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## COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

The regular meeting of Town Council was held last Thursday night at the Town Hall with President Holmes in the chair and members Gorrey, Richard, Rawlings, Kunkle, Kocher and Brobst in their respective places.

A petition was presented asking for the grading, paving, etc., of Market street between the D. L. & W. RR., and the canal. The property owners in that section had been notified that this matter would be taken up at the July meeting and in consequence a number of them were present. After some little discussion as to grade, an ordinance authorizing the grading, guttering and putting down pavements on said portion of Market street was adopted on motion of Gorrey and Rawlings.

The riding of bicycles within the town limits was then taken up and an ordinance submitted by Solicitor Fred Ikle and adopted, on motion of Gorrey and Richard, as follows:

Be it ordained and enacted by the Town Council of the Town of Bloomsburg, and it is hereby enacted by authority of the same:

Section 1.—That from and after the passage of this ordinance it shall not be lawful for any person to ride or travel upon a bicycle upon or over the streets or alleys within the built up portion of said Town at a rate of speed faster than six miles per hour.

Section 2.—That every bicycle ridden within the limits of the Town of Bloomsburg shall have attached thereto a good bicycle bell which shall be rung by the rider before reaching any crossing over any of the streets or alleys of said Town, at a distance not less than 25 feet from said crossings.

Section 3.—Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance, shall, upon conviction before the President of the Town Council, pay a fine of not more than five dollars and not less than two dollars, for the first offense, and a fine of not more than ten dollars and not less than five dollars for each additional offense.

The Solicitor also presented an ordinance prohibiting the construction or repairing of wooden side walks within the built up portions of the town, which on motion of Gorrey was adopted.

Appeal day was fixed for Saturday July 18th at Council Chamber, and on motion of Gorrey and Brobst the High Constable is to serve the tax notices without extra compensation.

The matter of the nuisance in the alley in the rear of the Exchange Stables caused by the water which runs out from said stables was brought before Council for about the fourth or fifth time, and after a short discussion of the affair a motion was passed authorizing the Secretary to notify Mr. G. Snyder and Dr. C. E. Wenner to connect the said premises with the sewer and abate the nuisance within thirty days or else the town will proceed in accordance with the adopted ordinance.

C. G. Barkley appeared and filed complaint as to the condition of the water during rains which the bill of complaint alleges runs over and under the pavements at Fourth and Market streets thereby greatly damaging their walks. Referred to the Town Engineer and Street Committee.

Bills were presented and the Secretary directed to issue orders for the same as follows:

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| Eshleman & Wolf for pipe, etc.   | \$ 1 50 |
| Harman & Hassert cleaning culvert  | 2 50    |
| Steam Co., for steam 3 months to May 1st   | 70 20   |
| G. E. Elwell 2 blank books   | 12 00   |
| Water Co., 57 hydrants   | 89 17   |
| J. C. Brown, printing and adv.   | 38 00   |
| J. C. Brown, former engineer Policemen Drake and Baum for killing and burrying 3 dogs each | 47 40   |
| Samuel Neyhard for dirt for filling North street   | 6 00    |
| Thomas Gorrey for cobble stone   | 56 25   |
| J. C. Rutter Jr., for acknowledging releases, etc.   | 14 70   |
| Secretary for June   | 17 50   |
| Chief Police   | 20 00   |
| Night Policeman  | 40 00   |

A building permit was granted to I. W. Hartman for repairs to his store.

S. C. Creasy, in behalf of his mother and J. H. Mercer in behalf of his mother-in-law Mrs. Brugler asked for orders for the amount of damages sustained and awarded to said parties by reason of opening Jefferson street, the former \$600 and the latter \$150. On motion the Secretary was directed to draw orders for the same.

Gorrey and Rawlings moved that

the Solicitor is hereby authorized to proceed at once and collect all sums due or assessed as benefits from property owners by reason of opening of streets in the town.

C. W. Miller was present and presented a petition asking the town to culvert or construct a new ditch on Catharine street in place of the one that runs diagonally across lots and property near the county jail. It town's finances are in such a condition that will not warrant the expense at present the adjoining property owners will do the work and advance the pay, the same to be applied on their taxes. Referred to the Street Committee.

J. P. Jones complained of the water standing in the lot at Seventh and Catharine streets, and also declared a nuisance the out house on premises of J. D. Shaffer at that place, on account of the water after heavy rains running into and under and washing the contents out over the lot, making it very unhealthy.

George Yost entered complaint about the condition of Mary's alley in the lower part of town, caused by water. Referred to Town Engineer and Street Committee.

W. A. Evert Esq. presented a petition praying the town to grade and gutter East Third street. He also appeared for Mrs. Jacob Millard and asked for \$200 damages to her lots on First street by reason of the town filling in on said street.

No further business appearing Council adjourned till Thursday evening, July 16th, at half past seven.

## Reception in the Lutheran Church.

A very pleasant reception was held in the Lutheran church on Thursday evening, July 9, to formally receive into our midst the newly elected pastor of that church, the Rev. M. E. McLinn. Mr. J. K. Bittenbender, the president of Council, very gracefully presided at the meeting and conducted the exercises, which consisted of an opening prayer by Rev. Tinker, music by the Lutheran choir, a solo by Mrs. Hall, an address of welcome in behalf of the congregation and Sabbath School by Mr. W. H. Brooke, Supt. of Sunday school, one by Rev. Patterson on the part of the pastors of the town and the people generally, a response by the pastor and a recitation by Miss Dora Breece on the Church Choir. When the choir had sung a concluding anthem the chairman merged the meeting into a "social hour," and it was well named, for all thoroughly enjoyed themselves in hand shaking and a general interchange of pleasant greetings and congratulations.

All parts were well performed, all seemed to be in a most happy mood, and the whole affair was one of real pleasure and promise. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Houtz.

## Joseph Shaffer Commits Suicide.

Joseph Shaffer of this town was found in the Irondale dam last week Thursday about noon, with a rope tied around his neck, and a large stone weighing 50 pounds at the other end of the rope. The rope was tied with a slipping knot around his neck and had drawn so tight that he no doubt choked to death by it, as no water was found in the body. His face was black and his tongue protruding, and one hand was clutching at the rope as though he had tried to loosen it. Bruises on his breast showed that he had struggled hard to free himself after he was in the water. The deceased was a son of the late Matthias Shaffer, and leaves a wife and two children. The funeral was held on Saturday morning.

## Drowned in the Canal.

The body of Lizzie Slusser was found in a fish basket in the canal at Stonytown on Friday morning last. She was a girl of fifteen years, who resided with the family of J. C. Cryder at Willow Grove, and on Wednesday evening she went out to do the milking, and was not seen again until her body was found. A coroner's jury was empanelled, and a verdict of accidental death rendered, there being no evidences of foul play. It is thought that she went to the bank of the canal to look for the cows and took hold of a limb of a tree to lean over, and the limb breaking she fell in.

Columbia can boast of a young woman who re-laid ten feet of brick walk in her yard, replaced four boards on the fence and saved her husband two dollars thereby. Verily she is the new woman.

## STATE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

The Pennsylvania State Teachers' Association convened in the Normal School Auditorium in its forty-first annual conference on Tuesday morning. The number in attendance was not as large as was expected. Among those here were State Superintendent Schaeffer, Deputy Superintendent Henry Houck, Dr. Harris, Principal of the George School near Philadelphia, Supt. Smith of Delaware county, President of the Association Prof. David Keck of Kutztown, Treasurer of the Association, Miss Elizabeth Lloyd of Philadelphia, Supt. Coughlin of Luzerne county, Dr. Benedict of Edinboro, Dr. Smith of West Chester, Dr. Waller of Indiana, Supt. Patterson of Pottsville, Supt. McGuinnis of Steelton, and Dr. Hull of Millersville.

Rev. I. M. Patterson conducted the devotional exercises. In the absence of Col. J. G. Freeze, a cordial address of welcome was delivered by J. C. Brown, to which Hon. Henry Houck, of Harrisburg, and Professor C. E. Reber of Slippery Rock, responded.

Following this, Dewey and McClellan's "Psychology of Number," which has created quite a sensation in educational circles, was discussed and criticised by Dr. A. T. Smith of West Chester, Supt. W. U. Ehrhart of Mahanoy City, Prof. H. H. Spayd of Minersville, and Prof. Wm. Noetling of the Bloomsburg State Normal School.

They admitted that the results attained in the teaching of arithmetic are not commensurate with the time spent upon it, and that teachers need to understand that number is ratio, and not substance, and is to be thought rather than learned through the senses. They agreed that the Grub method is more psychological than any other method yet offered.

The Burrows memorial committee then reported progress. A memorial tablet has been placed in St. James church, Lancaster, and a handsome tomb in the churchyard. Ten thousand large portraits of Thomas Burrows have been distributed in this state. A memorial window will also be placed in the new Y. M. C. A. building in Lancaster.

Tuesday afternoon the principal subject of discussion was the county institute. Dr. D. J. Waller of Indiana said the county institute of Pennsylvania is one of the most remarkable educational institutions in the United States, and gave a short history of its evolution.

Dr. Schaeffer said the organization of farmers' institutes throughout the state on the same general principles as the county school institutes was a proof of their efficiency.

Supt. Harrison of Wilkes-Barre found the influence of the county institute far reaching, but that it sometimes does much harm by spreading useless educational fads.

Dr. Cooper of Edinboro pronounced the county institute as a useless expense, and the fact that teachers were compelled to attend it was a stigma upon the profession of teaching.

Of all those who discussed the question, however, all but one testified to the professional inspiration received at the yearly meeting.

Professor T. L. Gibson of Ebensburg next read a paper on vocal music in the public schools after which the session adjourned.

Tuesday evening, Supt. A. G. C. Smith of Delaware county, president of the Association, delivered the annual address. Among other subjects he discussed the teachers' social standing in the community and means of elevating it. He said that in his opinion this could best be done by the teachers themselves striving to attain a broader scholarship and wider culture.

Mrs. Melick sang a song and responded to a hearty encore. Miss May C. Ermentrout of Reading read an interesting paper on Physical Training.

At 9 o'clock a reception was tendered by the citizens of the town to the visitors. The gymnasium was beautifully decorated, and the school orchestra discoursed sweet music. A number of young ladies served ices and lemonade to the guests, and the young men acted as ushers in presenting the strangers to the reception committee.

About 500 people were present, and it was an enjoyable affair.

The exercises on Wednesday opened at 9 o'clock a. m. with prayer by Rev. D. N. Kirkby. The auditing committee made a report, and the relation of the Normal Schools to the common school system was discussed by Dr. Eckels and others.

A business session was held in the

afternoon, and a number of subjects discussed.

In the evening the exercises opened with music by the orchestra, followed by a vocal solo by Miss Vida Bowman of Philadelphia, and addresses by Governor Hastings and Dr. A. L. Hulley.

Near the close of the admirable address of Dr. Hulley, a man in the gallery, said to be a county superintendent, interrupted him and asked if there was not something else on the program. Dr. Hulley immediately took his seat, but Prof. Wilbur insisted that the Dr. should continue, and the audience showed its approval by hearty applause. The interruption was most ungentlemanly and inexcusable, and the displeasure of the audience was unmistakable.

Thursday morning was devoted to discussion, and in the afternoon the visitors were taken on an excursion up the B. & S. railroad to Jamison City.

## COURT HOUSE NEWS.

What Has Occurred There Since Our Former Report.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses have been issued by Clerk G. M. Quick since those last published.

Wm. N. Brown, of Bloomsburg, to Miss Annie M. Heinbach, of Hemlock township.

J. L. Cope, to Miss E. L. Frankling.

Frederick W. Bush, of Scranton, to Miss Mary N. Williams, of Berwick.

A. D. Catterson, of Moscow, to Miss Mertie M. Bidleman, of Bloomsburg.

Daniel W. Shuman, of Main township, to Miss Nora Hagenbuch, of Montour township.

Reuben J. Shuman, of Catawissa, to Miss Jennie Wendt, of Shamokin Dam.

John H. Clapham, of New York, to Miss Adah M. Yetter, of Bloomsburg.

Joseph Patterson, of Scott township, to Miss Sarah E. Bowman, of Orange township.

W. C. Redline, of Centre township, to Miss Verna Whitmire, of the same place.

Wm. Huntington, of Montour township, to Miss Alveretta Girton, of the same place.

L. F. Beishline, of Bloomsburg, to Miss Christina Thompson of Williams-town.

Frank W. Small, of Cleveland township, to Miss Hannah E. Davis, of the same place.

W. H. Myers, of Plymouth, to Miss Lida Kisner, of Berwick.

W. B. Linville, of Berwick, to Miss Mary W. Moorehead, of the same place.

W. C. Emmitt, of Hemlock township, to Miss Mary Masteller, of the same place.

H. F. Rice, of Espy, to Miss Carrie Schweppenheiser, of Almedia.

Edward Lutes, to Miss Blanche Reed.

M. T. Creasy, of Centre township, to Miss Lizzie Crawford, of Scott township.

August W. Hagenbuch, of Bloomsburg, to Miss Mary M. Cadman, of the same place.

Boyd A. Ickler, of Mt. Pleasant township, to Miss Minnie C. Crawford, of the same place.

Daniel E. Strausser, of Mifflin township, to Miss Maria L. Shoemaker, of Main township.

Anthony J. Reilly, of Centralia, to Miss Mary DeLaney, of the same place.

William Holdren, of Dark Corner, to Miss Annie Geist, of McKee's Half Falls.

Joseph Kline, of Catawissa, to Miss Emma Stroup, of the same place.

### TRANSFER OF REAL ESTATE.

The following deeds have been entered in the Recorder's office since those last published.

N. J. Hendershott, to John K. Grotz, for land in Bloomsburg.

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Albert F. Hendershott, to N. J. Hendershott, for land in Bloomsburg.

Jacob Harris, to A. J. Evans et al. for tract of land in Hemlock township.

Allison M. Hess, to Sarah Hess, for land in Mifflinville.

John Stokes, to Joseph Stokes, for tract of land in Locust township.

James T. Fox, to William Witchey, for tract of land in Beaver township.

George A. Frick, to Daniel Swank, for tract land in Beaver township.

Daniel Swank, to Anna Michael, for tract of land in Beaver township.

William Witchey, to Charles Baker, for tract of land in Beaver township.

C. W. Eves, to Reuben L. Orange,

Every Man's and Boy's Summer suit in this store has been reduced to actual cost to close out. Straw Hats at one half price. Light weight Summer Coats, and Coats and Vests in Serge, Mohair, Duck, Crash and Linen, 50c. to \$5.00.

*J. M. Gidding & Co.*  
ONE PRICE  
CLOTHIERS, HATTERS & FURNISHERS  
BLOOMSBURG, PA.

for land in Bloomsburg.

Isaac Andrews, to Frank Andrews, for land in Mifflin.

Reuben Wright, to J. Harris Hartman, for tract of land in Hemlock township.

Luther M. Dimmick, to Sarah Murer, for tract of land in Cleveland township.

Joseph Heckman, to Wm. Heckman, for land in Espy.

John M. Chamberlain, to Wm. McKelvy, for land in Bloomsburg.

Wm. McKelvy, to Jos. Hendershott, for land in Bloomsburg.

Alfred Mood, to J. H. Miller, for land in Espy.

Charles H. Albert, to W. H. Brooke, for land in Bloomsburg.

T. C. Knouse, to Oscar Ammerman, for land in Jamison City.

H. W. Hess, to John Mourey, for land in Mifflin.

Grant Johnson, to J. W. Bruner, for land in Millville.

John R. Robbins, to Alfred Kitchen, for tract of land in Pine township.

Mathew McReynolds, to Clara Mellick, for land in Bloomsburg.

James Ferguson, to Kate P. Willis, for tract of land in Scott township.

O. F. Feries, to John M. Fairchild, for tract of land in Briarcreek township.

Miles W. Moss, to J. B. Bencotter, for land in Benton.

Hannah Lewis, to Annie E. Phillips, for land in Benton.

A. J. Derr, to Calvin Derr, for tract of land in Jackson township.

G. M. Tustin, to D. J. Waller Jr., for land in Bloomsburg.

B. W. Jury, to E. B. Tustin, for land in Bloomsburg.

E. B. Tustin, to G. M. Tustin, for land in Bloomsburg.

George Andrews, to Henry Yeager, for tract of land in Locust township.

Hugh McCollum, to Mary A. McCollum, for land in Jerseytown.

Mary A. Watson, to N. P. Moore, for tract land in Madison township.

N. P. Moore, to Mary A. Watson, for tract of land in Madison township.

Eva E. Bencotter, to Anna E. Phillips, for land in Benton.

Wilbur T. Little, to Elizabeth S. Jacobs, for land in Berwick.

A. Z. Schoch Assignee, to G. W. Sterner, for tract of land in Hemlock township.

Charles P. Sloan, to E. B. Tustin, for land in Bloomsburg.

John M. Laubach, to W. W. Williams, for tract of land in Fishingcreek township.

Robert S. Pugh, to Grant Drake, for land in Light Street.

Emanuel Yorks, to J. Sutton Yorks, for tract of land in Jackson township.

Mary E. Zeigler, to Wm. O. Loongenberg, for tract of land in Beaver township.

Daniel E. Troy, to John Fritz, for tract of land in Beaver township.

### LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION.

The following letters of administration and testamentary have been issued by Register Ent.

In the estate of Susan Rombach, late of Bloomsburg deceased, to C. H. Campbell.

In the estate of Joseph S. Redline, late of Greenwood township deceased, to Benjamin F. Redline.

In the estate of Jonathan Riche, late of Pine township deceased, to Jacob L. Hurliman.

In the estate of Miles Ohl, late of Bloomsburg deceased, to W. W. Achenbach.

### LETTERS TESTAMENTARY.

In the estate of Sally A. Buckingham, late of Bloomsburg deceased, to Robert Buckingham.

In the estate of Peter Hippensteel, late of Mt. Pleasant township deceased, to Levi and Charles Hippensteel.

In the estate of Aurand L. Yohe, late of Briarcreek township deceased, to Henry M. Yohe.

In the estate of Charles I. Kenny, late of Centralia, to Rev. Francis C. Seubert.

After all, we believe that fishing is a science. No matter whether the river is high, low, muddy, or rough some men can catch fish. An amateur can wait for an ideal fishing day, start at four o'clock in the morning, stay all day, bait his hook with the choicest minnows, not make any more noise than is required to rebait the hook after the fish have eaten it off, and never catch a fish. An old fisherman can catch more fish with a crooked stick and a faded line in an hour than a fishing party can in a week. Where is the secret?