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AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

At the Annual Meeting on Saturday R. W. Smith was Elected President.

The annual meeting of the Columbia County Agricultural, Horticultural and Mechanical Association was held at the Court House Saturday afternoon. The meeting was called to order at two o'clock by the President John S. Mensch. He stated the object of the meeting and asked for the nomination and election of a chairman. F. B. Hartman's name was offered, and was elected chairman without any opposition. He thanked the members for the honor conferred upon him and immediately went on with the business, the next being the selection of two secretaries.

G. M. Quick, C. E. Randall and J. C. Rutter, Jr. were nominated. Mr. Rutter declined the nomination and Messrs Randall and Quick were unanimously elected. Mr. W. B. Allen was elected Reading Clerk. Mr. Allen read the minutes of the last meeting, which were approved. The roll of all members in good standing was then called. One hundred and three out of a hundred and ninety-six perpetual members were present, and thirty-six out of forty-nine members paid annual dues for 1896.

When the salary question was reached, Ellis Eves, Ex-President of Millville, offered and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by William Krickbaum:

Resolved: That it is the sense of this meeting and the board be so instructed that if the income for any year be not sufficient to pay all the fixed charges, interest and premiums awarded, the amount after paying all fixed charges and interest, shall be applied on premiums pro rata to the end that no more indebtedness shall be incurred.

The motion made by A. P. Young to amend the resolution so that when the income is not sufficient to pay the premiums, the salaries of the officers be cut pro rata was put to a vote and lost.

Mr. Young moved that the salaries of the officers be cut down twenty-five per cent, but the motion received no second, whereupon K. C. Ent moved and it was seconded that the salaries remain the same as last year. Some of the members requesting to know what the salaries are, the salaries paid last year were read.

President, per annum.....	\$75.00
Ex. Committee, per annum....	50.00
Treasurer, " " " " " "	100.00
Secretary, " " " " " "	125.00
Librarian, " " " " " "	50.00
Auditors, per day.....	3.00

The question was put and carried that the salaries remain the same.

The next was the nomination and election of officers.

R. W. Smith of Millville, and H. V. White of Bloomsburg, were named for President. Mr. White declined, and Mr. Smith was elected.

Five persons were placed in nomination for Vice President, and W. A. Evert and T. D. Strauss were appointed as tellers. The result was as follows:

Stephen Pettit of Scott,.....	127.
A. C. Creasy of Centre,.....	124.
Elliott Adams of Briarcreek,...	143.
J. T. Reeder of Franklin,.....	100.
Thomas Mensch of Franklin,...	90.

The first four having the highest number of votes were elected.

C. H. Campbell, Harry Barton and Thomas Hagenbuch were appointed tellers for the election of an Executive Committee, six nominated and three elected. It resulted as follows:

F. P. Hagenbuch of Centre,.....	105.
I. B. Ikeler of Greenwood,....	78.
E. H. Sloan of Orange,.....	84.
Harry Deighmiller of Hemlock,...	71.
William Mericle of Madison,....	29.
F. W. Heller of Millville,....	59.

The first three were elected.

The following officers were all elected without opposition:

Treasurer—J. C. Brown, Bloomsburg; Secretary—A. N. Yost, Bloomsburg; Librarian—W. B. Allen, Bloomsburg; Auditors—William Masters, J. B. DeLong and W. H. Snyder. Member of State Board—H. V. White.

Hon. W. T. Creasy was re-elected to assist the County Committee in organizing institutes in the county.

Chandee Eves, a member of the State Board for the past nineteen years thanked the Association for sending him as their representative for so many years.

The Board is to decide how many days the fair shall be held.

The business of the meeting completed, it was declared adjourned.

Mrs. Fry, a widow lady aged eighty years, died in Centre township on Sunday.

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE.

All the commissioners were present at the meeting held on Saturday. Orders were issued on the treasurer for payment of the following bills:

To Guy Jacoby, J. P., for his fees in commonwealth cases against the following persons:

Two cases of Arthur Thomas and Chas. Crossley, one of Isaac Yocum, John Finan, Jonas Johnson, Matti Docon, Gene Shaffer, B. W. Fulton and O. D. L. Kostenbauder, Furman E. Smith and Jared Williams, amounting to.....	\$ 26 15
To Daniel Laycock in latter case....	1 20
To Harrison Kreisher, road damages in Cleveland township near his place.....	12 00
To Peter Jones for benches at jail and repairs to gate at barn.....	3 00
To J. W. Rider for filling done to Esther bridge abutment, Locust twp., contracted by the old board	30 00
To Stenographer Walker for.....	112 24
(For eight days services at Dec. Court \$80, notes in two cases \$5 and transcript of paid notes \$27.24, the same being approved by the Court.)	
To Bloom Electric Light and Power Co.....	\$ 45 87

(\$10.87 for arc light in front of court house, which contract was entered into by the old board Oct. last for one year and four incandescent lights for the town clock and one in the water closet at \$1 a month each.)

One to W. E. Eveland, road view in Pine and one to Thomas Gorey for repairs to floor and vault window, &c., in the Prothonotary's office. Several bills presented and held over or refused. One was for milk furnished for one of the prisoners by an outside party. Amount of orders issued to date \$302.36.

At the meeting on Tuesday an order was issued to the Belle Telephone Co. for quarter ending July 1, '97, \$12.25 for use of telephone in Court House.

On the 4th inst., one to the postmaster for stamps and box rent \$3.00.

On the 3 inst., to Wm. Heavner, of Nescopeck, for repairs to Rittenhouse bridge, in Briarcreek township, done under order of the old board, \$7.50.

The bridge over Roaringcreek, on the county line between Columbia and Montour was reported to be in bad condition. Mr. Gordon is to represent this county to see that the same is repaired.

The commissioners agreed upon Tuesday as the day to take up the matter of indexing, and the matter of coroners inquests, will be attended to on Saturday the 23d.

To Treat Consumption.

The Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Society for the prevention of Tuberculosis has secured a site for the establishing of a State sanitarium for the treatment of consumption in its incipient stages, and steps have already been taken to secure the \$15,000 necessary toward the erection of the buildings.

The site secured is near White Haven, Luzerne county, not far from Glen Summit, and contains nearly 600 acres. It is on the Blue Ridge slope, and is 1,700 feet above the sea level. The climate is dry and the locality naturally adapted for a sanitarium. The hospital will consist of five pavilions, each capable of accommodating from fifteen to twenty patients. State aid is to be solicited and a bill appropriating \$100,000 to the society is to be introduced during the coming session. It is proposed to make the institution absolutely free, although at a later date extra pavilions will be erected for patients who desire more private apartments.

Women as Lawyers.

Two Admitted to Practice in the United States Supreme Court.

An interesting ceremony was witnessed in the supreme court of the United States on Monday, in the presentation for admission to practice before the court of two ladies by sisters in the profession who had previously attained the privilege.

The half dozen female lawyers whose names had hitherto been added to the roll of practicing attorneys had been presented to the court by brothers at the bar, and to-day for the first time in its history the court enrolled a female attorney upon the motion of one of her own sex.

The candidates were Catharine H. Pier, of Milwaukee, Wis., nominated by her sister, Kate H. Pier, of the same city; and Alice A. Minick, of Lincoln, who was vouched for by her sponsor, Belva A. Lockwood, of Washington.

The Bloomsburg Social Club will hold a dance in Social Club Hall, corner Main and Iron Streets, tonight. Music will be furnished by Wyle's Orchestra.

LICENSE COURT.

Court convened on Monday morning, with all the judges on the bench. The court after disposing of some other matters, took up the licenses, the old ones were all granted.

The new licenses of Harvey Dietrick and J. A. Hess, occupied the attention of the court for some time as remonstrances had been filed against both of them. After hearing the witnesses on both sides the licenses were granted. These two cases seemed to be the cause of attracting many people to the Court House.

The other new licenses granted were to A. O. Stonge, for a hotel license at his residence in Montour township, halfway between Bloomsburg and Danville.

To Geo. Crossley for restaurant license at Benton.

S. Fegley's license at Rohrsburg was granted on condition that it must be transferred to some one else in 60 days.

After granting the licenses the following business was disposed of:

Estate of William Wright, deceased. Fred. Ikeler's appointment as auditor is stricken off and C. G. Barkley appointed.

Locust Mountain Coal and Iron Co., appointed supervisors of roads in Conyngham township.

Mary J. Tucker vs. Charles J. Tucker, Decree of divorce allowed.

Estate of C. D. Ellis, dec'd. Motion made for an attachment against W. H. Ellis, administrator for failure to file an account, returnable at next Argument Court.

Papers on motion to dissolve Bloomsburg Belt line, submitted to the Court Argument Court fixed for January 25 at nine o'clock.

Bartholomay Brewing Co. vs. Josiah Gigger. Motion made for rule to show cause why the judgment should not be opened, on account of certain declarations made by the plaintiff at the time of its execution, which prejudiced his rights. The papers were given to the Court.

Since the announcement was made that the term of Nathan C. Schaeffer, State Superintendent of Schools, expires in June, and that there was already in the field an applicant for the position, the work of the chief of the school department has been under the review of the press of the State. Many comments have been made on the excellency of Dr. Schaeffer's administration, and there has been no protest as yet against his re-appointment. The newspapers in Pennsylvania seem to be unanimous in asking that he be given another term.

Frank N. Moore, special agent of the department of agriculture, while going the rounds of the candy trade, discovered in the analysis on candy that a large per centage contained rum and brandy. This candy sells for 40 and 50 cents a pound, and the dealers say it is largely sought after by boys and girls between the ages of ten and sixteen. Mr. Moore also had a sample of rock and rye drops which got its name from the fact that no rock and rye was found in its ingredients, but instead contained a liberal quantity of tartaric acid.

This year being the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the permanent organization of the Reformed Church in this county under Rev. Michael Schlatter, an historical address upon the life and labors of this missionary will be delivered in the pastoral charge of Rev. A. Houtz as follows: On Sunday January 24 at Orangeville at 10:30 A. M., on Sunday January 31, St. James at 10:15 A. M., and Zion at 2:15 P. M., and Sunday February 7, Hilday at 10:30 A. M., and Briarcreek at 2:30 P. M.

At the annual meeting of the Briarcreek Farmers Mutual Insurance Company, held on Tuesday, January 11th, the following officers were elected: Directors: J. G. Swank, Lafayette Creasy, Geo. Conner, D. Bryfogle, A. W. Spear, H. C. Barton, A. P. Young, H. H. Brown, J. H. Eck, D. K. Laubach, T. E. Moore, and S. E. Morse. Auditor, W. T. Creasy. President, J. G. Swank. Secretary, H. H. Brown. Treasurer, Lafayette Creasy.

The following are the officers of the Y. M. C. A. Directors for one year—W. R. Koche, E. B. Tustin, J. L. Wolverson, and C. H. Hagenbuch; for two years—A. N. Yost, M. I. Low, Jno. Aikman, and F. N. Turner; for three years—Prof. L. P. Sterner, O. W. Cherrington, Jas. Magee and, and W. B. Cummings. Trustee for six months, C. W. Miller.

TWO FATALITIES AT SHENANDOAH.

Bachelor Burned to Death and a Widow Suffocated by Coal Gas.

Patrick Stevens was burned to death in his home on West Cherry Street, Shenandoah on Sunday morning. Stevens was a bachelor about 45 years of age, and lived alone. The origin of the fire is unknown, but it is thought a hot coal ignited the bedding that was near the range.

Mrs. Anna Mitchell, a widow residing alone was suffocated by coal gas in her sleeping apartments. The neighbors missed her Saturday morning and forced an entrance to her room when they found her dead in bed. The gas had been generated by a range in a room adjoining the sleeping apartment.

KILLED HIS PLAYMATE.

Michael Maley and Peter Munley, two little seven year olds, were playing at the Maley home, near Shenandoah, on Monday night, when they found an old revolver in a bureau drawer. They had played with it for some time when Maley pulled up the hammer and, pointing it at his companion, pulled the trigger. The weapon was discharged, the ball passing through the little fellow's abdomen. He lingered until 5 o'clock Tuesday morning when he died.

While the services were in progress at the Episcopal Church on Sunday morning, one of the laurel which had been wound around the large pillars for the Christmas services caught fire from the gas jet, and at once the whole congregation became excited, but with the prompt action of some of the men using their overcoats the flames were soon smothered. It was a close call, and all present were thoroughly frightened.

"Side by side in the columns of the Altoona papers, the other morning," says an exchange, "were accounts of a woman starving to death in that city and of the amount that had been subscribed to the quick charity fund. They had better make their charity a little quicker up there or give it an other name.

The county auditors are still at work on the statements of the commissioners and treasurer, and are not likely to get through this week. Thus far they state that they have found nothing that indicates a big steal anywhere, though some accounts were in such a shape that it has required time to straighten them out.

The County Commissioners are in attendance at their office on Tuesdays and Saturdays of each week. Some of the time this will be sufficient to attend to their duties, and some of the time it will be necessary to put in more days in the week. They ought to be here whenever the public business requires their presence.

At Sunbury last week several doctors removed from the upper part of the back of O. P. Renn, bridge carpenter in the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad, a tumor as large as a child's head. The operation was a success, and the patient is getting along nicely.

The wind on Sunday night was of a cyclonic nature, and brought back to ones mind that eventful night in September last, when roofs were blown off, trees torn up by the roots, and did other damage, the evidence of which can still be seen in many places.

Councilman J. H. Deiffenderfer, of Milton, fell dead on the street in that place Friday. He was standing near a window and when he fell he struck the pane of glass, breaking it. He was a prominent Odd Fellow. His age was 44 years.

J. D. Hill of Hazleton, who had J. S. Williams arrested some time ago on the charge of not having an auctioneer's license, informed John by letter on Friday that he had withdrawn the suit.

Traveling men representing different makes of bicycles are already visiting this town with their 97 wheels, and by the time the season opens up you will be able to purchase a bicycle of any desired make.

The horse belonging to dairyman Hagenbuch, which took sick while he was delivering milk last week, grew worse and it became necessary to kill the animal on Saturday as it was in great misery.

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Suits, Overcoats,
Storm Coats, Reefers,
Hats, Caps
and Furnishings.
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JOSEPH GOLDSMITH,
Trustee.

Resolutions Adopted by the Board of County Commissioners, of Columbia County.

BLOOMSBURG, JAN. 19, 1897.

Resolved: That Tuesday and Saturday of each week be fixed as the regular meeting days of the board of County Commissioners at their office in the Court House, in Bloomsburg; at which time all persons having business with the county commissioners will appear and present the same or have it presented for consideration.

Resolved: That the resolution be published once in each of the newspapers published in the county.

PROVIDED, That no pay shall be allowed any member of the board for time at the office outside of regular meeting days except for adjourned meetings and meetings on call after each member has had due notice.

PROVIDED ALSO, That no bills be approved or orders drawn on the County Treasurer except at a meeting of the full board or of which the absent member has been duly notified or the same has been duly authorized at a previous meeting regularly held by said board and so appearing on the minutes of the office; AND PROVIDED FURTHER: that the several members shall draw their pay quarterly beginning March 31, on bills properly made out and sworn to as required by law.

Attest, D. Z. MENSCH, Commissioners' Office Clerk, Bloomsburg, Pa.

The above Resolution was offered by Mr. Kitchen, whereupon Krickbaum offered the amendments and the same were adopted unanimously.

The commissions of postmasters in the presidential offices will expire on the following dates: J. H. Mercer Bloomsburg, salary, \$2300, February 5, 1898. Louis J. Townsend, Berwick, salary, \$1600, January 6, 1900. C. J. Pohe, Catawissa, salary \$1100, May 6, 1900.

Al. G. Field's Company of 65 people in "Darkest America," pleased a large audience at the Opera House on Friday night. If the management would secure more such plays the attendance would be a great deal larger.

TOWN COUNCIL.

A special meeting of the Council was held last night. President Holmes, and members Gorrey, Rawlings, Richards, Br bst, Kunkle and Kocher being present.

The object of this meeting was to devise some way of wiping out the present indebtedness of the town without raising the tax rate.

Mr. Gorrey offered a resolution, providing a means by which this debt could be extinguished, but owing to the absence of the Town Solicitor and a diversity of opinion among the members, the resolution was not voted upon, but laid over until to-night, when is hoped the Solicitor will be present to advise the Council as to the proper and legal way to act.

Building permit granted to Mrs. Elizabeth Vannatta for a house on northeast corner of Fourth and Penn Street.

It was moved and seconded that orders be drawn for the following amounts:

To Electric Light Co. for three months light \$1200.

To Mrs. Yetter for damages to property \$740.00.

There being no further business, the Council adjourned, to meet again to-night at seven o'clock.

Mrs. Lucy Barkle, who formerly resided in this town died at the residence of L. C. Williams, in Orangeville, on Tuesday morning. The deceased was a member of the Episcopal church, and the wife of the late William Barkle, deceased, of Bloomsburg. Funeral services to-day, interment in Bloomsburg.

I. D. White retired from the position of manager of the Bloomsburg Store Co., on Tuesday, after ten years service. He is succeeded by A. H. Stroh, son-in-law of P. S. Harman.

Rev. I. E. Patterson preached in the Methodist Tabernacle last Sunday at morning and evening services. The pastor Rev. B. C. Conner, being confined to the house by sickness.

The Republicans will hold a caucus in the Town Hall on Saturday night, to select candidates for the coming election.