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County Seat Indices.

—Miss Lizzie Hasson is visiting friends in Campbellsville. —Miss Ellen Brown of Muncy, is visiting Mrs. H. W. Osler. —A. E. Tripp was a business man in Shunk, on Tuesday. —Mrs. James Gansel is visiting with friends in Towanda, this week. —Miss Lottie Miller is visiting friends in Philadelphia and New York. —Mrs. Rosa Vanfleet, of Binghamton, N. Y. is visiting friends in town. —Geo. Kiess of Sonestown, was transacting business with M. E. Reeder, last Saturday. —E. G. Saulsbury, of Shunk, was a county seat visitor the fore part of the week. —Frank Lawrence, of Chicago, is visiting his brother, William Lawrence at this place. —The Treasurer's land sale has been adjourned to Monday, Oct. 22, when it will be continued at the usual place. —Clarence F. Huth, of Shamokin, will likely be the Republican candidate for Congress, in this district. —S. F. Colt and family have returned to their home in Buffalo, after spending a pleasant summer at this place. —Among the delegates in town, Tuesday, to drop in and grease the working gear of the News Item with the slippery coin, were H. G. Huffmaster, L. M. King, Lew Lovelace A. H. Heess and Watson Wright. —New arrivals at Mountain House are, Wm. B. Goodall, Miss Sadie Goodall, Anna J. Erhart, Matilda Kraus, Pauline Kraus, Wm. Kraus, Frederick Kraus, of Philadelphia; Anna Hoff, Trenton, N. J.; Isabel J. Forbes, Irene B. Myers, Camden, N. J. —Eleven prominent citizens of Gleason, Tioga county, are under arrest for a white cap attack upon aged Mr. and Mrs. Torry who were brutally treated by the mob. They are charged with attempted lynching and will no doubt be severely dealt with. —The excursion that was scheduled to come to this place from Muncy, last Saturday failed to come and several who had gone to considerable expense to provide refreshments and amusements for the visitors, were at a large loss. —W. C. Mason had the Queen of Mokoma, in service on Sunday afternoon, to give all who desired a pleasant ride on the Lake. There was a large number of our town people who took advantage of the opportunity. —Mr. Christopher Peale, aged 85 years, died at his home in Eagles Mere on Sunday Aug. 26, Mr. Peale was born in England and came to this country in 1851, settling near Eagles Mere where he has since resided. Deceased leaves a wife, two sons and two daughters to mourn his loss. Funeral services were held in the Baptist Church at that place, Tuesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. J. T. Bradford.

Mrs. Geo. H. Lancaster, wife of a Monroeton landlord, while out driving with O. M. Schrader a vegetable dealer of Towanda, who travels in this section, was fatally injured in a runaway accident at the foot of Inghams hill at this place last Wednesday afternoon while on their return to Lopez where she had been visiting friends. While driving down the incline the harness broke, frightening the horse which became uncontrollable. The carriage upset at the foot of the hill, throwing the occupants out and inflicting severe injuries to both. Mr. Schrader was rendered unconscious until after being taken to the Laporte hotel. Dr. Rose Morgan and Miss Mollie Keeler, a trained nurse, were soon administering to the wounds and making the patients as comfortable as possible until Dr. Willson, who was out of town, could arrive. Mrs. Lancaster sustained a broken shoulder and hip with internal injuries, while Mr. Schrader received a severe scalp wound and a broken rib. Thursday, Dr. Willson and Miss Keeler removed Mrs. Lancaster to the Williamsport Hospital, where she died seven minutes after being admitted. While at this place Mrs. Lancaster refused to give her name except to her attendants, who would reveal nothing as to who she might be. This fact started some very sensational stories and speculations. When Mr. Lancaster was summoned to Williamsport to claim the dead body of his wife, he stated to a newspaper reporter that he and Mr. Schrader were mutual friends, and that he had given consent for his wife to drive with Mr. Schrader. The deceased is a daughter of Captain Haines, a prominent citizen of Dunmore, near Scranton. The remains were taken to the latter place for burial. Sonestown. T. Ritter of Lairdsville, made a trip to Sonestown on Wednesday last. J. C. McCollum, of Williamsport, brought a piano to town last week. It is not known where he left it. Mrs. Anna Lorah and daughters, Mary and Gertrude, of Bloomsburg, who have been visiting the former's son at Eagles Mere, stopped in town with Mrs. D. H. Lorah, on their return on Wednesday. Mr. Levi Ricard of Nordmont, spent Wednesday and Thursday in town. Mrs. Rebecca Arms, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hazzen and son Harry, attended the reunion of the Little family at Eagles Mere, on Thursday. Joe Glidewell of Hughesville, brought a load of peaches to town on Friday last. Misses Mable Hazzen and Mildred Hall attended the picnic at Eagles mere, on Thursday. Mrs. Beck of Williamsport, is the guest of her niece, Mrs. H. C. Boatman. Dr. and Mrs. C. D. Voorhees attended the Byron King lecture, at Chautauqua, on Friday evening. Miss M. E. Dunbar accompanied by her father, of Elmport, and Mrs. Manvil of Muncy, spent last week with her sister, Mrs. E. J. Lockwood. Mrs. Harvey and daughter Nora, from near Harveysville, were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Eli Bastion over Sunday. Mrs. Wm. Fulmer, of Edkin Hill, the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Voorhees on Sunday. Little Alice and Giles Converse are spending the week at Nordmont with their Aunt, Mrs. Pennington. A large number of people were out of town on Sunday, some at Eagles Mere but more at camp meeting at Unityville, the latter received a baptism on their return. Some were sprinkled while others were almost immersed in the falling rain. Shunk. Mr. Lee Porter and Miss Amy Beach of this place were united in marriage at the Ellouton Congregational Church, on Wednesday evening, August 22. Mr. Chas. and William Beach, brothers of the bride acted as best men while Miss Minnie Manley and Susan Frye were bridesmaids. The ceremony took place at 7:30 p. m. Mrs. Davison played the wedding march as the bridal party took their places at the altar. The groom wore the conventional black and the bride was becomingly attired in white. Rev. Dice, of Grover, officiated at the ceremony. The wedding was largely attended by residents of Shunk and vicinity. We welcome to our town an old

friend and relative to many at this place, Mr. John Shattuck, from Port Bryon, N. Y. who is visiting here with a friend. Mrs. Rosetta Fuller and daughter Anna, are visiting relatives at this place. We hope to retain them for some time from their intended departure. As Times Were and Are. Readers of the Item let's go over together the prosperous and bad times commencing with the year 1880 when Harrison was elected. Under this administration the country was prosperous. Next came Cleveland, with a Republican Congress, and as the laws of the Harrison administration could not be changed, the country was still prosperous. Next came Harrison again with promises of a McKinley bill. This promise, with others, was fulfilled and during this administration the country was more prosperous than ever before. Next came Cleveland again with a promise of a Wilson bill. This promise was carried out and who does not remember with what dire results? Soup houses were established in every city of prominence, placed, that the poor should not starve. You remember it so well that it isn't worth while to speak of it. Next came McKinley with promises of a Dingley bill, with prophecies from the Democrats that times would keep growing worse until we had 16 to 1. Out of nine pledges in the platform of 1896 seven have been fully redeemed. What was the result? The country has been more prosperous even than during Harrison's last administration. During this eighteen years where has the policy of the Republican party resulted in other than benefit to the people? Is it policy for us to make a change from good times to an experiment, boasted of by the party who has utterly failed in the past? w. m. c. The steamship Ohio brought \$2,000,000 in Klondike gold to Seattle. State troops have left Akron, O., there being no further trouble there. Alfred G. Vanderbill and his guests started on their return coaching trip from Boston to Newport. The population of Denver, as announced by the census bureau, was 133,859 against 106,743 in 1890. John Sesson shot and seriously wounded A. H. Stridron in the Vendome hotel, New York city. Sesson then shot himself and died a few minutes later. A mob at Gilman, Ills., fired at the house of a woman who resisted arrest, and two men were killed and several persons wounded, among the latter the woman herself. Later the mob tried to kill her in the city hall. Monday, Aug. 27. The new battleship Alabama made unusually fast time from New York to Boston. Intense heat and fierce electric storms prevailed in many localities in eastern and middle states. A plague of mosquitoes invaded Mount Vernon, N. Y. City Island and other places along the sound. A Philadelphia syndicate offers to purchase the entire cauliflower crop of Long Island at the rate of \$1 a barrel. Archie McEachern, the Canadian wheelman, defeated J. P. Jacobson in a match pursuit race at the Vailsburg board track. Saturday, Aug. 25. Many deeds of lawlessness were reported from Cape Nome. The will of the late Collis P. Huntington has been filed for probate. The department of agriculture has issued a bulletin treating the subject of mosquitoes. The postoffice department has appointed a committee of experts to investigate pneumatic tube service. Sockalexis, the noted Indian baseball player, was sentenced to 30 days in jail at Holyoke, Mass., for vagrancy. The population of Indianapolis, as just made public by the census bureau, is 109,164 and that of Rochester 102,435. Lord Roberts confirmed the death sentence of Lieutenant Cordua, the Pretoria officer who had planned to kidnap him. An exhibition of Hereford and Short-horn cattle, with \$21,000 in prizes, has been arranged for Kansas City next month. Friday, Aug. 24. About 20,000 Italians paraded in New York city in memory of the late King Humbert. William M. Johnson was sworn in at Washington as first assistant postmaster general. The population of Omaha has decreased 38,000 since the 1890 census, being now 102,555. Joseph B. Noble, a veteran Mormon, was buried at Bountiful, Utah, mourned by 30 children. The government has chartered three new transports for the Philippines at Seattle, Wash. Governor Roosevelt will give a public hearing in the case of District Attorney Gardner at Albany on Sept. 1. Thursday, Aug. 23. Carl Smith, an American sculptor, died at Copenhagen. A new coal and oil field of 6,500 acres has been discovered in Oregon. Fire destroyed the Maryland Telephone Construction company's plant in Baltimore. The United States consul at Bombay reported to Washington that cholera was raging there. Captain Slocum, United States military attaché at Lisbon, has been ordered to St. Petersburg. A photograph was made complete by artificial light at Put-In-Bay, O., in 8 minutes 21 seconds. Philadelphia's population by the new census was put at 1,293,097, a gain of 23.57 per cent over that of 1890. Wednesday, Aug. 22. Colorado and Wyoming forest fires were estimated to have caused \$10,000,000 damage. Five hundred returning Christian Endeavorers sailed for New York from Southampton on the Aller.

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AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION PROPOSED TO THE CITIZENS OF THIS COMMONWEALTH FOR THEIR APPROVAL OR REJECTION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA PUBLISHED BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH IN PURSUANCE OF ARTICLE XVIII OF THE CONSTITUTION.

A JOINT RESOLUTION Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth. Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth in General Assembly met, That the following is proposed as an amendment to the constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof: Amendment One to Article Eight, Section One. Add at the end of the first paragraph of said section, after the words "shall be entitled to vote at all elections," the words "subject however to such laws requiring and regulating the registration of electors as the General Assembly may enact," so that the said section shall read as follows: Section 1. Qualifications of Electors. Every male citizen twenty-one years of age possessing the following qualifications, shall be entitled to vote at all elections, subject however to such laws requiring and regulating the registration of electors as the General Assembly may enact. He shall have been a citizen of the United States at least one month. He shall have resided in the State one year (or, having previously been a qualified elector or native born citizen of the State, he shall have removed therefrom and returned, within six months, immediately preceding the election.) He shall have resided in the election district where he shall offer to vote at least two months immediately preceding the election. If twenty-two years of age and upwards, he shall have paid within two years a State or county tax, which shall have been assessed at least two months and paid at least one month before the election. Amendment Eleven to Article Eight, Section Seven. Strike out from said section the words "but no elector shall be deprived of the privilege of voting by reason of his name not being registered," and add to said section the following words: "that laws requiring and regulating the registration of electors may be enacted to apply to cities only, provided that such laws be uniform for cities of the same class," so that the said section shall read as follows: Section 7. Uniformity of Election Laws.—All laws regulating the holding of elections by the citizens or for the registration of electors shall be uniform throughout the state, but laws requiring and regulating the registration of electors may be enacted to apply to cities only, provided that such laws be uniform for cities of the same class. A true copy of the Joint Resolution. W. W. GRIEST, Secretary of the Commonwealth.

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