

CRAFTY DETECTIVE WORK SUCCESSFUL

There is quite an interesting detective story being told in Sunbury and if all the details are true the stories of Sherlock Holmes and Nick Carter are equalled, if not surpassed.

From what has been learned several years ago an officer in the United States Army, at that time located in the Philippines, suddenly deserted while under arrest for stealing a large sum of money and also charged with a number of other crimes. Owing to the man's many bad deeds and in the manner in which he so easily escaped the United States Government was very anxious to apprehend him. Especially anxious was present Secretary of War Taft, who at the time was Governor General of the Philippines and who desired that the erring officer should be severely punished.

Mr. Taft gave special instructions that no effort should be spared in trying to capture him and the case was placed in charge of one of the best detectives in the Secret Service. The well known sleuth immediately took up the case and the chase after the fellow was soon a merry one. He was traced to this country but realizing that he was being closely pursued he managed to elude the detective on numerous occasions. He was located at different places, but always managed to get away before his arrest could be made. Finally after a search through the anthracite coal regions of this State it was learned that the fellow was some where in this section and when the detective picked up the clue he visited the towns in this neighborhood. When all trace of him was again lost, it was believed that he had been in Sunbury and was possibly still there. The detective soon went to Sunbury and decided to make a thorough search. Securing employment on a delivery wagon he kept a careful watch and believed that he was on the right track. He later secured on several other different positions in Sunbury and at last finally spotted the man who was working for the Pennsylvania Railway road Company. Dogging his every move he was convinced that he had the right party and Monday last week the arrest was made and the man was taken to Buffalo, New York. The detective kept very quiet while in Sunbury and it was not until he was sure of his man that he told anything concerning the case. Even then he was very reticent but before leaving Sunbury stated that the man committed so many crimes and of such a serious nature that if given the limit he could be sent to prison for ninety-four years. More of the details concerning the story will likely be learned later.

NESCOPECK OFFERED \$35,000

Paving of streets amounting to \$35,000 to be commenced in five years was offered Nescopeck Council Friday evening by the Columbia and Montour Electric Railway Company and A. C. Siskies in turn offered \$20,000 at once in gold for a franchise to enter that town or to duplicate the paving offer of the Columbia & Montour.

Nescopeck Council in order to make their harvest as suggested by trolley representatives asked the companies to put a bond of \$30,000 as a guarantee that they would comply with an ordinance drawn up with these conditions giving the assurance that Council will decide in favor of one or the other companies within twenty-four hours after the bonds have been filed.

Adjournment was taken until Friday, February 23, or should the companies be ready in the interim a special meeting will be called at once.

The session was the most stormy of any since the trolley fight has been in progress and at times the meeting was in an uproar. The citizens who crowded the hall voiced their sentiments in cheering or remarks of derision and President Kishbaugh repeatedly called the session to order. With this was also the fiery arguments of the trolley counsel, in which the lie was passed.

The turn in the situation was as amazing and startling as it was unexpected.

JURORS FOR FEBRUARY TERM

Following is a list of Jurors drawn for the February term of Court, 1906.

GRAND JURORS—William Kirtner, John Denner, Joseph Acor, Cooper township—Wilson Diebert, Danville, 1st Ward—John B. Mowrer, Frank G. Schoch, John C. Campbell, Joseph H. Johnson, Wesley Bolme, John Cooper, Danville, 4th Ward—Thomas Dempsey, Joseph Gibson, Charles C. Miller, Emanuel Mowrer—George W. Herr, Liberty township—George P. Roat, Charles F. Stahl, Limestone township—George O. Wagner, Mahoning township—John P. Weaver, Valley township—Horace Sidler, West Hemlock township—Hiram C. Sander, W. Park Moore.

TRAVELER JURORS.

Anthony township—William F. Dilline, Danville, 1st ward—William G. Kramer, Taring G. Brown, Joseph W. Kelly, John Garnett, Danville, 2nd Ward—Gilbert Voris, Charles M. Johnson, Blaine A. James, Patrick Kerns, Danville, 3rd Ward—Simon Ellenbogen, Charles Ware, Howard Moore, Alfred Delcamp, Thomas Lewis, Danville, 4th Ward—James Toohig, Paul Knoech, David Haney, Gerry township—Jonathan Moller, George D. Vagnitz, Charles Hovrbaugh, Daniel Billmeyer, Liberty township—C. C. Billmeyer, Limestone township—J. C. Benfield, Mahoning township—William W. Wright, Morris Leighow, John H. Hartline, James Hodges, Valley township—S. G. Faussey, Robert Blue, D. R. P. Childs, Raymond V. Pursel, Elmer Fenstermacher, Levi V. Beyer, West Hemlock township—A. D. Crossley, W. B. Billheim, Washington township—Henry S. Moser.

A VISIT TO SUNNYSIDE FARM

Among the attendants at the curb stone market there are none that are better known than W. T. Suter. Although an out-of-town resident he fills an important niche in Trinity M. E. church and takes an active part in the social life of our town. If any one should accompany Mr. Suter to his home at Sunnyside farm, Riverside Heights, he will find evidence of a whole lot of enterprise; he will be charmed with the order and arrangement of things and will see in the development that is proceeding along clearly defined lines definite possibilities for the future. Indeed taking into account the owner's grit and enterprise he will be apt to wonder how long it will be before Sunnyside and its companion farm, Rosemont, will blossom forth into one of the most beautiful private domains in the country.

On Saturday afternoon the writer accompanied Mr. Suter on a drive over his two farms. Sunnyside although out of sight from South Danville and Riverside lies only a short distance beyond and is very easy of access. A long lane or roadway branching off from the main highway a short distance beyond the Torrence homestead leads in a south-easterly direction up to the summit of a mound-like elevation clothed with timber, on the "sunnyside" of which reposes Mr. Suter's little farm of eighteen acres.

From the summit of the heights down to the buildings the road on the left is skirted by timber; on the right is an unbroken line of fruit trees, of all descriptions, many still young, but some old enough to yield fruit; on every side are evidences of thrift and which forethought—a foundation on which greater things may be built.

The cozy residence is the central feature. Near by is a large windmill accompanied by an immense tank. In the picturesque ravine below the buildings is a never-failing stream of water, which feeds a large ice pond and in which a hydraulic ram is installed to re-enforce the windmill in its work of keeping up the water supply.

One of the first things to attract the visitor is a large apiary; the next is a system of cold frames where under the warm sun of the protected hillside many thousand plants of lettuce, recently set out, are beginning to grow nicely.

Last year Mr. Suter's bees produced one and one-half tons of honey, which in the market netted him some four hundred dollars. This year his apiary is somewhat reduced, there being but forty hives and the product has fallen probably to nearly a ton, a quantity which will nevertheless net the owner some three hundred dollars.

A feature of Mr. Suter's gardening, which is a real novelty in this section, is the establishment of a rhubarb cellar, which is in a most flourishing condition. Here in a green house artificially heated, which instead of being protected by glass is wholly covered over by earth and in which it is as dark as the darkest night, many thousands of stalks of rhubarb are growing. The cellar conditions are such as to cause the rank fleshy leafstalks to grow with twice the rapidity attained when cultivated in season out of doors. The rhubarb bears the appearance of growing in the dark, but it lacks nothing in flavor and is a better product in many respects.

Mr. Suter's fine Holstein cattle are the real charm of Sunnyside. There are ten head of them in all, four being milk cows. A visit to Mr. Suter's dairy would be a profitable object lesson for many other dairymen, who might wish to learn how much could be done for the welfare of cattle and to keep the milk produced clean and pure. The cattle in Mr. Suter's stable are carried and they looked as sleek and well kept as the horses. What is more—and is an example that every dairyman might follow with advantage—before being milked each cow's udder is thoroughly washed with warm water. The rich milk, thoroughly clean, is taken to the cellar where a Cooley Creamery—a scientific and modern invention—aids in its preservation until it is brought over to town and dispensed at our curb stone market.

Among the fine Holstein cows at Sunnyside are two great granddaughters of DeKol II, whose record was thirty-three pound, six ounces of butter in seven days. The two granddaughters at Sunnyside are sustaining the family record very nicely, one having a record of eighteen quarts and the other twenty quarts of milk, daily.

Receipts and Expenditures of Montour County, Penn'a. For the Year Ending January 1st, A. D., 1906.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE TAX ACCOUNTS OF THE SEVERAL COLLECTORS FOR THE YEAR 1905.

DISTRICTS	COLLECTORS	COUNTY TAX				STATE TAX				1899 TAX			
		Tax assessed	Amount received	Amount returned	Balance due	Tax assessed	Amount received	Amount returned	Balance due	Tax assessed	Amount received	Amount returned	Balance due
Anthony Township	A. A. Love	115.50	29.44	35	189.64	91.11	4.56	2.69	83.96	72.61	1.60	2.90	66.35
Cooper	David C. Johnson	536.91	19.8	3.94	13.94	22.88	8.8	11.12	23.10	35	58	14.47	7.47
Danville Borough	Edw. W. Peters	838.62	27.05	18.81	148.52	156.96	11.15	24.12	139.93	122.50	2.39	9.1	44.74
Derry Township	Joseph C. Johnson	129.45	7.91	3.41	29.12	106.60	12.25	17.11	359.00	131	1.61	2.0	32.91
Liberty	William E. Beyer	14.50	13.71	10	40.14	36.87	1.82	87	28.05	83.40	6.8	1.2	44.00
Limestone	C. L. Levan	171.85	6.65	11.49	162.71	83.88	1.19	2.08	272.00	28.50	2.38	1.8	25.34
Mahoning	E. S. Strama	1023.15	4.82	0.19	730.00	313.58	4.42	2.95	106.00	31.40	3.5	1.7	15.87
Mahoning	Jeremiah Vaughn	307.5	12.12	19	58.35	16.50	83	17	17.00	90	1.66	1.5	15.14
Valley	P. P. Appelman	100.25	38.46	6.13	31.88	1029.40	14.78	2.67	1.25	39.40	1.90	2.11	1.57
Washington Borough	C. L. Cross	228.80	9.45	7.93	212.82	48.91	12.71	2.64	1.5	4.60	9.90	2.5	8.41
West Hemlock Township	T. M. Wierstern	340.25	9.48	19.45	271.86	48.91	3.22	66	38	12.78	22.80	4.8	16.7
Total tax received for 1905		1809.95	64.34	32.59	414.44	1995.9	21.86	103.56	31.68	1990.64	9.38	339.90	17.57
Taxes received for prior years		124.75											
Total taxes received during the year A. D. 1905		1934.70				1718.85				1990.64		339.90	17.57
Outstanding taxes in favor of county		1916.01				1916.01				1916.01		1916.01	17.56
Estimated excitements and commissions on same		116.01				116.01				116.01		116.01	22.86
Actual amount of outstanding taxes in favor of county		1800.00				1800.00				1800.00		1800.00	150.00

N. B.—Taxes remaining due and unpaid for prior years as follows: Edward W. Peters, Collector of Danville Borough for 1904, County Tax, \$2.47; Edward W. Peters, Collector of Danville Borough for 1904, Loc. Tax, \$1.54; David C. Johnson, Collector, Derry Township for 1904 for County Tax, \$8.51; David C. Johnson, Collector, Derry Township, for 1904 for Loc. Tax, \$18.25.

S. K. HOFFMAN, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH MONTOUR COUNTY.

DR. TO CASH RECEIVED FROM FOLLOWING SOURCES:	BY DISBURSEMENTS AS FOLLOWS: CR.
Balance on hand at last settlement	\$ 1024.32
County Tax received for 1905	10605.10
County Tax received for prior years	2143.75
State Tax received for 1905	2143.75
Dog Tax received for 1905	357.57
Dog tax received for prior years	119.79
County Tax received in 1905 on unseated land and collectors returns	34.69
Received from overpaid bills 1904	10.16
Commissioners of Northumberland County, balance for one-half expenditures on River Bridge and Ferry 1904	1009.02
Commissioners of Northumberland County, (on account for one-half expenditures on River Bridge and Ferry 1905	356.36
Reimbursement of State Tax for 1904 (paid)	300.00
Reimbursement of State Tax for 1905 in full	1507.01
Rent for Jail Stable	25.50
Joseph Longenberger	100.00
Clara Longenberger	500.00
Automobile Licenses	12.00
Sundry Persons, old stone	98.36
Commonwealth costs, fines and jury funds	31.25
Sale of Ferry Flat	20.50
Sale of Old Iron Post	7.00
Sale of Iron Bridge (Creek's Mouth)	50.00
Sale of old shed at River Bridge	41.75
Danville National Bank	4000.00
Hotel Licenses for 1905, County's portion	926.25
	23941.02

S. K. HOFFMAN, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH LICENSES RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR 1905.

To amount of Wholesale and Retail Mercantile Licenses	\$1206.89	By amount Paid Commonwealth	\$4471.24
To amount of Pool Licenses	70.00	By amount paid for advertising Mercantile List and Postage	131.04
To amount of Hotel Licenses	4550.00	By amount paid for advertising Mercantile List and Postage	443.36
To amount of Brewers and Distillers Licenses	1400.00	By amount Hotel Licenses applied to County Fund, County's portion	926.25
To amount of Wholesale Liquor Licenses	400.00	By amount Hotel Licenses paid to Danville Borough	3078.00
		By amount Hotel Licenses paid to Washingtonville Borough	228.00
		By amount Hotel Licenses paid to Liberty Township	57.00
		By amount Hotel Licenses paid to Valley Township	171.00
	9676.89		9676.89

CLASSIFIED ACCOUNT OF EXPENDITURES.

COURT EXPENSES AND COMMONWEALTH COSTS:		O. B. Sweitzer, contract, removing wing wall	387.22
Grand Jurors	\$486.08	Ellis H. Rank, contract, filling in at the Approaches	325.00
Traverse Jurors	482.80	D. J. Rogers, Paving, Concrete Wall &c	1441.85
Constables, making quarterly returns and tipstaves	139.40	Railing and Posts at Approach	58.55
George J. Vanderlicke, Court Stenographer	247.96	T. L. Evans' Sons, Pavement on Front Street	42.53
W. M. Heddens, Court Crier	32.50	Guard Fence, Labor, &c	17.88
John Ruppert, Janitor	180.00		
Ralph Kiser, District Attorney	158.50	N. B. Northumberland County liable for one-half expenditures on River Bridge	4610.43
Thomas G. Vincent, Clerk of the Courts and Prothonotary	12.00	FERRY EXPENSES:	
George Malers, Sheriff	59.00	Sundry persons, returning Ferry Flat	40.25
Justices	66.95	William A. Shepperson, removing Ferry Flat from River	50.00
Constables	84.44	Ellis H. Rank, putting Ferry Flat in River	11.50
W. H. Hildner, Foreman	141.72	R. E. Hildner, Foreman	443.36
Meals for Jurors	3.25	Hoover Bros, Material and Labor	17.79
	\$2400.15	Charles Gardner, privilege putting Cable over House	18.00
		Morning News, Advertising Sale of Ferry Flat	5.67
GEORGE MALERS, SHERIFF		Peter Hall, Blacksmith	4.45
Boarding Prisoners and Turnkey	324.55	J. H. Kasse & Co, Wire Rope, Supplies, &c	35.72
Drawing and Notifying Jurors	119.40	Sundry Persons, Labor, &c	24.30
Washing for Prisoners	18.55	Ellis Woodruff, Hauling	5.50
Reports to Board of Public Charities	20.00		
Telephone Rent for Eastern Penitentiary	71.42	N. B. Northumberland County liable for one-half expenditures on Ferry	324.18
Attending Court, 7 days	21.00	COURT HOUSE EXPENDITURES:	
Proclamation, General Election	2.75	Stationery and Blank Books	132.20
	2265.47	County Printing and Advertising	228.11
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, AUDITORS, &c.		Coal	314.43
Henry Cooper, Commissioner, 114 days at \$3.50	399.00	Gas	19.23
George M. Leighow, Commissioner, 132 days at \$3.50	462.00	Water Rent and Water Repairs	58.46
Charles W. Cook, Commissioner, 139 days at \$3.50	481.50	Expenses, Freight and Postage	24.53
Horace C. Blue, Commissioners' Clerk	60.00	Sundry Persons, Cleaning Court House	116.00
William Kase West, County Solicitor	75.00	Telephone Rent	25.80
County Auditors and Clerk	110.36	A. M. Peters, Ice	4.44
County Jail	108.80	Friendship Fire Company, Sprinkling	10.00
Traveling expenses necessarily incurred by Commissioners in discharge of official duties	8.21	General Repairs and Supplies	183.76
	2265.47	Insurance on Court House	75.00
ELECTION EXPENSES:			1109.71
Spring Election	490.46	MISCELLANEOUS:	
General Election	490.82	Redemption of County Bonds	1100.00
Montour County Democrat for official and specimen ballots	50.00	Interest on County Bonds	315.00
Party direct by Commissioners of Northumberland	68.55	Short Loans and Discounts and Interest on same	3865.51
Election Blanks and Supplies	24.00	State Tax on County Indebtedness for 1904	36.80
	1055.28	County Teachers' Institute	127.66
ASSESSORS PAY:		School Directors Association	42.00
Annual Assessment	285.00	Support of Convicts in Eastern Penitentiary	470.13
State Tax Assessment	100.00	Support of Convicts in House of Refuge	1.67
Registry of Voters	311.00	Support of Inmates in State Hospital	433.00
Registry of Births and Deaths	68.55	Forest Fires	58.02
Registry of School Children	141.00	B. L. Diehl, Horse Bitten by mad dog and killed	102.00
	1086.05	David Foust, Damage, Breaking through Bridge	100.00
BRIDGE AND ROAD EXPENSES:		Thomas G. Vincent, Certifying Judgments, &c	63.30
Road Views and Surveys	116.50	William L. Sidler, Certifying Mortgages and Recording Bonds	17.50
Road Damages	168.00	T. L. Evans' Sons, Concrete Pavement, Steps, &c	1565.50
New Road in Mahoning Township	600.00	Borough of Danville, Street Paving	634.65
Advertising for Bids for Road in Valley Township	10.00	Dues, County Commissioners' Convention	5.00
J. H. Cole, New Bridge at Alexander Billmeyer's	298.90	Decorating Court House and Jail 4th of July	16.10
J. H. Cole, New Bridge at Exchange	175.03	Dr. George A. Stock, Autopsy	10.00
Lumber and Material for Bridges	317.88	Burial of Soldiers	335.00
General Bridge Repairs	548.50	William V. Oglesby, Auditing Accounts of Prothonotary, Register and Recorder and Sheriff	25.00
	2234.81	Total amount of orders issued in 1905	9339.84
DANVILLE RIVER BRIDGE EXPENSES:		Total amount of orders redeemed in 1905	23614.41
Henry R. Leonard, services as superintendent of Construction	568.20		
PAID DIRECT BY COMMISSIONERS OF NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY	2023.50		
3 Bridge Inspectors appointed by the Court of Danville	568.20		
PAID DIRECT BY COMMISSIONERS OF NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY	284.10		

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF MONTOUR COUNTY.

To amount of Bonded Indebtedness	\$ 8100.00	By outstanding County Taxes for 1905	\$ 1800.00
To amount due Commonwealth for Taxes on County Indebtedness for 1905	32.40	By outstanding State Taxes for 1905	4.80
To amount due Danville National Bank	4000.00	By outstanding Dog Taxes for 1905	150.00
To amount due Joseph Longenberger	100.00	By outstanding County Taxes for 1904	819.11
To amount due Clara Longenberger	500.00	By outstanding Dog Taxes for 1904	60.07
To estimated outstanding bills	500.00	By amount due from Commonwealth for extension of forest fires	44.51
	13282.40	By amount due from Commissioners of Northumberland County	1043.75
		By amount of Cash in hands of County Treasurer	1480.06
		Liabilities in excess of Assets	8330.10
			13232.40

S. K. HOFFMAN, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE SEVERAL DISTRICTS FOR TAXES ARISING FROM UNSEATED LANDS AND COLLECTORS RETURNS.

DISTRICTS	Taxes received in 1905.					Treasurer's Commission of 5 per cent. on same	Amount paid by Treasurer to the Several Districts	Balance still due the Several Districts, including balance on hand from prior years.
	School	Road	Water	Other	Total			
Anthony Township	55	100	13	10	178	8.91	187	64
Danville Borough	242	107	261	46	656	32.80	689	4
Derry Township	69	230	14	10	313	15.65	329	16
Limestone	39	21	49	28	137	6.85	144	7
Mahoning	85	5	14	14	118	5.90	124	6
Valley Township	3	178	26	8	215	10.75	226	11
West Hemlock Township	3	46	36	8	93	4.65	98	5
Total	321	497	297	116	1221	61.06	1282	41

We, the undersigned Commissioners of Montour County, Pa., do hereby certify that the foregoing statement of receipts and expenditures of said county for the year ending January 1st, A. D., 1906 is true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seal of office this 14th day of January, A. D., 1906.

W. H. HILDNER, Chairman of Board of Commissioners.
GEO. R. SECHLER, }
GEO. M. LEIGHOW, }
Montour County, Pa.

THOS. VAN SANT, }
J. H. WOODSIDE, }