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County Seat Indices. AND GLANCES AT THE TIMES.

M. E. Reeder had business in Williamsport, on Saturday.

Lawyer E. J. Mullen and wife spent Tuesday in Williamsport.

Miss Mary Nolan, of Towanda, visited friends in town this week.

The wall paper trust has gone to the wall. Where else should it go?

Judge Line installed officers in the Laporte I. O. O. F. Saturday night.

John Speary, of Dushore, was a business visitor at the county seat on Friday.

The acid factory at Emmons was destroyed by fire early Monday morning.

J. W. Lawrence, wife and son John, spent Sunday with Dushore friends.

A little girl arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kraus Sunday morning.

Mrs. Geo. Chase and Mrs. Frank Grant were shopping in Dushore on Thursday last.

Ulysses Bird, of Estella, was doing business at Ingham's law office on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Little, of Estella, visited Sheriff Osler and family on Tuesday.

Hon. Russel Karns, of Benton, was in town on Tuesday shaking hands with old friends.

Atty. Wm. P. Shoemaker is the census enumerator for Laporte Boro. and Laporte township.

Butcher Henry Kraus has had a large, up to-date refrigerator placed in his meat market.

How the Democratic editors nurse a labor disagreement in the hope of making a strike of it.

Olive Barrows returned home Tuesday from New York where she has been visiting relatives for several weeks past.

Married.—On April 18th in Dushore, by Rev. John Klinger, Delroy H. Heim of Laporte and Miss Sallie Kemery of Picture Rocks.

A tobacco paper says that 600,000 fewer cigarettes were smoked in the United States in 1899 than in 1898.—Evidently Max Frankle has sworn off.

Mrs. John Smith, of Worcester Mass., is visiting the Lauer home- stead where she will remain some length of time to regain her health which has been poorly of late.

It has been discovered that parties in town are engaged in setting nets in Lake Mokoma and as it is well known who they are there is likely to be some arrests made if repeated violations continues.

Saturday's Phila. Press printed a large and excellent portrait of C. H. Jennings, Republican National Delegate from the 17th Congressional district.

Sullivan county has been honored with representation on the Republican list of presidential electors for Pennsylvania. C. H. Jennings, of Lopez, will represent this congressional district in that capacity.

Uncle Sam's patience is exhausted and the Sultan of Turkey will be called upon to pay up or fight. It has been nearly five years since the outrages for which indemnity is demanded were committed, and it is high time that payment was made.

The Boer war is costing the British \$760 a minute. No wonder the tax payers are anxious for Bobs to get a move on.

Come now, is there really any considerable proportion of American citizens who think the Presidency is so difficult that they would be unwilling to try it.

Now watch the Senate kill that proposition for a constitutional amendment to elect Senators by a direct vote of the people.

The Baptist Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor will hold a social at the residence of Dr. Willson, Tuesday evening, May 1. All are invited. Ice Cream will be served during the evening at the usual price and also sold by the quart or pint to those wishing it at their homes.

The Hon. Frank H. Jones, who has been New Hampshire's most distinguished and influential Democrat, having come to the conclusion that the Democracy's attack of Bryanism is incurable, has moved into the Republican party, bag and baggage.

Jennings Brothers of Lopez have bought the timber on a large tract of land in Wyoming county. Their railroad will be widened to the standard gauge and two new engines added to the equipment in order to haul the logs to the mill. Several years will be required to cut all the timber on the tract.

The fifth annual assembly of the Eaglesmere Chautauqua will begin July 26, and last for five weeks until August 30. This is one week longer than the assembly of 1899, but the great success of the past assembly fully warrants the management in adding one week to the course.

Kansas is doing a charity and getting in a good advertisement for an American product at the same time, when it starts in to collect and ship a million bushels of corn to starving India. If American corn can be popularized in India it will mean a good many dollars of income in the future.

Rufus K. Polk, congressman from the Seventeenth congressional district, has announced that he will not be candidate for re-election. He withdraws to give his personal attention to the large business interests with which he is identified. This will occasion much surprise among the local Democrats.

Harry Davis, of Sunbury, who was a candidate against Honorable Polk at the last nomination will likely be the nominee this fall.

There is no doubt but what W. H. Woodin, of Berwick, who was recently endorsed by the Columbia county convention, will be the standard bearer for the Republican party, in which event, he will likely win out and lead his party to a glorious victory.

Sam Cole, the hardware man, is "off" on his big "wheel" sale, and he is making a hot pace right from the start. He has the advantage of getting an early start this spring and it will be a record breaker. He is going to give you more for your money, and he knows the ins and outs of the business all right. Read his advertisement, it is racy and will be of value to you if you own a wheel or want to own one.

The United States supreme court has decided that the Express Companies has the right to require the shipper to pay war tax stamp. The decision covers the entire subject and holds that there is nothing in the war tax act which prevents the interests taxed from shifting the burden.

As a kicker, the Democratic party is a screaming success. As a clog on the wheels of progress it beats the coaster brake advertised by Sam Cole. As a promiser it out-promises some of our delinquents or the man who never pays his debts. But when it comes to keeping its pledges, the record is different, as all know who can remember the Cleveland administration.

Our Democratic friends are very much afraid that the inhabitants of our new possessions will not receive at the hands of the Administration the kind, fatherly, thoughtful, philanthropic care which they bestow on the colored people of the South. As they are experienced in such matters, they cannot understand why the country is not willing to trust them. They stand ready to extend the franchises as fast as the natives can give positive proof that they will always vote the straight Democratic ticket, and no sooner.

Death of Philip Karge. At his home in Laporte township, surrounded by his family Mr. Philip Karge departed this life early Sunday morning after several weeks of complicated illness. Deceased was a highly respected citizen and for many years took an active part in public affairs. He was a very successful farmer, aged about 77 years. He is survived by his wife, two sons and two daughters.

Funeral service was held in M. E. church at Laporte on Tuesday. Interment in Mt. Ash cemetery.

Nelson D. Cook died of consumption Tuesday night, April 17, at the home of his father, E. H. Cook, on North street, Athens, Bradford Co. The deceased was born December 24, 1861. He is survived by three children, one daughter and one son who live at Nordmont, Sullivan Co., and another son living at Athens; also a sister, Mrs. John Converse, of Sonestown; his father, step mother, four half-brothers and one half-sister of Athens. The deceased formerly resided at Nordmont where his wife died six years ago. Of late years he had been making his home at East Smithfield, Bradford Co., where he had a great many friends. For the past year he had worked for J. Kingsly and about 8 weeks ago came to Athens on business for his employer and while making a call at his father's home was taken with a severe chill, the beginning of an illness which ended in death. The funeral service was held at the home of his father in Athens, Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The deceased was a member of the Methodist church in East Smithfield and the pastor, Rev. Mr. Mattoon, officiated. Interment at Tioga Point cemetery, Athens.

Chiming Wedding Bells. Mr. Frank Hazzen of Sonestown, Pa. and Miss Anna Minsker of Wellsville, Pa. were married at the home of the bride on Tuesday, April 24, 1900. Mr. Hazzen is the popular young conductor on the E. M. railroad. Miss Minsker has many friends throughout Sullivan county where she is well and favorably known, her father, Rev. H. Minsker, having been pastor of the E. V. church at Sonestown, some years ago.

A reception for Mr. and Mrs. Hazzen will be given at the home of the groom's parents, Sonestown, Pa., on Thursday evening, April 26. The NEWS ITEM joins with the many friends of the happy couple in wishing them a happy and prosperous voyage through life.

Quay Defeated by One Vote. By the narrow margin of one vote the Senate, on Tuesday, declared M. S. Quay not entitled to a seat in that body on the strength of Gov. Stone's appointment. It was a victory for the insurgents, but it was a victory devoid of honor, for it was brought about by the perfidy of a few alleged friends of Quay.

Elkland Grange convened at the hall Tuesday evening, April 17, at the usual hour. Although the evening was stormy and dark, patrons from Elkland, Millview and East Forks braved the storm and conferred the first and second degrees on two young men.

After the business was completed a number of questions were discussed. The question "How the Grange benefits the poor farmer" was ably and forcibly discussed by U. Bird, by co-operation, socially and morally. Brother Elbert Bird, of Millview, gave a good recitation entitled "The District Deputy." Mrs. More sang a song entitled "The Sheriff Sale."

All present declared the meeting a pleasant one. The lecturer prepared a program for the next session consisting of essays, recitations, select reading and the question "Should the farmer own a bicycle?"

FAIR.—The Ladies Aid of the M. E. church have secured rooms in the brick house where they will hold their fair Friday afternoon and evening, April 27. Ice cream will be sold at usual price. Articles intended for the fair should be left before Friday noon.

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TO THE PUBLIC.—WHEREAS, Jean Gautier, of Laporte twp., Sullivan county, Pa., is a pauper, who is at present chargeable to the Poor District of said Township, and whereas the Overseers of the Poor of said district have provided said pauper with the necessary means of subsistence by furnishing him with suitable and necessary wearing apparel together with boarding and lodging, in the family of John Rosencrans, in Laporte township; this therefore is to notify all persons not to harbor him at the expense of Laporte Township Poor District as said Poor District will pay no bills contracted by him.

JOSEPH SHAFER, PHILLIP PETERMAN, Overseers of the Poor of Laporte Township, Sullivan Co. Pa. April 3, 1900.

Wall paper at popular prices at J. W. Bucks, this week.

Preliminary Announcement. The Laporte Summer School will open July 16, 1900, and will continue in session four weeks. Circulars containing complete details concerning course of study, instructors, rates etc., will be issued in a few weeks.

F. W. MEMBERT, Co. Supt.

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COURT PROCLAMATION. WHEREAS, HON. E. M. DUNHAM, President Judge, Honables John S. Line and Conrad Kraus, Associate Judges of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery, Quarter Sessions of the Peace, Orphans' Court and Common Pleas for the County of Sullivan, have tested their receipt, bearing date the 9 day of Mar. 1899, to me directed, for holding the several courts in the Borough of Laporte, on Monday the 26th day of May 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 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.

H. W. OSLER, Sheriff. Sheriff's Office, Laporte, Pa., Apr. 14, 1900.

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