

THURSDAY, AUG. 18, 1898.

Ignorance is the mother of scepticism. Ignorance does not abound to any great extent in Sullivan County.

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County Seat Indices. AND GLANCES AT THE TIMES.

The ball is over. Shake! Uncle Sam. It took just 113 days to do it. Spain's honor is satisfied, and so is ours. It was the pen that commanded the sword to stop. The adjourned Treasurer's land sale was held at this place Tuesday. Several of Laporte citizens enjoyed the 15th at Dushore and Bernice. Already more postmasters are needed in Cuba. To the victors belong the spoils. A large number of Laporte citizens attended the funeral of Leonard Deegan in Dushore on Friday. Already a big lumber company is talked of to exploit Cuba's timber. This country will profit by it if it's in the wood. Co. Commissioners S. S. Rogers, H. G. Huffmaster and Philip Secules, were doing business at their office the first of the week. The large handsome sign that landlord Beahan has placed in front of his hotel will not fail to remind the public to "Remember the Maine". In company with J. L. Calkins, Hon. M. A. Rogers of Forksville was in town Friday, receiving warm greetings from those who have the pleasure of his acquaintance. The mayor of Ponce, in welcoming the Americans, said: "The island will now have prosperity and peace." The gentleman may be set down as a candidate for the postoffice. Misses Myrtle Edgar, Agnes Upman and Olive Reed enjoyed the exhilaration of a walk to Eagles Mere and return Tuesday afternoon; and without fatigue, so they say. Hon. E. P. Ingham, Col. of Port Thomas, Mr. McCormick of Philadelphia and Wm. Young of Williamsport, enjoyed a drive from Eagles Mere to Laporte on Friday, stopping but a few hours to receive the welcome hand shake of friends.

The New Century Quartette Co., of Philadelphia, gave a most beautiful musical rendition in the court house on Friday evening of last week, being the last of the excellent entertainments under the auspices of the Normal School for this season.

W. C. Mason Esq., spent a few days last week in Greater New York. In speaking of the most important features of his trip he talks interestingly of his visit on board the battleship Texas which is in dry dock undergoing repairs in the navy yard.

New arrivals at the Mountain House are: Miss Milla Ambrewster, Camden; Mrs. R. W. Welles, Towanda; Mrs. Thos. W. Baley, Philadelphia. Returned from Eagles Mere: Mrs. Ellen Barrows, Misses R. W. and E. B. Barrows.

A party of young people from Eagles Mere comprised a load of jolly humanity out for a straw ride to Laporte, Friday, arriving here at midnight. As the good people of town never complain when disturbed from their slumbers, the party exercised the grant of license and made night hideous with feminine voices floating on the night air which reminded one very forcibly of pig killing time. They shelled Kennedys Hall until it fell in their possession and then captured violinist Hackley who was given his freedom after playing a few hours for a Spanish fandango of the original patent.

FROM GRANT TO M'KINLEY.

How Appomattox Paved the Way For Manila and Santiago.

A NATION BUILT BY A PARTY.

An Ex-Confederate Veteran Talks of How the Heart of the South Was Touched by the Generous Words of Grant, Which the Republican Party Has Made Good, Until We Have One Country Again—A Rousing Soldier Meeting in Support of the Soldier Ticket—Peace at Last Between Philadelphia Factions.

(Special Correspondence.)

Philadelphia, Aug. 15.—The beginning of American victories over Spain was not at Manila, but at Appomattox. When General Grant said to the beaten and broken Confederates after the surrender, "Keep your horses; you will need them to plow your fields," he sounded the high keynote of that consistent Republican policy which has resulted in making this nation a union indeed, not a mere collection of communities pinned together with bayonets. This has been brought strongly to mind by two events which have taken place here within the last few days—the visit of the survivors of Pickett's division as the guests of Philadelphia Grand Army men, and the meeting of the Pennsylvania Association of War Veterans' clubs, for the purpose of reminding the old soldiers and their sons, to whom the war of the sixties is only heroic hearsay, that there is a soldier ticket on the Republican corner of the ballot this year which deserves their votes as representative of both the past and the future of the country.

However they might appear at the first glance, no two meetings were ever more consistent with each other. Both represented the comradeship of all true soldiers, who, in reaching out the hand of gallant recognition toward all brave men who stood in the opposing line, do not forget the fraternity of men who have slept under the same blanket and faced the same fire. A veteran of Pickett's who left a large fraction of himself in Pennsylvania after that last mad dash at Gettysburg and now walks on crutches made this point very well. He was a typical back country Virginian—neighbor, no doubt, to that one who shocked one of the hallboys at the swellest hotel in Philadelphia by appearing upon the ground floor after midnight, in sock feet, with his suspenders hanging from his shoulders and the ice water pitcher in his hand, inquiring where the pump was—but he is a notable man in his neighborhood, has been continuously justicer of the peace for 20 years, and while he might not be up to date in some peculiarities of modern civilization, he is full of homely common sense and useful knowledge.

Experience teaches the observing that there is many a man who is liable to blow out the gas who is nevertheless fit to make laws for the directors of the gas company. The "squire" said:

"When General Grant started your party on that high plane of treatment of our people he put us on our honor. We were down on our backs, and the Republican party was throne in absolute power. In our anticipation it was only a question how many of our leaders you would consider it necessary to hang. You might have treated us as the prostrate inhabitants of conquered islands, and you received us instead as fellow citizens, and lived up to your proclamations that you had been fighting with us for four years only to keep us in that relation. Much has been said of the magnanimity, the generosity, the charity and so on of the treatment of the south by the north after the war, but it took the present war to call proper attention to the foresight and broad statesmanship of the Republican party in following the policy it has pursued. McKinley has shown himself worthy of the example of Lincoln and Grant. When he continued Fitz Lee at Havana and then gave old Joe Wheeler the chance he sought to go out and get shot at under the old flag he warmed our hearts and turned a clinch on the good work of 30 years."

"What do we folks think of McKinley? What did you think in '64, when he was tried to put somebody else in Lincoln's place to settle the job? No president since Lincoln has grown upon the country after his election so fast as McKinley, and there are a lot of us down south who never voted anything but a Democratic ticket who are not only going to be for McKinley next time, but who are for the ticket that represents McKinley this fall. The party that has fought the war must be the party to settle the issues growing out of the war, now as in '65. We may be just at the beginning of our troubles, and all the nations of this earth must be taught that this country stands right behind its president, as the north stood by Lincoln. His defeat would have been worth an army to the Confederacy then, and any doubtful sound that would go out to the world from our voting places this fall might cost us another war. You—we—have one party in this country which has proved itself great not only of conducting a great war, but of gathering its fruits and dealing with the questions which follow, and the enthusiasm for its success in the elections this year is just plain horse sense. And so," he added, with a sweeping gesture toward the room where the war veterans were declaring their loyalty to the Republican soldier ticket, "so is that. I wouldn't give shucks for an old soldier who wouldn't stand by another old soldier whenever he got a chance."

The War Veterans had a remarkably representative and earnest meeting, by the way. On the roll call 51 counties responded, and before the president of the association, Colonel Robert B. Beath, finished his opening address, a number of others came in. They were men whose names stand for something, too. As a sample, take this committee on resolutions:

Hon. George W. Hood, of Indiana,

chairman; Thomas G. Sample, of Allegheny; T. A. Cochran, of Armstrong; Captain Fred M. Yerger, of Berks; Hon. W. T. Davles, of Bradford; Major J. T. Ensminger, of Dauphin; Hon. Milton S. Lytle, of Huntingdon; Captain S. A. Craig, of Jefferson; Colonel Oscar L. Jackson, of Lawrence; General John P. Taylor, of Mifflin; James S. Morrison, of Philadelphia; Hon. D. J. Horner, of Somerset; Colonel Chll W. Hazzard, of Washington, and Colonel N. A. McKown, of Wyoming.

In the resolutions, which were adopted with fervid applause, after congratulating the country on the heroism of its young soldiers who are now in the field, and warmly endorsing President McKinley for his conduct of the war, the association declared as follows:

"That, in the coming election, we pledge our hearty and unanimous support to our comrades, as well as their associates upon the Republican ticket, and thus show by our votes that those who stood by our country's flag and defended it in the hour of need have not been forgotten by a grateful people, and that such sons our commonwealth delights to honor.

"That it is the sense of the veterans of the war of the rebellion, and we believe it to be the judgment of all the patriotic citizens of this commonwealth, that, as in the year 1864, so now the soldiers in the field should have the right to vote, and our state officials should early take the necessary steps to have this privilege accorded every soldier and sailor now in the service of the country.

"In 1864 the Democratic party of this state declared that the legislation allowing our soldiers and sailors in the field to vote was unconstitutional, and in support of that declaration the present Democratic candidate for governor, Hon. George A. Jenks, by his voice and influence, showed that he was in complete accord with the leaders of his party, and he ought not, therefore, receive political support from those who believe in the justice of that measure to the men then serving their country on land and sea.

"That, as survivors of the war of the rebellion, we call upon our comrades and fellow citizens to cast their votes at the coming election for the Republican ticket, in order that this great patriotic state shall have a full Republican delegation in congress, and a Republican legislature, so that it shall become a matter of record that Pennsylvania is arrayed on the side of right, justice, humanity and prosperity, thus saying to the country at large that the people may continue to rely on Republican principles as the means by which the nation, under the wise leadership of President McKinley and his advisers, may continue on its onward march of progress."

Speeches in the line of the resolutions were made by General James W. Latta, ex-Lieutenant Governor William T. Davies, General B. Franklin Fisher, Congressman Thad Mahan and others, and a campaign committee of 15 was provided for, to see to it that the work done with so much effect for McKinley in '96, and by the parent organization—the old "Boys in Blue"—as far back as 1866, shall be repeated this fall.

Here in Philadelphia, whose big vote is always a matter of general state interest, the significant development of the week just closed is the decisive evidence that the factional differences which have split up the party for over three years have been wiped away. It is as safe as a bet on McKinley's reelection that there will be only one Republican local ticket this fall, with the whole party behind it.

GEORGE H. WELSHONS.

Usefulness of the Owl.

"Can there be any possible harm in killing owls for women's hats?" exclaimed a New York milliner to a member of the Audubon Society the other day. "Of what use are the horrid creatures to anybody?"

The pretty milliner was quite surprised when told that owls were very useful birds. Owls eat the field mice, and other small rodents that work great injury to the farmer, and every one that is lost not only means a menace to the farmers, but a distinct loss to agriculture.

Dr. C. Hart Merriam, ornithologist of the United States Department of Agriculture, has estimated that in offering a bounty on owls and hawks, which resulted in the killing of more than 100,000, the State of Pennsylvania sustained a loss of nearly \$5,000,000 in one year and a half.

Liberality of the Sultan.

The Sultan of Turkey is more than liberal to his daughters, as the recent marriage of Princess Naime reveals. In addition to about \$90,000 a year the princess has a palace decorated in the most lavish style and a retinue of servants, who are all paid by the father.

Cost of Bull-Fighting.

Spain's bull-fighters made money last year. Mazzantini in 66 fights killed 168 bulls and made 396,000 pesetas; Reverte's score was 71 fig's, 160 bulls and 276,000 pesetas; while Guerrita, with 76 fights and 147 bulls slaughtered, earned 456,000 pesetas, or \$91,000.

To Riddle a Pane of Glass.

A musket ball may be fired through a pane of glass, making a hole the size of the ball without cracking the glass, if the glass be suspended by a thread; it will make no difference and the thread will not even vibrate.

Loyalty in Friendship.

A striking example of Charles Dickens' chivalrous regard for an absent friend is recalled by Dean Farrar. Mr. Sims Reeves had been announced to sing at a small public dinner at which Dickens presided, and, as happened not infrequently, Mr. Sims Reeves had something the matter with his throat, and was unable to attend. Dickens announced this and the announcement was received with a general laugh of incredulity. This made Dickens very angry and he rose manfully to the defense of the delinquent. "My friend, Mr. Sims Reeves," he said quietly, "regrets his inability to fulfill his engagement, owing," he added with caustic severity, "to an unfortunately amusing and highly facetious cold."—The Bookman.

Not Because They Might, But to Silence Their Quacking.

A baggeman on the Santa Fe, who runs into Kansas City from out in the western part of Kansas, has lost lots of sleep. It is doubtful if he can ever catch up with it. He leaves Hutchinson at night and reaches Kansas City in the morning. Nearly every night he brings in his car two or three coops of live domestic ducks. During the night, when he has no baggage to deliver at small stations, it has been his habit and privilege to lie down on an improvised couch and doze. With the advent of the ducks the dozing stopped. The almost constant quacking of the ducks, who could not understand their strange environment, would not permit of sleep.

For many nights, as he lay awake, he planned relief. He thought of strangling the ducks or chloroforming them. But neither expedient seemed good. One night a bright idea came to him. After he had put it into execution the ducks were silent.

The next night he had two coops of unusually vociferous ducks. As soon as it came time for sleep he wrenched a slat from one of the coops, reached in, and pulled out a duck. From his pocket he took a small rubber band, which he slipped over the duck's bill just back of the nostrils. The duck tried to quack, but the rubber band, while it stretched a little, would not permit the duck to open its bill far enough to use its tongue. Only a murmur came from it. One by one the ducks were muzzled, and the baggeman rested comfortably.

The commission men were surprised next morning when they received a lot of ducks with rubber bands around their bills, and when the bands were removed the shouts of protest from the ducks were deafening.

Origin of Infantry.

The term "infantry" soldiers originated with the Spanish, and was first applied to the military force employed by an infante, or young prince of Spain, to rescue his father from the Moors.

Administrator's Sale of Real Estate.

By virtue of an order issued by the Orphans' Court of Lycoming county, Pa., dated the 7th day of March, A. D. 1888, and supplemented by an order of the Orphans' Court of Sullivan county, Pa., to public sale, at the Court House, in the borough of Laporte, Sullivan county, Pa., on

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1898, at 10 o'clock a. m. The following described premises of the estate of Charles D. Eldred, deceased: A strip of land, situated in Elkland township, Sullivan county, Pa., known as the "Edgeway Lot," being the west end of said lot, and all of said "Edgeway Lot," after reserving thirty-five acres on the east side, bounded by the James Bryson tract on the north, H. Cooley on the west, Bowen Kneiper and Tolan on the south and the reserved part of said lot on the east, and being part of the John Bryson survey. More particularly described as follows: Beginning at a birch northwest corner of said lot, thence south 21° west 51 feet, thence south 55° east 241 feet, thence north 41° east north 55° west 41 feet, thence west 41 feet to place of beginning, containing 81 acres, 4 perches.

Terms of sale as fixed by the order of court: Ten per cent in cash on the day of sale, which shall be considered and retained as stipulated damages on failure of the purchaser to pay the balance of the purchase money, which balance is to be paid upon confirmation of the sale by the court and tender of deed by the Administrator, and possession then given to the premises.

DAVID W. B. FLETCHER, Admin. of the Estate of Charles D. Eldred, deceased.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of a writ of Fieri Facias issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Sullivan County and to me directed and delivered there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Laporte, Pa., on

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1898, at 10 o'clock a. m. the following described property, viz:

All that piece or parcel of land lying and being in the Township of Davidson, County of Sullivan, and State of Pennsylvania bounded and described as follows:

Beginning in the center of the road near the school house, thence north 27½ degrees east along road 19½ perches to a stone on right bank of outlet of Lewis Lake, thence down outlet south 37 degrees east 24½ perches to a post on left bank of outlet, thence south 30 degrees west 10 8-10 perches to a post, thence north 57 degrees west along Riley Strickland lot and church lot and school house lot 22 perches to the place of beginning, containing two acres and four perches strict measure by the same more or less.

Land all improved and under a good state of cultivation, with a two story framed dwelling house, stable and other out buildings, well watered and with fruit trees thereon.

Seized, taken into execution and to be sold as the property of Mary Jane Fainton at the suit of Mead D. DeWeler, et al.

ELLIS SWANK, Sheriff.

INGHAM'S ADVS. Sheriff's office, Laporte, Pa., August 9, 1898.

Trial List, September Term, 1898.

1 Mitchell, Young & Co. vs. A. J. Hackley, No. 101 Sept. Term 1898. Seire Facias, Plea, "Payment, payment with cause &c. Hill, Inghams. 2 James McFarlane, vs W. C. Mason, No. 92 Feby. Term 1897. Defendants Appeal. Plea, "Non Assumpsit, payment, payment with leave to set off. Hill, Inghams. 3 A. C. Hays vs Benjamin Kaykendall, Jr. No. 71 May Term 1897. Trespass, Plea "not guilty." Mullen, Thomson. 4 Merritt Shaffer, vs Josephine FitzPatrick, No. 98 May Term 1898. Ejectment. Issue, Plea "Payment." Inghams, Mullen. 5 A. L. Smith vs Robert McEwin, No. 129 May Term 1897. Def. appeal. Plea, Payment payment with leave and set off. Bradley Inghams. 6 Durward Saddlemeir, vs C. H. Jennings & B. W. Jennings, trading and doing business as the Loyal Manufacturing Company No. 51 set off. Term 1897. Trespass. Plea, "not guilty." Hill, Inghams. 7 Martin Markle, vs E. V. Ingham, No. 152 Sept. Term 1897. Defendants Appeal. Plea "Non Assumpsit Payment, payment with leave &c. Hill, Inghams. 8 F. M. Lewis, vs J. W. Ballard, No. 5 Dec. Term 1897. Defendants Appeal. Plea, "Non Assumpsit Payment, payment with leave &c. Mullen, Wash. 9 James McFarlane vs Josiah Hembury Dft. and Henry McKibbins and John G. Scouton, Garnishes, No. 7, Dec. T. 1897. Seire Facias, Plea, Payment. Inghams. 10 Viola Jennings, vs George H. Moore, No. 42 Dec. Term 1897. Interpleader. Hill, Mullen. 11 Russel Karns, vs Harry Paulshaus, No. 59 Dec. Term 1897. Defendants Appeal. Plea "Non Assumpsit" with leave to give special matter in evidence. Karns, Bradley. 12 John W. Back, vs John Backhouse and Wm. Stackhouse Dfts. and Ruth J. Thomson and Geo. C. Jackson, Garnishes, Attachment, Plea, Nulla Bonna, by R. J. Thomson. Wash, Thomson. Prothy's office, Laporte, Pa., Aug. 6, 1898.

COURT PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, HON. E. M. DUNHAM, President Judge, Honorable John S. Line and Conrad Kraus Associate Judges of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Deliverer, Quarter Sessions of the Peace, Orphans Court and Common Pleas for the County of Sullivan, have issued their precept, bearing date the 18 day of July 1898, to me directed, for holding the several courts in the Borough of Laporte, on Monday the 19th day of Sept. 1898, at 2 o'clock p. m. Therefore, notice is hereby given to the Coroner Justices of the Peace and Constables within the county, that they be then and there in their proper person at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, with their rolls, records, inquisitions examinations and other remembrances to those things to which their offices appertain to be done. And to those who are bound by their recognition to prosecute against prisoners who are or shall be in the jail of the said county of Sullivan are hereby notified to be then and there to prosecute against them as will be just.

ELLIS SWANK, Sheriff. Sheriff's Office, Laporte, Pa., Aug. 11, 1898.

Williamsport & North Branch Railroad TIME TABLE. IN EFFECT TUESDAY, JUNE 28, 1898.

Table with columns for NORTHWARD and SOUTHWARD, listing stations and times. Stations include Halls, Pennsdale, Hughesville, Picture Rocks, Lyons Mill, Chamouni, Glen Mavr., Strawbridge, Beech Glen, Muncy Valley, Sunestown, Nordmont, LaPorte, Laporte Tanery, Kingdale, Birch Creek, Satterfield.

EAGLES MERE RAIL ROAD.

Table with columns for stations and times. Stations include Sunestown, Windale, Gevelin Park, Kewabahan, Shanterville, Castle Rock, Eagles Mere.

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