

Cousinship in Caracas.
After the evening meal is finished the "padre" may go to his club or cafe, while the ladies betake themselves to the large, open bay window. Lamps are placed near them, and as you wander through the streets you plainly see everywhere at the height of your own eyes and quite near enough for a hand-shake long rows of these groups of women, now gayly and often brilliantly dressed, thickly powdered and bedecked with the quaint old jewelry of the country.

Then by and by a young man appears in front of almost every window and converses with those inside. In most cases he is the suitor for the hand of one of the daughters of the house. Evening after evening he thus pays his respects to her family, standing for hours on the sidewalk, till the day arrives when the mother of his adored one believes the fact of his courting her daughter sufficiently advertised to the neighbors as well as to the community at large. Then only the doors of the house are thrown open to him.

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A Natural Desire.
Sm-th-I wonder what Br-wn intends to do with all the money he got for those historical novels he wrote.

J-n-s-I intends to travel. He feels that he ought to visit some of the places he wrote about just to see what they are like.—Life.

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N. HANAU

I have decided to continue my Clearance Sale through February Stock Taking.

- Special Bargains.**
- A few Henriettas which were sold at 25c, now 19c
 - A few Henriettas sold at 65c, now 49c
 - \$1.00 Broadcloth goes at 75c
 - Just a few pieces of Table Linen which were sold at 40 cents, to go at 30c
 - 12 1-2 cent Percale at 10c

White Goods.

- 10 cent Lawn at 7 1/2c
- LADIES' WOOL UNDERWEAR.
- 75 cent Underwear at 55c

ONE-HALF OFF.

Ladies' and Misses' Dress Goods at former prices. Men's and Boy's Clothing and Overcoats at former prices.

Cotton Blankets.	Men's Underwear.
I have a few Cotton Blankets left yet which will be sold for less than manufacturer's prices.	I have a lot of nice Ribbed 25c Shirts and Drawers I will sell at 19c.
85c Blankets	I have a few blue and pink striped underwear I bought to sell at 75c and 85c—you take them for 50c.
\$1.25 Blankets	
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3.00 all wool blankets	\$1.25 all wool fleec lined \$1.00
4.50 all wool blankets	1.35 " " " 1.10
6.50 all wool blankets	1.00 " " " 79c
8.50 all wool blankets	\$1.00 Jean Pants 75c

N. HANAU

Stukin as a Gardener.
Fond as Stukin was of flowers, especially wild ones, he had his own ideas as to what a garden ought to be, and in his practical gardening was quite a landscaper. He liked making paths and contriving pretty nooks. When he first came to Brantwood he would have his copice cut no more. It spindled up to great tall steps, slender and sinuous, promising no timber, and past the age for all commercial use or time honored wont. Neighbors shook their heads, but they did not know the pictures of Botticelli, and Ruskin had made his copice into an early Italian altar piece. Then he had his espallier of apples and a little gooseberry patch and a few standard fruit trees and some strawberries mixed with flowers. In one corner there were beehives in the old fashioned pent house trailed over with creepers. Here and there were little hummocks, each with its special interest of fern or flower.—Good Words.

Looking Under the Hat.
You seldom will find a brainy man with a round head. The head that contains lots of brains either is very long from front to back or else irregular. You can learn something of a man's mental ability by the hat he wears. If his head is so bumpy that it seems as if he never could get a hat to fit him he probably is a genius or a crack-jack in some particular line. If his head is long from front to back he is a clear thinker and smart as a whip. So if your hat costs more money than your friend's but does and you are harder to fit be consoled by considering that your brain is worth more.—New York Press.

COSTLY LANTERNS.
The Fancy Lamps That Passenger Conductors Used to Carry.
Modern railroad has driven the passenger conductor's lantern almost out of use. Years ago the pride of a passenger conductor was his lantern. Then the cars were not so brilliantly illuminated as they are now, and the ticket taker was obliged to carry his light on his left arm in order to see the pasteboards as he passed through the dimly lighted car.
At one time the conductors indulged in considerable extravagance in the matter of lanterns. Some of them were gold and silver plated. The upper part of the glass globe was colored blue, and the name of the owner was cut in old English letters. At the meetings of the Conductors' association manufacturers would arrange a great display of costly lights at one of the hotels in the city in which the meeting would be held. Some of the conceptions in the lights were unique, and the prices ranged from \$25 to ten times that figure. The glass and plating were kept in a highly polished state, and none dared to meddle with this part of the ticket puncher's equipment.
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SHELLFISH LANGUAGE.

Curious Clicking Sounds Heard on the Water at Night.
Most seamen will tell of curious clicking sounds heard on calm nights at sea, and the origin of the noise seems so altogether unaccountable that it has often created some alarm among superstitious fishermen.
A distinguished naturalist made a careful study of the sounds on many occasions and found that it was not a sustained note, but made up of a multitude of tiny ones, each clear and distinct in itself and ranging from a high treble down to a bass. When the ear was applied to the gunwale of the boat the sound grew more intense, and in some places as the boat moved on it could not be heard at all.
On other occasions the sounds resembled the tolling of bells, the booming of guns and the notes of an aeolian harp.
For a long time he was unable to trace the cause, but at length discovered that the sounds were made by shellfish, hundreds of them opening their shells and closing them with sharp snaps. The noise, partly muffled by the water, sounded indescribably weird. He was finally led to the conclusion that as the shellfish made the sounds they probably had some meaning and that the clicks might possibly be a warning of danger when the shallow water was disturbed by the boat.
It is said that the people of New Britain have a peculiar custom of confining their girls in cages until they reach marriageable age. These cages are built of wood cut from the palm tree and are inside the rude houses. Outside each house is a fence of wickerwork made of reeds. The girls are caged at the age of two or three and are never allowed to go out of the house, yet they seem strong and healthy.
Where Three Is a Crowd.
Tom—I suppose you spent a pleasant evening with your best girl.
Dick—Pleasant? Huh! A fellow can't make love to his girl in a crowd!
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One Sweetly Pleasant Thought.

Georgiana—We are not old.
Juliana—Oh, yes, we are, my dear.
Georgiana—Well, we are just as young as any girls of our age in town.—Indianapolis Journal.

SPENCER'S EAR PLUGS.

The Way the Great Philosopher Rid Himself of Small Talk.
"Years ago," says William H. Hudson in the North American Review, "Herbert Spencer found that the effect of following ordinary conversation became frequently too much for him. But he liked to have people about him to watch the play of expression on their faces, to feel that, though he could not himself share much in the meritment, he was, as it were, a part of the normal and healthy social world. For this reason he objected to withdrawal into solitude and evolved a plan by which he might secure the partial isolation which he required. He had a circular spring made to go round the back of his head, and this carried pads which fitted firmly upon the ears, effectually denying the noise about him and reducing the surrounding chatter to a mere hum. I have often seen him, stretched at length upon his couch, follow with apparent interest the gossip over the afternoon tea cups up to a certain point and then, reaching under his pillow, draw forth and adjust his instrument, thus suddenly detaching himself from his environment. The effect of this movement with comparative strangers was always to cause an instant cessation of the conversation. But this was precisely what Spencer did not wish. 'Go on talking,' he would exclaim, with a quizzical look. 'I can't hear what you are saying, you know?'"

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POOR FUNDS.

J. B. MEANS, Treasurer, in account with the Poor Funds of Jefferson county for the year 1903.
DR.
To amount in treasury at last settlement \$7,946 91
To amount received on outstanding orders for 1902 3,237 86
To amount received on poor tax for 1903 15,568 81
To amount received from commissioners' receipt book 3,676 36
To amount received from unseated county poor tax for 1902 557 61
To amount interest received on unseated tax 4 12
To amount poor tax received on seated tax 49 04
CR.
By amount county orders redeemed \$14,036 35
By amount of coupons redeemed 3,300 00
By treasurer's percentage receiving \$20,173 67 at 14% 327 17
By treasurer's percentage paying out \$27,494 94 at 2% 548 62
By amount of poor funds in treasury 5,713 79
\$34,029 02

SHEEP FUNDS.

J. B. MEANS, Treasurer, in account with Jefferson county Sheep Funds for the year 1903.
DR.
To amount received on dog tax for 1903 \$1,130 00
CR.
By amount sheep orders redeemed \$31 75
By treasurer's percentage receiving \$1,100 00 at 14% 14 13
By treasurer's percentage paying out \$27,494 94 at 2% 548 62
By reserve fund retained in treasury 300 00
By amount paid out for districts itemized in township accounts 566 16
\$1,130 00

DEFERRED PAYMENTS.

DISTRICTS.	Amount received by Treasurer in Cash in hands of Treasurer.	Amount paid to districts in Cash and due districts.
Adams	2.00	2.00
Alford	1.50	1.50
Almon	2.50	2.50
Alton	1.80	1.80
Alvord	3.00	3.00
Amherst	2.20	2.20
Anderson	1.60	1.60
Andover	2.80	2.80
Andover	1.40	1.40
Andover	1.20	1.20
Andover	1.10	1.10
Andover	1.00	1.00
Andover	0.90	0.90
Andover	0.80	0.80
Andover	0.70	0.70
Andover	0.60	0.60
Andover	0.50	0.50
Andover	0.40	0.40
Andover	0.30	0.30
Andover	0.20	0.20
Andover	0.10	0.10
Andover	0.00	0.00

AUDITORS' REPORT

OF THE FINANCES OF JEFFERSON COUNTY FOR THE YEAR 1903.

Treasurer's Account.
J. B. MEANS, Treasurer, in account with Jefferson county for the year ending December 31st, 1903.
DR.
To amount in Treasury at last settlement \$18,529 69
To amount county tax for 1903 26,535 11
To amount bond tax for 1903 4,526 77
To amount state tax for 1903 5,000 04
To outstanding tax for 1902 and previous 8,505 86
To amount for hotel license for 1903 915 00
To amount state personal tax received to county 4,745 26
To amount from Commissioners' receipt book 3,680 97
To amount of redemptions received 516 05
To amount unseated tax for 1902 received 1,458 90
To amount interest on unseated tax received 8 71
To amount 1900 to 1902 inclusive 10,000 00
To amount temporary loan received, 10,000 00
CR.
By county orders redeemed \$76,132 55
By amount refunding orders redeemed 44 84
By amount paid directors' association 200 00
By amount county superintendent 2,000 00
By amount coupons redeemed 370 00
By amount state treasurer's receipts state personal tax 6,327 01
By treasurer's percentage receiving \$75,946 67 at 14% 919 33
By treasurer's percentage paying out \$85,179 06 at 2% 1,709 58
By amount county funds in treasury 6,548 39
\$84,486 36

Sheriff's Account.
J. W. CURRY, Sheriff, in account with Jefferson county for the year ending December 31st, 1903.
DR.
To amount orders drawn \$ 3,695 71
To balance due Sheriff J. W. Curry 9 00
CR.
By boarding prisoners 4,025 \$2,302 50
By amount of fees, costs and other expenditures 1,442 21
\$ 3,704 71

Commissioner's Account.
NEWTON WEBSTER, Commissioner.
DR.
To amount county orders drawn \$ 265 00
To amount poor orders drawn 497 00
CR.
By amount due from last settlement 21 00
By 101 days as commissioner 574 00
By 142 days poor director 497 00
\$ 1,097 00

AL. HAWK, Commissioner.
DR.
To amount county orders drawn \$ 353 00
To amount poor orders drawn 200 00
CR.
By 158 days commissioner \$ 588 00
By 142 days poor director 417 00
\$ 1,005 00

HARVEY D. HAUGH, Commissioner.
DR.
To amount county orders drawn \$ 567 50
To amount poor orders drawn 500 00
CR.
By 193 days commissioner \$ 570 50
By 142 days poor director 497 00
\$ 1,067 50

Commissioner's Clerk's Account.
A. E. GALBRAITH, Commissioner's Clerk.
DR.
To amount county orders drawn \$ 700 00
To amount poor orders drawn 200 00
CR.
By 1 year's salary as clerk \$ 700 00
By 1 year's salary as poor director's clerk 200 00
\$ 900 00

Steward's Account.
J. N. KELLEY, Steward County Home.
DR.
To amount orders drawn \$ 1,000 00
CR.
By one year's salary as steward \$ 1,000 00
\$ 1,000 00

County Superintendent's Account.
R. H. TETRICK, County Superintendent.
DR.
To cash from county treasurer \$ 300 00
CR.
By vouchers filed 200 00
300 00

Janitor's Account.
GEO. H. GROVES, Janitor.
DR.
To amount orders drawn \$ 640 00
CR.
By amount due from last settlement 100 00
By one year's salary 480 00
\$ 640 00

JEFFERSON COUNTY, ss:
We, the undersigned Auditors of Jefferson county, in the state of Pennsylvania, do certify that in pursuance of the 47th section of an Act entitled "An Act relating to counties, townships, etc.," passed the 15th day of April, A. D. 1834, we met in the Commissioners' office in the borough of Brookville, Pa., on the first Monday of January, 1904, it being the fourth day of said month, and did audit, adjust and settle the several accounts required of us by law agreeably to the several Acts of Assembly and supplements thereto, according to the best of our judgment and ability, and find them as set forth in the above report.
In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals at the office aforesaid this 22nd day of January, A. D. 1904.
THOMAS B. ADAMS, (SEAL)
W. T. PIPEER, (SEAL)
W. A. HENRY, (SEAL)

JOB WORK
of all kinds promptly done at THE STAR OFFICE.

COMMISSIONERS' STATEMENT OF THE FINANCES OF JEFFERSON COUNTY FOR THE YEAR 1903

Amount Outstanding for 1903

Districts	Collector	County	Bond	State	Dog	Poor
Barrett	W. A. Wallace	78 50	9 91	17 00	11 00	\$ 116 41
Beave	T. M. Brodus	39 00	17 95	4 25	28 60	\$ 109 80
Bell	A. J. Grafius	241 00	89 40	8 00	40 00	\$ 378 40
Big Run	W. D. McHenry	180 50	32 56	39 20	17 00	\$ 269 26
Brookville	C. M. Wolf	278 10	17 74	4 25	28 60	\$ 348 69
Brookville	John H. Shick	500 00	74 45	97 19	42 00	\$ 713 64
Clayville	James Lockard	107 06	17 58	7 06	17 00	\$ 168 61
Clayville	J. C. Smith	323 59	15 39	11 49	11 00	\$ 361 47
Coraeda	J. V. Lither	375 00	48 91	4 40	45 00	\$ 473 31
Eden	Wm. Walker	155 71	35 84	4 25	28 60	\$ 224 40
Falls Creek	R. B. Crabb	63 11	11 94	7 4	8 00	\$ 93 05
Gaskill	G. A. Keller	97 00	17 91	9 6	17 00	\$ 141 56
Health	John Paine	61 11	7 91	7 4	8 00	\$ 84 42
Henderson	David A. Fifer	568 82	21 41	68 13	38 06	\$ 736 42
Knox	O. C. Stewart	144 07	26 36	18 64	41 00	\$ 230 07
McClintock	J. C. North	138 79	41 40	37 30	168 00	\$ 355 49
Oliver	J. P. Eisenhart	461 36	58 28	17 76	18 00	\$ 635 40
Perry	S. L. Stewart	308 17	44 25	17 76	32 00	\$ 402 18
Perry	Frank Walters	308 65	33 29	3 90	49 00	\$ 394 84
Polk	A. L. Lockwood	173 21	21 74	10 78	7 80	\$ 213 53
Porter	Charles Miller	135 20	17 01	9 79	30 00	\$ 191 00
Portersway	A. S. Klock	1 650 42	244 88	306 56	117 00	\$ 2,358 86
Reynoldsville	I. M. Weaver	335 09	78 14	300 38	85 00	\$ 800 59
Ringgold	S. G. Falk	198 05	38 67	10 08	39 00	\$ 285 80
Rose	A. R. Klouss	208 43	11 21	18 47	94 00	\$ 332 11
Snyder	E. R. Ditt	72 04	8 97	9 00	12 00	\$ 102 01
Summersville	K. B. Ditt	61 07	6 58	6 60	6 00	\$ 80 25
Union	J. H. Summersville	691 71	89 06	28 64	12 00	\$ 921 41
Washington	W. H. Bettison	579 80	77 78	38 00	123 00	\$ 818 58
Winlaw	Amos Struss	639 08	61 32	44 30	60 00	\$ 804 70
Wolf	P. J. Reynolds	61 30	11 31	13 00	8 00	\$ 93 61
Wortville	Norman Gritz	13 00	3 70	4 00	6 47	\$ 27 17
Young	Thomas Cummings	613 80	70 44	10 87	64 42	\$ 860 53
		\$10,015 07	\$1,215 61	\$ 970 53	\$1,429 40	\$311 10

Amount Outstanding for 1897, 1901 and 1902

Districts	Collector	County	Bond	State	Dog	Poor
Porter-1897	B. Snyder	17 84	21 60	10 46	27 50	\$ 77 40
		17 24	21 60	10 46	27 50	\$ 77 40
Polk-1901	A. L. Lockwood	1 24	19 64	10 86	25 00	\$ 56 74
		1 24	19 64	10 86	25 00	\$ 56 74
Brookville-1902	J. D. Crawford	1 58	3 52	5 39	9 00	\$ 29 49
		1 43	3 29	4 39	9 00	\$ 28 11
Oliver-1902	J. F. Eisenhart	403 80	135 23	21 07	62 70	\$ 622 80
Perry-1902	D. F. Gortley	39 86	81 17	38 48	68 29	\$ 227 80
Polk-1902	A. L. Lockwood	14 61	21 74	10 78	7 80	\$ 55 93
Snyder-1902	E. R. Ditt	13 65	50 30	11 31	44 00	\$ 119 26
Summersville	S. F. Miller	17 05	11 49	4 40	11 00	\$ 43 94
		\$ 633 69	\$ 940 91	\$ 80 49	\$ 238 91	\$ 1,113 94
		\$ 569 71	\$ 859 92	\$ 72 79	\$ 208 10	\$ 900 52

Receipts and Expenditures for 1903.

RECEIPTS.	RECEIPTS.		
Amount in Treasury at last settlement.....	\$18,529 69	Amount in Treasury at last settlement.....	\$7,846 91
Outstanding taxes for 1902 and previous.....	8,505 86	Outstanding taxes for 1902 and previous.....	2,527 46
Outstanding taxes 1903.....	46,232 90	Outstanding taxes for 1903.....	8,334 81
Seated tax lien record.....	150 44	Seated tax lien record.....	49 04
Unseated tax lien record.....	1 84	Unseated tax lien record.....	4 12
Interest, tax lien record.....	8 71	Interest tax lien record.....	4 12
Hotel licenses.....	915 00	Hospital account.....	701 07
Redemption received from Treasurer's receipt book.....	516 05	State aid.....	110 00
Commissioner's Receipt Book.....	2,568 00	Burial of inmates.....	110 00
County Health costs.....	2 00	Miscellaneous.....	218 69
Jury fees.....	44 00		
Roll tax.....	14 07		
Warfare.....	200 00		
Hits.....	79 00		
Fire and game Warden's bills.....	1		