

LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

Fishermen are reporting good luck.

The recent rains have done much good.

New side walks are being built in the second Ward.

Fourth of July only three weeks from next Saturday.

A lumber wagon for sale—on time. Call at this office.

Hotel Eagles Mere will be opened on the 24th of this month.

There is talk of a merry-go-around at the 'Mere, this summer.

Tunkhanock will celebrate on the coming Fourth of July.

The wheel of industry is heard in the land of Spencer's saw mill.

J. H. Campbell & Son of Shunk, have a new ad in this week's issue.

R. A. Conklin of LaPorte, is much improved from his recent illness.

C. R. Funston of Shamokin, was visiting friends at LaPorte, on Wednesday.

The band boys are talking about giving a festival and dance, on the 4th of July.

E. M. Dunham was called to Dushore on legal business, the early part of this week.

J. A. Jordan, the LaPorte banker, is one of the most enterprising citizens in town.

The land is progressing nicely. They meet two or three times each week for practice.

A large number of city guests are expected to spend the heated term at LaPorte, this season.

BORN:—At LaPorte, Pa., on Sunday, June 7th, 1891, to Mr. and Mrs. Newton C. Maben—a son.

Prof. F. W. Meylert and wife of Forksville, were calling on friends at the county seat, Saturday.

Two very important State officers are to be elected this fall—Auditor General and State Treasurer.

The county duplicates will be distributed to the borough and township collectors on the 1st of July.

"The woman in the shoe" is brought to mind by the appearance of some of LaPorte's country guests.

Mrs. A. F. Meylert returned home from a few weeks visit with friends in Lycoming county, on Saturday.

Lemon juice and borax will bleach out freckles, but a summer girl looks healthier and prettier with them.

James McFarlane & Co., will erect several new dwellings in the second Ward, in the very near future.

The fence inclosing the Park has been repaired and gates erected on the east and west corners fronting on Main St.

Our streets have been improved and with the numerous shade trees out in full leaf, present a very creditable appearance.

Judge Ingham has a law student in the person of Prof. M. F. Albert. We predict that Maternis will make a good lawyer.

Correspondents should leave a blank line between each item, thus saving the compositor much confusion in putting the same in type.

The W. C. T. A. will meet at Mrs. T. J. Ingham's June 19th. The social will be held at Mrs. M. C. Lauer's June 12th. All are cordially invited.

Our chief of police was on patrol, and it is remarked, had lots of business, Saturday night. His work, however, and the cooler proved very effective.

It is rumored, and the rumor comes from reliable authority that Hon. B. S. Collins will be a candidate for Member of the Constitutional Convention, from this county.

Harrisburg, Erie and Altoona all want the next Democratic State convention. It is necessary that the place of holding the Democratic convention be known several months ahead in order that a goodly supply of wet goods may be expressed for the occasion.

We publish LaPorte and Davidson township statements elsewhere in this issue.

Judging from the present indications, guess all hands will have some fun at both the Democratic and Republican conventions, this fall.

The Y. W. C. T. U. at a meeting Friday evening decided to hold a festival the afternoon and evening of July 4th. Particulars later.

The spirit of improvement has seized Mr. F. M. Crossley and the front of his dwelling on Cherry St., has been beautified by a handsome porch.

A party was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Kennedy in the Opera House, on Thursday evening of last week and a good time enjoyed by all present.

Adam Forepaugh was in Towanda on Wednesday of last week. It is generally understood that the great Forepaugh show is to be in Towanda on Friday, July 3d.

Meylert & Co., are disposing of their entire stock of merchandise at reduced prices. Persons desiring bargains will do well to call and examine their stock of goods.

The Philadelphia Prison is being the recipient of a happy crowd—City officials, bank Presidents and the like. This will be a much quieter life than at the Sea Shore.

C. Peale, Jr., proprietor of the Allegheny House and Wm. H. Van, Buskirk, dealer in confectionery, both of the 'Mere, were doing business at the county seat, on Tuesday.

Those people who are trying to persuade themselves that Mr. Blaine's brain power is weakening are themselves in greater danger of paralysis than is the Secretary of State.

John Richart, who is visiting friends in town, is quite ill with heart disease. His recovery on Sunday was quite doubtful, at this writing, however, he is somewhat improved.

The unveiling of the Hartranft monument at Norristown on Saturday was an event of no ordinary interest. That monument is a worthy tribute to the memory of a worthy soldier.

John O. Starks and Chester Squires of Pierceville, Wyoming county, were drowned by the capsize of their boat while setting out-lines on the Tunkhanock Creek, one evening of last week.

Three days of real summer has hatched out an army of noisome bugs, and it seems as if there are no two alike. The mosquitoes have also put in an appearance these warm nights and are presenting their bills.

The borough council have ordered the drain on the south side of Main street repaired and covered from opposite the post-office to Beech street. The work is being done by street supervisor, James P. Walsh.

State Treasurer Boyer has about \$5,500,000 of Pennsylvania's money deposited in twenty-one different banks. This is probably the largest amount of state funds that has ever been in the hands of a treasurer in this state.

After a week of utter prostration, paralyzed from over work, worry and the waning vigor of old age, Sir John Alexander Macdonald, Premier of Canada, died at Earncliffe, his magnificent home, shortly before 10:30 o'clock Sunday night.

Six cottages at the 'Mere were occupied this week. Seven guests are entertained at the Lake Side and four at the Brush cottage. At this date last year, there were no guests present, hence an early commencement of this season is evident.

The case of Fiester vs. Fiester Atty. H. T. Dows Master, was in session Monday and Tuesday. The result will decide the ownership of the Fiester homestead in LaPorte township. We are fearful however, that much of the value of the land will be consumed in law.

John Bardsley the ex-Philadelphia City Treasurer, plead guilty to seventeen bills of indictment against him on Tuesday. They are for loaning public money and deriving gains from the same and converting public money to his own use. In the seventeen indictments on which Bardsley pleaded guilty, the total amount of money involved is \$673,405.

E. J. Flynn assistant superintendent of the Jamison City tannery, was doing business at LaPorte, on Tuesday. Ed speaks very nicely of his new quarters.

E. V. Ingham came up from Philadelphia on Tuesday and left for the 'Mere on Wednesday. Mrs. Ingham is still confined to her bed but hopes are entertained that she will gain strength sufficient to be removed to the mountain in a couple of weeks. Mr. Ingham will return to the city to-day Friday.

While workmen were engaged in raising the roof of the Lake Side Hotel at the 'Mere on Tuesday, the scaffold gave away and four of the carpenters were thrown to the ground, a distance of 28 feet. One of the workmen was quite seriously hurt about the head and hips while the others were but slightly injured. We were unable to learn the names of the unfortunates.

Atty. A. L. Grim owner of the corner lot opposite the LaPorte Hotel, on Main St., has a standing offer of seven hundred dollars for the same by J. A. Jordan the banker, who would, in the event of purchasing the same, erect a fine building which would be a credit to our town. We fear our assessor will be compelled to add to our tax this triennial year.

The press voices public sentiment when it says that "Republicans, democrats, and even mugwumps, unite in extending to James G. Blaine warm appreciation of his brilliant work as secretary of state since March 5, 1889, and in the hope that the peace and quiet of Bar Harbor will restore to the eminent statesman the full enjoyment of physical health and strength."

Judge Ingham and Proctor & Hill are prospecting for coal, on a large tract of land owned by said individuals opposite of the mouth of Mill Creek. Drillers are now engaged at the work. Coal has been mined in small quantities on said tract for some time past. The object now, is to ascertain whether or not there is a sufficient vein to warrant an investment of working the same.

On account of the Baker and other minor laws passed at the recent Legislature, it becomes necessary to make a revision of the Constitution of the commonwealth. The revision will be made by three representatives of each Senatorial district. The minority party in each district to be represented, hence, the 24th Senatorial district consisting of Sullivan, Lycoming, Montour and Columbia will be represented by two democrats and one republican. Each county in the district will nominate a candidate at their respective conventions and, has been the custom heretofore give such candidate the power of choosing his own conferees to the District convention where the final nominations will be made. Our people will perceive at a glance that this is a very important question and that we should take more than ordinary pains in selecting Sullivan county candidate at the Republican convention. He should be among the brightest members of our law fraternity. For this honor, friends of Atty. E. M. Dunham are urging him to be a candidate and we think he fills the bill and would be a good selection.

Judge Hazen, in his charge to the Grand Jury at New Castle a few days ago, used the following language: "We have not much respect for the verdicts of Coroners' juries. They are a source of annoyance to the Commonwealth, and it would be a God's blessing if the Legislature would wipe out this office of Coroner, as it is needless and only a means of drawing out money from the County Treasury." There has been a growing belief for some years that the office of Coroner is of little value. Nine-tenths of the inquests held are unnecessary, and Judge Hazen's remarks may do some good in opening the eyes of the Legislators. There are cases where an official inquiry is necessary, but where the necessity exists it would not be difficult to make it without the aid of an ornamental office-holder whose sole interest consists in drawing his fees.

The extension of the L. V., from Lopez to Thornedale, is completed to Seeman's a distance of two miles.

Hon. Russel Karns and T. J. Keeler will lay a flagstone pavement in front of their residences on Main street during the month of July. The stone will be got from the stone quarry of J. H. Green of Picture Rock, and cut, dressed and laid by John L. Hileman. We understand that if the stones are satisfactory, and there is no doubt but that they will be, several of our citizens will invest in the new enterprise, and it is fair to presume that a good part of our walks will be made of stone in the near future. They are of wine color and are cheap.

The Registration Law.

The bill changing the time and manner of registering voters and the duties of registry assessors has been approved by the governor, and the county commissioners throughout the state have been notified thereof by Secretary HARRY. The registration for this year's elections are to be made under the provisions of the new act, which amends the act of 1874.

The new act requires the assessor to visit in person each and every dwelling house in his election district or division on the first Mondays of May and December of each year, or as soon thereafter as practicable. It is intended to prohibit the assessor from taking up the transcript or list of voters of the previous assessment. An entirely new registration is to be made. The assessor is not to assess any person until after careful inquiry of the voter himself or of some known resident of the election district or division. In all cases the assessor is obliged to enter into his book, opposite the name of each voter, the name and residence of the person who shall furnish information as to the residence and qualification of each voter who is assessed. The blank books to be furnished the assessor by the county commissioners should be ruled for spaces for the name, residence and occupation of the voter, the date of the assessment, the name of the employer, with whom boarding, and the address of known residents of election division who furnished information as to qualifications of voters. Any assessor who shall knowingly assess any person as a voter who is not qualified, or shall willfully refuse to assess any one who is qualified, is liable to imprisonment for two years and a fine not exceeding \$1,000.

The immigration question is daily becoming more important to every citizen of the United States and some good results are hoped from the investigation of the commission recently appointed by Secretary Foster. Ex-Representative Grosvenor, of Ohio, who is chairman of that commission, says on the subject: "Just what is specifically expected of the commission I do not know, for we have not yet received our instructions, but I do not know that there is pressing necessity for action on the part of the authorities. Never was any country the receptacle for such a stream of immigration as is pouring in on us now; all our previous records as a receptacle are being eclipsed. The increase which has become so apparent of late, has its origin principally in Southern Italy, and as most of the material now arriving is non-assimilative something must be done to decrease the volume. The labor organizations complain that sufficient employment cannot be secured for the people already here, and there is a very general demand for more rigid immigration laws. The country is becoming strongly tainted with foreign odors. Take Wisconsin as an instance—a state that is most a European province. The people there demand the conduct of the public schools in a foreign tongue and give other marked evidence of their alienism. In a little while they will insist on having the records of their legislature kept in their non-American language and on top of that will come an endeavor to have the courts operate in the language or languages native to other lands than ours. This is all wrong. We cannot afford to welcome those who will not be of us."

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