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## DR. EVELAND IS PRESIDENT

Elected Chief Officer of Dickinson Seminary, Williamsport, on Friday.

### HAS NOT YET ACCEPTED

Rev. William Perry Eveland, A. M., Ph. D., pastor of the Bloomsburg Methodist church, was elected President of Williamsport Dickinson Seminary, to succeed the late Dr. E. J. Gray, at a meeting of the directors held at 11 o'clock Friday morning. As the meeting was called for the purpose of holding the election no other business came before it.

A full discussion of the various candidates was had before a ballot was taken. The first question settled was that the new President must come from the Central Pennsylvania Conference. This narrowed the choice down to Dr. W. P. Eveland, of Bloomsburg; Rev. Emory M. Stevens, of Pine Street Methodist church, Williamsport; Rev. George M. Green, of Roaring Spring; and Rev. J. H. Morgan, D. D., of Dickinson College. Upon a ballot being taken Dr. Eveland was declared elected and the election was then made unanimous.

The President and teachers of the Seminary are elected on commencement day for one year and consequently Dr. Eveland's present term of office will expire June 22, when the new Board of Directors will meet and elect.

Dr. Eveland is about thirty-eight years of age. He is a graduate of Dickinson College and has the degrees of both A. M. and Ph. D. He was admitted into the Central Pennsylvania Conference in 1891. He was president of the Tome Institute, at Port Deposit, Md., for two years, and has since filled charges at Danville, York, Chambersburg and Bloomsburg. He has had a wide experience and has displayed marked ability. He is one of the most eloquent and able preachers in the Central Pennsylvania Conference. He has for some years been a member of the conference Board of Examiners.

Dr. Eveland was notified of his election on Saturday, but has not yet decided whether or not he will accept. His pastorate in Bloomsburg has been eminently successful, and he has endeared himself not only to the members of his church, but to all our people, regardless of religious belief.

The congregation of the Methodist church at Sunday evening's service manifested their love for Dr. Eveland, and the following resolution offered by J. C. Brown was unanimously endorsed:

"Our loyalty to and love for our pastor, Dr. W. P. Eveland, cause us to rejoice over every prospect of promotion for him, but apprehensive that the varied and multiplied interests of this great church would suffer by his removal at this time to accept the Presidency of Williamsport Dickinson Seminary, it is the universal desire of the membership and congregation of the First M. E. Church, of Bloomsburg, that he remain a pastor, unless after giving the matter prayerful consideration he feels impelled by a higher sense of duty to accept the presidency thus tendered him."

In responding, Dr. Eveland said that he would ask nothing better than to stay here. He said that his plans covered the coming two years, and that he would be glad to stay and work them out, but there was but one path for a preacher to walk, the path of duty, and if God wanted him at the Seminary he was willing to go.

## THE CONVENTION WAS HARMONIOUS

Instead of Wrangle and Dissatisfaction All was Peaceable and Orderly.

### DR. H. V. HOWER CHAIRMAN.

That there are times when all signs fail was never more forcibly demonstrated than on Tuesday when in spite of the predictions and palaver of that element that always enjoy discord and disruption, the Democratic party of Columbia County met in Convention, nominated a complete ticket to be voted for at the approaching fall election, and transacted all the other business that was brought before the meeting without even a semblance of contention or strife. The audience which filled the Opera House to suffocation, evidenced the fact that a "hot time" was expected, but it didn't materialize. The alleged glaring incongruities of vote and grossest absurdities of circumstance were discussed without the slightest dissent or demurrage of judgment, and at the close of the meeting the curious ones left the Opera House very much disappointed.

The Convention was called to order at eleven o'clock by the temporary chairman, W. C. Johnston, Esq., he having been the permanent chairman of the preceding convention. Editor Chas. Randall, of the Catawissa News Item acted as secretary.

The permanent organization was effected by electing Dr. H. V. Hower, of Millinville, chairman; John G. Harman, Esq., reading clerk; Clem R. Wiess, Esq., and A. N. Yost, Esq., secretaries, and A. B. Black and H. H. Wolle, tellers.

The judges made their returns to the convention, after which an adjournment was taken until two o'clock P. M.

The first person to speak after the convention had re-convened, was W. W. Barrett, of Bloomsburg. He offered the following resolution which was seconded by Frank R. Drake:

"Inasmuch as fraud has been charged in the counting of the vote in the First Ward of Centralia, I move that a committee be appointed in accordance with the rules of the Democratic party, to investigate the irregularity of the vote polled and returned in said district, and herewith present affidavits to substantiate said charges. This is for the purpose of bringing about honest elections, and the result will not change any of the nominations, simply showing that votes were cast for candidates which were not counted or returned."

As a committee to investigate the matter the chair appointed Herman T. Young, of Catawissa, O. G. Shultz, of Benton township, Peter T. McHale of Conygham, T. W. Hartman of Scott and Jerry Van Sickle of Main, who, after having interrogated and examined the witnesses, reported that no fraud had been committed.

When the examination of the candidates for county commissioner was taken up there was a slight hitch in the proceedings, and the convention was called upon to determine who beside C. L. Pohe was to be the candidate. W. B. Schuck from the South side was next to C. L. Pohe, in the matter of votes, he having received 1911 votes, a majority of 392 over Jerry A. Hess, the highest North side candidate. According to the party rule, based on a decision rendered

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## FRANK H. WILSON ACCIDENTLY SHOT

Bullet Entered Left Side and Passed Clear Across the Body.

### HIS CONDITION IS CRITICAL.

A. C. DeSheppard's repair shop, directly over Tooley & Company's grocery store on Main street, was the scene of a most serious if not fatal accident about half past nine o'clock Monday morning, and as the result of which Frank H. Wilson's eldest son of O. T. Wilson and local manager of the Atlantic Refining Company is in a very serious condition at his residence on South Market street.

The bad occurrence which was purely accidental in nature can in a sense be attributed to Mr. Wilson's courtesy and kindness, which has ever been a predominant characteristic in his make up. He had gone to Mr. DeSheppard's shop to get a key made and the job was in an advanced stage, when Charles Hummel of Espy entered. He was on his way to the D. L. & W. station to catch the 10:41 train for New York City, to be present at the session of the Master Car-builders Association to exhibit a patent which he recently obtained on convertible car door steps, and asked DeSheppard to do a little repair work for him. The latter informed him his services were engaged, and that he could not do the work, but Mr. Wilson said he was in no hurry and could wait. "All right," said Mr. DeSheppard, and walking toward the railing which divided the cramped area of the room, inquired of Hummel what he wanted done. As he did so the latter took from his hip pocket a 32 calibre self-acting revolver. He extended his hand containing the revolver. Instantly there was a report and Mr. Wilson exclaimed "My God I'm shot." Mr. DeSheppard caught him or he would have fallen to the floor.

Attracted by the report Peter A. Kline and William Rush hurried to the top of the stairs and assisted Mr. DeSheppard in placing the injured man in a carriage and removing him to his home.

Drs. Arment, Bruner, Bierman and Gardner were summoned, who after examining the wound telegraphed to Fountain Springs for Dr. Biddle. Having been busy on a case at the time, he missed the train leaving Ashland about one o'clock and was obliged to drive to Catawissa, and come over on the trolley. He reached here shortly before seven o'clock.

With the aid of an X-ray machine the bullet which entered the left side between the seventh and eighth rib, and passed clear across the body, was located against a rib on the right side. There had been a slight internal hemorrhage, a continuance of which the doctors stated would be serious.

HUMMEL GRIEF-STRIKEN.

Though Mr. Wilson exonerated Hummel for any blame whatever, the latter was grief-stricken over the accident and together with his wife and father spent the greater part of Monday at the Wilson home.

To the writer he said the revolver was the first and only one he had ever owned. He bought it about a year ago to protect his property from the visitation of thieves, which were alarmingly prevalent in his neighborhood at that time. He decided to carry it on his trip to New York, but found that it was not in working order. He thought he had emptied all the

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chambers, but unfortunately in his haste, he missed one.

MUCH SORROW EXPRESSED

Seldom has an accident called forth so many expressions of sorrow. No resident of town is more highly esteemed. His genial manner and cheerful disposition, have served to win and retain the firm friendship of all with whom he has come in contact, and the hope that he may survive the accident and be restored to health is universal.

### A MEMORIAL FONT

On Sunday morning at the Presbyterian Church, a baptismal font, given by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ikeler in memory of their little son Fred who died in 1902, was dedicated by Rev. Dr. Hemmingway. The font is a beautiful piece of work, and is also of historic interest as the bowl is carved out of the corner stone of the old brick Presbyterian Church. The stone was cut in octagonal shape, and in the top is a meekle plated receptacle for water. The stone rests within a casing of oak through the panels of which the stone shows.

A handsome pedestal supports the font.

It was during the Children's Day service and at the appointed time Dr. Hemmingway entered the audience room from the door east of pulpit, followed by Frank A. Ikeler Jr., four years old, twin brother of the deceased child in whose memory the font was given. The bright and pretty golden-haired little boy carried a server on which rested the letter of presentation, and a silver plate with this inscription:

In Memoriam  
Fred Taylor Ikeler Jr.  
1901 1902

Frank A. Ikeler Esq., accompanied him, and following them were a number of parents with their children to be presented for baptism. Arriving at the font, which stands at the left of the communion table, Dr. Hemmingway read the letter of presentation as follows:

"To the Pastor, Session and Members of the First Presbyterian Church, Bloomsburg, Pa.:-

"We beg leave to present to you this baptismal font to the Glory of God, and the memory of our infant son, Fred Taylor Ikeler, Jr."

FRED T. IKELER,  
LAURA M. IKELER.

The pastor then nailed the plate to the cover of the font and said: "On behalf of the session, trustees and congregation of this church I accept this baptismal font from

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