

THURSDAY, MAR. 8 1900.

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County Seat Indices. AND GLANCES AT THE TIMES.

Judge Dunham is holding court in Tunkhannock this week. Chas. Lauer of Dushore, was in town on business on Tuesday. Chas. Warren of Shunk, was a county seat visitor on Wednesday. Dr. Keeley of "gold cure" fame is dead. So are many of his victims. A. E. Tripp was calling on friends in Western Sullivan last week. Mrs. H. T. Downs of Williamsport, is visiting her daughter Mrs. N. C. Mabin. D. H. Lorah of Sonestown, was a business caller at the county seat on Tuesday. Lawrence Lavelle, of Dushore, was doing business at the county seat Monday. Prof. Sweeney is too ill to take up his duties at the school this week. John Speary of Dushore was a pleasant caller on the NEWS ITEM last Friday. Mrs. A. J. Hackley is spending a few weeks with friends in Susquehanna county. Mrs. Frank Grant and Miss Grace Bradford were guests of Eagles Mere friends on Saturday. The County Com. were transacting public business at their office the early part of this week. The Ladies Aid of the M. E. church will meet at the home of Mrs. W. J. Higly, Thursday at two p. m. Postmaster Chris Peale and E. V. Ingham of Eagles Mere were doing business at the count offices on Monday. Dr. Heberton, the popular physician of Hughesville, was shaking hands with Laporte friends one day last week. There will be a meeting of fourth-class postmasters at Laporte on Saturday March 10th at two p. m. All postmasters of this class should attend. Mrs. E. V. Ingham and sister Miss Carrie Colt, were guests of Judge Ingham and family Monday night. Miss Sadie Crist, a young lady of Sonestown, died on Monday of pneumonia. The funeral took place on Wednesday. John Earlston an employee of the acid factory at Nordmont, stepped into a vat of scalding water and badly burned his left leg, last Tuesday night, Dr. Willson was summoned to dress the wound. License to deal in liquor was refused to Mr. Keefe of Hills Grove, Jas. Moran and Middendorf of Muncy Valley. License was granted to Geo. Fiester at Nordmont. Joe Gansel and John Beahen, who have been busy this winter painting air castles, threw-up their jobs and started for West Virginia last week, where they are in search for a position as lineman for a wire less telegraph company, or something of that sort. Judge Purdy's opinion, declaring unconstitutional the payment of bounties on predatory animals, is being observed in many counties of the state. It seems to be an easy matter now days to find any sort of law unconstitutional—except levying taxes.

Former Senator Edmunds has parted company with the little coterie of anti-imperialists who are willing to risk the financial dishonor of their country by voting for Bryan this fall. He says that he cannot go that far. The Daughters of the American Revolution, after arguing all day at their recent meeting in Washington, discovered that the subject under debate had been settled at the meeting of a year before. But no matter. Keep right on girls. You'll learn after awhile. If winter will linger in the lap of spring long enough to compel a postponement of the Populist convention, the country will be grateful. There are some things worse than blizzards. It used to be said that when there was anything like a panic in Wall street there was likely to be trouble all over the country. It doesn't seem to be that way this season. Wall street has been having a somewhat exciting time but the fact is not bothering the country generally. The chumps in wall street who invested in watered stocks must get pinched, but the country in general is going right along doing business as usual. Wages are still going up. Factories are behind with these orders. Railroads are increasing their earnings and business in general is humming all over the country. It is a good sign when business can hum regardless of Wall street. Let'er hum. A very enjoyable social gathering was given at the pleasant home of Mrs. Hiram Osler on Friday evening. It was a "measuring party" given under the auspices of the Methodist church. Over \$30 was the net proceeds of the evening. Each person paid 5c for every foot they measured in height, and 1c for each remaining inch. The amount of money collected showed that over 600 feet of humanity was represented at the social. The prizes for the tallest gentleman and lady were awarded to Mr. Clarence Dunham of Eagles Mere and Mrs. F. J. Fraley of Laporte who received respectively a two foot pocket rule and a tape measure. Mr. Wm. Shoemaker and Mrs. M. C. Lauer each received a purse with with the hope that they never may be "short" in pocket money though they are in stature. Mr. Ernest Lauer and Mrs. F. W. Meylert won the cake in the cake walk which closed the evening's enjoyment. House Burned at Dushore. Between two and three o'clock Thursday afternoon the house of Carr Jones, on Bahr's Hill, within the borough limits, was discovered to be on fire. Owing to the distance from town by the time help arrived the flames were beyond control and the contents of the house only could be saved. Everything in the house with the exception of one room up stairs was saved. Mr. Jones carried an insurance of \$600.00 on the house which will about cover the loss. Court Notes. Commonwealth cases where true bills were found and continued until next term, were indictments against John G. Scouten, Geo. Yanney, Patrick Griffin, Thos. Mahaffey, J. A. Dickson and James Murrey. Report of viewers on division line between Laporte and Davidson twps. confirmed ni si. Report of viewers on road from Double Run outlet to Eagles Mere, confirmed ni si. Henry Middendorf vs John Walsh Jury find verdict for defendant. Martha Dewalters vs Wm. Kunkle; rule to be submitted to Hon. E. M. Dunham within 20 days. Comth. vs Austin Brown; grand jury find not a true bill. In re: Road from Cherry Mills to Big Bottom Bridge. Geo. Brown, B. E. Bohn, Owen Sweeney, Frank McCarty, John Brislin and Edward Holmes appointed viewers on damages. In re: Bridge over Loyal Sock creek in Forks twp. W. C. Mason, Chas. Cox and J. S. Taylor appointed viewers. M. A. Rogers & Son vs Frank Hannon et al; time to file affidavit of defense is extended ten days. In re: damage claim on a road in Cherry twp; view continued until next term and Joseph Thrasher and Joseph Pennington are appointed viewers in place of Geo. Kiess and Isaac Lowe. L. S. Burch & Co. vs Josiah Hembury; rule discharged. In re: Estate of D. W. Scanlin; order to make return continued un-

til next term. Chas Sick guardian of Maggie and Lorah Sick; discharged and bondsmen released. The following accounts are confirmed ni si: Caroline Haverly Admrx of Solan Haverly decd. J. P. Miller and C. F. Wackenhuth Exrs. of Rebecca Stroup, decd., B. M. Sylvaria and R. J. Thomson Admrs. of J. M. Heacock, decd. Order to view a private road and report of same in Davidson twp. leading from McNellen track to the public road leading from Emmons to Elk Grove, confirmed ni si. Sheriff Osler acknowledge deed poll to C. A. Diefenbach lot of land in Cherry twp. sold as property of Sanford Bentley. Lot of land in Cherry twp to James Conner, sold as property of Sanford Bentley. Lizzie Drabant vs H. W. Osler; jury find verdict for plaintiff in sum of \$69.16. Rule for new trial granted. Joe Dominick vs Jas. McFarlane jury find verdict for plaintiff in sum of \$35. Mary Ann Tompkins vs James Tompkins; judgment directed to be entered against defendant for want of an affidavit of defense. In re: Estate of Josiah Jackson decd.; Court grants rule on W. W. Jackson to show cause why the exceptions filed shall not be dismissed. Estate of C. E. Lawrence; court directs sale of real estate. Chas. A. Haight is appointed constable of Forksville Borough to fill vacancy caused by resignation of A. A. Collins. H. T. Andrus vs Alice L. Andrus; decree in divorce awarded. In re: Estate of W. H. Magargel decd. Sale of real estate ordered by the court; petitioners to give bond in sum of \$2000. John G. Scouten vs J. E. Fessenden; plaintiff's statement filed. Court adjourned to meet Friday, March 9.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, auditor appointed by the Orphans' Court of Sullivan county, at Laporte, Pa., March 1, 1900, to distribute the funds paid into court by the hands of the administrators, to and amongst the heirs of Mary McCarty, deceased, as exhibited by their last and final account, will meet all persons interested at my office in the court house, in the Boro of Laporte, on Wednesday, April 4, 1900, at 10 o'clock a. m. WM. J. LAWRENCE, Auditor.

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