

County Seat Local and Personal Events Tersely Told.

Every farmer should take advantage of our bargain clubbing offer.

L. R. Bussler spent part of last week in Hughesville.

Miss Olive Keeler visited friends in Nordmont Sunday.

Jake and John Friese are spending a few days in Dushore.

Services at the Episcopal church will be held every Sabbath at 3:30 p. m.

Edward Schrader of Hills Grove, was a business man in Laporte on Saturday.

Mrs. Mabel Ritter has returned to her home here after spending some time in Eaglesmere.

The Farm Journal 2 years, the News Item 2 years and one copy of "Horse Secrets" for only \$1.25.

L. R. Bussler was summoned to Hughesville Wednesday an account of the serious illness of his father.

The editor of the News Item was called to New Albany Thursday on account of the death of his grandfather, H. R. VanLoon.

Are you a farmer? Do you own or deal in horses? Then you cannot afford to be without "Horse Secrets." 'Tis the best book in its line ever printed.

Circumstances necessitated our going to press earlier than usual this week and as a consequence several items of news were received too late for publication.

In sunny Springtime soft shiny snow swiftly succumbs to savage Sol's scorching stabs so sloppy, slippery, slushy streets sometimes saturate several souls' sandal soles. Yeth it doth.

As one person expressed it as she passed us the greenback for the News Item: "It's a very poor Republican or Democrat either, who cannot take the home paper." Them's our sentiments exactly.

According to the ground-hog's schedule, Spring is not due for nearly two weeks yet. However, we are perfectly willing to pardon his hogship if he did catch us with no summer suspenders on hand. But should the old saying: "If March comes in like a lamb it will go out like a lion" prove true, we will yet have an opportunity to pop our corns by the fireside.

The next "Mite" social will be held at the home of Mrs. Frank Ingham on Friday evening, March 4, for the benefit of the Village Improvement Society. Refreshments will be served and a collection taken. Some new games will be given. As it is one of the objects of the society to establish more social life in Laporte, it is hoped there will be a large attendance. All are cordially invited.

We have arranged with the publishers of the Farm Journal to give for a limited time, one copy of their new book, "Horse Secrets," 2 years subscription to Farm Journal and 1 year's subscription to the News Item, all three for \$1.25. This is an exceptional offer and we want every farmer and horseman to take advantage of it. Samples of the book and papers can be seen at this office. Renewals accepted on the same terms.

School's Will Debate.

The friends and patrons of the Laporte borough schools are cordially invited to attend a debate between pupils of the Laporte and Sonestown High Schools, on Friday evening, March 11, at 8:00 o'clock. The question for debate is: Resolved, That Country Life is Preferable to City Life. Besides the debate a pleasing program of music and recitations will be given by the pupils. A small admission of ten cents will be charged.

Saturday Night Talks

By Rev. F. E. DAVISON
Rutland, Vt.

THE KING OF THE PHYSICAL WORLD.

International Bible Lesson for Mar. 6, '10.—(Matt. 8:2-17).
The work of Christ at the beginning of His ministry is summarized in Matt. 4:23 under the three heads of teaching, preaching and healing. One branch of the work we have now seen in the lessons on the Sermon on the Mount, viz., teaching and preaching, and Matthew now goes on to set forth the other great branch of His work in two chapters of miracles, a group of marvelous works—the signs of the Kingdom.

Signs of the Kingdom.

The gradation is natural, Christ came into a world that needed something more than counsel, rules of life, good advice and direction. He found a world "where the whole head was sick and the whole heart faint." Men need not only the teacher's voice, but the Healer's touch, and it was because of this that He who spoke as never man spoke, proved Himself the King of the Physical world by His miracles of healing. The healing is as essential as the teaching. For Christ is not a mere ambassador from the court of heaven. He was the King of Heaven, and as such He must have divine credentials and prove that "in Him was life, and the life was the light of men." So the miracles were the signs of the Kingdom of Heaven,—not prodigies, spectacular wonders to startle and dazzle the beholders. They were never performed for vulgar show, but whenever the opportunity and occasion demanded were put forth naturally, easily, without strain or sensation, in a kindly fashion by the King Himself, testifying that he was by divine right King in the physical world. He never seeks out occasions to formally show his power. He steadfastly refuses to work miracles to awe a gaping crowd. He never poses, says, "Watch me do a startling, mysterious thing." He is always the natural King from Heaven with a heart of love and a hand of power. That heart never was emptied of its love, that hand never failed in its touch of power.

Chronic Diseases.

In this lesson we have the account of the healing of two men, and a woman. Of the men one was a leper, the other a paralytic. The leper was healed with a touch; the paralytic man was healed at a distance. One man begged for healing, the other man's master appeared in his behalf. One patient was defiled, the other was helpless. Both were healed instantly, both were healed on account of perfect faith. Leprosy and palsy were symbolic diseases; they represented sin wholly possessing its victim, the one, the case of those entirely defiled by sin, the other, the condition of those who are paralyzed in that part of their being which constitutes inward life, unable apparently to do anything for themselves in the way of salvation. They represent the extreme of the unconverted world, whether Jew or Gentile.

Acute Diseases.

Coming into Peter's house at the close of the day Christ found His disciple's mother-in-law prostrate with a fever, and immediately relieved the situation, by healing her on the spot. This third case of healing in one day was within the circle of the disciples. And it suggests the spiritual diseases to which those are liable who are the intimate friends of the King. Healed of chronic diseases of the past we yet are liable to contagion, exposed to attacks of acute diseases, which though temporary are dangerous, and which need the touch of the Great Physician. Epidemics sometimes sweep through churches and disciples are attacked by all kinds of fevers, when the faces get flushed, and the blood hot, the voice strident, and the eye glaring, and the tongue rattling on in delirious speech. Peter himself took a sudden fever several times in his career from which he was only recovered by the Master's prescription.

Representative Cases.

These three miracles in this lesson are selected to show that the King is lord of the body. They are representative cases, they are given in detail to lead us up to the statement which follows in the 16th verse: "When the even was come, they brought unto Him many that were possessed with devils, and he cast out the spirits with His word; and healed all that were sick: That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses."

And thus Christ demonstrated that He is King of the physical world. No possible harm can come to these bodies of ours that is beyond His ability. In Christ's day there were no hospitals in Palestine, the only hospital there was a travelling hospital, the Lord Jesus Christ Himself. And no one ever came to Him to be pronounced incurable, and no one was turned away convalescent. His works of healing were instantaneous, complete, permanent. And why not? If a man makes a machine, he ought to be able to repair it. If Christ is what He claims to be King of the Kingdom of God, it ought to be the easiest thing in the world for him to banish every evil thing from that realm, of thought or word or deed. For, of that kingdom which He set Himself to prepare, it was long ago announced, "And the inhabitants shall not say I am sick."

ANNUAL STATEMENT

OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES OF SULLIVAN CNTY.

Expenses of Sullivan County for the year 1909.	
Assessing and registering.....	\$1,596.26
Agricultural Society.....	100.00
Auditing Prothonotary's account.....	1.50
Births of soldiers.....	56.00
Books and stationery.....	20.80
County Institute.....	193.67
County courts.....	3.00
County bridges.....	2,577.29
County auditors.....	291.36
Court reporter.....	288.00
Court clerk.....	100.00
Constable's salaries.....	297.94
Commonwealth's costs.....	508.91
Commissioner's salary, Thos. E. Kennedy.....	400.00
Commissioner's salary and expenses, F. M. Crossley.....	539.75
Commissioner's salary and expenses, Valentine Rogers.....	537.25
Commissioner's salary and expenses, Wm. H. Rogers.....	537.75
District Attorney's salary.....	400.00
Dog tags.....	22.50
Elections.....	1,645.49
Fuel and light.....	500.96
Freight and express.....	48.73
Fire wardens.....	1,329.65
Grand jurors.....	628.08
Inquests.....	53.00
Interest.....	592.97
Interpreter.....	10.00
Insane asylums.....	260.61
Janitor's salary.....	249.97
Jury commissioners and clerk.....	63.38
Jail expenses.....	135.73
Penitentiary bills.....	398.30
Postage and telegrams.....	20.02
Printing and advertising.....	666.55
Public buildings and grounds.....	284.48
Prothonotary's account.....	321.03
Refunding account.....	806.33
Road views and township lines.....	172.31
Sheep claims.....	934.25
School Directors' Association.....	52.00
Solicitor's salary.....	500.00
Supplies.....	74.00
Traverse jurors.....	2,249.85
Temporary loan account.....	4,000.00
Telephone account.....	12.00
Local register for 1908.....	11.25
Mad dog damages.....	210.64
Memorial Day.....	45.00
County order drawn in 1908.....	5.80
\$25,639.48	

COUNTY ORDERS PAID IN 1909.	
By amt. County orders released in 1909.....	\$25,624.48
By amt. of State tax on interest orders and judgments.....	15.00
\$25,639.48	
Financial Condition of Sullivan County for the Year 1909, Officially Ending Jan. 3, 1910.	
LIABILITIES.	
To amt. of County orders out-standing.....	\$13,066.50
To amt. of County judgments.....	8,940.00
\$22,006.50	
RESOURCES.	
By amt. due from collectors for 1909 and previous year.....	\$3,759.97
By amt. due from Colley township post district for support of P. Morinistuar for 1907-8-9.....	342.00
By amt. due from Fox township poor district for support of Harvey McKay for 1908-9.....	182.50
By amt. due from State 2-3 lire	
\$4,284.47	
COUNTY ORDER ACCOUNT.	
To amt. of County orders outstand- ing at last audit.....	5.80
To amt. of County orders issued during 1909.....	25,633.68
To amt. of County orders re- leased in 1909.....	4,900.00
To amt. of interest bearing orders outstand- ing at last audit.....	8,106.50
\$38,705.98	
REDEMPTION FUND ACCOUNT.	
To amt. of redemption money due from county.....	518.83
To amt. received during 1909.....	63.96
To amt. of redemption money paid by county.....	603.60
\$1,186.39	

EDWARD L. SWEENEY, COUNTY TREASURER. In account with the several Townships for Taxes received on Seated and Unseated Lands for Road Funds during the year 1909.

Boroughs and Twp.	Received in 1909	Due from last au.	Total	Paid by		Due Twp.
				Co. Treas.	Com.	
Cherry Township.....	\$2022.34	86.57	\$2108.91	1130.00	33.90	\$1544.01
Colley Township.....	805.12	43.03	848.15	660.00	19.80	168.35
Davidson Township.....	791.23	33.04	824.27	800.00	24.00	3.27
Eagles Mere Boro.....	100.00	2.85	102.85	50.00	1.50	51.35
Elkland Township.....	81.61	15.56	97.17	50.00	1.50	45.67
Forks Township.....	1332.63	44.21	1376.87	1000.00	30.00	346.87
Fox Township.....	4.99	13.29	17.39			17.39
Hills Grove Township.....	222.54	49.68	272.22	222.22		50.00
Laporte Township.....	482.14	51.05	533.19	448.00	13.44	71.75
Laporte Borough.....	10.34		10.34			10.34
Sherwood Township.....	967.82	55.14	1022.96	800.00	20.70	192.26
Sherwood Borough.....						
\$8,323.37						

Boroughs and Twp.	Received in 1909	Due from last au.	Total	Paid by		Due Twp.
				Co. Treas.	Com.	
Cherry Township.....	\$233.16	118.59	\$351.75	950.00	28.50	\$273.25
Colley Township.....	2075.07	181.45	2256.52	2000.00	60.00	196.52
Davidson Township.....	1445.55	181.14	1626.69	1540.00	46.20	40.49
Elkland Township.....	98.20	4.31	102.51	50.00	1.50	50.00
Eagles Mere Boro.....		3.44	3.44			3.44
Forks Township.....	1202.98	181.79	1384.77	1281.79	38.45	64.53
Fox Township.....	4.99	32.60	37.59			37.59
Hills Grove Township.....	47.15	121.13	168.28	500.00	16.50	20.88
Laporte Township.....	310.80	63.66	374.46	300.00	.90	373.56
Laporte Borough.....	28.52	4.47	32.99			32.99
Sherwood Township.....	879.91	82.01	961.92			961.92
\$9,533.04						

Boroughs and Twp.	Received in 1909	Due from last au.	Total	Paid by		Due Twp.
				Co. Treas.	Com.	
Cherry Township.....	\$ 49.81	14.31	64.12	478.50	270.00	\$113.62
Colley Township.....	190.94	24.61	215.55	175.00	5.25	35.30
Davidson Township.....	404.14		404.14	624.38	60.00	6.78
Dushore Boro.....		.01	.01			.01
Eagles Mere Boro.....	35.91	1.74	37.65			36.65
Elkland Township.....	267.32	41.27	308.59	250.00	7.50	51.09
Forks Township.....	5.02	25.63	30.71			30.71
Fox Township.....	215.02	26.83	241.85			241.85
Hills Grove Township.....	1.71	.36	2.07			2.07
Laporte Township.....	241.67	22.35	264.02	140.00	4.20	119.82
Sherwood Township.....						
\$1,857.54						

EDWARD L. SWEENEY, COUNTY TREASURER. In account with the County of Sullivan for the year 1909, officially ending January 3, 1910.

To amt. received from collectors for previous years.....	\$2,005.46
To amt. received for 1909 county tax.....	\$9,549.21
To amt. received for 1909 state tax.....	1,001.14
To amt. received for 1909 dog tax.....	521.99
To amt. received for county from seated and unseated lands in 1909.....	5,937.81
To county's portion of liquor licenses.....	640.20
To amt. of borrowed money received from Brackman vs. Brown.....	9,854.17
To sheriff's and prothy's cost on Anna Rea tax.....	7.04
To amt. received from A. Heess, Wilber.....	\$4.00
To amt. received from A. P. Heess, jury fee in Brackman vs. Brown.....	8.00
To amt. received from A. F. Heess, district atty's fee, Com. vs. Baker et al.....	4.90
To amt. received from A. Heess, Brown, costs tax lein Silas Sweeney.....	8.35
To amt. of judgment Sullivan county vs. Daniel Suter.....	122.30
To amt. old county bridge at Semmons.....	61.00
To amt. received from A. Walsh for tax and costs Ekin vs. Suter.....	17.19
To amt. received from A. F. Heess, district atty's fee.....	8.00
Com. vs. John Deep.....	\$4.00
Com. vs. McMahon.....	4.00
To amt. received from W. P. Shoemaker for costs, Prothy, et al on 13 1-2 acres, J. T. Brady.....	12.98
\$69,233.00	

Statement Showing the Standing of the County Treasurer. By balance as per statement..... \$6,923.00

EDWARD L. SWEENEY, COUNTY TREASURER. In Account with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the Year 1909.		
To amt. of retail license, 1909.....	\$870.76	
To amt. of additional license, 1909.....	21.62	
To amt. of wholesale license, 1909.....	4.53	
To amt. due county treasurer.....	8.13	
\$905.04		
Wholesale Liquor Licenses.		
To amt. of Wholesale Liquor Li- censes.....	\$925.00	
\$925.00		
Brewers and Distillers Licenses.		
To amt. of distiller's license.....	\$100.00	
\$100.00		
Billiard Licenses.		
To amt. of billiard licenses.....	\$85.00	
\$85.00		
By state treasurer's receipts.....		\$875.46
By county treasurer's commission.....		43.76
By exonerations allowed.....		15.13
By cost of postage and advertising.....		\$8.67
\$905.04		

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