10. Johnson & Shafer in business at Columbia.
17. John H. Stevens, Newark, wants 20,000 lbs. of Sussex pork, from 200 to 300 lbs. weight preferred, also faxseed.
19. Rev. Jacob R. Castner installed as pastor of Mansfield church. Rev. Joseph Campbell preached sermon; Rev. H. W. Hunt presided; Rev. John F. Clark gave charge.
22. Joseph Linn and William Inglis dissolve partnership at Monroe.

DECEMBER.

18. Death of Charles Pemberton, long postmaster of the town, at an advanced age.
- George H. McCarter succeeds Pemberton as postmaster of Newton.
- [Since beginning this record so many requests have been received for deaths as well as marriages that we have decided to go back and gather all that are printed, besides some marriages that were omitted, though our stock of copy already reaches to 1880, twelve years ahead of the present batch, and it gains much in interest. The early printer drew upon other sections when the local stock of deaths and marriages was short, and was not so particular about the spelling of names as in this later generation. In some instances we have corrected such spelling, but generally follow the copy before us.]

1818.

JANUARY.

19. John T. Smith announces continuation of harness and saddle business on lower side of Green, near Court house.
20. Jacob Kerr expelled from Lodge No. 26, Hope, N. J., signed Jonah Turner, secretary.
17. Married, James Huston to Lydia Cox, by Benj. Halsey, Esq.
- Notices appear in almost every issue from debtors confined in jail, asking relief under insolvent laws.

FEBRUARY.

6. An extra issued giving notice of commissioners to open books for stock of Sussex Bank. Books were to be opened in February, but the law required publication of notice in a New York city paper and the matter was deferred until March. The charter called for a capital of \$100,000, and it was editorially stated that if it was conducted upon liberal principles it would be of utility to our citizens. The commissioners were John Armstrong, John Johnson, Grant Fitch, David Ryerson, Ephraim Green, Jr., Wm. T. Anderson, John Gustin. The books were opened at all the principal hotels in the county, and afterward at the Clerk's office in Newton.

Details of the charter are published in the issue of February 16, 1818.

3. Married, Rev. Alloway W. Hunt to Mary Hann, by Rev. Joseph Campbell.
20. Notice of mail departures and arrivals show one weekly mail to Milford, Pa., at 6 a. m. on Monday, returning Tuesday; one to Deckertown at 6 a. m. on Tuesday, returning same day; one to Pittston, via Washington and Bloomsbury at 6 a. m. on Tuesday, returning on Friday at 4 p. m.; one mail to New York, via Succasunna and Morristown, on Tuesday at 8:30 a. m.; returning at 4 p. m. on Friday; one to Goshen via Hamburg, on Fridays at 8 a. m.; returning on Wednesday at 3 p. m.; one to Easton on Wednesday at 8:30 p. m.; returning on Friday at 6 p. m.; one from Morristown via Bontion and Sparta, at 8 p. m. on Thursdays, returning on Saturday.
23. Alexander McKain and William Warren dissolve partnership by the unexpected departure of the latter.

MARCH.

9. Frederick Rancier and Noah King dissolve partnership in grocery business, north-east corner Newton Green.
21. First troop of Sussex squadron met at Morris Sharp's Log Jail, by order of Peter Merkel, captain.
28. Newton Rifle Rangers, Charles F. Lineback, Lieutenant, met at Isaac Bassett's, to select uniforms.
14. Married, Samuel Goucher to Jane Vaudie, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.
19. Married, George Wire to Amy Frasher, by Job Johnson, Esq.

APRIL.

- 1-2. Another spinning visit to the wife of the pastor of the church, Rev. J. L. Shafer.
- Daniel Harker sells goods preparatory to removal west.
- Joseph W. Dey and Abraham Curtis dissolve partnership at Johnsbury.
20. First troop met at James Brown's, Hardwick, for training.
- Death of Isaac Bassett, proprietor of County Hotel, aged 44 years. Left wife and ten children.
30. Married, George H. McCarter to Hannah Rorbach, to Rev. John Boyd.

MAY.

1. First regiment officers and Capt. Hunt's company, met at house of Martha Phillips, for training.
2. Books of Sussex Bank reopened for subscriptions.
1. Post office established at Columbia, Peter B. Shafer, postmaster.
3. Married, Patterson Morris to Margaret S. Winans, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.
19. Sussex Bible Society met at Mansfield church, Geo. Hopkins, secretary.
12. Brig. Gen. Garret Vilet, of Asbury, issues general orders for trainings of present year.
20. Married, John Rail to Phebe Sutton, by Rev. Joseph L. Campbell.
20. Married, at Oxford Furnace, Samuel R. Hamilton to Eliza R. Heson.
31. Jacob Beem to Mary Allen, by Rev. David Bishop.

JUNE.

11. Married: at Sparta, Isaac V. Coursen to Phebe Hurd.
13. Yellow Frame meeting house and lot thereunto belonging sold at Sheriff's sale, Rev. John Boyd, complainant, for unpaid salary.
9. Presbytery of Newton met at Baskingridge and installed Rev. Samuel C. Brownlee as pastor. Rev. Joseph L. Shafer preached sermon from 1 Peter 5: 2, 3, 4. Rev. Joseph Campbell presided, Rev. Jacob R. Castner gave charge.
8. Election of directors for Sussex Bank held at Court House. Board convened June 13, and chose Daniel Stuart, president.
23. Bible Society met at Hackensettown.
1. Charles VanSanda, from Connecticut, open watch and clock business in shop of Lewis Howell, adjoining Col. Fitch's store.

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12. Sarah Swick, tailoress, at Phillips's Inn.

JULY.

4. Celebration at Hackettstown. James Studdeford, orator; Peter B. Shafer, reader; Major Alexander Reading, marshal.

Celebration at Columbia. George Vanness, orator; James Vankirk, reader; Capt. Jacob Lomb, marshal.

Capt. John Potter orders Independent Rifles to parade at Newton, and although a meeting was advertised to make arrangements for a celebration, there is no further account of it.

Celebration at house of Wm. Vanduzer Hardyston; Johnson S. Gould, orator; Isaac Beach, reader.

6. Benj. W. Hunt offers \$20 reward for two runaway apprentices. Both were valuable boys and he wanted them.

12. F. King, boot and shoe maker, opens business in new storehouse of David and Noah King, on Spring street.

14. District Medical Society for the County of Sussex formed at Bassett's Inn. Dr. John S. Hughes, elected president; Ruel Hampton, vice-president; Samuel W. Fell, corresponding secretary; George Hopkins, recording secretary; Elias L'Houmedieu, treasurer.

18. Married, William Willson to Rachel Clark, by Rev. Wm. Hough.

25. John Dewitt to Anna Goble.

9. Benjamin Northrup, wool carder, in business at Andover.

AUGUST.

17. "The directors of the Sussex Bank have hired Samuel D. Morford, for cashier. We understand the office for discount and deposits opens to-day."

Joseph Hill, advertiser 70,000 burned brick at the new kiln near Joseph Hibler's, (Springdale.)

5. Married, William C. Hagaman to Margaret McKain, by Rev. W. Bennett.

6. Horse stolen from James Armstrong, Knowlton.

19. S. Hard, Sparta, left \$20 bill of Sussex Bank in Sheriff's room, Court house. This was one of the first issued, and it seems likely that he never recovered it.

25. John B. Boyd, said to hail from Philadelphia, convicted of passing a \$100 counterfeit note in this town and sentenced to state prison for seven years.

26. John Johnson offers to collect revolutionary soldiers pensions, when he goes to Trenton, in September.

Judgment creditors of Union Turnpike Road, leading from Morristown to Sparta, give notice of a meeting at Morristown, on Sept. 29.

JUNE.

13. Married, Jacob Fuller to Sarah Lanning, by Rev. Isaac Sergeant.

Benjamin Brundage to Charity Lanning, by Rev. Mr. Bennett.

JULY.

4. Married, George Ellison to Abigail Payne.

SEPTEMBER.

7. Richard Brant, cabinet maker, removes to Johnson storehouse, near Newton Academy.

14. Married, Leonard Roe to Sally Gustin, by John Gustin, Esq.

8. Notice of sale of two mile sections of Paterson and Hamburg Turnpike, to be constructed from Deckertown to Milford, Pa., on Sept. 30, at Samuel Decker's, Deckertown.

19. Archibald M. Smalley begins tailoring business at Mrs. Hannah Hankinson's.

11. Twenty five citizens of Belvidere pledge themselves to preserve order at a camp meeting to be held at Belvidere, commencing October 8. The Society of Methodists, they say are harassed and disturbed by the ill-disposed in the community.

28. William Beach and Daniel H. Flood form partnership in tailoring business lower side of Newton Green.

13. Married, John Mordon to Levina Anderson, by Samuel Price, E. q.

15. James Berry to Clara Decker, by Rev. Wm. Hough.

AUGUST.

29. Benjamin Booth to Sarah Love, by Rev. Wm. Hough.

SEPTEMBER.

29. John Morris to Sarah Merrill, by Rev. Wm. Hough.

OCTOBER.

3. Officers of 21 regiment, Col. Hamilton, met at Hamburg.

5. Beach and Flood dissolve partnership after a month's trial, and go it alone, the latter at the house of John Pettit.

13-14. General election. Highest vote for Thomas Vankirk, Council, 3,119.

20. Medical Society met at Mrs. Bassett's hotel.

26. Notice is given that an advertisement of races at Deckertown, on Oct. 30 and 31, cannot be published in this paper.

29. Married, Samuel Tompkins to Eliza Jessup, by Rev. Thomas Teasdale.

NOVEMBER.

9. "The present season has not only been remarkable for its abundance, but singularly favorable for securing the gifts of Providence. Food for man, provender for beast, are consequently of excellent quality, as well as in great plenty."

17. Bible Society met at Hardwick church.

Wheat \$2 per bushel; rye 64-64; corn 6s.

16. Noah King & Co. open grocery next to B. M. Haggerty's store.

B. M. Haggerty's first ad. comprises about everything that was sold in those days.

Barn of Uzal C. Haggerty, Frankford, burned. Fire caused by lighted candle carried in by two boys.

28. Grant Fitch retires from mercantile business and is succeeded by Schuyler Halsey.

7. Married, Peter Northrup to Sarah Ann Struble, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

14. Married, Jonathan Hill to Elizabeth Price, by Rev. Wm. Hough.

22. Two-year-old child of John S. Haggerty, Frankford, kicked to death by horse tied near door of dwelling.

DECEMBER.

17. Married, Asa Hall to Catharine Saunder, by R. v. Joseph L. Shafer.

18. Harris & Co., bakers, advertise pastry, bride and funeral cakes.

26. George Sharp and wife, Frankford, committed to jail for whipping and beating a bound child, James Vauscoter, aged 7 years, to death. Samuel Lane was coroner, and two inquests were held, the last one charging the defendants with murder.

28. Chas. F. Lineback & Co., on east side of Newton Green, advertise new liquor and grocery store, which Nathaniel Pettit formerly occupied.

30. Notice given of an effort to procure a law that courts of Sussex county should be held alternately at Newton, and in Oxford, or Mansfield township.

5. Married, Thomas Losey to Jane Meeker, by Rev. Wm. Hough.

10. William Moore to Susan Hammon, by the same.

1819.

JANUARY.

19. Proposals invited for building a new church at Hackettstown, Jacob Miller, president.

19. Notice of a bill to incorporate Turnpike road from north end of second district of Morris turnpike, near Andover Furnace, through Newton, to third district, near Pine mountain.

25. Stockholders of Deckertown and Newton Turnpike Co., met at Deckertown to choose managers.

29. The "Company" leaves the firm of John Harris & Co., bakers.

20. Married, John Gunn to Delight Fuller, by Rev. Isaac Sergeant.

FEBRUARY.

1. New York mail coach robbed near Elizabethport, by three Frenchmen, who were captured the next day, with most of their plunder taken from mail and passengers, aggregating several thousand dollars. [This reminds us of a record that the first stage from Newton to New York, by the way of Elizabethtown, was established August 15, 1808, by Bassett, Brittin & Hinchman.]

6. Bible Society met at Sparta.

17-18. Spinning visit to wife of Rev. J. L. Shafer. First invitation to gentlemen to attend.

16. Married, Azariah Davis to Ann Cummins, by R. v. Daniel Freden.

16. Law passed prohibiting taking of oysters with rake or dredge.

17. Columbia and Walpack Turnpike Company, met for organization at house of William Hill, Walpack.

MARCH.

1. Married, Thomas Lewis to Edia Havens, by Rev. Levi Hall.

16. Married, Moses Woodruff to Sarah Turner, by same.

22. Announcement of law establishing mail route from Newton via Stillwater and Marksboro to Columbia.

24. Married, Obadiah Swayne to Elizabeth Beemer, by Rev. I. Sargent.

27. Married, Elias Smith to Catharine Adams, by same.

APRIL.

3. Married, John Peter Stufflefelt to Sophia Culver, by same.

William Hockenberry to Ann Decker, by Peter Whittaker, E. q.

16. Much excitement over the execution of James Teed and David Dunning, at Goshen, N. Y., for the murder of Richard Jennings. David Conkling and Jack Hodges, implicated as accessories, were sent to prison, the former for life, and the latter for 21 years. Dunning protested his innocence to the last, and many believed Hodges had sworn falsely, but he affirmed the truth of his testimony in a most solemn manner.

17. Married, James H. Vail to Rebecca H. Hendrie, by Rev. John Boyd.

19. First Troop met at Morris Sharp's Log Jail.

20. Medical Society met at Mrs. Bassett's hotel.

12. Postoffice established at Trade Valley, four miles from Newton, Enos Courson, postmaster. [This would seem to be Fredon, but later papers show that Hardwick was called Trade Valley.]

30. First regiment met at Newton for drill.

MAY.

1. Married, Gideon Ingersoll to Sarah Hough, daughter of Rev. Wm. Hough, by Rev. Richard Petherbridge.

3. First battalion met at Bray's tavern, Frankford.

11. Meeting called at Mrs. Bassett's hotel to form a society to improve the art of farming.

28. George Sharp tried for murder of bound boy, James VanScoter. Acquitted of murderous intent, and sentenced to three years imprisonment. Trial of Elizabeth Sharp, his wife, postponed until August.

30. Married, Allen Griffin to Mary Clawson, by John Ogden, E. q.

26. Ozius Richards to Mary Emery, by Rev. David Best.

JUNE.

1. Zephaniah Luse and Joseph I. Roy take charge of Sussex, Morris and Jersey City mail stage and make new schedule. Leave Newton Tuesdays at 4 a. m., and arrive in Jersey City at 6 o'clock p. m. on same day. Return on Fridays, leaving New York at 5 a. m. and arrive in Newton at 6 p. m. The proprietors hope the plan of making the trip in one day, and that one of them will remain two days in New York to transact business entrusted to their care will be appreciated. [Sept. 10, 1816, notice was given that the firm of

Luce and Hanna, stage proprietors, is dissolved through the absconding of James Hanna.]

JUNE.

8. Annual meeting of Bible Society at Newton.

10. Married, Simon Wyckoff, Jr. to Elizabeth Villet, by Jacob Taylor, Esq.

14. Slaves are advised to stay in their houses at night, else they may be kidnapped and taken to Havana.

14 John Harris, (oaker) to Margaret Griggs, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

16. Samuel Fordam Leak ordained to the ministry at Harmony church.

27. Thomas Rosswall, of Wantage, aged 31, drowned in Long pond, while swimming horses. He was thrown off in thirty-two feet of water.

Married, John Clark to Ann Barton, by Rev. Mr. Elding.

JULY.

2. Nathaniel Lemmons, of Hardwick, committed to jail, charged with wilful murder, having struck his father Matthias Lemmons, while both were intoxicated.

3. Married, Joseph Mackey to Sarah Bassett, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

3 Two uniformed companies and citizens celebrate at Nathaniel B. Calvin's, Newton township.

5. Celebration at Stanhope: Mahlon F. Dickinson, orator; Samuel Sayre, reader.

5. Celebration at Deckertown, Evi A. Sayre, orator, Peter Decker, reader.

6 Rev. Jehiel Talmage installed as pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Hardwick. R-v. Jacob Kirkpatrick preached the sermon and gave the charge to the minister; Rev. Wm B Sloan gave the charge to the congregation, Rev. John F Clark, presided.

12 Whooping cough prevalent in Newton, causing death of three young children.

A comet appears in the north-west, its rays apparently eight feet in length.

7 Married, Benjamin Tuttle to Lucy Smith, by R-v. Gershom Williams.

Married, David Benjamin to Eleanor Newman, by Rev. Levi Hall.

Married, R-v. Elias W. Crane to Margaretta H. Johnson, by R-v. J. L. Shafer.

19 Great drouth prevails, and crops are lessened. The comet is a legend to be the cause, also of yellow fever, which has appeared elsewhere, and the editor endeavors to allay the fears of his readers.

24. Married, James Hankinson to Joannu Shee.

AUGUST.

2 An Irishman, lately landed, in the employ of Benjamin Strong, Newton, died from drinking too much cold water.

Heat and drouth continued. Mercury from 96° to 100°.

5. Camp meeting near Washington. Also, one on the 19th, near Franklin Furnace. Both notices signed by citizens warn against liquor selling and other disturbances.

15. Married, Daniel Burrell to Mrs. Helena Barron, by John L. der, Esq.

21. Brant Winans, aged 9 years, killed on farm of Levi Haun, Hardyston. The farmer was hauling hay in a meadow, using a large piece of brush, to which a horse was hitched, the boy riding astride the animal. The brush struck a hornet's nest, and they attacked the horse, which threw the boy, killing him almost instantly. The boy was also severely stung.

SEPTEMBER.

6. Henry Bale and Peter Udell begin business as fullers at Baleville.

7 Horatio G. Hopkins opens cabinet warerooms corner Church and Academy streets (now Main street.)

9. John Sanford opens shoeshop where Daniel Brown formerly worked.

14. "Spectator" is much concerned over the prevalence of vice and immorality in Newton and vicinity, notwithstanding earnest gospel ministrations.

20. Country much excited over prevalence of malignant fever in Baltimore and New York.

27. John Trusdell, chairmaker and painter, twenty rods north of Court House.

11. Married, Bonnell M. Haggerty to Martha Phillips, by R-v. Jos. L. Shafer.

14. Lieut. John Henry Aulick, U. S. N., to Mary F. Conover.

11. R-v. Richard W. Petherbridge, of Hamburg circuit, to Nancy Kanouse, by R-v. Wm. Hough.

18. Henry McDunolds to Catharine Stevens, by R-v. Enos O. O-born.

25. Joseph Hunt to Polly Aber, by Rev. Gershom Williams.

James Parigo to Martha Conklin, by R-v. I. Sergeant.

12. Death of Sarah, wife of County Clerk. Ebraim Green.

OCTOBER.

4. Alexander C. Halsey, late of New York, opens paint store corner Church and Academy streets.

11. Andrew Rose takes Edward B. Force as partner in tulling business at Andover.

25. Five inches of snow fell.

NOVEMBER.

15. Wheat 104 per bushel.

Elias Hathaway starts coopering business on premises of Luther Howell, one-quarter mile north of Court house.

20 Married, John Barlow to Christians Bird, by Rev. Wm. Hough.

22 John Strader, Jr. to Charlotte Rhodes, by R-v. Jacob R. Castner.

25 Frederick King to Elizabeth Lewis, by R-v. J. L. Shafer.

Asher Eamons to Fanny Hunt, by same.

DECEMBER.

27. Freeholders offer \$100 reward for apprehension of murderer of a stranger on December 17, three miles from Sparta. (This is the Brakeman case.) This reward was increased the next week to \$200. Papers missing from this date to Jan. 10, 1820. Brakeman was hung in 1821, but we have no record of date.

30. Married, Frederick S. Pittenger to Sally Kimble, by R-v. Isaac Sergeant.

Samuel Crooker to Ann Stackhouse, by Rev. Joseph Bennett.

NECROLOGY.

The following record is on file from 1813 to 1820:

1813.

SEPTEMBER.

23-Richard Dorn, Newton, 38.

Married, Abraham Coursen to Mehitable Marsh, by Rev. Amzi Armstrong.

OCTOBER.

11-Elijah, son of James Johnson, Newton, 30 months.

25-Married, at Philadelphia, Dilman Daub, Newton, to Sarah Davis.

1814.

FEBRUARY.

29-Rev. Silas Southard, Wantage, 60.

21-James McDevitt, Newton, 64.

28-Margaret, widow John H. Couse, Newton, 85.

27-Jane, widow of Evi Adams, Wantage, 60.

20-Elizabeth, widow of Sylvanus Adams, Wantage, advanced age.

MARCH.

7-James Courner, Wantage, 17.

Rev. Joseph Trusdell, Wantage, 63.

9-Jacob Decker, Wantage, 47.

14-William Havens, Wantage, 68.

Esther, wife of Jacob Crossman, Wantage, 40.

29-Phineas Bell to Mary Sliker, Independence, by Montgomery Reading, Esq.

19-John Boyles, Independence, 20.

20-Abraham Boyles, Independence, 22.

Jacob Surfan, their grandfather. All three dead bodies being in one house on the 21st.

24-Jonathan Moore, Johnsonburg, 90.

25-Joseph Drake, Sr., Independence, 50.

29-Christopher Case, Frankford, 64.

24-Jacob Crossman, Wantage, 40.

APRIL.

1-John Anderson, son of Jonathan Baldwin, Newton, nearly 12.

2-Mary, wife of Benjamin Schooley, Newton, 40.

2-Jane, daughter of Jacob Decker, Wantage, 7.

11-Fanny Fuller, Wantage, 17.

15-Jacob Bowman, Wantage, 47.

14-Eleanor, widow of Daniel Predmore, Frankford, 70.

27-John Reed, son of Montgomery Reading, Independence, nearly 22.

MAY.

1-Sarah, wife of John Lewis, Wantage, 30.

2-Margaret Stockbower, Newton, 42.

5-Hannah, widow of James Haggerty, Frankford, 55.

15-Lydia, wife of Thomas Brotherton, nearly 25.

23-Urah Adams, Wantage, 70.

Joseph Decker, Wantage, 75.

4-Mary, wife of John Schenck, Independence, 57, one day after her birth day.

22-Henry Johnson, Jr., Hardwick, 52.

JUNE.

3-On his birthday; Dr. David Eben, Newton, 60.

JULY.

21-Elizabeth Coon, Newton, 23.

25-Mary, daughter of George Haggerty, Newton tps., 3 years and 10 months.

AUGUST.

3-Gen Jonathan Hill, Knowlton, 60.

4-Ann, wife of Dr. Samuel Fowler, 30-a woman said to have been of remarkable virtues of character, cut down in apparently perfect health.

19-Ann, wife of William Prime, Newton tps., 80.

17-Rebecca Drake, Newton, 23.

SEPTEMBER.

4-Margaret, widow of Azariah Davis, Newton tps., 55.

20-Charles Morford, Newton, 21.

Jacob Henry, Independence.

21-John Cummings,

OCTOBER.

3-Col. James Conover, Newton, 50.

NOVEMBER.

3-Lewis D., son of Jacob Cary, Frankford, 17.

12-Lucy, wife of Richard Struble, Frankford.

28-David Johnson, Hardwick.

1815.

JANUARY.

1-Abraham Dennis, Hardwick, 50.

5-Jacob Courner, Hardwick, 70.

Joseph Coon, Newton, 23.

6-Enos Goble, Hardwick, 50.

10-Rev. Elias VanBenschoten, Wantage, 70.

17-Experience, wife of John Salmon, Newton, 63.

14-At Perth Amboy, Phebe, relict of Archibald Stewart, of Sussex, 60.

20-John Salmon, Newton, 67.

24-Elizabeth, widow of Samuel Hill, Hardwick, 70.

MARCH.

9-Mrs. Struble, daughter of Jacob Lantz, Newton.

Joseph Grover, Newton tps.

12-Montgomery Reading, Independence, 60.

28-Phebe, daughter of Captain James Inglis, Newton.

APRIL.

Thomas Doty, Newton, 38, suicide.

JUNE.

5-Margaretta, widow of John Roy, Hardwick, 70.

10-John C. Rohn, Sr., Hope, 80.

JULY.

7-Jacob Hendershot, Newton, 60.

15-George Rorback, Newton, 74.

21-Daniel Predmore, Frankford, 55 years and 6 months.

AUGUST.

30-William Ward, Oxford, by sudden stroke of palsy, aged 69 years, 11 months and 14 days.

Nancy, wife of Isaac Morgan, Oxford.

SEPTEMBER.

13-Mark Luce, Newton, 38.

18-William Evans, Wantage, 19.

17-Job Casad, Frankford, 81.

1816.

JANUARY.

12-Allen Coursen, Hardwick, 44.

FEBRUARY.

4-Dr. William Hampton, late of Hacketts-town.

APRIL.

23-Margaret, second wife of John Loder, Sandyston, 79.

MAY.

3-John Loder, Sandyston, 84.

AUGUST.

29-Joseph Green, Hardwick, late Deputy Sheriff.

NOVEMBER.

5-Harriet, wife of Amos Bassett, Newton.

DECEMBER.

18-Captain James Inglis, Newton.



## 1817.

## JANUARY.

29—James McCoy, Wantage, 46.

## FEBRUARY.

8—Dr. John Marvin, Marksboro, 47.

## MARCH.

19—Sarah, wife of George Haggerty, Newton.

## MAY.

5—Jacob, son of Dr. Robert Halsted, 21.

6—Deborah, daughter of Moses Winans, 31.

13—Col. Aaron Griggs, Newton t.p., 37.

## JUNE.

11—Wife of Thomas Armstrong, Frankford.

21—Aaron D. Woodruff, 56, late Attorney-General of New Jersey; at the home of his brother-in-law, Robert C. Thompson, in Sussex.

## SEPTEMBER.

19—Philip Woodruff, Newton.

Lewis Cary, Roxbury, 75.

26—Lemuel DeCamp, Byron, 48.

## OCTOBER.

6—John Kelsey, Montague.

21—John Ackerson, Frankford, 84.

## DECEMBER.

18—Charles Pemberton, Newton, advanced age.

26—Daniel Williams, Newton, 81.

## 1818.

## APRIL.

11—Philip Durmer, Newton, advanced age.

14—Charles Stuart, Newton, advanced age.

20—Isaac Bassett, Newton, 44.

## AUGUST.

7—At Hamilton, N. Y., Robert Hoops, 73, formerly of Belvidere.

## OCTOBER.

10—Elizabeth, wife of John Seward, 35, Jefferson township.

## NOVEMBER.

14—James E. Winans, Newton.

## 1819.

## FEBRUARY.

4—Phebe, wife of John Drake, Newton, 63.

## SEPTEMBER.

12—Sarah, wife of Ephraim Green, Newton, 6.

16—James, son of Amos Pettit, Newton, 6.

## OCTOBER.

28—Dr. George Hopkins, Newton.

## NOVEMBER.

21—Isaac Stites, Newton.

## 1820.

## JANUARY.

[Edsall's centennial address, and other publications give the date of Brakeman's execution as in 1821. But since printing the record of 1819, on the first page of this issue, we have discovered that it is an error. Peter Brakeman was hung at Newton, June 30, 1820, for the murder of Francis E. Nichols, on December 17, 1819, three miles from Sparta. He had traveled with Nichols, who was a pack peddler, but was not arrested until three or four weeks after the murder. He was tried at the May term, in 1820. Judge Gabriel H. Ford presiding, and hung a month after conviction, in the hollow near Drake's pond. A pamphlet published by THE REGISTER, a summary of which, with names of jurors and witnesses, was partially reprinted in 1888, enables us to make this correction.]

1. Married Paul Perry to Elizabeth Hedglin, by Rev. Joseph Bennett.

7. Store house of Samuel Decker, at Deckertown, burned at 11 p. m. with contents, including letters in postoffice.

1. G. H. McCarter announces intention to close business.

20. Married, Isaac Reed to Mary Durkin, by Rev. Mr. Talmage.

31. Sussex Bank declares dividend of 3½ per cent., payable Feb. 17th.

22. Married, John Curdiz to Rheukana Hill, by Rev. Mr. Allen.

23. Married, Jesse Youngs to Hannah Vanauken, by John Loder, E-q.

24. John Harris desires to sell bakery and house and lot on lower side of Newton Green.

7. Thomas Rowe, alias Thomas Smith, a cabinet maker, stole clothing and a gun from H. G. Hopkins, and departs. \$10 reward.

23. Married, Abraham Westbrook to Rhoda Meeker, by Rev. Wm. Hough.

29. George Backster and wife, of Wantage, after 42 years of married life, die within 15 hours of each other.

## FEBRUARY.

5. Married, John Powder to Ann Amerman, by Rev. John Boyd.

14. Result announced of special election for Congressman, vice John Coudit, resigned; Charles Kinsey succeeds, having a practical walkover. Less than 700 votes polled in Sussex.

All papers now missing to April 17th.

## APRIL.

17. Flood and Stiles begin business as tailors opposite Clerk's office.

Nathaniel Douglas sells out tobacco at store of Ryerson & Linn.

10. Trustees of Newton Academy announce engagement of Bernard R. C. O'Kelly.

18. Bible Society met at Knowlton church, Rev. Joseph Allen to preach.

17. First troop met for drill at James Brown's, Hardwick.

22. Officers of First regiment, and Capt. Potter's rifle company met at Newton for drill.

3. Robert Campbell, guns nith, 30 yards west of the printing office.

## MAY.

10. John Teeny and John Byans take store of Chas. F. Lineback & Co., east side Newton Green.

15. Lyman Edwards begins tin and stove business in Newton, corner Church and Academy streets.

18. Grant Fitch gives notice of opening carding mill at Marksboro.

10. Dr. Jacob D. Roe, Sparta, announces receipt of medical license, over which there had been some trouble, and denounces a practitioner named Dobbhynne. Dr. Roe began practice before his license was issued, owing to a change of law, and defends his action.

4. Mary Baldwin begins millinery and dressmaking at Hackettstown.

1. Patrick McMahon, Newton, wants a journeyman weaver.

Millen's cough drops, first medicine advertised.

## JUNE.

30. Peter Brakeman hung at Newton.

## JULY.

15. John Lewis, colored, drowned in Delaware, at Pahaquarry, while bathing.

10. Luther Y. Howell opens painting business next door to Schuyler Halsey's store, Newton.

5. Abel Wood sells Tice's cast iron plows at his shop, corner Church and Academy streets.

## AUGUST.

10. Camp meeting begins in woods near Johnsonsburg.

29. Jonah and Isalah G. Turner cease business partnership at Hope.

14. Sussex Bank declares semi-annual dividend of three per cent.

31. Married, Henry Quirk to Sally Tillman, by John Loder, E-q.

## SEPTEMBER.

4. Confession of Peter Brakeman advertised.

County officers nominated at Newton.

8. Nicholas Sheep, cordwainer, begins business in Newton.

4. G. H. McCarter dissolves partnership with Mrs. Sarah Pemberton.

Death of Samuel Johnson, merchant, aged 44 years.

## OCTOBER.

10-11. General election. Robert W. Rutherford elected to Council. William Darrah, re-elected Sheriff, without a scratch in 2,323 votes.

7. Married, Jacob Ackerson to Matilda Cook, by Rev. Wm. Hough.

14. Married, John Campbell to Ann Hayward, by Wm. Corwine, Esq.

24. Joseph Mackey advertises the noted large hotel in Newton for sale, which he occupies.

Wheat, 6s. per bushel, rye, 3s 6d., corn, 3s. 6d.

25. Kelso & Hall, Independence, dissolve partnership.

31. John Price, Newton, committed suicide.

## NOVEMBER.

11. Name of Trade Valley postoffice changed to Hardwick.

13. John Byrns, veterinary surgeon, appears in Newton.

12. Married, Joshua Willson to Charity Drake, by Robert Thompson, E-q.

18. Death of Schuyler Halsey, a merchant of Newton, aged 22, of typhus fever: had been married less than seven months.

23. Saxton & Cook begin cabinet making at Greensville.

## DECEMBER.

4. Spinning wheels sell for \$3 50; reels, \$2 50.

2. Married, Amos Hart to Katurah Drake, by Robert Thompson, E-q.

Married, Moses Reeves to Sarah Young, by same.

23. First use of any small type for ads in THE REGISTER.

25. John Harris wants 500 bushels barley at Newton brewery. Harris seems to have changed from a baker to a brewer.

22. Proposals for building Sussex Banking house call for 100,000 brick, 6,000 feet of timber, 200 loads building stone, 4,000 bushels lime, 10,000 feet yellow and white pine boards.

14. Married, John Decker to Naomi Dewitt, by Rev. Wm. Hough.

16. Married, Henry Hankinson to Rebecca Emmons, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

18. Postoffice established at Marksboro, Col. Grant Fitch postmaster.

Completion of seven and a half years publication of THE REGISTER. The publisher says "he would willingly relinquish the old fashion of dunning every six months, but a paper bill of \$200, and \$200 for new type compel him to ask settlement."

Legislature reduces salary of State officers. Governor reduced from \$2,200 to \$2,000; Chief Justice from \$1,200 to \$1,100, etc. Wages of Members of Legislature reduced from \$3.00 per day to \$2.50.

31. Married, Moses W. Northrup to Ann N. Couse, by Rev. Eos A. Orsborne.

## 1821.

## JANUARY.

2. Wilhelmus VanAuken, of Montague, committed to jail, charged with murdering his wife during the preceding night. They retired peaceably, with no other persons in house except three or four small children. During the night they quarreled, and in a scuffle upon the floor, VanAuken beat his wife on the head with a billet of wood and a large andiron until her skull was broken in several places.

After his children had gone to sleep he went to the nearest neighbors and confessed his crime.

4. Married, John S. Alberson to Elizabeth Hartung, by Rev. Clarkson Dunn.

8. The County of Sussex is called upon to pay its quota of State tax \$1,518 68.

14. Married, Isaac Litts to Mary Drake, by Rev. Wm. Hough.

Benjamin Depue to Catharine Drake, by same.

18. James Delemater to Martha Adams, by Rev. A. Ketcham.

25. Jeremiah Lanning to Betsey Divers, by Rev. Mr. Talmage.

26. Body of John Linn, Representative in Congress, who died at Washington, taken through Newton, and afterward interred at North church. (There were no expensive funeral committees in those days.)

24. Continuation of severe cold. A pint of boiling water placed in a quart bowl, and exposed to open air, with thermometer at 17° to 18° below zero is frozen to thickness of window glass in 1 hour 7 minutes.



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27. Severe weather. Passengers cross North river on the ice, and taverns erected thereon for refreshments. The river had not frozen before since 1780. Ice in Boston harbor 18 inches thick. The Potomac river frozen hard enough to bear sleighs and carriages.

31. Charles Phillips, aged 20, of Knowlton, accidentally killed by his gun while hunting near his home.

FEBRUARY.

5. Sussex County Agricultural Society formed at hotel of Joseph Mackey, Newton. Walter L. Shee, chairman; David Ryerson, secretary.

12. Sussex Bank orders dividend of 2½ per cent. Times are hard.

10. Married, David Compton to Hannah Elyea, by Rev. E. A. Osborne.

13. Married, John Compton to Mary Bertron, by Rev. Wm. Hough.

15. Married, Alexander Lockard to Elizabeth Swayze, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

19. Silas Casterline to Catharine Rice, by Rev. Mr. Overton.

Christopher L. Beardslee to Rebecca Losey, by Rev. E. Osborne.

21. Adjourned meeting of Agricultural Society to elect permanent officers: Morris Robeson, chosen president; Walter L. Shee, 1st vice-president; Joseph Northrup, 2d vice-president; Ephraim Green, Jr., recording secretary; Wm. T. Anderson, corresponding secretary; David Ryerson, treasurer. Constitution and By laws published March 5.

26. Wilhelmus VanAuken indicted for murder of his wife. Trial supposed to have been at May term, but for unknown reasons did not occur until December.

MARCH.

9. Married, William Green to Margaretta Thompson, by Rev. Mr. Talmage.

12. A comet visible in western sky.

12. Married, John Widener to Sarah Sickles, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

15. Married, William Lanterman to Isabella Dilts, by Rev. Jehiel Talmage.

George Adams to Elizabeth Beardslee, by Rev. Edward Allen.

Stephen Margarum to Lucy Hammond, by Rev. Thomas Teasdale.

19. Sussex County Agricultural Society met and made list of premiums for cattle, grain, butter and linen and woolen cloths, to be awarded at a fair to be held in November.

17. Robert Ogden calls meeting of Bible Society for April 10, at meeting house in Newton, to take action on death of its president, Hon. John Linn.

28. Feeny & Byars dissolve partnership.

28. Meachem & Foster, opposite Martha Phillips' tavern, advertise plows.

22. Grant Fitch advertises to rent his brick store, lately occupied by Schuyler Halsey, for any purpose that will not injure the building.

24. Married, John Linn, aged 85, to Mrs. Catharine Noker, aged 57, by John Sommers, Esq.

APRIL.

17. Snow fell to the depth of four inches, accompanied by quite cold weather. "The winter began last October. On Nov. 12 good sleighing began, and from that time to this (nearly six months) we have had but little other than severe cold weather."

23. Wm. & N. M. Hinds, Sparta, introduce an improved plow.

28. Officers of 1st regiment, Major Moore, commanding, and Capt. Lyman Edwards's company of Newton Rangers, met at Nathan Drake's house, for drill.

Sussex Squadron Light Dragoons, Robert D. Stewart, commanding, ordered to drill at Shrope's hotel, Mansfield, May 28.

30. Rebecca Spice, milliner, next door to B. M. Haggerty's store.

MAY.

3. Peter Merkle, captain first troop of the Sussex squadron, orders drill with 4th regiment at Shafer's house, in Stillwater.

7. John P. Winterbottom, shoemaker, removes to large storehouse, corner Academy and Church street.

12. Married, Jacob S. Drake to Ann Hann, by B. Halsey, Esq.

Garret Stryker, of this county, drowned in Delaware, near Easton.

18. Phillips & Rosenkrants open store, first door above Court house.

JUNE.

12. Bible Society met at Hackettstown.

18. After eight years labor the editor says he has found every kind of customer in his dealings with over 1,200 persons, and is thankful that he is able to keep his head above water.

John and Luke Feeny begin business partnership in Newton.

25. Mansfield Lodge, No. 31, observed St. John's Day, at Washington.

JULY.

4. Celebration at Deckertown. Oration by Dr. James Hall; reader, Joseph Chandler.

Capt. Edwards's company paraded at an early hour, "and performed many military evolutions, exhibiting as usual, a very handsome and military appearance."

9. Wheat, 75c; rye, 40c; corn, 37½c; oats, 20c; flax, 8 and 9c; butter, 10c.

Runaway slaves and apprentices seem very numerous about this period.

30. An Englishman named Robert Beare, builds a threshing machine for William Ribble, of Oxford. Capacity 100 sheaves of wheat, rye or oats in from 20 to 30 minutes; cost \$200. Considered a great thing for the farming interest.

AUGUST.

1. Married, George Hemmover to Hannah Angelina Allen, by Rev. Mr. Crane.

2. Very warm; 97° and 100° at Bangor, Maine.

3. A heavy rain and a severe southeast gale caused great injury to fences, trees, corn and buckwheat. The largest trees in forests and orchards were twisted from their trunks.

3. J. Strong and F. W. Meriam open store in Col. Fitch's building.

6. John Waseman wants 1,500 bushels of barley at Newton brewery.

8. Fullers of county met at Thomas Allason's inn, Newton, to make schedule of prices.

20. Postoffice established at Pleasant Valley, 11 miles from Easton, John M. Sherred, postmaster.

21. Rev. Jacob Tuttle ordained to ministry, by Presbytery, at New Milford.

22. Rev. Enos A. Osborne ordained by Presbytery, at Newfoundland.

23. Meeting at house of Joseph Mackey, Newton, resolves that Robert W. Rutherford be recommended and supported as the successor to the late Congressman John Linn. John Gustin, chairman; John H. Hall, secretary.

24. Richard Hunt, aged 96, died at Hardwick.

25. Greenwich Vigilant Society for Detection of Horse Thieves, met at house of Daniel Spangenberg, Stewartsville.

25. Mrs. Rhodes, widow of Charles Rhodes, formerly Clerk of Sussex county, died at Hardwick, aged 96. (The early files of THE REGISTER were obtained from Mr. Rhodes, who was a painstaking man, and his documents are said to have been preserved in a stone building near Middleville.)

27. George Walker and Willard House begin business in store house of Benj. H. Kays, Frankford.

31. Death of Rev. Levi Hall, a Baptist clergyman, at Wantage.

SEPTEMBER.

15. Married, Charles F. Lineback to Phebe Drake, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

Married, David Garey to Ruehamy Evergim, by Rev. Jos. Campbell.

17. County division pops up again.

24. Lengthy report of Board of Directors of Missionary Society of New Jersey, gives results of work in Frankford, under Rev. Enos A. Osborn; in Wantage, under Rev. Edward Allen; in Hardyston, under Burr Baldwin, and Rev. Mr. Allen. Also, in Long Pond, New Milford, and Stony Brook districts. Report signed by Stephen Thompson, secretary.

Richard Whittaker, Jr., of Frankford, exhibits a beet 16 inches in length and 2 feet 6 inches in circumference.

Wheat, \$1; rye, 50c; corn, 50c; oats, 22c; butter, 18c.

24. Mention made of coming election. In those days every man seemed to have the privilege of making a ticket to suit himself, and it was printed. There were six candidates for Sheriff, twenty-one for Assembly, and three for Council. Robert W. Rutherford was opposed by Dr. Lewis Condit, of Morristown, David Thompson, Jr., of Newton, having declined.

OCTOBER.

3. John Lanterman opens store and brickyard in Hardyston, (probably at Ogdensburg.)

4. Presbytery of Newton met at Easton, Pa., and licensed Nathaniel Conklin and Thomas Kennedy to preach the Gospel.

7. Married, James Cassidy to Ann Senn, by Rev. Mr. Strausbury.

8. Robert and Mary Ann Campbell sign statement that reports about Horatio G. Hopkins, said to have been traced to them, are untrue.

16. Managers of Agricultural Society met at house of Nathan Drake, Newton.

15. Result of general election on 9-10 announced. Wm. T. Anderson elected to Council; VanCleve Moore, Sheriff, and Sussex gives Robert W. Rutherford 3,845 votes to 286 for Condit. Sussex polled more votes in that election than Essex or Morris, where the majorities were almost as great for Condit as they were against him in Sussex. There was a third candidate, (James Parker) who polled a large vote, and two weeks after the election six counties were yet to be heard from.

22. Program of Cattle Show and Fair of Sussex Agricultural Society published. Fair held at Newton Wednesday and Thursday, November 7th and 8th. Each day ushered in by ringing of bell and hoisting a flag. Members met at house of Nathan Drake at 9 a. m. Articles of domestic manufacture were exhibited at Court house. At 3 p. m. an auctioneer sold all stock, etc., that owners wished to dispose of. Second day exercises were held in Presbyterian church at 10 a. m. Members of Society wore three ears of wheat on left side of their hats. Dinner served at Nathan Drake's, and premiums were paid in cash immediately after dinner.

30. "The editor of this paper was in the city of New York last Wednesday and Thursday. Wheat flour was then selling for \$7.50 and \$8.50 per barrel in that market. Butter by the firkin 19 to 20 cents. He understood buckwheat flour would bring from 18 to 20 shillings per cwt., and wheat in the grain from 12 to 14 shillings per bushel."

30. A. C. Linn advertised that he would "kill, cut up, and sell out" at the coming fair, at these rates: Beaves \$2; hogs (100 lbs. weight) \$1; hogs exceeding that weight \$2; sheep 50 c., calves 50c.

29. Married, Obadiah Ailing to Elizabeth Harris, by Jacob Henn, Esq.

Married, William L. Foster to Mary Shaw, by Rev. Mr. Thomas.

NOVEMBER.

7. E. & R. Green advertise general merchandise business at Greenwich.

25. Rev. Richard Bolger, of the Roman Catholic Church, preached in Newton, at 10 a. m. This was probably the first Catholic service in the county.

13. Report of the First Fair and Cattle Show held in County. It is lengthy, but extremely interesting. The first day was very stormy, and though the object of the society was not fully known, the attendance was respectable. The prizes were as follows: Best stallion, Benj. F. Hunt, Oxford, \$15; best three-year-old colt, Robert Goble, Hardwick, \$10; best bull not over 3 years, Nathan A. Shaver, Stillwater, \$10; best milch cow, Walter L. Shee, Hamburg, \$10; best pair fatted oxen, Nicholas Ryerson, Vernon, \$15; best pair working oxen, Robert A. Linn, Hamburg, \$10; best yearling calf, Walter L. Shee, \$8;

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best ram, John VanDeren, Newton, \$5; best ewe, James VanSickle, Newton, \$5; best ten wethers, William Darrah, \$10; best boar and best sow, James VanSickle, each \$5; best firkin of butter, made between May 1 and June 15, Joseph Northrup, Newton, \$8; best piece of woolen cloth (10 yds.) John VanDeren, \$8; best piece of linen cloth (20 yds.) the Misses Margaret and Elizabeth Shafer, Stillwater, \$8; exhibits of dressed flannel made by family of John Lanterman, Hardyston, and a piece of linen made by Mrs. Elizabeth Ryerson, Frankford, did not come within rules of the Society, but were favorably noticed; Robert A. Linn, Hamburg, received a premium of \$15 for best three acres of wheat having an average of 35½ bushels to the acre, and a total of 106½ bushels. The variety was called Benedict. Mr. Shee stood second with same variety; Walter L. Shee received \$10 for best three acres of corn—a total of 305 bushels of ears, and expected his planting of fourteen acres to average 100 bushels to the acre.

Isaac Dennis, of Hardwick, raised 412 bushels of potatoes on one acre and five rods of ground, and received a premium of \$5. After payment of premiums Judge Robeson declined re-election as president, and he was succeeded by Walter L. Shee. The Board of Directors consisted of thirty persons.

19. David Ford, Joseph Northrup and E. Green, Jr., commissioners, give notice of a division of real estate in Byram township, at the head of Brogden meadows, (supposed to be the source of the Wallkill.)

Daniel Stuart, Surrogate, gives notice that owing to his long illness no accounts will be passed or settled at the next February term.

27. John Roe, Wall street, New York, informs the public that he can supply money on bond and mortgage.

## DECEMBER.

1. Wilhelmus VanAnken convicted after two days trial of the murder of his wife, Lear, on the night of Jan. 1-2, 1821. Admitted the killing, but defence was insanity. Judge Russell presided. Jury retired at 10 o'clock Saturday night, and returned in one hour with a verdict of guilty. Sentence was pronounced Monday morning; to be hung Friday, January 25, 1822.

4. Counterfeit three dollar notes on Sussex Bank in circulation.

15. Married, William Young to Elizabeth Best, by Robert Thompson, Esq.

First Independent Rifles, met at house of Elisha and Ananias Mulford; Robert Beatty, O. S.

18. Married, Philip Hess to Mary Woolston, by Rev. Mr. Harcourt.

20. First fair of the Morris County Agricultural Society at Morristown. It was an interesting exhibit, and competition was keen in articles of household use.

21. Mary Morrow and Wm. Pellet, for estate of Robert Morrow, give notice of application to Court for a decree to fulfill a contract made in 1819 by said Morrow to sell lands in Sparta to Job Cory.

29. Married, Michael F. Baldwin to Hannah Jeroleman, by Rev. Samuel Fisher.

## 1822.

## JANUARY.

9. Married, James S. Phillips to Sarah H. Moore, by Rev. Joseph L. Shafer.

10. Ladner Trusdell in the employ of John Trusdell, lost pocketbook.

William Little, postmaster at Hackettstown, publishes letter list.

Postoffice established at New Village, Jacob Milch, postmaster.

Governor refuses to suspend sentence of execution on Wilhelmus VanAnken.

15. Stowell & Bishop open a museum of wax figures, for two weeks, at Mr. King's tavern.

25. W. VanAnken hanged at Newton.

## FEBRUARY.

4. Jacob Young died at Hackettstown after an illness of three hours. A leader in the Methodist denomination.

7. Married, Richard C. Wood to Mary Richards, by Rev. S. Howell.

Married, Ziba Ludlow to Mary Ann Stillwell, by Rev. Samuel Budd.

7. Ephraim Green, Jr. appointed President of Sussex Bank, vice Daniel Stuart, deceased. Pettit Brittin also appointed director in his stead.

12. Governor appoints Wm. T. Anderson, Surrogate, vice Daniel Stuart, deceased.

11. Sussex Bank declares dividend of three per cent.

12. Dwelling house on southeast side of Green, then occupied by Sussex Bank, offered for rent, by Grant Fitch.

18. Peter VanSickle, Wantage, died after an illness of twenty minutes.

18. Board of Freeholders appoint David Ryerson County Collector, vice Daniel Stuart, deceased.

19. George Walker and Willard D. House dissolve partnership in dry goods and groceries, and are succeeded by Ephraim House.

A. Williams, a lad of 14 years, indicted for setting fire to his master's wagon house and shed; sentenced to five years imprisonment.

14. Married, Benjamin Fritz to Mary M. Weller, by Rev. G. A. Hunt.

14. Married, William Swackhammer to Jane Anguish, by Rev. Joseph Campbell.

23. Abraham Smith, a black man, found dead on the ice, on Swartwout's pond. Coroner's jury found "that he came to his death by the visitation of God."

24. Jonathan Cory, Newark, to correct a false rumor, gives testimony to excellence of butter made by Joseph Northrup, and sold by Cory to prominent persons.

27. Death of Dilman Daub, formerly a brewer, at Hardwick.

27. Married, Simeon Maines to Nancy Haines, by John Gustin, Esq.

Samuel Durling to Mary Smith, by Henry C. Kelsey, Esq.

Nicholas Byram to Katy Johnson, by Rev. Noah Crane.

William Caffeg to Sarah Chambers, by Samuel Johnson, Esq.

## MARCH.

3. John P. Winterbottom to Sarah Provost, by Rev. A. Neal.

6. Joseph Kridler to Eve Hoefer, by Robert D. Stewart, Esq.

15. Newton Rangers met, it being general training day.

18. Eliphalet Woodruff to Margaret Fleming.

16. James Deady, aged 40, to Tempy Drake, aged 14, by Rev. Zelotus Grinelle.

## APRIL.

1. Total population of Sussex in 1810, including slaves and free blacks, 25,549; in 1820, including same, 32,752.

7. Married, Samuel K. Smith to Rhoda Hall, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

9. REGISTER OFFICE removed from southeast side of Newton Green to house directly above the Clerk's office. (Ground now occupied by M. E. church.)

20. Township Committee met in Newton to make contract for keeping the poor chargeable to the township.

## MAY.

4. Col. Moore orders officers of 1st regiment to meet at house of Thomas Allison, Newton.

## APRIL.

30. Robert Kilgore has a paper route in Wantage township.

Luther Bonnell takes tavern lately occupied by N. Bull, nearly opposite Court house.

Wm. T. Anderson has just completed a snug dwelling house on Spring street, next to house of Thomas McIntire.

## MAY.

6. Jasen King, Jr., and David King begin business as Jason King & Co.

7. John Mark opens dry goods store in room formerly occupied by Sussex Bank.

13. Grist mill of John Gariss, Flatbrookville, destroyed by fire, causing a loss of \$5,000.

16. First troop met at Johnsonsburg.

## JUNE.

3. THE REGISTER gets its first new dress of reading type, and we are inclined to the belief that most of the original type had been used by the Farmer's Advertiser, which preceded it by two or three years, and died.

8. Two or three strangers arrive in Newton and obtain 200 shares of Sussex bank stock, at 10 to 12 per cent. above par. They had purchased other lots in New York and elsewhere, previous to coming here.

11. Bible Society met at Newton.

Mary Salmon, milliner, Newton, offers to take butter in trade.

Margaret Hendrie, Hardwick, has a small black girl, she wishes to sell for a term of years.

All papers missing up to Sept. 9th.

## JULY.

15. J. Strong and F. W. Meriam remove to Belvidere.

22. Bones of those who fell at the battle of Minisink, interred at Goshen; an eulogium delivered by Rev. J. R. Wilson.

23. Matthias Lane in business near Newton.

## SEPTEMBER.

1. A horse and wagon stolen from William Knapp, on a forged order.

17. Married, Hugh Taylor to Martha Linn, by Rev. Joseph L. Shafer.

## OCTOBER.

10. Benjamin T. Hunt takes County Hotel, lately run by Joseph Mackerly.

21. Ten fulling and dyeing mills adver-  
tised.

Papers missing to December 16th.

Yellow fever prevalent in New York during the summer and fall.

## DECEMBER.

28. Married, Samuel Yatman to Hannah Carpenter, by Rev. Edward Allen.

23. R. A. Linn, Brigade Paymaster, publishes statement of finances for 1821-22. Fines assessed in 1821, amounted to \$963.53 in 1822, \$601.50. Loss in 1821 through unpaid fines, \$421.50; loss in 1822, \$214.80. The Brigade Board were in debt at the close of 1821 to the tune of \$53.84, and in 1822, about \$20.

23. Anson C. Potwine & Co. open store opposite Drake's tavern, in new brick store house (now site of Sussex Bank building.)

14. Married, Christopher Y. Case to Sally Backster, by Rev. Thomas Teasdale.

19. Married, Elias Hathaway to Jerusha H. Nicholas, by Rev. J. E. Miller.

## 1823.

## JANUARY.

1. Meriam & Strong, in business at Newton, publish a lengthy ad. It would appear that they had stores in Newton and Belvidere.

1. Horace Vibbert, postmaster at Deckertown, and R. A. Linn, postmaster at Hamburg, advertise letter list.

3. Married, Jacob Strader to Phebe Northrup, by Rev. John Hagers.

25. Married, John D. marest to Hannah Allat, by Rev. Wm. Hough.

Charles F. Lineback, in business at Augusta, denies the large and puffing advertisements of Newton merchants.

## FEBRUARY.

7. Rev. John Boyd has two farms to rent in Hardwick township, and his stern character crops out in his ad.

10. Dividend of three per cent. by Sussex Bank.

24. Cornelius Dubois offers 150 acres of first quality wood land, half way between Sparta and Wood's gate, at \$3.50 per acre.

## MARCH.

3. H. Jones opens a general land office in Newton. Fees in case of sale ¼ to 1 per cent. Books posted; writing done.

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Jesse Collum, Newton, made boots for \$2, men's fine shoes, 62½¢. He did his work "in a room in the court house," and "those wishing work done may be certain of finding me within the jail limits."

6. Married, Abel Johnson to Elizabeth Avers, by Robert Thompson, Esq.

6. Thomas J. Lawrence claims to have invented a clover mill that remedied defects of other machines.

8. Married, Edward Young to Sarah Casner, by same.

12. Married, Joseph H. Ray to Nancy Drake, by Rev. Joseph L. Shafer.

20. Board of Managers Sussex Agricultural Society met at Allason's hotel, to fix premiums.

22. Joseph Hayes, a young man, hung himself in a stable at Johnsonburg.

26. Commissioners met to run lines between townships of Frankford and Warrage, at house of John S. Warbasse, Hamburg.

27. Lambert & Boyd open tailoring shop at Hackettstown.

APRIL.

14. Trustees (seven) elected by the School Association of Newton. None but those who had paid school bills to the amount of \$8 were entitled to vote.

MARCH.

1. G. P. McCulloch, Charles Kinsey, and Thomas Capper, Commissioners to explore route for the "Passaic, Stanhope and Delaware Canal" warn the public against forming false notions of their survey, which is to be reported to the Legislature.

20. Married, Daniel V. Vansyckle to Susan Budd, by Rev. Joseph Campbell.

George Wire, "Sussex County, Independence, Centreville," sold axes for twelve shillings, and made five kinds of laws.

28. Fifty Canadian stallions on their way to market at Philadelphia, passed through Newton. They were hitched to a single pleasure wagon, and when they started from Montreal were hitched to a sleigh. They were eight days travelling the 140 miles from Albany to Newton.

30.31. A severe snow storm, which made roads impassable, and was from 24 to 30 inches deep in the woods.

APRIL.

1. Beach & Hunt, tailors, begin business.

7. Wm. T. Anderson and George H. McCarter, building committee, give notice to those who have subscribed "work" for the Episcopal church, that stone is ready to be hauled, also lumber from the sawmill of Daniel H. Predmore.

14. Township elections.

14. Selden C. Meacham and Nathan T. Meacham, wheelwrights, remove to their new shop on Spring street.

21. Fifth horse troop, J. Northrup, Jr., captain, met for drill at E. & A. Mulford's.

Trained elephant exhibited at B. T. Hunt's, Newton, from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. Admission, 12½ cents. "Music on the ancient Jewish tub." This event was a startling novelty.

23. Married, Elias Nicholas to Sarah Woodhull, by Rev. John E. Miller.

26. William C. Pellet in store business at Augusta.

Married, Samuel Myers to Sally Williams, by John Loder, Esq.

MAY.

5. First Battalion met at John Straders, Frankford.

12. Elias Gustin and Robert Lewis form business partnership at Augusta.

John Frezer, Jr., driver, removes from Frankford to one mile north of court house.

14. Stockholders of Pochnock Turnpike Company met at house of Nicholas Ryerson, Vernon.

23. County hotel sold by Mackery executors. Purchased by Samuel R. Bach, and his ad appears under date of July 26th.

29. Bible Society met at Newton.

JUNE.

4. First regiment, Hiram Munson, colonel, met at B. T. Hunt's, Newton.

7. Sussex Bank elects eleven directors.

16. Meeting held at house of Peter Decker, Deckertown, to make arrangements for celebration on July 4th. It was generally understood that the celebrations should alternate between Newton and Deckertown. Committees were appointed, Major Ruben F. Randolph elected as officer of day, but further notice is impossible, as papers are missing from June 16th to September 1st.

24. Harmony Lodge, No. 8, observed St. John's Day at Newton, with sermon, etc.

AUGUST.

6. Selden T. Meacham's death occurred during summer, as Nathan T. Meacham advertises as administrator and surviving partner.

8. An extremely hot Friday throughout the whole country.

18. George W. Richards opens chair shop on present site of Woodward's store.

SEPTEMBER.

1. A lengthy communication says Hackettstown was originally of little importance, and was known as Crow Valley. The landlord did not like the name, and asked citizens to meet and make a change. There was inability to agree, when Mr. Hackett proposed that it be named for the man who would give the most cider-spirits to the landlord. There was a nearly unanimous vote in favor of this plan, and then the venerable old man said he was greatly desirous of fame, and would give one hog-head of spirits. There were none able to give more and Mr. Hackett received the honor—hence Hackettstown.

1. Canal survey reached Andersonstown; at Hackettstown the level was as high as the steeple of that town.

Jonathan Owen opens cupola furnace for castings.

5. Hiram and Charles Munson dissolve partnership at Lockwood.

5. Death of William Little, Jr., postmaster at Hackettstown.

6. Married, William McClintock to Ann Caffrey, by Rev. Noah Crane.

11. Preliminary survey for Morris canal completed. Secretary of War Calhoun instructs U. S. engineers Gen. Bernard and Col. Totten to come from Lake Erie canal and inspect the new route.

11. Married, Noah King to Catharine McMurtrie, by R. V. J. L. Shafer.

15. Seed wheat \$1.50 per bushel.

17. H. Jones opens an evening school.

25. Married, Charles L. Sullivan to Mrs. Polly Myers, by John Loder, Esq.

30. Jesse Johnson postmaster at Hackettstown.

OCTOBER.

1. Robert Kilcore's paper route in Warrage discontinued on account of his illness.

1. Physicians met at Rorhach's hotel Newton, to elect delegates to State Society.

1. John McCarter postmaster at Sparta. John Gustin postmaster at Augusta.

2. Daniel Harker furnished board for Sussex people and stabling for horses at 214 Washington street, near Hoboken ferry.

7. Charles S. Robeson to Ann D. Sherred, by Rev. Mr. Sloan.

5. Nehemiah Oshorn begins furniture business in shop opposite Allason's tavern.

6. Editor has been away for three weeks and apologizes for errors and omissions.

1. Married, William Stroud to Mary P. Robeson, by George King, Esq.

12. Philip Stickles to Nancy Nixon, by Slim on Hayward, Esq.

14. 15. General election. Total vote 3,725. Total, polled 459 votes, which was the Times. Cy. Ryerson defeated for Council, by 25 majority for Jacob S. Thompson. New-largst number in any of the fifteen townships, Hardwick came next, with 414. The existing townships were Newton, Hardwick, Knowlton, Oxford, Greenwich, Mansfield, Independence, Byram, Hardyston, Vernon, Frankford, Wantage, Montague, Sandyston, Walpack. V. Moore, Sheriff, had all the votes cast in the county except three.

17. Meeting at house of Samuel Decker, Deckertown, to consult in regard to a proposed canal to commence at Columbia, on the Delaware, thence along the Paulinskill to Augusta, and thence across the "Peppercorn" creek and the Walkkill to the New York State line and thence to the Hudson river. Committee appointed to meet at other from Orange county. John Gustin, chairman; E. A. Sayre, secretary.

23. Married, James Albertson to Catharine Garner, by Rev. Clark on Duun.

Married, Richard Shackleton to Mary Gwinup, by same.

24. Orange canal committee appointed at Goshen to meet Sussex committee at Deckertown, Nov. 18.

27. Sussex canal committee met at court house, Newton.

27. General convention of the Protestant Episcopal church of New Jersey reports 13 clergymen, the bishop, 9 presbyters and 3 deacons. There were 25 congregations, 18 of which had regular services; the remainder occasional services by missionaries. "Number of churches 25, and a new one, of considerable size, constructed of stone, is nearly finished in Newton, Sussex county, in which place no Episcopal church has ever before been erected."

Sussex Canal committee met at Newton, and appointed sub-committee to examine as to the quantity of water that could be brought to the use of the proposed canal; to meet the Orange county committee, and to apply for an act of the Legislature.

Twentieth paper in New Jersey—the Somerville Messenger, published by Gore & Hull.

10. Easton prices: Wheat flour \$6.75 per barrel, rye, \$3.00, butter 10c lb; eggs, 5c, d. z. n; rye whiskey, 33c. gallon; apple whiskey, 25c. gallon.

NOVEMBER.

Papers that should contain account of the fair held at Hope, on Nov. 5, are missing.

8. Samuel Baldwin, aged 50, died in Debtor's apartment of Sussex jail. A coroner's jury decided that he had received all attention and kindness. This and the previous death of another debtor in the overcrowded jail at Morristown created renewed outcry for the repeal of the law which huddled dozens of unfortunate men in confinement for the crime of being in debt. They slept on straw on the floors like cattle.

19. Legislature decides again that it is inexpedient to divide Sussex county.

18. Canal committee met at Goshen, and declared in favor of the project. Dr. Seward was chairman; and Peter B. Shafer, of Sussex, secretary. The fall on the whole route was stated to be 700 feet; 300 from the summit to the Delaware, and 400 feet to the Hudson.

19. Consecration of Christ church, Newton, by Right Rev. Bishop Croes.

John H. Stephens and P. Alling, Newark, want Sussex pork.

[We are compelled to hold over until next week the remainder of the record of 1823, which includes the premiums awarded at the fair held at Hope.]

1823.

[CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK.]

24. Premiums announced of the Agricultural fair held at Hope, Nov. 5, as follows:

Robert A. Linn, best 5 acres of wheat, 30½ bus. per acre; first and second premiums.

Charles S. and William B. Robeson, best acre of corn, 164 bus. of ears.

Nathan Hoagland, best acre of potatoes, Robert A. Linn, best acre of barley, 33½ bushels.

Walter L. Shee, best bull; Peter Angle, best four ewes (no competition). Mr. Shee donated his premium. In domestic manufacture there was considerable competition. Premiums were awarded to Miss Warbasse for best piece of bleached linen; Miss Elizabeth Shafer, of Johnsonburg, exhibited a very handsome piece of linen, but the committee did not award the premium to her, because it was "too much like lawn." Neither would they allow the second premium to go to William Hankinson, because the exhibitor was not "a lady." John Vanderen took premium on fulled cloth, but he had no competitor; best pair stockings, Miss Charlotte W. Dey; Miss Margaret Shafer and Miss Mary Ann Cox deserved premiums for same; best piece of carpeting, Mrs. Robeson, Oxford Furnace; Mrs. Johnson, Oxford, a new kind of carpeting, well worthy of notice; Mrs. Sarah Shafer could not get second prize because there was no second best. Miss Mary Robeson, a daughter of John Robeson, exhibited a very superior grass hat, about equal to No. 34 Leghorn manufacture, and was awarded a special premium of \$3. She had never seen anything of the kind made, nor ever heard of directions for uniting the platts together. Wm. Robeson exhibited three barrels of wine, very fine, made from frost grapes and currants. James VanSickle had three firkins of superior butter, but drew no premium as he had no competition. The Treasurer resigned, and R. A. Linn was appointed successor; other officers were re-elected, and the Society adjourned to hold the next fair at Samuel Decker's, Deckertown, November 3, 1824.

24. James S. Phillips and Garret Rosenkrans dissolve partnership.

23. Married, Daniel Phillips to Jane C. Coddington, by Rev. Asa Lyman.

23. Death of Thomas Lawrence, Hamburg, aged 73.

DECEMBER.

1. Cheap books and stationery sold at office of Dr. Stephen Hedges, fronting the green.

5. Coal advertised at Rix's Gap, on Milford and Owego turnpike, \$2.25 per ton.

15. Officers of Sussex Brigade met at Deckertown.

27. Married, Aaron Ockerman to Martha Mansfield, by Peter Whittaker, Esq.

1824.

JANUARY.

Post office established at Branchville, Bonnell M. Haggerty, postmaster.

22. David Brands to Sarah Boyles.

29. Married, Jonathan Demon to Hannah Vanauken, by John I. Rosenkrans, Esq.

## FEBRUARY.

1. Married, George Smith to Mary Struble, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

1. Death of Mary Baldwin, wife of Ezekiel Dennis, of typhus fever.

2. Freeholders ask bids for building stone bridges 20 feet in length over the Pequest, near Joseph Hill's, and at Capt. Potter's mill.

3. Married, Francis W. Meriam to Elizabeth Cory, by Rev. Noah Craue.

3. Married, Daniel VanBuskirk to Sarah Hoagland.

7. Married, Isaac Newton to Susan Blackwell, by Robert Thompson, Esq.

24. Zephaniah Luce, Joseph I. Roy, Miller Horton, Gould Phenny, S. P. Leonard and A. P. Childs announce a tri-weekly stage route from New York to Owego, via Newton and Milford, 34 miles nearer than any other route. Distance 176 miles; fare \$7.50.

23. Joseph Simonson, found dead near Vernon, having fallen down and perished from cold during the preceding night.

A colored man died at Hamburg from exposure, lying on the ground, intoxicated.

26. Dwelling of John Simpson, near Hamburg, burned.

28. George Walker to Clarissa King, by same.

Elias Carper to Clarissa Bailey, by Rev. John Hagans.

29. Death of Ephraim Green, founder of Greenville, aged 78.

## APRIL.

5. New York Legislative Committee makes favorable report on canal project, and states the consumption of Lehigh coal in New York city to be 120,000 tons per annum; the cost was \$14 per ton; the canal would enable it to be sold at half that sum. Bill was passed appropriating \$1,000 for survey of route.

19. Newton Rangers met for drill at Newton; Fifth Troop at W. S. Hibler's tavern; Sixth Troop at Deckertown.

27. Married, Dr. Stephen Hedges to Rachel Ann Baldwin, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

## MAY.

1. Miss Cornelia Halsey opens school for young misses at Newton, under care of Trustees of Newton Academy.

Vandals at some date have seriously mutilated files about this period, by cutting out advertisements from which it is only possible to secure local data. Anathemas will not restore them.

Allamuchy's post office was established during the period from Jan. 1, 1823, to April 1, 1824.

7. George W. Walker begins harness making and shoe making, near Ludlam's mills, Newton, (now Lafayette.)

Township officers are published in this issue, and though interesting as to names would require too much space.

8. Canal committee met at Goshen, and after transacting business, adjourned to meet at Deckertown, June 8th.

15. Daniel Haines, attorney-at-law, Hamburg, offers his professional services.

28. Phoenix Mill, Paterson, wants flax for cash.

27. Eighth annual meeting of Sussex Co. Bible Society, at Newton. Sermon by Rev. S. F. Leach.

## JUNE.

5. Benjamin Cridland & Co., Newton, announce that they have had the water in this neighborhood analyzed, and will begin brewing beer, porter and ale as soon as the weather will permit.

21. Justus and Noah King add leather store to their business.

## JULY.

5. Celebration at Hamburg. Daniel Haines, orator; Walter L. Shee, reader; Major Randolph, marshal.

Celebration at Hackettstown. William H. Sloan, orator; James Boyd, reader; Major Gustin, marshal.

## AUGUST.

9. John B. Johnson, aged 19, son of Samuel Johnson, of Newton, died of yellow fever, at New Orleans.

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20. Blair & Lawrence, Hope, use two whole columns to advertise their store business.

29. Charles C. Backster & Co. begin business at Lafayette.

## SEPTEMBER.

1. Married, George Adams to Nancy Strader, by Rev. John Hagans.

9. William Stoll, merchant, at Lafayette.

12. William Cortelyou and Walter W. Hart, clock and watch makers, separate and start business independently.

Daily stage route seems to have been started between New York and Buffalo, via Newton, Ithaca and Geneva, about January 31, 1825. The ad. is signed Joseph I. Roy, John Bunnell, Zephaniah Luce, Abraham Bray, Gould Phenny, S. Hemingway, Isaac Post, I. Mott and others, proprietors.

Entire office file from July 5, 1824, to September 12, 1825, is missing. Also the year 1826. However, from fragments and a badly mutilated file from the effects of the late P. Brittin, we are able to supply some facts, though mice and rats have made it a difficult task. It was in 1825 that Mr. Brittin first began to keep a file.

## NOVEMBER.

16. Charles VanSands cuts prices and puts in his wooden clock machinery, which was the wonder of that age.

20. Act passed setting off County of Warren from Sussex. Nathaniel Saxton, Thomas Gordon and Benjamin McConry were named as commissioners to fix boundary lines by May 1, 1825.

27. Married, Ephraim Green, Jr. to Catharine Ryerson, by Rev. Mr. Field.

## DECEMBER.

14. Rev. Clarkson Dunn, rector of Christ church, opens a select school at Newton.

21. Lyman Edwards made Major 1st battalion, 1st Reg't Sussex Brigade.

## 1825.

## JANUARY.

1. Married: William J. Williams to Mary Maine, by Aaron Decker, Esq.

4. Married: Daniel Wykoff to Hannah Vannest, by Rev. Jacob Castner.

5. Married: Charles C. Backster to Lucy Ann Price, by Rev. John Hagans.

8. Married: Phillip VanHorn to Elizabeth Hill, by Rev. Isaac Sergeant.

8. Married: Moses W. Northrup to Margaret Couse, by Rev. Nathaniel Conkling.

17. Mutilated sheet contains act for division of county, etc. Notice of meeting at Hackettstown, on January 20, to consider questions of county seat, and offer of two acres of land and \$5,000 in cash, by heirs of Oxford estate, if new county buildings are located at Oxford.

17. Citizens of Stanhope jubilate over passage of act to build Morris canal.

20. Belvidere Apollo started by George G. Sickles.

21. Ezekiel Dennis & Co., and Job S. Halsted have money to loan on bond and mortgage, from the city of New York.

24. One who feels the northwest winds through the casements of the Presbyterian Church, inquires about the subscriptions for a new building.

12. Married: William Grover to Nancy Southard, by Benj. Halsey, Esq.

13. Married: Peter W. Address to Sarah Skinner, by Rev. Mr. Campbell.

17. Married: Captain John Boss to Elizabeth Easton, by Rev. Mr. Crane.

25. Married: Andrew Dingman to Caroline E. Sayre, by Rev. Mr. Elting.

## FEBRUARY.

1. The editor's dwelling house and printing office (on site of present M. E. Church) is offered for sale.

7. Matthias Lane announces completion of his organ, with the assistance of John S. Cook. The instrument was 15 feet high, 8 feet long, and 4 feet deep; contained 300 pipes, the largest 9 feet long and 6 inches in diameter. It was a great work for a country mechanic, but Mr. Lane was a genius.

9. Married: Ezekiel Dennis to Mrs. Sarah B. Smith, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

9. Stoutenborough & Moore begin business in N. Pettit's storehouse.

9. Belmont Hall, Schooley's Mountain, offered for rent.

10. Married: C. R. Cunningham to Rachel Swayze, by Rev. Jehiel Talmage.

17. Zephaniah Luce missed pocket-book containing \$90: found empty book in green next morning, and desires the person who has the money to return it, so that he may pay a pressing debt.

## MARCH.

4. Trustees of Presbyterian Church, David Ryerson, president, advertise for proposals to construct a new church, 70x50 feet, and 30 feet high. Bidders to have privilege of using material in old church. The work to be plain, but substantial. Plans could be seen at Thomas Allason's until April 1.

An interesting contribution to this note has been given us by Robert H. Howell, who possesses by inheritance the original document, signed by David Ryerson, Benj. Halsey and Job S. Halsted, authorizing his father, Luther Howell, to collect the subscriptions for building the above church. It bears date May 8, 1825. The names and amounts subscribed follow:

Jacob Arvis.....	\$ 2 00
Nathan Armstrong.....	3 00
Mahlon Ayers.....	2 00
Thomas Allason.....	10 00
John Anderson.....	10 00
Joseph Allen.....	10 00
John Beach.....	5 00
Daniel Camp.....	5 00
John Couse.....	90 00
Abraham Course.....	10 00
William A. Baldwin.....	15 00
Peter Bell.....	15 00
James Brown.....	3 00
William Beach.....	30 00
James Bryan.....	50 00
Pettit Brittin.....	12 00
James Cassidy.....	125 00
William Couse.....	10 00
Isaac V. Course.....	35 00
Moses Case.....	10 00
Dennis Cochran.....	5 00
William Cortelyou.....	5 00
P. M. Case.....	2 00
Thomas Crane.....	10 00
John Cassidy.....	10 00
Lewis M. DeCamp.....	2 00
John Dill.....	50 00
Nathan Drake.....	10 00
Lyman Edwards.....	50 00
A Friend in New York.....	5 00
William Field.....	20 00
Daniel Griggs.....	35 00
Enos Groble.....	3 00
Daniel Haines.....	5 00
Lewis Howell.....	100 00
Susan Hutton.....	20 00
John H. Hall.....	30 00
Nathaniel Huston.....	3 00
David Chaudier.....	25 00
John Case.....	5 00
Elizabeth Course.....	15 00
Levi Clawson.....	5 00
John Couse, Jr.....	5 00
William Couse.....	5 00
Abraham Drake.....	10 00
Ann Demarest.....	5 00
Robert Ferral.....	5 00
Patrick Ferral.....	5 00
Ephraim Green.....	200 00
Joseph Greer.....	25 00
Alpheus Gustaf.....	25 00
Job S. Halsted.....	225 00
Benjamin Halsey.....	100 00
Luther Y. Howell.....	20 00
Stephen Hedges.....	15 00
Peter Hendershot.....	250 00
Abraham Hendershot.....	10 00
Isaac Hull.....	10 00
Henry J. Hankinson.....	10 00
Halsted & Haines.....	15 00
James Halsted.....	10 00
Lewis Hathaway.....	5 00
James Hagerman.....	2 00
Simoon Hankinson.....	5 00
Jonathan Hill.....	10 00
Abraham Hunt.....	50 00
John Johnson.....	140 00
Moses Jaques.....	40 00
Jason King.....	30 00
David Kerr.....	25 00
Martin Kishpaugh.....	5 00
Albert Kinney.....	4 00
Justus King.....	15 00
Ann Linn.....	10 00
John Hendershot.....	15 00
William Hunt.....	10 00
William Hildebrandt.....	10 00
John Haggerty.....	50 00
Job S. Halsted.....	10 00
Catharine Hibler.....	5 00
Nathaniel Hunt.....	8 00
Sarah Huston.....	6 00
Uzal C. Haggerty.....	10 00
Abraham Hoff.....	3 00
John A. Johnson.....	5 00
Wm. H. Johnson.....	10 00
David King.....	55 00
Abraham Kirkoff.....	5 00
John Kinney.....	15 00
Thomas Kays.....	10 00
Samuel Lane.....	5 00
Anthony Longcor.....	20 00
James Ludlam.....	25 00
Cornelius Lane & Bros.....	15 00
McCarters.....	10 00
Joseph Y. Miller.....	80 00
Bathsheba Moore.....	30 00
Mary I. Mills.....	10 00
Robert Mills.....	5 00
Charles McIntire.....	50 00
Joseph Manning.....	10 00
Daniel S. McCarter.....	5 00
Eben Owen.....	5 00
Sarah Pemberton.....	20 00
James Primrose.....	10 00
John Potter.....	20 00
Daniel Proctor.....	10 00

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David Ryerson.....	200 00
Thomas Ryerson.....	225 00
Jacob Roof.....	10 00
Michael Roof.....	10 00
Stephen Roy.....	2 00
Jacob Lamb.....	10 00
Samuel R. Morford.....	150 00
Richard D. Morris.....	25 00
Jacob Merrin.....	2 00
William Mattison.....	15 00
Hannah M. Mills.....	5 00
Thomas McIntire.....	15 00
James McCarter.....	25 00
Peter Merkel.....	25 00
John Mattison.....	10 00
John Onsted.....	5 00
John Pugh.....	5 00
Samuel Price.....	4 00
Nathan Potter.....	5 00
John Quackenbush.....	6 00
John Rorbach.....	50 00
Samuel Rorbach.....	10 00
Christopher Roof.....	10 00
Joseph Randle.....	3 00
Stephen Rose.....	10 00
Joseph L. Shafer.....	75 00
Edward Stewart.....	5 00
William Snook.....	5 00
John Savacool.....	50 00
John Struble, Sr.....	7 00
Isaac Smith.....	50 00
Adam Simmons.....	5 00
John Snook.....	20 00
Manus Space.....	10 00
Wm. C. Snook.....	20 00
John Strader.....	3 00
Thomas Teasdale.....	20 00
John VanDoren.....	100 00
John Vanness.....	5 00
James VanSickle.....	50 00
George Walker.....	5 00
Obed Wilson.....	5 00
Peter Wintermute.....	5 00
Joseph Warbasse.....	8 00
Philip Stickles.....	7 00
Joseph South.....	5 00
Sarah Smith.....	20 00
Isaac Struble.....	7 00
John Struble, Jr.....	5 00
Ira Swayze.....	2 50
John Stuart.....	10 00
Anthony Shooman.....	10 00
Daniel Stickles.....	3 00
John Stiger.....	25 00
John Trusdell.....	10 00
Nathan Taylor.....	10 00
VanDoren & Longstreet.....	75 00
Noah Vail.....	5 00
Abraham Vilet.....	5 00
Stephen Wood.....	5 00
Isaac H. Williamson.....	5 00
Isaac Wintermute.....	2 00
Silas Young.....	20 00

16. Book for stock of Morris Canal and Banking Company opened at Morristown. Then postponed to April 26, on account of defective legal advertising. More money had been deposited than the estimate for construction of canal, and large sums were in the hands of individuals.

24. Married: Joseph Kerr to Amelia F. Swayze, by Rev. B. I. Lowe.

16. Meeting at B. M. Haggerty's, Frankford, to promote building of Lackawaxen and Hudson canal from Sawmill Rift along the Delaware through to Culver's Gap, and thence to the "Pepocotton," etc.

3. Married: Aaron N. Decker to Rhoda Dunn, by Rev. James M. Lowren.

19. Dr. Francis Moran removes to Newton, and hangs out his sign at house of Charles Van Sands.

12. Grant Fitch and ten others offer the Moravian meeting house at Hope, with \$1,000 in cash, if the new county buildings are located at Hope. The structure is fully described, with a deed from Abraham Levering and wife, of Lancaster, Pa., conveying the same, in the event of said location.

Papers filled with communications pressing Hope and Belvidere as county seat of Warren.

24. Married: Archibald Drake to Sarah Cary, by Rev. Clarkson Dunn.

12. Married: Casper Snook to Barbary Simmons, by Benj. Halsey, E-q.

23. Married: Henry W. Owen to Arminda Oldfield, by Rev. Mr. Timlow.

For several months there was published a summary of domestic news, that seems to have crowded out any events of local interest.

## APRIL.

1. William Beach and William Hunt dissolve partnership, the latter continuing business "in the shop between the Cross-Keys tavern and the bank in Newton." (This is the first mention of such a tavern, and probably occupied the present site of the Hoppaugh House.)

18. Sussex militia met for drill. Daniel S. McCarter was orderly sergeant of Newton Rangers.

7. Married: Edward Servis to Nancy Phillips, by Rev. N. Conklin.

12. Married: William Struble to Anna Hamler, by Benj. Halsey, Esq.

14. Married: Tunis Allen to Sarah M. Goble, by Rev. Jebiel Talmage.

Lyman Edwards signs as Major of first battalion.

19-20. Township elections.

Election held to decide county seat for Warren. Belvidere won "by upwards of 300 votes, more than half the total polled."

28. Married: David King to Sarah Luce, by Rev. C. Dunn.

25. Death of Benjamin Cridland, brewer, at Newton; a native of England, aged 40.

21. Elizabeth Duckworth, aged 20, burned to death in Greenwich twp.

## MAY.

1. REGISTER office removed to where it was three years ago, opp. Job Halsted's law office. (Corner of Division street.)

Post office established at Beemerville; Jacob H. Beemer, postmaster.

Samuel Dilts, Knowlton, hung himself with his plow lines.

9. Bridgeman Marsh and Jesse Fletcher begin business in Edsall storehouse, Hamburg.

3. Phillip Morgan, Nathaniel Rawson and John Mall give notice of classes in clam business, at Elizabethtown.

25. Grant Fitch offers at auction his brick store and the brick front building formerly occupied by Sussex Bank. (The latter was on the site of the Sheppard or Miller building.) Adjourned to June 1.

12. Thomas C. Ryerson, Thomas Teasdale, Jr., and Samuel Davis, as agents of the Board of Freeholders, advertise for proposals for erecting a fire-proof Surrogate's office in Newton: 23 feet long, 18 feet wide, and walls 18 feet high exclusive of gables. A vault 5½ feet wide the whole depth of the building, and 6 feet high from the floor. The whole to be covered with shingles three inches thick. (This was described in Edsall's Centennial address as "that long, low, rakish-looking building, driven end-foremost into the Newton green, whose designer is unknown, and never should be.") The building was evidently joined to the Clerk's office, if we remember rightly.

23. Rebecca Spice, milliner, east side of green, is up to that date in advertising.

12. Morris canal surveyors began staking ground from the Summit level eastward.

20. Commissioners select four acres of ground in a field owned by Garret D. Wall, at Belvidere, for site of county building.

Financial panic in country.

New York prices change continually: Wheat, \$1; rye, 50c; corn, 50c; butter, 25c; at Albany, 14c.

26. Bible Society met at Newton.

28. Ezekiel Dennis and David King enter in business partnership, in store next to Court House.

25. Grand jury, David Ford, foreman; make presentment against a growin' evil of granting tavern licenses to improper persons.

30. Trustees of First Presbyterian congregation of Frankford give notice that they are legally authorized to build a fence around the grave yard near the Methodist meeting house in said township.

Married: William P. Robeson to Anna Maria Maxwell, by Rev. J. R. Castner.

27. Baleville woolen factory to be run under the firm name of Andrew Havens, James Bale and Brothers.

## JUNE.

11. Orange and Sussex canal commissioners meet at Goshen.

14. Warren County Bible Society held first meeting in Greenwich Church.

24. Olive Branch Lodge, No. 16, observes St. John's Day at Phillipsburg.

21. Books opened for stock to bridge across Delaware at Milford.

13. A. C. Potwine goes to New York to remain as buyer of goods for store in Newton. The firm has engaged William Knapp to make morocco shoes, and the drugs and medicines sold are inspected by Dr. Hedges.

15. Married: Dr. John B. Beach to Eveline Armstrong, by Rev. N. Conklin.

20. Announcement of preparation for a 4th of July celebration at Newton, but it must have miscarried; no further notice

appearing, the issue of June 29 being missing.

## JULY.

8. General Davey invites Brigade, Staff and Commissioned Officers of adjacent commands to visit Morristown, July 14, in honor of a visit by Gen. Lafayette, who had encamped there during the hard winter of 1780.

8. Evi A. Sayre, attorney at law and late member of the Legislature, died at Sandyston, aged 36 years.

4. William Dever, a native of Ireland, drowned in Hardyston township.

3. John Goble found dead in Sandyston, one mile from Milford, having fallen upon a sharp stone in the road, while intoxicated.

11. Death of Jesse Johnson, postmaster at Hackettstown.

10, 12, 13. Three days of extreme heat; mercury 98° to 101° in shade at Trenton. Many deaths throughout the country. Fish died in ponds. Corn was not half a crop, owing to the drouth.

## AUGUST.

10. Corner stone laid of Warren County Court House. Main structure of brick, 40x60 feet, with additions for offices.

8. Post office established at Allamuchy, Oscar Pillet, postmaster. It is added that "it was where Joseph Demund formerly lived, and was then called Milton." There also was a place in Wantage called Milton.

20. Charles F. Lineback appointed postmaster at Hackettstown.

Ephraim Green, Jr., publishes card declining reappointment as County Clerk.

John I. Blair and his partner, Lawrence, in business at Hope, were generous advertisers, and the prices quoted on 200 or 300 articles would be interesting as compared with figures of present day. Mackerel were then sold at \$5 per bbl. for No. 2; mess shad, \$8 per bbl.; plaster, \$11 per ton; sugar, \$8@10c.; molasses, 2s. 6d. to 3s.; tea, 30c. to \$1.20.

30. Married: John Dill to Susan Griggs, by Rev. Jos. L. Shafer.

3. Married: Dr. Francis Moran to Mrs. Mary Smith, by Rev. Mr. Banghart.

## SEPTEMBER.

2. George H. McCarter removes store and post office to south corner of green (Col. Fitch building.)

19. Dr. J. T. Sharp publishes professional card; office adjacent to that of Alpheus Gustin, E-q., in house of Samuel Rorbach.

3. Married: Robert Mathis to Eliza Perry, by Rev. John Hagans.

23. Dr. Francis Moran removes office to the "white house on the northeast side of the Newton green, opp. end of Clerk's and Surrogate's offices." Also publishes testimonials from Dr. James P. Young, of Warwick, and Dr. David Hosach, of the University of New York, testifying to ability and proficiency.

21. Marsh & Fletcher, Hamburg, dissolve partnership.

26. A. C. Potwine withdraws from firm of Potwine & Co.; business continued by John S. Potwine.

21. Married: Jacob H. Beemer to Zilla Adams, by Rev. John Higgins.

26. Married: Henry M. Barkman to Sarah Sickels, by Rev. Mr. Campbell.

## OCTOBER.

11-12. First general election after division of county. Thomas C. Ryerson was opposed because it was rumored he was unfriendly to the Orange and Sussex canal, but received 1,567 votes to 637 for John Gustin and 429 for Walter L. Shee. Total vote in county, 2,643.

10. Death of Peter Space, Newton, aged 97.

1. Married: Dr. E. L'Homedieu to Cornelia Denton, by Rev. Mr. Thomas.

19. Married: John A. Johnson to Lydia Drake, by Rev. Joseph L. Shafer.

20. Moore Firman to Sally Ann Beaver, by Rev. Jacob R. Castner.

22. Samuel Lane announces return to Newton and resumption of tailoring business next to Academy (site of M. P. Tully's house.)

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21. Legislature appointed David D. Chandler Clerk of Sussex county.

17. One inch added to length of REGISTER'S columns and new style heading appears.

26. First boat started on Erie canal. The news communicated by continuous salutes from cannon at points between N. York harbor and Buffalo.

25. Married: Azariah Lewis to Sarah Clay, by Rev. John Hazan.

20. Married: Sampson Albertson to Abigail Coursen, by Rev. David Bartine.

## NOVEMBER.

5. Married: George Hiles to Ann Haggerty, by same.

7. Dr. David Green, Johnsonsburg, announces that he relinquished his practice on Sept. 20 to Dr. R. Bryington, and intends to engage in drug business in New York city.

8. Richard Westbrook, Wantage, offers a reward for a stranger who bought of him six firkins of butter, amounting to \$95; also two firkins and two tubs from a neighbor, and paid for all in counterfeit money.

10. Married: Samuel B. Kitchell to Harriet Williams, by Rev. J. R. Castner.

12. Married: George Vance to Susan Schooley, by Thomas Kays, Esq.

17. Married: John Crate to Desire Brown, by Rev. Benj. I. Lowe.

Enoch Thatcher, of Greenville, raised from  $6\frac{1}{2}$  acres of ground,  $279\frac{3}{4}$  bushels of buckwheat, an average of 43 bushels per acre.

11. Contract for building Milford bridge, supposed to be 360 feet in length, advertised to be awarded December 12. The bridge to have one pier, sunk 12 feet below low water.

Grand Jury for November term, Robert A. Linn, clerk, makes presentment against horse racing, as contrary to law and good morals; increased intemperance, quarreling, gambling and passing of counterfeit money.

## DECEMBER.

8. Dwelling of Nathan Potter, Newton township, burned with its contents; cause, stove pipe passing through floor and roof.

12. M. Salmon opens a millinery store.

David Kerr, Jr., and John J. VanDeren form partnership in hatting business, and remove to "white house, between Major Anderson's office and the brick store house, on south corner of green."

Richard Westbrook announces that he has received the value of the butter he lost last month, and therefore will not pay the reward offered.

8. Miss Bower assumes charge of the education of young misses in Newton Academy.

17. Stoutenborough & Moore say they will cease business on Dec. 24.

10. Married: Isaac Fulford to Sally Reamer, by Peter Merkel, Esq.

Engineers of Morris canal decide that the best route is through Boonton, as it would cost \$130,000 more to take the Morristown route.

16. "Public Interest" writes to know what would become of Newton if a fire should break out, as the buildings were chiefly wooden. A great gale of wind suggests to him that a fire engine would be exceedingly useful and not expensive if every member of the community will contribute in proportion.

21. George H. McCarter announces return to old stand, which has been altered and enlarged.

19. D. Green, secretary, gives notice that officers of Grand Lodge will meet on Jan. 4, 1826, at the house of Morris Sharp, to consecrate Corinthian Lodge, No. 51, A. F. & A. M.

20. A son of Joseph Lord, of Hunterdon county, killed near Hackettstown by a cave of earth, while working on Morris canal.

"A gentleman from Sussex" went to Newark, with three trunks, which were left in the hall of Bolle's tavern. He took the precaution to take from one trunk

\$14,000, leaving, however, in another \$250 in a letter which had been opened. This trunk was stolen, and although the thief left it back of Mr. Bolles' barn, after opening several sealed letters, he took nothing but two shirts, having missed seeing a \$20 bill protruding from the end of the broken letter.

24. Married: Jacob Sutton to Theresa Cox, by Rev. Mr. Sedan.

## 1826.

## JANUARY.

5. Death of Capt. Henry Johnson, aged 90, at Frankford, a survivor of the Revolutionary war, and one of the founders of the Pre-byterian Church, at Newton, and one of its first elders.

Married: Robert S. Kennedy to Catharine S. Strader, by R-v. Jacob R. Castner.

Robert C. Denman finds silver ore near Johnsonsburg.

21. Married: Charles Munson to Jane S. Grover, by Rev. Mr. Kanouse.

21. A man calling himself Edward Anderson, of Bucks county, apprehended at Columbia, on suspicion of being the murderer of Miss Cunningham, of Cecil Co., Md., and committed to jail in Newton by Justice Salade. His bundle contained fine clothing and a gold watch. Two axes he carried were claimed by Samuel Wills, of Stanhope. He was released about February 27, having proved that he was in Philadelphia at the time of the murder.

24. Edward Stewart, Newton, lost pocket book with \$96 in money; pocket book found in road next day, but money missing. (Such occurrences seem to have been frequent.)

28. George W. Richards removes spinning wheel and chair factory to house adjoining Charles VanSand's shop.

## FEBRUARY.

1. Said to be the coldest day ever known,  $40^{\circ}$  below zero at Malone, N. Y., and called "the cold Wednesday."

4. Married: Isaac Shiner, Jr., to Ellen Armstrong, by Rev. Jos. L. Shafer.

7. Married: John Snook to Eunice Primrose, by R-v. N. Conkling.

13. The Band attached to Newton Rangers was asked to meet at Thomas Allison's. Three or four instruments were vacant. (This is the first mention of such an organization.)

14. Death of Robert Ogden, Esq., Hamburg, aged 80.

Law protecting rabbits, quail, grouse and pheasants between February 1 and September, had expired, and "A Farmer" wishes the law renewed. The penalty was \$2 for each bird shot out of season.

20. Stockholders interested in revival of Newton Library requested to meet at Rorbach's hotel, Feb. 27.

23. Married: Thomas Hazen to Amelia Coryell, by Rev. Joseph Campbell.

27. Citizens met to reorganize Library Association. Stock fixed at \$3 per share. Thomas C. Ryerson appointed Librarian and Messrs. J. Johnson, J. S. Halsted, D. Ryerson, E. Dennis and T. C. Ryerson named as a committee to gather up the books which were scattered through the county. Adjourned to March 13.

## MARCH.

10. William Snook, J. B. Beach and Henry Couse, Trustees, advertise for bids to erect a meeting house at Augusta.

Orange and Sussex canal denied a charter for banking privilege, by N. Y. Legislature.

Edward Anderson, who was confined in Newton jail on suspicion of murder, arrested again at Elkton, Md., and recognized as an old convict; but was in penitentiary at time of murder. He was brazen, and threatened suit for \$5,000 damages, until the high constable recognized him.

19. Married: Joseph W. Kerr to Cornelia Bray, by Rev. Jacob J. Schultz.

20. Gustin & Lewis dissolve partnership at Augusta.

22. Married: Henry Demerest to Mary Bross, by Rev. N. Conkling.

27. Citizens requested to meet at Samuel Rorbach's to devise measures for repairing the Academy in this place. Subscribers to Library requested to meet at same time and place.

## APRIL.

1. Post office established at Lafayette, Jonathan Owen, postmaster. The place was formerly known as Price's mills, and more recently Ludlam's mills.

Lewis Hathaway takes cooper shop of his brother, Elias Hathaway, northeast of Court House, on Deckertown turnpike.

7. Robert and George H. McCarter form business partnership.

17. Sussex militiamen met for drill.

18. Female Education Society of Newton met in Presbyterian Church.

21. John H. Hall, Benj. L. McCarter and Wm. T. Anderson all repairs of Newton Academy to lowest bidder. Sum to be expended, \$250 to \$300, and Trustees bind themselves to pay the contractor.

## MAY.

2. H. W. Hunt, Jr., opens school at Schooley's Mountain.

Under order of Brig. Gen. B. Hamilton, the 3d regiment, Col. Rosenkrans met for drill on June 5; the 2d regiment, Col. Edsall, on June 6; the 1st regiment, Col. Munson, at Newton, on June 7, and the Independent Battalion, Major Shafer, on June 8.

16. Sussex and Orange canal commissioners met at Deckertown.

W. S. Johnson, secretary, makes lengthy report of Tract Society.

18. Married: William H. Hazen to Ann Mattison, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

20. Sussex Squadron met at Drake's tavern for pistol and sabre exercise.

23. George W. Richards removes to shop formerly occupied by Major Lyman Edwards.

24. Bible Society met at Newton.

29. John Shay, Sandyston, shears 9 lbs. 10 oz wool from a yearling lamb.

31. Married: Allen Coursen to Phebe Roy, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

## JUNE.

1. James Sears, aged 17, sentenced to solitary confinement in State Prison for six months for stoning house of Squire Morrow, at Sparta.

The selections for outside pages of THE REGISTER show more taste and variety.

3. Married: Major Joseph Northrup to Jane E. Beekman, by Rev. Mr. Campbell.

If advertisements of horses are any criterion, Sussex was horse crazy about this period.

3. Married: Cornelius Mucklow to Phebe Hglin, by Rev. Mr. Fletcher.

5. Proposals invited for publishing a weekly paper at Milford, Pa., to be known as The Delaware Democrat and Pike and Wayne Advertiser, there then being no paper published in either Pike or Wayne counties. S. D. Lewis and B. A. Billach, proprietors, and to be started when sufficient subscribers were obtained. Seventeen year locusts appear.

12. Rye and corn, 6s. 9d.; wheat, 7s. 6d.; oats, 4s. 3d., in trade.

15. Married: Joseph Ogden to Mrs. Elsey Johnson, by Rev. Jos. L. Shafer.

17. Married: Henry Struble to Susan McAfee, by same.

23. Married: Joel Ingersoll to Lydia Ann Cox, by Rev. Thomas Teasdale.

24. Trustees of Newton Academy desire a teacher to begin work in September.

26. Company courts-martial throughout the State.

Joseph Chandler and G. H. McCarter ask assessors to assist them in an enumeration of deaf and dumb persons in the county.

## JULY.

1. Married: Nathaniel M. Pruden to Eliza Munson, by Rev. Peter Kanouse.

Married: Daniel Slate to Elizabeth Heudershot, by Benj. Halsey, Esq.

2. Married: Alexander H. Smith to Harriet L. Drake, by Rev. Clarkson Dunn.

3. N. Pettit offers his store house for rent, and will loan \$1,000 to the tenant.



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4. Fiftieth anniversary of American independence celebrated at Newton. Robert W. Halsted, orator; Whitfield S. Johnson, reader; Lyman Edwards, marshal; John S. Cook, in charge of vocal and instrumental music. It being Jubilee Year, the celebrations throughout the country were on a grander scale than ever before, and the description of Newton's celebration, in the issue of July 10, is the first piece of elaborate local that we have noticed.

10. News reaches Newton of death of Thomas Jefferson on July 4.

The death of ex-President Adams was also announced in this issue, but it was not until the issue of July 17 that THE REGISTER appeared with inverted rules and a mourning border.

17. Mail to be carried hereafter to Deckertown on Mondays, via Augusta, Courserville and Bemetsville.

18. Berrit Havens, Wantage, desires to sell a black woman, with or without her two-year old male child.

20. A teacher of English wanted at Sparta to take charge of about forty scholars.

28. "Citizen" desires to know what has become of the report of the engineer who was paid to survey the Sussex canal.

## AUGUST.

10. E. Green, Jr., and Michael McMahon dissolve partnership at Deckertown, the latter continuing the business.

24. Camp meeting at head of Great Meadows.

26. Notice appears that the school from the Academy is continued directly opp. Episcopal Church by John S. Cook.

27. Married: Jesse Strong to Mary Northrup, by Rev. C. Dunn.

## SEPTEMBER.

3. Married: Charles West to Ann Perry, by Vautile Coursen, E-q.

12. "A Stockholder" praises the work of Wheat & Fields, builders of the Milford bridge, and says it will soon be completed.

14. Married: Adger S. Curtis to Catharine Ann Wright, by Thomas McIntire, Esq.

16. Married: Joseph Headden to Elizabeth Adams, by same.

30. "Governor Clinton, of New York, dined in this town, on his return from an exploration of the route of the contemplated Sussex and Orange canal."

Married: Peter Ketcham to Ellen Conkleton, by Rev. N. Conkling.

## OCTOBER.

14. Married: Charles Rhodes, the 4th, to Sarah Lewis, by Rev. C. Dunn.

16. Result of Sussex election printed. Total poll, 1,469, divided among eleven candidates for Congress; average majority for Jackson ticket, 217. Warr county showed 315 majority for same ticket.

21. Married: John Hiles to Maria Seward, by same.

Married: John J. Ayers to Sally Stiles, by Rev. Mr. Kanouse.

27. Meeker Miller, skilled millwright, offers his services at Hamburg.

## NOVEMBER.

2. Married: Lewis Hathaway to Sarah Trusdell, by R-v. J. L. Shafer.

7. Semi-annual meeting of Managers of Bible Society, at Frankford Methodist Church.

13. Joseph Beemer, Wantage, aged 50, hangs himself.

13. Charles Crowell opens chair shop next door to Charles VanSand's shop.

14. E. Green, Jr., rents tan yard of Matthias F. Baldwin, in Newton.

17. Milford bridge nearly completed and toll taking begins. Cost of bridge, \$16,000. Composed of two arches of 180 feet each; width, 38 feet.

25. Married: Ralph Ackerson to Betsy Ackerson, by Rev. B. Collins.

Married: Samuel Cole to Mary Decker, by Rev. C. C. Eiting.

27. C. D. Colden, president of Morris Canal Co., offers \$200 for the best model of passing canal boats from one level to another.

29. Powles Hook Ferry is advertised plying between Jersey City and Cortlandt street. Boats have copper boilers and run every fifteen minutes.

## DECEMBER.

21. Death of Benj. L. McCarter, aged 32, late instructor of the Newton Academy.

Sarcastic communications appear referring to noise made by school children during recess.

12. Married: Daniel Trimmer to Charity Gulick, by Rev. Joseph Campbell.

16. Married: Benjamin Carpenter to Catharine Westbrook, by Rev. C. C. Eiting. At the same time and place, by the same, John Hornbeck to Mary Westbrook.

23. Dennis & King dissolve partnership.

25. Act defining the boundaries of Wantage and Frankford, passed Nov. 6, printed.

18. Brigade Board met at house of Francis Hamilton, Hamburg.

B-c-f hides 5c. per pound at tannery of E. Green, Jr.

## 1827.

## JANUARY.

1. David King, "ever grateful," resumes business on his own account in store lately occupied by Dennis & King.

2. Married: Robert L. Smith to Mary Northrup, by Rev. C. Dunn.

To preserve and protect quail, Wm. T. Anderson offers six cents apiece for live birds. The winter had been so severe as to destroy whole flocks.

6. Obadiah Pellet, Wm. C. Pellet and Jonathan Whittaker, doing business in Frankford and Wantage, dissolve, and the firm name is changed to O. Pellet and Whittaker.

10. Married: Alpheus Gustin to Ann Hathorn, by R. v. J. L. Shafer.

13. Married: Ephraim G. Coursen to Sarah G. Shafer, by Rev. B. I. Lowe.

18. Married: Frederick Bunn, Jr., to Catharine McCoy, by Rev. Mr. Conkling.

20. Wm. A. Baldwin & Co., tanners, dissolve partnership; business continued.

15-21. Records from Albany, Hartford, etc., show the week to have been the coldest since 1818. Two columns are devoted to accounts of severe cold and deep snows in various parts of the country.

29. Publication of act providing for more care in arrest of persons charged with being fugitive slaves; passed Dec. 26, 1826. It was the entering wedge for freedom.

## FEBRUARY.

1. Major Francis Donlevy is made attorney to settle accounts of late firm of Rosenkrans & Phillips.

3. Meeting at hotel of Horace Vibbert, Deckertown, to form association to prevent theft of horses in townships of Vernon, Wantage, Hardyston and Frankford.

6. Married: Simeon Hayward to Sarah Hinds, by James Hilt, E-q.

10. First company, Sussex squadron, met at hotel of Wm. S. Hibler to elect lieutenant to fill vacancy made by resignation of Benjamin Quick. Joseph Northrup, Jr., was Major.

10. Thomas P. Hunt, at Rocksbury, in Green township, desires to draw his business in less compass and will rent his fulling mill and distillery.

12. Mr. Archbald and daughter, aged 7, gave readings and recitations at Mr. King's hotel, Newton.

17. Married: Nathaniel Hart to Mary Ann Cox, by Rev. Mr. Crane.

18. Death of wife of Rev. Joseph Campbell, at Hackettstown, aged 52.

19. "For the honor of our county, we are requested to state that the Sussex jail is now empty, and has had neither criminal nor debtor confined within its walls for the last three weeks."

21. John Johnson wishes to rent the large store opp. the Academy.

23. Philip Crammer, aged 67, of Newton township, stricken with death while trimming a tree in the road, in company with his son.

26. Daniel Haines, Hamburg, offers Snufftown hotel for rent.

## MARCH.

2. Bathsheba Moore offers 100 bus. each of corn at five shillings and oats at three shillings and three pence.

10. Major Wm. L. Smith held election at Drake's tavern for Captain of Newton Rangers, and the Band connected with said company was requested to meet with their instruments and books. Also, an election on March 17, for Captain of first Independent Rifle Company, at Hibler's tavern. Also, on March 31, for Captain of Washington Blues, at A. Lawrence's hotel, Byram.

10. Married: Henry Hart to Sarah Morrow, by R-v. J. L. Shafer.

Married: Robert P. Opdyke to Catharine Washer, by the same and on the same evening.

12. Drake & Smith, contractors, offer employment to 100 young men to work on Morris canal during the summer.

19. Doctor Marshall offers his professional services to inhabitants of Newton, etc.; office formerly occupied by Dr. Sharp; and will keep a stock of drugs and medicines after April 1.

John and Robert Lewis, Wantage, dissolve partnership, and are succeeded by Wm. C. Pellet and Joseph M. Brown.

First appearance of Dennis Cochran's name, when he advertised a lost ledger.

23. Married: Col. Lyman Edwards to Elizabeth Smith, by R-v. J. L. Shafer.

23. Blackwell & McFarlan, proprietors of "Dover Works" (incorporated), advertise fifty building lots at Dover, through which the canal will pass.

24. Married: Robert Armstrong to Miss Pettit, by R-v. N. Conkling.

25. Robeson's grist mill, at Oxford, burned.

26. Charles Rhodes, the 4th, advertises conveyancing and surveying; office at Surrogate's office.

26. Barn of Nicholas Ryerson, Vernon, burned, with adjacent buildings, and 11 good horses. A neighbor committed to Newton jail, charged with having caused the fire.

27. Seth Chamberlain died at house of Garret VanBlarcom, Hardyston, from excessive drinking of whiskey the previous night.

## APRIL.

9. Thomas Allason takes "Sussex County Hotel," lately run by Samuel Rybach.

10. Owen Hughes, weaver, establishes himself near Yellow Frame meeting house.

16. The school for girls re-opens in upper room of Academy, under the care of Mrs. Phillips.

Peter Waldrof takes lower tavern (Phillips's), lately occupied by Thomas Allason.

13. Joseph Northrup & Son enter into partnership at Andover.

14, 16, 23. Days for military drill. First regiment and Capt. Pedmore's company met at Newton on 14th; Newton Rangers (W. S. Johnson, orderly sergeant) and Newton Artillery (George Vance, orderly sergeant) on 16th, and Second troop at E. Adams's, Deckertown, on 23d. First troop met at Hibler's tavern same day.

James Evans wanted a miller and blacksmith at "Aurelia village," in Wantage.

20. James Newman, secretary of Hope Lodge, No. 26, invites Sussex and Warren lodges to meet with them on St. John's Day.

23. H. W. VanDeren, W. R. Longstreet and J. J. VanDeren begin business in storehouse lately occupied by Merriam & Strong, south corner of Green.

Abraham Bray wants forty men to work on turnpike from Milford to Deckertown.

28. Anson C. Potwine begins business in E-ball store house at Hamburg, which has been much enlarged and refitted.

D. Kerr, Jr., & Co., next to brick store, dissolve business as batters. It is continued by the firm just formed next door, VanDeren, Longstreet & Co.

## MAY.

3. Dr. John S. Cook, surgeon dentist, stirs up the natives on care of their teeth.



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5. George Walker abandons liquor business and sells 80 gallons of rum, 40 of gin and 16 of brandy.

5. Major Wm. L. Smith orders commissioned officers, etc., of second battalion, with Capt. Struble's company to meet at house of John Onsted, Newton. Major Azariah Davis orders second battalion of first regiment to meet at same place.

L. Fletcher was postmaster at Deckertown.

7. Major Peter Waldrof orders first battalion to drill at Abraham Bray's, Frankford.

Samuel and John Rorbach form business partnership, third door west of Court House.

12. John H. Hall and William H. Johnson enter into co-partnership to conduct store business at Lewisburg, in Wantage township.

16. Peter Ryerson and John T. Carr, Vernon, dissolve partnership.

18. Store of Archibald Smalley, Stillwater, burglarized.

1. J. C. Havens advertises general merchandise at Woodburn.

21. J. S. Potwine, Newton, adds drugs and medicines to general stock.

21. First printed report of Board of Freeholders meeting, on May 9. Board composed of 22 members; John Gustin chosen director; John H. Hall, clerk. Among other business, it was ordered that notes taken from poor debtors in jail be burned; Isaac Wintermute was allowed \$2 for surveying eight acres for jail limits in 1826; David Ryerson, who was re-elected county collector, reported a balance of \$438 85 in hand, with \$49 due from Vernon township, and that he had borrowed \$500 from Sussex Bank, which was still owing. A committee was appointed to burn his vouchers. Sheriff Hamilton protested against the insecure condition of the jail; Board refused to agree on repairs to public buildings, but finally ordered repairs to Court House and refused to provide stone steps and wall before the Surrogate's office; cost of repairs limited to \$20; D. D. Chandler was allowed \$306 63 for making index to books in Clerk's office; Board ordered \$4,000 for State and County taxes, and Collector could borrow no more than \$1,000 to preserve credit of county; cost of meeting, \$68. Major Wm. T. Anderson was appointed to keep the Newton Green clear of incumbrances.

22. Married: William E. Champlin to Jane L. Hathorn, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

22. Samuel Price completes new fulling mill at Branchville.

23. Bible Society met at Newton.

24. Store of Charles C. Backster & Co., Lafayette, robbed of money and notes.

28. William Spice continues wheelwrighting in shop of William Raynier.

## JUNE.

1. Zachariah Price, convicted after a trial lasting four days of burning barn and cowhouse of Nicholas Ryerson, Vernon, in March last; sentenced ten years in State Prison.

4, 5, 6, 7, 8. General Hamilton orders drills by 1st, 21 and 3d regiments, and 1st and 2d Independent battalions, Joseph Greer, Brigade Inspector. A correspondent praises appearance of Second battalion, and notes the great difference between a uniformed company and the common militia. 1st regiment, Col. Edwards, met June 6 at Peter Waldrof's, Newton; 2d Independent battalion, Wm. L. Smith, Major, June 8 at Nathan Drake's, Newton.

5. Milford Bridge Co. declares a dividend of three per cent.

22. J. Fletcher takes store formerly occupied by Horace Vibbert, in Deckertown.

28. Married: Daniel Haines to Ann Maria Austin, by Rev. Mr. Christie.

## JULY.

2. William A. Baldwin opens a leather store opp. Episcopal Church.

4. Celebration at Deckertown at the house of S. Serine Westfall. Rev. Leonard

Fletcher, orator; Jacob Ayers, reader; Col. Edwards, marshal; Newton Artillery, Capt. Peter Dennis, commanding, and Capt. Abraham Shafer's Hardyston Volunteers in attendance.

5. Married: Dr. David Green to Margaret Winans, by Rev. Dr. Milnor.

In the issue of this date four deaths are recorded on June 30, among them Catharine, wife of Zephaniah Luce, and Morris Sharp, who formerly kept a tavern at Johnsonsburg, the latter dying at Chatham, N. J., aged 36, after an illness of three hours.

11. Married: Richard R. Morris to Mrs. Martha T. Yor, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

20. Inhabitants of Orange, Sussex and Warren met at house of Dr. Sylvester Austin, Unionville, to learn why Orange and Sussex Canal project had apparently failed. At a meeting held on June 30, at Kimber's Point, a committee consisting of Elias Mushback, John I. Blair, Joseph Chandler, Major Reuben F. Randolph, and four others from Orange county, had been named to inquire into the matter. Mr. Moffatt, the engineer, had reported an abundant supply of water during the most severe drouth, and Governor Clinton had coincided with his views as to its being a practical route.

23. Samuel Price and Jacob House, Jr., offer "White Flint" or "Brown Wheat," a new variety from Onondaga county, at 10 shillings per bushel, for seeding purposes.

24. Persons interested in turnpike from Newton to Morristown asked to meet at County Hotel to "kick" at its poor condition, and ask company to repair it.

24. Joseph Warbasse signs an ad. informing the public that "Capt. Symmes would leave Newton on this date, and that he would receive donations from his friends, at Mr. Drake's tavern, and give answers to questions on his New Theory of the Earth, as his bad health would not permit him to hold a lecture in public."

These were also the days of big hats for women, and it is related that "a Boston man visiting in Baltimore intended to send a fashionable hat to his daughter, but was afraid to venture it on the deck of the packet, and could not get it down the hatchway."

## AUGUST.

6. General court martial for Sussex militia.

"A Lover of the Peach" warns those who have trees of the pest resembling a wasp that promises to destroy the fruit.

Subscription price of Webster's dictionary, soon to be issued, \$20.

17. Orange and Sussex Canal Commissioners met at house of Francis Hamilton, Hamburg, to hear report of Engineer Moffatt and Gov. Clinton's opinion.

18. Drake & Smith advertise for 100 laborers on Morris canal.

22. Members of "Newton Fire Company" were requested to meet at house of Jason King, Jr. When was it organized?

20. Skeleton of a mammoth found four miles from Hackettstown, during excavation for Morris canal. Dr. Stewart wrote description. Its teeth weighed four pounds each, and were seven inches in length; the tusk measured seven feet in length, and was undoubtedly originally of still greater length.

23. Death of Capt. Nathaniel Salmon, at Newton, aged 74.

28. It would appear that John Cleve Symmes did not leave Newton last month, as advertised. Under this date he writes: "I undertake to maintain that animal heat originates from food and is produced to active heat in the heart, and not in the lungs, as physiologists have contended."

## SEPTEMBER.

3. Sayre & Brittin dissolve partnership at Deckertown.

6. Married: Moses Woodruff to Sarah Lozier, by Rev. Mr. McNiel.

The late extraordinary arches and columns of light in the heavens furnish a continued topic for discussion and reminiscence. Dec. 6 and 7, 1777, are cited as

previous phenomenal displays of aurora borealis.

15. John Cleve Symmes again writes, this time of a luminous belt seen in the sky on the 31 inst. It followed a north-east storm of 48 hours' duration. Intuition among birds showed that the approaching storm caused swallows to disappear on Aug. 23 and martens on Aug. 14. He adds, "when a boy in this town, between 30 and 40 years since, I frequently heard people tell of a similar light that appeared about the beginning of the revolution."

17. Prices current at Easton and Paterson are given, showing a difference in favor of Paterson on butter, eggs, etc. Easton prices—Wheat, 90c; rye, 45c; corn, 42c; buckwheat, 30c; oats, 23c; butter, 10c; lard, 8c; eggs, 7c. Paterson prices—Potatoes, 31c@37c; butter, 13c@14c; lard, 8c@9c; eggs, 11c@12c; flour, per bbl, \$4 75@5 37; No 2 mackerel, per bbl, \$6; oats, 31c@34c; corn, 62c.

17. Notice made of beets of enormous size growing in garden of Samuel Adams, at Deckertown; one measured 22 inches in circumference; and onions raised from the seed in same garden measured from 12 to 13 inches around.

19. "P. P." asks some questions of John Cleve Symmes, in regard to his physiological theories.

22-23. General meeting of the Christian Society at Johnsonsburg.

27. John Cleve Symmes, writing from Joseph Warbasse's farm, declines to answer "P. P.'s" questions, on account of illness with remittent fever.

Forge of Gamaliel Bartlett, at Stanhope, destroyed by fire.

29. Chain cable proving shop at Dover burned; rolling mill saved by timely assistance.

## OCTOBER.

2. New court house for Morris county dedicated.

Col. William Silvey has a sale on farm lately belonging to Vaneleve Moore (probably the Azariah Davis farm.)

Convention held at Princeton Sept. 25, Sussex being represented by Dr. Samuel Fowler, declared in favor of internal improvements, and appointed committee to memorialize the Legislature. Delaware and Raritan and Sussex and Orange canals favored.

7. Death of John Bassett, printer, at Natchez, Miss.; a native of Newton, and one of the leaders of the Texas revolution.

9-10. General election; 1,953 votes polled. Samuel Fowler elected to Council by 1,106 to 836 for Ephraim Green.

11. A steam washing machine was advertised by John D. Vanfleet & Co., Wantage.

23. Fletcher & Young form partnership at Deckertown.

25. Married: Samuel Johnson to Mary Trusdale, by Rev. Jos. L. Shafer.

29. Mrs. Phillips re-opens Newton Seminary for young ladies.

31. Capt. Symmes delivered lecture at the Court House. Said to be his last.

31. Horse and wagon stolen; owned by Wm. Dildine and Peter Wintermute, Jr., in Stillwater.

## NOVEMBER.

1. Married: William H. Johnson to Ann M. Couse, by Rev. Jos. L. Shafer.

21. Married: Jesse Potter to Elizabeth Lacey, by Rev. Edward Allen.

26. Joseph Greer and Cornelius Griggs advertise for teacher at Franklin school house (probably the structure that once stood on the left hand side of the Fredon road, near the Smith farm.)

28. Friends of Gen. Andrew Jackson met at house of Nathan Drake, to boom him for the Presidency instead of John Q. Adams. Joseph Munson, chairman; Daniel Haines, secretary. Delegates appointed to convention at Trenton, Jan. 8, 1828.

## DECEMBER.

1. Canal meeting at house of Ellis Adams, Deckertown. Bowdewine Decker, chairman; Michael McMahon, secretary. Meeting favored a railroad in lieu of

canal, and a banking charter.

3 Richard R. Morris offers Aaron Schooley farm, one mile from Newton, at \$13.50 per acre; Daniel Peters farm, four miles from Newton, at \$12.50 per acre.

8 Married: Joseph Shoger to Margaret Sheeler, by Rev. Mr. Farlow.

15. Married: Aaron Kean to Eleanor Demarest, by Benj. Halsey, Esq.

15. Married: James Smith to Nancy Case, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

11. Semi-annual meeting of Bible Society at "Pepocotten" Baptist meeting house. Sermon by Rev. Mr. Conklin.

13 Observed a day of thanksgiving, by proclamation of Gov. William-on.

18 Stillwater Vigilant Society met at house of G. W. O. Odyke.

21. Alex. McKinn gives notice of application to set off part of Green to Byram township.

24 Publication of report of Governor Clinton to Commissioners of Sussex and Orange canal. It occupies over three columns and is a very interesting contribution.

29 Married: Willard E. House to Mary Ann Owens, by Joseph Y. Miller, Esq.

Married: John B. dell to Mary Lanning, by R. v. Wm. H. H. H.

## 1828.

### JANUARY.

The last three months of the year just passed is described as "sombre suicidal weather." Nothing like it has been seen or heard of in "recorded time." From Oct. 1st to Dec. 31st, there were only 19 clear days; 73 cloudy, 20 on which snow fell, and 31 days of rain.

John S. Potwine announces that he has sold his storehouse, corner Spring street, to Vanderen, Longstreet & Co., and will relinquish business in Newton April 1st.

16. Water from Lake Hopatcong first introduced through the lock and feeder at Summit level, Stanhope, and a span of horses drew a large scow on which were the engineers, contractors, and invited guests. Trip made to Lock No. 3, west, and to No. 2 east, which had only been completed the previous day.

2. Married, Lewis Whittaker to Ann Wintermute, by Rev. Z. Grenell.

15. Married, George B. Case to Jane Iliff, by Rev. Benj. Collins.

16. Married, Peter Eckler to Elizabeth Stiles, by Rev. Mr. Cowen.

19. Married, Capt. Peter Dennis to Elizabeth Conne, by Rev. N. Conkling.

14. Friends of the Administration held a large meeting at hotel of Thomas Teasdale, Newton; delegates appointed to convention at Trenton, Feb. 22.

14. Married, William A. Baldwin to Mrs. Susan Hathorn, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

12. Married, John Wireman to Elizabeth Decker, by Peter Bross, Esq.

21. A. C. Potwine announces that he will close business and remove from Hamburg, Feb. 9th.

### FEBRUARY.

1. Married, Azariah Drake to Letitia Adams, by Rev. C. Dunn.

The law forbid killing pheasant, woodcock, quail or rabbit from February 1st to September 1st.

The weather in early February was like May, and fruit buds were far advanced.

Jacob Cox, of Hardyston, sold to Michael Coil on Jan. 22, three hogs nineteen months old, weighing 1,429 lbs; respective weights, 493, 471 and 465 pounds.

11. Governor Clinton died at Albany.

16. Hardyston Volunteers met at house of Joseph Predmore, Frankford, and organized "Hamburg Independent Band." Major T. H. Woodcock and Cornelius Mable instructors.

8. Married, Daniel Annett to Jemima Hornbeck, by Rev. C. C. Elting.

Solomon Masterhendt to Jane Quick, by same.

Henry Mead to Parmelia Patterson, by Rev. Mr. Grinnel.

24. Sidney S. Holly to Maria Myers, by Rev. Abram Ketcham.

23. Joel Roloson to Sarah Mead, by same.

28. Frances Stackhouse to Mary Lewis, by Rev. Mr. Overton.

21. William Cummins to Maria Middleworth, by Rev. Jona S. Thompson.

23. Moses Hazen to Fanny Correll, by Rev. Jos. Campbell.

23. John Moss, while intoxicated, near Sparta, struck William Parliament on the forehead with an axe. The blow was thought to be fatal and Moss was committed to jail the next day.

28. Lyman Edwards, engineer, requests members of Newton Fire Company to meet at house of Thomas Allason.

### MARCH.

1. John Sigafus drowned in Flatbrook while intoxicated.

1. Jason King, Jr., announces intention to move to Morristown and engage in hotel business, April 1st.

Andrew B. Snider appointed postmaster at Allamuchy, vice Oscar Pillet, resigned.

14. Married, William Clay to Hannah Demarest, by Rev. N. Conkling.

4. Jesse Fletcher and George A. Young dissolve partnership at Deckertown. Mr. Fletcher about to leave county.

John Potter owned and conducted grist mill at Springdale.

### APRIL.

The State's expenses were \$30,000; share of Sussex raised by tax, \$1,519.29; Warren, \$1,639.13.

1. John and Daniel S. McCarter begin business at Sparta.

14. Township elections. Officers were elected for two years.

14. At the annual town meeting in Hardyston, the inhabitants became the pioneers of Free Schools, appropriating \$1,000 therefor, under a recent act of the Legislature. The idea was editorially approved.

16. H. K. Morford begins cabinet business two doors south of Academy.

18. Married, Christian Gauer to Mrs. Hannah McCarter, by Rev. L. Fletcher.

21. George Truax to Hannah Woolverton, by same.

19. Ira Search to Elizabeth Hendershot, by Benj. Halsey, Esq.

20. Lightning struck the spire of Hardwick church, in which ten persons had assembled for morning service. It passed through the roof to the stove pipe, and scattered ceiling boards over the church. A son of Mr. Shaw, who was sitting near the stove was thrown from his seat and considerably burned, but no other material injury was sustained.

21. A. H. Smith continues business next door to Nathan Drake's tavern, and starts a branch shop at Augusta, under A. H. Smith & Co.

23. VanDeren, Longstreet & Co. open business in brick store lately occupied by J. S. Potwine and enlarge their wholesale hatting business.

28. Samuel Steele, Newton township, aged 55, hung himself.

12 to 28. Military elections and drills at various points in county.

### MAY.

6. John Cleave Symmes, writing from Trenton, appeals for funds to aid him in subduing his disease.

8. Stoll & Lane move from Lafayette and open stores at Wallpack and in Sandyston townships.

13. Seth Batton, of New York city, establishes a bakery south corner of Green, next to brick store house.

15. Independent Battalion drilled at house of W. S. Hibler.

21. Sussex squadron drilled at Predmore's tavern, near Lafayette.

26. David and Noah King form partnership.

23. Bible Society held annual meeting in court house.

24. Married, James Whiteford to Mrs. Elizabeth Tharp, by John McCarter, Esq.

27. Chief Justice Ewing forcibly charges Sussex grand jury in regard to growing evil of intemperance.

31. Married, Clark Roberts to Catharine Gustin, by Rev. Wm. Hough.

### JUNE.

1. Thomas Lewis, Jr., tailor, takes Alva Hayne's shop at Lewisburg.

Samuel Johnson begins chair making at Lewisburg.

J. C. Bunting commences general store business at Hamburg.

2, 3, 4, 5. Annual training days.

5. Bonnell M. Ogerty and Thos. W. Lynch open grocery and commission house in Barclay street, N. Y.

21. Charles Crowell, chairmaker, expects to leave Newton.

28. Married, Obadiah Pellet, Jr., to Jane B. Beemer, by Rev. N. Conklin.

Moses Marshall to Eliza Jane Casterline, by Rev. L. Fletcher.

### JULY.

5. Thomas C. Ryerson, librarian, regrets failure of attempt to reorganize old Library Company and renews appeal to the members.

5. Married, Cyrus G. Force to Jane Primrose, by Rev. Mr. Conklin.

Andrew P. Bowman to Ann Case, by same.

27. John Hunt to Keziah Decker, by Rev. Mr. Thompson.

26. Canal meeting at Deckertown. Adjourned to meet at Warwick, Sept. 8, when books would be opened.

31. Five days camp meeting for Warren circuit begins on lands Nathan Hoagland.

### AUGUST.

9. Married: Abraham Quackenbush to Ellen Ackerson, by Rev. N. Conkling.

11. Camp meeting for Hamburg circuit, on lands of James Iliff, four miles from Newton.

Much space occupied for two months by political correspondence against General Jackson.

12. Young & Brittin announce completion of their new storehouse in Deckertown.

21. Jacksonites meet in Newton to elect delegates to State convention.

20. Meeting held at Court House to take into consideration the condition of the common schools. Walter L. Shee, chairman; Robert W. Halsted, secretary. A central committee of seven and three from each township appointed to investigate and report at a general meeting to be held at Trenton.

23. Country excited over the trial of the abductors of Morgan.

31. Married: George A. Young to Elizabeth Allen, by Rev. L. Fletcher.

### SEPTEMBER.

5. Post offices established at Gratitude, John Hunt, postmaster; and at Benville, Sandyston, Benj. Tuttle, postmaster.

Robert W. Halsted, Newton, admitted to practice as attorney and solicitor. Began practice Sept. 12, in office of his father, Job S. Halsted.

13. Delegate election by friends of the Administration at Thomas Allason's hotel.

12. John S. Potwine, with a view to removal, advertises his "elegant country residence on Liberty street, Newton, at private sale. Hard walls, cornices and folding doors, with grounds and view unsurpassed." The sale was evidently made quickly, as a week later he advertises a closing out of a partial stock of goods in store next to Pettit Brittin's.

15. Proposals invited for publishing a moral and religious paper at Goshen, N. Y., to be known as Zion's Reporter.

Predmore & Baldwin take chairmaking and sign painting shop of William Rayneer, Newton.

### OCTOBER.

3. Isaac Drake, Frankford, four miles from Newton, offers six dollars per 100 lbs. for all the honey he can get.

6. Abraham and James T. Ray, Hardyston, dissolve partnership.

9. Moses McCollum, Newton township, hangs himself.

Politics raged between Adams and anti-Adams men, as well as in local matters; even a Canal ticket was voted.

14. O. Pellet & Whittaker, Deckertown, dissolve and are succeeded by Jonathan Whittaker and Hugh Haggerty.

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14. Panther measuring nine feet killed four miles from Milford, Pa.

14 1/2. State and county election. The election for Presidential electors was held November 4 and 5. Total vote at county election, 2805. David Ryerson, for Council, defeated Joseph Chandler by 688 maj. Lewis M. DeCamp chosen Sheriff over Peter Waldorf and Samuel Kays by a majority of 800.

18. Married: Matthew Westfall to Matilda Evans, by Rev. L. Fletcher.

18. Married: James Dewitt to Mary Carr, by same.

## NOVEMBER.

1. Jacksonias of Frankford met "at early can'tleight" at Joseph Predmore's inn.

William A. Ryerson has a tanyard in Frankford, run by Baldwin & Ryerson.

4-5. Presidential and Congressional election. 2988 votes polled. Jackson majority in Sussex 1511.

8. Thomas Teasdale appointed Surrogate for Sussex; James Stoll, Joseph Y. Miller and Aaron Hazen, Judges.

8. Frankford Volunteers, Capt. Timothy Hough, and Governor's Guards, Captain Henry H. Brass, with full band of music, met for drill at house of Thomas H. Woodcock, in Branchville. On account of severe storm the drill postponed to 22d.

William Euen advertised as a druggist at Newton.

12. Married: Austin Crocker to Ann Frenche, by Rev. L. Fletcher.

13. Henry K. Morford to Hannah Randolph, by Rev. Mr. Perkins.

13. Peter Ketcham advertises a new centre cupola furnace, three miles west of Hamburg, (Beaver Run).

Divorces were granted through act of Legislature.

17. Wheat, \$1.75 a bushel; rye, 75c.; corn, 50c.; buckwheat, 40c.; oats, 35c.; butter, 13c.; lard, 9c.; eggs, 11c. dozen; charcoal, 7c. bushel; stove coal, \$8 50 a ton.

17. VanDoren, Longstreet & Co. dissolve. Business continued by W. R. Longstreet.

15. Married: James Huffman to Sarah Demarest, by Rev. L. Fletcher.

20. Married: Isaac Dennis to Sophia Hendershot, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

19. Married: Nathaniel K. Beardslee to Huldah Bray, by Rev. Mr. Conkling.

20. Married: Abraham Struble to Maria logersoll.

22. Married: Garret Ackerson to Adelia Maria Whittaker, by same.

23. Married: Thomas Wilson to Abigail Beardslee, by Rev. L. Fletcher.

23. Married: Andrew Cassidy to Phebe Chambers, by same.

## DECEMBER.

1. John Givens advertises tannery at Vernon.

1. John P. Winterbottom returns to Newton and occupies part of VanSands house.

2. Ezra Fairchild advertises select school at Mendham.

3. Death of Sarah, widow of Robert Morrow, at Newton, aged 58.

6. Married: Andrew McNash to Huldah Decker, by Rev. Mr. Allen.

8. Matthias Lane advertises in novel style as a maker of musical instruments from jewsharps to church organs. Barrel organs were made with a capacity of twenty sacred tunes for church use, besides full size church organs.

9. Semi-annual meeting of Bible Society at new Presbyterian Church, Augusta.

10. Young & Brittin enlarge their store at Deckertown.

11. Observed as Thanksgiving Day.

12. Ministers, Elders and Deacons of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Bergen, sell two farms in Vernon township at Sheriff's sale.

15. Death of Ephraim Green, Jr., president of Sussex Bank.

15. Brigade Board met at the house of Imla Drake, Montague.

18. Married: James Post to Margaret Ross, by same.

20. Married: Halsted F. Townsend to Jane Simonson, by Rev. L. Fletcher.

20. Married: Samuel Holly to Jane Rude, by Rev. Mr. Grinnell.

20. Married: Isaac Wintermute to Sarah Smith, by same.

20. Married: Aaron Burr to Sarah Longwell, by same.

20. Married: Jacob Lommason to Elizabeth Cramer, by Rev. Mr. Lowe.

23. Dwelling of Judge John Armstrong, of Hardwick, burned Christmas afternoon; thought to have taken fire from the wad of gun discharged that day at a bird sitting on the roof of the house.

29. David Ryerson chosen president of Sussex Bank, to succeed E. Green, deceased.

25. Married: Simeon Cole to Amanda Rosenkrans, by Rev. James G. Force.

## 1829.

## JANUARY.

1. Married: Rev. Isaac Newton Candee to Elizabeth H. Shafer, by Rev. Jacob R. Castner.

1. Death of Peter Case, Newton township, aged 66 years. Long known as crier of Sussex Courts.

3. Another canal meeting at house of Ellis Adams, Deckertown.

3. Married: Robert Price to Tempy Kyte, by Rev. Mr. Allen.

3. Wintermute & Bassett begin business in house of Soferine Westfall, Deckertown.

3. Married: John Mabey to Malinda Beardslee, by Rev. L. Fletcher.

5. A double-leaded article from "A Citizen of the Village," points out the danger from fire. Town had no fire engine, no fire hooks, but few ladders, and but few fire buckets. The writer seemed very much in earnest over danger from foul stove pipes, etc.

10. Joseph Sharp, Hamburg, gives notice of application to court for three commissioners to succeed Richard Edsall, Martin Ryerson and Thomas Lawrence, (all deceased) to raise monies to drain drowned lands under act of 1806.

10. Married: Michael Trainor to Susan Dewitt, by Rev. L. Fletcher.

11. Married: Marshall Paugh to Jane Decker, by Peter Bross, Esq.

17. Stock of Longstreet, VanDeren & Co. assigned to Lewis Howell, for benefit of creditors.

17. Married: Mahlon B. States to Maria Ackerson, by Rev. N. Conkling.

17. Married: Michael Morehouse to Elizabeth Smith, by Rev. L. Fletcher.

17. Married: Jesse VanFleet to Sarah Jane Willson, by same.

19. Death of Captain Noadiah Wade, Hardyston, 84, commandant of company in revolutionary war.

23. Married: David Shuster to Anna H. Wessells, by Rev. Abram Newman.

22. Presbyterians make this a fast day for sin of intemperance.

27. Sussex Court begins one month earlier—January instead of February, as heretofore.

29. Meeting at Newton Academy to form society to suppress intemperance. Joseph Northrup, chairman; A. H. Smith, secretary. Resolved to hold a county meeting at Court House, February 18; then adjourned to May 6.

31. Married: Rev. Joseph Campbell to Mrs. Ann Chamberlain, by Rev. John F. Clark.

## FEBRUARY.

2. William Euen, druggist, announces purchase of house of John S. Potwine, which he is enlarging, and will open as a boarding school for young ladies, in April next. Relinquishes his drug business to Lewis Howell, who will be assisted by Mr. Sutphen, long assistant to Mr. Euen. (This school was located in the present home of W. W. Woodward.)

2. Publication of report of educational committee of Sussex, made at meeting in Trenton, Nov. 11, 1823, in which it was stated that twenty districts were without schools, and nearly 1500 children without

instruction; not more than half the children in county had teaching of any value; many of the teachers were incompetent and too loose in morality. Wantage township had three specially mismanaged schools.

3. Sussex and Warren Bible Societies met at Yellow Frame meeting house.

3. Married: Elias Beach to Margaret Morrow, by Rev. Mr. Frazer.

7. Hathaway's washing machine sold by Cortelyou & Lewis, (so that's no new invention.)

Richard S. Denton, Vernon, desires to rent his long-established store stand.

7. Canal meeting at house of Mr. Woodcock, Branchville.

9. Title of Deckertown and Newton Turnpike Co. sold at Sheriff's sale.

9. Rachel, widow of Richard Coursen, desires to rent tannery six miles from Newton, on road to Hackettstown.

9. David King, about to leave Newton, desires to sell store, stock, and house and lot on Spring street, "on the second tier of lots in the rear of Nathan T. Meacham."

12. Married: Thomas Coon to Sarah Townsend, by Rev. Mr. Shineal.

14. Married: Randolph McCoy to Jane Turner, by Rev. L. Fletcher.

14. Married: Isaiah Adams to Eliza Hall, by same.

15. Married: Lemuel Tingley to Mrs. Ferris, by same.

20. Joseph Northrup, Jr., announces purchase and opening of Coursen's tavern, situate where the road from Sparta, etc., crosses the Hackettstown road to Hope, Easton, etc. (Probably at Brighton.)

24. Married: Ebenezer C. Bosteder to Sarah Cole, by Walter L. Shee, Esq.

## MARCH.

7. Editor invites communications on intemperance, and publishes one from "a farmer," who says "an act to preserve oysters and clams" might be changed to "destroying apple trees and distilleries," etc.

7. Sussex County Association for Detection of Horse Thieves, met at inn of Ellis Adams, Deckertown. H. T. Darrah, secretary.

7. Married: John S. McWhurter to Lydia Townsend, by Rev. Mr. Dandy.

7. Married: Gideon Dewitt to Elizabeth Hinchman, by Rev. L. Fletcher.

9. Notice that school house built on lands of Joseph Warbasse, had been named "Jackson Union," therefore two trustees resign, and a new election called for March 19.

12. Three new post offices lately established, Flatbrookville, Jacob Smith, postmaster; Walpack, Daniel Shoemaker, postmaster; Bevans, James C. Bevans, postmaster.

18. Dedication of new Presbyterian church at Newton. It was announced that service would begin at 12 o'clock, noon, and that a number of clergymen were expected; also that Rev. Mr. Huton, of German Valley, would preach in the evening, but no further record is made of the event.

11. Married: David Pitts to Ellen Green, by Rev. Noah Crane.

19. Married: Richard McPeck to Mary Goble, by same.

14. Married: Peter Lantz to Margaret Demarest, by Rev. N. Conkling.

21. Married: Abram Sheeler to Emily Coats, by Rev. C. Dunn.

21. Married: Peter Onsted to Elizabeth Congleton, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

23. John McManamon, tailor, begins business three miles west of Newton.

21. James S. Phillips offers four building lots 66 feet front by 180 deep, between Azariah Drak's and the tavern of Peter Waldorf, Newton.

26. Walling & Sproul take Edsall tannery, Hamburg.

25. New dwelling house of Joseph E. Edsall, Hamburg, burned. Loss \$2000.

11. Married: John Sammons to Mrs. Elizabeth Davis, by Rev. L. Fletcher.

26. Married: William Cortelyou to Sally Ann Hart, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

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28. Jacob Hornbeck and John Laforce dissolve partnership.

28. J. T. Ewing advertises for bids to erecting meeting house in Stillwater tsp., to be awarded on April 4, at house of Wm. Hooley.

## APRIL.

7. David and Noah King dissolve partnership; business continued by Noah King.

8. John S. Potwine sells household furniture, including piano forte made by Firth, Hall & Browning, convex mirror, cost \$125; mantel and pier glasses, and other goods that indicated a stylish liver in ancient days.

11. K. Morford advertises mahogany furniture and a hearse—the latter being a new substitute for the all-prevailing bier to carry the dead.

11. E. Green, Jun., and John VanDeren dissolve partnership in tanning, currying and shoemaking. Sole leather, 22 @ 25c. lb.; upper leather, 44 @ 50c. per lb.; calf skins, 75c. @ \$1.50 per lb.; men's fine shoes, \$1.38 @ \$2.00; men's fine boots, \$5.00; coarse boots, \$3.50.

12. Dwelling of Thomas Harmon, Knowlton Mills, burned; family barely escaping alive.

13. Election for trustees of Newton Academy.

13. Dr. F. Moran removes to house lately occupied by David King, adjoining store of C. C. Baxter & Co., Newton.

13. Township elections. Newton voted to raise \$300 for common school fund; the Trustees of State fund of \$20,000 having apportioned \$1,012.85 to Sussex and \$1,022.75 to Warren, though the amount could not be used until the following year.

13. W. R. Longstreet begins dry goods business in Rayner's building, Newton.

18-20. Uniformed companies of Sussex militia met for drill, at Newton and Branchville.

20. Backster & Bell purchase and begin business in storehouse lately occupied by VanDeren and J. S. Potwine, Newton.

20. John Dill and Jacob R. Deriemer begin store business corner Church and Academy streets, Newton.

22. Whitfield S. Johnson locates in Newton for practice as lawyer, south side of Green, opposite Clerk's office.

23. B. M. Haggerty announces removal to Paterson.

25. Married: John A. Brittin to Julia Ann Dunning, by same.

25. Pews of new Presbyterian church sold by trustees.

25. Trustees of Newton Academy announce that the school will re-open May 4, under direction of Mr. Harvey Hallock, and recommend the school on account of high standing and character of teacher.

25. Married: Oliver Adams to Elizabeth Pound, by Rev. L. Fletcher.

27. "A Citizen" complains that Newton has too few dooryard fences and too many wood piles in the streets.

27. Second troop met for drill at Decker-town.

## MAY.

4-5. Militia drills by uniformed companies.

6. Temperance meeting at Court House; Joseph Northrup, Sr., chairman; Dr. Francis Moran, secretary; formed auxiliary to American Temperance Society.

7. John J. VanDeren opens hat store one door south of County Hotel.

13. Board of Freeholders met. John Gustin chosen Director; John H. Hall, clerk. David Ryerson re-appointed County Collector. The Director's salary was \$15, and the clerk's, \$2.79. Sheriff DeCamp protested against the jail on account of insecurity, but the Board would not allow more than \$100 for repairs to buildings. The amount of County tax was fixed at \$4,500. The school fund of \$1,012.95 was apportioned to the several townships. Pay of Board, including mileage, \$69.

15. Elizabeth Hart opens millinery over William Cortelyou's store, Newton.

15. John I. Blair advertises 80,000 feet of seasoned inch white pine boards at his store at Gravel Hill, and his stock of store goods was not exceeded in quantity or quality by any establishment in the State, and he would sell the same at lower prices and better terms than any store in Warren county.

16. Married: Thomas P. Beardslee to Sarah P. Jayne, by Rev. Noah Crane.

19. Died, at Hamilton, Butler county, Ohio, Captain John Cleve Symmes, a native of Newton tsp., Sussex county, and extensively known as the author of Open Poles and Concentric Spheres. He was an officer of the U. S. Army, and distinguished himself for coolness and intrepidity.

22. James Thompson announced that he would open a mathematical school at Newton, in June, if he could secure 20 students.

23. Married: Benjamin Schooley to Mrs. Sarah Huston, by John Dill, Esq.

23. Married: Andrew B. Casterline to Eliza Mains, by John McCarter, Esq.

26. Child of Mr. Horton drowned in forebay of T. M. Armstrong's mill, Frankford.

27. Annual meeting of Bible Society at Newton.

28. County Temperance Society met at Court House.

## JUNE.

1-2-3-4-5. Annual training days.

28. Drs. Hunt, Fowler, Hedges, Halsey and L'Homedieu were authorized, on May 12, by State Medical Society, to form a District Society for the County of Sussex.

6. Married: Robert Shafer to Catharine Hazen, by Rev. B. I. Lowe.

6. Married: Captain Timothy Hough to Eliza Ingersoll, by Rev. George Banghart.

13. Married: Solomon Hopkins to Maria Sturr, by Rev. N. Conkling.

15. Married: Alpheus Gustin to Eliza Dederer, by Rev. Andrew Thompson.

## JULY.

4. Celebration at Newton—a stormy day. Orator, Whitfield S. Johnson; reader, D. D. Chandler; Major Wm. Smith, marshal. Uniformed companies paraded at 1 p. m. Dinner at Thos. Allason's; exercises held in Presbyterian church; fireworks in the evening; Dr. John S. Cook, musical director.

Celebration at Johnsonsburg. Dr. Roderrick B. Byington, orator; Isaac B. Smith, reader; Major John Moore, marshal.

6. James Thompson and daughters take the young ladies school lately established by Dr. Wm. Euen, at Newton.

22. John Kraber begins cabinet making business at Hamburg.

25. Married, Dennis McCavey to Martha S. Drake, by Rev. N. Conkling.

29. Meeting at Court house, addressed by John N. Simpson, an agent of the State Society for promoting internal improvements.

## AUGUST.

1. Married, William Case to Anna Youngs, by Rev. Mr. Allen.

1. Eight-year-old son of Abraham Huff, Newton, killed by falling from a loaded wagon on which he and other lads were riding. Wheels passed over his head killing him instantly.

3. Postoffice heretofore known as Hardwick, Sussex county, changed to Fredon. I. V. Coursen, postmaster.

7. Justus King rents store next to Court house and places his brother Noah in charge.

8. William Euen takes tavern stand occupied by Justus King.

10. THE REGISTER appears with some handsome new type, and is enlarged. Width of columns increased from 13½ to 16 ems pica.

11. Black boy committed to jail for theft of a horse at Newburg, and petit larceny in Sandyston township.

11. Married, William Gunderman, Sr., 70, to Mrs. Mary Simmons, 37, by John Lennington, Esq.

A lad named Dildine, an apprentice to Willson Hunt, aged 18, died from bruises received in a bark mill at Hardwick.

17. John Lanterman, Ogdensburg, has 200,000 brick at following prices: hard 75c; salmon, 55c., soft 44c. per 100.

18. Charles Chapin broke jail, by boring through plank lining and removing stones in wall. A number of other prisoners did not follow his example.

20. Nathaniel W. Hart takes distillery of Andrew Sutton and keeps the rate at one gallon of whiskey for five bushels of apples, and a barrel of cider for eleven bushels.

20. Married, Henry T. Darrab to Mary O. Haines, by Rev. Dr. Rudd.

21. Edmund P. Banks advertises Belvidere Apollo for sale on account of ill health. It was then the only paper in Warren county. He took leave of his readers, after bursting a blood vessel, in an item headed "The Last Paragraph."

21. Asa Coleman, Byram, tried and convicted of a murderous assault upon Constable Smith, then in discharge of his official duty. Sentenced State prison, one year and one day.

31. Predmore & Baldwin appear as chair makers and painters.

## SEPTEMBER.

5. Married, Philip Snook to Harriet Ann Stevens, by Rev. N. Conkling.

8. Infant son of Andrew Ribble, Knowlton, drowned in spring near house.

10. Married, Heman Lewis Cummings to Ann G. Johnson, by Rev. C. Dunn.

14. Belvidere Apollo purchased by Charles Sitgreaves and J. I. Brown.

28. Dr. George B. Taylor, of Philadelphia, locates in Newton. Office at N. Drake's hotel. In next issue proposes to open an evening school, and contributes a lengthy article on treatment of intermittent fever. School was held in office opposite residence of W. S. Johnson, from 7 to 9.30 o'clock.

## OCTOBER.

5. Married, Samuel Knapp to Delia Smith, by Rev. C. Dunn.

10. Married, Nehemiah Osborn to Mrs. Nancy Coursen, by same.

13-14. General election—a very quiet one, no opposing ticket, and total vote only about 900.

15. George Walker offers to rent his house just built on Spring street, 46x20, between house of widow Stewart and John Heminover.

19. Married, Nathaniel Huston to Sally Ann Predmore, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

22. Died, Henry Gray, Newton township, advanced age, a soldier of the revolution, who took part in the battle of Monmouth.

Stillhouse of Thomas Youmans, Knowlton, burned with large quantity of spirits.

24. Child of Robert Ayres, Newton, crushed to death by falling into an apple grinding wheel.

24. Two horses stolen from Noah P. Vall and Peter Dennis, while hitched in street at Newton, in evening.

31. Sussex County Temperance Society met at Court house and appointed Jacob Ayres, Joseph Northrup, Sr., Job S. Halsted, Aaron Hazen, and John VanDeren, delegates to attend a meeting at Trenton to form a State Society.

Married, Jacob Vaughn to Miss Snover, by Rev. C. Dunn, at Knowlton.

## NOVEMBER.

4. Meeting at house of Nathan Drake to form Society for Detection of Horse Thieves, for Newton township.

Prices at Easton, wheat \$1.02; rye 61c, corn 43c, oats 28c, barley 50c, buckwheat 40c, clover seed \$3, flaxseed \$1.25, butter 13c, eggs 9c, rye whiskey 26c gal., apple do. 30 c gal.

Managers of Sussex County Bible Society met at North Harglston church, Oct. 31, and were addressed by Revs. Allen, Lowe and Fairchild. Resolved to raise \$1,000 to supply Bibles to destitute persons, and adjourned to meet at Sparta, Hamburg and Vernon on Nov. 24th.

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## JANUARY.

4. Meeting of Bar iron manufacturers of Bergen, Morris and Sussex, at Jacob Hurd's tavern, Dover.

5. Married: William Jefferson Johnson, M. D., to Eliza Durfee, by Rev. E. W. Crane.

Jonathan S. Thompson and Robert W. Landis were to have a religious discussion at Johnsonsburg, on January 12, but "the meeting house" could not be obtained, and it went by the board, after a protesting letter from Mr. Landis.

10. Jacob P. Angle, Columbia, killed while intoxicated.

13. Belton, son of John Simpson, Vernon, fell through the ice, and was drowned.

16. Married: Jacob Lantz to Emily Pettit, by Rev. N. Conkling.

18. Elias Little, found near residence not far from Sparta, frozen to death.

18. Dill & DeRiemer say they will close business at Newton in the spring.

20. Increase of travel between Newark and New York, causes a new coach, carrying 32 passengers, and drawn by six horses, to be placed on the route. (And now there are hundreds of trains, carrying a thousand passengers or more, every half hour through the day.)

23. Married: John Laing to Jane Willson, by Rev. J. S. Thompson.

The wordy war between Revs. Landis and Thompson continues. Revs. Dunn and Shafer try to avoid being connected with it.

27. James S. Morrow appointed postmaster at Sparta, vice John McCarter, resigned.

27. Medical Society met at house of Thomas Allason, Newton.

30. Hall & Johnson announce intention to remove from Lewisburg.

## FEBRUARY.

5. Richard Garrabrant offers his hotel and farm in Newton tsp., for sale.

6. Married: William Spice to Jane Hunt, by Rev. C. Dunn.

6. County Courts had been in session two weeks, and adjourned to 8th inst., having yet one jury trial and twenty-five cases of appeal to be heard.

6. Married: Phillip W. Dickerson to Mary Ann Masters, by A. Davis, E. q.

10. Brass & Holdren, blacksmiths, dissolve partnership at Branchville.

18. Supplement passed to militia law, increasing fines for non-performance of duty.

20. Married: Halsey Decker to Jane Brasted, by Rev. E. R. Fairchild.

20. Married: John Robins to Sophia M. Main, by Rev. Mr. Thompson.

Wheat drops to 87c., rye 62c., corn 56c.

24. Pellet & Brown, Lafayette, about to leave county, offer store stock at cost.

25. Delegates from Orange, Sussex, Warren, Northampton, Pike and Luzerne counties met at Allason's hotel, Newton. John Coolbaugh, chairman; John W. Knevels and Daniel Haines, secretaries. It was resolved that the Legislature be requested to extend the charter of the Sussex and Orange Canal, and to amend by substituting railway instead of canal. Committees were appointed to carry the resolution into effect; to employ competent engineer, and to correspond with gentlemen in New York and Pennsylvania interested in the subject.

28. North Hardyston Presbyterian Church burned in evening, five or six hours after close of service, though care had been taken in regard to ashes, and an examination made in early part of the evening.

## MARCH.

4. Married: Josiah Banghart to Caroline McCracken, by Rev. J. S. Thompson.

9. Married: Sidney P. Haines to Diadema Austin, by Rev. J. I. Christie.

8. Notice by William Green, secretary, of officers elected by Union Vigilant So-

ciety, of Independence and Green townships, held at Timothy H. Cooke's, in Greenville, on January 2. John Schmock, president.

10. Thomas Teasdale, agent, offers to rent the house owned by Major Francis Donlevy, above Sussex Bank, and occupied by Widow DeCamp.

11. Married: Isaac Reed to Mary Allen, by Rev. J. S. Thompson.

15. Item: "Fines received in Bucks county, Pa., for past twelve months, from swearers and Sabbath breakers, \$822.22."

20. Peter Waldorf sells his tavern furniture and ceases that business at Newton.

20. Deeds ready for pew purchasers in new Presbyterian church.

24. Married: William V. Snyder to Sarah Ridgeway, by Rev. John Shaw.

25. Married: Job Decker to Mrs. Mary Rose, by same.

25-26. Hall & Johnson sell store stock at Lewisburg, by auction.

23. Managers of Bible Society met at Hardwick church; at Stillwater, on the 24th, and at Newton on the 25th.

## APRIL.

1. Havens & Jourdan, Wantage, dissolve; business continued by James C. Havens.

5. Stephen Trusdell takes paint shop lately occupied by Predmore & Baldwin, one door west of Lewis Howell's drug store.

8. Thomas M. Armstrong advertises "The King House," for the entertainment of travelers, nearly opp. County Hotel.

12. James W. Rosenkrantz, clock and watch maker, takes shop lately occupied by William Cortelyou.

John Cunningham, blacksmith and tool maker, removes to Johnsonsburg.

John Boyd, tailor, continues business at Johnsonsburg.

13. Charles C. Backster desires to rent the storehouse at Lewisburg, lately occupied by Hall & Johnson. This would appear that this firm ceased business there since the beginning of the year.

Dill & DeRiemer announce that their store business in Newton is nearly closed.

15. "The public are invited to attend a concert of sacred music in the Episcopal Church of this village, at 7 o'clock p. m."

23. James Ludlam wishes to sell his water power at Lafayette and Sparta.

24. Silas C. Beach, mason, announces removal from New York city to Newton.

24. Henry Hart's card appears as proprietor of Phillip's House, Newton, kept for the past three years by Peter Waldorf.

Some time in April or May the width of REGISTER columns was reduced from 16 to 13½ ems.

## MAY.

1. Miss Easton announces opening of a boarding school for young ladies, in house now occupied by Miss Thompson, Newton.

1. Married: Johnson VanDeren to Elizabeth Hart, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

1. Samuel Johnson, chairmaker, removes from Wantage to Newton, and takes shop lately occupied by Predmore & Baldwin, south side of Green.

4. William Pragnall, Dover, announces his business of boat building for Morris canal.

4. Lewis & Coykendall begin tailoring business at Deckertown.

5. Annual meeting of County Temperance Society, at Court House.

Issue of May 3 contains township officers for 1830.

10. Hall & Johnson announce opening of business in Newton, cor. Church and Academy streets, in store lately occupied by Dill & DeRiemer.

11. Luther Skellinger, tailor, returns to Deckertown, after three years work in New York.

12. Freeholders met: Wm. T. Anderson chosen director, John H. Hall, clerk. Fine of William Green, for non-attendance at last meeting in 1829, remitted, because he was ill that time. Twenty resi-

4. Business notice of A. Boyles & Co., Lafayette, appears in which they announce "everything usually kept in a country store, except such liquors as are prohibited by Temperance Society."

12. Francis Moran, secretary school district No. 7, calls meeting at Newton Academy to elect three trustees. Adjourned to Nov. 21.

11. Married, Rev. Jonathan Ford Morris to Sarah Roy Hunt, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

13. Young man committed to jail for theft of a horse, taken 6 miles from Newton; horse recaptured with the prisoner. Pleaded intoxication.

14. An inch of snow fell.

14. John A. Johnson advertises continuation of tailoring business, Newton.

First quotations of produce in Newton market, they ranged above Easton prices.

14. Edward Stewart advertises sale of houses, including two-story stone house he occupied, 400 yards from Court house on Hamburg road, (Water street) lately built; a frame house adjoining; a two-story house on Spring street on one of the Conover lots, a house and lot on Liberty street, opposite Barnabas Carter's; half of the house and lot occupied by William Knapp, which was built by Hugh McMahon, and situated on Spring street, adjoining Zephaniah Luce lot.

17. Rev. Elias R. Fairchild ordained to work as evangelist at North church, Sussex county, by the Presbytery of Newark, on occasion of installation of Rev. Baxter Dickenson, as pastor of the Third Church of Newark. Rev. Mr. Crane, of Sparta, gave the charge to the congregation.

19. Married, Abraham Hunt to Elizabeth Everitt, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

21. Married, Elias Struble to Hetty Stoll, by Rev. N. Conkling.

21. This modest card appears: "J. P. Peters, doctor and dentist, Lafayette."

21. Married, Thomas Brasted to Mary Giveans, by Rev. N. Conkling.

24. Sussex Courts began. James Vanauken tried for assault with intent to murder. In May last, at a battalion training Vanauken was placed as a sentinel, with instructions to allow no one to pass without the countersign. Christopher Divers approached the sentinel from inside the lines, and not knowing the countersign, turned back; when Vanauken fired his gun and wounded Divers in the leg. Court charged that Vanauken was entirely in the wrong; that he had no right to have a loaded gun at that place, and fined him \$300.

Ellison Conger and M. & W. Ward, of Newark, appear this year as applicants for Sussex trade in candles and soap; the former 9c lb. by box. John H. Stevens, of Newark, advertised for many years previous.

26. Married, William Campbell to Margaret Drake, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

26. George A. Young and Solomon Brink succeed to business of Young & Brink at Deckertown, who dissolved partnership Nov. 2.

27. William C. Lewis announces intention to remove to Stanhope, to engage in blacksmithing business with Gamaliel Bartlett.

28. Married, John M. Cooke to Rachel Hankinson, by Rev. Mr. Lowe.

## DECEMBER.

7. This paragraph appears: "A new paper made its appearance last Thursday morning, (Dec. 3) printed in this town, and edited by Col. Grant Fitch. It is called the New Jersey Herald, and exhibits a respectable appearance."

10. Thanksgiving day.

11. Thomas Allason announced contemplated removal next spring.

19. Wm. R. Longstreet announced intended removal from Newton, next month.

21. Brigade Board met at house of Halsted F. Townsend, Hamburg.

Meeting held at house of Elizabeth Sturt, Sparta, to form society for protection of deer. Henry Washer, chairman; R. R. Morris, secretary; Lewis Sherman, treasurer.

R. & G. H. McCarter dissolve partnership, and the firm becomes G. H. McCarter & Co.

24. Hugh Haggerty, Frankford, lost pocketbook containing \$285.

31. Married, Samuel Munson to Eliza Decker, by Rev. Mr. Fairchild.

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deuts of Newton petitioned that the Board order the Green cleared of incumbrances.

Repairs ordered to windows of Court House. Application of members from Hardyston to build or purchase a township poorhouse, laid on table. Sheriff DeCamp protested against the jail for safe keeping of prisoners. David Ryerson appointed to superintend repairs to county buildings, and re-elected Collector. School money same as last year, \$1,012 85. County and State tax \$4,500. Amount of execution against an escaped prisoner was ordered refunded to Sheriff, because he had protested against the condition of the jail. Daniel Hunt, Stillwater, fined \$3 for non-attendance. Board refused application of Freeholders from Hardyston and Newton townships, as per instructions of last town meeting, to build or purchase a poor house, also to purchase a county poor house, by a vote of 11 to 9. Ayes—Bell, Wyker, Hamilton, Simonson, Green, Buchner, Dimon, Scott and Lauterman. Nays—Greer, Smith, Johnson, Layton, Young, Merkel, Shoemaker, Bennet, Hornbeck, McCoy and Gale. [Newton did not give up the project, for the Town Committee invited farm proposals to be made at another meeting on August 7.]

17. Mill dam of John Bell, at Branchville, burst during the night through effect of heavy rain. A column of water 25 feet high passed through the village, wrecking forges, factories and dwellings. Mrs. Michael Mackerly was drowned, her husband rendered insensible while endeavoring to save her, and the family of Mr. McDanolds were saved as by a miracle. The turnpike road, two stone bridges and most of the gardens were washed out. It was a disastrous affair.

17. James Beatty, constable, offers \$5 reward for arrest of Major Absalom B. Shafer, a prisoner for debt, who escaped from his custody.

26. Bible Society met at Newton.

## JUNE.

1. Under this date it is announced that the North Church of Hardyston, having recently been consumed by fire, proposals will be received by Joseph Linn, secretary of the Board of Trustees, at Monroe post office, to erect a rough cast stone building on old site, 50 feet long, 36 feet wide and 16 feet high. Materials furnished on the spot, with 5,500 feet of pine.

5. Town Committee of Newton met to take measures for purchasing a farm for the use of the poor of the township.

7. First Independent Battalion, Major Shafer, met for drill at house of William Hunt.

9. Drake & Bartlett want 100 men to work on canal at Stauhope. Pay liberal and punctual.

7. Third regiment, Col. Young, met for drill.

8. Second regiment, Col. Edsall, met for drill.

Rebecca Spice, milliner, about to leave Newton.

8. Second Troop met for drill, and to choose captain vice Joseph Linn, resigned.

9. First regiment, lately commanded by Col. Edwards, met for drill.

10. First Independent Battalion, Major Shafer, met at house of Gershom Oddyke, Stillwater.

11. First uniform regiment, Col. Smith, met at house of Nathan Drake, Newton.

12. Andrew B. Snider, Allamuchy, will sell rye whisky at 25 cents per gallon, by the barrel, and will exchange two gallons of whisky for one bushel of rye, and in same proportion according to price, for corn.

14. Mr. DeGrand Val proposes to open a dancing school at N. Dr. Ke's, Newton.

21. James Cassidy and Charles F. Worrell make statement in reference to financial affairs of 2d Presbyterian church of Stillwater, and announce that they will serve as a building committee to complete said church.

22. Married: Thomas Kimball to Mary Ann Young, by Rev. D. Crane.

24. Temperance meeting held in Presbyterian Church, Newton. Grant Fitch, chairman, and Rev. B. I. Lowe, clerk.

24. Robert Thompson, hardware dealer, killed himself with opium at Niagara Falls.

28. "A traveler from the west" furnishes a half column, praising the hotel of Zephaniah I. Drake, at Deckertown.

28. Joshua, son of Peter Drake, Frankford, drowned while fishing in a boat on the forge pond of Struble & Canfield.

## JULY.

3. Celebration at house of George Crockett, Marksboro; Col. Grant Fitch, orator; Peter Merkle, reader; Captain Isaac Shiner, officer of the day.

3. John D. Struble lost pocketbook with \$140 in Sussex Bank bills, between his home and Newton.

5. Celebration at house of James Lundy, Johnsonsburg. Address by Rev. Benj. I. Lowe; Dr. Byington read Declaration.

5. Celebration at Deckertown. Richard E. Darrah, orator; Col. Robert H. McCarter, reader; Col. Joseph E. Edsall, marshal.

10. Charles Deremer, carpenter, killed by a fall from stone bridge at Hope.

13. Temperance meeting at church in Stillwater; constitution signed by 19 persons; Stephen Roy, president; William Dildine, vice president; Wm. A. Shafer, secretary.

17. Married: Adam Hibler to Elizabeth Young, by Rev. B. I. Lowe.

17. Died, Col. Simeon Dickerson, at Grandines mills, Morris county, aged 70. A former resident of Sussex; his lifeless body was found by his family, in his mill.

18. Supposed horse thief lodged in jail; apprehended at Hamburg. Name refused; said to hail from Ohio.

19. Prices at Newton: wheat flour, \$3.00 cwt.; rye, \$2.00 cwt.; wheat per bushel, \$1; rye, 62½¢; corn, 50¢; oats, 40¢; butter, 13¢; beeswax, 22¢.

Three horses stolen from pasture in Newton, Stillwater, and Independence, within a fortnight, and the Sussex County Association for the detection of horse thieves call a special meeting for July 21, at Horace Vibbert's hotel, Deckertown.

21. Married: John Beemer, 3d, to Ann Potte, by Robert Killgore, E-q.

24. Officers of Sussex Brigade invited to meet at house of Thomas M. Armstrong, to choose delegates to a military convention at New Brunswick, on Aug. 10.

Elizabeth VanDeren, milliner, expects to remove to Stanhope.

26. Minutes of Warwick Baptist Association printed. Meeting held June 9 and 10, at Monticello, N. Y. Total strength of association, 1368. First Baptist Church of Newton (recently constituted) admitted to membership.

27. William Euen, Newton, sells 200 copperplate and lithographic engravings, at auction, through pecuniary embarrassment.

31. Married: Nicholas Ackerson to Martha Ackerson, by Rev. Mr. Conklin.

31. Married: Matthias Kirkhuff to Anna Knoff, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

## AUGUST.

2. Married: Thomas P. Hunt to Hannah Dildine, by Rev. B. I. Lowe.

4. J. Hevener advertises a camp meeting to commence September 6, on lands of George H. McCarter, near Newton.

7. Eben Owen and Christopher Y. Case, wheelwrights, dissolve partnership, at Newton.

16. Abstract of Fifth census, furnished by Assistant Marshal Rhodes, shows that Newton township had a total population of 3464, of which 1703 were white males and 1680 white females; male slaves, 21; females, 15; free colored males, 21; free colored females, 24. The village of Newton had a population of 824, of which 404 were males and 395 females, and 25 slaves and free colored persons. In ten years the increase in the township was 721, and 349 in the village. Stillwater township had a total population of 1331, including 21 slaves and free persons.

19. Thomas Teasdale, Grant Fitch, and

John H. Hall, as auditors in attachment, sell hat stock of Wm. R. Longstreet.

## SEPTEMBER.

1-2. Two days meeting at Dr. Everitt's, Greenville, and the Yellow Frame church, in interest of Sunday schools.

James Ludlum, distiller, desires stones kept out of apple stock.

Edward Stewart starts distillery in Newton, formerly occupied by Bonnell M. Haggerty.

Nicholas Ryerson publishes a long statement, giving reasons why he left Sussex county and settled in New York city. He seems to have been an honest man in hard luck.

6-11. Methodist camp meeting at Newton, attended by from 5000 to 6000 persons on Thursday, after weather had cleared. The parting scene on Saturday was affecting, and the whole proceedings very orderly.

8. Married: William Sutton to Mary Ann Demerest, by Abram Lawrence, Esq.

9. Married: John McCarter to Mary H. Kelsey, by Rev. Noah Crane.

29. William Euen announces removal to New York, where he is in drug business with Dr. A. C. Derby, at 160 Greenwich street.

Adams & Reynolds, proprietors of Eagle Factory Clothing establishment, advertise new schedule of prices for dyeing, etc.

## OCTOBER.

5. Special term of Court of Common Pleas.

12-13. General election. The Congressional nominees certified by Gov. Vroom, aggregated 266.

S. M. Gustin & Co. announce millinery business at Fredon.

18. Result of election announced. There was no opposition to David Ryerson, for Council, who received 1236 votes; no opposition to Simeon McCoy and John Hull, for Assembly, who received 1236 and 1125 votes respectively; Peter Merkel opposed by Joseph Greer, received 855 votes. Lewis M. DeCamp chosen sheriff without opposition, receiving 1230 votes. Alexander McKain and Francis Hamilton were elected Coroners, by votes of 1242 and 1210; but Philip Wyker, who received 1200 votes was defeated by Thomas O. Anderson, who only received 2 votes, and was not considered a running candidate. Mr. Wyker's name was not officially on nomination, hence his defeat.

At same election Henry M. Winters was chosen Sheriff of Warren county, by 6 votes over Abraham Freese.

18. John B. Beach, secretary, called meeting of Medical Society at house of Thomas M. Armstrong, Newton.

21. Swayze & Blair advertise store at Johnsonsburg.

25. Figures of Fifth census show a total population of 20,322 in Sussex county, of which 10,324 were males, 9,636 females, 54 male slaves, 51 female slaves, 173 free colored males, and 174 free colored females.

26. Married: Philip S. Howell to Margaret Vough, by Rev. Mr. Winner.

## NOVEMBER.

1. Friends of the American System met at Allason's hotel, and selected delegates to convention at Trenton, on Nov. 24.

6. Legislature authorizes organization of an Independent Artillery Regiment in Sussex, with Lyman Edwards as Colonel. It is noted that it was through his exertions that the numerous uniformed companies in this county were raised.

15. Miss Easton expresses thanks for patronage and opens her school on this date.

18. Temperance meeting at Court House, addressed by Rev. Leonard Fletcher.

18. Dedication of Presbyterian meeting house in Stillwater, erected on land donated by Peter Keen. Rev. Mr. Kanouse to preach. Total amount expended \$908.23.

20. Newton Vigilant Society met at Allason's hotel.

22-23. The New York circus gave two performances in the hotel yard of Mr. Hart, Newton.

24. Henry Marvin lost pocket book in Walker's grocery, containing \$50.

25. Jonas Crisman denies uttering a slander upon John Layton, of Sandyston.

27. Acquittal of wife of Jacob L. Decker, who was tried upon an indictment for manslaughter, some five or six weeks previous. Parties resided at Hamburg, and had separated; husband attempted to force entrance to the house in which his wife lived, by bursting the door with a stone; she met him at the entrance, and struck Decker on the head with a billet of wood, causing death in a few hours.

## DECEMBER.

6. Charles F. Worrall's report of Missionary School at New Patterson, (formerly Sprout hill) is printed. He taught 18 months, and was sent from Princeton. The trustees, Jonathan Oliver, Jacob Hendershot, and Daniel H. Predmore, acknowledge his ability, religious character, and self-sacrifice.

7. Dwelling of Matthias H. Ogden, Hardyston, destroyed by fire, originating from ashes.

8. William Euen announces that Wm. Moorehead has purchased the drug business of his former employer, and he will continue with the former.

8. Married: John Beach to Abigail McCollum, by Rev. Mr. Thompson.

9. Congressional election; 2252 votes polled in Sussex; Jackson majority 1645. Jackson majority in Warren, 200.

16. Thanksgiving Day.

25. Horatio N. Frezer takes clock business of James W. Rosencrauts.

## 1831.

## JANUARY.

1. Charles Rhodes, 4th, as agent for the Company owning Newton drug and medicine store, advertises a full stock in Luther Howell's brick building, south corner of Newton Green.

Three Newburg and two Newark steamboat lines to New York are advertised.

8. Married, Charles W. Field to Catharine Misner, by Rev. C. Dunn.

10. Job Decker lost pocketbook with a number of notes.

22. Married, Daniel H. Case to Elizabeth Peters, by Rev. Jacob Hevener.

## FEBRUARY.

5. Married, Richard A. Ryerson to Sarah Cose, by Rev. J. S. Thompson.

7. East Jersey Iron manufacturers met at Berkshire Valley.

14. Newton Temperance Society addressed by Rev. L. Fletcher. It had 79 members; organized June, 1830.

15. Ezra Fairchild advertises Mendham school.

15. Married, David Shaw to Sarah Bray Ogden, by Rev. B. I. Lowe.

Legislature appoints Joseph E. Edsall County Clerk vice D. D. Chandler; John J. Vandoren, Major vice A. H. Smith, resigned; Wm. C. Lewis and Wm. O. Sproull, Majors in the Artillery regiment; Joseph H. Dewitt, Colonel of 1st regiment; John S. Cook and John J. Ayers, Majors in 1st regiment.

New postoffice at Paulina, formerly called Lawrenceville; Wilson Hunt postmaster.

23. Married, Robert C. Shaw to Frances Chandler, by Rev. Mr. Campbell.

28. Storehouse at Springdale, occupied by Davis & Young, is for rent.

## MARCH.

4. John Dill desires to sell storehouse occupied by Hall & Johnson, in Newton.

5. Meeting at inn of Wm. S. Hibler to advocate opening of a free public road from the County of Sussex to Dover. This was a strike at the Union Turnpike Company, which was then a very profitable concern. Adjourned to March 22, after naming committee.

6. Married, Rev. Jehiel Talmage to Maria S. Hendrie, by Rev. Mr. Lowe.

7. Trustees of Presbyterian church explain that act of Legislature, passed Jan. 30th, for the relief of the church, was a simple act of incorporation, the original

paper having been lost.

8. Married, Stephen Ward to Eleanor Moore, by Rev. C. Dunn.

12. Married, Filow Peck to Abigail Welter, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

12. John S. Cook returns thanks for support of his Juvenile Seminary, in which he is assisted by two of his daughters. He also practices his profession at his office on Monroe street.

13. Married, Jacob Coursen to Hannah Read, by Rev. J. L. Thompson.

15. Married, Isaac Middlewarth to Sally Ann Snook, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

17. Sunday School Union met at Presbyterian church, Newton; E. Allen, president.

19. Married, Nicholas Crawn to Ann Corwine, by same.

29. Thomas Allason, about to remove to New York, sells his hotel furniture.

## APRIL.

89. Severe gale, with rain and hail throughout the country.

7-10. Religious meetings at Sparta church conducted by Moses Jewell.

Town much excited over a case of smallpox. Ira Swayze, a resident of Newton, visited relatives in Warren county in March, was taken sick April 1st, and on the 3d showing signs of smallpox, was removed to a retired situation two miles from Newton. He died on the 13th. He was a son of James Swayze, and a general alarm was felt in Warren as well as in Newton. No other case appeared in town.

11. David Kerr, Jr., and Stephen Day enter into partnership in hatting business, next door to store of Bell & Backster, and adjoining New Jersey Herald office.

12. Sunday School Union met at Augusta.

Postoffice established at Harmony Vale, Sussex county. Joseph Linn, postmaster.

Alexander H. and George T. Smith enter into harness business as partners, one door east of Nathan Drake's inn.

18. Report published of committee to secure new public road to Baker's mills and Dover.

John Wyker, Frankford, sells butter firkins at 4c cash; 47c if charged.

13. County Medical Society passed a resolution requesting citizens of Sussex to discontinue practice of presenting scarfs to physicians at funerals.

19. Those interested were requested to meet on this date and improve the walks and alleys leading to the Academy, which we suppose was the structure built on Division street.

28. Hall & Johnson announce that they have fitted up the old Academy in Newton, and removed their stock of store goods to it.

"E. M." is a frequent contributor of poetry.

Dennis Cochran began keeping a tavern in Newton sometime between April and August.

30. Samuel Johnson adds groceries to his confectioners' stock, on south corner of Green.

## MAY.

7. Married, Dennis Cochran to Lydia Hunt, by Rev. Clarkson Dunn.

9. THE REGISTER appears in an entire new dress, with full face headings for ads. The type was from Hagar & Co., and very handsome faces.

List of Township offices printed in the issue of May 9th.

1. D. H. Gale and Simon Decker, Wantage, dissolve, and are succeeded by David H. Gale & Co.

2. Robert and Levi Lewis, Wantage, quote prices on their stock, doing a cash business only. Calicoes 8d to 2-6d., sheetings and shirtings, 6d to 1s; powder, 2-6d lb.; shot 81.

20. H. W. Mather takes Fowler carding mill at Franklin Furnace.

A debating society was organized in Newton between May 15 and June 6. It was held in Dr. Cook's school room.

## JUNE.

2. L. Robinson opens another course of lessons in dancing.

7. John R. Stuart, Newton, licensed to practice medicine, after examination at Morristown, by Board of Censors.

6, 7, 8, 9, 13. Annual training days.

13. First publication of receipts and expenditures of county, under law passed February, 1831. The total cost of bridges from May, 1830, to May, 1831, was \$1,473.23. Frankford and Stillwater townships leading in cost. The expense of the annual election in 1830 was \$230.98, and the Congressional election of the same year was \$326.80; Jurors and Constables cost \$699. County Collector's fees were \$132.62. The jailors account was about \$350, and included board for debtors, 50 bundles of straw for such prisoners to sleep upon, fuel, candles for courtroom, etc.

18. Married, Silas Lewis to Fanny Shepherd, by Rev. George Brown.

27. Board of Freeholders met to make arrangements for purchasing or building a county poor house.

## JULY.

Issue of July 4, which should give account of Freeholders meeting on June 27, is missing, but in issue of July 11, John Layton, Sandyston; John Lanterman, Hardyston; Joseph Greer, Newton; John Bell, Frankford, and John Lepout, Byram, a committee of the Board of Freeholders, to purchase a suitable tract of land and erect a County Poor House, give notice that proposals will be received until Sept. 1st.

4. Celebration at Stanhope, Whitfield S. Johnson, orator, Samuel Sayre, reader, Major Nathaniel Smith, marshal.

4. Celebration at Hamburg, Daniel Haines, orator; Walter L. Shee, reader; Col. Lyman Edwards, marshal.

William H. Johnson announces establishment of County Sunday School Union at store of Hall & Johnson.

11. Column rules reversed for death of President Monroe.

9. Married: Job S. Drake to Hannah Courtright, by Isaac Everitt, Esq.

Doctors Jaques & Marsh, located at 56 Pearl street, New York, desire to sell proprietary and other medicines to citizens of Sussex and Warren.

11. Postmaster General's ad. for mail carrying published, covering routes in this section from No. 953 to 968.

14. Married: James M. Utter to Sally McCann.

19. Married: Peter C. Coas to Eliza Primrose, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

18. A column of items show great loss to hay and grain through wet weather for two weeks or more.

23. Married: Benjamin Anderson to Hetty Schooley, by same.

29. A. Westlake, surgeon dentist, at D. D. Chandler's County Hotel, Newton.

Dodge & St. John sell Lackawanna coal at Port Jervis for \$5 in quantities of five tons and upwards; less than a ton, \$6.

31. Married: Matthias Orsborne to Sarah Hammond, by Rev. J. S. Thompson.

## AUGUST.

1. Court of military appeal of First battalion met at house of Wm. Drake, Newton; for Second battalion at house of Lewis Peters, Newton.

12. Samuel Sayre, 1 mile west of Stanhope, announces that he will start the first boat from his basin on the Morris canal, running to Drakesville, and on the 15th begin regular trips to Newark.

12. John S. Cook, teacher of the Juvenile Seminary, Newton, invites school teachers of Sussex and Warren to meet at Court House, Sept. 3, to form a friendly association. John S. Cook presided at that meeting and Dennis F. Kirkpatrick was secretary.

18. Administration meeting held at Court House; David Ryerson, chairman; Daniel Haines, secretary.

20. Married: Mahlon Willson to Sally Mann, by Elder Jonathan S. Thompson.

Dissatisfaction is expressed at incompleteness of Morris canal in certain respects. Miscalculations appear as to quantity of water on the levels.



26. A four days' woods meeting begins at Johnsonsburg by the Society of Christians. It was a very interesting event, much different from the usual meetings of this character. Rev. D. Clough preached an impressive sermon.

SEPTEMBER.

5. Camp meeting of Hamburg circuit began 1 mile west of Newton, and continued until Sept. 10. Seventy tents were erected and the attendance was from 3,000 to 5,000. R-v. Charles Pitman preached eloquently on three successive afternoons, and 66 converts enrolled their names with the society.

Large number of counterfeit \$5 bills of Sussex Bank are in circulation in Philadelphia and in Sussex county.

12. Robert Henry Bell and Charles C. Backster engage in glass and earthenware trade at 11 Front street, New York.

A list of persons nominated for office at the ensuing election shows 18 for Council, 61 for Assembly, 25 for Sheriff and 40 for Coroner. Just imagine the work of the election boards!

A meeting held at Belvidere, Aug. 24, advocated reform in militia laws, and appointed delegates to present the same to the next Legislature.

20. County Sunday School union met at Clove Church.

22. Married: Robert C. S. Hendrie to Mary C. Watson. The groom was a graduate of THE REGISTER office, and co-editor of the Goshen Patriot, and he was honored by having his name appear in bold-face type.

27. Methodist Society in and near Newton met at Court House, by order of James Ayers, when James Iliff, Samuel Ingersoll, Azariah Davis, Lewis M. DeCamp, Francis Moran, Ira Beach and John H. Hall were chosen trustees. They incorporated themselves as "The First Methodist Episcopal Church of Newton." They intend building a house for worship in the village of Newton, if sufficient help can be obtained from those friendly to the object they have in view."

30. Notice of dissolution of firm of Whitaker & Dunning, at Deckertown, through continued illness of James Dunning. New firm of Obadiah Pellet and Jonathan Whitaker continue business.

30. Examination at the Select School of Edward Allen, Harmony Vale.

Columbia glass works again in operation.

Wm. Butler, carpenter, fell 29 feet to cellar of a frame building, owned by Mr. Howell, with ut serious injury.

Notice given of a new rule adopted by the Supreme Court changing calls for common business from the first Thursday of the term to first day of the term.

OCTOBER.

1. Thomas P. Hunt, at Hunt's Mills, announces that the clover mill he has been erecting during the past summer will be in operation by Oct. 17. Built by Simon Fronze, millwright, of Easton, Pa. This mill was equipped far beyond the mills of that day.

7. Lewis Howell announces rental of cabinet shop lately occupied by Henry K. Morford, opp. Episcopal Church.

8. Teachers' Association met at Court House.

9. Rev. Mr. Morse announced to preach in the Congregational and Independent churches of Wantage.

11-12. General election. Ticket nominated at Branchville successful. David Ryerson, for Council, received 2,416 votes out of a total of 2,497. Uzal C. Haggerty elected Sheriff by 67 majority over James Evans, and 767 over John Vandegriff, who had 272 votes in six townships only, 205 of which were in Vernon.

13. Linn & Ketchum, Hardyston, dissolve, and are succeeded by George Doland

15. Construction of stone arch bridge, 18 ft.; arch 8 ft., sold near house of Moses Case, in the village of Newton. This is the first bridge sale that was advertised.

15. Married: Thomas Betson to Susan Gundersman, by Wm. Inglis, E-q.

17. Rev. J. S. Thompson, of the Christian Church, preached at Court House at 6:30 p. m.

20. Committee appointed by Board of Freeholders at meeting June 27, to purchase farm and build a poor house, ask for proposals to build a stone house, 84x42 ft., two stories high, with cellar and cellar kitchen under same, on farm where John D. Struble now lives. Proposals to be opened at house of Wm. Snook, December 5, 1831.

20. Married: Isaac Smith to Mary Ann Cummins, by Rev. Mr. Ayres.

22. Married: Hezelet Hendershot to Miss Curtis, by Joseph Y. Miller, E-q.

23. Hampton Address, of Warren county, while in an auction room in New York city, had his pocket picked of \$400 in money and a check for \$120.

23. Married: Abraham Lundy to Mary Garrison, by Rev. Mr. Heyener.

26. Married: David Seickles to Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson, by Rev. J. Ayres.

26. Pettit B. Primrose and Hampton G. Armstrong dissolve partnership at Fredon.

30. Notices of first shipments of mackerel, coal and flour to and from Easton via Morris canal, which was extended there during the year.

NOVEMBER

6. William Hibler found dead in field near Greenville, "supposed to have died from intemperate use of ardent spirits."

7. Beginning of four days meeting of Methodist Society in Newton.

8. Richards & Hemmingway, Wantage, dissolve partnership.

12. Married: Wm. Ayres to Harriet P. McCann.

16. Married: James M. Cox to Phebe Bross, by Rev. L. Fletcher.

17. Married: John J. Rose to Sarah Lundy, by John Moore, Esq.

18. Joseph S. Atkisson offers his services as a clothes cleaner, having served an apprenticeship in Newark.

19. Married: Wm. Southworth to Elizabeth Vangilder, by Rev. James Ayers.

27. Married: Z-nas Hurd to Amanda M. Patterson, by Rev. E. A. Orsborne.

28. Jonah Howell advertises Newton clover mill, 4½ miles east of Court House.

30. Legislature adjourned until February, on account of influenza, which was so prevalent as to keep members from business.

DECEMBER.

3. Married: Abner Vanness to Mary Ann Wykoff, by Josiah Munson, E-q.

8. Thanksgiving day.

8. Married: Wm. M. Iliff to Eliza Jane Heyener, by Rev. James Ayers.

16. "A Sportsman" suggests care of game birds which have suffered greatly from the snow and cold of the previous winter, a rainy summer, and the severity of the present winter.

17. Weather severely cold. At Washington, D. C., it had been below zero for several days. Nothing like it had been known before.

17. Married: John L. Apgar to Lucetta Smith, by Rev. H. W. Hunt.

Married: Jacob Snyder to Bathia Titman, by Rev. James Ayers.

20. Married: John Rogers to Elizabeth Coursen, by same.

21. Married: William Leach to Catharine Stewart, by same.

28. Heavy snow storm. Newark Eagle reported hickory wood selling at \$8 to \$9 per cord; coal, \$14 to \$16 per ton, and none in town for sale. It hoped the fine sledding and high prices would induce the farmers to bring wood from a long distance, as well as bring coal from Easton.

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JANUARY.

1. A mild spell of weather causes great freshets.

11. John Dill offers for sale the store house cor. Church street and the New York road. Lately repaired; 40x24 feet; two stores, with cellar, grain bins, and a

lot large enough for a dwelling and a lumber yard besides.

12. Married, John Simmons to Eliza J. Brush, by Rev. James Ayers.

25. Married, Peter Miller to Letitia Howell, by Rev. Mr. Lane.

26. Married, Robert Swayze to Sarah McMurtrie, by Rev. Mr. Winer.

31. Married, John C. S. Henderson to Charlotte Northrup, by Rev. C. Dunn.

FEBRUARY.

1. Meeting held at Court house resolves that the interests of the State will not be enhanced by the proposed purchase of one-quarter of the stock of the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company, with money from the School Fund. Thomas Teasdale, chairman; W. S. Johnson, secretary. It was an exciting affair, and was finally declared to be a partisan meeting. The bill was killed in the Legislature on Feb. 28th.

1. Married, Isaac Sharp to Martha M. Luce, by Rev. J. S. Thompson.

W. S. Johnson offers for rent two-story brick house formerly occupied by C. C. Backster, southeast side of the Green.

2. Jacob Kinney and Lester Griswold, gunsmiths, dissolve partnership. Kinney continues business in room on Spring street, formerly occupied by Thomas McIntire as law office.

2. Married, William H. Dunn to Mary Ann Sharp, by same.

4. Married, Simeon Struble to Mary Snook, by Rev. Joseph L. Shafer.

9. Bell & Backster say they will relinquish business in Newton, April 1st.

Lafayette company of 1st battalion, 1st regiment, attached to 3d (Newton) Company.

10. Horatio N. Frazier gives notice of removal from Newton, before April 1st.

11. Married, John Keeler to Anna Estill, by Rev. James Ayers.

16. Newton Temperance Society held second annual meeting at Court House at early candlelight to hear address, etc. Isaac Shafer, president; J. R. Stuart, secretary.

18. G. W. Halsey starts classes in penmanship and grammar, at Newton.

A great flood in the West, exceeding the memorable "pumpkin flood" of November 10, 1810.

22. The 100th birthday of George Washington observed throughout the country.

23. Married, James Cassidy to Elizabeth Ann Howell, by Rev. J. S. Thompson.

Sidney B. Herriet to Mary Coursen, by Rev. B. I. Lowe.

MARCH.

6. Kerr & Day dissolve. Stephen Day continues hat store near southeast corner of Green, and also purchases the factory of Mr. Kerr, on Church street.

8. Robert Steele and James Shotwell form partnership at Allamuchy.

Washington and Jefferson streets were known in Newton at this date, and bordered land owned by David and Noah King.

Patent medicine agents occupy much space quarrelling over right to sell Morison's pills.

14. Robert H. McCarter, Andrew Willson and Dr. Elias L'Homedieu appointed lay judges for the county.

Legislature passes bill for Hudson and Delaware railroad, to run from Hoboken, through Snufftown, and the centre of Sussex county, to a point on the Delaware river. This was one of the railroads that existed on paper.

6. Married, Abraham Middlesworth to Mary C. Green, by Rev. J. S. Thompson.

10. Married, Israel McDanolds to Nancy Struble, by same.

Married, Abner B. Laing to A. Lundy, by same.

12-13. Warren Mining Company elects directors at Columbia.

12. Act passed Legislature attaching troop of horse artillery commanded by Capt. Thomas B. Egbert, to First Independent Field Artillery of the Sussex Brigade.

15. Married, Harmon K. Wier to Harriet Chamberlain, by Rev. James Ayers.

16. Clarkson Dunn announces continuance of select English and classical school, and intention to enlarge it.

17. Andrew Shiner sells his store stock at Greenville, by auction.

17. Married, Charles L. Hunt to Mary Benjamin, by Rev. Mr. Kanouse.

19. Bell & Backster sell store stock at auction.

20. Robert Cole drowned in Delaware, below Belvidere, while catching drift-wood.

28. Married, John K. Flood to Julia Ford, by Rev. James Ayers.

29. Married, James Young to Elizabeth Inglis, by Rev. C. Dunn.

31. Henry Hart sells his hotel equipment in Newton.

## APRIL.

1. REGISTER office removed to second floor of Hall & Johnson's store, opposite Episcopal church, formerly the Newton Academy.

6. John Stiff, expert coverlet weaver, removes to near William Hunt's mill, Fredon.

Ephraim G. Coursen, postmaster at Deckertown, vice L. Fletcher, resigned.

7. First troop of Horse Artillery met at Dennis Cochran's, for election of officers.

9. Election of trustees for Newton Academy.

10. A. B. Snyder & Co. dissolve partnership at Allamuchy.

13. Penny & Ketcham begin business in storehouse lately occupied by Hall & Johnson, corner Church street.

16. Medical Society met at house of Samuel Rorbach.

16. William A. Baldwin purchases tanyard in Newton, lately owned by his father.

16. Bell & Backster dissolve partnership at Newton.

21. Married, Solomon D. Buchner to Rachel Field, by Rev. C. Dunn.

22. Meeting at house of Dennis Cochran, elected Robert A. Linn, Samuel Fowler, John Hull, David Ryerson and Hiram Munson as delegates to Baltimore convention.

Elisha Case, of Newburg, advertises his freight line to New York, saying that interests of farmers are injured by the steamboat monopoly, and, that his sloop will not be subject to blow-ups nor break-downs.

23. Samuel Beemer, for citizens of Wantage township, offers \$100 reward for arrest and return of William W. Litteer, who absconded on the 15th inst., with the wife and child of Richard Y. Holly. Litteer is denounced in scathing words.

Potatoes 17c. per bushel.

28. Married, John B. Williams to Sally Ann L. Karr, by Rev. C. Dunn.

30. Publication of act of 1831, the only law then in force relating to common schools.

## MAY.

1. Sussex County Sunday School Union met at Newton.

1. Bible Society met at Newton, in accordance with change made at last annual meeting.

2. Sussex County Temperance Society held annual meeting at Court House.

5. George Walker, commandant, held election for officers of first independent artillery, at house of Wm. Drake, Newton.

5. Wm. O. Sprowl, major, held election for officers of the 2d company of Newton Artillery, at house of L. M. DeCamp.

9. Freeholders met. Officers of last year re-elected. John Leport, on behalf of poor house building committee, appointed at special meeting in June, read report. He stated that the farm of John D. Struble, containing 387 26-100 acres, had been purchased for \$10,117 80; that they had agreed to sell 90 74-100 acres of said farm, for \$2,722.20. They also had contracted with Abraham Bray for the building of a poor house, as per specifications, and instructions of the Board, at a cost of \$4,900, besides the use of the farm for one year. The report was accepted. Board adopted as its seal one making the impress of the Goddess of Liberty, with her right hand resting upon the head of a

wheat sheaf, and holding in left hand a spear, on which is the cap of liberty, and containing on the margin, in circular form, the words "The Board of Chosen Freeholders, Sussex." The expenses of the building committee were allowed at \$197.74. The report on jail and court house showed necessity for immediate repairs, but the Board only allowed \$150 for the work, including shelving in clerk's office. David Ryerson, Collector, was ordered to use all legal measures to collect balance due from late county clerk. Directors authorized to call special meeting when the poor house was ready for reception of paupers. John Layton, Wm. T. Anderson, and John Dill were named as committee to supervise poor house building; see that contract was properly executed. The sum of \$7,500 was ordered to be raised by taxation. The cost of the two day's meeting of the board was \$80.62 1/2.

10. Married, Benjamin Pitney to Eliza Stockbower, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

12. John S. Cook, major, held election at house of Alexander Drake, Myrtle Grove, for captain and other officers of 2d company, 1st regiment.

14. John A. Horton begins business in Newton, taking harness shop lately occupied by Samuel Rorbach.

21. Samuel Johnson removes toy and grocery store from his chair shop on south side of Green, to store formerly occupied by J. & D. King, one door south of court house.

22-23. New York Circus exhibits at house of Richard Penney.

22. Court convened. John Sidell convicted of assault with intent to kill. Sentenced to five years imprisonment at hard labor.

25. Three days camp meeting begins at Johnsonsburg.

Whitfield S. Johnson, Newton, receives license to practice as counsellor.

## JUNE.

2. Officers of First Independent Regiment of Field Artillery, Col. Edwards, met for drill, at L. M. DeCamp's house, Newton. Regiment met June 11th, at Dennis Cochran's, for drill.

2-3. Christian camp meeting at Vernon.

4. Bible Society met at Newton.

4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11. Regimental training days.

29. Christian camp meeting at Branchville.

## JULY.

2. County statement published. Bridges and fees cost \$1,197.39. Among other items the postage bill for the year on business of the county amounted to 80 cents. Constables were paid \$10.80 for whipping criminals, by order of Court. Election expenses \$239 99 1/2. Jurors fees \$397.

2. Stephen Day removes hat store and factory to Church street.

3. Methodist camp meeting at Berkshire Valley.

4. Celebration at Newton. David Thompson orator; Alexander Boyles, reader; Col. Lyman Edwards, marshal.

Whole country much excited over prevalence of cholera morbus, which afterward proved a disastrous epidemic of cholera.

16. Report of County Sunday School Union shows that its president was Rev. P. Kanouse; secretary, W. S. Johnson; and that the number of schools connected with the Union was 30, all statistics were matters of conjecture.

17. Peter Anderson, Stillwater, hung himself in his barn.

19. William Summers, Oxford township, killed by lightning, while sitting by fireplace in his home.

23. Papers filled with cholera items. Governor Vroom appoints July 26th a day of fasting and prayer on account of the public distress.

## AUGUST.

13. Thirteen cents of the coinage of the U. S. Mint for the year 1814, were sold in this town for one dollar each.

18. Married, Richard Broadhead to Mrs. Bathsheba Moore, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

18. Anti-Masons of Sussex requested to meet at house of Samuel Rorbach.

27. Common Pleas Court convened to receive applications for pensions under a late U. S. law.

27. David C. White, clock and watch maker, locates in Newton, in shop formerly occupied by Wm. Cortelyou.

30. Benjamin Depue, Jr., and Robert Williamson, at Sandyston, announce several branches of weaving.

## SEPTEMBER.

1. William Spice, jeweler, renews ad. on account of opposition in trade.

3. Sussex County physicians met at house of Samuel Rorbach to determine upon most suitable means of meeting the cholera in the event of its visiting this county. It was agreed that the county was unusually healthy for the season, but in case the disease should appear, reports would be promptly made to Dr. Samuel Marshall.

4. Trustees of Newton Methodist church advertise to sell on Oct. 6, the contract for a meeting house, 48x36 feet, with 18 feet posts, finished with basement and gallery. Foundation walls, 10 1/2 feet high. Sale postponed from Oct. 5 to 16.

4. Married, Jonathan Darling to Sarah Maria Reed, by Rev. J. S. Thompson.

8. Married, George B. Price to Anna Manning, by same.

10. Camp meeting at Deckertown.

17. Under this date it is announced that the National Republicans of Sussex will not form a county ticket, but leave the election entirely with the Jackson men and Anti-Masons.

22. Married, Robert Willson to Joanna Johnson, by Rev. James Ayers.

Anti-masonic Republicans nominated ticket at house of Samuel Rorbach.

24. Beginning of one week's camp meeting on old grounds at Newton. Sixty tents were filled, and 66 persons reported to have been added to membership.

## OCTOBER.

4. National Republicans met at County Hotel and chose 22 delegates to State Convention at Trenton, on Oct. 15.

8. Philetus Phillips limits select school to 25 scholars, and gives terms.

9-10. General election. Total poll, 1,993. Peter Merkel chosen to Council by 111 over Wm. T. Anderson. No opposition to Uzal C. Haggerty for Sheriff. Benjamin Hamilton, Joseph Greer and Peter Young elected to Assembly by large majorities over four other candidates. In the issue that gives the result of the election Mr. Anderson publishes a card to the effect that his candidacy on the Anti-Masonic ticket was without his consent, and that he did not approve of their principles, but refrained from withdrawing his name by advice of friends. Jonathan Hill, of Green, replies in the issue of October 29, criticising Mr. Anderson's course.

14. George Backster opens store at Lewisburg.

23. Edward Allen opens boarding school at Milford, Pa.

27. Married, William Tuttle to Ann Youngs, by John Layton, Esq.

30. M. Easton and A. Beach open millinery in shop formerly occupied by Miss Salmon.

## NOVEMBER.

6-7. Presidential election. Jackson's majority in Sussex, 1,672; 463 in the State. Dr. Fowler, of Sussex, was elected to Congress by 24 majority over Dr. Condict, of Morris.

7. Married, Benjamin B. Coit, M. D., to Adelaide Cornelia Johnson, by Rev. J. I. Shultz.

15. Married, Abraham S. Howell to Rachel S. West, by Rev. J. S. Thompson.

16. Samuel and Henry Dildine announce a new clover mill in Green township, 2 miles from Brown's tavern.

23. Director of the Board of Freeholders gives notice that members will meet in a journe session at the alms house, on Thursday, Dec. 13, (when it would be completed) to inspect the building and adopt rules in relation to the object for which it was intended.

24. Newton Vigilant Society elects purchasers.  
25. Married, Robert Owen to Temperance Ann Pierson, by Rev. Mr. Kanouse.  
30. Thomas M. Armstrong is out of the tavern he kept in Newton.

DECEMBER.

1. Married, Phileas Drake to Margaret Snook, by Rev. James Ayers.  
13. Board of Freeholders met at new County Poor house, and after inspecting the house and premises adjourned to Abraham Bray's tavern. Met again in the evening, at Court House, and after transacting some business adjourned until next morning, when propositions were received from Nathaniel S. Drake, George Walker, W. B. Leport, and Josiah V. Mapes to take charge of the farm and building. These proposals were \$1,100, \$1,000, \$500 and \$400 respectively. It was finally resolved that a committee of five Freeholders to be called Superintendents, be named to hire and employ a fit person from April 1st next, purchase the necessary furniture for the building, and direct from time to time the well being of the institution. The superintendents named were John Layton, Benjamin Hamilton, John Bell, David H. Gale, and Wm. T. Anderson. The Building Committee reported that the contract had been fulfilled except as to closets, outdoor porches or steps, and gutters, about which there was a difference of opinion. John Dill was allowed \$75 for superintending the building; Lyman Edwards was allowed \$26 for leaders, and then the Board resolved that the contractor, Abraham Bray, had satisfied the contract and was entitled to the remainder of his pay. The Board executed a bond for \$8,000, to the Trustees of Free Schools of New Jersey, with interest at five per cent., to be repaid October 18, 1833. Wm. T. Anderson was allowed \$20 for services on committee. Order requiring eight freeholders to sell a bridge was reduced to six. This special meeting cost the county in pay and mileage \$110.

14. A. B. & A. S. Shafer open seed and grain store on Easton road, nearly opposite Jos. Y. Miller's dwelling and shoe shop.

15. Married, Martin Decker to Julia Ann Coykendall, by Rev. Peter Kanouse.

17. Married, James Vansickle to Mary Roloson, by Rev. Zelotus Grinnell.

20. Meeting of Brigade Board at house of Samuel Rorbach.

20. Thanksgiving Day.

21. Non-partisan public meeting held at Court House to support President Jackson in his course toward the South Carolina convention. Thomas Teasdale, chairman; John McCarter, secretary.

22. Married, James C. Edwards to Harriet Roy Johnson, by Rev. J. F. Morris.

22. Elias Hathaway announces return to Newton, and starts coopers back of C. I. Edwards' tin shop.

22. Superintendents of Poor House announce meeting at house of Lewis M. De Camp on Jan. 10, 1833, to receive proposals for the position of steward or manager, and also to furnish 20 to 30 low post maple bedsteads and four dozen rush bottom chairs.

22. Married, George Ayres to Sarah P. Oliver, by Rev. Joseph L. Shafer.

24. Jacob Hornbeck and John Leforge give notice of dissolving partnership at Montague on Nov. 29.

26. Married, Nathaniel Drake to Mary Ann Sutphen, by Rev. I. Winner.

27. Married, John Hardy to Sarah G. Dickerson, by Rev. James Ayers.

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JANUARY.

3. Married: John Durham to Malinda Clawson, by Rev. I. Winner.

2. Married: Samuel McCormick to Mrs. Mary Raph, by Rev. James Ayers.

7. Married: George T. Smith to Nancy Huston, by Rev. C. Dunn.

8. Jacob Smith and Benjamin Hull start cloyer mill at Flatbrookville.

14. Stockholders of Sussex Bank called upon to pay an instalment of ten dollars per share.

24. Legislature in joint meeting appoints Whitfield S. Johnson, Prosecutor of the Pleas; Jacob Dimon, colonel of 31 regiment; Walter L. Shee, Nathan A. Shafer, and John Bell, judges, besides a number of justices and commissioners.

25. Notice of application to the Legislature for commissioners to lay out and improve a public road from Andover, by way of Brooklyn, to Dover.

25. Rebecca Forsyth wishes to rent store-house and part of dwelling opp. J. Sharp's hotel, in Hackettstown, formerly occupied by A. Stiger & Sons.

25. Penney & Ketcham, in a long adv., announce that they expect to make Newton their home for some time to come.

Sussex jurors and citizens petition for the appointment of William Halsey, of Newark, as attorney general. He had attended the Sussex courts for many years.

FEBRUARY.

1. John Long, miller, lately of Judge Hunt's mills, now near Columbia, establishes flour depot at Dennis Cochran's, Newton. Wheat, \$3.50 per cwt.; buckwheat, \$2.

2. Married: Amos Smith to Hannah Field, by Rev. C. Dunn.

4. A traveler stopping at a private house near Stanhope, committed suicide.

6. Married: Daniel Buckley to Martha Roebuck, by Rev. Wm. Bloomer.

9. Samuel Kays and Jonathan Hopkins give notice of application, under three separate acts of the Legislature, the earliest being in 1792, for commissioners to lay out a ditch to drain the meadow through which a rivulet runs from White Pond.

16. Married: Jacob F. Orner to Margaret Stickles, by A. Davis, Esq.

18. Under heading of fires: "A dwelling house, near Johnsonburg, occupied by a widow woman, was burnt down a few days ago." Dwelling of Robert McConnell, Oxford, burned with contents. Tavern in Hope, occupied by Moses Pruden, burned, together with the stabling thereto attached; also the stabling of tavern of Daniel Mixsell. Furniture of house saved. Fire originated from a candle in a lantern used by a boy who was feeding a horse.

21. Married: Daniel G. VanSickle to Ida Tharp, by same.

22. Corner stone laid of state prison, at Trenton, containing copy of each newspaper published in the State.

25. Professional card of Dr. John R. Stuart appears.

25. "Brooklyn" scores the Herald and the Turnpike company for opposing a new road to Dover.

25. Isaac Freese, of Johnsonburg, attacks the editor of the Morristown Jerseyman, on a matter connected with post office management, and involves Isaac Dennis and Simon Wyckoff in the quarrel.

27. Married: Hiram Staples to Sarah M. Dickerson, by Rev. J. S. Thompson.

27. Legislature appoints as Justices, John McCarter, Levi Dewitt, Jr., John J. Williams, Daniel H. Predmore, Simeon McCoy. Also Lewis Sherman, Commissioner, and John W. Nyce, Major 21 battalion, 3d regiment.

MARCH.

7. Married: John Lanterman, Jr., to Sarah Ann Vaughan, by Rev. John Teasdale.

9. Married: Justus Beardslee to Samantha Riggs, by same.

15. Mrs. Griswold announces that the summer term of her school in Newton will open May 1st.

19. Married: Edward L. Condict to Lucy Ann King, by Rev. Mr. Hoover.

21. Married: Stewart Beatty to Pernina C. Ribble, by Rev. J. S. Thompson.

21. Married: Rev. Jonathan S. Thompson to Mrs. Jane Drake, by Rev. O. E. Bryant.

21. House on Liberty street, occupied by Joseph W. Manning, offered for rent; this would indicate that he was teacher of Newton Academy at this time.

The country was enjoying unexampled prosperity under the new protective tariff, which the South Carolinians had so vehemently denounced.

23. Married: Vincent Walling to Christian J. Tompkins, by Rev. John Teasdale.

23. North river was still closed to navigation.

25. George Dennis, tailor, at shop lately occupied by Beach & Broadwell.

26. Married: David Snook to Sarah Fuglie, by Rev. C. Dunn.

29. Examination of pupils under instruction of Rev. C. Dunn. Public speaking at Court House in the evening.

29. Superintendents of Poor House give notice that the paupers of Walpack, Sandyston and Montague townships will be admitted April 15; those of Stillwater and Wantage, on the 16th; Green and Hardyston, on the 17th; Byram and Newton, on the 18th; Vernon and Frankford, on the 19th. All must be thoroughly washed and cleansed from all dirt, filth and vermin.

APRIL.

3. Married: Charles Wood to Emily Vankirk, by Rev. Mr. Wyckoff.

6. An adv. of meadow land indicated that Richard Penney was at that time occupying the Phillips tavern.

11. Young men of Newton were requested to meet at Court House to form an association for intellectual improvement. D. Grant Fitch, chairman; Robert Hamilton, secretary.

12. Edward Anderson arrested at Easton, charged with stealing gold watch and \$24 in money from John C. Coursen and William Hunt, near Newton, by forcing entrance into a barroom. He had previously been sent to the penitentiary for passing counterfeit money in Newton. Thief was brought to Newton for trial, on May 6.

15. Medical Society met at house of Dennis Cochran.

The custom of burning vouchers after settlement and other documents prevailed at this day, and doubtless accounts for many missing links in history.

15. Residence of Joseph C. Harvey, Sandyston, destroyed by fire.

15. List of Township officers published.

15. Job S. Drake, tailor, begins business next to William Beach's store.

J. VanAuken, Jr., ran the Sussex and Orange County House, at 82 Barclay st., New York city.

18. Francis Kennedy was the first barber who advertised his business in Newton. His shop was on Church street, next door to Day's hat store.

21. Adam Drake while on a wolf hunt in Byram township, killed an old one and nine whelps, for which he received a bounty of \$360. \$5 per head was paid by county, \$5 by Byram township, and \$30 from Green township, of which he was a resident.

23. G. Dennis and H. Adams, tailors, form partnership, at old stand of William Beach.

25. Married: John A. Struble to Elizabeth Bell, by Thomas McIntire, Esq.

25. Robinson & Edsall begin tailoring business opp. John S. Warbasse's tavern, Hamburg.

27. Married: Captain Freeman Clawson to Phebe Hibler, by Rev. Mr. Winner.

29. A. B. & A. S. Shafer open dry goods store in their building fronting Liberty street, on Easton road.

30. Bible Society met at Newton; sermon by Rev. Mr. Fairchild or Rev. Mr. Kanouse.

MAY.

1. Fourth anniversary of County Temperance Society held at Newton, and old officers re-elected.

1. A sale at "Tranquillity Farm" shows that the name was then selected by Mr. Rutherford.

1. Stephen Trusdell begins chairmaking and painting business at Brick House, Montague.

First week in May the county was refreshed by a much-needed rain after a

drouth of one month.

3. Alarm of fire: roof of frame building adjoining Wm. Beach's store; timely assistance prevented serious loss.

4. Dwelling of Isaac Smith, Newton township, burned. Furniture of tenant, Samuel Coss, saved.

Practice of throwing straw and rubbish in streets of Newton strongly condemned.

7. Sunday School Union met at Newton.

8. Freeholders met. Old officers re-elected. Committee on public buildings reported that a few repairs to Court House would answer for the present. Sheriff Haggerty protested against the jail, which seems to have been the method to escape fines for loss of prisoners. Bill of Abraham Sigman, of Easton, for \$45.00 fees and expenses in arrest of Edward Anderson, charged with felony, was discussed. Myers & Keiser were allowed \$38.05 for extra work on poor house grounds. A resolution was passed that a fine of \$5 would be inflicted upon any member of the present or future Board who should come to any meeting in an intoxicated condition, or become so while the Board was in session; \$10 for each subsequent offence, and in all cases to be conducted out of the house. The sum of \$10,000 was ordered to be raised by taxation. A resolution was passed forbidding visiting at the poor house without written permit from one of the superintendents or the steward; and under no pretence on the Sabbath.

12. Married: John A. Horton to Sarah P. Brittin, by Rev. C. Dunn.

12. News of the murder of the Sayre family at Morristown, the previous night, reaches Newton. Citizens assembled, and dispatched messenger west to the Delaware river, with description of supposed murderer.

An unusual freshet in the Delaware river, causing much loss to lumber owners.

14. Ladner Trusdell, chairmaker, begins business alone in shop lately occupied by John H. Hall as a printing office, on the New York road, above Christ church.

15. Second troop of cavalry, at Vibbert's tavern, fixes this date as the limit when members may procure uniforms through Ephraim G. Coursen, merchant, Deckertown.

18. First Independent Regiment of Field Artillery met for drill at house of Richard Penney, Newton. John S. Edsall, adjutant.

20. Theatre at Cochran's Hotel, Newton. Last night but one; benefit of Mrs. Chipps. "No Song, No Supper." "Richard, the Third." Mr. Mestayer was billed with the company, and if we are not mistaken, he was then or afterward a noted actor.

22. P. Northrup and Brothers begin carding business at Moden and Pleasant Valley.

24. David Kerr, Jr., purchases property formerly occupied by Henry K. Morford, opens grocery and crockery store.

Company incorporated in New Jersey to furnish pure milk to New York city. Stockholders to be furnished at the rate of four cents per quart. Capital \$150,000.

25. Married: Abraham Smith to Jane E. Adams, by Rev. P. Kanouse.

25. Married: Isaac Struble to Amy Teasdale.

30. Edward Anderson convicted of burglary at house of Wm. Hunt, Stillwater. Sentence, ten years in State prison.

30. End of four days trial before Justice Ford, in case of Gamaliel Bartlett, of Stanhope, against the Morris Canal Company, for damages for forge, grist mill and saw mill, through lying still or lack of water during making of canal. Verdict, \$1,500 and costs.

Lewis Condict, Morristown, gave notice that he would look after pensions of revolutionary soldiers, for a consideration, if successful. R. H. McCarter, Newton, was his agent.

#### JUNE.

3. Issue of this date and of the 10th contain nearly seven columns relating to

trial of Rev. E. K. Avery, for murder of his mistress at Newport, R. I. He was acquitted.

3-4-5-6-11. General training days. Robert Hamilton was Brigade Inspector, and General B. Hamilton in command.

4. Married: Dr. John R. Stuart to Henrietta Ogden Morrow, by Rev. C. Dunn. This appears to have been the first marriage noted as occurring in the Episcopal Church at Newton.

5. Married: Silas H. Dewitt to Joanna Hibler, by Rev. Isaac Winner.

8. Married: Nicholas Ingersoll to Rebecca Ann Drake, by Rev. C. Dunn.

15. Jacob Insley, a shoemaker, fled from Belvidere to escape punishment for incest with his 15-year-old daughter.

17. Publication of a temperance address delivered at Philadelphia, in April last, by Rev. T. C. Teasdale, V. D. M., a native of Sussex county.

17. County statement published, showing that bridges cost \$1,944.57; jailor's account, \$216.18, of which \$107.68 was for debtor's board and expenses; \$47.13 for criminals; and firewood, candles and attendance at court, \$61.37. Election expenses were \$482.02 for two elections. Jurors and constables cost \$337.50. The entire cost of poor house and farm, including advertising, extra work, pay to superintendents, recording deeds, and stocking farm, besides furniture for buildings was \$13,289.54. The farm and contents cost \$3,242.27, (a balance of \$3,242 being still due); land, stock, furniture and provisions, \$1,487.15.

28. Oliver E. Bryant gives notice of a camp meeting to commence on this date at Branchville, by the Christians.

30. William Vandegriff, aged 37, a native of Sussex, died of cholera at New Orleans, where he was first clerk in the Custom House.

#### JULY.

1. It would appear that at about this date B. B. Edsall began his work on THE REGISTER, and singularly his first poetical contribution was entitled "Home," showing the yearning of the wanderer for his native plains.

4. County celebration at Deckertown. Rev. Peter Kanouse, orator; Dr. John L. Foster, reader; Col. Edwards, marshal; Dr. John S. Cook, David C. White and Braddick Decker in charge of the music. As was the custom in these days cannon was fired during the toasts; at the thirteenth toast, "The Fair," the gun exploded, taking off the right hand of Robert Kelly and fracturing the left side and head of Robert Smith. It is recorded that this was the first accident in this county at a celebration in twenty years.

4. B. M. Yarrington delivered an oration before Newton Lyceum, at Court House.

Time of travel between Boston and Washington, 500 miles, 48 hours; Washington to New York, 225 miles, 12 hours. In 1799 it required ten days for news of Washington's death to pass from Washington to Boston.

4. Moses Woodruff, Sparta, advertises turning business, on a large scale.

8. John McQuaire, (Beaver Run,) wants a journeyman wagon maker.

14. Destructive wind and rain storm in Frankford township. Horse owned by Mr. Buckley killed by lightning in field of Captain Armstrong. Barn of Mr. Kennedy, near Johnsonburg, burned by lightning.

15. Fourth of July address of Rev. Peter Kanouse, at Deckertown, published.

15. Prospects for wheat, oats and flax good; rye light.

16. John Strickland, a farmer living between Hope and Johnsonburg, slid from a stack of grain upon the tines of a fork, received fatal injuries.

19. Robert Kelly, whose hand was blown off on 4th inst., at Deckertown, died with lockjaw. Robert Smith, who was supposed to be the most seriously hurt, is recovering.

28. Ralph Kishpaugh, aged 12, drowned while bathing in Andover mill pond.

#### AUGUST.

5. Camp meeting in woods of Nathan Hoagland for Warren and Belvidere circuits.

5. Battalion courts of appeal, at Newton and Augusta.

Scarlet fever epidemic in Newton. Two children of Ladner Trusdell, aged 8 and 9 years, die suddenly.

9. Sussex Bank declares dividend at the rate of 3 1/2 per cent. on business of last six months.

9. Samuel Coss takes shoe shop of Pettit Primrose, in Stillwater township, between the tavern of Wm. Hunt and store of Isaac V. Coursen.

13. Special term of Morris Courts for trial of LeBlanc, murderer of the Sayre family. Justice Ford presided, and in the issue of Aug. 19 it is stated: "Several reporters are said to be in attendance, but all disclosures of the testimony before the rendition of the verdict is strictly forbidden." Imagine such an order at this age! Prisoner found guilty and sentenced to be hung Sept. 6.

15. Two horses owned by Obadiah Pellet, Frankford, killed in field by lightning. M. Lane's shop has been removed to Church street, 3d door from Day's hat store.

Camp meeting held near John Shay's, Sandyston.

20. Sussex Courts convene: one case occupied three days and a special term was fixed for October.

20. Hibler & Hill have brick for sale, 3 miles south of Newton.

#### SEPTEMBER.

4. Camp meeting near Newton not so numerously attended as on former occasions, but fifty converts were reported.

6. LeBlanc hung on public green at Morristown, three weeks after his conviction.

8. Married: Henry Adams to Eliza Lish, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

9. Married: Daniel G. Fitch to Sarah A. Miller, by same.

15. Married: John Hawk to Elizabeth Siple, by R. H. McCarter, Esq.

24. Semi-annual meeting of County S. S. Union, at Sparta.

28. Meeting at house of John Wilgus, in township of Newton, to raise funds for a Baptist meeting house near Esquire Hunt's, in said township.

Early frosts injure corn and buckwheat.

30. Male and female boarding school of Philetus Phillips had Mrs. Phillips and Miss White in charge of female department. Name of music teacher not given.

#### OCTOBER.

5. Married: John McAllen Robinson to Sarah Kinney, by Rev. Dr. Spring.

7. Caleb Baker, silversmith, begins business next door to Penny & Ketcham's store.

7. Jonathan Hill, one of five trustees elected at a meeting on Sept. 28, gives notice of another meeting on 22d inst., and says the site for the proposed meeting house is either at Esquire Hunt's, Springdale, or Andover.

8. Mr. and Mrs. Burrows open academy at Branchville.

8-9. General election. Total vote 1870. Samuel Price had 144 maj. over Peter Merkel, for Council. For Assembly, Sheriff and two of the Coroners there was no opposition. James Beatty opposed George Walker for third coroner, and was beaten by about 400 votes.

12. Charles Knapp, tailor, begins business at Sparta.

16. Synod, comprising 130 clergymen and elders from New Jersey and Pennsylvania, met at Presbyterian church, Newton. It was an unusual influx of strangers, though no report is given of proceedings, beyond the statement that the preaching was by men of great talent.

17. Married: Daniel Adams to Catharine Snyder, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

21. Semi-annual meeting of Medical Society at house of Richard Penney; John R. Stuart, secretary.

24. Sussex Temperance Society met at Mr. Phillips's academy.

25. Howe's New York menagerie exhibits at house of Samuel Rorback. It is presumed that this was the hotel at which the showmen were fed, as their tent had a seating capacity of 400 to 500.

25. Legislature, in joint meeting, elected Peter D. Vroom as Governor, and appointed Grant Fitch, Surrogate of Sussex, in place of Thomas Teasdale; Joseph Y. Miller and James Stoll, county judges. Lyman Edwards, brigadier general.

28. Notice of a recent, destructive storm throughout the country.

28. Newton prices: wheat, \$1; rye, 69c.; corn, 56c.; buckwheat, 50c.; oats, 31c.; flaxseed, \$1.25; lard, 8c.; beeswax, 18c.; butter, 15c.; eggs, 8c. Easton prices were a few cents above on grain, and the same or less on other articles; rye whisky was quoted at 23c. per gallon and apple whisky 27c.

29. Snow fell at Newton.

#### NOVEMBER.

2. Married: Martin L. Cox to Eliza Backster, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

5. Married: John Burlingame to Emeline Morrow, by Rev. Mr. Wyckoff.

13. Date of the great meteoric shower, which began at 1 a. m. and continued until daylight. The issue of Nov. 18, says: "A most splendid meteoric exhibition was beheld by many of our citizens on Wednesday morning last. The meteors which are so frequently seen in this climate, and known by the name of 'shooting stars,' commenced falling as early as 1 o'clock a. m. They continued to increase both in number and brilliancy until 4 o'clock, at which time the display had become truly splendid. From 4 to 6, the grandeur of the scene did not diminish in the least; but as the day dawned the meteors grew more and more indistinct—the sphere of their operations shrank into a smaller compass—and finally they faded in the distance. About an hour before daybreak, at which period the spectacle attracted the attention of our neighbors, the sky was illuminated with innumerable meteors, shooting athwart the heavens in every direction, and emitting incessant flashes of light, which, falling with a pallid glare upon the hills, trees and buildings in the vicinity, rendered the scene magnificent beyond description. From a point in the heavens, a few degrees southeasterly from the zenith, the meteors rushed forth; and impelled, as it were, by the force of an explosion, spread in every quarter, filling the sky with the most brilliant coruscations. It does not appear that any of them were visible below the horizon, though some assert the contrary. The most of them fell in curved lines, tapering into a narrow stream as they descended. It is said that two or three explosions were distinctly heard at different places. The flame which they emitted resembled faint lightning. After sunrise on Wednesday morning, a mass of gelatinous matter was found in this town, which from its singular texture is supposed to have formed one of the larger meteors. In appearance it resembled soft soap, possessed little elasticity, and upon being subjected to the action of heat, evaporated as readily as water. \* \* In our immediate vicinity many persons were horribly frightened. \* \* Such an unusual scene, however, could not but have been appalling; and it needed no aid from morbid sensibility, from ignorance, or from superstition, to fill the mind with awful forebodings. The only appearance at all comparable to it occurred in South America, November 11, 1779—being precisely 54 years and one day from the present remarkable exhibition."

16. "True American Temperance Society" met at house of Gershom Obdyke, Stillwater; William Shiner, clerk; George Losey, president.

16. Newton Vigilant Society met at house of Samuel Rorback, at 6 o'clock.

25. Barn of William Bodine, near Washington, fired and burned by his mother, who afterward hung herself in a neighboring orchard.

26. Court opened at Newton, Justice Hornblower. Case of Bowdewine Decker vs. Caskeys, involving \$2,500, occupied most of the term and was won by the latter. Samuel Keeler was acquitted of having found and secreted a pocket book: this result was gratifying to a large audience which thronged the Court house during the trial.

Machine invented to cut shoe leather, doing more in one hour than 12 men can do in a day.

27. Ketcham & Doland dissolve partnership at Franklin.

27. Singing school organized at the Academy.

#### DECEMBER.

5. Thanksgiving day.

W. J. Duane, as well as Rev. E. K. Avery, the man acquitted of murder in Rhode Island, receive a great amount of space. Avery's acquittal did not meet popular approval.

5. John A. L. Syms, charged with larceny, escaped from jail, by feigning illness, during which the jailer relaxed vigilance. He was captured at Hamburg and returned to his old quarters.

Joseph Current killed a panther, with an axe, 4 or 5 miles east of Newton, after it had chased a woman into her home. The beast was six feet in length and stout in proportion.

13-15-16. A severe storm of snow and rain, which, though not disastrous in this section, caused untold loss in New York and all along the shore.

21. Citizens of Wantage met at Horace Vibbert's hotel, Deckertown, "to adopt such measures as may be necessary to protect their chartered rights."

#### 1834.

##### JANUARY.

1. Thomas C. Ryerson calls meeting at DeCamp's hotel to make another attempt to dispose of books owned by Newton Library Company. Meeting adjourned to 14th inst.

5. Child of M. H. Ogden, Hamburg, died of smallpox supposed to have been contracted from clothing of a brother, who died at Newark of the same disease.

6. M. Swezey opens dancing school at house of Samuel Rorback.

6. M. E. Austin opens dry goods store a few yards north of court house, lately occupied by Edward Stewart.

13. Edward Mott, Milford, committed suicide.

14. Stockholders of Newton Library met at DeCamp's hotel, and resolved to sell the 200 volumes belonging to the Company, (some of which were rare and valuable) at auction on January 25th. The proceeds, after deducting advertising and auctioneer's fees, were to be donated to the American Colonization Society. John H. Hall, chairman; Thomas McIntire, secretary.

Firm of E. G. Coursen and Abram Smith, at Deckertown, is dissolved. Mr. Smith continues the business.

18. Married, Nathan Smith to Mary Ann Sanders, by Charles Lewis, Esq.

20. "It is worthy of remark, that no less than three panthers have been killed in Sussex county since the commencement of cold weather."

20. John Rutherford offers to sell several farms in Sussex; also 600 merino sheep, at auction, at Deckertown.

24. Legislature in joint meeting elected Thomas C. Ryerson, of Newton, Judge of the Supreme Court, by a vote of 33 to 29, over Judge George K. Drake. The latter was an able judge, but his defeat was the result of partisanship and the unpopularity of his decision in the famous Quaker case.

27. Reed & Cortelyou dissolve partnership at Stanhope.

27. J. A. Prime offers a reward for either thief or articles stolen from school house of 17th District in Wantage township; "Tuition-House, 4 miles S W of Deckertown."

28. Court house discovered to be on fire after the adjournment of court; fire caused

by hot ashes, and timely work of citizens prevented serious damage.

28. Legislature consider act to declare the boundary line between Frankford and Wantage. It was finally passed in February. This was probably the outcome of a meeting held at Deckertown last December.

28. Bill to abolish militia trainings in time of peace defeated by a decisive vote.

29. New York and Milford stage which passed through Newton upset at Bottle Hill by the breaking of an axle. Cyrus Knapp, of New York, (a native of Newton) was the only one out of twelve other passengers who was seriously injured, one of his legs having been broken.

#### FEBRUARY.

1. Married, Morgan L. Smith to Margaret Iliff, by Rev. Mr. Winner.

4. William Read, aged 16, died from effects of a violent fall on the ice, 49 hours after the accident, in Newton township.

6. Special meeting of County Temperance Society at house of Samuel Rorback. Joseph Northrup, Sr., James Cassady, Francis Moran and Alfred Kanouse elected delegates to convention at Trenton, on 12th inst., to form State society.

7. New York stage upset near Newark, Mr. Hill, the driver, severely injured.

10. Charles Rhodes, who purchased most of books of Newton Library, establishes a circulating library at his drug store, which was on the site of the present Dennis Library.

10. J. W. Manning, secretary, gives notice of a lecture on Electricity, before the Newton Lyceum.

12. J. R. Stuart, secretary, gives notice of annual meeting of Newton Temperance Society, at court house, at 3 p. m.

14. County courts in session since Jan. 28th. Many apparently trivial indictments tried. Appeal Court, with 20 cases. John A. L. Syms, aged 60, convicted of stealing a horse from Henry Roloson, Jr., of Wantage. Syms had spent the greater part of his life in prison.

15. Married, Jacob Mulford to Sarah Haggerty, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

15. New Methodist church at Newton dedicated. Rev. Manning Force, P. E., conducted the exercises. Collection of \$173 taken to aid in payment.

15. Married, Charles Snover to Elizabeth Willets, by Rev. C. H. Lippincott.

20. Auditors in case of Allen & Longstreet advertise second and final dividend of 16½ per cent. to creditors.

22. John D. Bailey, Vernon, advertises veterinary services and cures.

24. Abraham Smith, Jr., postmaster at Deckertown, vice E. G. Coursen, resigned. Financial panic, induced by the deposit question.

Proposed new tax bill opposed as inquisitorial.

26. Married, Lewis Young to Ann Rebecca Salter, by Rev. Mr. Hutton.

#### MARCH.

3. Davis & Onsted dissolve partnership at Andover; business continued by John Onsted.

Samuel Hill, Amos Pettit, Jr., Matthias Hemmeyer and Joseph Northrup, Jr., give notice of a meeting on March 13, at store of John Onsted, Andover, to elect trustee in place of Jonathan Hill, dec'd., and prepare plan for Baptist meeting house.

Legislature passes 103 acts, 28 of which were divorces. The growing nuisance caused agitation for placing such business in the courts.

Justices appointed in joint meeting Feb. 26 were: Aaron Hazen, William Inglis, Absalom Dunning, John I. Rosenkraus, Benj. Tuttle.

Col. 2nd Artillery, Joseph Northrup, Jr.; Major 1st Bat. Field Artillery, Samuel Smith; Major 3rd Bat. 1st Reg., John C. Cox; Major Sussex Squadron, Thomas B. Egbert.

4. Store of Joseph Reed, at Stanhope, robbed of \$200 worth of goods, and then set on fire. The building was saved through lack of draft, but the goods were seriously damaged.

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7. Penney & Ketcham dissolve partnership.

8. Samuel C. Koapp and William A. Baldwin dissolve partnership; the former continues boot and shoe making at the same shop.

17. Kelly & Creamer, at Columbia, claim patronage in lumber business because "they have two saws which can cut 6,000 feet of boards in 12 hours!"

W. Barrows announces summer term of Branchville academy, to begin in May.

Philetus Phillips is about to give up his school and remove from Newton.

17. Morris canal opens for season.

18. A notice signed by 39 prominent farmers is to the effect that the coopers of the county having resolved at a recent meeting held at Bray's tavern, not to make or sell butter firkins for a less price than five shillings per firkin, all farmers are requested to meet at the same place on April 5, to take into consideration whether butter at the price of 12 or 13 cents, delivered in New York, would warrant such a price being paid for firkins. Benjamin Halsey was chairman of the meeting and John Strader secretary. Resolutions were passed expressing respect for coopers, as well as all tradesmen, and wishing them success and prosperity; condemning combinations and asking proposals for firkins, giving the coopers of Sussex preference. Here was the first fight in Sussex against "trusts."

19. Married, Gabriel L. Dunning to Mary Ann Murray, by Rev. Gabriel Conklin.

20. Sands, Halsey & Co. assume charge of tanning and currying business at Stanhope, at the old stand of Stephen O. Chidister.

22. Sussex Association for the detection of horse thieves, met at Horace Vibbert's, Deckertown.

22. Married, Samuel Hardin, Jr., to Caroline Main, by John Dill, Esq.

24. William Rankin announces opening of a school at Deckertown, at \$12 per scholar for a limited number.

## APRIL.

1. Nelson P. Moore becomes a partner with John H. Hall in publication of THE REGISTER.

2. David Kerr, Jr., resumes hatting business.

4. Charles Knapp removes from Sparta to Newton, and opens tailor shop on Church street, lately occupied by Mr. Baker, silversmith, next to corner store.

Philetus Phillips removes to Milford, Pa., where he assumes charge of Millford Academy, assisted by Miss Helen Blair.

Miss E. D. White, late with P. Phillips, remains in Newton and continues in charge of the school for young ladies.

8. Steele & Shotwell dissolve partnership at Allamuchy.

9. Married, William R. Longstreet to Sarah M. VanDeren, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

10. New York city polled "the unprecedented number of 40,000 votes."

12. George Dennis and Henry Adams dissolve partnership; Adams continues tailoring business at old stand, and Dennis goes to store lately occupied by Samuel Johnson, next door to Cox's House.

14. John A. Johnson purchased stock of groceries owned by his brother Samuel, and removes it to his shop on the upper side of Newton Green, next to Pettit Brittin's store; tailoring shop continued in another part of the house.

14. John Kraber came to Newton and took cabinet shop of Lewis Howell, next to Sussex Bank.

14. Job S. Halsted appointed a master and examiner in chancery.

18. Jacob Lawrence and Aaron H. Griggs begin mercantile and storage business at Stanhope.

For years the files seem to furnish the best record of horse pedigrees that could be desired; space was not so valuable as now.

21. Married, Joseph I. Reger to Helen VanDeusen, by Rev. Peter Kanouse.

House of Emanuel Coykendall, Wantage, struck by lightning; damaged, but not set on fire. Four children in a bed were shocked, but only one severely.

21. List of township officers elected show little, if any, change in several years.

Marcus E. Austin advertises new store in Newton.

26. Johnson & Bonnell open store corner of Church street, lately occupied by Renney & Ketcham.

Job S. Drake, tailor, removes his "deposits" to upper side of Green, next to drug store.

28. E. G. Coursen begins business at Lafayette, in storehouse owned by A. Boyles & Co.

## MAY.

Elections for officers of the Newton Artillery, were held May 10, at Dennis Cochran's; New Jersey Artillery, May 17, at Thomas House's; Independent Company of Artillery, May 10, at Wm. Drake's; Horse Artillery, May 3, at John S. Warbasse's; Sussex Artillery, May 24, at Nathaniel Drake's; 2d Company Newton Artillery, May 17, at Samuel Rorbach's. It looks as if the artillery organizations were popular in those days.

3. Married, Daniel Putman to Temperance Little, by Rev. C. C. Park.

34. Conference of Universalists at Branchville.

7. County Temperance Society met at Newton.

11. Married, Daniel Camp, Jr., to Mrs. Mary Hunt, by Peter Merkel, Esq.

12-13. Freeholders met. Officers remain the same as for years past. The principal feature of the report is the rigid economy shown in appropriations, and refusal to pay bills that really seemed just and proper. A committee reported that the minutes of the Orphans' Court, from 1805 to 1816, as well as the divisions of estates, were not recorded, and the titles of land were greatly jeopardized. Dr. John S. Cook seems to have been constable as well as court crier. The sum of \$9,000 was ordered to be raised by taxation. A spring bar was ordered to be placed on the front door of the court room to check noise of the iron latch, and a pulley and weight was ordered for the door leading to the centre chamber; this seems to be the only piece of extravagance the Board was guilty of.

12-13. A storm of rain and snow, followed by a coating of ice on the trees, which blighted all buds and blossoms. Early vegetation and all fruit cut off. It was a mournful scene, as Nature had previously donned its most beautiful spring attire. The disastrous frost covered most of the country.

14. Thomas Allason keeps hotel at 50 Pearl street, New York city.

26. Sussex Circuit Court presided over by Chief Justice Hornblower. He charged grand jury that nine-tenths of crime was due to liquor, and intimated that Freeholders and Court of Quarter Sessions were apt to recommend and license unnecessary taverns. Cases of David Green (colored), charged with murder of an infant, and Asa Smith, a young Hercules charged with arson at Stanhope, and who was captured by Sheriff Ludlow, of Morris county, were postponed until August.

26. Drug store in brick building, southeast corner of green, about to move across the street.

28. William Rankin engages Miss Ballard to conduct female department of his select school at Deckertown.

30. John and David Malven dissolve partnership at Flatbrookville; business continued by David.

30. Married: Moses Cole to Mary Ann Grimstead, by Rev. C. Lippincott.

## JUNE.

Expenses of Warren county poorhouse for past year \$2545; number of inmates 41, and the farm very productive.

7. Married: George Dennis to Elizabeth Anderson, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

9. First Regiment of Field Artillery (Col. Northrup) met at Samuel Rorbach's for drill. Hamburg Artillery held an election at same place.

9. Robert P. Bell running Stanhope grist mill.

9. John Deming, Henry Beemer, and others, will receive proposals until June 21, to build a stone meeting house in Wantage.

11. Married: John Raynor to Mary Ryerson, by Rev. C. Dunn.

14. Raymond & Ogden's menagerie failed to visit Newton, cheating the printer out of three weeks advertising and disappointing a large number of people. Same trick served at Easton, Belvidere and Hope.

16. William C. Thompson and Francis Drake engage in tailoring business at Hamburg.

16. "A Farmer's Friend" calls meeting at Lewis Peters's inn, Lafayette, to open the turnpike gates between Sparta and Dover.

19. Married: Mahlon L. Dickerson to Sarah Ann Lawrence, by Rev. C. Lippincott.

23. Issue of this date in mourning for Gen. Lafayette, who died May 20, aged 77.

26. First annual meeting of Sussex Association of Baptist Churches, at First Wantage Church. Sermon by Rev. Z. Grenell.

## JULY.

4. Celebration at Hamburg. Robert Hamilton, orator; Walter L. Shee, reader; Gen. Lyman Edwards, marshal; John L. Edsal, standard bearer; James Edsal, bearer of cap of liberty.

4. Celebration at Stanhope. Col. Jos. Northrup, marshal; Stephen B. Hunt, orator; Wm. H. Ranlett, reader; Josiah Munson, bearer of cap of liberty; John Apgar, standard bearer; Mr. Grandin and Jonathan Perry, leaders of vocal music; D. C. White, leader of instrumental music. The First Independent Artillery Regiment, and Captain Kraber's troop of horse were invited.

4. Celebration at inn of Thomas House. Major Samuel Smith, marshal; Rev. Oliver E. Bryant, orator; Lemuel Fisk, reader; Charles Mackerly, bearer of cap of liberty; James Vankirk, standard bearer; Matthias Lane, Barnes Lane, Joseph Perry and Jacob Strader, leaders of vocal music.

John Rutherford, Jr., attorney-at-law, inserts professional card, office 129 Market street, Newark.

7. Board of Freeholders met in extra session, and decreed an alteration in the jail, in accordance with Justice Hornblower's charge that it was absolutely necessary. Also recommended that prisoners now indicted for capital and other crimes be tried in August instead of November, as originally intended.

7-14. Extremely warm weather.

Deckertown list of unclaimed letters dated June 30, is signed A. Smith, postmaster. D. H. Gale was the previous P. M.

19. Married: Robert Sloughbower to Elizabeth Peters, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

19. Married: Luther Y. Howell to Martha J. McCarter, by Rev. C. Dunn.

19. Married: Robert Drake to Susan Sheeler, by Rev. James Wyckoff.

28. In this issue it is noted that the abundant crops of wheat and rye are a compensation for the inclement spring which cut off summer fruits. Corn, oats, flax and buckwheat were promising.

31. Rev. Clarkson Dunn announces intention to relinquish his school after middle of October, with exception of a very few boarders. Early notice was given that another teacher for the village might be secured.

Lehigh Coal and Navigation Co. give rates for hard or soft coal, delivered at points on Morris canal, in quantities of fifty tons. At Hackettstown the rate was \$4.30 and \$3.80; Stanhope, \$4.50 and \$4.00; Dover, \$4.65 and \$5.15. For quantities between 50 and 1000 tons, 25 cents per ton less.

## AUGUST.

1. Camp meeting of Christians at Vernon, near Major Simonson's; two days meeting in church at Branchville, on 9th and 10th.

1. Morris canal reduces tolls from 8 cents to 2 cents per mile, with discount of 15 per cent. when distance is over 70 miles.



4. Camp meeting for M. E. Church on grounds of Amos H. Kennedy, Tranquility.

4. C. A. Lipincott and Joseph Chattles announce union camp meeting of Hamburg and Newton circuits, on lands of Robert V. Armstrong, Frankford, August 25.

4. Darius Brackett opens school in penmanship at Academy.

4. Job S. Drake closes shop and begins to "whip the cat."

9. Married: William Bird to Matilda Young, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

7. Sussex Bank announces semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent.

9. Notice of opening of books for stock of Dingman's Choice and Delaware Bridge Company, on Sept. 8 and 9.

18. Camp meeting near Milford, Pa., announced by M. Force.

15-17. Johnsonburg Christians hold camp meeting on lands of Dr. Kennedy.

19. Special term of Court opened. Asa Smith, stranger in county, tried on two indictments for robbing and setting fire to store of Joseph Reed, at Stanhope, convicted and sentenced to twenty years imprisonment. Diana Green, colored, was acquitted of a charge of murdering her newly-born infant. She had been in jail six months.

20. Whigs held meeting at Samuel Rorbach's to elect delegates to State convention. The list is a long and interesting one, showing who were the original Whigs of Sussex.

20. Woodruff & Burns open chair shop at Sparta.

20. John Eager, Stillwater, suicide by hanging in barn of Jacob Savabool.

21. Corn and buckwheat suffering for want of rain; a drought prevailed throughout the state for weeks.

23. June, Titus, Angevine & Co. occupy much space announcing menagerie exhibition at Newton on Sept. 9, and promise not to disappoint people as a similar exhibition did in the early summer. Van-Amburg was with this show as animal trainer.

27. Gen. Joseph Duncan, the Whig candidate for Governor of Illinois, passed through Newton on his way to Owego.

#### SEPTEMBER.

1. Issue of this date contains account of trial of indictments for a practical joke played upon Luther Skellenger, an inn keeper at Deckertown. In February about 50 or 60 persons led a horse up a flight of six steps to Skellenger's barroom, much to his displeasure. The act was repeated three times in the hope that Skellenger would become so angry that he would kill the horse, in which event the crowd intended to extract the animal's entrails and sew the landlord, who was a tailor, in the place vacated. The riotous demonstration failed to effect the purpose, but Skellenger secured indictments and when the trials came at the special session in August, most of the offenders were missing. Four were brought to the bar, and went to jail for thirty days, and the others were fined \$10 each.

1. Charles Rhodes removes drug store to newly-fitted room on opposite side of street, and the brick building is for rent.

Francis Drake and Wm. C. Thompson, tailors, at Hamburg, separate.

8. Married: John A. Tooker to Susan DeCamp Hinchman, by Rev. Lewis P. Bayard.

At the August term of Court fifty-six persons applied for benefit of insolvent laws.

8. Charles Wade advertises 200,000 brick at kiln near Franklin Furnace, at 75 cents per 100.

8. With issue of this date THE REGISTER was enlarged to 22x30, and had a new heading. It was stated that with the exception of the Newark Sentinel, which was of the same size, it was the largest paper then printed in New Jersey.

8. County statement was not published until this date. Bridges cost \$1,678.36, and

Freeholder's fees for same, \$900. Poor house, including balance of purchase money, \$6,306.79—of this sum the articles of yearly consumption cost, \$1,454, and fixtures and implements, \$750. Courts cost \$1,343.71: election expenses, \$211.54. The county was in debt \$10,382.81, and had collectible monies amounting to \$1,812.63.

8. Board of Assessors, which met Sept. 1, valued landed property of county at \$3,834,000, and under a late law taxing bonds and mortgages or judgments, ascertained that amount to be \$166,000.

10. Protracted meeting begins at Court House, conducted by Rev. Messrs. Jackson, of Deckertown; Park, of Hamburg; J. Teasdale, of Newton, and L. Fletcher, of Pennsylvania.

9. Buckley, Weeks & Co.'s circus exhibit at Newton. Three shows in one day.

17. Married: Rev. C. C. Park to Susan L. Couse, by Rev. John Teasdale.

20. Married: James Trusdale to Maria Teasdale, by Rev. Timothy Jackson.

29. Name of the village of Bottle Hill, Morris county, changed to Madison.

#### OCTOBER.

4. Married: James Harris to Eveline Maines, by Rev. C. A. Lippincott.

6. Joseph Jackson, of Rockaway, offers \$20 reward for a male slave he bought of Robert Ogden, at Hamburg, who ran away, and was last seen at a free negro's house (Othello Holmes) in this county.

10. Meeting at Court House to aid New Jersey Howard Society. Addressed by John Howard, agent of the Society.

11. Sarah M. Fox, milliner, at Lafayette.

13. Marcus E. Austin removes store to brick building, southeast corner of green.

14. A bear killed near Sparta; in morning of same day a bear was seen on border of Newton village; it was pursued, but escaped.

14-15. Election, in which the contest for Sheriff surpassed anything heretofore known. Total vote, 3943. Average majority for Jackson ticket, 1293. Samuel Price had a majority of 717 over Peter Merkel, for Council; Alex. Boyles, for Sheriff, had a majority of 107 over John Brodrick, and 998 over Lewis M. DeCamp. This was the first tabulated election report printed.

17. Railroad meeting at Vibbert's hotel, Deckertown.

18. Conrad Welch had arm blown off by accidental discharge of cannon at Hamburg, while celebrating Jackson victory.

19. Alex. Thompson, younger brother of David Thompson, of Newton, died of yellow fever at Charleston, S. C.

20. Semi-annual meeting of Medical Society at Rorbach's hotel.

20. William Rankin announces winter session of school in large house owned by B. Decker, at Deckertown. In a lengthy notice he says further. "The village of Deckertown has formerly been famed (and with too much correctness) for the practice of vice, and destitution of intellectual and moral cultivation; but an advance has been made toward a better state, and therefore now contains a goodly proportion of pious and moral citizens." John C. Bunting furnished board, washing, fuel and lights for \$1.75 per week. Other citizens in village \$1.50 per week.

30. Married: Simeon Draper, Jr., to Francis S. Haggerty, by Rev. Dr. Wheeler.

#### NOVEMBER.

A young bear caught in a rabbit trap near Marksboro.

1. Married: Robert Brasted to Julia Whittaker, by Rev. Mr. Fairchild.

11. Vincent Tuttle and John B. Gustin dissolve partnership at Lafayette.

14. Rye, 68c; old corn, 60c; new corn, 50c.

Child of Azariah Davis, Newton tsp., burned to death, having got out of bed in the morning, and its cotton clothing took fire during brief absence of the family.

15. Vigilant Society met at Dennis Cochran's hotel and elected officers.

16. Married: John L. Quick to Mary Roberts, by Rev. Mr. Raymond.

22. Buckley, Weeks & Co.'s circus returns to Newton.

24. Married: John Roe to Matilda McConnell, by Rev. E. F. Dayton.

25. Judge Ford presided over Circuit Court. Tobias Hayne acquitted of a charge of perjury. A stranger called Stokes, convicted of stealing from lodgers at Abraham Bray's tavern, sentenced to five years imprisonment.

27. David Hill rents Hunt's clover mills. The rate for cleaning seed was one bushel out of every ten.

28. Francis R. Drake and Seely Sayre, tailors, form partnership at Sparta.

#### DECEMBER.

4. Married: Robert Hunter Morris to Ann Eliza Munson, by Rev. Mr. Brigham.

9. E. G. Coursen sells by auction his store stock at Lafayette.

11. Thanksgiving Day. Common Pleas Judges were Joseph Y. Miller, John H. Hall, and Robert H. McCarter.

15. Brigade Board, W. S. Johnson, Judge Advocate, met at hotel of John S. Warbasse, Newton.

17. Married: Dr. John L. Foster, of Deckertown, to Harriet Scott, by Rev. John Johnson.

23. Married: Abraham Coss to Elizabeth Richards, by H. J. Coursen, Esq.

22. Isaac VanWhy, of Johnsonburg, killed by falling from his wagon, near Garrison's tavern, on Morris turnpike.

31. Fair for sale of fancy articles held in room of the Female Academy, on Liberty street. (It is possible that this is the first fair where New Year gifts were sold.)

#### 1835.

##### JANUARY.

4. Chair factory of John Trusdell, on Mill street, Newton, destroyed by fire, with all its contents. No insurance. Great depth of snow prevented loss to surrounding property. Shop afterward opened in Wm. A. Baldwin's, near corner of Green.

8. Married, Delancey McConnell to Nancy Hammill, by Rev. C. A. Lippincott.

In issue of 12th it is stated "the late severe cold weather is the theme of remark in all directions." In Newton on the 4th it averaged 14° below zero. Snow was two feet in depth at Washington, D. C. The Sussex members of the Legislature rode 80 miles with a below zero temperature, and their lot was not envied. The cold period extended from Jan. 1st to 7th, and the minimum on the 4th throughout the country, when quicksilver was frozen in many places in New England and New York. The severe cold was followed by a "January thaw" with heavy rain, which caused a serious breakup.

14. Rev. Peter Kanouse installed as pastor of the Clinton street Free Church, Newark.

30. Heavy rain, with thunder and lightning. Israel Smith's barn at Rockaway struck, and burned with two horses and two cows.

31. Married, Samuel Oliver to Charity Quackenbush, by Rev. Mr. Wyckoff.

##### FEBRUARY.

6. Protracted meeting in Branchville Christian church; notice signed J. S. Thompson.

Rev. George Pierson, of Orange, accepts call to pastorate of Wantage Presbyterian church, lately in charge of Rev. Peter Kanouse.

Bank note tables were a necessity. Only New York city issues were quoted at par. Sussex Bank  $\frac{1}{4}$  per cent. discount on notes under \$10; Belvidere bank  $\frac{1}{2}$  cent discount.

7. Married, Charles Knapp to Sarah M. Robbins, by Rev. Mr. McDermott.

11. Married, Benjamin Couse to Rosetta Dunning.

11. Peter G. Crine murdered his wife at Minisink, Orange county.

12. Married, David Couse to Mary Ann Price, by Rev. Mr. Dunn.



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12. Blacksmith shop of John Smith, Newton, destroyed by fire, between 4 and 5 a. m.

12. Sussex Bank declares four per cent. dividend.

17. Presbyterian church at Mendham burned; no insurance; loss \$10,000.

19. William Rankin's school at Deckertown disturbed by a case of smallpox in the vicinity.

21. John A. Horton asks settlement, as he intends to leave Newton April 1st.

Alex. H. Smith & Co. dissolve partnership.

22. Citizen Joseph Warbasse lectured at court house. Subject. "The End of the War."

25. Gen. B. Hamilton's "bag bill" limiting 2½ bushels of grain in any bag sent to mill, causes fun in Legislature, but finally rejected.

## MARCH.

1. Mercury 2° above zero at Newton, and on the following day 8° below.

New Jersey Legislature passed law against prize fighting.

4. Legislature in joint meeting appoints 15 justices, 3 commissioners, and 6 militia officers. Peter B. Shafer, colonel of 1st regiment; John D. Everitt, colonel 3rd regiment; William Hunt, major 2nd battalion, 1st regiment; Imla Drake, major 1st battalion, 3rd regiment; Abalom Dunning, major of Sussex Squadron; John C. Cox, major 2nd battalion, 1st regiment of Field artillery.

4. Law passed to raise State revenue of \$40,000; all mills and factories taxed from \$6 to \$30; carriages and wagons from 75 cents to \$5; married men with an estate worth not over \$30 were taxed \$3, and single men, whether living with parents or not, \$2.

5. Married, Rev. I. N. Candee to Elizabeth Green, by Rev. Mr. Gray.

5. Legislature passed an act prohibiting issuance or circulation after July 4th next, of any bank bill of less denomination than \$3; and a year from July 4th the prohibition was made to cover all bills of less denomination than \$5. Severe penalties were enacted.

9. Stephen and James Trusdell form partnership as chairmakers and painters, in shop lately occupied by Wm. A. Baldwin, as a leather store.

1. David H. Gale, Wantage, sells out, preparatory to removing from county.

17. Married, John Huston to Sarah Stewart, by Rev. C. Dunn.

28. Samuel C. Knapp, shoemaker, sells his stock, preparatory to removal from Newton.

29. Dwelling and tavern of Mr. Jones, two miles below Stanhope, destroyed by fire.

Abraham Cole, of Wantage, fell into a ditch and drowned in two feet of water.

## APRIL.

1. Son of Andrew Freese, of Hope, aged 14, killed at Hackettstown. In moving a wagon he was pushed down a declivity and crushed.

1. Alex. H. Smith moves to new shop two doors above Charles Rhodes drug store.

4. Henry Adams moves tailor shop next to M. E. Austin's store (Fitch building.)

4. Pierson & Williams begin freighting business at new storehouse of Jacob Lawrence & Co., Stanhope.

4. Ladner Trusdell and Samuel H. Griggs form partnership as chairmakers; shop next door to Sussex Bank, lately built by Lewis Howell.

4. Samuel Rorbach and Horatio N. Peters form partnership in harness and saddlery at shop lately run by John A. Horton.

9. Examination of young ladies school.

13. Edward Coulton assumed charge of Newton Academy (Said to have been a very severe disciplinarian.)

14-15. Examinations at William Rankin's school, Deckertown.

13. Town meetings.

George T. Smith continues business at old stand of A. H. Smith & Co., near Cochran's hotel.

17. Newton Lyceum met at Academy.

Jacob Dewitt, residing near Milford, Pa. lost a leg while engaged in tying up a raft at Black's Eddy.

An April snow storm.

New York city voted to secure water from the Croton river.

20. Annual meeting of Medical Society at Rorbach's hotel.

20. High prices prevailed in New York: roasting pieces of beef, 15 to 17c. a pound; mutton chops, 12 to 15c.; chickens \$1.25 per pair; turkeys, \$1 to \$2 each.

22. William Rankin announces with his accustomed frankness the progress of his school at Deckertown. It began in the winter of 1833 in a room 12 feet square, with one scholar. At the end of the first session it had increased to 20, and at the third session to 73. The results were gratifying, and at the recent examination nearly 1,000 persons remained for seven hours. "The moral and religious condition of Deckertown has improved, and is not now surpassed by any other village in the State." "In point of literature, the spirit of Old Sussex is waking up."

23. Married, George W. Cooke to Elizabeth Stinson, by Rev. Jos. L. Shafer.

24. Joseph Northrup & Son dissolve partnership at Andover.

## MAY.

5. Married, at Christ Church, Dr. Harvey Hallock to Ellen C. McCarter, by Rev. C. Dunn.

John S. Smith, saddles and harness, opens business at Deckertown.

7. William Rankin, in response to call for increased school facilities, says not more than 12 or 15 scholars should be under the care of a single teacher.

14. Rev. Joseph L. Shafer offers his household goods, house and lot, pew in Presbyterian church at auction.

13. Board of Freeholders met and re-elected officers of previous year. Among other business the Jailor's fee for keeping prisoners was made 18 cents per day instead of 15 cents! Mileage of Freeholders in selling bridges was construed to mean five miles or over from his residence to the bridge. As a further sample of the closeness with which the Board did business, a bill of Dr. John R. Stuart, for vaccinating 75 paupers at poor house, during the late smallpox excitement, was refused payment. Debtors notes for board in jail were burned. The sum of \$9,000 was ordered to be raised by taxation.

18. Saren B. Munsen and J. C. Bunting dissolve partnership.

19. Associates of Newton Academy met to choose new Board of Trustees.

22. J. Trusdell, captain of Newton Rangers, calls in musical instruments belonging to the company.

23. Married, Amos Smith to Caroline Woodruff, by Rev. Mr. Wilmer.

25. Sussex crop prospects flattering, except peaches, which were ruined by boisterous spring weather. Prices of grain and flour were high all over the country. At Philadelphia butter was 50 cents per pound; potatoes \$1.50 per bushel.

26. Two prisoners escape from Warren county jail.

31. Rev. Joseph L. Shafer preached farewell sermon as pastor of Presbyterian church, Newton. Afterward removed his family to Middletown Point, where he assumed charge of another church.

## JUNE.

1, 2, 3, 8. Annual trainings. First regiment met at house of Samuel Rorbach, Newton: Col. P. B. Shafer declined the command, and was represented by Major William Hunt. Col. Northrup's independent regiment of Field Artillery met June 8, at house of William Campbell, Newton. Col. Everett's Third regiment, and Col. Beemer's 2nd regiment met on 1st and 2nd respectively, but location not advertised. The training at Newton was on an excessively hot day, and, as usual, a burlesque.

5. Andrew Hull drowned while fishing at Swartwout's pond.

6. Levi Frey opens stone cutting shop two doors east of Cochran's hotel. (Was he the first tombstone cutter in county?)

10. A thunder storm of two hours duration that exceeded anything previously known. No damage in village, but in the forests lightning found many marks.

Farmers in Sussex sold rye for 75 cents and afterward repurchased it at \$1 per bushel.

12. Sussex Baptist Association met at Lafayette.

13. E. V. Coulton, principal of Newton Academy offers private instruction in penmanship and arithmetic.

19. A tornado passed over northern part of Warren county, and at Columbia the storm raged nearly all night. At Gravel Hill (Blairstown) the destruction was great within 1½ miles of the village. Its force was spent on farms of Jacob Harris, John T. Snover, Andrew Dennis, William Shuster, and Adam Warner. In Snover's orchard of 300 apple trees only four or five were left standing, and the same number out of 200 trees on the Dennis farm. The storm was south-west and eastward, causing loss of several lives at New Brunswick, and much property. In Sussex the storm was violent; but beyond injury to grain by hail, it did no great damage.

20. Trusdell & Griggs, chairmakers, dissolve partnership.

22. County statement published, showing cost of poor house and interest on loans, to have been \$2,548.20; Bridges and fees cost \$1,982.85; Court expenses, including Constables and Jurors fees, \$1,302.88; Election expenses, \$243.64.

24. Dillistin & Ayers cut price of butter firkins to 50 cents.

25. Married, Samuel Drake to Margaret Shiner.

## JULY.

4. Celebration at Newton: Col. Joseph Northrup, marshal; Martin Ryerson, orator; Pierson Hurd, reader; Major John C. Coxe, standard bearer; Major Benj. W. Hunt, bearer of cap of liberty. Exercises held in Presbyterian church where an ode written by B. B. Edsall was sung.

4. Celebration at Branchville: Col. John D. Everitt, marshal; George R. Howell, orator; Dr. John B. Beach, reader; Joseph A. Orsborne, bearer of cap of liberty; John S. Edsall, standard bearer; Benj. Ross, leader of vocal music. G. Westfall, one of the gunners injured while firing salute.

4. Whitfield H. Hurd opens public house in Sparta, lately kept by his father, as a temperance house.

6. Francis Drake opens tailor shop at Centerville, Stillwater township.

13. Partnership between William A. Ryerson and Jacob Ross, tanners, at Branchville, dissolved through death of Mr. Ryerson.

20. Hiram J. Belknap began running a tri-weekly stage between Stanhope and Dover. Fare, 75 cents. Time of trip, 1½ hours.

25. Teachers of county met at Deckertown, and formed an association. Carlos Allen, secretary.

29. Elizabeth, daughter of John Shuster, Hardwick, attempted suicide, but was saved by two brothers before life was extinct.

31. Christians hold camp meeting near Branchville.

Grain and fruits of all kinds yielded abundant crops.

## AUGUST.

2. Married: John A. Hankinson to Elizabeth Griggs, by Rev. Mr. Dayton.

Johnsontown much excited over a series of thefts in different places, which subsequently proved to have been committed by a female apprentice to the millinery business. The girl was 18 years of age, handsome and intelligent, but very depraved.

6. Sussex Bank declares semi-annual dividend of four per cent.

11. Bible Society met at Baptist church, near Deckertown.

12. Mobs, riots and murders at Philadelphia, New York and Baltimore, and throughout the south, the latter caused by efforts of the abolition party.

17. Camp meeting on old grounds in Sandyston township, lands of John Shay.

18. Charles Rhodes exhibits a radish 24½ inches in circumference and weighing 5 lbs., "but hollow as a dicer's tooth." Grand jury did not find single indictment at its late session.

18. John Easterline, aged 55, of Bucks county, Pa., filled himself full of rum in Sandyston township, and then hung himself by the roadside. Gideon Norris, of Milford, a victim of rum, cut his head nearly off, and a lad of 15, named Van-Tayl, near Mintsink, N. Y., hung himself, accidentally.

22. Sussex County Lyceum of Teachers met at Deckertown, but a menagerie proved a greater attraction, and meeting postponed to Sept. 5.

24. In issue of this date is a belated but very interesting report of the Supts. of the County Poorhouse. It occupies 2½ columns; is the second annual report; the average number of inmates during year was 60, and the inclement fall and winter of the next year raised it to 90; woolen cloth, linsey woolsey, and tow and linen were manufactured; Nathaniel K. Beardslee was the first Steward, at \$400 per year; he proved so valuable that he demanded and received \$450 for the second year; the Supts. commend the ability of Mr. Beardslee and wife in the highest terms; it was urged that the cultivation of silk worms and broom corn would add to the revenue of the institution, a start having been made with mulberry tree seed. The expense of the institution for the first year was \$2,470.55; for the second year, \$2,028.20; both exclusive of interest on the farm debt of \$5,000.

24. A radius of a dozen miles from Mt. Pleasant, Westchester county, N. Y., had received but little rain since last April, while in Sussex, for three weeks or more, it had rained in torrents. (It is said that the mountains of Sussex could be seen from Mt. Pleasant.)

25. Welch, McComber & Co.'s menagerie exhibits at Newton; next day at Hackettstown. Went from Deckertown to Milford, and thence back to Newton.

26. Rev. Joseph L. Shafer installed as pastor of Presbyterian Church at Middleton Point.

29. Married: Andrew Gray to Maria Struble, by Rev. J. Teasdale.

31. A cucumber on the vines in garden of Dr. John R. Stuart was 14 inches in length, 13½ inches in circumference, and weighed 5½ lbs. Isaac V. Coursen, of Fredon, eclipsed this by one 4 inches longer and weighing 13½ lbs. more.

SEPTEMBER.

1. Eagle factory, Adams, Lanterman & Hatfield, proprietors, give list of prices, and date Wantage.

Isaac Dennis rents cider works of Nathaniel W. Hart, in Newton.

5. First Troop of Horse Artillery met at house of John S. Warbasse, Newton. Captain Kraber in command, and their appearance and drill is praised.

5. Married: John Howell to Sarah Jane Adams, by Rev. Timothy Jackson.

7. Dr. Samuel Marshall, about to leave State, sold household goods and offered at private sale house corner of Liberty street and New York road; also house on Spring street occupied by Richard Penney.

7. Nomination day for county officers. Jail at Goshen, N. Y., had 42 prisoners, including two murderers.

11. Newton Academy burglarized.

11. William Dutcher, a hotel keeper at Milford, Pa., arrested on charge of robbing the mails. His standing was such that the populace was at first inclined to mob the special agent making the charge.

12. Married: Joseph Kinney to Sarah Ann Struble, by Rev. John Teasdale.

12. Married: Master Rodney Perry, aged 16, to Adah Havens, aged 14, by Rev. Timothy Jackson. This wedding occurred in Wantage, and by consent of parents, who were present.

OCTOBER.

1. Evi Cole, merchant, of Wantage, dropped dead in street at Newburg, N. Y.

2. Anthony Sayre acquitted at Morristown on a charge of murdering his brother,

John Sayre, who was shot while sitting in his home March 16.

5. William N. Hunt opens tailor shop in Newton, next door to store of William Beach.

Peter Northrup & Brothers have a tilt with the Eagle Factory over collection and delivery of wool and dressed cloth.

5. Married: William Rankin to Lydia D. Ballard, by Rev. Mr. Pierson. The bride and groom were the teachers of the Deckertown Academy.

6. Married: Col. Grant Fitch to Amy Hoppock, of Morristown.

10. Barnes Lane produces a radish 25 inches in circumference and weighing 10 lbs. David Cole, of Rockaway, "goes better" with one 28 inches and weighing 10½ lbs.

12. Married: Rev. Elias Frost to Clarissa Beardsley, by Rev. J. Teasdale.

13-14. General election. Only 897 votes polled in Sussex. No opposition to federal ticket in Sussex and Warren.

17. Married: Abraham Congleton to Mary Ann Struble.

17. Married: William Strader to Mary Ann Mains.

17. William Rankin announces that E. G. Coursen will have charge of boarding department of Deckertown Academy, assisted by Mrs. Hannah Chandler; males and females being in separate buildings.

19. Beach's "Bazaar" advertised.

21. Married: Elijah I. Austin to Theresa A. Austin, by Rev. John I. Christie.

23. L. A. Roy opens millinery near Yellow Frame Church.

27. Bible Society met at Second Presbyterian of Wantage.

30. Dr. Hunt, of Marksboro, cut his throat and took poison, while insane. Died Nov. 1.

31. Trinity Church at Lockwood dedicated, Rev. Manning Force presiding.

NOVEMBER.

2. Edward V. Coulton opens Winter term of Newton Academy.

4. Temperance convention in Presbyterian church, Newton, addressed by Mr. McKee, State Agent. Job S. Halsted, chairman; Rev. B. I. Lowe, secretary.

6. John Struble, a farmer of Newton township, hung himself in a weaver's loom.

6. Peter G. Crine hung at Goshen, for murder of his wife.

10. Married, David Thompson, Esq., to Susan Dederer, by Rev. Dr. Broadhead, in New York city.

Fifty Baptist clergymen out of 51 present at a meeting in Burlington, sign total abstinence pledge; among them Thomas C. Teasdale, of Camden; C. C. Park, of Stanhope; John Teasdale, of Newton; Timothy Jackson, of Deckertown; and Elias Frost, of Hamburg.

16. John Teasdale opens boarding and day school for young ladies, in Newton, and Miss E. D. White unites her school with it.

17. A fine auroral display from 7 p. m. to 3 a. m.

21. Tailor shop of George Dennis, Newton, burglarized to the extent of \$50.

21. Newton Vigilant Society met at inn of Wm. Campbell.

20. H. F. Condict visits Sussex to solicit funds for Washington monument.

DECEMBER.

3. Married: George L. VanVanSickle to Elizabeth Roy, by Rev. C. Dunn.

3. Married: John Compton to Eliza Maria Hough, by Rev. Bromwell Andrew.

4. Railroad meeting at Deckertown. Joseph Chandler, president. Enos Goble, secretary.

Heavy snow storm burles ungathered crops.

Wm. Dutcher, convicted of mail robbery at Milford, Pa., pardoned after serving two or three days of a sentence of two years.

5. A. B. & A. S. Shafer dissolve partnership. A. B. Shafer continues business.

8. Persons who signed roll and citizens generally met at house of Samuel Rorbach to organize "Newton Fire Co."

8. William A. Baldwin advertised for six or eight boys to go to Newark as apprentices to the tanning business.

10. Thanksgiving Day.

12. Sussex County Lyceum of Teachers met at Deckertown.

12. Married: Seely Mann to Mary Gustin, by Rev. J. S. Thompson.

10. Beginning of great fire in New York city. Even at Newton the reflection was distinctly visible from 10 o'clock throughout the entire night. The illumination was seen at and beyond Milford, Pa. Mails were disarranged for over a week.

19. Martin Ryerson, secretary, on order of the engineer, requests members of the "Newton Fire Engine Company" to meet at house of Gen. Edwards, for exercise.

21. Brigade Baard met at house of Dennis Cochran.

22. Special meeting of Bible Society at Hardwick church.

22. Married: William Allason to Ann Eliza Delmater, by Rev. George Dubois.

24. County Temperance Society met at Court House.

24. Married: Isaac R. Luce to Emeline Freeman, by Rev. J. S. Thompson.

24. Married: John B. Ackerman to Eliza Crane, by Rev. George Pierson.

24. Another railroad meeting at Deckertown, supplementary to one held on the 4th inst., John H. Hall, chairman. Thos. Teasdale, secretary. Resolutions favored building line from Water Gap to Newburg. Joseph E. Edsall, Enos Goble and Peter B. Goble were appointed a Legislative committee, and John H. Hall, treasurer, for funds of \$300 to pay expenses.

1836.

JANUARY.

1. After this date it was illegal to circulate bank bills of less denomination than three dollars.

1. Lewis Howell offered to sell brick front house with lot formerly occupied by Sussex Bank and the adjoining house used as a millinery store for \$1,800; and the wooden shop with lot (now the site of Woodward's store) for \$500.

Rye, 85c.; corn, 75c.; buckwheat, 50c.; oats, 44c.

3. Abraham N. Curtis, Hardwick, hung himself during a fit of periodic insanity.

6. Caleb H. Valentine, in the Legislature, presented a petition for the organization and incorporation of a fire company at Hackettstown. The Town Committee of Newark, also petitioned for incorporation of said township as a city.

6. A "great meeting" for promotion of Temperance and to advance the interests of the American Colonization Society, held at Marksboro. It is editorially condemned as an unjudicious and ill-timed discussion of the slavery question. The subject was, "Which is the greater evil—Intemperance by means of intoxicating liquor, or African Slavery?" Judge Ryerson presided. Dr. Byington, Dr. Vail, J. M. Sherred, Esq., and Joseph McGee spoke on the side of Intemperance, and Revs. D. X. Junkin, J. C. Edwards, Edward Allen and Benjamin I. Lowe on the side of Slavery.

7. Stockholders of Sussex Bank called on to pay further installment on increased capital.

7. Railroad meeting at Hunt's hotel, Branchville. Joseph Northrup, chairman; George H. McCarter and Pierson Hurd, secretaries. Committee of nine appointed to confer with a committee of the Morris & Essex railroad, and to build under the charter of the New Jersey, Hudson and Delaware Company.

8. Citizens who subscribed for purchase of the fire engine were requested to meet at Rorbach's hotel, to receive report of committee. (This must have been the origin of old No. 1.)

9. Eighteen inches of snow fell.

12. Phineas Kennedy re-appointed Clerk of Warren county, also John Moore as Judge.

15. H. Gregory, proprietor of an Intelligence office, at 70 Chambers street, New York, advertises that native females from the country are in great demand for domestic service, and will be given preference at all times, at higher wages and lighter work than in the country.

18. Snow storm of late date left a depth of from 2 to 6 feet. No mails for four days.

18. Extracts from report of Mr. McKee, State Temperance Agent, show advanced

sentiment in Sussex. Wantage in particular had reduced its distilleries from 14 to 4, and seven stores discarded sale of liquor. Active organizations of young men had been formed at Newton and Hamburg.

23. Members of Newton Fire Engine Company, also subscription committee, met at Rorbach's hotel, to select site for erection of engine house, etc.

26. Matthew Woods, of Vernon, suffocated by fumes of a charcoal furnace in his bed room. Two others awoke in night, and escaped with great difficulty.

25-26-27. These days were designated as the time when citizens of Hardwick, Knowlton, Green, and Stillwater would meet respectively at Johnsonburg, Paulina and Marksboro, to form a Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

28. Sussex Association for Detection of Horse Thieves met at Simpson's hotel, Hamburg.

With the beginning of the year public houses are called hotels instead of "inns," "house of," etc.

## FEBRUARY.

4. Married: Moses Bigelow to Julia Ann Fowler, by Rev. Mr. Thompson.

12. John and T. C. Teasdale announce purchase of Potwine house, and the Academy adjoining, and open boarding and day school, known as Newton High School.

13. Joseph E. Edsall re-appointed County Clerk, but not without a contest and dissatisfaction.

16. Storehouse of John Rosenkrants, at Peter's Valley, burned with all its contents, including \$700 or \$800 in money.

22. Snow on the ground said to average five feet in depth, and being added to nearly every day or two.

27. Married: John B. Stinson to Ann Foster, by Rev. Benj. I. Lowe.

27. Married: Aaron Ackerson to Lucy Ann Peters, by Rev. Mr. Hevener.

27. County Teachers' Lyceum met at Deckertown.

## MARCH.

3. Newton Fire Engine Company, Jas. Bonnell, secretary, ordered to meet for exercise.

9. William Speed, jeweler, says he has partially retired from business, on account of poor health.

16. Eleanor, five-year-old daughter of Henry Beardslee, died from scalds received by the sudden overflowing of a pot of varnish.

28. In this issue is printed an address delivered before the students of Deckertown Classical Seminary, December 1, 1895, by Isaac R. VanDuzer, Esq., of Goshen, N. Y.

28. Ground still covered with mountains of snow; sleigh bells have jingled for four successive months; only a few bare spots. People were sick of snow.

28. The firm of Hall & Moore dissolved by limitation. THE REGISTER continued by John H. Hall, who announces that he is aided by a competent assistant (B. B. Edsall) and that the paper will strive to retain its prestige by works, rather than words.

Newark changes from a township to a city by a vote of 1890 to 325.

31. Married: John Stelle to Sarah M. Al-lason, by Rev. David R. Downer.

## APRIL.

1. Samuel Whittaker was postmaster at Deckertown.

5. William A. Baldwin has vendue preparatory to departure for Newark.

8. Ladner Trusdell removes shop from Howell building to his dwelling on same street, opp. Episcopal church.

9. Stephen and James Trusdell dissolve partnership; business of chair making and painting continued by the latter.

7-8. Examinations at William Rankin's school, Deckertown.

14. Examination at Newton Academy. Mr. Coulten says he has taught alone 50 pupils.

15. Examination at Teasdale's school for young ladies.

15. A. B. Shafer sells store stock, etc., with intention of removing to New York.

15. Citizens of the county requested to attend a railroad meeting at Bray's tavern, Augusta.

18. William Rankin gives notice that the price for students' board will remain as heretofore, \$1.75 to \$1.81 1/2.

22. Isaac Dennis and Nathan Drake dissolve partnership at Greensville.

25. Meeting to advocate railroad from Carpenter's Point to Morristown, held at house of John D. Everitt, Sandyston. J. Depne, chairman; John B. Angel, secretary. Meeting addressed by John Layton, Esq. \$100 subscribed for expenses of engineer.

25. Moses Woodruff and Thomas G. Burns dissolve partnership at Sparta.

30. A. B. Demey, a western merchant, robbed of \$1,700, at a public house on Schooley's mountain.

## MAY.

1. REGISTER office removed to corner of avenue leading to the Methodist church, and on the New York stage road.

Joseph Northrup, Sr., postmaster at Andover, vice son, resigned. Lewis L. Smith postmaster at Coursensville.

1. Pierson & Williams run three canal boats from Stanhope to Newark.

6. John Teasdale retires from Newton High School, on account of ill health, and his brother, Thos. C. Teasdale, secures in his place Samuel Richards, of Brown University, of Providence, R. I.

Henry Adams continues at "old stand" next to law office of Wm. T. Anderson.

11. Board of Freeholders met. No change in any of Board or County officers. Claim of Silas Utter for bounty on seven wolf scalps not received. The sum of \$9,000 ordered to be raised by tax. Board authorized building of bridge 72 feet in length over Lubber's run, near the head of Andover pond. B. Hamilton was allowed \$179.85 for juror's fees paid by him in 1893, and not heretofore presented owing to trouble in County Clerk's office, and removal of Mr. Chandler from county.

14. Henry Shoemaker, Walpack, offers his newly patented threshing machine and horse power.

16. Nelson P. Moore opens general store in building lately occupied by Marcus E. Austin.

17. Married: Thomas H. Shafer to Margaret S. Beach, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

17. First regiment of Field Artillery met at house of John S. Warbasse, for drill.

18. Two horses stolen from stable of William Smith, at Hamburg, and a saddler's shop robbed of saddle, bridle, etc.

19. Commissioned and non-commissioned officers of Sussex Brigade met at Newton for drill.

The hard winter caused provisions to advance in price. Wheat sold at \$1.30 per bushel; rye, 85 @ 94c.; corn, 72 @ 80c.; oats, 40 @ 45c.; butter, 18c.; eggs, per score, 20 @ 28c.; potatoes, 37 @ 44c.; buckwheat, 50c.

23. Publication of third annual report of Supts. of Poor House. The long and hard winter had increased the number of inmates to 103—average 80. Total cost of Institution for year, \$1,978.51. The green grain was not promising on account of the heavy snow. The mulberry seed had produced some fine plants. Fully one half of the report is taken up with a statement and condemnation of the brutality of two Justices of the Peace, who, in extreme cold weather, sent two infants not more than eight or ten weeks old to the care of the institution without their mothers. Names are not mentioned, but it would be a satisfaction to know who could descend to such unfeeling and despicable meanness, merely to save a few dollars' expense.

24. Sussex Courts opened; Justice Ford presiding in Circuit. Twenty licenses granted to hotel keepers; a dozen bills of indictment found, mostly for assault and battery, the outcome of a severe winter which kept men out of employment and gave opportunity for dissipation. In

Common Pleas Uriah Emmons, of Stillwater, sued John G. Buckley, under a state law prohibiting cutting or boring of timber. Buckley had tapped a pine tree on lands of Emmons to secure gum to make a plaster for a neighbor, who had a severe wound on leg. Court advised that in view of object the action be dropped, but Emmons demanded his "pound of flesh" and a verdict of \$8 was rendered. In the Circuit there was only one case, and that a singular one. One Eyres and wife, of Ulster county, N. Y., brought an ejectment suit against Peter Myers, of this county, to recover possession of a farm of 140 acres, in Montague township, worth about \$2,000. Myers had purchased the farm of the children of Edward Litts, whose father had lived on the farm for 50 years. On trial it was proved that Litts had, about 53 years ago, (under the name of Everitt Litts) married a woman in Ulster county, named Lentje Roos, by whom he had one child, (viz, Lydia, one of the complainants in the case.) Afterward Litts deserted this wife and child, came to Sussex and married another woman, who became the mother of eight children. The first wife was still living; the second marriage was illegal; and as he died intestate, the daughter of the first marriage claimed to be the only lawful heir, and the jury sustained her claim.

25. Whig meeting at house of Samuel Rorbach, names delegates from townships to attend convention at Trenton, June 1, and endorses candidacy of Gen. William Henry Harrison. John Bell, Frankford, chairman; Dr. John R. Stuart, secretary.

28. Married: Samuel Townsend to Maria Meeker, by Rev. Mr. Barber.

30. Publication of opinion of Ephraim Beach, civil engineer, of the Morris and Essex R. R., who went over the proposed route from Carpenter's Point to Morristown. He said that from the summit of the Blue Ridge through Culver's Gap, there were no difficulties, and that the grade would not exceed 40 feet per mile, and could be made less. From the Gap the grade would necessarily be steeper. Two routes were surveyed southward.

## JUNE.

1. Married: Nathan A. Green to Jane Ryerson, by Rev. Isaac Demund, at Pompton.

6. "A zinc mountain, 200 feet high, has been discovered in the town of Sterling, Sussex county, N. J. The metal is reported to be of excellent quality and much superior to the imported."

9. Enos Goble and John Merkle announce dissolution of partnership at Deckertown, on May 13, and a new firm composed of Enos Goble and Jonathan S. Christie.

Enos Goble announces approach of railroad survey from Newburg, and calls meeting for June 13, at Deckertown, to raise money for expenses.

13. Thomas Wright, supt. of Morris canal, gives freight rate of 1 1/2c. per mile on each ton of coal from Mauch Chunk. Boat loads of 20 tons \$5 per trip.

13. Grain crop prospects unfavorable; not more than a half yield expected.

18. Sussex Association for Detection of Horse Thieves met at house of Stephen Ward, Hamburg.

18. Railroad meeting at Deckertown chose William J. Wilson, chairman, and Daniel Haines, secretary. Robert A. Linn was appointed treasurer, and it was resolved to raise \$600 in aid of the survey through Sussex.

18. Married: John Johnson to Eliza De-witt, by Rev. T. C. Teasdale.

19. Married: William Pell to Letitia S. Cook, at Christ church, by Rev. C. Dunn.

Railroad fever causes a correspondent to predict that Sparta will awaken from its lethargy and become a great manufacturing village.

22. John Brown, an Irishman, died at Mansfield, Warren county, aged 104.

25. Thomas O. Anderson sold dry goods, at wholesale, one door north of Court House.

27. Mad dogs cause alarm throughout county. Nathan Smith, of Stanhope, and Captain Martin Cox, of Newton, bitten by rabid dogs. Many dogs were killed, but it was wisely declared that "one man's life is worth more than the whole of the canine race."

No celebration of 4th of July having been announced in county the town school boys take the matter in hand.

27. "A locomotive has lately been propelled on a railroad in England fifteen miles in fifteen minutes, or at the rate of SIXTY MILES PER HOUR! Only think of that! and wait until we get our railroad through Sussex. Go to New York in an hour? Come, now that will be pretty rapid business." With all the prospects of that hour the railroad did not reach Newton until twenty years later, and still we haven't realized "one hour to New York."

28. Joseph Chamberlain, of Newfoundland, killed by lightning, and one of his children in same room, severely injured. Seely Leach, of Stanhope, made senseless by lightning on same day.

#### JULY.

1. Rye improves with warm weather: clover superb; oats never better.

Mad dog excitement continues. Isaac Stage and a resident of Hamburg were victims. Twenty-seven dogs had been bitten at Hamburg, besides cats and other animals, by a single cur, in one day.

4. Juvenile celebration at Newton. Shower after shower until 11 a. m., when the sun appeared. Children marshaled by Messrs. Dunn, Coulton and Teasdale; addresses at Court House, and a collation at the Academy.

4. In firing a national salute at Hackettstown a premature explosion caused loss of left arm of James Dougherty, at shoulder, and serious injury of right hand; Francis Ferrell had both hands almost torn off, and Peter Valentine lost a thumb.

7. H. N. Peters, secretary, orders members of Newton fire company to exercise at 4:30 p. m., at house of Gen. Edwards.

9. Railroad meeting at house of George Crockett, Marksboro.

11. James F. Conover, a native of Newton, and editor of Cincinnati Whig, announces death of only child, wife and mother within five months.

13. Shaft of water wheel broke at inclined plane at Old Andover; one boat rushed up and one down the plane, causing much damage.

18. Cyrus S. Leport appointed to solicit contributions in Sussex county, for Washington monument.

Citizens much elated over the railroad surveys; one for an extension of M. & E. to connect with Erie at Carpenter's Point, and the other from Newburg to Columbia. The routes crossed each other 5 or 6 miles from Newton.

Dr. John J. Linderman, of Lehman, Pike county, (afterward Director of U. S. Mint at Philadelphia), requested editor to state that he possessed a remedy for hydrophobia.

22. A. Boyles says the Lafayette foundry is now successful, and can cast up to 1,500 lbs. weight.

25. "The bustle" worn by women comes in for a share of denunciation. The ladies laughed in their "sleeves" which were large enough.

25. Statement of county receipts and expenditures is in condensed form, and shows a total of \$12,907.25. Of the expenditures, \$1,227.74 were for bridges; juror's fees, \$831.75; election expenses, \$203.37.

25. Twelve-year-old son of Mrs. Margaret McCollum, while riding a horse to water in Newton, killed through reckless act of a small boy who ran out and beat a tin kettle, which caused the horse to run away, dragging and kicking its rider.

Citizen J. Warbasse writes a letter cautioning against use of rye; which has degenerated through disease until most of it is unfit for man or beast.

Robert A. Lewis, postmaster, at Hamburg.

Deposit was invariably spelled "deposite" after old style.

#### AUGUST.

1. Railroad mania had taken possession of old Sussex, and it was said that little else was discussed.

5. The editor praises John J. Vankirk, of the Columbia ferry, and advises excursionists to the Water Gap to patronize him.

12. John Siple, Stillwater, aged nearly 60, suicide.

12. Sussex Bank declares 4 per cent. dividend for six months.

15. Camp meeting for one week in Sandyston, signed by Peter D. Day and John S. Beegle.

15. Alex. H. Smith offers to sell his property on "Broad street," Newton, between houses and lots of T. C. Ryerson and W. T. Anderson. Owego line of stages passed daily in front of door. Also, house and lot on Spring street, within 100 yards of survey of proposed railroad, adjoining lands of Dr. Moran and George T. Smith.

18. Married: Horatio N. Gustin to Mary Stoll, by Rev. C. Elting.

22. Camp meeting on grounds of Azariah Davis, four miles from Newton.

22. Editor laments "inactive, happy-go-lucky Newton," and adds "that prosperity of a place does not depend so much upon waterfalls and rivers, as upon the spirit and enterprise of its citizens."

24. Married: Rev. F. F. Peake to Sarah H. Dennis, by Right Rev. Bishop Kemper, at Johnsonsburg.

29. Two weeks of Court sessions upon matters of not much importance, and two camp meetings in the vicinity had caused much travel.

30. Rev. T. C. Teasdale addressed Young Men's Literary Association at Court House. It was highly praised by editor as being full of life and encouragement.

Newton fire company had monthly drills.

Garret D. Wall sold his valuable real estate in Belvidere, for \$100,000, to Miller & Brown, of Easton. The property included the water power of the Pequest.

#### SEPTEMBER.

1. Mary, wife of Robert Mills, died while walking with her husband to visit a neighbor, in Newton tsp.

Wheat, \$1.60; rye, \$1; corn, 75c; oats, 45c; buckwheat, 50c., at Andover.

Johnson & Bonnell announce that they will go out of mercantile business November 1.

14. Sussex Baptist Association met in 1st Wantage Baptist church.

The Jerseyman was the only paper in Morris county; other ventures had perished for lack of patronage.

18. Married: Isaac H. VanHorn to Rebecca M. Stillwell, by Rev. John H. Currier.

22. Married: Robert Hamilton to Sarah Ann Edsall, by Rev. C. Dunn.

24. Friends of General Harrison met at Rorbach's hotel, and selected delegates to State convention.

25. A. H. Jackson, engineer, lately engaged in surveying railroad route through this county, died after a brief illness in New York city.

Dysentery very fatal in Morris county during past month.

#### OCTOBER.

1. D. Gale was postmaster at "Wantage," S. Whittaker at Deckertown.

1. VanBuren men met at Court House and nominated county ticket.

8. Railroad meeting at Rorbach's hotel, to urge building of Water Gap line.

3. Nelson P. Moore announces sale of store stock, preparatory to removal to the West.

3. Samuel Fowler, John Bell, Joseph Chandler, William Hyberger, Enos Goble, Daniel Haines, Samuel Price, John I. Blair, and Joseph E. Edsall, as Commissioners, announce dates and places for subscriptions to capital stock of \$500,000 to build Hudson and Delaware Railroad.

4. Onsted and Orner, at Andover, offer \$2 per bushel for good wheat; rye, \$1.25; old corn, \$1; buckwheat, 85c; oats, 50c.

5. Married: Isaac Clark to Sarah Piereson, by Rev. Mr. Ogden.

5. Married: James Townsend to Esther Hull, by same.

5. Examination at Newton High School.

6. Married: Jonathan Bonnell to Rusella Westfall, by Rev. C. Elting.

8. John P. Winterbottom opens shoe and leather store on Church street.

8. Married: Alfred H. Fitch to Eliza Ackerman, by Rev. Mr. Vandervoort.

10. A lecturer on Phrenology in town. Charles Hurd, Sparta, has a sunflower 5 feet 10 inches in circumference.

10-11. Coulton's Academy examination and exhibition; the latter to buy artificial globes. No unruly boys admitted under any circumstances, and if the reputation of the principal has been correctly handed down, he was the man who would preserve order. He was a graduate of Trinity College, Dublin.

11-12. County and State election. Days were stormy and a light vote polled. VanBuren ticket elected, without opposition, except on the eve of election. Samuel Kays, of Hardyston, came out and opposed John Strader, who had only 79 majority. The average majority in Warren county was 200.

12. An early and very heavy snowfall, which was taken away by rain the following day.

12. Public sale of 200 building lots at Washington, Warren county, by Gershom Rusling. Sale afterward adjourned to November 31.

18. Married: Joseph McKee to Elizabeth D. White, by Rev. Heman Humphrey, D. D.

20. Public sale of eleven lots on road leading to Major Greer's (being property lately occupied by Dr. David Hunt) on Love Lane. Sale urged as desirable building spots, certain to advance in value.

24. Vincent Tittle gives notice of relinquishment of business in the neighborhood of Lafayette.

25. Legislature passed an act changing the date of election in November from 1st and 2d, to 15th and 16th, so that it might not conflict with United States law that federal elections should be held within 34 days of meeting of electoral college. The same condition existed in 1898.

26. James L. Dickerson and John B. Vanderen dissolve partnership.

26. Married: James Bonnell to Mary Hathorne, by Rev. A. D. Eddy.

27. A general illumination at Newburg, N. Y., to celebrate commencement of Hudson and Delaware Railroad.

27. Married: George Van Inwegen to Julia Ann Seward, by Rev. Mr. McClaren.

28. Married: Henry Exall to Armiada Aletta Patterson, by Rev. Joseph C. Moore.

31. Pork \$30 per barrel, flour \$10.

31. William Rankin's school reopens, and music is to be taught by Miss Frances Halsey, of Mendham, at \$5 per quarter.

#### NOVEMBER.

3. Governor Peter D. Vroom declined reelection on account of illness, and Legislature elects Philemon Dickerson.

John O. Truesdell slept in a room with one Martin Langdon, who had a real or pretended claim against the former, which he could not collect. To save delay Langdon took the money out of Truesdell's pocket, while he was asleep. When Truesdell missed the money he had Langdon arrested and placed in jail.

7. Card of Dr. John W. Rafferty appears. He was located at Westtown, N. Y., but afterward practiced throughout this county.

8. Railroad stock books opened at Columbia. \$50,000 subscribed.

8. Legislature passed act making governor's salary \$2,000; chief justice, \$1,500; each of the associate justices, \$1,400; state treasurer, \$1,000; attorney general, \$80; quartermaster general and adjutant general \$100 each.

15-16. Election for Presidential electors. Sussex gave VanBuren 2389; Harrison 910—majority, 1497, which was more than double that of any other county in the State. Warren came next with 650. Harrison carried 9 counties and VanBuren 5. Morris gave Whigs only 29 majority and the State 545, though some returns were belated and lost.

David Thompson licensed to practice as Counsellor, and Martin Ryerson as attorney and solicitor.

12. A letter written by John I. Blair to THE REGISTER shows his faith in the proposed railroad. It is dated at Gravel Hill, and says the grade from the Gap to the summit level in Sussex is but 200 feet, and that it is estimated that the road will pay 12 1/2 per cent. net when in operation. As a matter of history the letter is highly interesting.

18. James Wilson, a laborer, whipped, under sentence of court, for petit larceny; committed to jail for burglary, became delirious, and died in jail from tremens.

30. Clover mills of Thomas P. Hunt and Nancy Mott, the latter at Marksboro, bid for patronage.

22. Notice of application to create the township of Lafayette, from parts of Newton, Frankford and Hardyston townships.

24. Nathan Smith, of Stanhope, died of hydrophobia, having been bitten by a mad dog in June last. He had used scull cap tea and other remedies known to the period.

29. Married: John Kelsey to Ellen Vankirk, by Rev. Mr. Dayton.

#### DECEMBER.

3. End of two days trial in Sussex Common Pleas. Nancy McClellan sued Israel Ayers, Jr., for breach of promise of marriage. Defendant courted her for two years, then suddenly broke off when she had made preparations for a wedding. After trial had progressed, defendant agreed that the jury should render a verdict for \$500, and admitted that he had failed to impeach the complainant's character in any respect.

5. A. S. VanPraag, dentist, visits Newton.

6. Notice by Jos. E. Edsall, Joseph Linn, William Edsall, Elias L'Homedieu and Francis Hamilton, Commissioners, that books of Hamburg Manufacturing Company will be open for subscriptions on January 8, 1897.

## ANCIENT LOCAL HISTORY

Compiled From Files of The Register.

8. Pierson Hurd, secretary, invites proposals to rebuild or extensively repair 1st Presbyterian Church of Hardyston, at Sparta.

10. Brigade Board met at Hamburg.

10. Independent Lyceum, John Mabee, president; Alpheus Gustin, Jr., secretary, held meeting at Lafayette.

10. Married: Lewis J. Y. Townsberry to Sarah Elizabeth Schamp, by Elder J. H. Currier.

10. Married: William M. Cox to Elizabeth Simmons, by Rev. T. C. Teasdale.

12. A thief took six firkins of butter owned by Hall & Johnson, from a wagon at Camptown. \$30 reward.

14. Sussex Baptist Association held its quarterly meeting at Schooley's Mountain Church.

All important news was sought from passengers by stage from New York, as soon as it arrived in Newton.

15. Thanksgiving day.

15. Married: Henry Smith to Sarah Cause.

16. Superintendents of Poor House ask proposals for the office of Steward, which will become vacant next April, by resignation of Mr. Beardslee.

19. Nelson P. Moore associates himself with Charles Rhodes, 4th, in drug and dry goods business, under firm name of Rhodes and Moore, at the old drug store.

20. R. R. Morris offers to sell farm of 150 acres midway between Newton and Lafayette, for \$7,250; thirty acres of wood, \$900; 130 acres of bog meadow, \$350.

26. Manufacture of sugar from beets begins to attract attention.

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## JANUARY.

2. The coldest day of the winter: zero.

3. Newton fire company met to elect officers. "Large and respectable."

5. A large meeting was held at Deckertown on this date, which elected seventeen representative citizens to attend meeting at Newton, on following day, and also declared in favor of a school fund.

6. Meeting at Court House to obtain an expression of sentiment of county on disposition of the Surplus Revenue coming to the State, and proposed to be divided among the counties. Thomas Teasdale presided, and Robert Hamilton was secretary. A spirited discussion was followed by the adoption of a resolution that the money be applied to the support of education. Resolution also called for a revision of the State constitution.

9. E. V. Coulton starts juvenile singing school, and it is editorially commended. Vocal music was too much neglected, and it should be cultivated by the patriot and Christian.

High heeled boots and stiff shirt collars became fashionable.

14. John Rorbach advertises intention to quit business in spring.

18. Wheat, \$2.20; rye, \$1.30; corn, \$1; buckwheat, \$1; oats, 50c., at Andover mill. At Albany, N. Y., the price of wheat was \$2.37½, and the Newark Daily remarked: "Who can want a better gold mine than a good Sussex county farm?"

18. Married: Richard S. Denton to Elizabeth Smith, by Rev. Mr. Johnston.

18. Married: William McClure to Eleanor Youngs, by Rev. C. Dunn.

19. Married: William McKinney to Eliza Lawrence, by same.

21. Married: Aaron H. Kelsey to Elizabeth Blair, by Rev. Robert Love.

25. Meeting at house of Hazlet Slater, passed resolutions favoring new township of Lafayette, and appointed David Smith and Martin Cox, of Frankford; Joshua Predmore and Samuel Kays, of Hardyston; Jacob B. Maxwell and Adam Simmons, of Newton, a committee to go to Trenton and urge passage of law for such township.

A heavy snow rendered the roads impassable.

25. An unusually brilliant auroral display from 7 to 10 p. m. "Language is too sterile to depict it."

Belvidere much excited over mad dogs.

29. Wife of Elias Hight, of Chester township, Morris county, found dead on return of family from church. Supposed to have been killed by a black girl left to care for her.

30. 5000 bushels rye sold in New York at \$1.70 per bushel. Millers at Rochester pay

\$2 for wheat. Flour, \$10 per barrel. Corn, \$1.25. High prices everywhere.

30. Sands & Halsey, tanners, dissolve partnership at Stanhope.

31. Temperance meeting at Court House addressed by Rev. Mr. Hull, of Pennsylvania. Isaac Shafer, president; D. G. Fitch, secretary.

## FEBRUARY.

1. Thomas McDermott and Charles Wintermute, both of Sillwater, advertise farms and personal property, intending to move west.

6. A. W. Haight, M. D., of Delaware county, N. Y., locates at Lafayette, at house of Lewis Peters.

John M. Fair advertises store house and buildings at Maxville, erected in 1831. Location 7 miles from Newton, 7 miles from Stanhope, and 5 from Allamuchy. Where was Maxville?

On February 3d there was a spicy debate in the Legislature over the charter for the Bergen County Railroad, presented by Mr. Riggs. Mr. Valentine, of Warren, opposed it as a scheme of the Erie to cut the Snufftown line, at the expense of the people of Sussex. This was denied, but subsequent history proves that such was the case.

7. Meeting of citizens of Sussex and Orange at Edenville, to further construction of railroad from Goshen to State line. Samuel S. Seward, chairman; Walter L. Shee, secretary.

Counties of Atlantic and Passaic formed. The latter taking that part of Bergen that joined Sussex county.

9. Legislature, by a vote of 23 to 23 refused to engross a bill appropriating \$2000 for the relief of Walpack and Pahaquarry townships, by which a road would be cut through the Blue mountain, to save a drive of 12 miles to market, and crossing the Delaware into Pennsylvania. Afterward rejected, 32 to 9.

10. "Bread riots" in New York on account of high rents and prices of bread, meat and fuel. Ten millions of foreign goods were imported in the month of January.

11. Married: Thomas Havens to Phebe Case, by Rev. C. Dunn.

11. Married: Benjamin Hart to Jane Pinkney, by Rev. C. Dunn.

11. Married: David Demarest to Martha Onsted, by Rev. C. Dunn.

13. John Onsted offers \$2.20 per bushel for wheat, at Andover; rye, \$1.30; corn, \$1; buckwheat, \$1; oats, 50c.

18. John A. Bonnell advertises for four apprentices, also wagon lumber.

20. Phoenix Manufacturing Company, of Paterson, advertises for flax, for which 10 cents per pound was paid. Editor figured that much flax was wasted in this county, and that an acre would produce 12 bns. of seed and 300 lbs. of cleaned flax, netting about \$54.

Lobbyists and their ways at Trenton severely criticised by editor.

24. Onsted & Orner, at Andover, dissolve partnership.

25. Married: Adolphus McConnell to Amanda L'Homedieu, by Elder J. H. Currier.

27. Two poems by B. B. Edsall are printed: One "The Hapless Poor," and the other "Lines in Memory of Thomas M. Halsted."

Married: Daniel O. Farrell to Mary Frazer, by Rev. C. Dunn.

28. Married: Byram Chichester to Sarah Armstrong, by Rev. Mr. Lowe.

28. Temperance meeting at Court House addressed by James R. Lewis, Dr. F. Moran, and Rev. Daniel M. Barber.

## MARCH.

1. Citizens of Newton requested to meet at hotel of Samuel Rorbach, to provide for enclosure of the village burying ground. The meeting was slimly attended and adjournment was ordered to March 15, at Court House. No report of this meeting appears, as the next issue contained eight columns of President Jackson's farewell address, which was deemed of more importance.

Name of Wantage post office changed to Beemerville; D. H. Gale, postmaster.

1. D. Stuart McCarter becomes member of firm of George H. McCarter & Bros.

A tri-weekly mail route established between Dover and Hackettstown.

2. David Kerr, Jr., advertises window glass, drugs, etc., with his hat stock.

4. John A. Bonnell established in painting, wagon making and blacksmith business on Church street.

4. Morris Canal Company advertises that boats will hereafter be operated day and night; that leases may be obtained at certain dates, and premiums ranging from \$100 to \$10 are offered to the most industrious boatmen.

6. Inhabitants of Newton, Frankford and Hardyston remonstrate against creation of township of Lafayette.

7. Married: David K. Wood to Maria Howell, by Rev. Mr. Force.

8. Sussex Baptist Association, Isaac Moore, president, met at Court House.

9. Son of Dr. Jacob L. VanDeusen, of Montague, aged 14, returning from singing school, stepped on a passing sleigh to avoid a pool of water that had collected in road. Another sleigh coming up, a race ensued, and young VanDeusen was thrown and fatally injured.

13. Body of Monroe McDougall found in Rockaway river at Dover, supposed to have been there since early part of November last.

16. Legislature passed bill to incorporate Hamburg Bank. There was much feeling over the Surplus Revenue bill, which passed in such shape that its care was left to the Boards of Freeholders, and not appropriated to the support of common schools, as a majority of Sussex citizens desired.

18. Married: George W. Dodder to Effie Predmore, by Rev. C. Dunn.

23. Female Benevolent Society, of North Hardyston, held fair at Hamburg.

23. Elizabeth Quick died near Belvidere, aged 50 years. She was a widow, left with three young children, and for 25 or 30 years labored on a farm, doing manual labor, and became known as "Farmer" Quick. She was wholly inexperienced, but by great industry and hard labor raised her family, paid for the farm on which she lived, built a new house and bought another farm with her gains. Her hard labor in felling wood, and getting chilled two months previous to her death ended a singular career.

20-27. Great spring freshets. An ice gorge was formed at the Water Gap 30 feet in height. Great damage throughout the state and elsewhere.

27. Winter grain in this county more unpromising than last year.

State Treasury in such a condition that a state tax was ordered by the Legislature.

27. Commissioners to establish Hamburg Bank advertise opening of books for stock of \$100,000, at house of Stephen Ward, May 3.

28. Sussex visited by two violent thunder storms, one in morning and one in the evening.

Legislature having failed to hold a joint meeting the county quota of common pleas judges was reduced from 8 to 5; Warren reduced from 13 to 10, and in the whole state the decrease was 43, and yet there remained a total of 273—enough and to spare.

## APRIL.

1. Samuel Rorbach and Horatio N. Peters dissolve partnership.

1. Asa Smith takes Harrison Strader as partner in his store business in Wantage.

1. Jane Hoff, colored girl, convicted at Morristown, of murder of Mrs. Elias Hight, of Chester, and sentenced to be hung May 26.

1. Dunning & Brown dissolve partnership at Beemerville, and Benjamin S. Stivers becomes one of the firm of Dunning & Stivers.

1. Charles Knapp and Nathaniel S. Hunt form partnership as tailors, in shop next door to Charles Vansands.

1. Post offices established at Coursensville, Sussex county, Henry J. Coursen, postmaster, and at Harmony, Warren

county, John M. Fair, postmaster.

3. Joseph Northrup, Sr., offers to sell several water powers at Lafayette.

10. Town meetings.

12. John Moore, Amos H. Drake, and William Larison, committee of Warren Freeholders, met to loan Surplus Revenue.

10. E. V. Coulton, Newton Academy; T. C. Teasdale, Newton High School, and William Rankin, Deckertown school, occupy much space to tell of their prospects and educational facilities.

10. John A. Johnson discontinues grocery business, but continues tailoring.

14. Citizens of Beemerville met and passed resolutions condemning appointment of G. L. Dunning as postmaster, and removal of office from its old location.

15. Horatio N. Peters, lately of Newton, reopens harness shop at Lafayette.

7. Rhodes & Moore dissolve partnership at Newton.

17. Medical Society met at Campbell's hotel, Newton.

17. Freeholders met in special session to act upon Surplus Revenue fund. It was resolved in behalf of county to accept its share of the fund. Authorized the Director to receipt for it; pledge the faith of the County for its safe keeping and repayment. Director to pay it over to the County Collector. It was also resolved that in making loans the amount should be apportioned to the different townships in order of application.

17. Barnabas Carter, shoemaker, closes shop in Newton, and "whips the cat."

21. John Hardy, intending to go to the far west, desires to sell or rent store at Berkshire Valley.

20. Thomas C. Ryerson, chairman, announces adjournment of meeting fixed for this date, to consider building of grave yard fence, to April 26, at the inn of Mr. Coates.

27. Married: John Ross, a revolutionary soldier, aged 81, to Mrs. Eleanor Bryan, aged 70, by Rev. Mr. Williamson.

28. Henry Simpson, 3d, wagon maker, returns thanks for patronage of past six years.

29. Dwelling of Jacob S. Wintermute, Stillwater, destroyed by fire.

Pierson Hurd, Sparta, bid for trade in his "department store."

29. Married: Aaron Stikes to Susan Lundy, by Rev. D. M. Barber.

MAY.

1. Rye crop of the county very poor, through an unfavorable season, and the sowing of inferior seed, against which farmers had been cautioned. Where good seed was sown its merits were evident.

4. Commissioners to secure subscriptions to capital stock of Hamburg Bank postpone the event in consequence of present state of the money market.

4. Married: Elijah M. Stewart to Sophia E. Hager, by Rev. Mr. Simes.

The factory girls to avoid starvation went back to help their mothers and aunts and uncles make cheese and raise poultry.

6. Cotton factory at Marksboro, owned by Mr. Wilson, struck by lightning and burned with its contents. Loss, \$15,000; no insurance.

6. First troop of Horse Artillery met at house of Jacob Coates, Newton, to elect officers.

6. Margaret Cummins opens millinery  $3\frac{1}{2}$  miles from Newton, in house formerly occupied by Major Harker, on Easton stage road.

6. Robert W. Townley & Co. open dry goods store in rooms formerly occupied by John Rorbach.

9. Martha Ann Kelsey and Hannah Cornelia Hurd open millinery at Sparta.

10. Board of Freeholders met. No change in any of the officers. The sum of \$7,000 ordered to be raised by taxation. Committee to apportion Surplus Revenue loans among the several townships reported; also made a new distribution of the common school money, aggregating \$1,012.36. William T. Anderson, David Ryerson and John H. Hall were appointed as the agents of the Board to receive and

loan and reloan the surplus money. The applications for loans aggregated \$60,350, only exceeding the entire fund by \$9,000. The gross amount applied for in each township follows: Wantage, \$15,000; Newton, \$7,350; Hardyston, \$9,050; Frankford, \$6,400; Byram, \$4,000; Montague, \$2,000; Walpack, \$4,500; Vernon, \$1,500; Sandyston, \$4,100; Stillwater, \$5,300; Green, \$1,250.

10. Death of Hon. George K. Drake, at Succunna, where he was visiting. He was formerly a Supreme Court Judge, but sacrificed for reappointment on demand of the Hicksite Friends.

13. Married: Bartley Myers to Susan Losey, by Rev. James G. Force.

15. Specie payments suspended. Times were very hard, indeed, and yet Sussex, as an agricultural community had not felt the worst. It was remarked, "Hard times has been the cry since the Israelites crossed the Red Sea; therefore nothing original about the present cry, except its truth."

16. Easton prices: wheat flour, \$9 per barrel; wheat, \$1.80 per bushel; rye, \$1.25; corn, 90c.; oats, 56c.; butter, 18c.; eggs, 18c.; eggs, 12c.; hickory wood, \$5 per cord.

20. Horse stolen from pasture of Schooley Havens, Wantage.

20. Robert Hamilton, attorney-at-law, office south corner of the Green, next door below Charles Vansandt's silversmith shop.

22. Legislature convened in special session to suggest measures of relief for the people.

22. Sussex County Sunday School Depository at office of New Jersey Herald.

23. County Temperance Society met at Court House and received reports from committees, etc.

23. Job S. Halsted, David Ryerson, Jos. Greer, Robert Mills and George H. McCarter, as committee, receive proposals to build stone wall seventy-two perches in length, around graveyard in Newton. Wall to be two feet in depth and two feet wide below the surface, above ground  $4\frac{1}{2}$  feet high and 18 inches thick, with a slope of six inches to form a roof; the whole to be flat pointed and done in the best manner.

26. William A. Rose, of New York, desired information of George Rose, a shoemaker, who lived in Sussex county several years ago.

JUNE.

1. Married: George W. King to Cordelia Frances Cavender, by Rev. Mr. Atwood.

2. Legislature adjourned after an almost fruitless special session; small relief provided for banks, and nothing for the people. The main thought was to fill some paltry offices, and the Whigs refused to consent.

3. Stanhope mills owned by Robert P. Bell, destroyed, with an immense quantity of grain, by a supposed incendiary fire. Fire started at 11 o'clock in the night. Loss, \$12,000; insurance, \$5,000. A reward of \$500 offered.

3. Sussex Bank held election for eleven directors, on Saturday afternoon.

5. Annual inspection of Third regiment, Col. Everitt.

6. Annual inspection of Second regiment, Col. Beemer.

7. The young men of Newton met to consider the subject of a 4th of July celebration, and of the 30 young men named in the proceedings Samuel H. Hunt is the only one now living.

Married: John Reed to Sarah Barkman, by Rev. Mr. Spencer.

12. Annual inspection of First regiment, Col. Northrup. This regiment commonly known by the name of the Newton regiment, at the last meeting of the Brigade Board, was attached to the first Independent Artillery regiment.

12. County statement shows receipts and expenditures aggregating \$12,531.12%; Bridges cost \$1,134.56; elections, \$481.44; poorhouse, \$2,808.12; courts, \$1,065.68.

15. Baptist Association met in Second Wantage Church.

19. Report of Superintendents of Poor House farm shows that Jacob Rorick succeeded N. K. Beardslee. Failure of crops increased expenses of institution; a long

and hard winter ran the number of inmates up to 110. Of the 99 inmates on May 10, forty-five were children too young to be bound out.

JULY.

1. Evi A. Cortright, aged 22, of Wantage, drowned while bathing in Chandler's saw mill pond.

Married: William Howell to Mary Ann Waldorf, by Rev. Daniel M. Barber.

4. Young men's celebration at Newton. Reader, D. G. Fitch; orator, Rev. Thomas C. Teasdale; conductors of the music, Jas. W. Woodruff and N. L. Hunt; marshals, Captain John Kraber and Major Samuel Smith. Committee of arrangements, Geo. T. Smith, D. S. McCarter, Dr. J. R. Stuart, D. S. Anderson, J. W. Townley, Samuel H. Hunt, W. S. Johnson, H. N. Peters, John Kelsey, Wm. H. Cooper, John S. Edsall, Guy Price, Robert T. Shafer, Dr. J. Dayton; committee on toasts, W. S. Johnson, David Thompson, Daniel Haines, Pierson Hurd, Alexander Boyles, John H. Nelden. Weather and other circumstances rendered it a highly successful affair.

10. Board of Directors of Sussex Bank authorized its cashier to purchase in New York city, \$5,000 in silver, and pay it in small sums at counter of the Bank, to relieve the difficulty of small change. The banks were prohibited by law from issuing bills of less denomination than \$5 or \$10. This effort to accommodate cost the bank \$500.

11. Sussex and Warren visited by a destructive hail storm in the forenoon. A few miles west of Newton the hail covered the ground to a depth of three inches. In the afternoon a succession of showers with terrific thunder and lightning. The hail storm reached Hackettstown in the afternoon, causing great destruction; much window glass was broken, particularly in the Presbyterian church.

12. Married: Alpheus Gustin to Ann Eliza Stoll, by Rev. Mr. Elting.

12. Married: E. Little, a soldier of the Revolution, to Mrs. Hannah Badgeley, by Daniel Runyon, Esq.

15. John M. Cooke instantly killed by a fall from a building at Knowlton, on which he was working.

17. William Howell opens harness shop in building formerly occupied by Wm. A. Baldwin, opp. Court House.

18. Married: Albert S. Stoll to Mrs. Charlotte S. Price, by Rev. C. Dunn.

24. "Newton filling up with mechanics-the bone and sinew of a country village."

31. Post office at Columbia discontinued.

AUGUST.

1. Married, Jacob Wack to Clarissa Wolfe, by Rev. T. C. Teasdale.

Dr. J. J. Carwan, dentist, fixes the teeth of the natives.

5. A young woman named Pierson, aged 24, killed by being thrown from her horse near Lafayette Baptist church.

12. Married, Joseph Perry to Sarah Malvina Elliott, by Rev. Augustine Elliott.

14. Sussex Bank pays dividend of three per cent.

15. Sussex Courts open. Continue but four days. Only trial of note was Jacob Kimble vs. James R. Ingile, for seduction of daughter. Verdict \$300.

16. Sussex Whigs met at house of Jacob Coates, Newton, and nominated a ticket for county officers.

16. Joseph, son of Christopher Lutes, aged 15, killed by being thrown from a horse he was using to draw brush on farm of Archibald Ayers, of Newton township.

20. Married, Aaron Griggs to Miss Jones, at Episcopal church, by Rev. C. Dunn.

Shinplasters were too plentiful.

21. Camp meeting on grounds of A. Davis, 5 miles south of Newton, signed S. Rusling.

21. Jacob W. Cummins shows four heads of oats, one 22 inches long, and altogether containing 1302 perfect grains from a single seed.

Moses Woodruff preponds mathematical problems that puzzle all schoolmasters, one of which is answered by P. Boddy.



21. Barnes Lane grows a radish that is an almost perfect representation of the human body.

25. J. A. Bonnell, J. A. Whittaker and James Bonnell, advertised business at Newburg, N. Y.

26. Married, John Morris to Mary Demin, by Rev. James B. Henshaw.

27. Married, Henry Lowrance to Mary Willson, by Rev. C. Dunn.

#### SEPTEMBER.

3. Affidavits of Dennis and Michael Cochran refute a slanderous story that the former owed the latter a large sum of money, etc.

5. Newton graveyard fence committee call for payment of subscriptions, as the work is nearly completed.

7. L. Reynolds desires to close out his store stock in Newton.

8. Protracted meeting under John H. Currier, begins at Johnsonburg.

14. Citizens of Wantage met and nominated Major Thomas Teasdale for Sheriff. Morris & Essex Railroad completed to Bottle Hill.

23. Hall's New York circus exhibited "on the village green!"

25. Barn and outbuildings of Ephraim House, Frankford, destroyed by fire. Loss \$1,400.

26. Married, Andrew A. Smalley to Charlotte A. Bell, by Rev. C. Dunn.

28. Married, William Middlesworth to Lucinda Kays, by Rev. J. H. Currier.

29. William L. Smith announces himself an independent candidate for Sheriff.

#### OCTOBER

4. Married, Whitfield S. Johnson to Ellen Green, by Rev. Mr. Gray.

5. Joseph I. Roy announces an extra stage between Newton and New York, tri-weekly, in addition to the daily line of Owego stages. Leave Newton at 8 a. m. and arrive at Bottle Hill (now Madison) in time to take 4 p. m. train, due in New York at 6.30 p. m.

Protracted meeting begins at Court house. Rev. L. Fletcher and T. C. Teasdale preachers.

5. Married, Isaac Montonya, a revolutionary patriot, aged 97, to Mrs. Mary Wright, 80, by John Mott, Esq. Both inmates of Morris county poorhouse.

8. Married, Charles B. Hopkins to Eliza Ann Woodruff, by Rev. Mr. Moore.

9. H. W. Ogden, tailor, begins business at Hamburg.

9. Abram Cramer, blacksmith and gunsmith, in business north of Campbell's tavern, Newton, in building formerly used as a stillhouse.

The academic schools at Newton and Deckertown were very prosperous.

10. State election. Whigs carry Stillwater. R. R. Morris, for Council, had 1,293 majority over John Bell; John Broderick, for Sheriff, received a majority of 973 over William L. Smith; average majority of VanBuren Assemblymen, 1,202. Highest Democratic vote, 1,941; highest Whig vote, 723 for E. G. Courseen. The VanBuren majority in Warren was about 300.

15. Married, William A. Ludlow to Mary A. Lane, by Rev. C. Dunn.

24. Whig Legislature met at Trenton and organized. Bills promptly introduced to authorize banks to issue bills of less denomination than \$5; also to repeal act of previous Democratic Legislature increasing pay from \$3 to \$4 per day.

26. Rev. B. I. Lowe, of Yellow Frame, sells his house and lot and personal property, by auction.

27. William Pennington elected Governor.

27. Samuel Johnson opens store on Church street, "on ready-pay system." Store formerly occupied by Johnson & Bonnell.

29. George Givens, an elderly man, found dead in road midway between Newton and Lafayette, having died from exposure to cold.

30. REGISTER strongly advocates revision of constitution, as regards common pleas judges and justices of the peace, who were too numerous to be of benefit.

#### NOVEMBER.

1. Barn of Henry Pullis, near Sparta, burned with its contents.

1. In company with overseer of the poor for Newton township, the editor went to look after a woman who had applied for public charity. She had been twice married, the first husband dying soon and the second, one Rogers, proved a worthless. Forced by imperious necessity she sought to revisit the home of her childhood, and with her children worked a passage on the canal from Newark to Stanhope. From there she was conveyed to the home of a relative in this township, and became helplessly ill, in premature birth. While the visitors were making the necessary inquiries, a four-year-old child of the sufferer, was burned to death before their eyes, her clothing having taken fire from a blaze in the dooryard. It was a most affecting incident.

2. It would appear that E. V. Coulton had departed from Newton during the summer, as in this issue Nelson Robinson announces that he has engaged with the Trustees of Newton Academy to continue his connection with it. He advanced its standard at once.

6. It is noted in this issue that within three months three children had been burned to death in this county alone through their cotton garments taking fire from open hearths. "One in Newton township, a daughter of Mrs. Rogers; one in Stillwater, the offspring of Barnabas Space; and the third a child of Henry Pullis, near Sparta." Another child had perished at Dover.

7. Saw mill at Belvidere, owned by Mr. Brown, burned.

9. Special meeting of Bible Society at Newton.

11. Married, Samuel A. Everitt to Emily Mattison, by Rev. E. Allen.

14. Married, Charles F. Durant to Elizabeth H. Freeland.

14. A snow storm followed in the evening by a magnificent celestial display.

A few days ago a daughter of William Tuttle, of Sandyston, aged 7 or 8, accidentally and unobserved, fell into her father's well, striking the water 30 feet down, without receiving a bruise in the descent. With great presence of mind she toiled up the stony steep, and when she finally reached the curb, called for help and was lifted out uninjured.

26. Married, George B. Congleton to Ann Morris, by Rev. S. Rusling.

28. Married, John Cummins to Phebe Price, by Rev. C. Dunn.

30. Thanksgiving Day.

#### DECEMBER.

5. Elias L'Hommedieu advertised for teams to cart 200 tons of pig iron from the Hamburg furnace to Newburg.

7. November term of court closed. Benjamin Shimer and wife tried on four indictments for larceny, etc.—the wife being jointly indicted for two. Wife acquitted; Shimer convicted and sent to State Prison for 12 years.

9. Married, Aaron VanSickle to Susan Hunt, by Rev. Daniel M. Barber.

12. Married, John W. Loder to Mary Durling, by Rev. E. Allen.

16. Michael J. Ferrier, New Paterson, offers 1,200 bus. lime at \$10.50 per hundred bushels.

Brigade Board met at Hamburg. David Thompson was judge advocate.

16. Married, Anthony Himenover to Margaret White, by Rev. S. Rusling.

20. Married, Henry Smith to Eunice Dunlap, by same.

21. Teel & Shaw ran the only store in Stillwater.

22. Joseph Buchanan killed by bank of earth while working on Morris canal at Port Colden.

23. Married, Austin Strobbridge to Hannah Hedden, by Rev. T. C. Teasdale.

25. Married, Peter I. Lines to Elizabeth Meeker, by same.

25. First publication of condition of State banks, under a late law of the Legislature. The Sussex Bank reported: Capital stock paid in, \$67,500; notes in circulation, \$58,371; due other banks, \$1,447;

due depositors, \$17,462; specie, \$14,538; balance due from other banks, \$34,093; notes discounted, \$96,639; bonds and mortgages, \$7,808; surplus fund, \$21,338. Banking house cost \$5,002; no bad debts and only \$120 lost by broken banks.

The Belvidere Bank reported capital stock of \$72,310; notes in circulation, \$66,524; due other banks, \$706; due depositors, \$4,856; due contingent fund, \$18,011; specie, \$20,125; notes discounted, \$92,570; surplus fund, \$13,011, out of which it purchased a banking house at \$3,999 and expended \$1,260 for plates, paper, fixtures, etc.; \$600 of its assets doubtful and \$37 bad.

The Morris County Bank had a capital of \$57,000, but had not as yet declared a dividend. The State Bank of Morris had a capital of \$93,586. The deposits of both banks were under \$32,000. The Dover Bank had capital of \$50,000; notes in circulation, \$30,727; specie, \$6,291; due depositors, \$4,960; notes discounted, \$78,306; surplus fund, \$11,362.

#### 1838.

##### JANUARY.

1. Meeting at Court House to stimulate cause of common schools.

Good opening for a stone cutter at Newton.

1. B. Todd runs a steam feather renovator in brick building south corner of the green.

1. Samuel Lane takes William A. Ludlow, of Newark, as a partner in his tailoring business.

Morris & Essex Railroad opened to Morristown.

1-2. Siamese Twins exhibited at hotel of John S. Warbasse, Newton; from there to Johnsonburg, Hope and Belvidere.

4. Dr. John W. Rafferty resides at Cour-senville.

10. Morris Canal Company gives notice of taking by condemnation Cranberry, Punk Horn and Bear Swamp ponds in Sussex, and Brooklyn pond or Hopatcong lake.

11. Married: Abraham Bennet to Charlotte Reader, by Rev. S. Rusling.

12. Dwelling of Aaron Hazen, Stillwater, burned, and his youngest child perished in the flames.

13. Married: Henry Miller to Phebe Loder, by Rev. C. Loder.

13. Married: Jacob Rose, to Elsie Byerly, by same.

18. Married: John Current to Charity Ackerman, by same.

25. Married: Lewis Hulse to Eliza Salmon, by Rev. T. C. Teasdale.

27. Knapp & Hunt, tailors, dissolve partnership, and on April 1, Charles Knapp will remove from southeast corner of the Green, to Church street.

28. Legislature passed an act granting Stephen Trusdell, of Sussex county, a yearly pension of \$60 during his natural life.

29. Extremely moderate weather; thus far rivers and lakes not closed, and outdoor employment general.

31. Legislature passed act restoring to banks the privilege of issuing bills under the denomination of \$5. It was opposed by the Democratic minority.

31. Married: Joseph Strader to Harriet Backster, by Rev. C. Dunn.

##### FEBRUARY.

1. Wm. B. Saunders, 22, killed by kick of a horse, the next day after his marriage.

2. William, son of Jacob Maxwell, of Newton tsp., killed between Dover and Berkshire Valley, by his loaded wagon. The day was very cold and the ground icy, and it was supposed that he was walking and fell under the wheels.

4. John Larson killed near Deckertown; thrown from a horse he was riding.

8. Married: Zachariah Price to Sarah Ann Titman, by Rev. S. Rusling.

10. Married: Israel Ayers, Jr., to Esther Crowell, by Rev. Edward Allen.

10. Married: Samuel Murry to Jennie Knox, by Rev. Mr. Fairchild.

Legislature passed act regulating selling of grain by weight, and increasing pay of



petit jurors and constables to \$1 per day.

12. The firm of Brown & Lewis, Hamburg, dissolved.

12. Sussex Bank paid dividend of three per cent.—hard times.

13. Isaac Holton and John Decker form partnership at Branchville as harness makers.

17. January term of Court closed. Eight or nine causes were tried by jury, and 105 appeal cases disposed of by the Court.

19. Married: Hon. John Hall, of Montague, to Mrs. Ann Fetter, at Philadelphia.

20. Aaron H. Kelsey advertises large quantity of pork and smoked meats at Huntsville.

Banks were required to publish monthly statements in three newspapers of the State, one of which was THE REGISTER.

26. Death of Miss Sara Hill, Newton tsp., who bequeathed \$6,000 to the "Sussex Baptist Association."

28. Bill to encourage manufacture of beet sugar defeated in Legislature.

28. Legislature in joint meeting appointed Nathan Smith and Wm. Westfall Judges in Sussex; Martin Holmes, Justice; James Bennett, commissioner; Soferine Westfall, Major 1st Bat., 31 Regiment; Simon Kilpatrick, Colonel 3d Regiment; John Kraber, Major Horse Artillery.

#### MARCH.

1. Married: Rev. John B. Case, pastor of the Salem church, to Eliza Wickham, by Elder Isaac Moore.

3. Married: James Snook to Susan Wyker, by Rev. Edward Allen.

5. David C. White, silversmith, returns to Newton, and locates in store formerly occupied by John Rorbach.

5. Matthias F. Baldwin desires to sell his farm 1½ miles north of Court House, that he may remove west.

5. Married: Jacob Lepore to Ann Beardsley, by Rev. S. Rusling.

5. Married: Joseph Gilson to Jane Brown, by Elder Isaac Moore.

8. Married: Thomas E. Edsall to Caroline Edsall, by Elder Isaac Moore.

12. Description given of Spanish bell purchased for Episcopal Church, Newton. It evidently belonged to a nunnery, weighed 400 lbs., and in a square surmounted by a cross, contained several inscriptions in Spanish. It was cast in 1783, and was among other bells brought to the United States and sold in New York city.

13. Married: Hon. Thomas C. Ryerson to H. M. Ogden, by Rev. Joseph L. Shafer, at Jersey City.

14. Married: Charles Wade to Miss Tuttle, by Rev. Mr. Fairchild.

15. Immense quantity of wild pigeons appear in this section.

17. John Hancock, a moulder, residing at Belvidere, perished in a snow storm, during a drunken spree, and his companion named Gould narrowly escaped the same fate. Both were young men and married.

17. Married: Frederick S. Wintemute to Mary Opdyke, by Rev. Mr. Condit.

17. Two young men, named Oakes and Beers, on returning from a pigeon hunt, stopped at an unlicensed place at Roxbury, Warren county, became intoxicated, and Oakes being unable to reach home was left in the road by Beers, where he perished.

19. Justice Thomas C. Ryerson assigned to Sussex, Warren and Hunterdon circuit.

29. Meeting at Court House passed resolution condemning dueling and requested Legislature to pass law in reference to same. Meeting the outcome of a recent duel by Congressmen, in which one was killed.

#### APRIL.

2. John Stiff, weaver, removes from Stillwater, to Montague.

2. Charles Knapp, tailor, removes shop to Church street.

2. Trustees of school fund apportion \$1,518.75 to Sussex county; \$1,638.78 to Warren, and \$2,852 to Morris.

4. David L. Foster and David Anble form partnership and begin business as shoemakers in building recently occupied by George Dennis, and next to W. T.

Anderson's law office.

5. Walter McCann, Jr., tailor, opens shop at Huntsville.

5. Samuel Crane and Joseph H. Nichols, harness makers, form partnership and begin business at Sparta, purchasing stock of H. R. Halsey.

6. Edwin Young, wagon maker and blacksmith, begins business at McAfee's Corner.

6. Newton High School shows a highly creditable examination, and for the summer session Mr. Teasdale secures the services of Nelson Robinson, the present principal of the Newton Academy.

7. Married: Henry Kays to Sarah Morris, by Elder J. R. Morris.

8. Married: Henry Caskey to Maria Scofield, by Rev. Mr. Pierson.

8. Married: John Haggerty to Sarah A. Beemer, by Rev. Edward Allen.

10. Married: Peter Roloson to Lenor Fredenburg, by Rev. John B. Case.

11. Married: Mark Ayers to Loretta VanAnken, by Rev. Edward Allen.

12. William Rankin announces that within 4½ years the school at Deckertown had sent forth thirty teachers of common and select schools, and twenty-seven young men had been prepared for college.

14. Married: William Struble to Mary H. Predmore, by Rev. Mr. Condit.

14. Married: Peter Sweezy to Mary Ann Case, by Rev. J. M. Carpenter.

16. John S. Smith and John S. Decker form partnership as harnessmakers, at Deckertown.

18. Alpheus Gustin sells his stock of merchandise at Augusta, intending to cease business.

23. John A. Westbrook, postmaster at Sandyston; Isaac Shiner at Greensville.

24. A snowstorm prevailed all day.

23. George Benigan opens tailor shop at Johnsonburg, opp. Howell's tavern.

During last week in April a number of post offices were established, including that of Franklin Furnace, Sussex county, N. Wetherell, postmaster; Libertyville, Sussex county, Jacob Beemer, postmaster; also at Asbury, Warren county, and Drakestown, Morris county.

28. First troop Horse Artillery held election at Jacob Coates's hotel.

#### MAY.

1. James R. Hull purchased the tannery formerly owned by William A. Baldwin, in Newton.

1. John Northrup opens store at Pleasant Valley.

2. Thomas C. Teasdale transfers both departments of Newton High School to N. Robinson.

7. Jane Cummins opens millinery at Greensville.

8. William D. Headley opens business at Andover.

9. Board of Freeholders met: no change in officers. Among other things it was ordered that an appeal be taken to the Supreme Court from a judgment obtained by John Strader against the county. \$9,000 was ordered to be raised by taxation.

10. Married: John Walton to A. M. Shafer, by Rev. Joseph L. Shafer, at Midletown Point.

13. Married: Byram Lish to Mary Jackson, by Rev. J. M. Carpenter.

14. Newton Academy reopens; trustees having engaged James McWilliam (graduate of a Scotch University) to succeed N. Robinson.

15. Married: Oakley Bray to Matilda Budd, by Rev. Mr. Cheever.

17. A horse ran down "Front street" into the front door of Cochran's hotel, and the occupants of the wagon, a lady and a gentleman, miraculously escaped injury.

19. Militia elections at Warbasse's hotel.

21. Nathan T. Meacham tames an otter, after killing its mate and its mother.

22. Sussex Courts convened, Justice Ford presiding instead of Justice Ryerson, who was seriously ill. The chief case tried was that of the Sussex Bank vs. Wm. A. Baldwin & Co., to recover \$540, principal and interest due on note of Conrad Teese, of Newark. Motion for non-suit on ground of improper service, was denied.

Then claim of usury was set up, alleging that bank charged interest for 300 instead of 365 days. Justice Ford would have sustained this plea, but for a general practice, which he hoped would cease. Verdict for plaintiff.—In Common Pleas twenty licenses were granted, and General Hamilton, of Hamburg, secured a verdict for \$175 damages from Robert A. Linn, of the same place, for assault, growing out of an estray cow which Mr. Linn's son had driven from an enclosure.—In the Orphans' Court the will of Sara Hill was sustained, and admitted to probate, after three days' investigation.

24. Married: Jason H. Bockover to Mary Insley, by Rev. Christopher Hunt.

28. Completion of the 25th volume of THE REGISTER is made the subject of a retrospective article of some length, in which it is stated that when THE REGISTER was first issued there were not more than eight or ten papers in the State. In this section the changes in agricultural methods, morality, and all that pertained to refined civilization had been marked. Intemperance had decreased in even greater ratio, not through efforts of individuals, but through the diffusion of useful knowledge.

#### JUNE.

1. James Gardner, aged 80, of Harmony, found dead in his field, of apoplexy.

4. Morris & Essex Railroad Company began running three daily trains between Morristown and Newark. Leave Morristown at 6 30 a. m., and 2 and 4 30 p. m. Leave foot of Cortlandt street, New York, 5 and 9 a. m., and 5 p. m.

6. Prices at Easton: Wheat flour, \$7.85; rye flour, \$4; wheat per bushel, \$1.60; rye, \$1; corn, 70c.; clover seed, \$7 per bushel; timothy, \$3; barley, 73c.; oats, 33c.; flax seed, \$1.40; butter, 15c.; eggs, 10c.; hickory wood, per cord, \$4.50.

9. School committee of Newton township decides to examine teachers for license to teach in common schools.

11. Commissioners to loan Surplus Revenue make statement, showing where it was loaned, and in what sums, with apportionment of interest accrued thereon.

11. County statement shows receipts and expenditures aggregating \$10,259.44, including balance of \$3,820.19 in Collector's hands. Tavern licenses netted \$270; bridges cost \$1,533.96; Freeholders and expenses, \$229.53; poor house (including interest) \$2,436.80; election expenses, \$230.28; jurors, \$603; judgment for John Strader, \$76.90; half of cost of running line between Sussex and Morris counties, \$217.68. The loan of \$2,000 due to David Ryerson was paid.

11. "A more beautiful promise of bountiful crops never shone in the living green of the fertile vales and hills of Sussex."

16. Married: Samuel Shotwell to Emeline Bross, by Rev. T. C. Teasdale.

16. David Hunt begins harness making at Allamuchy.

23. A severe hall storm did much damage northwest of Newton, and four head of cattle were killed by lightning.

25. Superintendents of poor house and farm publish annual report; express satisfaction with Mr. Rorick, and re-engage him at increased salary; he had improved the meadows and proved himself to be a superior farmer. Owing to the bad year only three bushels of wheat and 4½ of rye were gathered from the farm; many sheep had been lost through scab.

#### JULY.

4. Celebration at Sparta: Gen. Lyman Edwards, marshal; Rev. Ezra F. Dayton, orator; Pierson Hurd, reader; Elias Beach and John B. Easton, music committee.

4. Lyceum of Newton High School observed the National holiday. N. Robinson and B. B. Edsall made addresses; J. H. Teasdale read Declaration; D. C. White and D. S. McCarter conducted instrumental music. S. H. Hunt, D. H. Roy, H. Johnson, J. H. Teasdale and C. S. Lepore were a committee to make all arrangements and invite the twosinging societies in Newton.

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7. Andrew Shiner assumes charge of the County Hotel, recently occupied by Jacob Coates, and for many years by Samuel Rorbach. It is advertised as a desirable summer residence for city visitors, on account of its situation and delightful view of surrounding country. This is the first bid for city boarders.

10. School committee of Newton township apportioned school money for 1838, at the rate of 67 73-100 cents to each child. There were 1081 children between the ages of 5 and 16.

11. Married: Daniel Doland to Sarah Ann Kays, by Rev. C. Dunn.

18. Isaac W. Odell manufactures dog churning machines at Beemerville.

18-20. A long drought broken by showers. On the 20th the electrical accompaniment was startling, and a tornado swept through a narrow belt two miles south of Deckertown. Besides other damage thro' the tempest, three cows owned by Schooly Havens, were killed.

21. Married: John Barnes to Barbary Bird, by Rev. John S. Swaim.

Crops in Warren County, especially rye and wheat, poor as to former, and only half the usual acreage of wheat sown. Corn never more promising.

A banknote table of about 400 institutions in eastern states was more essential than prices current.

20. During past week an intoxicated man in Greenwich tsp., Warren county, jumped into a well 80 feet in depth, and containing 15 feet of water, without sustaining any other injury than a cold bath and bruised limbs.

27. Leticia A. Carter, Liberty street, asks patronage as tailoress.

## AUGUST.

6. The promise of June has been withered by drought and a plague of grasshoppers.

9. Married: James Miller to Maria Cubberly, by Elder J. R. Morris.

11. Married: William Cooper to Elizabeth Mains, by same.

11. Married: William Bennett to Eleanor Drake, by Rev. S. B. Ayres.

11. After a severe illness, Thomas C. Ryerson, one of the Associate Justices of the Supreme Court, died at his home in Newton, in the 51st year of his age.

13. Samuel I. Gustin is referred to as a young man who, amid difficulties, had made great progress in silk culture. A. N. Easton, of Belvidere, also had made sewing silk.

15. Governor Pennington issued proclamation advising banks to resume specie payment.

20. Judge White presided in Court, but no cases of public importance tried.

22. Whigs of Sussex met at Andrew Shiner's hotel and nominated County ticket.

25. Married: Daniel Vliet to Pamela Lundy, by Rev. J. S. Swaim.

23. John Berzelio, a Polander, confined in jail on a charge of threatening to burn the barn of General Smith, in Old Andover, cut his throat under the impression that he was to be hung. The windpipe was entirely severed, but the jugular vein was missed, and a fellow prisoner checked his hand before a second gash was made. He was afterward made to understand that he would be released, and then seemed anxious to recover.

27. Franklin Manufacturing Company, N. Wetherill, agent, had shingle and lath mill in operation; chestnut shingles \$5.00 per thousand; lath, \$1.00 to \$2.25 per thousand.

## SEPTEMBER.

1. Married: Joseph White to Mary Stackhouse, by Rev. J. S. Swaim.

4. Married: Guy Price to Elizabeth Bonnell, by Rev. S. B. Ayres.

Cyrus S. Leport admitted to practice of law at Stanhope, at late term of Supreme Court.

Whitfield S. Johnson appointed by Governor as Master in Chancery.

Silk mania prevalent in Sussex.

8. Married: Joseph N. Durling to Osee Shay, by Rev. Walter Burrows.

10. The recent frost destroyed nearly all of the buckwheat in this vicinity.

12. Abraham Wintermute says he has a kiln of burned brick near Sparta, of larger size than usual, 4x8 inches plump.

13-14. Brilliant auroral displays.

20. Dedication of new Methodist church, at New Milford, Orange county.

16. Married: Amos Chamberlain to Mary Ann Lyon, by Rev. Washington Thomas.

18. Eclipse of the sun, not a cloud mars its beauty.

20. Married: George W. Allen to Mary Grover, by Rev. John S. Swaim.

## OCTOBER.

1. Married: Mahlon Ayers to Rebecca Stansborough, by Rev. Mr. Osborn.

2. Married: Cyrus S. Leport to Mary Thompson, by Rev. Mr. Moore.

2. Death of Rev. Ezra F. Dayton, pastor of the Sparta Presbyterian church.

6. Married: John Hilts to Sarah Hilts, by Rev. Thomas C. Teasdale.

9-10. General election. VanBuren majority in Sussex 1837 in total poll of 3597. Highest Whig vote 975. It was a very spirited election, made more exciting by the nomination of Rev. M. Force for Congress. The policy of bringing the clergy into politics was denounced throughout the State, and Mr. Force ran behind his ticket, and as all of the members (six) were voted for on the general ticket the Whig candidates were successful by an average majority of 287. There was a dispute as to votes in Middlesex and Cumberland counties, which had not been properly returned by County Clerks.

13. Married: William Stites to Mary Nixon, by Rev. C. Dunn.

13. Married: Aaron N. Decker to Ann G. Allen, by Rev. T. C. Teasdale.

14. Married: John Vannoy to Bathsheba Ammerman, by Rev. C. Dunn.

17. Married: Dr. Edward S. Bell to Catharine L. Beach, by Rev. C. Dunn.

18. Nancy Fox has "French and English Millinery and Dressmaking" shop corner Liberty street and New York road.

20. James D. Pitfield, painter, opens shop at Lafayette.

20. Notice of renewed attempt to raise capital stock of Hamburg Bank.

21. Governor Pennington fractured thigh bone, in jumping from a carriage drawn by a restive horse, which delayed the official count of the late election.

23. Married: Christopher Roof to Mary Northrup, by same.

24. Married: Jacob Westbrook to Hannah Jane Vangorden, by Rev. Richard B. Lanning.

25. Legislature appointed David Thompson as Surrogate, vice Grant Fitch; James Stoll and Samuel Rorbach, Judges; Aaron Hazen, Samuel Rorbach, John Layton, Elijah Everitt and William Inglis, Justices; James B. Armstrong, Commissioner.

25. George W. Timby, who has been furnishing tombstones and monuments in Sussex and Warren counties, locates in Newark, and appoints agents at Newton.

25. Married: Joseph Anderson to Elizabeth Space, by same.

27. Married: Mr. Daggart to Rebecca Smith, by Rev. Thos. C. Teasdale.

29. Samuel I. Gustin advertises mulberry trees and silk worm eggs.

30. Married: Calvin Price to Charlotte Corse, by Rev. Mr. Condit.

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3. Married: Joseph Sutton to Phebe Washer, by Rev. Thomas C. Teasdale.

3. Margaret Shafer opens millinery and fancy store in upper part of Newton, opp. Judge Miller's.

3. Married: Aaron K. Stinson to Sarah Cook, by Rev. T. B. Condit.

8. Married: Isaac Davison, Jr., to Elizabeth P. Hunt, by Rev. T. C. Teasdale.

9. Store stock and personal property of late Joseph Kerr, sold at auction.

14. Married: John H. Nelden to Susan Maria Rorbach, by Rev. C. Dunn.

14. Married: Robert Steele to Mary Cummins, by Rev. Mr. Rusling.

15. Date fixed for dedication of First Presbyterian Church, of Stillwater, but

on account of weather it was postponed to November 29.

17. J. Kerr reopens grocery store lately kept by David Kerr, Jr., near Episcopal Church.

19. Cash prices. Wheat, \$1.50; rye, \$1.00; old corn, 50c; oats, 37½c; buckwheat, 62½c.

21. Married: Oakley Beach to Ann Moore, by Rev. Flavel S. Mines.

24. Crane & Nichols dissolve partnership at Sparta; business continued by Samuel Crane.

27. November term of Sussex Court opened, with trial before a "struck jury" of suit of Robert P. Bell, of Stanhope, against the Morris Canal and Banking Company, for damages sustained in 1833, '34, '35, '36 and '37, by overflowing his lands and damming the source of the Musconetcong river, and diverting the water to the injury of the plaintiff's forges. The case was on trial until December 7, sixty witnesses being examined; counsel took two days to sum up, and the jury after remaining out over night, came into Court on Sunday morning, and reported inability to agree. Justice Nevins, who succeeded Justice Ryerson, (deceased) presided. Counsel for plaintiff were Messrs. Miller, E. B. D. Ogden, Wm. T. Anderson and Daniel Haines; for the defendant; Messrs. William Thompson, Samuel L. Southard and B. Williamson. Mr. Bell would have been satisfied with a verdict for \$3,000.

27. Married: David G. Vanhorn to Harriet Young, by Rev. Joseph L. Shafer.

27. Meeting to form auxiliary to State Colonization Society held in Presbyterian Church. Thomas Teasdale, chairman; Grant Fitch, secretary. Meeting addressed by William Halsey, Esq., of Newark, and Hon. Samuel L. Southard. A committee of five was appointed to frame constitution and adjournment made to November 29, when County Society was organized as follows: Elias L'Hommedieu, president; Samuel D. Morford, treasurer; Daniel Haines, W. S. Johnson, Uzal C. Haggerty, Thomas C. Teasdale and Jos. Y. Miller, managers. Rev. Joseph L. Shafer participated in the meeting, and it would thus appear that he had recently returned to Newton.

28. "An indignation meeting" called by VanBurenites, at Cochran's hotel, was held in the Presbyterian Church, but we are without knowledge of its origin or transactions.

29. Thanksgiving day.

## DECEMBER.

1. Edward Stewart assumes charge of Old Gifford House, corner Broad and Market streets, Newark.

1. Married: Robert Osborn to Caroline V. Anderson, by Stephen R. Haines, Esq.

1. Warren County school teachers organize society at Belvidere. Rev. I. N. Condit, president; Joseph Cook, secretary.

1. Asa Smith and William H. Strader dissolve partnership at Wantage; Mr. Strader retires.

8. Married: Henry Washer to Comfort McClell, by Rev. T. C. Teasdale.

13. Married: Peter Ackerson to Anna Quick, by Rev. J. S. Swaim.

17. Brigade Board met at Warbasse's hotel. David Thompson, Judge Advocate.

22. Married: McCarty Wright to Sarah Ann Peters, by Rev. J. S. Swaim.

25. Hotel of Lewis M. DeCamp, at Berkshire Valley, destroyed by fire originating in oven used for Christmas baking. No insurance. Mr. DeCamp was ex-Sheriff of Sussex and had removed from Newton last Spring: the loss was a serious one to him.

25. Richard S. Salmon, aged 25, killed by loaded wagon while descending Schooley's Mountain into Flanders.

29. Citizens of Mansfield, Warren county, met to protest against further encroachments of Morris Canal Company.

21. Married: Peter Miller to Margaret R. McClennan, by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

22. Married: Levi Howell to Jane Snook by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

22. Married: William T. Runyon to Electa Betson, by same.

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24. Married: Mark T. Swarts to Mary Space, by Rev. C. Dunn.
25. James Amerman to Margaret Parks, by Rev. Joseph L. Shafer. At same time and place, by same, Andrew Parks to Harriet Heaton.
26. Married: George Gurnee to Susan Robinson, by Rev. James G. Brinkerhoff.
28. Married: John P. Couse to Abby Jane Coult, by Rev. Mr. Matthias.
27. Married: Wm. C. Osborn to Phebe Eveline Couse, by Rev. T. B. Condit.
31. A week or more of splendid sleighing.

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6. James H. Struble, of Branchville, while riding in his sleigh near Lockwood, was upset and sustained a broken leg by a runaway four-horse team owned by Thomas Brasted, of Hardyston. One of the leaders was shot on account of a broken leg. There were six persons behind the runaways yet none were materially injured.
9. Sussex Baptist Association met at Hamburg.
14. It is complained that the leading men of Newton are too indolent to assist the younger generation in efforts to disseminate knowledge.
- Two meetings have recently been held in Warren county to oppose encroachments of Morris Canal Company upon private rights. Several suits have been commenced.
17. Nathan T. Meacham offers his tame otter, 8 months old, for sale. Says visitors take too much time, and will hereafter charge 6 cents for a view of it.
18. Rev. Elias S. Schank ordained as pastor of Hackettstown Presbyterian church.
20. Meeting of Colonization Society at Court house.
20. An unknown Swede, aged 38, less than two years in this country, who had been charitably taken home from Stanhope by William Walters, of Marksboro, prayed fervently most of night, and after eating breakfast, threw himself into the well and was drowned.
21. Poorhouse Trustees advertise for a Steward.
23. Mercury 14° below zero; two days afterward rain fell in torrents for 24 hours.
24. Franklin Manufacturing Company offers to sell iron ore from the "Ogden or blue vein" at \$3 per ton of 2,240 lbs.
26. Beginning of great flood storm.
26. John A. Bonnell offers 50 cents per hundred for swingletow.
30. Application notice for charter of Sussex Mutual Insurance Company.
30. Application notice to form county of Washington out of lower townships of Sussex and upper townships of Warren.

## FEBRUARY.

1. Sussex Courts end January term. Justice Ford reversed judgment for \$70 obtained in Common Pleas in suit of John Strader vs. Board of Freeholders, for loss of horse in falling from an unprotected bridge. William Cole, Jr. was mulcted in the sum of \$225 for seduction of daughter of Barnabas Middaugh.
- Morris county people are opposing increase of privileges for Morris Canal Co.
1. Firm of O. and T. Beach, at 40 Stone street, New York, is composed of Oakley Beach, Theodore Beach, and R. A. Hagerty.
4. Issue of this date contains 2½ columns of details of destructive flood and gale on January 26, which covered the eastern and middle states. Sussex, Warren and Morris suffered severe loss. Sherman's forge dam at Sparta and Edsall's mill dam at Hamburg were washed out; a new stone bridge at Vernon and a saw mill dam at same place torn away; five bridges on the Paulinskill, and two on the Flatbrook were washed away. More than a dozen bridges and mill dams in Morris county were destroyed, and all through Warren, from Belvidere to Hackettstown and New Hampton there was scarcely a bridge or mill dam left. There was ruin and devastation in every community. The entire loss was placed at \$10,000,000.
5. Jonathan D. Calvin, between Newton and Hackettstown, wanted ten good masons by April 1st.
8. Sussex Bank declares 3½ per cent. dividend.
- Judge McCollm, of Danville, Warren county, has invented a wind gauge which shows by compass from which point the wind blows.
18. Capt. John Miller, postmaster at Harmony, Warren county, vice John M. Fair, removed.

20. Bill to create township of Lafayette, after much tribulation, passed Assembly by vote of 40 to 4. On February 7th it was rejected by Council, 8 to 7; afterward reconsidered, and again lost on March 1st, 8 to 8.
- Jacob Roric reappointed Steward of Poor house.
25. Name of postoffice at Gravel Hill has been changed to Blairstown.

## MARCH.

9. Jacob Kinney announces manufacture of elliptic springs.
11. David C. White takes drugstore lately run by Charles Rhodes, 4th (retaining him as superintendent) and continues his watch making business in same building.
12. Legislature appointed Robert P. Bell and Joseph Northrup, Jr., Judges for Sussex county; also nine justices and five commissioners. John C. Cox, Colonel 1st Independent Battalion.
14. Newton Lyceum revived, C. M. Halsted, secretary, hears address by David Thompson, Esq., in Methodist church.
14. Henry Dugans, Joseph Dugans, Charles Woods, and a negro escaped from Sussex jail by boring through a thick plank partition with an augur. The negro afterward returned to jail.
16. D. C. White advertises "celebrated Rohan potatoes," Thorburn's seeds, and Tomato pills—a substitute for calomel.
16. Charles C. Backster is engaged in manufacture of gentlemen's stocks and linen, at 75 Pearl street, New York.
16. Jason H. Bockover is in dry goods business at 215 Greenwich street, New York.
18. Newton Olympic Club—Knights of Blue Ribbon were ordered to appear at the Temple of the Grand Sultan, etc., etc. (Who knows anything about this singular society.)
19. Temperance meeting at Sparta, addressed by Revs. Vance and Torrey, of the Presbyterian church, Rev. J. S. Swaine, of the Methodist church, and Rev. T. C. Teasdale, of the Baptist church.
21. Dunning and Lane sell store stock at Beemerville.
22. T. C. Teasdale desires to sell tan works in Wantage township, on turnpike road between Deckertown and Hamburg.
23. Mrs. Sarah C. Dayton announces that she will open a female seminary at Sparta, May 6.
25. "The neighborhood of T. P. Hunt's mills will hereafter be known as Washington."
27. Benjamin W. Hunt ceases business as wheelwright opposite Comings's tavern. Afterward sells plows and castings.
28. Newton Lyceum addressed by Rev. J. L. Shafer.

## APRIL.

1. A. A. Smalley, postmaster at Stanhope, vice H. Munson.
1. Mrs. Williamson, of Asbury, Warren county, shot a man who forced an entrance into her house during the absence of her husband. She then ran to the home of her father-in-law, and he summoned his negro man to go with him to his daughter's home. Receiving no answer, he went alone and found that it was the negro who his daughter had shot to death, after he had been twice warned away.
1. Oscar Decker and John J. Cooper dissolve partnership at Deckertown, and are succeeded by John B. and Oscar Decker.
1. New postoffice established at Wykerstown; Philip Wyker, postmaster.
- Scarlet fever in malignant form prevailed in Mansfield township, Warren county, causing many deaths.
1. Walter McCann, tailor, removes from Huntsville to White Hall Hotel.
2. James Wood resigns as director and treasurer of Union Turnpike Co.
3. John Bell has large quantity of lumber at Branchville.
4. Friends of silk cultivation met at hotel of John S. Warbasse, Newton, and organized a society. Wm. T. Anderson, president; Pierson Hurd, vice president; C. M. Halsted, secretary Francis Moran, treasurer.
4. Dr. F. Moran addressed Newton Lyceum, and made an earnest appeal for a public library.
5. S. Trowbridge starts tri-weekly stage between Lafayette and Morristown, via Sparta, Dover, etc.
5. Examination and exhibition at Wm. Rankin's school.
6. Havens & Potter dissolve partnership at Wantage; business continued by James C. Havens.
8. At this date "the green" in Newton, conveyed to the Board of Freeholders of Sussex county, by deed of Jonathan Hampton, of the County of Essex, on August 1, 1764, for the sum of six shillings lawful money of said Province of East Jersey, was treeless, fenceless, and the receptacle for all the filth of the village.

The editor makes an appeal to the ladies to see that its intersected with graveled walks, embellished with trees, and enclosed with a fence.

8. Citizens of Hardyston, in town meeting, pass resolution opposing the creation of the township of Lafayette.
- The county was silk crazed as it was on railroads three years ago.
- Shad were considered excessively high at \$40 per hundred.
9. Examination and exhibition of Newton High School, N. Robinson, principal. Next term will open with John Schimmel as instructor in music.
11. Beginning of a heavy rain that continued three days and broke a long spring drouth.
18. William Howell and David Hunt take harness shop of Horatio N. Peters at Lafayette.
22. Margaret Cummins opens millinery at Johnsonburg.
22. Jane Cummins opens millinery and fancy store two doors south of Hall & Johnson's store.
23. Sussex County Silk Society offered seven premiums, ranging from \$4 to \$7.
25. Deckertown Troop of Horse met at Vibbert's hotel to elect officers: William Chambers, captain.
27. E. C. and John Moore begin business under name of E. C. Moore & Co., in storehouse north of Court house, adjoining dwelling of T. O. Anderson.
29. In this issue the deaths of six soldiers of the Revolution are recorded. The youngest 83 years of age and the oldest 100.
29. A. A. Smalley & Co., of Stanhope, become extensive advertisers.

## MAY.

1. The "Family Register" started at Belvidere, by M. F. Stillwell.
6. Jesse Bertholf opens cooper shop at Branchville.
- 8-9. Board of Freeholders in session. Time for payment of interest on revenue loans extended to June 1st.
9. A destructive gust of wind, rain and hail, which extended as far as New York city.
- Grant & Wilcox have a marble yard in Newton; Samuel Langstaff, agent.
9. Elijah Blackwell has opened carriage trimming shop in second story of building occupied by Ladner Trusdell, on Church street.
10. Foster & Auble located during past year in building two doors from Warbasse's hotel, and between residences of David Ryerson and William Beach.
13. C. C. Kelsey, dentist, locates at Warbasse's hotel.
20. No change in running of M. & E. trains between Newark and Jersey City could be made until the New Jersey Company completed a double track. M. & E. trains were taken over the latter road, and the service was not of the best.

New Jersey Conference, in which Paterson district was located, recently made nineteen appointments in said district, four of which were in Sussex, viz: Vernon, Peter D. Day, Warren C. Nelson; Sandyston and Port Jervis missions, William Baker, Joseph M. Pierson; Newton, John S. Swaine, E. B. Wilkinson; Stillwater, John N. Craue. Only one church in Paterson, one in Orange, and one in Jersey City.

20. Thomas P. Hunt and Nelson Vilet advertise new store at Washington (Hunts-mills.)

23. Hardyston Female Benevolent Society held fair at Mr. Ward's hotel.

24. Andrew Kinsale runs blacksmith shop in Newton, lately occupied by John W. Smith.

27. In issue of this date is a 2½ column account of a mutiny and murder on board the brig Braganza, which sailed from Philadelphia for Genoa, July 8, 1838. The owner of the vessel, Mr. Diehl, with his wife and the captain's wife, Mrs. Turley, escaped in a boat and were picked up by a ship bound for Scotland. Mrs. Diehl was a native of Sussex county, a daughter of the late Major Daniel Barker, of Stillwater. The crew were afterward arrested and convicted in New York city, Benjamin F. Butler appearing for the government. Two of the convicted crew committed suicide in prison.

28. Sussex Courts opened.

Hon. Ely Moore, a native of Sussex, a graduate of THE REGISTER office, afterward member of Congress, appointed Surveyor of the Port of New York.

31. Captain John P. Gustin orders election for officers of New Jersey Artillery, at John Kelsey's, Sparta.

## JUNE.

1. Grub worms were destroying the "morus multicaulis" trees grown for silk purposes.

1. William L. Kindred, wheelwright, at Huntsville.

House carpenters at Belvidere form a ten-hour association.

3, 4, 10. General trainings. The orders include only Third regiment, Col. Everitt; Second regiment, Col. Kilpatrick; 1st Independent Artillery, Col. Cox.

12. Young men of the village requested to meet at D. Cox's hotel to reorganize Newton Fire Company.

23. Thomas Heslin, cooper, next door to dwelling house of Dr. John R. Stuart.

26-27. Annual meeting of Sussex Baptist Association in First church of Wantage.

27. Fire Department Committee of Newark offer to sell three second hand fire engines and one hose carriage, at private sale, or at auction at Stewart's hotel.

29. Olympic Club has another mystic notice.

29. President VanBuren, en route to Saratoga Springs, passed through Belvidere, Hope, Johnsonburg and Hacketts-town to Schooley's mountain, where he remained over Sunday; thence to Morristown and Newark.

## JULY.

1. A four-pound trout recently caught in the vicinity of Newton.

1. The six Sunday schools in Sparta township had 368 scholars.

4. Numerous celebrations: Branchville, Joseph A. Osborne, orator; Vernon, Levi Shepherd, Esq., orator; Stanhope, C. S. Leport and A. A. Smalley, orators. Newton Lyceum met at Presbyterian church, and heard addresses by C. M. Halsted and R. Hamilton. Pupils of Rankin's school at Deckertown addressed by Rev. Peter Kanouse; Sabbath school celebrations at M. E. church, Newton, and at Presbyterian church, Sparta. The celebrations were more general and better attended than ever before in Sussex; the only accident was at Stanhope, where Thomas J. Oliver was seriously injured by a premature explosion of cannon.

13. Maria, daughter of Major Daniel Harker, of Stillwater, and wife of Richard H. White, died, aged 35 years. Her husband was suspected of firing the U. S. Treasury Department at Washington, where he was employed, and she loyally stood by him at the expense of health and fame, until the charge was disproved.

14. Barn of Hopkins Dewitt, Frankford, burned by lightning, with its contents.

15. Newton had an elderly gentleman, in full health, who had not been a mile from his own door in twenty years, and was a stranger to a large portion of the town. The seclusion was from choice.

18. Building Committee of Second Baptist congregation of Newton, advertise for proposals to construct meeting house of brick. Proposals to be opened August 1st, at David Cox's hotel.

18. Report of surplus revenue loans published.

21. Easton & Abernethy, of Belvidere, sold silk worms eggs at \$15 per ounce, or 37½ cents per thousand.

22. County statement published in this issue, and it appears that partisanship has come into the Board. Bridges cost \$2,061.29; fees for selling same \$255.82; Poorhouse, \$1,733.01; elections, \$234.22; jurors, constables and costs, \$1,119.29.

23. Sussex County Sunday School Union met at Newton.

24. Charity Allison and Margaret Ann VanWhy, milliners, dissolve partnership at Johnsonburg.

29. A letter written by G. W. Finney, shows that he was the first agent of the American Abolition Society to visit Sussex county. July 3rd he preached for Rev. Edward Allen, and on the 4th was at Newfoundland. He reported a sterile field for the Society's work in this county, but added that if slavery was abolished it would be in the time when the school children of that period had been educated to its horrors.

## AUGUST.

8. Franklin Manufacturing Company made castings of all kinds.

9. Charles Wintermute, Stillwater, advertises that as the Baptist meeting house in Newton is to be built of stone instead of brick, as at first intended, he will have 90,000 brick to sell.

12. Isaac C. Burrell ferried passengers across Delaware for camp meeting on lands of Andrew Adams, Pike county.

13. James McDavit started new tri-weekly stage line (by daylight) between Newton and Morristown, via Andover, Stanhope, Succasunna, etc. Connected at 6 p. m. with stage for Lafayette, Augusta and Branchville.

16, 17. A severe storm damaged crops.

17. Abraham Doran drowned in Muckshaw pond, near Newton. He was fishing,

in company with his brother-in-law, and the boat, which was unsafe, sunk. Doran could not reach shore, but his companion did.

17. Prices at Andover: Wheat \$1.00; rye, 70 cents; corn, 70 cents; oats, 36 cents.

21. Notice given that St. Luke's Episcopal church at Hope, consecrated by Right Rev. Bishop Doane, on this date, and that Rev. P. S. Jaques would be instituted as rector. Issue of next week says it was postponed one month, but no further mention appears.

21. County Temperance Society, J. A. Bonnell, secretary, held meeting at Court house.

22. Grant Fitch addressed Newton Lyceum, at M. E. church, H. W. Finch, secretary.

24. James Demarest and John Vanwert, Jr., form partnership as tailors at Lafayette.

26. Matthias Heminover, president of Board of Trustees, offers Andover Baptist meeting house for sale.

27. Abolitionists hold their first state convention at Whippany, N. J. Alex. N. Dougherty, of Newark, chosen president.

28. Baptists held woods meeting at Johnsonburg.

28. J. B. Maxwell, Lafayette; W. Torrey, Sparta; W. H. Spencer, Hamburg; Lewis Howell, Newton, and Joseph Vance, Augusta, a committee appointed at recent temperance meeting in Newton, call a convention at Hamburg, for Sept. 19th. An organization was effected, with Elias L'Hondrieux as president. A memorial adopted and adjournment made to Nov. 27th at Court house, Newton.

29 30. A severe northeast gale.

30. H. R. Halsey resumes harness business at Sparta, repurchasing stock of Samuel Crane. Also offers to sell his house and a water power, opposite Mrs. Hurd's mills.

## SEPTEMBER.

3. An unusually beautiful aurora throughout the country.

4-5. Residence of D. C. Blair and store of A. N. Easton, at Belvidere, burglarized. Thief trapped in the store, but shot into the crowd and escaped. Captured next day at a camp meeting. The culprit, Dexter Adams, was tried in December, and received a sentence of two years.

Warren Court acquitted Samuel Read, a justice of the peace, on a charge of perjury. A burglar named Halsey, had refused to speak for weeks and was remanded to prison until his stubbornness or the Providence of God made it possible to try the indictment.

10. Another cold snap brings out woolen clothing. Variable weather has been prejudicial to health.

16-17. Nichols circus exhibits at Newton and Hamburg.

18. Geo. H. Coursen purchased stock and harness business of Alexander H. Smith; shop adjoining late residence of Judge Ryerson.

17. Sunday School Society met at Sparta. Sermon by Rev. J. L. Shafer, and an address by Daniel Haines, Esq.

21. VanBuren ticket for Sussex nominated at G. Snable's hotel; over one thousand persons being present. The exciting cause was the candidacy of Daniel Haines and Alex. Boyles for Council. R. R. Morris opposed Mr. Boyles because the latter favored increased privileges for Morris Canal Company. Mr. B. solemnly asserted it to be untrue, and that Mr. Morris was mistaken in his remarks as to an alleged conversation. Mr. Boyles was also opposed by Judge Price, of Branchville, because he had favored the new township of Lafayette, which would "destroy old landmarks under which we have lived for fifty years." The vote was by townships, Mr. Haines securing 9 out of 11, though the individual vote would not have given him 30 majority. An independent convention was immediately called to meet at house of Obadiah Pellet, Augusta, on October 3, but it never met, as Mr. Boyles submitted to the caucus.

23. New election law passed March 12th, made changes for the better, though polls did not open until 10 a. m. and closed at 7 p. m. on two days.

30. Newton Female Benevolent Association met at "session room" of the Presbyterian church. This room was in the tower of the old church.

## OCTOBER.

1. John A. Johnson and Walter McCann, Jr., form partnership in tailoring business.

1. Cummins & Peters want a store clerk at Lafayette.

1. P. W. Blair, Jr., takes possession of store property at Allamuchy, which he purchased of Andrew B. Snyder, and occupied by Steele & Kennet.

1. A. A. Smalley succeeds A. A. Smalley and Co., at Stanhope.

7. New election law, 18 columns in length, occupied space of last three issues.

7. Theodore James, claiming to be a trunkmaker from Newton, arrested in New York for passing spurious money.

8. Lydia Phillips announces that she will open a select school for young ladies only, on Nov. 4th at Newton.

8 9. County election. No opposition to caucus ticket. Daniel Haines received 1,031 votes for Council; Joseph Greer, Wm. H. Nyce and Samuel Truex elected to Assembly, by votes of 1,038, 1,023, 1,043; George Walker had 23 votes for Assembly; Edward C. Moore 23 for Coroner, and Wm. H. Woods 121 for same office; these latter votes were cast at the expense of George T. Smith and John S. Edsall.

8 9 Isaac Wildrick elected Sheriff in Warren over three candidates.

10. Newton Lyceum addressed by Rev. J. S. Swaine.

12 13 14. Bowery amphitheatre, under direction of H. Rockwell, exhibited at Deckertown, Newton and Stanhope.

15. Whig convention held at hotel of John S. Warbasse, Newton.

18. Fair of sewing society at Sparta Female Seminary.

20. Panic in money circles. Specie payments suspended. Sussex Bank gives list of good banks whose bills will be received at par.

An apple tree at Oxford, Warren county, blossomed in May, August and October, showing both apples and blossoms the last time.

30. Owego line of stages reduced fare from Newton to Morristown, to one dollar.

## NOVEMBER.

4. Isaiah Robinson in charge of Newton Academy.

4. New Jersey Herald issued in enlarged form. Congratulations were extended on the evidence of prosperity in such troublous times.

4. Lehigh coal sold at Stanhope for \$5.50 per ton.

5. Barn and cowhouse of John Layton, Sandyston, destroyed by incendiary fire.

6. Levi Shepherd, attorney at law, Deckertown, hangs out his shingle in house of Ellis Adams.

10. Rev. G. S. Webb, of New Brunswick, preached at Lafayette in morning, and in Court house, Newton, in afternoon.

11. Joseph Debell purchases drug store run by David C. White, also watch making business, as the latter is about to leave Newton for the winter.

11. The hard times struck agricultural communities with greater force than ever before, because farmers were unable to sell produce upon any terms.

Note is made that on the 27th of October a fire at Chicago destroyed store house and goods of Mahlon Ayers and Richard W. Iliff, two young natives of Sussex. They lost \$7,000, and hadn't a dollar of insurance.

16. Dr. Carman, dentist, establishes office two doors from Sussex bank.

16. Newton Vigilant Society elected officers.

21. Hotel of Emla Drake, at Branchville, caught fire in afternoon; damage slight; Judge Bell seriously injured by a fall while assisting to put out the fire.

26. November term of Court opened. Only one indictment found, but the civil list was a long and interesting one. Among cases decided was that of an appeal of the Township of Readington, Hunterdon county, vs. Township of Hardyston, Sussex county, in case of Jane Shurts, a pauper. Court decided that the relief and maintenance for four years, and subsequent interment of Peter Shurts, husband of Jane, by Readington township, did not fix the legal settlement of the wife upon said township.—Sarah Tuttle and John L. Hoyt, both respected residents of Wantage, had courted for six months, and then the latter broke off: suit for breach of promise of marriage resulted in a verdict of \$300. The defense was that the fair plaintiff had been guilty of an indiscretion, and that no promise had been made.—Wm. H. Woods recovered a verdict against Alanson A. Welling, for \$105 alleged to have been lost in gambling. The Board of Freeholders were turned down in the matter of a highway near Baleville, having adopted a different route from that recommended by Surveyors of the Highway.

28. Thanksgiving day.

The silk fever had ended in disaster, multicaulis trees selling for one cent each.

## DECEMBER.

8. Barn of Judge Mushback, at Johnsonburg, burned by a fire kindled by a lad whom he had chastised.

15. Nelson Baemer made sash and blinds at Lafayette.

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14-15. Severe snow storm and gale. In the early part of December the Erie canal was suddenly frozen, but a thaw came a week later and allowed boats to escape.

17. Johnson & McCann, tailors, dissolve partnership.

18. James McDavid, proprietor of Newton-Morristown stage route, reverses dates of trips, leaving Newton on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, instead of Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Returning alternate days.

20. Sussex had 21 applicants for benefit of insolvent laws, and Warren 30.

25. Sacred Music Society of Episcopal church, gave concert, J. Pettit, conductor. It was supplemented by an address from the rector on sacred music, and the singing was praised by a competent critic.

30. Mails demoralized by snow storm. Only a single daily paper received in a week.

"Snow, snow, snow! is the cry everywhere. It is above us, around us, and beneath us. It hides us from the sun—flies in the breeze, fills up our eyes, and smashes down our trees.

Full three feet deep it lies through all extent, And still, by jings! it operates unspent."  
"The Morris & Essex railroad was buried five feet deep by the late snow storm."

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### JANUARY.

4. Woodruff & Clark start clover mill at Rocksbury, on road from Sparta to Lafayette.

6. Apology is made for appearance of paper; the excessive cold had paralyzed the plant. The first night of the year was described as one of excessive frigidity. An affecting ballad on the first page, entitled "The Debtor and His Wife," is referred to as a narrative of actual occurrence at Newark, in which Captain Pratt, formerly of this county, was the victim.

6. Amos A. Harrison, architect and builder, locates at Shiner's hotel, Newton.

7. Death of Alexander Huston, who had been Assessor of Newton for 35 years.

8. Temperance people met at court house to advocate change of license system. Adjourned to January.

11. Walter McCann, Jr., opens tailor shop next door to William Raynor's building, on second floor of house occupied by George Dennis.

20. J. Orville Taylor, a noted advocate of common schools, delivered an address in Newton.

20. The average price of tuition for each scholar in Sussex county was only \$1.84 per quarter. Too low to hire good teachers.

24. Joseph Nesbitt, surveyor, at Tranquility.

28. Sussex County Sunday School Society met at Presbyterian church, Newton; address by Rev. Mr. Torrey.

30. Annual meeting of County Bible Society, at Newton.

31. Bradford Pellet tried in Sussex courts for rape of Susan Bull, aged 14, in house of his father, Frankford. Jury disagreed, after retirement of 18 hours.

### FEBRUARY.

1. G. W. Ribble succeeds John Kinney as postmaster at Belvidere, and Caleb Valentine succeeds D. M. Stiger, at Hackettstown.

2. At least one-fourth of the population of the United States were out of employment, through closed factories.

3. A 14-year-old son of Mrs. Reed, of Huntsville, kicked by a horse: death ensued on the 7th.

5. Rain and thaw spoils sleighing of seven weeks duration.

10. A club of bachelors in Newton figured the following results in a population of 1000: widows, 41; widowers, 7; old maids (over 25) 49; bachelors, (over 30) 21; 31 young men between 20 and 35 who sported whiskers and moustaches.

14. As an instance of the demands of the butter makers, Elias Hathaway advertised for four journeymen coopers.

15. John Crate about to abandon mercantile business in Stillwater tsp.

18. L. Stone delivers lecture on phrenology, at Court House.

19. James Trusdell advertises sale, preparatory to removal to Virginia.

22. Whig young men of Sussex met at Warbasse's hotel, and elected delegates to State convention. Robert F. Shafer, chairman; John S. Broderick, secretary.

23. Meacham & Kinney furnish the late Major B. W. Hunt's plows, having purchased the patterns.

22. Newton Academy of Music gave concert in Presbyterian church. Isaiah Robinson made an address. It was largely attended, notwithstanding bad weather and roads, and was repeated on Feb. 25.

24. Rev. T. C. Teasdale, of Newton, has been called to pastorate of 1st Baptist Church, of New Haven, Conn., to date from first Sabbath in April.

27. Legislature appoints John Blane, Major-General for Hunterdon, Sussex and Warren. Charles Lewis and Henry J. Coursen, Judges for Sussex.

29. A newly married couple from the country, who spent the evening in town, were "serenaded" by 200 persons, with the most unearthly racket, for two hours.

### MARCH.

1. Postoffice established at Bridgeville, Warren county, George Titman, postmaster.

Peter W. Blair, Jr., a merchant at Allamuchy, who began business in October, 1839, absconded, after forging endorsements for \$1,800; cheating farmers of surrounding country out of pay for grain, and was caught a week or so afterward in New York city, where he had bought goods to a large amount, his credit being good. At the wharf the direction had been changed to Buffalo. He was found hiding under a bed, with \$153 in good money and about \$200 in spurious bank notes. While awaiting a requisition Blair escaped from jail in New York city, presumably through the use of money to shut the eyes of the jailor.

2. Isaac C. Burrell advertised "Sandyston boarding house and raftmen's inn," 1/4 mile from Dingman's bridge.

4. Robert Hamilton, of Sussex, and John Hopper, of Passaic, receive Counsellor's license, and Wm. H. Cooper, of Sussex, an attorney's license.

Among acts of the last Legislature were bills to incorporate the Sussex Mutual Insurance Company; further support to act abolishing imprisonment for debt, and to create County of Hudson.

4. Miss Julia Crabtree, dressmaker, at Hamburg.

5. Uzal C. Haggerty, assignee of I. Shafer and Co., merchants at Newark, has sold stock and advertises real estate in Newton.

7. Geo. H. Nelden gives notice that firm of Northrup & Nelden, at Lafayette, has dissolved and desires settlement.

7. Burning of railroad and turnpike bridge over Hackensack river, the only one between Newark and New York. Travel continued by means of boats.

11. Thomas H. Shafer sells his millinery or fancy goods stock, and household goods; about to leave Newton.

9. Ode written by B. B. Edsall, and sung at celebration on Feb. 23, appears. It was one of his best productions.

9. Five freighting boat lines from Newburg to New York were advertised.

9. Daniel Kelleher, a young Irishman in the employ of Rev. C. Dunn, kicked by a horse, and died seven days afterward, meanwhile suffering intensely from fractured skull.

12. Store goods of Robert Steele, at Hackettstown, destroyed by fire which smouldered through the night; building saved.

Prices of grain 50 per cent. lower than two years ago.

Frosts had killed the Jersey peach buds which had swelled prematurely.

15. Henry B. Stoll and Edward S. Bell form partnership at Stanhope.

19. Stephen and John Trusdell, Jr., purchase chair and paint business of James Trusdell.

21. J. K. & C. Swayze offer clover seed at Hope.

23. Issue of this date says Wood & Smalley are about to put into operation at Stanhope the first furnace in New Jersey to smelt iron ore by anthracite coal. Capacity 8 tons per day.

25. John Quick & Son, of Belvidere, failed, with liabilities exceeding \$100,000; assigned to John I. Blair and George R. King.

23. Herman L. Cummings, Liberty street, Newton, wants four "four" masons, and tells builders that now is the time to have work done at reduced price of nine shillings per day.

Charles McIntyre & Co., 208 Broadway, advertise Alexandria lottery scheme.

30. Publication of act authorizing formation of Sussex Mutual Insurance Co., in force for thirty years from Feb. 22, 1840.

"A few days ago three boys in Walpack township caught 1,154 suckers of large size in a single cast of net in the Delaware river."

### APRIL.

2. Directors of Sussex County Mutual Insurance Company met at Warbasse's hotel, and made preparations for organization on April 16th.

9. Tuition and board at Deckertown School reduced, on account of hard times, to \$55 for twenty-two weeks.

10. Mrs. Huston, millin., etc., late of Rochester, N. Y., opens shop in Mrs. Harker's house, adjoining County Hotel.

11. James D. Pitfield, painter, at Lafayette.

11. William N. Huat and Charles Vollet, tailors, at Lafayette.

11. Jesse Bertholf and Benj. F. McCormick, coopers, at Branchville.

11. "Harrison buttons," with log cabin, etc., appear.

13. Annual town meetings. No politics. 13. "I. T." contributes a long article upon "R-har" potatoes. Says they were brought from France in 1836.

13. Ladner Trusdell removed from Newton to Stillwater township, near Kyle's tavern, on Johnsonburg road.

15. Walter McCann, Jr., tailor, removed to house opposite E. C. Moore & Co.

15. New Jersey Conference, at Burlington, assigns Edward Sanders and George S. Wharton to Newton; Peter D. Day and Wm. M. Burroughs to Vernon; John N. Crane to Wantage; Wm. Baker to Sandyston; Warren C. Nelson to Stillwater; John S. Swaine and Edwin Finch to Warren.

15. Grant & Wilcox sell their marble stock in Newton, opposite Court House, to Samuel Langstaff.

15. Charles Knapp, tailor, removed from Church street to house formerly occupied by David Kerr, Jr., adjoining J. Kerr's grocery.

15. Robert P. Beli having sold most of his real estate at Stanhope, ceases business.

16. Directors of Sussex Mutual fail to organize on account of non-attendance. Adjourned to May.

18. New railroad and turnpike bridge over Hackensack river completed, having occupied thirty working days. It was burned six weeks before.

20. C. E. Rosenkrans, A. B., has classical school at Amity, N. Y.

21. Ladies of Episcopal Church held fair at Court house.

26. Meeting held at Dennis Cochran's hotel, to arrange 4th of July celebration. Francis Moran, chairman, E. C. Moore, secretary.

28. William Cortelyou, watchmaker, returns to Newton.

29. A colorless rainbow stretching from northwest to southeast seen at 10 p. m.

22. Onsted & Wintermute run the store at Andover.

24. Mrs. Lemons, a robust woman, aged 56 years, found dead in road four miles south of Newton, supposed to have fallen in a fit.

25. W. & R. Howell, millers, at Sparta, dissolve, and George W. Coliver and W. Howell succeed to the business.

27. In a lengthy article it is alleged that 78 illegal votes were cast in the county in 1838—64 locofoco, and 14 whig.

30. N. Robinson addressed Newton Lyceum; R. Ward was secretary.

## MAY.

5. Bible Society met at Newton.
5. C. Brinkerhoff, secretary, says the new Baptist meeting house, expected to have been built in Newton, will not be accomplished, therefore the Sussex Baptist Association will hold its next session at Hamburg.
8. Morris and Sussex Manufacturing Co. at Stanhope, sold Hazleton coal at \$5.50 per ton.
8. Miss Fox, milliner, south corner Newton Green, had recently brought from New York "a French milliner and dressmaker."
11. Proposals are asked to build a frame school house at Hamburg, 24x36 feet, 14 foot posts, by October 1.
11. Affidavits are published from Wm. Longstreet and Susan Trauer, to refute a story that Jacob Rorick, steward of the county poorhouse, had beaten and kicked Mrs. Jane Shirts, a pauper, before her death.
13. Board of Freeholders met. It was stated that the Supreme Court had adopted John Strader's claim that the abutment was part of a bridge, therefore sustaining his claim for damages.
14. George Dennis, tailor, removed to shop vacated by Charles Knapp, on Church street.
16. Rebecca Jane Shafer has opened millinery and dressmaker shop in front room of her father's dwelling (formerly the residence of Dr. Hunt.)
23. R. P. & J. B. Stoll, Sandyston, advertise sale of goods damaged by water, being part of a cargo consigned to Sussex and Warren merchants that was upset in a barge in Newark bay.
26. Sussex Courts convene.
26. Sussex County Sunday School Union met at Deckertown, and addressed by Rev. Messrs. Shafer, Condit and Sherwood.
27. Directors of Sussex Mutual met, and adjourned to June 8.

## JUNE.

- 1, 2, 8. General training days.
- A traveler saw in Orange a log cabin, 40x31 feet, fitted out by village mechanics, the farmers furnishing the lumber. The windows were large knots of wood, a stump of a tree for the speaker, and the knocker on the door, was a crooked knot, with the initials W. H. H. cut in with a knife. It was the largest and best log cabin in the State, in that exciting campaign.
13. The firm of Isaac Hoyt, David W. Smith and William Hoyt, at Hamburg, dissolved.
16. Edwin Post, secretary of Morris and Sussex Manufacturing Company, calls for four instalments on stock.
16. Solomon Zoll drowned in canal near Hackettstown.
- A four-year-old boy named Burrell, who strayed in the woods near Sparta, was found through the sagacity of a dog, 1 1/2 miles from home.
- Peter W. Blair, Jr., the merchant who absconded from Allamuchy, returned to Morristown to stand trial for forging notes on banks of that town.
- Partisan spirit ran high, and a log cabin erected by school boys at Lafayette, was destroyed by VanBuren men.
20. Judge William Russell, who had presided in Sussex Courts, died at Mount Holly, aged nearly 80.
24. Baptist Association met at Hamburg.
24. William Losey ran a store at Flanders, and his wife kept a milliner shop. He advertised for 100 tons of sumac.
26. Miss Fox about to close her business in Newton.

## JULY.

4. Celebration at Newton: orator, Henry Johnson; reader, T. Frelinghuysen Anderson; George Onsted, a revolutionary soldier in his 94th year, bore the cap of liberty. Music was furnished by the Belvidere band, and the Belvidere light infantry, commanded by Capt. Deitrich, was also present. The ladies held a fair on the first floor of Gen. Edwards's tin

store, and the Newton Academy of Music gave a concert in the Presbyterian church; the program of which is published. The concert netted \$50 and the fair \$350. The national colors were displayed "from the splendid liberty pole recently erected, and now forms one of the principal ornaments of the town."

4. Celebration at Deckertown; orator, Rev. A. McReynolds; reader, Wm. H. Cooper; marshal, Col. Kilpatrick. Music was furnished by the Brookfield brass and string band of forty pieces. Capt. O. Decker's company of cavalry attended. Dinner at Brink's hotel, and the toasts were intensely partisan on all sides.
4. Celebration at Peters Valley: orator, Joseph A. Osborne; reader, Ira B. Newman; marshal, Col. Everitt. Dinner at house of David Dean.
4. A Sunday school celebration at the North church. Not less than 600 dined. Addresses by Rev. Edward Allen, Rev. Photius Kavasales, from Greece, and Rev. Joel Campbell. Dr. Rosenkrans had charge of the business.
9. Rev. Charles Fitch, of Newark, preached in Newton Methodist church.
13. A. L. Dennis, 248 Broad street, Newark, informs his Sussex friends that he has succeeded William Tuttle, in the book business.
31. Freeholders held special meeting to consider building of bridge at Flatbrookville.

14. Lewis M. DeCamp takes "Jersey House" 71 Courtland street, New York.
14. Wheat \$1.00, rye and corn 43 cents cash, at Stanhope.
15. In Morris courts, after six days trial, Joseph Jackson got a verdict of \$500 against Morris Canal Company. He claimed damages of \$5,000, but the verdict about paid the costs of suit.
15. Dr. Norton, dentist, from Morristown, comes to Newton, for business. Dr. Vanpraag, another dentist, has also returned.

18. Infant son of Cyrus G. Force, of Drakesville, died from strangulation produced by a burr of the plant commonly known as beggar tick, lodging in his windpipe.
20. County statement shows expenditures for bridges \$2,674.23; fees for same, \$499.19; Poorhouse orders, \$1,323.49; election expenses \$268; courts and fees, \$660.35. Surplus revenue report showed loans aggregating \$38,689; interest \$2,316.13 had been released; the whole sum was loaned to 109 individuals.
28. Wheat \$1 cash at Stanhope mill.

## AUGUST.

1. John A. Westbrook, Sandyston, advertised the cheapest tavern rates between Milford and the City of New York. Drivers were especially desirable customers.
3. A severe thunder storm in the evening; very destructive south and east of Newton.
3. Rev. Charles Fitch, of Newark, began series of preaching services in Newton M. E. church.
6. Quarterly meeting of Bible Society at Sparta.
6. Special meeting of Newton Lyceum; the office of secretary changed monthly, the notice signed by A. D. Morford.
7. Sussex Bank declares 3 per cent. dividend for six months.
8. Whigs met at E. Drake's, Branchville, to elect delegates to State Convention. Martin Holmes presided, and 400 persons attended.
10. An Irishman, who descended a well at Allamuchy, was killed by foul air, a few days ago.
12. Alex. Boyles announces that he has perfected a two-horse power threshing machine to supplant the four-horse kind then in use.
13. Great Whig meeting at Stanhope. Notwithstanding heavy rain, 5,000 people were present to hear speeches by Hon. Daniel Webster, Judge Robeson, of Warren; David B. Ogden, of New York; Capt. Stockton, and Jacob W. Miller. Processions from Newton, Stillwater and

Branchville were each preceded by a log cabin.

14. Building of frame bridge across Flatbrook, sold at Flatbrookville.
20. Ad. of stove castings, etc., at Franklin Furnace is signed by Oakes Ames, indicating that he succeeded N. Wetherill.
24. Samuel Truex and Richard E. Vandegriff dissolve partnership at Hardyston.
27. Sunday School Society held quarterly meeting at North church.
28. Grove meeting begins at Peter's Valley, signed by H. Hank.

## SEPTEMBER.

1. Presbytery of Rockaway, Joel Campbell stated clerk, met at 1st Presbyterian church of Wantage.
3. George H. Coursen signs as secretary of Newton Lyceum.
3. Joseph Warbasse delivered address at Court house.
4. Collier & Kays, Sparta, advertise mill gearing.
- The phrase "O. K." supposed to have originated later in a letter from Gen. Jackson to Major Jack Downing, as "Oll Korrekt" was then known as "Orful Katastrophe," and by other words.
7. Robert Steele, of Allamuchy, says he has just opened the store formerly run by Steele & Kennedy.
7. Warner Bros., of Paterson, make a big bid for Sussex trade.
7. Nothing but politics astir; men, women and children were absorbed in the contest for the Presidency, as well as the newspapers.
15. Camp meeting for Berkshire circuit, began at Woodport.
16. Large gathering of VanBuren men at Newton, in a grove a few rods west of village; addressed by Zabriskie, Vroom, and Wall.

"The streets of the village are well sprinkled with hogs, dogs, cows, and all other annoyances except dandies and soap locks."

16. Thomas P. Hunt and Nelson Vliet dissolve partnership.
21. Absalom Dunning says he is an independent candidate for sheriff.
22. R. C. S. Hendrie, Stillwater, has first Southdown sheep introduced in Sussex.
24. Whig meeting at Deckertown, addressed by John P. Jackson, of Newark, and Messrs. Patterson and Ullman, of New York city.
24. County Democrats nominate ticket at Augusta.
- Samuel Dildine, Jr., aged 35, hung himself in Stillwater township. Had been despondent for many years.
29. Joseph Warbasse announces another lecture at Court house.

## OCTOBER.

1. Five thousand bushels of charcoal wanted at Stanhope furnace, and the company give notice of desired change of name to "Sussex Iron Company."
12. John VanWert, Jr., established as tailor, next door to Beach's bazaar.
- 13-14. State and County election. No opposition except on Sheriff; Daniel Haines, for Council, received 2,920 votes; for Assembly, Wm. H. Nyce, 2,967; Joseph Greer, 2,969; Samuel Truex, 2,950. On Coroners, George T. Smith received the highest vote, 2,980. John Bell received 10 votes for Council, and Joseph Sharp 90 for Assembly. There were three candidates for Sheriff: George H. McCarter received 2,052 votes; Andrew Shiner, 860; Absalom Dunning, 285.
15. Wm. C. Dusenberry advertised St. Matthews Hall, a school for boys, at Port Colden, N. J.
16. Dr. Dayton, dentist of Rahway, has rooms at Warbasse's hotel.
22. Whig mass meeting at Newton addressed by Jacob W. Miller and Samuel L. Southard. In advertising this meeting the cut of a log cabin and barrel of cider was first used, and this old cut is still in our possession.
- During the fall months an unusual number of apprentice boys were "missing."
30. William Fox, shoemaker, in business 100 yards east from Wm. Beach's store.



## ANCIENT LOCAL HISTORY

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## NOVEMBER.

34. Presidential election. In Sussex county VanBuren electors receive 2,933 votes; Harrison electors 1,171. There were only three scratches on VanBuren electors; none on Harrison, and none on either Congressional ticket, totals of which were 2,934 and 1,170. Harrison and Tyler elected President and Vice-President in the States voting. James Iliff, of Sussex, was one of the electors chosen; John H. Hall had also been chosen at a previous presidential election.

4. Trustees of Lafayette M. E. church advertise for proposals to build a frame meeting house 30x45, with 18 ft. posts.

The favorite patent medicines of the period were "The Resurrection or Persian Pills," "Jew David's or Hebrew Plaster," "Brandreth's and Peters's Pills," and "Moffatt's Life Medicines."

20. Sussex Whigs celebrated their victory in the Presidential contest, by a dinner at Warbasse's hotel. Joseph Northrup, of Andover, presided, and Wm. Brown, of Vernon, was vice-president. A salute was fired from a gun loaned by friends at Hope (the town cannon having disappeared through wiles of the enemy, much to the chagrin of the veteran canonier, George Vance.) Music was furnished by the newly formed band of the village.

23. Andrew A. Smalley and James F. Bond form partnership at Stanhope.

Henry Johnson, of Sussex, licensed by Supreme Court as attorney-at-law.

25. Bonfires lighted on all the prominent points of land in New Jersey in honor of the Harrison victory, and also the fifty-seventh anniversary of the evacuation of New York city by the British troops.

25. Frankford Whigs had a celebration at house of Emla Drake. John Bell presided; Wm. Armstrong, vice-president; Hiram Dennis, secretary. Benj. S. Stivers wrote a Tippecanoe song for the occasion.

30. Dwelling and barns of Charles Dekay, Vernon, destroyed by fire originating from chimney sparks. Loss \$4,000

## DECEMBER.

23. John Hancy wanted two tailors at Branchville.

3. Thanksgiving day.

4. Church and school house at Upper Harmony, Warren county, destroyed by fire.

Census of 1840 shows a population of 21,769 in Sussex; 20,366 in Warren, and 25,841 in Morris. Considering the constant drain upon population by emigration to the west, it was considered that the figures were favorable.

5. Dr. David M. Sayre, of Sparta, lost his wallet on the road to Hanover, Nov. 25, and his business methods enabled him to advertise and give dates and amounts on 38 different notes of hand, aggregating about \$500.

5. About this date there was a great snow storm throughout the country, obstructing travel to such an extent that Congress failed to have a quorum on the first day of the session, and up to the third day no quorum was present in the Senate.

10. Death of James Iliff, a Presidential elector, eight days after he had journeyed to Trenton to perform his duty. He had been in poor health but believed the trip had been of service to him.

11. Jacob Crisman killed at Paulina by bursting cannon. The piece was doubly charged, with intention of using a fuse, but Crisman preferred to fire the gun in the usual way, and lost his life.

17. Moffatt & Denton, of Paterson, bid for Sussex trade. Location on Main street, but streets not numbered then.

18. Executive Committee of Sussex Co. Mutual Insurance Co. gives notice that policies will be issued on January 1st, 1841, provided applications for such aggregate \$50,000. No policy for a larger sum than \$3,000.

22. Sabbath School Union and Bible Society had meetings at Stillwater.

25. Newton Sacred Music Society gave concert in Episcopal church, J. Pettit,

vocal leader; J. W. Lane, instrumental leader. The band was billed for two overtures and a selection.

30. Concert given in Presbyterian church, by Warwick string and brass bands, led by J. Marsh.

## 1841.

## JANUARY.

1. A very stormy, unpleasant day.

1. Fair of Sparta Female Seminary, adjourned from this date to Jan. 22.

3. Philip Vanhorn, a young man employed by David Ryerson, suffocated by charcoal furnace, used in his bedroom without knowledge of his employer, and in entire ignorance himself of its deadly gases.

6-7. A warm rain creates freshet and a very rapid and complete break-up of severe winter weather. The flood was the most destructive ever known in New Jersey. Sussex suffered loss in bridges and mill dams, but it was nothing as compared to the havoc along the Delaware, and throughout Pennsylvania and New York. Legislature at Trenton could not get a quorum, for the first time since the Revolution.

6. John Onsted wishes to sell his property at Andover and remove to Virginia.

6. William Rankin announces recent removal of his school from Deckertown to Amity.

14. H. Mattison, agent of the A. B. S. for New Jersey, explains that there are two Bible Societies, then publishing different editions, and it afterward stirs up a controversy, which the editor squelches.

18. Item: "During the year 1840, there were 30 clear Sundays, 4 cloudy ones, and 18 on which it either snowed or rained."

21. Special town meeting at Court House to elect a constable to serve in place of David H. Armstrong, who was too ill to perform duties of the office. David V. Maring was elected.

21. N. Robinson addressed Newton Lyceum, on "Nature of Atmospheric Air."

22. August Knappe and David Simmons, cabinet makers and undertakers, in business at Branchville.

25. An earthquake shock felt in New Jersey.

25. Residents of Pabaquarry township petition Legislature to sell untenanted lands for taxes; said lands were in the hands of speculators, and had not paid taxes for years.

27. Annual meeting of County Temperance Society, at Court House.

28. County S. S. Union held annual meeting in M. E. Church, Newton. Addresses by the president, Daniel Haines, Esq., and by Revs. Mattison, (Methodist) Brinkerhoff, (Baptist) and McReynolds, (Presbyterian.)

Millinery shop of Miss Jane Cummins was opp. Warbasse's hotel.

30. Newton reed and brass band gave concert in Presbyterian church, Marksboro.

## FEBRUARY.

1. James Trusdell, chairmaker, etc., located at Deckertown.

2. End of January term of Sussex Courts. Justice Ford presided. John B. Field was convicted of a libel in an anonymous communication to John Layton, of Sandyston, alleging that Abram Bevans had hired a third person to burn Layton's barn. Defendant denied authorship of letter, but was mulcted in the sum of \$500.

5. John H. Hall resigned office of Judge of Common Pleas, and was appointed Clerk of Sussex county, by Legislature in joint meeting. David M. Stiger also appointed Clerk of Warren county.

6. George C. Smalley and George H. Nelden give notice that they formed a co-partnership on Jan. 1, at 59 Pearl street, New York, as china, glass and earthenware dealers.

10. Henry D. Swayze appointed postmaster at Belvidere.

Bonds of Morris Canal Company had been protested. It owed the State of Michigan \$823,000. Mortgages and secur-

ities had been assigned to the State Treasurer, including \$40,000 on Mt. Hope mining district, \$405,000 on other real estate in New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania; \$38,000 on Pennsylvania iron delivery up to 1843, and an \$177,500 obligation of Morris & Sussex Mfg. Co., at Stanhope, to deliver iron to that amount in New York during 1842 and 1843.

11. Nelson Robinson delivers second lecture at Court House. John Kraber signs as secretary.

12. Sidney Smith and Joseph H. Hoppling, at 160 Broad street, Newark, dissolve, and Dan J. Hurd becomes Mr. Hoppling's partner.

12. James Stoll frozen to death in night, about a mile from Stanhope; intemperate in habits.

12. Newman's grist mill, two miles from Deckertown, destroyed by fire.

15. Skin of an enormous wild cat shot by Nelson P. Moore, in Green township, exhibited in Newton.

15. Daniel Haines, Esq., admitted to practice in Supreme Court of the United States.

16. The firm of Swords, Halsted and Loomis, 53 Pearl street, New York, becomes Halsted Brothers, composed of W. H. Halsted, Jr., and Jacob Halsted.

19. Jacob W. Miller, of Morris county, elected U. S. Senator to succeed Garret D. Wall. Hon. Wm. L. Dayton resigned office as Associate Justice of Supreme Court.

22. Board of Freeholders held special meeting to consider rebuilding of bridges over Flatbrook, destroyed by January flood.

22. Stone & Townsend, blacksmiths, dissolve partnership.

Congratulations were extended to President Harrison on the fact that the coming mistress of the White House was a Sussex county girl, a daughter of John Cleve Symmes. Her youth was passed in the peaceful valley of the Flatbrook, and her education completed at Easthampton, L. I.

25. Milford bridge owners met to receive proposals for repairing bridge.

28. Josiah Hard, aged 60, residing near Dover, fell from hayloft and died from injuries within three hours.

## MARCH.

1. Jonathan Whittaker postmaster at Deckertown, vice S. Whittaker, resigned.

3. Meeting at Shiner's hotel, Newton. F. Moran, chairman; U. C. Haggerty, secretary; adopted memorial to repeal law authorizing imprisonment for debt. It was declared repugnant to the feelings of an enlightened community.

3. James Blair was in business at Marksboro.

3. Hall & Johnson, about to discontinue business, have an auction of store goods.

9. H. O. Ryerson, secretary of Newton Lyceum, requests citizens to meet with members to consider purchase of chemical apparatus.

9. Legislature appointed Lewis Howell as a common pleas judge for Sussex county.

9. In the Legislature the Shufltown railroad charter was again brought forward to oppose the Ramapo branch of the Erie, and although Sussex and Morris members fought for the interests of their constituents, the charter of the Erie branch was passed 35 to 13.

11. Stoll & Bell dissolve partnership at Stanhope, and Robert P. Stoll becomes a member of firm of H. B. Stoll & Co.

Whole cost of constructing M. & E. railroad from Newark to Morristown, including lands, buildings, engines, cars, etc., was \$327,390.08. Receipts during year ending Jan. 1, 1841, amounted to \$27,711.78; disbursements, \$19,546.80.

10-20. A panic among holders of "red back" bank notes, issued under banking laws of New York. About 30 stopped payment, and residents of this section were affected.

17. William S. Armstrong announces his establishment in dry goods business at 201 Greenwich street, New York.

17. Tariff situation and proclamation by President Harrison, calling Congress in special session owing to weighty matters, principally growing out of the revenue and finances of the country, almost identical with situation at present time; even including the sarcasm of Van Buren papers over tardiness of "restored prosperity."

23. Henry Adams, tailor, now in business at 323 Broad street, Newark.

26. Swayze & Beemer sell store goods at Beemerville, by auction.

29. Rev. Mr. Blaney, lately arrived from England, began a week's nightly preaching service in Newton M. E. Church.

30. New anthracite furnace at Stanhope began operations.

## APRIL.

1. James Trusdell and Ephraim P. Garrison form partnership at Deckertown.

4. Death of President William Henry Harrison, and the issue of April 12 was in mourning.

5. An article on "office seeking" signed by James Gordon Bennett, is printed. Possibly this is the period when the elder Bennett offered to purchase THE REGISTER.

5. "Truth" writes sarcastically in reference to trees, shrubbery, walks and fences of the public green, with a view to stirring the slumbering committee.

5. Swayze & Beemer dissolve partnership at Beemerville.

6. Newton High School examination and exhibition.

9. Examination at Mrs. Dayton's school, Sparta.

10. James and Peter Bale succeed James and John Bale, at Baleville.

11. Rev. Daniel Blaney delivered missionary sermon at M. E. Church.

12. Citizens met at Warbasse's hotel to arrange for suitable public demonstration on the death of President Harrison.

12. Samuel Lane advertises 16 varieties of dahlias, at 50 per cent. below New York prices.

12. Town meetings held during a snow storm of great violence, which prevailed all day.

13. William, aged 16, eldest son of Nathan A. Shafer, of Stillwater, instantly killed by being caught between post of a bridge and the wheel of a loaded wagon drawn by four horses.

20. Sussex County Temperance Society held adjourned meeting at Deckertown.

Workmen began enlarging locks on Morris canal and it was not opened for business until July.

23. Memorial service for President held at Presbyterian church, at 2 p. m., previous to which bells were tolled an hour and a half. Business suspended from 12:30 until exercises at church were concluded. Newton Academy of Music and Newton Band participated in the following order: Prayer by Rev. J. L. Shafer; Burial service, by Rev. C. Dunn; Roslin Castle, by the Band; Prayer; Hymn, by the Choir; Eulogy, by N. Robinson; Dead March in Saul, by the Band; Requiem, by the Choir; Benediction.

23. A disastrous fire at Goshen, N. Y., destroyed two hotels, with stables, a saddlery and a printing office.

A wet, cold and cheerless month, with snow instead of showers. Winter not only "lingers in the lap of spring," but seemed determined to throw his icy carcass into the arms of summer.

23. M. C. Lane opens tailor shop near Shiner's hotel.

23. Walter McCann, Jr., tailor, has moved to White Hall, near Crane's tavern.

## MAY.

3. Foster & Auble dissolve partnership; business continued by D. L. Foster, at old stand, opp. Sussex Bank.

4. Bible Society held annual meeting at Newton.

5. Collier & Howell, Sparta, advertise cut nails at \$3.75 per keg.

5. R. W. Iliff in store business at Andover.

13. A severe hailstorm in the valley of the Paulinskill, this county, during after-

noon; ground covered to a depth of two inches, in several places.

New Jersey Conference, recently in session at Newark, assigns Peter D. Day and Edward Sanders to Newton; Warren C. Nelson to Stillwater; J. S. Swaine and R. B. Westbrook to Warren; J. N. Crane and J. Scarlett to Rome and Wantage; Joseph M. Pierson and Lewis R. Dunn to Vernon; Henry Mains to Sandyston; Crook S. Vauclève to Flanders.

13. Board of Freeholders closed a three days session. Ordered a kitchen with cellar underneath, 20x22 feet, built on northwest corner of Court House, for use of family of jailor; also ordered a separation of male and female criminals, by creating two departments in jail. For this work \$500, with liberty to increase to \$700, was voted. It was also ordered that \$50 be used in repairs for Clerk's and Surrogate's office, and that two coal stoves be purchased for the court room.

17. John J. Bockover, late of New York city, has opened store at Beemerville.

17. Sussex Baptist Association met at Hamburg.

24. James Northrup & Co. dissolve partnership at Moden.

24. Firm of Hopping & Hurd, Newark, dissolved; business continued by Dan J. Hurd.

27. Firm of Hall & Johnson dissolved.

28. Martin Ryerson, Esq., announces his removal from Newark to Newton; occupying offices of late Thomas C. Ryerson.

Justice Ford at May term of Court charged grand jury particularly in reference to "skimmerton" parties which had become notorious in this county. The charge is printed in the issue of June 14; President Tyler's message having previously crowded it out.

## JUNE.

2. Abbie Ritchie, wife of Dr. Strader, of Cincinnati, who was married in Warren county, only two months before, hanged herself.

7, 8, 14. Inspection and annual trainings of Third and Second regiments, and First Independent Artillery regiment.

12. First ad. of Wm. H. Johnson, the successor to Hall & Johnson.

14. Alexander Taylor has opened a butcher shop in Newton. He was the first regular butcher that the township had after Dennis Cochran ceased that business. His shop was near the Court House.

14. The First Independent Artillery occupied Newton Green instead of its usual four-footed mauladers.

14. Improvement in Newton Band was warmly commended, and the members encouraged.

14. Owego stage, containing 12 passengers, upset at 10 o'clock p. m., by running off the bridge at the foot of the hill, in the rear of Cox's tavern, in Newton. The night was stormy and intensely dark; none of the passengers received serious injury; one of the lead horses broke a leg and was killed. Driver, Mr. Wells.

16. Newton Lyceum appointed committee to arrange for 4th of July celebration.

19. Miss Brien, milliner, at Stanhope.

## JULY.

1. William H. Johnson becomes postmaster of Newton, vice George H. McCarter.

Citizen Joseph Warbasse calls attention to the great benefit produced on upland clover and timothy by lime and plaster.

3. Hon. Daniel Haines addressed Deckertown Temperance Society, of which J. W. Wood was president.

Morris & Essex Railroad recently had an accident from "snake-heads," i. e. end of flat rail running up through bottom of cut; public was informed that an invention had been applied to prevent such accidents.

5. Celebration at Sparta, by Sunday schools. Addresses by Rev. Joel Campbell, Hon. Daniel Haines and Rev. Noah Crane.

5. Celebration at Newton under auspices of Newton Lyceum. Marshal, Major John R. Pettit; standard bearer, Major

John Kraber, bearer of cap of liberty, R. Ward; reader, Anthony D. Morford; orator, D. S. Anderson. W. S. Johnson also made an address, and the toasts printed thereafter were in better taste than those of yore.

7. Prices paid by Collier & Howell, at Sparta: Wheat, \$1.18; rye, 56c.; corn, 56c.; oats, 44c.

8. Joseph Y. Miller announces resumption of boot and shoe making in his old shop, corner Liberty street and the Easton road.

Oakes Ames, at Franklin Furnace, offers to exchange goods for grain at higher prices than any other store in county.

14. Daniel Wyman and Robert S. Dunlap dissolve partnership at Stillwater. Business continued by Wyman.

18. Rev. Mr. Fay, Baptist, preached at Court House.

25. Thomas J. Stewart, of Warren county, lost 2000 bushels of grain in stack, by lightning.

27. Quarterly meeting of Temperance Society at Stanhope.

30. Unusually fine harvest weather up to this date, when a two days soaking rain broke a drouth that was injuring corn, etc.

30. Stanhope furnace blown out for repairs, after making 800 tons of iron in four months. Two more furnaces were in process of erection.

## AUGUST.

3. Bible Society held quarterly meeting in 2d Church of Wantage. Sunday School Union met same day.

2. New post offices recently established at Clove, John B. Decker, postmaster; and at Maxville, (now Huntsville) Aaron H. Kelsey, postmaster.

2. Total eclipse of moon visible everywhere in U. S.

2. Peter W. Blair, Jr., the merchant who absconded from Allamuchy, after forging notes on Morristown banks, and was afterward captured in New York city, escaped from jail at Morristown, where he had been confined for about a year for non-payment of a fine of \$1,500. His friends had at first professed a willingness to pay this fine, rather than have him go to State prison, but failed to do so and Blair had applied to the Board of Freeholders for release, alleging inability to pay fine. Blair was soon afterward re-arrested in Philadelphia.

5. Sussex Bank returns to 3 1/2 per cent. dividends.

12. Dedication of new M. E. Church at Lafayette.

14. Samuel Rorbach offers to sell the County Hotel, which has been in existence fifty years.

16. In noting a recent meeting for the formation of a Mutual Insurance Company, in Warren county, where \$50,000 was subscribed, the editor asks "What is the Sussex Mutual Insurance Company doing?" This leads us to believe that the company was not active, even after its organization in the first of the year.

16. Note is made that lamps which burn lard instead of oil "take the shine off" anything in the market.

18. Richards & Mackerly, Lafayette, began making a new cast iron water wheel.

21. Collier & Kays want five first rate millwrights at Sparta.

Millers to keep up with their rivals were placing smut machines in their mills.

23. A correspondent describes a recent successful operation for cancer on lip of Peter Hendershot, of New Paterson, as the first of the kind in this section. It was performed by Dr. Dunlap, of Stillwater, assisted by Dr. Albright, of Blairs-town. This brought out another communication showing that such operations had been in practice here for over 15 or 20 years, and the licensed surgeons had not "puffed" them.

27. End of ten days trial in Sussex Circuit, between John Den, Nathaniel Saxton, and Jonathan Oliver vs. Ira Fuller. The action was to recover about 400 acres of land in Stillwater township, part of a tract of 884 acres taken up in 1745, and

confiscated to the State of New Jersey in 1779, as the property of John Taber Kemp and Grace, his wife; they having joined the British during the Revolution. In 1814 the property was sold by the State to John Johnson, Esq., under whom the present plaintiff held title. The East and West Jersey line, as run by John Lawrence, in 1743, upon which line this tract was, in part, bounded, was plainly marked on the south side of Swartwout's pond, and up to the 100 mile tree from Egg Harbor, after which all further trace of the direct line was lost. Jury found verdict for trespass and ejectment against the defendant. For plaintiff, W. S. Johnson, Peter D. Vroom and Wm. T. Anderson. For defendant, R. Hamilton, D. Haines and M. Ryerson.

23. Robert Rusling made postmaster at Hackettstown, vice Caleb H. Valentine.

30. Camp meeting begins on lands of John Shay, Sandyston. Presiding Elder Force in charge.

#### SEPTEMBER

2. N. Robinson addressed Newton Lyceum, at the Academy.

Morris canal has partially resumed business for the first since last season.

2. George H. Coursen and William B. Gardner form partnership as harness makers, and occupy former shop of A. H. Smith.

Martin Holmes appointed postmaster at Libertyville, and Horace J. Beemer at Beemersville.

5. John Jackson, a colored man, employed by Abraham Sheeler, drowned in Turtle pond, near Brighton, into which he had waded to secure a duck he had shot; it being his practice to hunt on the Sabbath.

16. Two intelligent deaf mutes gave pleasing entertainment at Court House.

17. Stockholders of Morris & Essex Railroad resolve to raise \$100,000 to equip the line with H. rails. The bad condition of the road, with its flat rails, had necessitated the outlay, and the cars were to be withdrawn during the winter.

20. D. Stuart Anderson recently licensed to practice as attorney.

22. Corner stone laid for M. E. Church, at Sparta, by Rev. M. Force.

23. Democrats met at Lafayette and nominated Legislative ticket. It was a lively affair, no less than three chairmen being appointed, viz. Peter Merkel, Pierson Hurd and Lyman Edwards. Alexander Boyles appealed for his rights, being a candidate for Council. He was defeated, after speeches from Daniel Haines and Robert Hamilton. Boyles was also defeated two years before, and the secret of all the opposition was his adherence to the unpopular project of forming the township of Lafayette from portions of Newton, Frankford and Hardyston.

27. Foster & Auble resume partnership at old stand.

29. Editor visits flower garden of Chas. VanSands, in Newton, and where Moses Devore now manufactures ice cream, there were 175 dahlia plants in full bloom, the plant having recently been introduced here.

It would appear that Edward A. Stiles had opened the Wantage Select School, during the year, as in the issue of Sept. 27 the Winter term is advertised to begin November 2.

#### OCTOBER

1. Erie Railroad was opened from Goshen to Piermont. First-class fare to and from New York, \$1.75; way passengers, 4 cents per mile; second class passage to and from New York, \$1.25; way passengers, 2½ cents per mile. Fare by steamboat from Piermont to New York, 25c.

4. John Frazer, Newton, took up a beehive containing 112 lbs. of pure honey comb.

1. Peter W. Blair, Jr., after playing the insanity dodge at Morristown, was sentenced to two years hard labor in State prison, when he suddenly recovered his senses and began eating.

4. In this issue an obituary notice is printed of Lewis Cornelius, who died at Milford, Pa., Sept. 27, aged 48 years. In youth he was spare and slender, showing no indication of the great bodily size he afterward attained. He labored actively until ten or twelve years before his death, when he became too weighty in flesh, and was favorably known as a hotel keeper. He was slightly ill for two or three days previous to his death, which was very unexpected. His dimensions, taken after his death, were as follows: height, 6 ft.; circumference of body, 8 ft., 2 in.; do of wrist, 1 ft., 3 in.; do of thigh, 4 ft., 2 in.; ankle, 1 ft., 7 in.; waist, 6 ft., 2½ in.; arm above elbow, 2 ft., 2 in.; below, 1 ft., 9 in.; calf of leg, 2 ft., 7 in.; weight, 645½ lbs. For ten or more years before death he refused to be weighed. He left a wife and eight children.

4. C. C. D. Pinchot & Co. dissolve partnership at Milford, Pa., and are succeeded by C. W. Dewitt & Brother.

5. County Sunday School Union met at Sparta.

5. Semi-annual examination at Newton High School, in charge of N. and I. Robinson.

6. Quarterly meeting of County Temperance Society at North Hardyston Church.

6. Notice given that firm of Trusdell & Garrison, at Deckertown, was dissolved August 25th; Mr. Garrison retiring.

8. Introductory lecture by Rev. J. W. Wood in a course by Sparta Lyceum, at the Female Seminary.

11. Milford Academy opened under superintendence of Rev. Edward Allen.

12-13. County election. Whigs made no nomination, and Alexander Boyles, who was "turned down" at the caucus, defeated Samuel Price for Council by 664 in a total vote of 2889. Isaac Bonnell, David Hynard and Nathan Smith, elected to Assembly. The proposed removal of county buildings to Augusta and the formation of Lafayette township were the factors in this contest.

19. Second Troop of Cavalry ordered to meet at Hamburg, for drill, by Captain Oscar Decker; John Loomis, orderly sergeant. Members are reminded of their pledge to attend punctually, and an address was expected from Joseph Linn, who was the first captain, and to whose enterprise and perseverance it owed its existence.

22. Joseph Burkle, boot and shoe maker, in business, next door to Dr. J. R. Stuart's dwelling.

22. J. Pettit, principal of Newton Academy, announces Winter session beginning Nov. 1.

23. Erie Railroad inserts ad. showing one train per day from Goshen to New York, leaving at 7 a. m.; returning leave New York at 8 a. m. Within a month passenger fare had been cut to \$1.50, and \$1 for second class.

25. Sussex apple crop a failure.

28. John W. Lane & Co. announce establishment of tinware business at Lafayette, in part of Boyles foundry.

Millers in Western New York alleged to have combined to depress price of wheat.

Morris canal had recently been reopened, after repairs occupying nearly the whole season.

#### NOVEMBER.

6. Charles P. Rorbach had established himself in harness business at Deckertown.

10. Legislature passed act to provide for assessment of taxes in Newton township. John Broderick was elected Assessor at the last town meeting, but illness prevented him from performing the duties. Under the new law the Township Committee were to appoint the Assessor, and on Nov. 12, notice was given of a meeting for that purpose on Nov. 23. A special town meeting to choose two constables in place of James Broderick and Robert P. Durling, was ordered for same day, and the law was an outrage upon the people, as the office could have been filled at such town meeting. The voters chose Alfred

H. Fitch and Robert Wintermute as constables, and the Town Committee appointed William M. Smith as Assessor.

12. Samuel S. White appointed as Justice, by joint meeting.

13. D. S. Anderson, attorney-at-law, has office during winter with Wm. T. Anderson, Esq.

18. A magnificent auroral display.

18. David VanScoter killed at Blairtown. He was hauling wood, and a team following attempted to pass in a narrow space, while VanScoter was walking at the side; he was crushed to death instantly by the two wagons. Left wife and four small children.

22. County statement appears, six mos. behind time. Expenditures for bridges, \$1,564.55; Freeholders fees for same, \$432.52; elections, \$636.95; poor house, including \$400 interest on loan, \$1,083.55; jurors, constables, etc., \$886.18.

22. Sussex Courts opened, and first nine days occupied with trial of ejectment suit of Saxton and Oliver vs. Theophilus Hunt, to recover 200 acres in Stillwater township. A similar case was tried at May term. Verdict for plaintiffs.

25. Jacob Ross wished to rent tannery, at Augusta, formerly owned by William A. Ryerson, dec., and then occupied by Benjamin Couse.

#### DECEMBER.

1. Concert of sacred music by choir in Deckertown church, under leadership of Harrison Myers.

9. Thanksgiving Day.

2. A half dozen young men convicted on an indictment for riot in disturbing a singing school in Stillwater township, last March.

4. W. D. Minton, a reformed drunkard, begins a speaking tour of the county, under auspices of County Temperance Society.

9. Dedication of new Christian chapel at Hope.

10. Warrenville school, John F. Hunter, principal, gave exhibition in Tranquillity church: music by Newton brass band.

11. Mrs. Harden, milliner, removes to third door below McCarter's store.

16. A heavy storm of rain followed a severe cold snap, melting a vast quantity of snow and causing a freshet.

17. End of Court, lasting nearly four weeks. Another ejectment suit between Sexton and Oliver, complainants, and Theophilus Hunt, was tried. It was similar to one tried during first part of term, but in this case the jury disagreed. Heirs of J. Rutherford, deceased, also brought ejectment suit against Catharine Burrell, of Frankford. An enclosure of 4¼ acres, which had been fenced for last twenty years, was awarded to Mrs. B. and the residue of the thirty acres to the Rutherford heirs.

20. Brigade Board met at Shiner's hotel. D. Thompson, Judge Advocate.

24. Joseph Bell, of Stillwater, dies from injuries received by a back log, which he was carrying, falling on his breast.

25. Dr. Carlos Allen announces that early in February he will permanently establish an office in Deckertown.

20. S. Crane had a dry goods store at Pinkneyville.

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##### JANUARY.

1. The holiday sales of poultry in New York city for ten days previous to December 29, were large, at prices of 8½ to 9c. for turkeys, and the greatest arrival in one day was 61 tons.

1. George D. Turner advertised Lehigh coal for sale at Hackettstown.

4. Some one in Sandyston gave notice of an application to Legislature for a law authorizing vote for or against removal of county seat.

4. Daniel Haines, Esq., addressed Sparta Lyceum, "On the Responsibilities of American Youth."

David Townsend desired to sell his blacksmith shop and residence, opp. Jos. Y. Miller's residence, on Easton road.

4. John A. Bonnell, secretary, called