THE RAILWAY IN CHINA

Some of the Difficulties to be Overcome in Construction

GRAFT FLOURISHES, TOO

Syndicates Bought Up Land Along Proposed Route and Held It Against the Railroad Company—Trouble Over Removal of Graves—Corner on Building Material.

The final contract for the Shanghai-Nanking line was signed after protracted negotiations by Sheng Ta-jen and the concessionaires (the British and Chinese corporation) in July, 1903. Between that date and the actual beginning of earthworks further pourparlers were necessitated on points of detail, financial and administrative, in regard to which Sheng Ta-jen's attitude was persistently obstructive. Eventually, at the instance of the British government, an intimation was conveyed to the Director-General from the Wai-wu-pu that further obstruction would entail unpleasant results, and since then matters have advanced more satisfactorily.

The line to Nanking via the provincial capital (Soochow) is approximately 200 miles long, running through flat country intersected by many creeks and covered as far as Chinkiang with innumerable graves; thence to Nanking on the slope of the hills which lie parallel and close to the Yangtse. By the terms of the contract Sheng Ta-jen receives $250,000, in return for which he is bound to acquire all necessary land and to obtain the removal of graves within the limits required by the railway. Eighteen months after the arrival of the engineering staff, only thirty-eight miles of the total length had been acquired, and this in isolated sections.

The construction now proceeds as the land is handed over; it is therefore evident that future progress will depend chiefly on Sheng's performance of his duties. He promised to give the company full possession of all the land as far as Soochow before April, 1905, and thence to Wusieh before June; but continuous pressure has not succeeded in securing the fulfilment of this official's promises. In the meanwhile it is interesting to observe that, so soon as the survey of any section is completed and the line definitely located, a Chinese syndicate—of which Sheng Ta-jen's son is the reputed head—purchases the land, wherever possible, from the agricultural owners and holds it against the railway company, claiming a large advance on the market value. (The price paid for agricultural land, compulsorily acquired, varies between £20 and £40 per acre.) Those operations primarily concern the Chinese government; but, as they delay construction work and thus increase the ultimate cost of the railway, they concern also the concessionaires to whom Sheng frequently appeals for funds to meet "unexpected contingencies."

Another source of difficulty lies in the removal of graves. This is a question which presents itself everywhere in China; but in the country between Shanghai and Wusieh it is unusually prominent, because the line runs through what might be described as a continuous graveyard. Tombs and family burying grounds, frequently of great size, are scattered haphazard throughout the highly cultivated fields. Many have been removed during the past year, but even on the land already handed over an enormous number remain, and for these gaps have to be left in the embankments.

For each grave's removal compensation has to be paid at rates varying between 10s. and £1 and as this business is also transacted by Sheng's staff, it presents a continual cause of friction and delay. So-called benevolent societies have been formed at various centers and collect subscriptions with the ostensibly pious object of removing the remains of the numerous departed Chinese who left no descendants to practice for them the rites of filial piety. The Tai-ping rebellion left many such cases in its track.

These societies employ coolies to collect the bones, which are then reverently placed in a Devoe's kerosene packing case or other equally inexpensive receptacle and thereafter deposited on the nearest piece of waste land, the society's work being confined to claiming and getting the compensation per set of bones collected. The smallest remains will suffice to justify a claim, and unidentified ancestors are therefore in demand all along the line. It is reported, though difficult to prove, that the Chinese members of the board of commissioners and other local mandarins have been prominently connected with the "benevolent" societies.

Another interesting example of Chinese official methods came to light when the construction of bridges was begun. The corporation soon discovered that a completely organized corner had been formed by the Chinese to control the supply of skilled labor and of bricks. So effective was this combine that considerable time elapsed before work could be done at anything like reasonable prices, and one of the consulting engineers (A. J. Barry) has therefore made arrangements for the establishment of independent brickyards and the importation of labor from Tientsin. In the meanwhile the construction of all bridges as far as Wusieh has been contracted for.

LICENSE APPLICATIONS.

Notice is hereby given that the following named persons have filed with the Clerk of the Quarter Sessions of Columbia county, their petitions for license, which will be presented to said court on

MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 1906,

AT 10 O'CLOCK A. M.

Stewart A. Ash, residence Briarcreek township. Distiller, situate in said township of Briarcreek, on a lot in the rear of a flouring or grist mill, owned by Stewart A. Ash, and being northwest of Briarcreek postoffice, and the salesroom being in the rear of the aforesaid postoffice and owned by said Stewart A. Ash.

Jacob W. Adams, residence Catawissa township. Hotel, situate on a lot of ground in said township, bounded by land of Mathias Gingles, R. R. Zarr and by the public road leading from Catawissa to Roaringcreek, said hotel known as the "Three Points Hotel."

Alfred Andreas residence Mifflin township. Hotel, situate in the village of Mifflinville on the south west corner of Third and Race streets, bounded on the north by Third street, on the east by Race street, on the south by Fourth street and on the West by lot of the estate of John Harmony.

Charles W. Aleshter, residence Mainville. Hotel, situate in Main township, in town of Mainville, on east side of public road leading from Catawissa to Beaver Valley.

Bartley Alberts-n, residence Rohrsburg. Hotel, situate in the village of Rohrsburg, on the northeast corner of Rohrsburg and Millville roads, and known as Rohrsburg Hotel.

Theodore Berger, residence Berwick. Restaurant, situate on the southerly side of Front street, between Market and Mulberry streets in said borough of Berwick.

Thomas Boran, residence Centralia borough. Restaurant, situate on the corner of Paxton and Railroad avenues, in the second ward of said borough.

Edward Bowen, residence Willburton. Hotel, situate in Locust township, on west side of road leading form Numedia to Centralia, bounded by Daniel Levan, Robert Watkins, Jacob Hoover and Charles Hendricks.

J. S. Buchman, residence Bloomsburg. Wholesale, situate on north side of second street, bounded on the north by Ringe alley, east by lot of J. L. Sharpless, south by Second street, west by lot of E. B. Brower.

James K. Bibby, residence Catawissa township. Hotel, situate in Catawissa township, bounded on the north by public road leading from Catawissa to Ashland, on the east by land of Wm. Wilson, west by land of Henry Fox, and known as Bibby's Hotel.

Charles Battaglia, residence West Berwick borough. Hotel, situate in said borough on north side of Freas avenue.

Charles Baker, residence Catawissa. Wholesale, situate in the borough of Catawissa on Mill street adjoining lands of Mrs. Mary Walter, Mrs. Clara Shane and a public alley.

Ralph Benedict, residence West Berwick. Wholesale, situate in said borough, bounded east by Thos. Bombey, south by Susquehanna avenue, west by Adam Michael and wife, north by Front street.

Alfred Bower, residence Berwick. Wholesale, situate in town of Bloomsburg, in building formerly occupied by Bloomsburg Artificial Ice and Cold Storage Co., on the north side of Seventh street.

Mary E. Collins, residence Centralia borough. Restaurant, situate in first ward of said borough, on the east side of Locust avenue on lot bounded on the north by James Gannon, east by an alley, south by lot of John Spring, west by Locust avenue.

Columbia Brewing Co., Shenandoah, Pa. Wholesale, situate in West Berwick borough, on lot No. 801, on northwest corner of Washington street and right of way of S. B. & B. RR. Co., north by Third avenue, west by lot No. 802, and owned by said Brewing Co.

Anthony T. Conway, residence Centralia borough. Hotel, situate in the second ward of said borough, on the corner of Centre street and Locust avenue.

Patrick Carey, residence Conyngham township. Restaurant, situate in the said township, in the village known as Dark Corner, on the west side of the public road leading from Centralia to Ashland.

John Colihan, residence Centralia borough. Restaurant, situate in second ward of said borough on the east side of Locust avenue, bounded north by Owen Cain, south by property of Edward J. Flynn.

C. E. Crawford, residence Jerseytown. Hotel, situate in village of Jerseytown on the corner of Millville and Muncy roads, and known as the "Crawford."

Dennis Dorsey, residence Jamison City. Hotel situate in Jamison City, corner of Market street and Broad street, and known as the City Hotel.

Michael Douse, residence Centralia borough. Restaurant, situate in second ward of said borough, on west side of Locust avenue, bounded by property of M. J. McDonnell and property of George W. Davis.

H. F. Dieffenbach, residence Bloomsburg. Hotel, situate on the northwest corner of East and Sixth streets in said town, bounded north by Wm. Viets, east by East street, south by sixth street, and west by Strawberry alley.

Harry Derr and Wm. Derr, trading as Derr Bros., residence Bloomsburg. Restaurant, situate on the south side of Second street of said town, bounded north by Second street, east by lot of Joshua Fetterman, south by Pine alley, west by lot of H. J. Clark.

C. A. Dent, residence Iola. Hotel, situate in Iola, on public road leading from Millville to Pine Summit, bounded north by public road, east by land of Chas. Stackhouse, south by lot of W. R. Hobbs, west by lot of P. O. S. of A.

H. F. Dietterick, residence Orangeville borough. Hotel, situate on the northeast corner of Pine and Main streets in said borough, bounded north by E. H. Sloan, east by an alley, south by Pine street, and west by Main street of said borough, known as the Orangeville Hotel.

B. J. Davis, residence Conyngham township. Hotel, situate in Conyngham township, bounded north by public school lot, east by Mrs. Catharine Quinn, south by Centre street, west by Wood street.

Daniel E. Eckerd, residence West Berwick borough. Hotel, situate on the west side of Lasalle street of said borough, bounded north by land of Milton Freas, east by LaSalle street, south by land of Freas Fowler, west by an alley.

Matthew Forbes, residence Jamison City. Hotel, situate in Sugarloaf township, bounded north by an alley, east and south by land of Matthew Forbes, and on the west by Market street.

J. R. Fowler, residence Bloomsburg. Restaurant, situate on the west side of Centre street of said town of Bloomsburg, bounded north by an alley, east by Centre street, south by an alley, west by lands of G. Snyder, being known as Opera House Block, on first floor of said building.

Barney A. Friedman, residence Berwick. Hotel, situate in the borough of Berwick, on the south east corner of Vine street and Ninth street, being 50 feet front on Vine street and 150 feet on Ninth street.

James H. Fairman, residence Berwick borough. Hotel, situate on the north side of Canal street in said borough, bounded north by W. G. Maritz, et al., east by J. K. Smith, et al., south by Canal street, west by land of Ida M. Fritz.

John Fedorco, residence borough of West Berwick. Hotel, situate in said borough at the corner of Warren street and Freas avenue eastwardly to lot of B. Land Improvement Company southwardly to an alley, westwardly to Warren street, northwardly to Freas Avenue.

John Gross, residence Bloomsburg. Restaurant, situate on the south side of Second street in said town, bounded north by Second street, east by lot of John R. Townsend et al., south by an alley, west by an alley, and known as Exchange Block.

W. H. Gilmore, residence Bloomsburg. Restaurant, situate on the north side of Main street in said town, bounded north by an alley, east by Mrs. Hendershott, south by Main street, west by an alley.

Ambrose D. Goldsworthy, residence Centralia borough. Hotel, situate on the corner of Main street and Locust avenue, first ward, in said borough, bounded north by Main street, east by Locust avenue, south by lot of Goldsworthy Est., west by an alley.

John W. Goldsworthy, residence Centralia borough. Hotel, situate in first ward on the west side of Locust avenue, bounded north by Maria Dyke, east by an alley, south by lot of C. S. & L. Ass'n, west by Locust avenue.

Patrick J. Gaughan, residence Conyngham township. Restaurant, situate in the village of Byrnesville, said township, bounded north by lot of Mary Buker, east by road leading from Centralia to Ashland, south by Wm. Cawley, west by an alley.

Patrick Gaughan, residence Centralia, 2nd ward. Restaurant, situate in said 2nd ward, bounded north by James A. Simons, east by an alley, south by a vacant lot, west by public road leading from Catawissa to Centralia.

Martin Gutowsky, residence Duryea, Luzerne county. Hotel, situate in the borough of West Berwick, corner lot No. 751 on second avenue.

Jerry A. Hess, residence Bloomsburg. Restaurant, situate on the south side of Main street, bounded north by Main street, east by an alley, south by an alley, west by D. A. Creasy.

Oliver Honabach, residence Conyngham township. Hotel, situate on the west side of Main street in the village of Aristes, bounded north by a road or street of said village, east by the Main street, south by lot of Edward Honabach, west by an alley.

James C. Houghton, residence Pine township. Distiller, situate in Pine township, bounded north by land of Jas. C. Houghton, east by land of J. C. Houghton, south by road leading from Pine Summit to Unityville and on the west by other land of J. C. Houghton.

P. B. Heddens, residence Bloomsburg. Hotel, situate on the west side of Iron street, bounded north by Franklin Keller, east by Iron street, south by W. B. Taylor, and on the west by an alley, known as the "Heddens House."

John Hales, residence Centralia, 2nd ward. Restaurant, situate in said 2nd ward of Centralia, bounded north by A. E. Fetterman, east by an alley, south by Allen Cain, and west by Locust avenue.

Thomas R. Hornberger, residence Conyngham township. Hotel, situate in Conyngham township on west side of state public road leading from Numidia to Aristes.

M. J. Harris, residence Scranton. Hotel, situate in the borough of West Berwick, on south side of Freas avenue, bounded on the north by Freas avenue, east by land of Millert et al., south by an alley, west by land of Berwick Land Improvement Co.

S. K. Heller, residence, Berwick borough. Restaurant, situate on the northerly side of Front street of said borough, bounded north by land of F. P. Hill, east by Doan & Jayne, south by Front street, west by other land of Samuel K. Heller.

Wm. A. Hartzel, residence Bloomsburg. Hotel situate on the northeasterly corner of Second street and Murray's alley of said town, bounded north by lot of Y. M. C. A., east by lot of C. S. Furman, south by Second street, west by Murray's alley.

Charles H. Horbach, residence Conyngham township. Hotel situate in Locustdale, in said township on the right side of road leading from Ashland to Locust Gap, and known as the West End Hotel.

Hanover Brewing Company, principal office Danville. Wholesale, situate in the borough of Berwick, on east side of Vine street, No. 856 on said street, being lot No. 6 in Jackson & Crispin's addition to the borough of Berwick.

M. I. and T. F. Hennessey, trading as Hennessey Bros. Restaurant, situate in the borough of Catawissa, on north side of Main street and known as "Hennessy Restaurant."

Home Brewing Company, residence, Shenandoah, Pa. Wholesale, situate in Conyngham township, corner Centre and Seventh streets, being lots Nos. 9 and 10 in block No. 24.

Homer Brewing Co., residence, Shenandoah, Pa. Wholesale, situate in the borough of West Berwick, corner of Third avenue and Warren street, being lot No. 817.

Thomas Hickey, residence, Bloomsburg. Hotel, situate in Bloomsburg, on southwest corner of Mill and Railroad streets.

Joseph J. Jodkovics, residence, West Berwick. Wholesale, situate in said borough of West Berwick, bounded on the north by Freas avenue, east by James Cupolo, south by an alley, west by land of — Davis; being lot No. 1014.

Joseph Kalwick, residence, Centralia borough. Restaurant, situate in the second ward of said borough northwest corner of Locust avenue and Railroad avenue, bounded north by lot of Wm. Bullie, east by Locust avenue, south by Railroad avenue, and on the west by an alley.

D. P. Kistler, residence, Catawissa borough. Hotel, situate in said borough, bounded north by Main street, east by Second street, south by an alley and on the west by S. D. Rinard, and known as the "Catawissa Hotel."

C. A. Kirby, residence, Berwick borough. Hotel, situate at the southeast corner of Front and Market streets of said borough, bounded north by Front street, east by S. W. Dickson, et al., south by Canal street, and west by Market street, and known as "St. Charles Hotel."

Parvin Alle, residence Jackson township. Hotel, situate in Sugarloaf township, located in Jamison City, and known as "Proctor Inn."

Elmer E. Kelly, residence West Berwick. Hotel, situate in West Berwick, bounded on the north by A. W. Thompson east by an alley, south by lot of Wm. Durling, on west by La Salle street.

James M. Kline, residence Bloomsburg. Hotel, situate on the south side of Second street of said town, bounded north by Second street, east by an alley, south by an alley, and west by Joshua Fetterman estate, and known as the Central Hotel.

Jacob Kupsky, residence, borough of West Berwick. Hotel, situate on the southeast corner of Monroe and Park streets of the borough of West Berwick.

Louis Kostenbauder, residence, Aristes. Restaurant, situate in Aristes, Conyngham township, at corner of Midvalley road and road leading to Numidia.

John Lavelle, residence, Centralia borough. Restaurant, situate in the First ward, corner of Main street and Locust avenue of said borough, bounded north by Main street, east by an alley, south by land of the L. M. C. & L. Co., and west by Locust avenue.

A. J. Lynch & Co., residence, Wilkes-Barre. Wholesale, situate on the southeasterly side of Front street in the borough of Berwick, bounded northwest by Moses Markel, southeast by an alley, southwest by property of P. S. Swayze and northeast by Front street, being No. 126 West Front street.

Ella V. Leitzel, residence, Roaringcreek township. Hotel, situate in Roaringcreek township on the public road known as the old Reading road.

R. B. Latshaw, residence, Montour township. Hotel, situate in the village of Rupert, adjoining land of W. M. Monroe, John G. Quick's estate and the P. & R. railroad, and known as the Rupert Hotel.

Michae J. McDonnell, residence, Centralia borough. Wholesale, as agent in the Second ward of said borough, bounded north by lot of O. B. Millard, east by Locust avenue, south by lot of Catharine Morrison, west by an alley.

Victor Marcinski, residence, Centralia borough. Restaurant, situate in the Second ward of said borough on the west side of Locust avenue, bounded north by George W. Davis, east by Locust avenue, south by C. G. Murphy Est., west by an alley.

Thos. Mohan, residence, Conyngham township. Restaurant, situate on the east side of Centralia road leading from Centralia to Ashland in said township, bounded on the north by Margaret Kilker, east by an alley, south by Michael J. Byrnes, and west by public road leading to Ashland.

John McDonnell, residence, Centralia borough. Restaurant, situate in the Second ward of said borough on Railroad street, east by Andrew Rooney, south by John Moran, and west by Locust avenue.

Thomas J. Madden, residence Centralia borough. Hotel, situate in the First ward of said borough on the southeast corner of Locust avenue and Park street, bounded north by Park street, east by an alley, south by Edward Williams, west by Locust avenue.

T. J. Morgan and Wm. T. Morgan, trading as T. J. Morgan & Son, residence, Wilkes-Barre. Bottlers, situate in the Town of Bloomsburg, on the northeast corner of Second and Leonard streets, bounded north by alley, east by lot of Mrs. Fannie Anstock, south by Second street, and west by Leonard street.

Roar McHenry Distilling Company, office, etc. Benton township. Distillers, situate in Benton township, bounded north and east by public road leading from Derrs to Benton, and on the south and west by lands of Rohr Mellenry.

J. B. McHenry, residence, Benton borough. Hotel situate on eastern side of Second street in said borough and known as the McHenry House.

W. M. Miller and H. D. Miller, residences, Briarcreek township. Hotel, situate in Foundryville, said township, bounded on northeast and south by land of D. G. Klinetob, and on the west by road leading from Berwick to Jonestown.

Michael Massino, residence, West Berwick. Hotel, situate in West Berwick, bounded north by Freas avenue, east by other property of applicant, south by an alley, west by land of Berwick Land Improvement Company; lots 918 and 920 on Freas avenue.

Geo. W. Miller, residence, Briarcreek township. Hotel, situate in Briarcreek township, bounded west by Philip Sponenberg and others, south by Gid and Obed Michael, east by land of Newman Bower, north by public road leading from Jonestown to Berwick.

G. H. Morton, residence, Berwick borough. Hotel, situate on corner of Front and Market streets, bounded north by Front street, east by Market street, south by an alley, west by land of Chas. Haas.

Ignatz Mittleman, residence Briarcreek township. Hotel, situate in Briarcreek township, bounded on the north by Sixth street, east by Said Modad, south by line of West Berwick borough, west by lands of Dickson.

William Ney, residence, Beaver township. Hotel, situate in said township, bounded east by Sherman Heller, west by Daniel Ramer, north by John Hunsinger, south by public road.

Patrick O'Reilly, residence, Centralia borough. Restaurant, situate in the Second ward of said borough, bounded north by an alley, south by Railroad street, east by an alley, west by vacant lot.

Johanna O'Connor, residence, Centralia borough. Hotel, situate in the first ward of said borough, on the west side of Locust avenue, bounded north by Albert Ball, east by Locust avenue, south by Michael O'Connor, west by an alley.

A. A. Overhaltzer, residence, Benton borough. Hotel, situate on northwest corner of Second and Market streets in said borough and known as the Exchange Hotel.

John J. O'Donnell, residence, Centralia. Restaurant, situate in First ward of Centralia, on corner of Locust avenue and an alley.

J. W. Perry, residence, Sugarloaf township. Hotel, situate in the village of Elk Grove, said township, bounded east by Elijah Hess, north by Hummer and Yorks, west by public road leading from Central to Laporte, south by other lands of said Perry, and known as the Elk House Hotel.

Benjamin Pennypacker, residence, Mifflin township. Hotel, situate on the north side of Third street in the village of Mifflinville in said township, bounded south by Third street, east by George Zimmerman, north by Second street, west by lot of late George Miller.

Pennsylvania Central Brewing Co., John Arnell department, residence, Hazleton. Wholesale, situate in West Berwick, corner Third avenue and Warren street, bounded on north by S. N. & N. Railway, east by Warren street, south by Third avenue, west by land of Berwick Land Improvement Co.

Alexander Przentnewsky, residence, Centralia, Second ward. Restaurant, situate in Second ward of Centralia, bounded north by Catharine Brice, east by an alley, south by Owen Cain, west by Locust avenue.

Edgar Rinn, residence, Center township. Hotel, situate on the south side of public road leading from Bloomsburg to Berwick in the village of Centerville, bounded north by said public road, east by Perry road, south by an alley, west by land of George Snyder.

Eben Rooney, residence, Centralia borough. Restaurant, situate in the Second ward of said borough, bounded north by P. F. Burke estate, east by an alley, south by Martin Walsh, and west by Locust avenue.

S. D. Crumby, residence, Madison township. Hotel, situate in the village of Jerseytown, bounded north by R. F. Johnson, east by public road leading to Millville, south by public road leading to White mill, and west by Geo. S. Lee.

Dennis Rowan, residence, Conyngham township. Restaurant, situate on the east side of Main street in the village of Byrnesville, said township, bounded north by Mrs. Conrey, east by an alley, south by Catharine Bradley, and west by Main street aforesaid.

Brian Rush, residence, Sheamah rg. Bottler, situate on the rear end of a lot belonging to Mrs. Lillie M. Taylor, bounded north by lot of P. B. Heddens east by Iron street, south by an alley, on the west by an alley.

Daniel Roach, residence, Conyngham township. Hotel, situate at Aristes, in said township, on the road leading from Numidia to Ashland and adjoining lands of James Kostenbauder and the Lehigh Coal Company, and known as the Mountain Hotel.

Stephen J. Rinaun, residence, Catawissa borough. Restaurant, situate in said borough, bounded north by Main street, south by an alley, east by other lands of your petitioner, west by E. Broad street, and known as Rinaun's Restaurant.

Clayton F. Reitmeyer, residence, Pine township. Hotel, situate at Pine Summit, Pine township, bounded on the east by public road north by J. F. Lemon, west by J. F. Lemon, south by public road leading to Unityville.

W. W. Saubert, residence, Berwick borough. Restaurant, situate on the south side of Front street of said borough, bounded north by Front street, west by an alley, south by an alley, and east by another property of H. O. Kline.

Clara Sheep, residence, Mordansville Hotel, situate in the village of Eyersgrove, Greenwood township, upon the west side of the public road leading from Mordansville to Millville, and known as the Eyersgrove Hotel.

G. F. Spontenberg, residence West Berwick. Hotel, situate in the borough of West Berwick, bounded north by Wesley Pettit, east by an alley, west by Lasalle street, south by lot of H. S. Williams, and numbered 832 Lasalle street.

Steinmaier Brewing Company, residence Wilkes-Barre. Wholesale, situate on the south side of Seventh street, Bloomsburg, bounded south by an alley, west by Thomas Sullivan, north by seventh street, east by D. L. & W. Railroad.

Hiram A. Shaffer, residence Orangeville borough. Hotel, situated on Main street in said borough, bounded north by Calvin Herring and an alley, east by Main street, south by Rebecca Megargel, west by Mill street, and known as the Beckman House.

I. A. Snyder, residence Bloomsburg. Hotel, situate on Second street of said town, bounded on the south, east and west by an alley, and on the north by Second street, and known as the Exchange Hotel.

Edward Schenke, residence Berwick borough. Hotel, situate on the corner of West Front and Oak streets, in said borough, and bounded north by Mathias Frantz, on the south by Oak street.

Edward J. Shaeffer, residence Centralia borough. Hotel, situate in the first ward of said borough, on the west side of Locust avenue, bounded north by a private alley, east by Locust avenue, south by John Moran, west by private alley.

Steinmaier Brewing Company, residence Wilkes-Barre. Wholesale situate on the west side of Chestnut street, in Berwick borough, bounded east by Chestnut street, south and west by land of Penn'a Canal Co., north by land of D. L. & W. RR. Co.

William B. Schuck, residence borough of Catawissa. Hotel, situate in said borough, bounded on the south by Main street, west by Second street, north by an alley, and east by property of Clark estate.

Andrew O. Stonge, residence Montour township. Hotel, situate in the village of Grovania, said township, bounded north by Henry Lazarus, east by Isaiah Hagenbuch, south by public road, west by Jere Beeber, and known as the Hotel Stonge.

J. F. Shoemaker, residence West Berwick. Hotel, situate on the southeast corner of Spring Garden avenue and Mercer street, in West Berwick borough, bounded north by Spring Garden avenue, west by Mercer street, south by Schley alley, east by Mrs. Sarah Ann Dunling.

Jacob Steen, residence Sugarloaf township. Hotel, situate in the village of Central, said township bounded north by a lot of Louisa Steen, east by an alley, south by Joshua Hess, west by public road.

J. A. Smith, residence Light Street. Hotel, situate in the village of Light Street, Scott township, bounded north by public road, east by E. D. Hagenbuch, south by Peter Zeigler, west by public road leading from Light Street to Bloomsburg.

B. F. Sarles, residence Berwick. Hotel, situate in Berwick, bounded north by Second street, east by lot of W. V. Palmer, south by land of Mellett et al., west by Oak street. Lots No. 336 and 338 West Second street.

Joseph E. Sands, residence Mordansville. Hotel, situate in Mordansville, on the south side of road leading from Sands' store to Eyersgrove, bounded north by said road, east by Free church, south and west by land of C. L. Sands.

H. Schlanger, residence West Berwick borough. Restaurant, situate on the southeast corner of LaSalle street and Freas avenue.

John Sedusky, residence Mt. Carmel. Wholesale, situate in Aristes, Conyngham township, on west side of public road leading from Centralia to Catawissa.

Wm. F. Stohner, residence Bloomsburg. Hotel, situate on south side of Main street in said town, bounded north by Main street, east by E. B. Brower, south by an alley, west by P. K. Vannatta.

Benjamin F. Sponenberg, residence Berwick. Restaurant, situate in said Berwick on south side of Front street, between Market and Mulberry.

Joseph Tretter, residence Centralia borough. Hotel, situate in first ward of said borough, on the west side of Locust avenue, bounded north by Goldsworthy, east by Locust avenue, south by Michael O'Conner, on the west by an alley.

Aaron Trexler, residence Conyngham township. Wholesale, situate on the east side of the public road leading from Catawissa to Ashland, bounded on the north and east by Lehigh Valley Coal Co., south by the same, and on the west by public road.

George Unangst, residence Berwick borough. Hotel, situate in said borough, bounded north by Pine street, east by E. Cope, south by E. Cope, west by C. M. Aurand, and numbered 1067 Pine street in said borough.

Emanuel Visintainer, residence Centralia borough. Hotel, situate in the first ward of said borough corner Locust avenue and Centre streets, bounded north by Centre street, east by Locust avenue, south by lot of B. J. Dyke, and west by an alley.

Sue A. Wolf, residence Scott township. Hotel, situate in the village of Espy, said township, on the north side of Main street bounded north by an alley, east by road leading from Waple's store to D. L. & W. RR., south by Main street, and west by Stephen Pettit, and known as the Espy Hotel.

H. S. Williams, residence Berwick borough. Restaurant, situate on south side of Front street, said borough, bounded east by an alley, south by an alley, west by M. A. Markle, and north by Front street.

George Wagonseller, residence Bloomsburg. Hotel, situate on south side of Second street, bounded north by Second street, east by Miller heirs, south by an alley, west by D. Lowenberg Est., and known as the St. Elmo Hotel.

Dora Yost, residence, Bloomsburg. Restaurant, situate in the 4th election district of said town, on the east side of East street, bounded north by Fifth street, east by Rescue Hose Co., south by William Yost, west by East street.

Montillus Yeager and James Yeager, residence, Conyngham township. Hotel situate in the village of Numidia, of said township, on the road leading from Catawissa to Centralia, bounded on the west by said road, south by road leading to Newlin, north by land of John L. Kline, and known as Numidia Hotel.

Boyd R. Yetter, residence, Main township. Hotel, situate in the village of Mainville, on the west side of public road leading from Mainville to Catawissa, bounded on the West by Catawissa creek, north by Isaac Yetter, south by C. S. Richard, east by public road.

Lloyd Yeager, residence, Catawissa borough. Hotel, situate in said borough, bounded east by lot of John Haley, west by Railroad street, north by Pine street, south by other land of your petitioner, and known as Railroad Hotel.

Wellington Yeager, residence, Locust township. Hotel, situate in said township on public road leading from Catawissa to Numidia and road leading to Milligrove, and known as National Cross Keys Hotel.

Joseph Ziegler and W. B. Bachman, residence, Bloomsburg. Restaurant, situate on the northeast corner of Centre and Second street, Bloomsburg, bounded north by an alley, east by lot of L. T. Sharpless, south by Second street, west by Centre street, and known as the White House.

C. M. TERWILLIGER,
Clerk of Court of Quarter Sessions.
Clerk's Office, Bloomsburg, Pa., Dec. 26, 1905.

PAPER MILK BOTTLES.

A Sanitary Reform Which Promises Much.

Consumers of milk who have come to appreciate the value of purity and freedom from infection will be interested in an idea that originated in Philadelphia, says the New York Tribune. Every one who has studied the matter carefully knows that there are several ways in which milk may become contaminated. If the dairy farm is an ideal one, if the fluid is promptly cooled, if its temperature remains low during the period of transportation, if the city dealer into whose hands it passes on arrival is both honest and intelligent, there still remains a source of possible mischief. Some of the milk which is bottled before distribution may be injured by a lack of thoroughness in cleaning the glass receptacles after previous use. It is against that particular piece of carelessness that it is now proposed to guard by discarding the present style of bottle altogether and replacing it with another, which, like the cheap wooden plates sometimes provided for picnics, shall be used only once. The new bottle is to be made of heavy paper or pasteboard, manufactured out of spruce pulp. Dr. A. H. Stewart, bacteriologist of the Board of Health in Philadelphia, conducted a series of tests with it, and reports approvingly upon its qualities.

The bottles are stamped out of heavy three-ply paper, and a conical shape is given to them to facilitate packing for shipment in nests. The bottoms have a double thickness, and their edges are locked in such a way that pressure from above adds to their strength. It is said that a weight of two hundred pounds may be put on a bottle without crushing it. The cover is stout, and has protruding lips for convenience in removal. Glue is used in fastening the overlapping edges of the body, but a coating of paraffine prevents it from affecting the taste of the milk and renders the bottle waterproof. Sterilization by exposure to a temperature of 212 degrees Fahrenheit is the final operation to which the receptacle is subjected. It is intended to have half pint, pint and quart sizes.

Advocates of the new scheme insist that it possesses many minor advantages. A paper bottle weighs two ounces, whereas the glass one holding a quart weighs twenty-four or more.

The carrying capacity of a delivery wagon would be greatly increased—almost doubled, they say—because the driver would have no old bottles to collect. The dealer would be subjected to no loss through breakage or the stealing of empty bottles. The wholesale cost of glass bottles is about three cents for pints and five cents for quarts. It is estimated that the paper bottles will cost not more than $8 or $10 a thousand, or not to exceed a cent apiece. In view of the compensations which are expected to attend their use, Dr. Stewart thinks that milk dealers would not be warranted in raising their prices in consequence of substituting the new bottle for the old. However, one important effect which he anticipates from the innovation, is that the operation of bottling will be transferred from the headquarters of the city dealer to the dairy farm. Heretofore the danger of breaking during shipment has been a formidable obstacle to such a change, which is extremely desirable from sanitary considerations, and possibly that obstacle may now be removed.

The operation of washing returned milk bottles is today conducted with various degrees of thoroughness. In instances, no doubt, it is well done. Nevertheless, many shocking stories, which probably have good foundation, are told about the carelessness of lazy drivers of city milk wagons. It is said that they often refill dirty bottles without cleaning them at all. Even when the bottles are brought back to the milk shop to be refilled, the task of preparing them for fresh service is often performed so negligently that they might as well have been left alone entirely. Obviously, if a milk bottle is discarded forever after doing duty once, there cannot be any risk to health from this source.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the policy holders of the Briarcreek Farmer's Mutual Insurance Company of Lime Ridge, Pa., will be held at the Hall of Centre Grange No. 56, P. of H. on Tuesday January 9th, 1906, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M., for the election of twelve Directors to serve for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

H. H. BROWN,
Secretary

Dec. 21, 3t

CHARTER NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania on the 3rd day of January, A. D., 1906, by I. John Davenport, J. P. Bellt, D. Lloyd, Max Kaiser, L. B. Young, R. R. Van Horn, George W. Sterner and others under the Act of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania entitled "An Act to provide for the Incorporation and regulation of certain Corporations," approved April 29, 1874, and the supplements thereto for the character of an intended Corporation to be called the Hemlock Milling Company the character and object of which is for the purpose of manufacturing, buying, selling or otherwise disposing of flour, feed, and other commercial milling products and other materials known to the trade and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy, all the rights, benefits and privileges of the said Act of Assembly and its supplements.

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