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GENERAL STATEMENT

Of Receipts and Expenditures of Mifflin County.

Amos Hoot, Treasurer of Mifflin County, in Account with said County from January 9, 1865, to January 8, 1866.

Dr.

To outstanding tax for 1860		$191 33
To " " 1862		178 89
To " " 1863		253 96
To " " 1864		4,987 32
To State, Co., and Relief tax '65		42,346 91
To balance militia fund appropriated to relief fund		185 11
To amount received on bonds issued by County Commissioners		15,500 00
To amount received of Geo. Frysinger, clerk of Commissioners		2,824 00
To balance due Treasurer		2,342 77
		68,810 29

Cr.

By outstanding tax of 1860		191 33
By " " 1862		13 27
By percentage of collectors of 1862		104 40
" exonerations of " " 1863		17 19
" percentage " " "		231 48
" exonerations " " 1864		438 27
" percentage " " "		1,566 52
" commissions for prompt pay't		13 85
" error in amt. of D F. Stevens duplicate		15 50
" outstanding tax of 1864		224 33
" exonerations of collectors 1865		249 31
" percentage of collectors of 1865		253 93
" com. for prompt payment '65		1,237 23
" outstanding tax of 1865		5,331 96
" amt. appropriated Poor House		6,610 92
" amt. paid for gas bills		4 40
" " road views		40 00
" " wild cat & fox scalps		128 30
" amt. paid James Mateer, exoneration allowed after settlement		3 25
" amt. due Treas. previous set.		896 64
" amt of State tax paid for '65		11,282 52
" amt. of percentage on same		113 94
" amount paid State tax on old indebtedness		10 51
" amt percentage on same		55
" County orders lifted		28,903 05
" Relief orders lifted		9,375 54
" amt. paid Eastern State Pen.		194 31
" Treasurer's commission		1,357 79
		68,810 29
By balance due Treasurer		2,342 77

Treasurer in Account with the Commonwealth.

Dr.

To amount State tax for 1865	$10345 71
" ½ mill " "	1996 40
	12342 11
Due county at last settlement	325 23
	$12016 88

Cr.

By amount allowed Collectors	617 12
" of Treas. commission	117 24
" paid State Treasurer	11282 52
	$12016 88

Tavern Licenses.

Dr.

To amount of said licenses	$345 00
Balance due treasurer	272 25
	617 25

Cr.

By cash paid State treasurer	600 00
" treasurer's percentage	17 25
	$617 25

Eating House Licenses.

Dr.

To amount of said licenses	$120 00

Cr.

By treasurer's percentage	6 00
Balance due Commonwealth	114 00
	$120 00

Distillers and Brewers Licenses.

Dr.

To amount of said licenses	$10 00

Cr.

By treasurer's percentage	50
Balance due Commonwealth	9 50
	$10 00

Liquor Dealers' Licenses.

Dr.

To amount of said licenses	$50 00

Cr.

By amount treasurer's percentage	2 50
Balance due Commonwealth	47 50
	$50 00

Retailers' Licenses.

Dr.

To amount of said licenses	$795 00

Cr.

By cash paid State treasurer	587 62
" " " Jas. M. Lashell, mercantile appraiser 1864	37 50
" " " for advertising list	23 40
" " " J. L. Porter, mer. app.	7 68
" " " " " '65	46 75
" treasurer's percentage	39 75
Balance due Commonwealth	52 30
	$795 00

Billiard and Bagatelle Licenses

Dr.

To amount of said licenses	95 00

Cr.

By amount of treasurer's percentage	4 75
Balance due Commonwealth	90 25
	$95 00

Patent Medicine Licenses.

Dr.

To amount of said licenses	$5 00

Cr.

By amount of treasurer's percentage	25
Balance due Commonwealth	4 75
	$5 00

Militia Taxes.

To outstanding tax of 1861		$41 50
do 1862		37 00
do 1863		25 50
do 1864		648 00
		752.00

Cr.

By exonerations collectors 1861	25 50
percentage do	1 92
outstanding do	14 08
do do 1862	29 79
By percentage of collectors of 1863	1 27
exonerations do 1864	486 00
percentage do	8 33
Balance in hands of treasurer, appropriated to relief fund	185 11
	$752 00

We the undersigned Auditors of Mifflin county, having met at the Court House, in the borough of Lewistown, according to law, and carefully examined and settled the accounts of Amos Hoot, Esq., Treasurer, with the Commonwealth, the County, and Relief Fund, do certify that said County is indebted to the Treasurer aforesaid, in the sum of twenty-three hundred and forty two dollars and seventy seven cents, ($2342 77) and that said accounts as here stated are correct. In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands this 12th day of January, 1866.

MARTIN MOHLER,
DAVID WEILER,
G. B. PENEPACKER, } Auditors

Attest: JOSEPH S. WAREAM, Clerk.

State, County and Relief Taxes for 1865.

Collectors.	Total	Amount of Tax.	Amount Paid.	Exonerations	Collectors' per centage.	Commiss'n on prompt payment.	Outstanding.
Michael Rager,	42346 91	2159 99	1-09 48				
Samuel Bratton,		3123 86	2067 50				
James B Alexander,		5276 55	3276 02				
Jacob Rothrock,		5041 20	4554 06				
Jacob Ort,		3164 45	2937 26				
Robert E. Wills,		3965 01	3637 86				
James Wallis,		4346 45	3920 23				
John W. Wilson,		5369 76	4757 62				
Levi Kauffman,		1663 42	1358 79				
Joseph Hart,		2713 49	2287 33				
Charles Caughling,		434 79	302 10				
James Brisbin,		4214 78	3205 21				
David Stine,		872 84	761 02				
Total	42346 91	35274 48	26-67 50	58 61			
Decatur township		2159 99	1-09 48				
Oliver "		3123 86	2067 50				
Armagh "		5276 55	3276 02				
Derry "		5041 20	4554 06				
Granville "		3164 45	2937 26				
Menno "		3965 01	3637 86				
Lewistown borough		4346 45	3920 23				
Union township		5369 76	4757 62				
Brattan "		1663 42	1358 79				
Wayne "		2713 49	2287 33				
N Hamilton borough		434 79	302 10				
Brown township		4214 78	3205 21				
McVeytown borough		872 84	761 02				
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Davis Henry,		2159 99	1-09 48				
V. Contner,		3123 86	2067 50				
Joseph Stewart,		5276 55	3276 02				
Joseph Hook,		5041 20	4554 06				
John Peachey,		3164 45	2937 26				
John Glasgow,		4346 45	3920 23				
James Wallis,		5369 76	4757 62				
William Fry,		1663 42	1358 79				
S. H Swigart,		2713 49	2287 33				
Charles Bratton,		434 79	302 10				
D F Stevens,		4214 78	3205 21				
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The amounts appearing due to John Peachey and James Wallis were paid them by Treasurer. D. F. Stevens should have credit in addition to above for error in amount of Duplicate, $15,50.

Outstanding Taxes for 1860

J. J. Cottle, Collector Armagh—

Amount due		$191 33

Outstanding Taxes for 1862

Daniel Snook, Collector Decatur—

Amount due		$30 83
do paid	30 83	30 83
H S. Price, Collector Oliver—		
Amount due		$118 36
do paid	13 96	
Percentage	104 40	118 36
Geo. W. McBride, Col. McVeytown—		
Amount due		$29 70
do paid	16 43	16 43
Outstanding		13 27

Outstanding Taxes for 1863.

Christian Myers, Collector Armagh—		
Amount due		$253 96
do paid	5 29	
percentage	231 48	
exonerations	17 19	
		$253 96

County Indebtedness.

Amount of bonds issued	$39,500 00
Bonds redeemed	2,000 00
do outstanding	37,500 00
Order to Mifflin co. Bank	1,000 00
Outstand'g orders on relief fund	3,125,34
do do old indebtedness	2,962 23
Due Amos Hoot, late treasurer	2,342,77
	$46,930 34

Bounties Paid by Commissioners of Mifflin County during the War.

Capt. Waream's Co.	$4,900 00
Patton's	4,850 00
Soult's	2,700 00
Eisenbise's	5,050 00
Maclay's	5,060 00
Rothrock's	2,250 00
Dysart's	4,600 00
Weller's	900 00
Men in 26th and other regiments	800 00
Lieut. Purcell's Co.	2050 00
Capt. Selheimer's	4300 00
Stroup's, and interest	2,735 81
Total payments to companies	$40,195 81
In hands of county, due	85 00

List of orders issued by the Commissioners from January 1, 1865, to January 1 1866:

Jurors pay, January term		$328 67
Wm Morrison, making out list, &c.		6 47
John Robb, do do		5 76
D. W. Woods, Esq., attorn'y. for co		25 00
R. Bratton, assessor and constable		6 56
Constables pay, January term		11 22
Tipstaves, do		15 00
Henry Zerbe, interest		32 66
Hoar & McNabb, interest		30 00
G. Frysinger, clerk to Dec. 31, '64		150 00
D M. Contner, Jail expenses '64		133 85
do Sheriff's fees 1864		125 05
do jail do		238 25
J. C. Blymyer & Co., coal		126 00
John Reever, assess., making list, &c.		6 33
Ira Thompson, ex after settlement		11 40
Peter Barefoot, ex. on parsonage		3 50
James Burns, interest		300 00
William Willis, do		90 00
D. W. Woods, do		330 80
Assessors' pay for 1865		650 07
F. Strunk, fees Com.vs S Taylor et.al.		1 15
L. Glass, do do		56
H S. McNabb, do do		2 09
S. H. Bennett, do do		2 09
J Taylor, on account of salary		75 00
Moses Miller, do		100 00
I Spigelmire, room for elections		12 00
E E Locke, do		9 00
Mrs Sample, do		9 00
F. G Franciscus, locks, &c for jail		2 62
Pay of return judges, spring election		27 43
do inspectors and clerks		84 00
do Grand jurors, April term		96 59
do Petit do		148 18
G. H. Swigart, list, & attending elec		8 08
Wm Ross, return judge		17 20
C. Myers, refunded tax on parsonage		4 50
Constables' pay attending spring election, and making returns		65 13
Tipstaves' pay, April term		24 00
F. J. Hoffman, sundries		19 86
G Frysinger & Son, print. & adv.		80 50
H Frysinger, advertising		75 00
Samuel Drake, on account of salary		133 00
G. Frysinger, clerkship to April and incidental expenses		106 22
C. Burdell, for order 192 of 1858		2 76
J. D. Taylor, interest		208 00
Eliza Butler, do		90 00
John D Taylor, do		211 66
M. Miller, on account of salary		35 63
John Taylor, do		65 31
David Bloom, interest		103 54
John Peachey, do		107 77
Robert Taylor, do		180 00
Wm. Lind, do		120 00
John Alexander, do		120 00
John C. Sigler, do		120 00
Michael Ruble, do		60 00
D. M. Contner, fees to May 19,'65		303 75
G. Frysinger, clerk to July 1, '65		100 00
Water rent at jail to Oct. 1, '65		25 00
Wm. Creighton, interest		60 00
John Himes, do		30 00
T. G. Bell, do		30 00
Hon. S S. Woods, do		60 00
S. Maclay, guar., do		90 00
Jos. Hartzler, do		30 00
Eliza Butler, do		30 00
G. Miller, repairs at c. house & jail		6 25
J. D. L. Bear, boarding enrol. board		13 00
A. T. Hamilton, stationery, tapes, &c.		1 88
Adam Lutz, work at court house		3 50
W. B. Hoffman, lumber at c. house		3 51
G. W. Thomas, deed book for Reg. & Rec., & books for Proth'y. office		68 25
I. Ward, return & tipstave, Aug. term		10 10
Inquest on Nancy J. Wertz, and professional services		35 76
do Hugh Hardy,		19 87
do Henry Buckley,		10 57
J. M. Shadle, serving notices, &c.		4 00
J. F. McNear, do		5 00
J. Wallis, exoneration 1864		19 36
Grand jurors pay, Aug. term,		124 47
Petit do do		407 80
Tipstaves do		24 50
D. Over, blank printing and adv.		114 00
M. Miller, on account of salary		50 00
S. Drake, do do		117 00
J. A. M'Kee, Auditing State acc.		6 00
J Evans, painting Court House		100 00
Pay of Inspect's & clerks of elec.		90 00
do Return Judges do		104 30
do Return Clerks		10 00
J. S. Waream, oiling & penc'g C. H.		37 00
R Bratton, making assessment lists		4 70
Jacob Hook, do do		5 00
J. M Stevens, attending election		1 45
D. D. Mutthersbough, 5 cords wood		25 00
G. Miller, repairs at jail		5 95
H. Frysinger, in full for adv.		75 00
Constable pay, Nov term		19 46
Grand Jurors, do		110 72
Petit Jurors do		199 99
Lewistown Water Co., water rent at jail to April 1, 1866		25 00
G. Frysinger, clerk relief fund		100 00
L. J. Elberty, assessor, lists, &c		14 43
G. Peters, cleaning C. H. cellar		2 50
Robert Taylor, interest		90 00
S. Comfort, coal for jail		92 59
James Bice, exonerations		4 00
S. Drake, for services as com.		100 00
Tipstaves at November term		24 00
J. S. Waream, re indexing records		205 00
J. Sipes, work at jail & Court H.		25 00
Wm. S. Bell, interest		60 00
John Alexander, do		60 00
J C. Sigler, do		120 00
Michael Ruble, do		60 00
John Himes, do		30 00
John D. Taylor, do		60 00
Amos Hoot, do		30 00
Joseph Brower, do		30 00
Wm C Vines do		30 00
Joseph Haffly do		30 00
Sheriff Contner, wood, &c., at jail	84 14	
D. M. Contner, J. fees	393 35	
do sessions do	208 46	
	685 95	
Fees & fines collected	68 00	
		617 95
John Glasgow, assessor lists, &c.		7 73
J. W. Brown, cleaning at court h.		9 15
G. Blymyer, cover for office counter		7 50
W. J Flemming, assessor lists, &c.		7 55
W. Keller, repairs at court house		6 25
G. Frysinger, in full as clerk for '65		50 00
T. M Uttley, Dist. Attorney's fees		74 00
Witnesses costs in sundry com. cases		52 95
John Morrison, costs, fees, &c.		10 50
G. W. Thomas, do		1 15
John Barger, do		1 25
C. Beck, do		1 25
C. Hoover, do		23 01
George Sigler, do		50
G. W. M'Bride, do		15 50
N. Comfort, do		17 66
J. L. Porter, constable do		7 35
Eli Price, do do		13 57
H. Ferer, court crier, cleaning, &c.		121 30

Poor House Business.

The Directors of the Poor meet at the Poor House on the 2d Tuesday of each month.

GEO. W. ELDER,
Attorney at Law,

Office Market Square, Lewistown, will attend to business in Mifflin, Centre and Hunting don counties mv26

DR. S. G. M'LAUGHLIN,
DENTIST.

OFFERS his professional services to the citizens of Lewistown and vicinity. All in want of good, neat work will do well to give him a call.
He may be found at all times at his office, three doors east of H. M. & R. Pratt's store, Valley street. ap19-1y*

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M. R. THOMPSON, D. D. S.

HAVING permanently located in Lewistown, offers his professional services to the ladies and gentlemen of this place and vicinity. Being in possession of all the late improvements in the Dental Profession, he flatters himself that he can give entire satisfaction to those who may need his services in all branches of his profession. References—best families.

Office west Market street, near Eisenbise's hotel, where he can be found for professional consultation from the first Monday of each month until the fourth Monday, when he will be absent on professional business one week. may10-tf

BARK! BARK!!

J. A. & W. R. McKEE would respectfully inform the public that, notwithstanding their Tannery was destroyed by fire, they will buy all the Bark they can get, for which they are prepared to pay the highest cash price.
They will also keep constantly on hand their usual stock of FINISHED LEATHER, which they will sell cheap for cash. They are not prepared to buy hides just now. may24-tf

Estate of Joseph Hart, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that Letters testamentary on the estate of Joseph Hart, late of Wayne township, Mifflin county, have been granted to the undersigned, residing in said township. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims to present them duly authenticated for settlement.

ELIJAH MORRISON.
January 10* Executor.

POETRY.

MOTHER IN HEAVEN.

BY JAMES G. CLARK.

Sweet mother, the birds from the bowers have fled,
The reaper has gathered his sheaves,
The glorious summer lies silent and dead,
And the land, like a pale mourner, grieves;
But the garden of memory is blooming to-day
With flowers and leaves ever new,
And the birds and the fountains that around it play
Are singing, dear mother, of you.

Like green shores receding beyond the blue seas,
Seem the years by your tenderness blest,
And youth's merry music grown faint on the breeze
That is wafting me on to life's West;
Yet beautiful seems the mild glance of your eye,
And the blessing your fond spirit gave,
As the mists of the valley hang bright in the sky,
Though the mountains are lost in the wave.

I wonder, sometimes, if the souls that have flown
Return to the mourners again,
And I ask for a sign from the trackless Unknown,
Where millions have questioned in vain.
I see not your meek-loving face through the strife
Which would blind me with doubting and fear,
But a voice murmurs "peace" to the tempest of Life,
And I know that my mother is near.

The cold world may cover my pathway with frowns,
And mingle with bitter each joy;
It may load me with crosses and rob me of crowns,
I have treasures it cannot destroy;
There's a green, sunny isle in the depths of my soul
Whose roses the winds never strew,
And the billows and breezes around it that roll
Bring tidings of Heaven and you.

MISCELLANY.

Outrivaling the Spiritualists.

The London correspondent of Dublin Daily Express says:

"Dr. Lynn, the son of an English clergyman, following the bent of a roving disposition (with which Englishmen, in common with Irishmen and Scotchmen, are sometimes chargeable,) at an early age left his country, literally for his country's good, and has returned, after eight years' absence, skilled in every department of the "occult art." Whatever the Hindoo juggler or the Japanese wonder-workers could impart he has acquired, and his lissom fingers can accomplish. More important still, whatever the most highly-gifted of the spiritualists and their familiars can perform shrouded in darkness, he can repeat, without contrivance, in the open day. Dr Lynn, during a brief visit to London, with a view to make preparations for a winter's campaign (he is, I understand, to vist Dublin before settling down here,) gave three private secanes, at two of which I was present. Avoiding the toy-tricks of professors of magic who come from various points of the compass and astonish children of every growth, his programme is stored with Eastern novelties, and his performance is the perfection of slight of hand. The closest observer is baffled by his astounding dexterity, and the ease and grace with which the most difficult feat is accomplished are as admirable as the dexterity is marvelous. I will mention but one or two items. A graphic writer upon Japan some time since made the world acquainted with the most graceful and beautiful, and at the same time wonderful, of all the feats performed by the jugglers of that country. They were the top and butterfly trick A top is set spinning in the air; on its descent it is caught on the point of a sword, where it whirls merrily; then it is brought along the keen edge to the handle; then it renews its flight to be again caught; and ultimately it is sent, like a miniature Blondin, across a silken thread which is invisible to the audience; sometimes it descends the slack, sometimes ascends the hill, but it is always sure of foot, and waltzes its way over the narrow path, from the boxes of a theatre to the back of the stage, as readily as across a drawing-room. The butterflies are cut out of many colored paper, and fly about as if endowed with life. In obedience to the wave of the fan, they fly high, or they fly low; now they flutter over a lady's boquet, now they light upon the spray of a wreath, now they gyrate, moth-like, round a gas-jet. This feat alone is sufficient to take the town by storm. But what will be said of the greatest of 'spiritualists' tricks, viz: the writing on the arm. Let me briefly state my experience of it. I was requested by Dr. Lynn to write the name of any person, of any country, who has died since the world began. I did so in a remote part of the room, before leaving which I tightly folded the paper in which the name was written until it resembled a doctor's pill, and placed it on a table, where it remained in the presence of, and close to, all present, except Dr. Lynn. That he did not touch it, and that he had no means of ascertaining what the name was beyond the meagre hint to be derived from a reply to his question of how many words and letters it consisted, I can positively vouch. Within two minutes the name was traced upon his arm, and letters each of which if I may say so, was an enlarged *fac simile* of my own. Five other names were written by different persons, and one was selected at random out of the five and with a precisely similar result. On the previous evening thirteen ladies were present, as well as a number of professional men—lights of law, literature, and medical science; a name was written by each lady, and thirteen times, to the unspeakable amazement of all present, the writing on the corresponded with the writing on the arm crumpled paper in the lady's hand. This was Foster's great spiritual trick; and it is to the credit of Dr. Lynn that he utterly disclaims and laughs at the idea of spiritual ageney in its performance.

The Happy Family.

An exchange says the man that don't take a newspaper brought his family to town the other day in an ox-cart. He still believed that Millard Fillmore was President, and wanted to know if the "Kamschatians" had taken Cuba, and if so, where they had taken it. He had sold his pork for ten cents, when he might have got fifteen. One of his boys went to a blacksmith shop to be measured for a pair of shoes, and another mistook the market house for a church. He hung his hat on a meat hook and patiently waited one hour for "meeting" to begin. One of the girls took a lot of seed onions to the post office to trade off for a letter. She had a baby which she carried in a "sugar trough" stopping occasionally to rock it on the side walk; when it cried she filled its mouth with a handkerchief, and sang "Barbara Allen." The oldest boy had sold two "coon skins" and was on a bust. When last seen, he had called for "sody and water," and stood soaking gingerbread in it, and making wry faces. The shop keeper, mistaking his meaning, had given him a mixture of sal soda and water, and it tasted strongly of soap. "But he'd hearn tell of a sody water, and was bound to give it a fair trial, puke or no puke." The old man had a tea kettle he wanted "fixed up" and he carried it to the milliner shop. The clerk thought he was crazy, but noticing the hole in the kettle, politely told him that Wallis or Selheimer could mend it for him. He then took an old plow to the jeweler's to have it "pinted and sharpened." We told the fellow he ought to read the papers, but he would not listen to it. He was opposed to "internal improvements," and thought "larnin" was a wicked invention.

"Travels like Pizen."

The electric telegraph is bound to remain a mystery to the million, and the ludicrous conceptions of its *modus operandi* which some of the most ignorant people have formed are as mirth-provoking as anything out of Rabelais or Smollet. The last illustration of this that has fallen under our eyes is the following story:

Not long since an old lady entered the telegraph office and said she had a message to send to Wheeling. In a few minutes her note was deposited in the dumb waiter, and ascended in a mysterious manner through the ceiling.

"Does that go to Wheeling?" inquired the old lady.

"Yes, ma'am," answered the clerk.

"I never was there," continued she, "but it hardly seems possible that the town lies in that direction. When shall I get an answer?"

"I can hardly tell, ma'am; it may be two or three hours."

The old lady went away, and returned in exactly two hours. Just as she entered the door the dumb waiter came down through the ceiling.

"There is the answer, ma'am," said the clerk.

The old lady took the neat yellow envelop in her hands with a smile of gratification and astonishment.

"Now that beats all!" she exclaimed. 'Bless my heart; all the way from Wheeling and the wafer still wet—That's an awkward looking box, but it can travel like pizen."

Which is the strongest day in the week? Sunday, because all the rest are weak-days.

Which travels at a greater speed, heat or cold? Heat, because you can catch cold.

When has a man four hands? When he doubles his fists.

What is that which works when it plays, and plays when it works? A fountain.

Why is a baker like a beggar? He kneads bread.

What stands and goes without legs? A clock.

What belongs to yourself, and is used by every one more than yourself? Your name.

What thing is that which the more we cut it the longer it grows? A ditch.

Why is a feeble old man like a nail driven up to the head? He is in-firm.

When is a young lady like a wagon wheel? When she is *tired* (which don't often occur from work.)