

LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

Winter is one third gone. Sunday was a perfect day. Wyoming county courts convene next week.

Sheriff Utz is kept pretty busy these days. Washington's birthday will be the next legal holiday.

Dr. Hill of LaPorte, is confined to his room with the grip. Old people should take good care of their health these days.

Owing to the open winter, the price of hay is on the decline. Leonard Emig of Ringville, died of grip and old age, on Thursday last.

Atty. R. J. Thomson and wife of Dushore, were registered at the LaPorte Hotel, on Monday. The death of Judge Mason, on Thursday night last, cast a gloom over the entire community.

Last month was the first December in the memory of the oldest inhabitant, that passed without a snow. Miss Theresa Walsh of Cherry, was visiting her brother, Prothy. Walsh, at LaPorte, on Friday and Saturday last.

The doctors predict, that the recent fall of snow, will, to some extent, check the numerous diseases throughout the country. Mrs. W. M. Cheney and Mrs. R. M. Stormont, drove over to the 'Mere, on Sunday to inquire after the health of Mrs. E. V. Ingham.

E. M. Dunham and family and mother, are all suffering from illness, hence, were unable to be present at the funeral of Judge Mason, on Tuesday. Belva Lockwood wishes it understood distinctly that she is in it for 1892. Well, this is leap year, and she and Hill would stand about neck-and-neck.

Secretary of State, James G. Blaine, was reported ill of indigestion, on Wednesday evening of last week, but at this writing he has entirely recovered and is busy at his desk. New LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS :- One executor's sale; one executor's notice; two auditor's notice; one sheriff's sale and court proclamation. For further particulars see legal column.

Samuel A. Goodhue, general superintendent of the Jamison City tannery, accompanied by E. J. Flynn, outside foreman of the same enterprise, were registered at Hotel Kennedy, on Tuesday. Governor Pattison has been worsted in the matter of the state superintendency of public schools. The supreme court has decided in favor of Mr. Waller, who was Governor Beaver's appointee.

Chas. Brink of the 'Mere paid us a pleasant call while looking after business at the county seat, on Monday. Charley is foreman of a crew of carpenters in the employ of contractor Wagner, of the 'Mere. The pleasant memory of the late Judge Mason of LaPorte, will long survive with not only the people of Sullivan county, but with thousands of old acquaintances throughout the state. Mr. Mason was one of our most popular citizens.

Dr. C. S. O'Brien and Miss Sadie Cole, both of Benton Columbia county, will enter the bonds of matrimony, on this Thursday. The REPUBLICAN extends congratulations and wish the contracting parties lots of prosperity and happiness. The Lyon Lumber Company, are rushing their work of stocking hemlock logs in Muncy Creek, at Nordmont. They have 75 men and 20 teams employed at the work. M. W. Botsford, merchant at Nordmont, says business is first class in that section.

The appraisers appointed by the court to view and award damages by the construction of a railroad from Sonestown to Eagles Mere, rendered the following verdict on Wednesday of last week, viz: Benj. Worthington, \$200.00; Reuben Starr, \$125.00; J. C. Steck, \$150.00.

The County Commissioners salaries for the year 1891 as shown by the county statement, is as follows: S. K. McBride, \$375.70; W. M. Cheney, \$262.50; D. W. Scanlin, \$213.25.

E. I. Brundage took possession of the Nordmont Hotel, on Tuesday of last week. The railroad employees, who have been boarding at Sonestown for several months past, owing to a slight disagreement with the former proprietor of the Nordmont Hotel, returned to their old quarters, on Saturday last and are now guests of Hotel Brundage.

The REPUBLICAN, has recently secured the assistance of a first class agent at Forksville, in the person of Hon. John G. Wright. The Judge is authorized by us to receive subscriptions to the REP. and give receipts for the same. With Mr. Wright as agent, we hope to increase the circulation of the REP. quite materially in the vicinity of Forksville.

As an exchange very pertinently says: Because a man does thin & not consistent as you see them, don't set him down as a hypocrite. It may be that instead of hypocrisy on his part it is ignorance on yours which gives to him an air of insincerity. You cannot judge fairly until you hear all sides of the case. Some men can't judge fairly even then.

The trial of Dr. Graves of Boston for the murder of Mrs. Barnaby, which has been in progress in Denver for several weeks, resulted in a verdict of guilty in the first degree. The announcement dethroned the reason of the prisoner's wife. Col. Ballou, of Providence, R. I., one of the Doctor's counsel, is suspected of complicity in the murder, and will probably be indicted.

Murderer Wall Must Hang. Monday Jan. 4, Governor Pattison signed the death warrant of Charles Wall, of Wyoming county, convicted of the murder of his wife. The execution is fixed for March 8. Governor Pattison disregarded the request of Wall, who recently wrote a letter to the governor asking him to direct the authorities of Wyoming county to take his life by burning, instead of hanging.

Stand by your town. Not a dollar invested there but some good comes out of it. There is no family like one's own family, there is no wife like one's own wife, there should be no town like one's own town, where we live, educate our children, on whose streets our babies play, and where we may some day sleep. Let the newspaper stand by the town, and let the business men stand by the newspaper, and let us all make our home as famous as possible.

A Heavy Verdict. Four years ago George Herstine of Bethlehem received injuries on a Lehigh Valley passenger train which developed into "railway spine." He sued the company and secured a verdict giving him \$19,800. Council for the company asked for a new trial and the court said that unless Herstine accepts \$13,000 in lieu of the verdict giving him \$19,800, a new trial would be granted. The railroad company is greatly opposed to paying the damages rendered, as it would establish a precedent in like cases.

The church going people of the 'Mere, have recently had a falling out among themselves. The disagreement arose on Sunday the 3rd, when a Superintendent of the Sunday school was to be elected for the ensuing year. Wallace Little who has acted in this capacity for a year or two was re-nominated. This selection did not meet the approval of all, hence, the second party was named in the person of Mr. A. D. Avery. A ballot was then taken and Mr. Little won, however the minority would not submit to the majority party and now they hold two Sunday schools at the 'Mere with Messrs. Little and Avery, superintendents. Such feeling existing in the House of God is not very inviting to the good people who remain at home and refrain from taking part in church confusions.

The bounty paid by Sullivan county on foxes, wild cats and minks for 1891, was \$766.00.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Conklin of LaPorte, have a brand new girl baby. It was presented them by Mr. James W. Lee of LaPorte who mourns the death of his most estimable wife, on Jan. 4th, and not being in a position to rear the child which is eight months old, requested Mr. and Mrs. Conklin to adopt it. This, the latter will do, should they continue their liking for the child. It is a bright little girl and has many admirers. Mrs. Crossley, we understand will take the part of grandmother and will no doubt prescribe for the little one.

While visiting at the County Treasurer's office, one day last week, out of curiosity, we glanced over the transcript book to learn who were the heaviest tax payers on unseated lands in Sullivan county. We found them as follows: James McFarlane & Co. \$2602.00. Hoyt Brothers,..... 2256.65. North Mountain Lumber Company,..... 1418.84.

Total,.....\$6277.49. Quite an item for three taxables. There are numerous others who pay several hundred dollars each, so many in fact, that it would require a column of our paper to publish them all.

The county auditors—Wright, Bird and Spencer with their clerk, H. T. Downs, completed the work of auditing the several accounts of the county, on Saturday. Owing to the non-appearance of the Judge's decision in the case of Sullivan County vs Ex-Treasurer Jacob Lorah, the audit in this instance will be about the same, less the eighteen hundred and fifty dollars paid the county by the defendant, as last year. The moneys paid to the several townships by Mr. Lorah and receipts of the same offered in evidence during the trial at Dec. T., will not appear in the audit, hence, the statement in the matter of Sullivan County vs Lorah will be of little information to the public. We are told by those who have the receipts in custody, that—were the receipts admitted; Lorah's indebtedness to the county would be about \$11,211.48 as the audit will show.

Albert Molyneux of Overton Pa., Com-mits Suicide.

Albert Molyneux of Overton is supposed to have committed suicide, on Friday morning the 8th inst. He arose from his bed as his wife supposed to build a fire, she arose soon after but found that the fire had not been built and Mr. Molyneux was no where to be seen. She then looked through the barn and around the premises, but was not successful so she went to a neighbor and cousin of the deceased, Ed. Molyneux, who, after a careful search found the deceased in a fish pond near the house, where he had drowned himself. The water was not more than fifteen inches or two feet deep.

Some trouble with his father is the only reason that can be given for his rash act. The funeral occurred on Sunday.

NOTICE. The County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Penna., will let to the lowest bidder per ton, the contract of hauling twenty-five tons of coal from Bernice, on Saturday the 16th day of January 1892. Bids to be sealed and delivered at Commissioners office not later than 4 p. m. of said date Jan. 16th, Com's. reserve the right to reject any or all bids.

S. K. McBRIDE, W. M. CHENEY, D. W. SCANLIN, } Co. Com.

TRIENNIAL APPEAL. The County Commissioners will hold their triennial appeal in the several boroughs and townships, as follows: LaPorte boro and township at Commissioners office in LaPorte, on Monday Feb. 8th, between the hours of 9 A. M. and 4 P. M.

Davidson twp., at Hotel Magargle in Sonestown, on Feb. 9th, hours—10 A. M. to 3 P. M. Shrewsbury twp., at the residence of Mathew Taylor, on Feb. 10th, hours—8 A. M. to 12 M.

Hills Grove twp., at Hotel McBride, on Feb. 11th, hours—8 A. M. to 12 M. Fox twp., at Hotel Letts on Feb. 12th, hours—8 A. M. to 12 M.

Elkland twp., at the residence of Joseph Grange, on Feb. 12th, hours 2 P. M. to 5 P. M. Forksville boro and Forks twp., at Hotel Hannon in Forksville boro., on Feb. 13th, hours—8 A. M. to 3 P. M.

Dushore boro and Cherry twp., at Hotel Carroll in Dushore boro., Feb. 15th, hours—9 A. M. to 5 P. M. Colley twp., at Hotel Hunsinger, on Feb. 16th, hours—10 A. M. to 3 P. M.

S. K. McBRIDE, W. M. CHENEY, D. W. SCANLIN, } Com. office, Jan. 11, 1892.

DIED. Thursday Night, January 7th, at 12:55 at his Residence in LaPorte, Hon. William A. Mason.

The death of Hon. William A. Mason has cast an unusual gloom over our village. He was one of the first settlers of LaPorte. He came as a Surveyor on the ground where the town was to be located and cut the first brush at a spot not far from where the Mountain House now stands. The county seat was established in the wilderness in August 1847, and early in the following year he built a house and removed his family, over the almost impassable roads to this place. He resided here since that time, excepting only a few years, when he was engaged in business which required him to live in Towanda and Monroeton.

Mr. Mason was a Civil Engineer and Surveyor and was engaged most of his life in that business. As a surveyor he was especially noted for his skill in tracing old lines and ascertaining the original location of tracts of land. He worked at this business in Sullivan and the surrounding counties and was often called to Luzerne, Lackawanna and Schuylkill counties, to examine difficult lines, and testify as a witness, in important land suits. As a Civil Engineer he was engaged on railroads in this state and New York. He was first employed on the Barclay Railroad, and afterwards employed several years on the Sullivan & State Line R. R., and afterwards located the Williamsport & North Branch R. R., and has acted as Chief Engineer for that Company.

Judge Mason has not given much of his life to politics and office holding, and yet it has happened that his fellow citizens appreciating his good qualities and capabilities have honored him with considerable public employment. He was the first Post-Master in LaPorte, and first Justice of the Peace. He held the office of County Surveyor several terms. In 1856 he was elected an Associate Judge and served five years on the Bench. In 1881 he was elected County Treasurer and served in that office three years.

In all of his employments, public or private, he was distinguished for his faithfulness and integrity. He commanded public esteem wherever he was known, and he made friends wherever he went.

He was born in Towanda, Bradford county, on the 28th of Sept. A. D. 1818, and was educated at the Towanda Academy. He learned the business of surveying from his elder brother, Gordon F. Mason. He was married September 23, 1841, to Miss Mary Angeline Cheney, and they lived happily together for over fifty years, and his faithful wife stood at his bedside ministering to his wants to the last moment of his life.

Judge Mason lived a pure life, and was a true man. His example has been a constant influence for good during his whole life. His years extended beyond the three score and ten which the Psalmist spoke of as allotted to man. He did not experience the kind of decrepitude which Shakespeare described as the seventh age of man, but was vigorous and able to attend to business until a short time before the severe attack which proved to be his last sickness.

Judge Mason died on the 7th of January 1892, after an illness of two weeks. His funeral was on the 12th of January, and was largely attended by his neighbors and many friends from a distance. He belonged to the Masonic Order, and a number of the members of that society attended the funeral, and each cast a green branch, emblematic of his loving remembrance, into the open grave.

Among the relatives from a distance were: W. T. Watrous, of Johnsonburg; E. M. Mason and Miss May Watkins, of Towanda; Mrs. Judge Searle, of Montrose; R. W. Cheney, of East Smithfield; W. M. and F. A. Cheney, of North Orwell; Mrs. Robt. Edmundson and Samuel Anthony of Milan; C. F. Cheney and wife, of the 'Mere; F. W. Meylert and wife, of Forksville.

Among friends from a distance who came to express their respect for his memory we notice—B. G. Welch, T. A. Bosk and C. W. Waddrop, of Hughesville; Edward and John Menges, of Montgomery; F. P. Vincent and Dr. Herrmann, of Dushore; E. S. Chase and John Aumiller, of the 'Mere; Mrs. Thos. Magargle and daughter Miss Anna, Thos. S. Simmons and Jacob Lorah, of Sonestown; Samuel A. Goodhue and E. J. Flynn of Jamison City.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. R. T. Polk, of Towanda; the services were impressive and the sermon able. We may properly conclude this brief notice with the quotation which the Minister used so effectively in his able discourse: "Why weep ye then for him, who having won Life's blessings all enjoyed, life's labor done, serenely to his final rest has passed, While the soft memory of his virtues, yet, Linger like twilight hues when the bright sun has set."

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