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TAXES GATHERED IN THE COUNTY

AMOUNTS TO THE NEAR SUM OF \$1,226,014.

Manner in Which This is Divided Up for Various Purposes—Nearly Half a Million of Dollars Goes to Support Our Schools—Large Amount Contributed for the Support of the Poor—Sums Paid by the Cities, Boroughs and Townships and for What.

During the year 1898 the sum of \$1,226,014.83 was collected in taxes by the cities, township and boroughs of Lackawanna county for the purpose of carrying on their affairs.

E. E. Robathan, of the county commissioners' clerical force, has just completed the annual report for the secretary of internal affairs, which contains some highly interesting figures. Some of them are:

Amount of taxes collected for the support of the poor—Archbald, \$2,621.67; Blakely, \$1,932.99; Benton, \$372.42; Clifton, \$275.74; Carbondale township, \$1,252.12; Carbondale city, \$6,358.84; Dickson City borough, \$25,536.87; Dunmore, \$6,252.56; Fell, \$3,338.56; Greenfield, \$458.29; Glenburn, \$136.14; Jermyn, \$2,944.31; Lackawanna township, \$4,489.58; Mayfield, \$910.25; Madison, \$210.25; Old Forge, \$3,592.22; Roaring Brook, \$129.56; Scott, \$716.48; South Abington, \$401.95; Spring Brook, \$212.12; Taylor, \$2,097.95; Waverly, \$172.74; Winton, \$1,822.23; West Abington, \$205.50; Scranton, \$79,695.66. Total, \$114,578.27.

FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

Amount of taxes collected for schools and school purposes—Archbald, \$11,579.31; Blakely, \$6,568.75; Benton, \$1,117.27; Clifton, \$275.74; Covington, \$1,489.43; Carbondale township, \$1,447.74; Carbondale city, \$20,666.20; Dickson City, \$7,192.70; Dunmore, \$28,797.75; Elmhurst, \$1,196.70; Elmhurst, \$2,945.42; Fell township, \$1,149.28; Greenfield, \$1,221.84; Gouldsboro, \$59.34; Glenburn, \$294.21; Jermyn, \$671.66; Jermyn, \$4,418.47; La Plume, \$63.97; Lehigh, \$253.45; Lackawanna, \$19,754.17; Mayfield, \$4,187.12; Madison, \$1,205.31; Newton, \$1,191.72; North Abington, \$652.38; Old Forge, \$9,239.76; Oliphant, \$10,958.04; Ransom, \$939.25; Roaring Brook, \$517.44; Scott, \$2,388.25; South Abington, \$3,812.85; Spring Brook, \$848.33; Taylor, \$7,581.26; Throop, \$4,185.95; Waverly, \$1,911.14; Winton, \$8,392.22; West Abington, \$305.27; Scranton, \$294,556.13. Total, \$469,549.04.

Amounts of taxes collected on personal property—Archbald, \$609.98; Blakely, \$349.81; Benton, \$359.69; Clifton, \$85.17; Covington, \$232.72; Carbondale township, \$214.58; Carbondale city, \$3,731.34; Dickson City, \$992.44; Dunmore, \$1,993.18; Elmhurst, \$240.21; Elmhurst, \$348.34; Fell, \$643.68; Greenfield, \$342.26; Gouldsboro, \$11.14; Glenburn, \$161.11; Jermyn, \$194.57; Jermyn, \$406.91; La Plume, \$81.77; Lehigh, \$40.08; Lackawanna, \$1,145.56; Mayfield, \$250.59; Madison, \$457.90; Newton, \$483.31; North Abington, \$172.55; Old Forge, \$329.21; Oliphant, \$698.45; Ransom, \$307.03; Roaring Brook, \$242.94; Scott, \$812.88; South Abington, \$478.37; Spring Brook, \$219.68; Taylor, \$548.60; Throop, \$132.72; Waverly, \$196.52; Winton, \$242.06; West Abington, \$109.65; Scranton, \$28,491.53. Total, \$44,184.27.

OCCUPATION TAX.

Amount of taxes collected on occupation—Archbald, \$4,085.50; Blakely, \$2,555.77; Benton, \$155.21; Clifton, \$91.57; Covington, \$235.80; Carbondale township, \$909.45; Carbondale city, \$7,777.63; Dickson City, \$1,438.50; Dunmore, \$7,302.29; Dalton, \$277.50; Elmhurst, \$242.55; Fell, \$2,101.27; Greenfield, \$95.20; Gouldsboro, \$18.40; Glenburn, \$67.20; Jermyn, \$109.80; Jermyn, \$1,221.15; La Plume, \$29.75; Lehigh, \$41.17; Lackawanna, \$1,469.46; Mayfield, \$1,867.50; Madison, \$144; Newton, \$157.20; North Abington, \$131.71; Old Forge, \$2,198.67; Oliphant, \$4,625.62; Ransom, \$152.95; Roaring Brook, \$77.40; Scott, \$195.90; South Abington, \$660.67; Spring Brook, \$128.53; Taylor, \$2,199.80; Throop, \$11,284.95; Waverly, \$212.50; Winton, \$232.37.

Some women at the critical period of approaching motherhood fortunately receive every care and attention which abundant means can bestow, but the vast majority of them are obliged to take care of themselves and do their own work in the bargain; and what woman with family duties dependent upon her can be expected to patiently endure the long-drawn-out weariness of waiting and hoping in sickness and wretchedness for a recovery that seems to come on leaden wings?



My wife has been a great sufferer from trouble incident to approaching motherhood," says Rev. E. E. Nelson, of Lewis, Dinwiddie Co., Va. "She suffered with such distressing sick stomach that she could not take food; what little was forced down could not be retained. Her breath was very offensive and indicated a bad state of the stomach. The digestive organs refused to work. The trouble became so severe and obstinate that I was really alarmed. She began taking Dr. E. F. Felt's Favorite Prescription, 'Golden Medical Discovery' and 'Pell's' and about the same time I wrote to Dr. Felt for particular advice. He promptly and very courteously replied, saying that he felt sure a persistent use of these remedies would prove efficient.

"By the time the letter was received she was improving. She had before all of one bottle each of the Favorite Prescription and Golden Medical Discovery had been taken she was up, able to eat, retain and take food; and she continued to improve until entirely well without taking more than the two bottles mentioned, and some of the 'Pell's'."

Accept no substitutes for these world-famed medicines, that may be urged upon you, not for your good, but that the dealer may make a little extra profit. These remedies contain no trace of alcohol, nor opium, nor any of the dangerous drugs which enter so largely into many advertised "compounds," recommended for the cure of invalid women. They will not create craving for stimulants.

West Abington, \$24.60; Scranton, \$7,254.88. Total, \$107,381.46.

Amount of taxes collected on the licenses of all kinds, including wholesale and retail liquor licenses—Archbald, \$5,189.59; Blakely, \$984; Benton, \$143; Clifton, \$190; Covington, \$7; Carbondale township, \$935; Carbondale city, \$14,532.09; Dickson City, \$7,438.59; Dunmore, \$10,717.50; Dalton, \$249; Elmhurst, \$621; Fell, \$2,297; Greenfield, \$100; Gouldsboro, \$7; Glenburn, \$200; Jermyn, \$221; Jermyn, \$2,392.32; Lackawanna, \$1,702; Mayfield, \$1,594; Madison, \$166; Newton, \$14; Old Forge, \$4,843; Oliphant, \$3,591.59; Ransom, \$107; Roaring Brook, \$100; Scott, \$107; South Abington, \$590; Spring Brook, \$14; Taylor, \$5,392; Throop, \$2,279.50; Waverly, \$221; Winton, \$4,146; Scranton, \$111,367. Total, \$191,166.91.

STREETS AND BRIDGES.

Amount of taxes collected for the construction and repair of streets, roads and bridges, \$2,042.23.

Total amount of taxes for all purposes, \$1,226,014.83.

Amount of taxes collected on the real estate of railroad corporations, \$107,841.93.

Amount of taxes collected on the real estate of corporations other than railroad, including limited partnership, \$150,646.92.

PITTSBON.

A matter of very much importance to many of our people here, and others, of erecting gates at the foot of the slope, similar to those to be seen at any canal lock, and after filling the slope with water open the gates and let the whole volume pass through the place where the fire exists. This has been done, and the result is so satisfactory that this procedure is still going on. The water, after passing the fire, flows into No. 14 shaft and when pumped out to the surface is still warm, showing that it has found the place it was intended it should. If the officials will be successful in this scheme a large expense will not only be saved, but the works will be only idle weeks, instead of months, as would be the case if the mines had been filled with water. Since last Sunday a large force of men have been laying pipes from the head of No. 4 shaft for the purpose of conveying the water pumped out of the latter to the slope, which is the location of the present trouble.

David Bryden is, and has been, confined to the home since Saturday last, a victim of the grip.

M. Baum will start upon his annual trip today across the continent to California.

The Jerry McAulliffe repertoire company is giving very creditable performances at Music hall this week and large audiences have been present each night. They will be here the balance of the week.

The glass manipulators and mixologists of this city are making extensive arrangements for their annual ball on the 23d, and an up-to-date committee will see to it that the affair will be one of the most elaborate that has taken place in this city.

A valuable horse, the property of one of the bus lines, dropped dead last night in the Eagle hotel barn.

AVOCA.

The Ladies' missionary meeting of the Langlife Presbyterian church, which was to have been held at the parsonage today, has been postponed until next Thursday.

The Y. M. C. will meet on Friday evening to install officers.

The new cash store opened by E. E. Snyder in the Brebny building presents an inviting appearance. Mr. Snyder is assisted in the business by Joseph Smith, formerly in the employ of the Florence company.

Mrs. Horace Ellis is spending a few weeks with Mrs. William Brown.

Mrs. J. H. Christian, who has been suffering for several months from a complication of diseases, has taken a relapse and is in a critical condition.

Mrs. Isabella Law, mother of William Law, of the North End, is critically ill.

Powder Curl is spending this week with his parents at Hackettstown.

A week of mourning is being observed in the Langlife Presbyterian church. A visiting pastor occupies the pulpit each evening.

Glenwood lodge, Knights of Pythias, has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: C. Thomas Lieowitz, V. C.; Thomas Hevardine, prelate; L. V. Breymer; master-at-arms, William McMurtrie; J. G. William Wier, O. G.; J. S. Campbell; M. W. J. P. Morgan, trustee; Nelson Ross, O. D. Lavin, formerly postmaster at Moosic and superintendent at the powder works, died at the home of his son, Ollie, at Ashley, on Tuesday morning. Deceased was 75 years of age, and commanded the respect of all the Moosic citizens. The remains will be taken to Mercy cemetery on the 12:35 Central railroad train. Services will be held at the Moosic chapel.

These are suffering from grip: Mr. and Mrs. E. Frue, Gavin and Mary Atkman, Mrs. R. S. Campbell, Mrs. J. Webster, James O'Malley and Nellie Clark.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF HEALTH OFFICIALS

READY FOR LAST NIGHT'S ANNUAL MEETING OF BOARD.

But a Quorum Failed to Develop and No Meeting Was Held—Report of Food Inspector Cullen Is of Peculiar Interest in Its Treatment of the Milk Question—He Says That Scranton Is Getting a Prime Supply—Reports of Other Officers of the Board.

The annual meeting of the board of health was to have been held last night, but a quorum failed to develop. The grip epidemic prevented the medical members from being present, and there were other good reasons to account for the absence of the other members of the board.

Food Inspector Cullen had an elaborate report to present. Some of its details reveal a more laborious work in his department than the general public comprehend. For instance it showed that during the year inspector Cullen seized and caused to be destroyed 19,465 pounds of fish, 37,800 clams, a ton of beef, nearly that much of pork, 4,400 oysters in the shell and 168 quarts of oysters, 112 bushels of onions, 295 baskets of muskmelons, 491 baskets of cucumbers, 735 watermelons and so on through a list which included nearly forty different kinds of produce, fruits and meats.

In view of the presence and cry made in some quarters about impure milk it is interesting to note that out of 2,893 tests made by Inspector Cullen only 22 samples below legal standard were found, and only 807 quarts were condemned.

Inspector Cullen participated in many tests with Professor H. Wells, of the high school, under the direction of Hon. Thomas E. Edge, secretary of the state board of agriculture. The report of these tests contains the following:

REPORT OF TESTS.

The instructions laid down by the department were to "take five series of samples, as follows:

- First—Samples as delivered in city.
- Second—Samples as delivered by wagon.
- Third—Samples as acid in stores and milk depots.
- Fourth—Samples as sold in restaurants.
- Fifth—Samples as delivered to private families.

An accompanying table shows that many of each of the five kinds of tests were satisfactory. The report then continues:

	Total Solids.	Fat.
Williamsport	12.19	4.32
Scranton	12.28	3.94
York	12.47	3.55
Roseland	12.24	3.16
Philadelphia	12.61	3.08
Pittsburg	12.59	2.75
Harrisburg	12.41	3.64
Lancaster	12.16	3.59
Altoona	11.49	3.39
Pittsburg	11.84	3.04
Allentown	11.31	2.77

Mr. Cullen states that the quality of milk sold in Scranton is second to none sold in any large city in the state, Williamsport excepted. He reports 16,909 quarts as the average quantity of milk consumed daily. The total number of registered dealers since April 1, 1898, was 126, of which 19 have retired.

Secretary Murray's report contains some interesting mortality information. The figures that follow apply respectively to 1897 and 1898: Natural deaths, 1,552 and 1,497; deaths from violence, 131 and 98; totals, 1,683 and 1,595; marriages, 481 and 504; births, 1,465 and 1,329, all showing that the year of 1897 was more prolific than last year in deaths, marriage and births.

The greatest mortality last year was in August and September with 165 and 167 deaths, respectively, and the least mortality in November and May with 96 and 116 deaths, respectively.

The total figures for the year will be slightly changed by the December mortality report, not now complete, on account of tardy returns.

PLUMBING INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

The report of M. F. O'Malley, plumbing inspector, is the first annual one for the office or the official, but it covered only seven months, the period that the office has existed. It showed that 169 water and 96 smoke tests had been made; 22 old buildings and 20 new buildings inspected; 95 permits made to new buildings, and 52 approvals made of sets of plans.

The report of D. O. Thomas, superintendent of the crematory, indicated that 17,210 barrels of garbage and 99 animals had been burned during the year, and that 165 tons of coal had been consumed. The crematory was not operated during a period of three months on account of repairs. The busiest crematory months were October and December, in which 2,632 and 2,527 barrels of garbage, respectively, were destroyed. April, with 1,595 barrels, was the lightest month.

During the year 582 complaints, sanitary and written, were referred to Sanitary Policeman Burke, who saw that 665 of the nuisances were abated. On account of topographical and other obvious reasons the disposition of the other complaints do not appear.

No date was fixed for a meeting of the board.

Sale of a Railroad Confirmed.

Baltimore, Jan. 4.—The report concerning the proposed purchase of the Seaboard and Roanoke Railroad company, parent corporation of the Seaboard Air line system, was officially confirmed today. The syndicate which has bid for the property is composed of Baltimore, Richmond and New York capitalists.

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