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County Seat Indices.

—Joe Cooper was a Hughesville visitor on Sunday.

—Miss Katie Beahan is visiting friends in town this week.

—Miss Sally Reede of Unityville, is visiting at T. J. Keeler.

—Born— to Mr. and Mrs. Delroy Heim, on Saturday, August 8, a son.

—Hughesville Fair next week, Sept. 18, 19, 20 and 21. Don't miss it.

—A new time table will go into effect on the W. & N. B. next Monday.

—Miss Blanche Rock of Muncy, is a guest of Miss Grace Bradford this week.

—Mrs. Kemmery of Picture Rocks is visiting her daughter Mrs. Delroy Heim at this place.

—Rev. Frycklund has returned from a short vacation spent with his parents at Patton Pa.

—George Chase is extremely happy these days over the arrival of a handsome girl on Friday last, at his home.

—Our Shunk correspondent has been wide awake the past week. His newsy paragraphs will be read with interest.

—So far as known William Waldorf Astor is the only American imperialist, and he is not an American.

—Miss Harriet E. Grimm left here on Saturday for Portmatilda, Centre Co., where she will engage in teaching school.

—It is a mistake to assume that Mr. Bryan has not gained anything by his utterances on "imperialism." His reputation for trick politics has been added to materiality

—The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Rose died last week. Burial was made in Mt. Ash cemetery on Saturday.

—Mr. and Mrs. Grant, Mr. Mead, Mrs. Roberts, Mr. Miner and Mr. Mead of Tunkhannock, were down to Northmont, on Saturday.

—The negroes may own one-sixth of all the real estate, as they do in several counties in Virginia, but to expect to vote, that is another question.

—Boss Scouten has been making one of his characteristic attacks on the character of doctors Christian and Gamble. The two doctors do not feel disturbed. It is only John Scouten.

—The moonlight excursion which came from Hughesville to Lake Mokoma last Saturday was well attended and evidently a success. The excursionists enjoyed a dance in the pavilion before returning home which was at a late hour.

—The Cuban flag was officially hoisted over the public buildings at Santiago de Cuba on the 25th of August. This circumstance ought to end Democratic talk about the ultimate intention of the McKinley administration with reference to Cuba.

—R. J. Yothers and W. A. Rosen-Grant have moved their saw mill and turning factory from Sinnamahoning to this place and will erect the same on the foundation of Chas. W. Reeder & Co. saw mill lately removed from the Big Onion. Mr. Yothers has purchased all the hardwood timber in this vicinity and will soon have his mill in operation.

—Miss Mae Funston went to Philadelphia on Wednesday where she will spend the winter months with relatives.

—The Prohibition party of Sullivan county met in convention at Lake Mokoma grove on Tuesday and nominated W. L. Norton for Representative; T. J. Keeler, Assoc. Judge; Dr. H. I. Woodhead, Coroner. W. R. Irvin of Williamsport addressed the convention.

A. A. Stull of Alderson and a party of seven friend from WilkesBarre, on horse back, stopped at the Laporte Hotel on Friday for refreshments, while on their way to Eagles Mere. On their return Saturday they made a brief stop to pay their respects to landlord Gallagher and promised their return to this delightful village for a short sojourn before the season is ended.

—Mrs. Ida Parr and Wesley Temple were arranged before Squire Hall at Sonestown on Saturday charged with adultery. They were brought to Laporte and placed in jail to await trial.

The Forksville Fair.

The Sullivan County Agricultural Society holds its fair at Forksville, October 3, 4 and 5. Every effort is made to keep the fair free from the abuses that have grown up and crept into other agricultural organizations, and the Forksville Fair is each year a truly agricultural fair. The exhibits of cattle, sheep and swine cannot be excelled in quality anywhere in the middle states, and the fruits and vegetables will truly surprise you. It will be well worth your while to take a couple of days off and drive over and see how the farmers amid the "wilds of Sullivan" make their lands produce, and their manner of conducting a country fair.

Shunk.

In accordance with the date decided upon by the committee, the Wilcox family reunion was held at the old homestead, originally owned by John D. Wilcox, one mile from Shunk. On account of scarcity of trees in the old orchard, the picnic grounds were arranged across the road, near Watson Hosiers. Most of the relatives from a distance came in camp wagons on Thursday and camped on the grounds. At 11 o'clock a. m. Friday there had assembled three hundred people, most of them being relatives. At 12 o'clock dinner was served in the grove.

Revs. Frazier and Dickerson addressed the assembly after dinner, songs were sung and recitations rendered. Mr. Rightmire and Rev. Frazier sang "Marching through Georgia" and Mr. Morrill Williams recited "The Eve before Waterloo." All were highly pleased with the picnic and the date for the next reunion was fixed for one year from date.

At noon, Friday, a funeral procession passed through town. The deceased was the seven months old child of R. T. Beers. The child died on Wednesday.

Mr. A. E. Campbell and family have returned from their visit with Mrs. Campbell's sister, in New York.

The school at Shunk was opened at 9 o'clock Monday Sept. 3, with an attendance of 25 pupils.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Bohn, have gone on a visit to New York City, they were accompanied by Mrs. Bohn's parents.

Mrs. Ann Williams of Dushore, who is visiting at Shunk, has been seriously ill with cholera morbus.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Warren, formerly teachers at Fox, have moved to Estella to take charge of the Estella schools.

Mr. Morrill Williams expects to leave soon, to attend college at Mt. Vernon, Ohio.

A short time ago a date was set for the letting of the job of raising the South street county bridge, but on account of the commissioners not being present nothing was done. We understand that another time is set, Sept. 14, and we hope to not be disappointed this time.

Mr. Clysess Bird of Estella, has been counting his hard wood in the woods back of John T. Williams' farm. He has with him a lumber counter from Philadelphia who is buying lumber of Reeder's also.

Mr. Franey Kiltner's young son, Ortie, who received injuries by a fall some time ago, is now suffering from being unable to walk. The physicians entertain little hopes of his recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. John Swengle are visiting the latter's parents in Bradford county.

Miss Harriet M. Rigg, of Union, and John Spencer were in attendance at the picnic on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Wing spent Sunday with the latter's parents near Sonestown.

Mrs. John Koch and daughter, of New York, who have been spending the summer with Mrs. Koch's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kiess, will return home this week.

Mr. Curtis Fiester and Miss Mary Rea, were married September 6.

Mrs. T. Starr, formerly Mrs. Belle Magargle, has placed two of her children in the Odd Fellows Home at Sunbury.

Several weeks ago the home of George Stackhouse was struck by lightning while the family were in the room through which the bolt passed and strange to say, none of them were injured and but slightly shocked. The bolt struck the chimney and passed down the stove pipe, badly demolishing it, crossed the stove and bounded to the floor and passed under the chair on which Mrs. Stackhouse sat, it then went through the floor and disappeared leaving the house somewhat damaged and the family badly frightened.

On Monday the school board met and elected the following teachers for Davidson Twp. Muncy Valley, Geo. Calender, Esther Dunn and Myrtle Shires; Sonestown, M. D. Sweeney, R. S. Starr, Dora Cook; Glidwells, Myrtle Edgar; Corners, M. A. Phillips; Sugar Grove, Miss Lewis; Hemlocks, Ida Budman; Centennial, Walter Lorah; Emmons, Mrs. Frank Hammond.

Rev. Irvin of Williamsport, will give a temperance lecture here on Thursday night.

Miss Celia Magargle has returned from a visit to friends in Hughesville.

Through the courtesy of B. G. Welch, the "help" at Hotel Eagles Mere, were given an evening excursion to Sonestown and back on Wednesday evening.

Miss Reba Hess visited friends at Unityville last week.

It is reported that several will go to West Virginia to work in the lumber woods this fall. Alex Hess left for Centralia on Thursday expecting to cook in camp there.

T. Kernan of Ringdale, was in town on Monday.

The Hughesville Photographer is still in town, seemingly, he is doing a fairly good business.

Miss Leah Hazzen is home from Eagles Mere.

Jean Hartman of Bloomsburg, spent Wednesday night with her cousin, Augustus Mencer and family.

—The closing service for the summer will be held in St. John's Church next Sunday at 7:45 p. m. As this will be the last service for the present, all persons at all interested in the church are earnestly urged to be present. Morning prayer will be at 10:30 o'clock.

Later in the fall Bishop Talbot will visit Laporte, when he will administer the sacrament of confirmation to all who are desirous of making confession of Christ. Persons who wish to join the class for confirmation should tell the undersigned of their intention on or before Sunday evening.

FRANCIS C. HUBER Minister-in-charge.

LOST—A Yale lock key on the street in town. If found, please leave at the postoffice.

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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 "and" 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 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 a longer period 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 entered," and add to said section the following words, "but laws regulating and requiring 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 regulating and requiring 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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Maine's Election. PORTLAND, Me., Sept. 11.—Returns from 200 towns and plantations out of 512 districts give Hill (Rep.) 43,734 and Lord (Dem.) 24,167. The same places four years ago gave Powers (Rep.) 48,762 and Frank (Dem.) 19,430. This shows a Republican loss of 11 per cent and a Democratic gain of 29 per cent. On this basis it is estimated that the Republican plurality this year will be about 32,291. The Republican state ticket was elected with all four congressmen and a great majority of the legislature. There was every incentive for voting. The campaign had been a spirited one, but the vote was not quite as heavy as in 1896, but exceeded that of the 1898 election by many thousands, and the managers of both parties when the returns from different towns came in felt that they were fully repaid for their strenuous efforts of the past four weeks.

The Democratic Convention. SARATOGA, Sept. 11.—John B. Stanchfield of Elmira will be the Croker-Murphy-Shevlin candidate for governor. This decision was arrived at after a conference at which Frank Campbell, representing David B. Hill, was present and after Mr. Campbell on behalf of Mr. Hill refused the offer of those in power to name a candidate other than Bird S. Cole. Mr. Croker will not declare in favor of Mr. Stanchfield until today, when it is believed that Senator Mackey will have been induced to accept the nomination for lieutenant governor. The outcome of the conference leaves little doubt of Hill's intention to fight to a finish. In fact the more conservative thinkers say he could not consistently pursue any other course in the circumstances.

Denniston Case Transferred. ALBANY, Sept. 11.—The case of Edward M. Denniston, the former index clerk of the assembly, indicted on the charge of complicity in the fraudulent changes in the Rochester school bill, has been transferred from the county court to the supreme court. The change was made principally because Judge Gregory did not desire to try the case, as he presided during the investigation and acted as consulting magistrate.

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