

LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

The cars are coming. Prothy A. Walsh, spent Sunday at Dushore.

E. V. Ingham of the 'Mere, was in town Monday.

St. Valentine's Day, was not observed in LaPorte, as of yore.

We added twenty-two new subscribers to our list, last week.

Henry Horn of LaPorte, anticipates moving to Austin, Pa., in the near future.

Mr. W. H. VanBuskirk of the 'Mere, was transacting business in town, Monday.

Wall, the wife murderer of Wyoming county, will hang, on Tuesday, March 8th, 1892.

Hon. Robert R. Little of Tunkhannock aged 72 years, died at his home, on Sunday Feb. 7th.

Mrs. Russel Karns and Mrs. R. M. Stormont, of LaPorte, were shopping in Hughesville, Tuesday.

Our town only has one or two gentlemen, and they are kept by the hard labor of their wives. It is a shame.

Henry Tripp, proprietor of the Shunk hotel, is adapted to the business and makes a first class landlord.

Quite a large number of young people of LaPorte, attended the concert entertainment held at Dushore, on Friday evening last.

A number of young people of Muncy Valley enjoyed a dance at Hotel Magargle at Sonestown, on Monday evening, Feb. 8th.

The county commissioners will complete the triennial appeal this week, when we shall have more time to devote to the columns of our paper.

Chief engineer, W. C. Mason of LaPorte, was engaged in locating the line of the narrow gauge railroad from Sonestown to the 'Mere, last week.

Emerson Collins of Williamsport, has been appointed receiver of the defunct Muncy bank. He will be required to give bonds to the amount of \$35,000.

The Lake Mookoma Land Company are engaged in clearing off the brush in the head waters of the lake. They have a force of ten or twelve men thus engaged, and hope to complete the job by Saturday night.

Court convenes on Monday next, Feb. 22. Owing to the date being Washington's birthday and a legal holiday a number of our people are curious to know if an indictment found on said date would not be illegal.

The democrats of Columbia county have no love for one another. Especially the Krickbaum and the Herring factions. On the eve of their convention a fight between these parties is warranted. They are at it now. Let the good work go on.

Mr. S. Mead of LaPorte twp., slipped and fell on the ice near his residence, striking his head with such force as to render him unconscious for nearly two hours, on Tuesday. Drs. Hill and Herrmann are in attendance and at this date reports him as comfortable as could be expected.

The grip is materially abating in Europe, and some western portions of the United States are the only sections where it is working vigorously. According to all precedents it is time now for the plague to take its departure from the face of the earth. Its longest run since the beginning of the historic era has been three years, and it is three years now since the scourge began.

Thos. J. Flynn, who has served in the capacity of foreman of the LaPorte Tannery for the past year, removed from this place to Curtis, N. Y., on Monday, where he has accepted a similar position. The change is brought about by an increase of salary offered Mr. Flynn at the latter place. Mr. and Mrs. Flynn and family have hosts of friends here who regret their departure and can only wish them success in their new home. It is rumored that William Kennedy, now foreman of a tannery in Beddington, Maine, will take charge of the LaPorte tannery in the near future.

Owing to space we are unable to publish the election returns this week, they will appear in our next issue.

The young people of Shunk, will enjoy a dance at Hotel Tripp, this (Friday) evening. A good time is anticipated.

Frank Hannon, proprietor of the Forksville House, will, we understand, quit the hotel business on or about the 1st of April. Frank, assisted by his son Dick run a first class house. Jake Snyder and F. Schanbacher, both of Forksville, are anxious to sign a lease for the building.

A silver-tongued swindler is abroad in the land, offering to sell trusting people twenty-five-pound cans of coffee for a ridiculously small price. When the purchaser gets his can, he finds instead of coffee that he has some split and browned beans with a little coffee essence poured over them. Buy of home dealers if you want to be on the safe side.

The number of suicide cases in the United States during the year 1891 was 3,331. There were more physicians among them than representatives of any other class or profession. The scenes that many of them pass through, the hard work they endure and the suffering that calls upon their sympathies would seem to have a very depressing effect upon a most worthy class of men.

The result of LaPorte horo. election: For Burgess, F. W. Gallagher; town council, F. M. Crossley and A. Walsh; inspectors, F. H. Ingham and J. P. Hill; judge of election, Walter Spencer; school directors, R. Karns, E. M. Dunham and J. L. Smyth; assessor, J. H. Spencer; treasurer, James McFarlane; overseers of poor, Chas. Wrede and Thos. Beahan; auditors, M. F. Albert and J. H. Spencer.

The Wyalusing Rocket predicts that business in said place will be noticeably improved for the present year, owing to two hotels receiving license at the recent term of Bradford court. Heretofore the town has been prohibitionist. In some sections of Sullivan county a license hotel is predicted by some of the citizens to be an injury to the business of the town in which it is located. There is a wide difference of opinion on this subject.

William White of Elkland, while engaged in stocking logs in King Creek in Elkland twp., met with a fatal accident, on Friday last. While thus engaged he was run over by a log and his head crushed. He died while being transported from the place of the accident to his home. Deceased is spoken of as a model young man; He leaves a wife and two small children to mourn his untimely death, who have the sympathy of all in their sad bereavement.

The board, consisting of Secretary of State Harry, Secretary of Internal Affairs Stewart and Auditor General McCamant, has sent an official notification to each of the county commissioners, describing in detail the style of booth that has been decided upon by the board. Accompanying the circular is a blue diagram explaining in detail just what has been done in the matter, and giving the dimensions of the booths, rails and ballot boxes, and to which the commissioners are expected to conform.

WANTED:—Weavers and winders Girls can make from \$4. to \$7. per week. Work light and steady. Bloomsburg Carpet Works.

- JAMES MAGEE, 2nd, TREAS.
- Final List For Feb. Term 1892.
- (RETURN DAY FEB. 22, 1892.)
- 1 Jacob L. Snyder vs Benjamin Lewis, No. 84 May term 1889, trespass.
  - 2 Mary J. Panton vs the Lyon Lumber Co., 145 Sept. term 1890, trespass.
  - 3 Sevilla Hartzig vs the Lehigh Valley R. R. Co., No. 95 Feb. term 1891, trespass.
  - 4 L. S. Burch & Co. vs Mrs. B. Billian, No. 1 May term 1891, defendant's appeal.
  - 5 Weiss Heins vs John Campbell, No. 40 May term 1891, assumption.
  - 6 O E Lawrence vs Julia Gordon, No. 56 May term 1891, assumption.
  - 7 Josiah Hembury vs Jas. McFarlane & Co., No. 81 May term 1891, assumption.
  - 8 Davis Brothers vs David Brown No. 86 May term 1891, assumption.
  - 9 H K Williams vs Horace Diamond and James Flanagan, No. 156 May term 1891, defendant's appeal.
  - 10 Frank Dipping vs Owen Devannoy, No. 169 May term 1891, defendant's appeal.
  - 11 Harry McCarroll vs Sherwood B. Davago and E. M. Dunham, No. 55 Sept. term 1891, ejectment.
  - 12 Thomas Hanley vs M E Herriman No. 85 Sept. term 1891, trespass.
- A. WALSH, Proth'y.
- Proth'y's office, LaPorte, Pa., Jan. 9, 1892.

THE COUNTY STATEMENT.

We give below the expenditures of Sullivan county for the years 1890 and 1891 as was given by the Review last week; also Mr. Newell's quotations in reference to the two statements. He has made many errors in his remarks which must be excused by the public on the ground of ignorance. We are willing to accept the statement of expenditures as correct without taking the trouble of investigating.

Here is the statement of expenditures:

	1890	1891
Jury Commissioners	\$ 67 82	\$ 80 78
Court Reporter	498 00	382 00
County Auditors	69 95	87 72
Printing and Advertising	273 54	398 00
Fuel and Lights	127 60	132 25
Prothonotary & Clerk of Court	110 65	193 15
Elections	769 56	881 40
Assessing and Registering	757 14	783 39
Commonwealth Costs	864 15	400 69
Constables	143 32	143 04
Stationery	312 46	203 05
Sheriff's Costs	133 17	130 56
Commissioners Clerk	300 00	500 00
Postage	19 25	24 82
Interest	445 79	538 95
Sundries	174 46	150 15
Court Crier	75 00	69 00
Auditing Prothonotary's Account	15 00	15 00
Janitor	80 23	111 00
Boarding Prisoners	238 75	155 55
Bounty	137 25	166 00
Travel Jurors	1542 50	1707 06
Grand Jurors	785 99	603 00
Commissioners State Convention	40 00	125 00
County Bridges	888 33	628 43
State Assessment	73 30	
Penitentiary Bill	285 48	108 08
Asylum Bill	91 25	91 25
Burial of Indigent Soldiers	17 00	70 00
Extra Clerk Work	25 00	
Refunding Account	96 76	3 75
Commissioners Counsel	25 00	15 00
Inquests	114 08	
Indexing Old Transcript Book	75 00	
Agricultural Society	100 00	
Jail Expenses	58 19	
Insurance		45 00
County Institute		133 66
Jail Physician		11 00
Road Damages		47 00
Express and Freight		16 72
Court House Repairs		88 57
Jamison City Voting District		40 35
County Commissioners:		
Meyers	\$175.50	
Hugo	180.75	547 00
Campbell	190.75	
McBride	\$385.70	
Scanlon	213.25	861 45
Cheney	262.50	
Total	\$10,845.73	10,457.07
Liabilities 1890	1890	1891
Resources	\$10,809.96	10,971.81
	9,033.98	10,229.95
Liabilities in excess of resources	\$1,775.98	1,942.88

And here are his remarks:

1. There are included in the resources at least \$1,800 of judgments not worth the paper they are written on.
2. There are in the hands of former treasurers and collectors amounts aggregating over \$15,000.
3. It will be observed that the new Board of Commissioners have found it considerably more expensive to advertise in two papers, than the old Board did in three. Previous to the advent of the present Board all the people of the county were allowed to examine its financial affairs, now that pleasure is denied that portion to a political paper, and the denial costs the taxpayers 45 per cent. more money.
4. In 1890 it was necessary to expend \$25 for extra clerk hire, and in 1891 this was made the excuse for a \$200 increase in the salary of the clerk.
5. In 1890 the three commissioners attended the Commissioners' State Convention at an expense to the taxpayers of \$40, and by rare economy the present board scimped along on \$125.
6. The \$314.45 increase in the amount paid Commissioners for services is probably accounted for by an increase in the per diem allowance.
7. In 1890 there was \$114.00 paid for Coroner's inquests—an expense the present board has not been called upon to meet. In 1890 the necessary expenses for bridges were \$288.88, while this item in 1891 called for \$260.40 less money. In the item of "Boarding Prisoners" there was a saving of \$83.20 this year. In the matter of "Commonwealth costs" the Commissioners were called upon to pay \$463.46 less money in 1891 than in 1890.

Taking everything into consideration the total expenses for 1891, instead of being \$11.34 in excess of those of 1890, should have been at least \$600 lower. We do not desire to unjustly criticize anyone. The present Board of Commissioners are all inexperienced in the conduct of public affairs, and have probably profited by this year's experience, and will undoubtedly be able to retrench and hold county expenses down to a proper level during 1892.

In answer to the first—we will say, and the tax payers will most assuredly join with us—that the county commissioners are not to blame for worthless notes held by the county against convicts for cost &c., who have been released from jail for the past year.

We admit that a majority of this paper is worthless, while some are good. Only recently the county was awarded a part payment on one of these instruments, hence, a convict's note condemned by Newell might prove equally as good as one with the signature of the Review man's name on. Our five thousand readers will bear with us in this statement.

No. 2. The county com. are using all honorable means to collect moneys due from Ex-Co. Treas. Lorah and collectors. The case of Sullivan Co. vs Lorah was heard in court last term, but up to date Judge Sittser has not filed his decision in the case. What more can the com. do in this matter? In reference to the collectors—our attorney has brought suit against

several of the parties, but owing to some technicality of the law (and there are many) the cases can not be heard at this term of court, but will come among the first on the trial list at May session. The boy editor, who has recently become dad, couldn't do any more than this.

No. 3. In reference to the additional cost of \$125. for county advertising for 1891—we have but to state that the amendment to the constitution, which was attached to the election proclamation was the cause of this extra cost to the county. The amendment was published in all three county papers at a total cost of \$150.00. We admit that the \$50.00 paid the Review, was foolishly spent, however, the sheriff has the disposing of this legal advertisement; hence, the commissioners are blameless for this additional expense.

No. 4. The increase of the clerk's salary was demanded by the public. Heretofore the office was closed a good part of the time and people coming from a distance to do business in this department, were deprived of an entrance. The salary was only raised about \$50.00 instead of \$200. as Mr. Newell quotes it. During previous years the clerk did extra work and the bill was reconed in under the head of State assessments, hence, \$50.00 is all the people are taxed to insure the office opened at all business hours. Who of our tax payers would not be willing to pay this trifling sum to assure them of this convenience?

No. 5. The extra cost of attending the Com. State Con. was due to the fact that in '90 the convention was held in Williamsport a distance of only 40 miles and in '91 in Lancaster, more than five times the distance to Williamsport, hence, the cost of railroad fare would be in proportion—five times as much as that of '90. Sullivan county in 1890 was only represented by three individuals—two commissioners—Meyers and Campbell and their clerk. The county solicitor was engaged at the time and could not attend. In 1891 the convention was represented by the three com. solicitor and clerk, hence, the long distance and five individuals instead of three is sufficient to convince any unprejudiced person that Mr. Newell's complaint in this matter is unjust.

No. 6. The salary of the commissioners is conceded by all tax payers to be very small, hence, coming upon that portion of Newell's savings would be a waste of time.

No. 7. Our readers will perceive by a glance at the table that the present Board of com. were called upon to pay—insurance of \$45.00; county institute, \$133.66; jail physician, \$11.00; road damages, \$47.00; express and freight, \$16.72; court house repairs, \$88.57 and Jamison City Voting District \$42.35. Making a total of \$382.30, which the Board of '90 were exempt from. The cost of traverse jurors of 1891 was also \$164.56 more than 1890, and other accounts to numerous to mention, as the reader will perceive by glancing over the table.

Taking everything into consideration the present Board of com. have been economical in every instance, which we have proven above and no doubt will be accepted by the public. Newell did not receive a portion of the county advertising, hence, he is offended and attacks the com. without reason. So far as we are concerned personally we care nothing about his remarks and would not have taken the time to prepare this contradiction had it not been for our associates.

We gave Newell credit of being honest in giving the statement of expenditures correctly as you will perceive by the above, but on comparing his figures with the annual statement last evening, we have condemned him a dishonest contemptible scab of the lowest type. He has omitted from his statement of 1891 one of the largest items in the list—"Office and Vault Furniture" for the Prothonotary's office, which cost the county \$291.25.

The commissioners, when this bill was presented them refused to pay it, inasmuch as they did not order the goods, but after considering it more seriously concluded to make the payment as the articles were charged to the Prothy, and would be of no use to him at the expiration of his term. Whether Newell was given a dollar or two not to make any mention of this matter our readers can judge for themselves.

With this item of \$291.25 omitted from his list he (Newell) sums up the total of his arranged statement the same as it appears in the Annual Statement. Here is where he shows his dishonesty. Compare the two statements for your own satisfaction, they are both published in the Republican.

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