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So that there is But Little Scepticism about the Value of

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County Seat Indices.

B. F. Crossley of Dushore was a Snuday visitor in town. Judge Kraus was a business caller at the county seat, on Wednesday. Silas Henry of Eagles Mere, was a Laporte visitor, Saturday evening. Del Heims had important business at Picture Rocks, last week. Mrs. Eugene Pettee of Unionville, visited her brother, Dr. Willson, last week. J. W. Lawrence, F. W. Gallagher and Herman Yeager were Williamsport visitors on Saturday. The Ringdale Post Office was discontinued on Thursday last. Mail for that section will now go to Bernice, Pa. Miss Lottie Miller returned home on Saturday from a visit with friends in Philadelphia and New York City. Judge Ingham and Atty. Mullen were in Dushore, on Saturday, interested in the Tubach audit heard by Atty. Cronin. Joe Cooper was down to Shendoah on Sunday, where he attended the wedding of Haymen Herr, the Muncy Valley clothier. Miss Alice Peterman, of Nordmont, who has been sick with typhoid fever for ten or twelve weeks is now able to be about the house. Last year's auditor's report showed this county's actual indebtedness to be \$52,232.72. This, compared with the report of 1899 shows the county to be \$2,812.03 in better standing than last year. Preaching services will be held in the Baptist church at 10 a. m. There will be no services in the evening as the pastor begins a series of meetings at Eagles Mere, on Sunday evening. The Boers have astounded the world with their courage and military skill. But courage and skill cannot work miracles, and it would be a miracle if England, with her enormous army, did not eventually crush the Boers. Our issue last week was somewhat delayed on account of the cold weather which damaged the lubricator on our engine and rendered the inspirator incapable of inspiring the boiler. A "sick" engine cannot be handled with ease and haste, and the delay was hard to overcome. At a union caucus held in Laporte last week the following ticket was named: Burgess, A. J. Hackley; Justices of the Peace, A. Buschhausen, T. J. Keeler; School Directors, Wm. Rogers, L. R. Gumble; Councilmen, Ed. Schrader, M. E. Reeder; Overseer, R. A. Conklin, Collector, W. P. Shoemaker; Judge of Election, Arthur Miner; Inspector, Wm. Finkle. "She was bred in old Kentucky" is a song that has no bearing on how the politicians are bred in that state. Kentucky has long been noted for its blue grass, its people who are taller than most of us, better drinkers of better whisky and skillful in horse breeding, and the recent manner in which they conduct state affairs shows that its debased politics, like its distilled liquor, is incomparable.

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A STATE OF THINGS.

Why a Bride's Father Objects to the Groom. Friends of Miss Nellie Trapp, of Whitestone, L. I., who dared her father's anger to marry the man she loved, gathered at the railroad station at that place Jan. 31 to bid her farewell. When she arrived with her bride-maid, Miss Mamie Gibbons, she held an impromptu reception. George Trapp, the bride's father, says: "I shall call upon my lawyer to disinheret my daughter and any of my children who attended the ceremony. I have many reasons for objecting to this marriage. I think Mr. Stewart is a poor minister of the gospel. Once he refused to help a poor family in need because they did not belong to his church. Then I refused to go to his church and ordered him out of the house. He made love to my daughter when she was doing church work."

Miss Trapp is twenty-nine years old. She is President of the King's Daughters' Society and was church organist. Mr. Stewart, the bridegroom, is a widower, fifty-four years old. For twelve years he was pastor of the Grace Episcopal Church at Whitestone. He resigned his pastorate last December rather than give up his love for Miss Trapp. Since then he has been living with his sisters in Newport. Mr. Trapp is a Democratic leader in the borough of Queens. He owns real estate and is reputed to be well-to-do. He did not bid his daughter good-bye when she left her home.

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NEW YORK MARKETS.

Table with columns for Flour and Grain, Produce, and Fruit and Vegetables. Includes items like Minnesota Patents, Winter Wheat, Rye Flour, Barley, Hops, Wool, Beef, Pork, Butter, Cheese, Eggs, Dressed Poultry, Beans and Peas, Apples, and various fruits.

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Register's Notice. Notice is hereby given that the following accounts have been filed in my office, viz: First and final account of Caroline Heverly, Admrx. of Solon Heverly deceased. First and final account of J. P. Miller and C. F. Wackerhath, Executors of Rebecca Stroup, decd. Fourth and final account of B. M. Sylvia and Rush J. Thomson Administrators of J. M. Heacock deceased. And the same will be presented to the Orphans' Court of Sullivan county on Monday, Feb. 20, 1900, at 3 o'clock p. m. for confirmation and allowance. WM. J. LAWRENCE, Register. Register's office, Laporte Pa., Jan. 29, 1900.

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 TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1900, at 1 o'clock p. m., the following described property, viz: All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, lying and being in the township of Cherry, county of Sullivan and state of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a corner by the side of the road on the line of Wm. Robbins; thence by the said road south 20 degrees east, 22 perches to post and stone corner; thence by other land of the said John Smith, south 75 degrees west 16 perches to a post and stone corner, thence north 12 degrees west 38 perches to a post and stone corner on James Thomson line and thence by land of the said James Thomson and Wm. Robbins south 58 degrees east 23 perches to the place of beginning, containing three acres neat measure with the privilege of a spring below the road to get water, and being all woodland. Lot No. 2. All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land lying and being in the township of Cherry, county of Sullivan and state of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a post and stone corner of land decded to Charles Connor, thence by land of John Miner's heirs north fifty-six degrees, west twelve perches to a post; thence by other land of James and Patrick Connor north thirty-four degrees, east 16 perches to post; thence south fifty-six degrees, east twelve perches to line of said Charles Connors land; thence along same south thirty-four degrees, west forty perches to place of beginning, containing three acres strict measure, and having erected thereon a small house and other buildings. Seized, taken into execution and to be sold as the property of Sanford Bentley at the suit of James and Patrick Connor. H. W. OSLER, Sheriff. Sheriff's office, Laporte, Pa., Jan. 25, 1900.

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COURT PROCLAMATION. WHEREAS, HON. E. M. DUNHAM, President Judge, Honorables John S. Linn and Conrad Knapp, Associate Judges of the Courts of over and under and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the Peace, Orphans' Court and Common Pleas for the County of Sullivan, have issued their precept, bearing date the 15 day of Dec. 1899, to me directed, for holding the several courts in the Borough of Laporte, on Monday the 20th day of February 1900, 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 recognizance 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. H. W. OSLER, Sheriff. Sheriff's Office, Laporte, Pa., Jan. 18, 1900.

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