

THURSDAY, MAR. 24, 1898.

Ignorance is the mother of scepticism. Ignorance does not abound to any great extent in Sullivan County. So that there is but little scepticism about the value of The News Item as a profitable advertising medium. Read it, your neighbor does. Subscribe, don't borrow.

County Seat Indices.

The days are marching right along. W. M. Cheney of Binghamton was in town Saturday. Silas Henry of Ringdale spent Sunday in town. The Borough Audit appears in this issue of the News Item. Hon. W. C. Rogers of Forkville was a county seat visitor on Saturday. Most of our war stories are Havana fillers with Key West wrappers. Atty. Alphonsus Walsh of Dushore was transacting business in town Monday. Constable A. E. Tripp went to Bloomsburg Tuesday on official business. Otto Kemper, tailor of Bloomsburg was in town this week taking orders. There is beginning to be a fear that somebody may blow up the Maine report. Judge Ingham was transacting business in Wyalusing the early part of this week. These mild days are opening the doors to less imperative commands to shut it. Thos. W. Beach left on Wednesday on a business trip to Towanda. Miss Anna McDonald left for her home in Montrose Wednesday. Atty. F. H. Ingham, was in Bernice the latter part of last week, organizing a P. O. S. of A. Lodge. Judge John S. Line was in town on business Wednesday. Judge Kraus was a business visitor at the seat of justice Tuesday. Mr. Haight who will soon open an undertaking business in Forkville was in town doing business Saturday. Mrs. Ed. Schrader received the sad news of the death of her father who died with consumption and was buried at Hornbrook Pa. on Saturday of last week. A large number of this place attended the A. O. H. Ball at Dushore last Thursday, and report a good time and a big turn out. If Key West would try itself on a snake story Sullivan County editors wouldn't be in it any longer. Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Ingham returned from Buffalo last week and spent a few days at this place before going to Eagles Mere, where they will make arrangements for the opening of Hotel Eagles Mere for the summer season. Robe Edkin of Muncy Valley and Jerome Laird of Sonestown made this office a call Tuesday while on their way to Celestia where they are stocking A. T. Armstrong's sawmill. After next week the most popular question will be "Where do you live now?" Of course everybody will ask everybody the question in order to find out where everybody lives. Too many men in this country are eager to save the honor of the nation who ought to be saving their wives from breaking their backs scraping the bottom of an empty flour barrel. Snow fell to the depth of three inches Sunday night but its beautiful name was changed to mud by noon Monday. Another storm came snowing around Tuesday morning when snow balls the size of silver dollars fell for about twenty minutes. Walter Wright of Elkland and Chas. Haight of Mainsburg, under the firm name of Wright & Haight purchased the furniture and undertaking business of M. R. Black at Forkville and will take charge at once. Mr. Haight last fall tied a sister to his partner, and moved (as field where Mr. Haight's father been in the undertaking business for years. They are both enterprising young men with years of experience in this line their success is assured.

Misses Anna Kennedy and Ella Quinn visited friends in Muncy Valley Monday. Mr. Wm. Cheney and mother left on Monday for his home in Binghamton. Fay Cooley the NEWS ITEM type visited with friends at Nordmont Sunday. Mrs. J. L. Farrell and children of Dushore are visiting relatives at this place. The Spaniards are not so much afraid of the report on the Maine as of the report of the guns which may come afterward. We now have over \$170,000,000 in the gold reserve, with more coming all the time. There is as much safety in this as in a battery of 100-ton guns or a dozen cruisers. As the Populists appear to be determined to flock by themselves this year, they might get out an injunction to restrain the Democrats from further use of their doctrines. Lady composers in Kansas do not always show proper respect for the editor judging from the following advertisement which recently appeared in the Robinson (Kans.) Index: "Wanted, at this office, a young lady who can set type without trying to run the editor. We know we are not pretty and sometimes go around with our suspenders down, and our shoes off if our corn hurts us, but that is our own affair. We don't propose to be heehawed at by any man, woman or child. This is a snap for some quiet, considerate girl who, ain't afraid of home made socks and red whiskers."

One of the most remarkable feats ever performed in log driving was done on Muncy Creek last Sunday afternoon about three miles below Nordmont at a place called the White Rocks. There was a jam at the head of the Rocks, and when the splash came Mr. Eli Dewitt better known as Bone Dewitt, went on the jam to break it and rode a log around the Rock, one of the most dangerous places on Muncy Creek, and arrived safe on the other shore. How is this for Bone? Some people are not familiar with the cause of the beautiful Aurora Borealis, which was lately seen by our scribe at Estelita. The nearest description that will make it clear to the most obtuse, is simply this: When the melolygistic temperature of the horizon is such as to colorize the impure indentation of the hemispheric analogy, the borax curbitus becomes surcharged with infinitesimals, thereby producing a rapid change in the theramptometer of the hexagonal antipathies, which can only be seen when it is visible. Our correspondents should be careful about mentioning things people don't understand. Atty. S. B. Karns has decided to locate in Benton Columbia Co. for the practice of his profession. Mr. Karns since his short practice here has established a goods reputation at the bar and a steadily growing practice. He leaves with the best wishes of this community, about April 13th.

A Steamboat's Whistle and Bell. Three old steamboatmen stood against the news stand of the St. Charles Hotel, New Orleans, and watched the passengers come in from the late trains. Then they got reminiscent and talked river talk. "Get an old, musical whistle," said the leader of the trio, "and your steamboat will be a success. Get a whistle that the darkies along the river banks know and like, and they will stay with you like hypnotized subjects. There is nothing like a low, musical rumble, that is deep and sweet to the ear, for catching the good will of the blacks. I stood around the auction block when the steamer Pargoud, which went down at the mouth of Red River a short time ago, was sold, and heard President Van Nostrand of the New Orleans and Western railroad pay nearly \$200 for her whistle. That whistle was known by every roustabout on the lower river. It was deep and low like thunder, but pleasant withal. They liked it, and the whistle was largely responsible for the success of the boat. In another minute I heard the auctioneer knock down the bell of the Pargoud to President Van Nostrand for the seemingly enormous sum of about \$300. That sounds big, doesn't it, but next to the whistle comes the bell. After a steamer once becomes known by her bell and whistle, it is death to the success of the steamer to change them."

Men Who Rowed Washington's Boat. When Washington crossed the Delaware on Christmas night, 1776, the boats which carried the men to meet the British were manned by twenty-two brave men from Beverly, Mass. In remembrance of the event their descendants have just held anniversary exercises in their memory at the rooms of the Historical Society of this place. Trust Him. Trust Him for a way when there is no way, for light when there is no light, for all things when you have nothing, for joy when there is only sorrow, for life when you are in the midst of death. Thus you will find at last that faith is not only righteousness, but life and joy and peace. T. T. Munger, D. D.

Good News. No other medicine was ever given such a test as Otto's Cure. Thousands of bottles of this great German remedy are being distributed FREE OF CHARGE, to those afflicted with Consumption, Asthma, Croup, severe Coughs, Pneumonia and all Throat and Lung diseases, giving the people proof that Otto's Cure will cure them. For sale only by T. J. Keeler, Laporte; W. L. Hoffman, Hillsgrove; H. S. Lancaster, Forkville; C. B. Jennings, Estelita; Jno. W. Buck, Sonestown. Samples free. Large bottles 50c and 25c.

Everybody Says So. Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the most wonderful medical discovery of the age, pleasant and refreshing to the taste, act gently and positively on kidneys, liver and bowels, cleansing the entire system, dispel colds, cure headache, fever, habitual constipation and biliousness. Please buy and try a box of C. C. C. today; 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold and guaranteed to cure by all druggists. Doubles the Pleasure of a Drive. A fine carriage doubles the pleasure of driving. Intending buyers of carriages or harnesses may save dollars by sending for the large, free catalogue of the Elkhart Carriage and Harness Mfg. Co., Elkhart, Ind.

To Cure Constipation Forever. Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic, 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money. Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away. To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or \$1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

Go to J. W. Buck, Sonestown, for rubbers, blankets, carpets, clothing and dressgoods at December low prices. High est prices paid for butter and eggs.

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Mercantile Appraisement.

Table listing mercantile appraisements for various townships including Dushore Boro, Elkland Twp, Fox Twp, Forkville Boro, Hills Grove Twp, Laporte Twp, Laporte Boro, Shrewsbury Twp, and Billiard Tables.

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Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money. Subscribe for the NEWS ITEM.

Williamsport & North Branch R.R. TIME TABLE.

Time table for Williamsport & North Branch R.R. showing In Effect Monday Sept. 6, 1897, with Northward and Southward routes.

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W. L. HOFFMAN'S MUNCY VALLEY STORE. Specialties for our Bargain Day THURSDAY, MARCH 24, '98.

Watch these store tidings closely, which are money saving opportunities of a most inviting character. Catecoes, 4c yard. Gingham, 4c yard. Table oil cloth, 12c yard. Good loose coffee, 10c lb. Brooms, 10c each. Clothes pins, 1c per doz. 4lb. prunes, 25c. 4lb. raisins, 25c. Good carpet, 25c yard. Ask to see our driving shoes sold for \$2.20.

THURSDAY'S SPECIAL SALE.

I Wish to Arrest Public Attention.

and declaim to the people of Sullivan county my willingness to serve any who wish the services of an experienced Auctioneer. ELLIS SWANK, Sheriff. Laporte, Pa.

Report of Laporte Borough Auditors for the Year 1897.

Walter Spencer, Treasurer, in account with Laporte Borough for the fiscal year 1897, made March 14, 1898.

Financial table showing To balance in hand, audit 1897, Amt. recd. from T. J. Keeler, and various other entries.

A. H. Buschhausen, Collector, in account with Laporte Borough for year 1897.

Table showing To amount of duplicate, By Treasurer's receipts, and various other entries.

A. H. Buschhausen, Collector, in account with Laporte Borough for poor funds, year 1897.

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T. J. Keeler Collector 1896 in acct for year 1897.

Table showing To bal due Borough last audit, By Treas receipts, and various other entries.

Poor Funds.

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T. J. Keeler, Trustee, in account with Borough for year '97, Bond Fund.

Table showing To proceed on bond sale, By amt paid Jas. Boyd & Bros., and various other entries.

F. W. Gallagher overseer of poor in account with Borough for year '97.

Table showing To balance due Borough last audit, Amt recd from T. J. Keeler, and various other entries.

Statement of resources and liabilities of Laporte Borough for the fiscal year 1897, Boro. Funds.

Table showing Outstanding orders, Bond indebtedness of Borough, Amt due from A. H. Buschhausen, and various other entries.

Recapitulation of Boro expenses for year 1897.

Table showing Orders redeemed, Interest on P. Karge judgment, P. Karge judgment redeemed, and various other entries.

Made up as follows:

Table showing Judgments paid interest and cost, Street Commissioner H. H. Ring, Work on streets, and various other entries.

We the undersigned auditors of the Borough of Laporte do hereby certify that we met in pursuance of Act of Assembly at court house March 14, 1898 and did proceed to audit, adjust and settle the several accounts of the Borough officers and found the same correct as shown and set forth hereinbefore. Witness our hands and seals this day.

J. HARRY SPENCER, H. A. KARNs, THOS. E. KENNEDY, Auditors. Laporte, March 19, 1898.

L. R. Gumble, Dealer in and Manufacturer of CARRIAGES AND WAGONS. Your Patronage is solicited on the basis of low prices. Don't let this fact escape. We are getting rid of our large stock of hand made wagons. We also deal in factory made platform spring wagons.

Blacksmithing and Repairing. Factory West Main Street L. A. FORTE.

CAMPBELL The Merchant, SHUNK, PENNA. WATCH THIS SPACE FOR MY NEW AD. NEXT WEEK.

I will have something important to say to you regard to my new stock of Spring and Summer Goods Which I am opening up for your inspection.

Yours very respectfully, A. E. CAMPBELL.

John W. Buck, DEALER IN GENERAL MERCHANDISE. SONESTOWN, PA.

An endless line of canned goods, fancy and staple groceries, as well as high-grade but reasonable-priced table delicacies, may always be found at our store.

A Sensible Wife will Always Watch the advertisements of responsible merchants especially Grocers. By this means she will be enabled to save in the course of a year enough money to pay for a good many other household necessities.

OUR GENERAL STORE. Is well stocked with seasonable goods and we intend to dispose of them in a hurry if low prices will carry them off.

All kinds of country produce handled. J. W. BUCK, SONESTOWN PA.

The Improved U. S. Separator leads in the greatest dairy State of the West, WISCONSIN.

R. M. Bussard's Creamery, Poyntnet, Wis., scoring 98 1/2 points and taking SWEEPSTAKES at the State Convention at Manitowoc, Feb. 9-11, 1898.

Remember the United States leads in the greatest dairy State of the East, VERMONT.

E. E. Symes' Creamery, Ryegate, taking GOLD MEDAL at the State Convention at St. Albans, Jan. 4-7, 1898.

Notwithstanding the Improved United States is the last separator on the market, it is taking the lead in all sections where used. Send for pamphlets containing hundreds of testimonials. VERMONT FARM MACHINE CO., Bellows Falls, Vermont.

800 Men's, Boys' and Children's Suits, 200 Overcoats and Ulsters, 600 Pair Trousers for Men, Boys and Children.

Not sold before Jan. 1, '98 together with cotton and woolen underwear, over-shirts, sweaters, hats, caps, trunks, valises gloves and mittens.

EVERY ARTICLE IS NEW, not a weakness in them, nor a limp in the styles. Not a piece gathered for the occasion or marked up just to be marked down. They simply haven't moved as I'd like and now they must. I have marked them at prices that will make you buy. J. W. CARROLL, Hotel Carroll DUSHORE, P. Block.