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## LAST MEETING TOWN COUNCIL.

Little of Importance Considered, and the Retiring Board Rounded up its Business in Short Order.

### Inventory Of Fire Department.

The last meeting of the retiring Town Council held in the Council chambers Saturday evening was a record breaker for brevity. The session convened, performed all the business that came up and adjourned in almost less time than it takes to tell it. There was but one, Mr. Pursel, missing when the roll was called, and his absence was enforced by sickness.

The first matter heard was Chief G. Edward Lewis' inventory of the Fire Department. This list showed a total membership of 360, 273 of whom are in good standing. The department has 650 feet of hose, all of which is in good condition. All the equipment, with the exception of the Winona hose carriage which was considerably damaged at the Quick coal office fire by reason of the water having been turned on before the hose was off the reel, is in a good state of repair. Before concluding Mr. Lewis recommended that 500 feet of hose be purchased for the use of the department, and also that supplies be purchased for the Good Will Co.

There was some little discussion, after which a resolution was passed authorizing the Good Will Co., to purchase chemicals to the amount of \$5.00.

Representatives were present from the Friendship, Rescue, Liberty and Winona fire companies to ask Council for their 1904 appropriations. The money is needed they said to pay some bills incurred in making improvements at their various quarters.

F. P. Hagenbuch made complaint to Council concerning the water which by reason of the filling in of the alley along his property on East street had directed it into his cellar. The Street Commissioner was instructed to investigate and if possible right the wrong.

A communication was received from Dr. S. B. Arment of the Board of Health, setting forth some matters which a compliance with the law had made it necessary for him to do.

Messrs Rhodes and Gigger constitute a committee which was appointed to ascertain the probable cost of extending the sewer from Cherry to Locust street on East street. Their proposition occupied more time than any other matter before the Council, and a lively discussion preface the appointment of the committee. They will report at the next meeting.

Dr. S. B. Arment in explanation of the bill passed at the previous meeting for goods furnished the Wagner family, stated that the family was afflicted with diphtheria, and that the authorities of Hemlock township, where they resided was making no move to relieve them. He accordingly in order to prevent the possible spread of the disease to Bloomsburg, quarantined the house, and furnished the necessities. The bill he said will be collected by the Town solicitor from the Hemlock township authorities.

A strip of land along the river, of no apparent value to the Town just now, was rented to C. B. Robbins, for \$4 per month.

Chief of Police Wesley Knorr reported that he had lodged 23 tramps and made one arrest during the month.

There was no other business, and the meeting adjourned.

### Accommodations For Ministers.

Accommodations have been arranged for the entire number of ministers who will be in Berwick during the M. E. conference. The entertainment committee has been at work for a number of weeks, and Rev. Gilbert states that now all of the 300 or more had been provided for, and the names of the ministers with their places of entertainment will appear in the program. Rev. Gilbert and the committees are completing the program and the many services and speakers are fast being arranged.

## GRIM REAPER'S RICH HARVEST.

Many Well Known Residents of this County Called from the Activities of Life During Past Week.

### Squire D. W. Lenahan Dead.

The grim reaper, death, has been active throughout Columbia County the past few days. Almost at every turn, there can be seen evidences of the visitation of the most unwelcome visitor. Among those who have answered the last summons, are several well known people, men and women who stood high in the various communities in which they resided, and whose passing away has occasioned deep gloom and called forth many expressions of genuine sorrow.

#### D. W. LENAHAN.

In the death of Daniel W. Lenahan, which occurred at his home in Mid Valley, early Tuesday morning, there has been called away one of the best known residents in the anthracite coal regions of the state. Few there are in Bloomsburg, particularly among the professional and business men, who did not know Squire Lenahan, and not one is there who did not respect and admire. He had the distinction of being the oldest school teacher in Columbia County, having taught for a period of forty years. He also served several terms as justice of the peace.

The affliction which caused his death was gaul stones, from which he had long suffered. Saturday evening, he conducted a hearing and complained of feeling unwell. Sunday his condition grew worse, and despite the medical aid given him, he passed away.

Squire Lenahan was born in Ireland in 1840, and came to America when he was but fourteen years of age. He worked as a miner for a number of years, or up until he met with an accident at the Logan colliery and lost a leg. This compelled his retirement from manual labor, and he immediately set about to prepare himself to teach school, which profession he followed up to the time of his death.

#### MRS. REBECCA MCHENRY.

The death of Mrs. Rebecca McHenry occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. F. Kendall, in Brooklyn, N. Y., on Monday, after an illness of about a year. Mrs. McHenry was born in Center township, this county, seventy-two years ago. For forty years or more she resided in Orangeville township. Three years ago she went to Brooklyn to live with her daughter. Her immediate survivors are five children, namely the daughter above mentioned, Mrs. Henry Hagenbuch of Jackson township, Mrs. A. Kocher of Orange township, Mrs. P. K. Vannatta, of Bloomsburg, and E. D. McHenry of Philadelphia, and a brother, John DeLong of Light Street.

The remains were brought here from Brooklyn on Tuesday and taken to Orangeville for interment.

#### REUBEN L. RICH.

Reuben L. Rich, a prominent Millville resident for many years past, died at his home on what is known as Sunnyside Farm, Tuesday evening. He was afflicted with a complication of diseases, and was considerably enfeebled by old age. The end came peacefully, and his spirit took its flight just as darkness night was coming on.

The deceased is survived by three daughters, Mrs. H. D. Trivelpiece of Williamsport, Miss Mary L. Trivelpiece of Berks County, and Miss Bess Trivelpiece, at home.

The funeral will be held from the Friends Meeting House, at Millville tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.

#### MRS. HENRY COOPER.

The life work of Mrs. Cooper, wife of Commissioner Henry Cooper, of Montour county, came to an end at the Cooper homestead, near Washingtonville Tuesday morning. Her husband survives, as does also the following children, Lloyd, William and Calvin Cooper. Calvin Shultz of West Hemlock township, this county, is a brother and Mrs. Hiram Turner, and Mrs. John Johnson of Jerseytown are sisters of the deceased. The funeral

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#### MRS. HIRAM ASH.

The community in the vicinity of Benton is very much saddened, owing to the death of Mrs. Hiram Ash, which occurred early Tuesday morning. Mrs. Ash was one of the very kindest of old ladies, and had her life been spared until the coming July, she would have been seventy-four years of age. Surviving her are a husband and the following children: Thomas and Bruce, of Benton, and Hosea, of near Benton; Mrs. George Hartman, of Benton, and Mrs. Reuben Seigfried, of Berwick, and the following brothers and sisters: Thos. Davis, of Sioux City, Iowa; Christian and Reuben, of Benton, and Mrs. Oliver Palmer and Mrs. Harman L. Stine, of Hamaline church. The funeral was held this morning.

#### MRS. SARAH J. LOWERY.

An attack of neuralgia of the heart on Sunday, March 5, terminated in the death of Mrs. Sarah J. Lowery, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. S. M. Runyon on East Third Street, this town, Monday. Mrs. Lowery's name before marriage was Dildine, and a good part of her life of sixty-five years was spent near Jerseytown. Three daughters and one son survive. They are Mrs. W. E. Rinker and Mrs. Runyon of town, Mrs. J. C. Wolf of Millville, and W. W. Lowery of Berwick.

#### New Officers For Bloomsburg Wheelmen.

The annual meeting of the Bloomsburg Wheelmen for the election of officers to serve for the ensuing year and for the transaction of other business pertaining to the welfare of the organization, was held in the Club House at nine o'clock Tuesday evening. The meeting was decidedly tame compared to that of last year, owing to the fact that there was no fight for any of the offices. With the exception of the two librarians and the treasurer there is a new man in every office. There was an expressed wish on the part of the old Board of Governors that they be excused from further service, many of them having served as long as seven years.

In deference to their desire they were allowed to step down and out. The new officers are as follows: President, Thos. B. Moore; Vice President, Prof. James Goodwin; Treasurer, William C. Snyder; Secretary, D. J. Tasker; Assistant Secretary, Louis Buckalew; Board of Governors, Ralph G. Phillips, A. C. DeSheppard, R. F. Vanderslice, Dr. F. W. Redeker, Frank W. Roys, B. W. Furman, S. R. Bidleman; Auditors, F. R. Holmes, George Low; Librarians, E. M. Holmes, W. M. Morris.

The report of the treasurer, showing the receipts and expenditures of the year and the present condition of the club was read. The club is practically free from debt and there is a substantial balance in the hands of the treasurer, all of which considering the fact that several hundred dollars were expended during the year for new furniture and improvements is very gratifying. Very few purely social organizations with the dues only fifty cents a month can compare with the Wheelmen. Since the organization of the club some eight or ten years ago two or three associations of a similar nature in Bloomsburg, as well as two that we know of in a neighboring town, have fallen by the wayside owing to their inability to meet the expenses. But the Wheelmen, by reason of the wise, judicious and conservative management of its board of governors,



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which has always been composed of careful business men, has stood the test of time and is today stronger numerically and financially than it has been at any time in its history. This happy condition of affairs is due to the wisdom and managerial ability of the retiring Board of Governors, namely Louis Gross, Geo. P. Ringler, P. K. Vannatta, J. D. Armstrong, E. F. Rowe, T. B. Moore and Harry Townsend, as well as to the retiring President and secretary E. F. Carpenter and Warren Lee.

The Club House furnishes a place where the members can go and spend a pleasant evening in social intercourse or innocent amusement. In fact it is just about such a place as More had in mind when he wrote:

"Though few the days, the happy evenings few,  
So warm with heart, so rich with mind they flew,  
That my full soul forgot its wish to roam,  
And rested there as in a dream at home!"

#### Will Attend Sister's Wedding.

B. A. Gidding and Joseph Gidding left this morning for Duluth, Minn., where they will attend the wedding of their only sister, Miss Sarah Rose Gidding to Mr. Max Stern, a prominent young business man of Chicago. The ceremony will be solemnized at the home of the bride's brother J. M. Gidding, formerly of Bloomsburg, now at the head of an extensive merchandising business in that city, at six thirty o'clock next Wednesday evening, March 22, and will be witnessed by only the immediate relatives of the two families.

They departed on the 10:49 D. L. W. train and will go by that route to Buffalo, where they will take the Wabash Railroad to Chicago. At Chicago they will take the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, and from St. Paul to Duluth, by way of the Missouri Pacific, reaching their destination Saturday evening.

They expect to arrive home on or about March 25th.

Mrs. Dr. Reber has rented rooms in Berwick and is preparing to move up there. Her son W. McK. Reber holds a position with the A. C. & F. Co.

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