Local Items.

Sheriff Judson Brown was a business man in Towanda Monday.

The regular monthly meeting of the county commissioners was held on Tuesday.

Attorney Alphonsus Walsh of Dushore was a business caller in Laporte Tuesday.

Wm. J. Moran and wife of Muncy Valley spent Sunday with relatives in this place.

John B. English of New Albany is assisting in the News Item factory for a few days.

Jamse Myers of Strawbridge transacted business in Laporte the fore part of the week.

President Judge Charles E. Terry of Tunkhannock was a business man in Laporte Tuesday.

J. G. Snowden and M. H. Smith of Hughesville were business visitors to Laporte Tuesday.

P. F. Miller has returned to Laporte for the summer after spending the winter at Passaic N.

Clayton Speary and family of Palmyra, N. Y., are spending a few days with relatives in this place and vicinity.

Robert Mason has moved his family to Williamsport where he has charge of the ice business of the Lake Mokoma Company.

John Hassen has improved the buildings on his property at the rear of Hotel Bernard by the application of a coat of red paint.

L. E. Springstead of Geneva, N. Y., is the guest of his father, A. L. Springstead, who is engaged in building a new boat at Lake Mo-

Edward Ladley has placed on Lake Mokoma a new motor boat which he recently purchased. It will carry six passengers and is a beauty in design.

Miss Tessie Fries suffered a painful and quite serious accident on Sunday evening. She had the misfortune to sprain her ankle and will be on crutches for some time

Joseph A. Helsman of Mildred Mr. Helsman is candidate for County Treasurer on the Republi- Helsman. can ticket. He is a man of ability and integrity and will no doubt secure the support of a large number of Sullivan County's voters at September primaries.

The Sante Fe railroad is not the only means of travel from snow drifts to flowers in a day. The at Lopez Friday evening. weather changes so suddenly in this locality lately that it bothers thermometers to register it accurately. One day we wear ice cream and a sunny smile and the next day an overcoat and a mustard plaster.

Visitors to Lake Mokoma Sunday were surprised to see the bathing beach covered with large numbers of cat-fish. It is not known whether illegal fishermen have been dynamiting the waters of the lake or whether there is some other reason for the death of the fish. At any rate there were enough "catties" strewn about to supply many lovers of the aquatic delicacy, providing they could have been captured before the catfish turned to smelt.

Esquire Caven on Saturday had a drawing of numbers for a fancy box made by George Vanbuskirk at the Eastern Penitentiary, Philadelphia. The lucky number was 97 and was held by Miss Annie Buschhausen to whom was awarded the box. The box is an artistic affair designed for a lady's handkerchief and ribbon box. It is composed of ebony, rosewood, holly, vermilia, and satin wood and contains 3,276 pieces inlaid in James Miller of Eagles Mere manship possible to only a genius. this place.

Prepare to spend the "Glorious Fourth" at Lake Mokoma.

F. W. Buck of Sonestown was a business man in the county seat Monday.

Laporte Friday of last week.

Auditors Howard Hess Auditors Howard Hess and These treasures are now generally acday and audited the accounts of mants of the once vast riches of Priam, which, although depleted by ten years Laporte Township Schools.

NORDMONT.

Lenna Fiester was a Williams port shopper Wednesday.

Miss Lottie who spent the past winter in Benton returned home Sunday.

Children's Day services were held in the M. E. church Sunday, June 4, and were very largely attended.

Minard Peters, wife and sor spent Sunday with friends at Unityville.

Harry and Robert Hunter drove o Laporte Sunday afternoon.

Howard Hess and daughter Kathryn, spent Saturday Hughesville.

Philip Peterman made a business trip to Laporte Tuesday.

W. B. Snider was a business aller at Sonestown Saturday. Dr. Randall of Dushore spent a

few hours in town Thursday.

Edward Sharrow and son Albert spent Monday in Dushore.

Mrs. Samuel Hunter was called

of her sister, Mrs. Maby. Mary Harrington of Dushore was a caller in town Monday.

MILDRED AND BERNICE.

The following were Wilke-Barre visitors last week: James Patton and wife, Hall Hatton and wife, Thomas Collins and wife, Miss Mable Collins, H. J. Schaad and Wm. Lonie.

Mrs. Wm. Mosier of Los Angeles, Cal., is visiting her daughter Mrs. S. A. Deiffenbach, whom she had not seen for nineteen years.

Mrs. Raymond Meyers of Corning, N. Y., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Osler.

Mrs. Harry Biddack has returned to her home in Philadelphia was in town on business Tuesday, after spending the past month with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A.

> Mr. Jones and wife of Wilkes-Barre, are visiting the lady's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Harney.

> James A. Spence, S. A. Deiffenbach. J. A. Helsmen and C. B. Watson attended a session of Althica Tribe, No. 532, I. O. R. M.

(Thanks Mr. Correspondent, do it some more.—Editor.)

MUNCY VALLEY.

Emma Boatman of Sonestown spent Sunday with Martha Jankousky at this place.

Charles, Martie Houseknecht and Pearl Jillson of Eagles Mere drove to this place Sunday afternoon.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. T. Bender on Wednesday, May 31, 1911.

Preaching services in the M. E. church Sunday morning, June 11.

Misses Myrtle Foust and Mabel Fulmer of Sonestown called at this place Sunday.

Charles Armes was a Hughesville caller Saturday.

The team of James Myers became scared while in this place and ran to Sonestown.

John Gansel and family wish to extend their thanks to the kind geon issue bulletins between the acts." friends of this place who so kind- -Pittsburg Post. ly assisted them in the sickness and death of their little son Delphin, who died May 27, at the age of 4 years, 3 months and 19 days.

Large Order.

"Your own baby, if you have one," advertised the enterprising photographer, "can be enlarged, tinted and framed for \$9.75 a dozen."—Blue Bull. phin, who died May 27, at the age

beautiful design, a feat of work- spent Sunday with his parents in

The "lliad" Not a Myth. The fall of Troy after a ten year slege by the Grecian princes about 1184 B. C. has long been considered as a rather mythical foundation for Homer's immortal epic, the "Iliad." But in 1876 the excavations of Schliemann on the reputed site of Troy brought to light under the ashes of two superincumbent H. E. Fawcett of Eldredsville fortress cities the remains answering was among the business callers to the descriptions of Homer and a hidden vault containing goblets, bowls, vases, gems, jewels, armes de luxe and like articles in gold, silver and bronze. of costly warfare in the purchase of supplies and mercenaries and the final sack of the ruined city, were thus preserved to enrich the museums of Europe and greatly increase our realization of the wealth and art of that ancient Ilium, which we have hitherto been disposed to consider a poet's dream.—Charles Winslow Hall in National Magazine.

A Wedding Hoax.

There have been many foolish hoaxes since the days of Theodore Hook, but few so cruel as one mentioned by Bram Stoker in his book, "Famous Impostors." "A young couple were about to be married in Birmingham when those officiating were startled by the delivery of a telegram from London with the message: 'Stop marriage at once. His wife and children have arrived in London and will come on to Birmingham.' The bride fainted, and the bridegroom was frantically perturbed at thus summarily being provided with a wife and family. But it was useless-the unhappy man had to make the best of his way through an exasperated crowd, full of sympathy for the wronged girl. Inquiry, however, showed her friends that the whole thing was a hoax-possibly worked by some revengeful rival of the man whose happiness had been so unexpectedly deferred."

Fourd the Word. The late Thomas Lowry of Minneapolis was a great wit and a great story teller as well as a great finan-cier. He needed \$1,000,000 one time for one of his railroad enterprises, and to Scranton Thursday by the death he went to New York to get it. On the morning of his arrival a friend met him at the hotel and asked, "What are you doing, Tom?" "I am going downtown to get \$1,000,-

"Can you do it?"

"My boy," said Lowry impressively,
"in the bright lexicon of youth there
is no such word as fall."

That night Lowry came back to his hotel after a hard day. The same friend met him. "Did you get the million?" he asked.

"No," replied Lowry, "I didn't. I opened that bright lexicon of youth, and the word was in it."—Philadelphia Saturday Evening Post.

Anecdotes of Richter. Dr. Richter will forgive us, we are

sure, for telling two rehearsal stories about him. Madam X. was singing at a rehearsal and was decidedly out of tune. Dr. Richter stood it as long as he could, then turned to her. "Madam," he said, "will you kindly give the or-chestra your A?"

strumentalists made a mistake. "No," said Dr. Richter; "it goes so (humming) — rum-tum-tarum!" The same player made another mistake. "No, no—rum-tum-tarum!" At the third mistake Dr. Richter momentarily lost patience and cried, "Why do you make so many mistakes, Mr. —?" Then quickly recovering his habitual good humor, "Ah, I know why it is—you like to hear me sing!"—Manchester Guard-

The Old 8od.

At the breaking of ground for one of the new buildings for the Catholic university at Washington the late Archbishop Ryan was present, and Cardinal Gibbons was officiating. The cardinal turned over a large piece of grass covered earth when it was dis-covered that there had been a hitch

in the ceremony.

"Well," said the cardinal, "I suppose that we will have to dig another

"Never go back on the old sod!"-Philadelphia Times

The Retort Caustic.
"No, indeed," said the conceited young puppy who had been asked whether he had attended a certain whether he had attended a certain select dance. "I-aw-only associate with my equals, you know." "Really?" responded a witty young lady. "You should aim higher than

lady. "You should aim that!"—London Telegraph.

The Proof.
"If your wife is such a terribly good cook why don't you eat more dinners at home?

"Gee! How would I know how good she could cook if I didn't eat some-where else?"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"He's a stickler for realism."
"Yes, but he carries it to excess. the second scene he is supposed to be

If you would abolish avarice you must abolish the parent of it, luxury.

Farm and Garden

MONEY IN STRAWBERRIES.

You Can Pick Them Away Into Octo-ber if Planted Right. That the strawberries are money makers is evidenced from this story from C. E. Pursels of Illinois, published in the Farmer.

He says: "Grow them from plants set in the spring in rows four feet apart and two to three feet apart in the row. They should be kept cultivated and hoed all through the season until fall, when, if they do well, you should have a row fifteen to twenty inches wide.

"The ground should be got in as good shape as possible before start-ing to mark the rows. If the plot is in shape so you can check them so much the better. It saves quite a little hoeing. You can cross cultivate them about twice before they start to throw out many runners. They need hoeing four or five times during the summer and should be cultivated every week or so to keep the ground from crusting over and to keep down the weeds. Work until the plants quit growing in the fall. Then they are



FINE STRAWBERRY PLANT.

mulched with straw, about three or four loads to the acre, any time after they have finished growing until winter sets in.

"We plant berries in the early fall eight to ten inches apart and put the rows three to five and a half feet apart because they do not throw out many runners. We begin picking them about February and March and ship in pint boxes in place of quarts. In Flor-ida they are set out in double rows about ten inches apart, with about three feet between every two rows, which they keep cultivated. The soil is nothing but sand, and they mulch to keep them out of the sand. I was there in January this year and saw some of them still covered, and they were shipping ripe berries at the same time, getting 50 cents per quart at the station. They ship in thirty-two and sixty-four quart refrigerators. If needed and when empty they are returned to the shipper.

"The profit in growing berries has been very good the last three years, clearing from \$1.25 to \$2 to the case and making from 150 to 300 cases to the acre. The past was an exceptional year. We had ripe berries through August, September and up to October that were as fine as you ever saw, being mostly Haverland and Clyde. I know of one man who had about twenty-five cases that sold as high as \$6 case. No one seems to know why they fruited this year the second time. All varieties did not. I had Warfields and Dunlaps that I got no beries off the second crop. There were some others who had a few Warfields and Dunlaps, but the Clyde was as heavy on one end of the bed as the first crop which was extra good this year.'

Don't Neglect Table Manners. No amount of knowledge, wealth and good clothes can compensate for the lack of the simple table manners which you should have learned in your children of your own, teach the young-

sters while they are small.

Break off and butter a bit of bread at a time as you want it. Eat quietly, g lips closed while chewing eat hurriedly. Don't begin to eat until the others are served. Don't shovel food on knife blade and scrape off with fork. When food is tender enough, use fork in cutting rather than your knife. Eat desserts, cakes and salads with fork, if possible Don't drink tea or coffee from saucer. In using the napkin a man of good breeding leaves his half folded and

breeding leaves his half folded and lays at across his lap. The woman spreads hers over her lap.

Shun everything which looks like a display of greediness. To heap the plate, to gobble the food, to drain your glass or your cup, to tip your soup plate that none of the precious drops may essent you to swap the drops may escape you, to swab the gravy from the plate with a bit of bread and to demand a second help be fore others at the table have fairly begun of their first supply are all festations of a lack of breeding.

Boys Dote on Meions.

No one who has a piece of moderately light soil well exposed to the sun can afford to be without cantaloupes. On a hot day there is nothing that will replace a liberal portion of ice chiller cantaloupe, especially with ice cream in the hollow. Cantaloupes will thus help keep the boy on the farm.

A VALUABLE LADDER.

Every Fruit Grower Can Make It at Home and Prove its Worth. Here is shown a model of an ideal light safety ladder for fruit growers that can be easily made at home at

that can be easily little or no cost.

Take 1½ by 3 inch white pine clear of flaws for the sides and 1 by 3 squares for steps,

as they are better to stand on than rounds. Nail blocks for them to rest on, and to keep the sides from spreading put a small rod under every third step, or wire will do. Double and twist Take a solid piece four feet long for the "snout." Bolt this

with two one-half inch bolts, with wedges to make it solid. This makes a much lighter and handler lad-der than the old straight one.
You put the snout in the fork

there is no slipping or turning or knocking the fruit off. Make several ladders of different lengths to suit your trees

A TREE THAT OWNS ITSELF.

Deed to Land Around It Not Valid, but Citizens Have Made It So.

The story of a tree which has a formal deed to the ground on which it stands is told by the Outdoor Art league of San Jose. It goes that in Athens, Ga., one William Jackson loved a tree as some men love friends or money. So he gave it its own splendid self to have and to hold, with a deed of all the land within eight feet to be its own, safe from the greedy intrusion

This was an act of such high sentiment as belongs to the days of ro-mance and the knight of La Mancha. But it was done in our own land less than 100 years ago. Though the deed is not valid in law, the citizens still hold it good and will not have it vio

FEAT OF A MISSOURI WO-MAN.

An Audrain county woman raised 3,000 bushels of corn, 500 bushels of oats, ten wagon loads of pumpkins, nine children and a shiftless husband on eighty acres of land.—Centralia (Mo.) Courier. ****

United States Gets Basque Shepherds. One hundred and fifty Basques-the first to come to the United States in ten years—have settled in Montana, Oregon and Idaho to engage in the care of sheep and raising of grapes few Basques are already over this country, and practically all of them are as good citizens as can be found.

There are half a hundred of them in Colorado, and they are the best sheep herders who ever came to this country.

There is quite an old colony of them

in Nevada, and they are all rich. The Basques come from the northernmost province of Spain.

The Basques Americanize quicker than some of the peoples of central and northern Europe because they are more eager to learn the English lan-They are supposed to be de scended from the aboriginal popula tion of the region from whence they come and to have less admixture of other blood than any race in all Europe.—Denver Field and Farm.

Dairy Doings.

Don't feed out all the clover to the cows. Have a nice lot for the sheep They will get as much good out of it as any animal on the farm.

The bull's dam is a big factor in the success of his progeny. Get a bull from a large producing cow, and the more such cows in his pedigree the better.

A cow which is gentle and which has never been known to kick will soon learn to kick if she is beaten. She will treat you pretty much as you treat her. The man who cannot milk without

abusing cows has no business in the cow stable. A kick or blow will retard the secretion of milk and may injure the cow for time to come Small, undersized helfers should not

be bred too early. It is cheaper to have vigor and size at a greater expense of feed, so as to get the helfer into the herd at twenty-four or twen ty-seven months.

No farmer would think of putting his family on a ration of bread alone, or even bread and potatoes, for one day, yet we see many a man compelling his dumb, helpless animals to eat a single roughage ration for months at a time.

Governor Hoard once said on the color question: "If grass had produced green butter the oleomargarine people would be coloring their product green. It has been said where substitution is possible fair competition is impossible. The dairy interests of the country do not object to the selling of oleomargarine as oleomargarine; it is not jealous of its competition, but coloring the stuff yellow permits fraud, does away with competition. Dairymen are not trying to annihilate oleomargarine, but the fraud it has created."

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inquire of John Hassen, Jr., at Hotel Bernard. In order to secure reduced rate on oil for his own use he ordered a half-barrel and will sell the balance in gallon lots at cost. This is an extra quality oil which he will guarantee to give the best satisfaction to every buyer, ad

court of the United States in the Standard Oil and American Tobacco company cases will result in a sweeping attempt to obtain the conviction n criminal prosecutions of violators of the Sherman anti-trust law, occord-

lodge any "trust magnates" in prison.
"We have done the best we could," he said. "but there has been an un-

cases just decided this reluctance was well understood, for the law has always been open to question, and has been construed in different ways by

Although the wheat crop will not be ready to cut for two or three weeks, Kansas farmers have called for 12,000 harvest hands.

Charles Harris, director of the state free employment bureau, said that the bureau expected to ask for 15,000 to

Parachute Jumper Has Narrow Escape Fieretta Lorenz, a triple parachute performer, after accidentally the wrong parachute rope, fell from a height of nearly 1000 feet at Asheville, N. C. Her parachute got caught some electric wires, which saved

GENERAL MARKETS

PHILADELPHIA — FLOUR dull; winter clear, \$3.25@3.50; eity mills, fancy, \$5.2.@5.75.

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@4.50; culls and common, \$2@3; veal
calves, \$8@8.50; spring lambs, \$5@8.

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ing to Attorney General Wickersham.

He made this declaration before the house committee o nexpenditures in

the department of justice. Mr. Wickersham was asked why the government thus far had failed to

willingness on the part of juries and courts to sentence men to prison under the anti-trust law.
"Until the supreme court laid down its definite construction in the two

different courts.

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nearby, 17½c.
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