

### Financial Statement of Laporte Township.

Financial statement of Laporte Township Road Funds ending Dec. 5th, 1911.

To amt. of indebtedness, audit of Mch. 6th, 1911	\$1,800.86	
To temporary loan	900.00	
By amt. paid on temporary loan		\$700.00
To amt. due treasurer	44.98	
By amt. of indebtedness		\$2,045.84
	\$2,745.84	\$2,745.84

Minard Peterman, Overseer of Poor, in account with Laporte Township ending Dec. 5th, 1911:

To amt. on hand last audit	\$ 95.63	
To amt. received Geo. Karge, Coll.	114.10	
By bills paid:		
Shed Peterman (rent) C. Broschart	\$ 26.00	
E. Emig (state hospital)	68.50	
Auditing	2.00	
Bal. paid P. Peterman, successor	107.23	
3 days service	6.00	
	\$209.73	\$209.73

Harvey A. Hess, Overseer of Poor, in account with Laporte Township, ending Dec. 5, 1911:

To amt. received of E. L. Sweeney	\$ 36.00	
To amt. received of Geo. Karge	101.71	
To amt. received of Geo. Karge	287.49	
By bills paid:		
Geo. Hess (work) C. Broschart	\$ 4.25	
E. Speary (work) C. Broschart	6.00	
Nordmont Supply Co. (supplies) C. Broschart	132.63	
7 days service	14.00	
Bal. due overseers from last audit	22.25	
Bal. in overseers hands	246.07	
	\$425.20	\$425.20

Disbursements of Road Funds of Laporte Township ending Dec. 5, 1911:

To amt. of orders drawn	\$2,775.28	
By repairs and maintenance of road	\$952.03	
By repairs on bridges and culverts	145.00	
By machinery, tools, etc.	299.52	
By salaries of roadmasters	258.91	
By expenses of supervisors	96.00	
By stationery, etc.	12.55	
By prothonotary fees	8.00	
By auditing and statement	30.00	
By attorney fees	700.00	
By temporary loans paid	9.80	
By maintaining water trough	146.55	
By interest paid	87.00	
By damage case, Fred Hunter		24.72
By witnesses, Fred Hunter case		24.72
	\$2,775.28	\$2,775.28

Morgan Gavitt, Treasurer of Road Funds, in account with Laporte Township ending Dec. 5th, 1911:

To amt. received of M. Flynn, Treas.	\$ 96.79	
To amt. received of G. Karge, Coll.	16.00	
To amt. received of Laporte Bank	297.00	
To amt. received of L. R. Gavitt	200.00	
To amt. received of G. Karge, Coll.	1,023.79	
To amt. received of F. H. Ingham	100.00	
To amt. received of Laporte Bank	396.00	
To amt. received of E. L. Sweeney	100.00	
To amt. received of State appropriation	364.22	
To amt. received of G. Karge, Coll.	92.00	
To amt. received of E. L. Sweeney	100.00	
By orders redeemed	\$2,775.28	
By Treas. and Sec. commission	55.50	
To amt. due Treas. and Sec.	44.98	
	\$2,830.78	\$2,830.78

Geo. Karge, Collector of Road Funds, in account with Laporte Township ending Dec. 5th, 1911:

To amt. due township last audit	\$ 386.61	
To amt. of duplicates of road and special road tax	1,925.34	
By amt. paid, 5% off	\$1,023.79	
By rebate on same	53.87	
By commission on same	30.71	
By amt. paid 1910 tax	16.00	
By amt. paid even	992.00	
By commission on same	4.50	
By land returns	19.12	
By amt. due township	1,071.96	
	\$2,311.95	\$2,311.95

We, the undersigned Auditors of Laporte Township, having audited the above accounts find them correct to the best of our knowledge.

ERNEST H. BOTSFORD,  
E. C. PETERS,  
Auditors.

**They Liked the Story.**  
Conan Doyle related this anecdote to show how a good story can delight simple minded folk:  
In a remote village the blacksmith had got hold of an old copy of a successful novel. In the long evenings he used to read it aloud to the villagers, who fairly revelled in it and listened it out patiently to the end. At length, when the happy turn of fortune arrived which brings the hero and heroine together and sets them living long and happily, according to the most approved rules, the villagers were so delighted at the happy ending that they rushed off to procure the church keys and rang a merry peal, as they were wont to do when a member of their community was married.  
**Embezzled Over a Million.**  
Following an examination of the books of August Ropke, the defuncting assistant secretary of the Fidelity Trust company, of Louisville, Ky., a meeting of the company's stockholders

## TEACHER IS TREED BY A BLACK BEAR

Pennsylvania Schoolma'm in Lonely House Wigwagged a Passing Teamster.

Girl While Preparing for Opening of the Term Accidentally Locked Up With Brute, Which Had Been Foraging Among Dinner Pails.

Galeton, Pa.—A teamster driving along the lonely Kettle Creek road the other day had his attention attracted by the frantic waving of a pair of human arms that were thrust out from the attic window of a little schoolhouse which sets back from the road near Oleona, and in one of the most picturesque but isolated sections of all that rather wild part of Potter county. Stopping his horses so that the rattle of the harness chains was stilled, his ears were greeted by pitiful calls for help, in an unmistakably feminine voice, and then, looking sharply at the little opening at the gable end of the schoolhouse, he could distinguish the face of a woman back in the shadow of the building, for the window was not large enough to permit either her head and arms to protrude at the same time.

Holding a conversation from his position on the ground, the teamster was affrightedly informed that there was a bear on the first floor of the schoolhouse and the woman advised him to run for a gun before he attempted to open the door.

The woman was Miss Crissie Roper, the appointed teacher at the Oleona school, and in the forenoon she had gone to the schoolhouse alone to arrange some things preparatory to the opening of the term and to get acquainted with the place. She expected to find some carpenters at work making repairs upon the interior of the building was unlocked and ajar there were no workmen about, they having, as she subsequently learned, gone to another schoolhouse down the pike several miles to attend to some work, expecting to return to the Oleona school in the afternoon. The men had left their dinner pails there.



Teacher Takes to Attic.

When Miss Roper entered the room and found it deserted she decided that she would turn her attention to sweeping the floor, and swung the door shut in order to get the broom which she thought must be behind it. The door clanged shut and fast, for the spring lock had made her a prisoner without any key with which to unlock it. Realizing her predicament, the young woman set about to find a way by which she might release herself from her lonely prison. The only way she could accomplish this, as she saw, was to take a small ladder with which the workmen had reached the attic, and which still stood in that position, with its upper rung reaching the opening into the dark apartment, where extra books and other accouterments were kept, and which looked to the timid new teacher as though it was a very likely place for bats to roost, and if she could move it to one of the windows it would afford her an opportunity to get down to the ground.

Just then she heard a sound in a little room off from the main apartment, and at the next instant she was overwhelmed with fear at the sight of a full grown black bear that came shuffling out toward her. The animal had evidently been attracted into the schoolroom through the open door, and, finding the workmen's dinner buckets, had been indulging his appetite in cake and other toothsome delicacies. But the sight of the young woman and the piercing shriek she uttered as she beheld the animal and recognized that she was locked in the building with him rather startled Bruin, and he retired to the other apartment. In the meantime Miss Roper, seeing a way of escape up the ladder into the attic, climbed up there, bats or not bats, and once up on the rickety floor she drew the ladder up to her, so the bear would have no chance of getting her. She struggled with the little attic window until she got it open, and then began her vigil for help.

## REMARKABLE CASE OF AN EX-CONVICT

Is This Man George A. Kimmel, or Is He the Prince of Impostors?

Weird Story of Man Released From a New York Prison Who Claims to Be Former Respected Citizen of Michigan Town.

Niles, Mich.—The first picture shown herewith is that of George A. Kimmel, and was taken 13 years ago. The second is that of Andrew J. White, who claims to be Kimmel, and who came from Auburn Prison to prove his identity to Kimmel's family.

George Kimmel was reported to have died, and his mother and sister tried to collect \$25,000 insurance on his life. Then the man in the second picture turned up in the Auburn penitentiary and the insurance company is trying to substantiate his claim. The man has given some evidence of a knowledge of Kimmel's family and friends, but his supposed mother says he has also shown extraordinary ignorance of some thing which he should remember; and she does not recognize him as her son, though she will not say he is a fraud without further investigation.

Thirteen years ago George Alfred Kimmel disappeared from Arkansas City, where he had been employed in a bank, though several years before that he had left his home in Michigan and had never returned to visit his family. From the day of his disappearance and up to a brief time ago when an Auburn penitentiary convict about to be released announced that he was the



Kimmel and the Ex-Convict.

missing man his family and friends had no word of any kind from him, and the general opinion was that he was dead. Seven years after her son's disappearance Kimmel's mother instituted suit in the St. Louis courts for the insurance which she held on his life. A jury rendered a verdict in her favor and declared Kimmel to be legally dead and upon this verdict one company paid Mrs. Kimmel on a \$5,000 policy. Another company which carried a \$25,000 policy fought the claim and carried the matter to higher courts. Meanwhile this latter company directed a countrywide search for Kimmel and finally announced to the court that the man had been located in Auburn prison.

Friends from this city went east after Kimmel, when word was received that he had been found and they accompanied him from Auburn to Niles, having sent word immediately to his relatives that there wasn't a doubt in their minds as to his identity.

The ex-convict gives a rather hazy but not unconvincing account of his wanderings since he disappeared in 1898. He said: "I left Niles many years ago to go into business at Arkansas City in 1898, and while in St. Louis at that time I was 'slugged' by hold-up men, and for a long time my memory was quite bad. I must have wandered much while in this condition, and eventually brought up in New York. I have little to say about the trouble I got into which made it necessary for me to leave Arkansas City or the mixup in New York, which resulted in my being sent to prison, but I was not responsible at either time, and I do not think that I should be judged for that. I feel better now than I have for 13 years."

The man, who, by the way, was convicted and sent to prison under the name of White, claims that during his years of prison life his mind was so clouded that anything he had to say as to his real self was regarded as the mere wanderings of an irresponsible person, and that it was impossible for him to proclaim himself as Kimmel.

## BEAR'S IMPUDENCE MAKES HIM TERROR

Trap Gun Is Rigged Up to Put an End to His Career.

Infuriated and Badly Wounded, a 400-Pound Maine Bear Knocks Would-Be Captor Senseless and Almost Tears Him to Pieces.

New York—"The brazen impudence of the Maine bear," said a man from Maine the other day to a reporter here, "is what makes him a terror to the backwoods farmers of that state and was what led to the putting of a price on his head some years ago. It also led to the invention of various devices for destroying him.

"The favorite device was the trap gun. In nine cases out of ten when this gun went off it settled the bear. I have known instances, though, in which the trap gun fell a little short of doing its work thoroughly and led to unpleasant consequences for the farmer who set it. As I recall it now, a little the worst torn-up man I ever saw or heard of was a farmer named Harvey, who made a trifling miscalculation once on a Maine bear that had touched off a trap gun.

"The bear had busied himself for some time in playing havoc with Harvey's farm products, both of growing crops and live stock, and so Harvey lost patience with the marauder and rigged up a trap gun to put an end to his career. An experienced woodsman, one William Johnson, directed the arrangement of the trap gun, and



Bruin Fells the Farmer.

fortunately for Farmer Harvey accompanied that citizen when he started out to visit the gun the next morning.

"Ordinarily the Maine bear gets into trouble with the trap gun during his night's outing. In the case of the Harvey bear the bear had put off his visit to the baited trap gun until morning, and it was just as Harvey and Johnson were drawing near the spot where the gun was set that he took hold of the bait and fired the gun.

"Hearing the report the two men hastened forward and saw the bear, a very big one, writhing on the ground, bellowing like a bull. He was badly wounded, but not so badly that when he saw the men approaching he could get quickly to his feet and make a rush for them.

"Johnson was alert enough to get out of the way, but the bear caught the less experienced Farmer Harvey and felled him to the ground with a blow from one paw that knocked him senseless. Then the bear clawed and chewed and ripped Harvey to such an extent that when Johnson succeeded in at last killing Bruin with a club he took the farmer on his back and carried him home for dead.

"Harvey's face was torn out of all recognition. The flesh on his arms from his shoulders down was stripped off to the bone in many places and his chest was frightfully lacerated. He wasn't dead, though, as the doctor found when he got there and looked him over. When I came away from that region, where I had been hunting about that time, there was a question whether the farmer would recover from his wounds, and I never heard whether he did or not. But the bear weighed over 400 pounds."

**Shot by His Own Wolf Trap.**  
Wilber, Neb.—Arthur Krauter, a farmer near here, was shot by his own spring gun wolf trap. He was trying to drive a calf into his barn and accidentally stumbled over the trap, kicking the bait. Both barrels of the gun were discharged into his feet and legs. More than 80 shots were removed later.

**Ladies Swipe R. R. Towels.**  
San Francisco, Cal.—Twenty-one thousand dollars' worth of towels were "lost" by the Southern Pacific railroad last year and from that reason women who ride on its trains and boats will be compelled to furnish their own towels hereafter.

**The Canary's Claws.**  
If you have a canary or other cage bird look to its claws from time to time, for in a state of captivity the bird's nails grow so long that they need cutting. If this be neglected the bird is in danger of getting its nails caught in the cage and hanging there till it dies. Use a sharp pair of nail scissors and take care not to cut more than just the tips of the nails. If you hold the bird in a good light you will see a little red "thread" in each nail. This you must avoid, or you will draw blood and hurt your little pet.

**Broiled Caterpillar.**  
Fancy eating caterpillars for dinner! The very thought is enough to upset one, yet among the natives of Rhodesia caterpillars are greatly esteemed as an article of diet. Only the tough, hairy skins are used, these being placed in the ashes of a wood fire, where they shrink and blacken. This particular kind of caterpillar is found in considerable numbers throughout the country. Often an army of them may be seen crawling up a tree trunk, each caterpillar touching its predecessor.—Wide World Magazine.

**Mamma's Own Daughter.**  
His Daughter—Daddy, you were twenty-five when this was taken, weren't you? Why, you might have sat for it yesterday.  
Her Father—My yes; your mother's own daughter. Well, well, you'll find it on the table, I think.  
His Daughter—Find what, daddy, darling?  
Her Father—The check book, my own lamb.—New York Journal.

**His Profile.**  
Blank, a fat millionaire, was arranging to have his portrait painted. The length—three-quarters—was settled, and then the painter said:  
"And shall the view be profile or full face, Mr. Blank?"  
"Profile, by all means," was the reply. "The curve of the stomach gives a dignity to the figure."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

**The Sailors' Line.**  
"Pop, what is the line the sailors talk about?"  
"It is a certain degree which the ships cross in their voyages."  
"Oh! I always thought the line was where they hung the wash of the sea."—Baltimore American.

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**COURT PROCLAMATION.**  
WHEREAS, HON. CHAS. E. TERRY, President Judge, Honorables James P. Miller and Dennis Keefe, Assoc. Judges of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery, Quarter Sessions of the Peace, Orphans' Court and Common Pleas for the County of Sullivan, have issued their precept, bearing date the 29th day of Dec. 1911, to me directed, for holding the several courts in the Borough of Laporte, on Monday the 12th day of February 1912, at 2 o'clock p. m.; Therefore, notice is hereby given to the Justices of the Peace and Constables within the county, that they be then and there in their proper person at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, with their rolls, records, inquisitions, examinations and other remembrances to those things to which their offices appertain to be done. And to those who are bound by their recognizance to prosecute against prisoners who are or shall be in the jail of the said county of Sullivan, are hereby notified to be then and there to prosecute against them as will be just.  
J. G. COTT, Sheriff.  
Sheriff's Office, LaPorte, Pa., Jan. 6, 1912.

**Orphans Court Notice.**  
Notice is hereby given that the First and Final Account of Judson Brown, Trustee for the sale of Real Estate of James Lane, late of Cherry Township, Deceased, under proceedings in Partition in the Orphans Court of Sullivan County to No. 1 February term, 1911, has been filed in my office.  
And the same will be presented to the Orphans Court of Sullivan County, to be held at LaPorte, Pa., on the Twelfth day of February A. D. 1912, at 3 o'clock p. m., for confirmation and allowance, and the same shall then be confirmed N. Si.; and Confirmation Absolute will be entered thereon by the Clerk of the Orphans Court, unless Exceptions in writing are previously filed.  
ALBERT F. HEUSS,  
Clerk of the Orphans Court.  
Clerk's Office, Laporte, Pa., January 15, 1912.

**Card of Thanks.**  
Fred G. Heaton and Mary G. Heaton wish to extend their sincere thanks to friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted at the death of their father John W. Heaton.

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