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### THE QUAKERS OF CATAWISSA.

The First Meeting House of a Pennsylvania Frontier.

BY C. F. HILL.

At the confluence of the Catawissa Creek with the North Branch of the Susquehanna river and just below where the latter breaks through a spur of the Montour Ridge displaying an imposing sectional view of its red shale formation lies the quiet and sedate town of Catawissa the earliest, and once the rallying point of the disciples and followers of George Fox, of northern Pennsylvania.

James LeFort, a french Indian trader and interpreter located at this place as early as May 1728. In a message to the Provincial Governor, Patrick Gordon, at Philadelphia, calls it Catawissa. The North Branch from Shamokin upward, especially Catawissa, was the home of the Shawanese, who were divided into two tribes, the Ganganese and the Piscatanese, to which names it is not difficult to trace the derivation of Catawissa.

The Quakers, the pioneer settlers of Catawissa first occupied the site in 1770 and from thence the settlement radiated in all directions, but principally up and down the river and to the lowlands of the Fishing Creek country. The site was purchased from the Proprietaries by Edward and Joseph Shippen, February 14th 1770, who in May 1773 sold the same to William and Ellis Hughes. William Hughes was a Quaker from Berks county.

The Delaware Indians who had left the fork lands between the Lehigh and Delaware rivers on account of the trouble which had grown out of the walking purchase, had removed to the Susquehanna and there until after the breaking out of the Revolutionary war were the friends of the settlers, until they joined the Six Nations and the British and quit the Susquehanna forever except at such times as they resisted it with the tomahawk and scalping knife when the knowledge they had gained of the settlements by their former associations on the frontier, served them in good stead. The Quakers at the breaking out of the war were as ever true to the gospel of peace while the settlements were skirted by an element of royalism that was at once dangerous and alarming to the patriot settlers and was the cause of no little reflection upon the good name and fame of this people.

In the spring of 1778 Lieut. Moses Van Campen was sent from Fort Augusta at Shamokin by Col. Samuel Hunter to erect a fort on the outskirts of this quaker settlement, which he did by building Fort Wheeler on the Fishingcreek near what is now the town of Light Street, Columbia County completing it in the month of May. Scarcely had the Fort reached completion when the Indians made an attack, the first made on the North Branch during the Revolutionary war. While Van Campen and his force were at work at Light Street and James Jenkins assisted by Captain John Clingaman and his force were busy building Fort Jenkins on the river above, the Friends at Catawissa were equally industrious in the erection of a meetinghouse which was fully completed in 1780 and which a marvel of wonder, is the only building in existence, a relic of the days of the border warfare of the Susquehanna.

The only other remaining relic of the Revolutionary War in the community contemporary with the Quaker Meeting House at Catawissa.

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### DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS.

The Bloomsburg Democrats held their caucus for the nomination of Town officers on Monday night in the Town Hall.

John G. Harman Esq. was elected chairman and F. D. Dentler and W. H. Henrie secretaries. There being no opposition for President of Council, James H. Coleman was unanimously nominated. For School Director R. R. Zarr also had a walkover.

Three persons were named for the office of Assessor, viz: W. F. Stohner, C. M. Hess and G. W. Sterner. For tellers J. G. Quick and Arthur McHenry were appointed. The vote resulted as follows: Stohner 112, Hess 21, Sterner 29.

For councilmen, William Kashner, Arthur Naylor, Harry Rhulon, Melvin W. Lemon and Theodore Mericle were nominated. The tellers appointed were Harry Steese, Freeze Quick and Guy Sleppy. The vote resulted as follows:

Rhulon, 133.  
Kashner, 130.  
Naylor, 70.  
Mericle, 68.  
Lemon, 50.

Rhulon, Kashner and Naylor receiving the highest number of votes were declared the nominees.

The ward elections resulted as follows:

#### FIRST WARD.

Judge of Election, Charles Pensyl; Inspector, C. C. Furman; Registry Assessor, George W. Sterner.

#### SECOND WARD.

Judge, George Yost; Inspector, C. M. Hess was nominated over George Belg by vote 17 to 13; Registry Assessor, Robert Morris, the present assessor and candidate of the Republican caucus was endorsed.

#### THIRD WARD.

Judge of election, Arthur Traub; Inspector, George Kline; Registry Assessor, D. F. Weiss.

#### FOURTH WARD.

Judge, John Fry; Inspector, Henry Knorr; Registry Assessor, W. A. Kramer was nominated over Moore Jones by vote of 37 to 16.

### ROAD TAX DECISION REVERSED.

An opinion has been handed down by the superior court, that reverses the court of McKean county, on a decision made by the latter, refusing to grant the petition of more than twenty-five taxpayers of Foster township, to be allowed to vote on the abolishment of the work tax.

In the opinion handed down by the McKean county court the same reasons are given for the refusal as were advanced by Judge Evans, of this district, in his recent opinion, holding that the court had no power to order the election in Liberty township, Montour county, namely, that the act of April 12th, 1905, is unconstitutional and void because it authorizes a delegation of legislative authority and also, that it is special legislation.

### KILLED ON THE RAIL.

Edward Roberts of Frosty Valley was found dead at 3:30 o'clock yesterday morning on the P. & R. railroad near Danville, with both legs cut off, and his body mangled. He was run down by the switch engine, and the cause of the accident was the catching of his foot in the frog at the crossing. The foot was found there afterward. The body was dragged about 75 feet. Deceased was a brother of C. C. and Arthur Roberts of Rupert. He is survived by three sons and a daughter.

### COMPTROLLER'S CALL. REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

## The Bloomsburg National Bank

At the Close of Business January 26th, 1907.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and Investments	\$535,223.28	Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	8,000.00	Surplus and Profits	41,761.12
Cash and Reserve	78,564.26	Circulation	100,000.00
		Bank Deposits	11,799.17
		Individual Deposits	368,227.25
	\$621,787.54		\$621,787.54

Wm. H. HIDLAY, Cashier.

A. Z. SCHOCH, President.

### A SUDDEN DEATH.

Charles T. Hendershott Expired in Post Office

All of last week Charles T. Hendershott was employed doing some painting and papering for Geo. E. Elwell. He appeared to be in his usual good health. On Monday morning he was at work as usual, and was heard several times humming familiar hymns. He left his work at noon, went home to his dinner when he was apparently feeling well and in good spirits, and came up town to the post office. As he entered he sat down on the window sill for a few moments, then went to the stamp window and asked for some stamps and postal cards, and while Ed. Lewis was waiting on him he threw up his hands and fell to the floor. Dr. Bruner was at once summoned, but his services were not needed, as death was undoubtedly instantaneous.

The remains were taken in charge by G. G. Baker and removed to the residence on Fifth street. The sudden calamity was a great shock to his family, and Mrs. Hendershott was completely prostrated.

Mr. Hendershott was the son of the late Frederick Hendershott, and had lived in Bloomsburg all his life. He was a member of St. Paul's Church, and for the past seventeen years has been a member of the choir, and one of its most faithful and regular attendants. He was also a willing worker in the church, always ready to help in any way in his power. The members of the old choir with whom he was so long associated have raised a fund to be used toward the purchase of a memorial.

The funeral was held this afternoon in St. Paul's church, the service being conducted by the rector, Rev. J. W. Diggles, and the music rendered by the vested choir. There was a profusion of beautiful flowers.

The deceased is survived by his wife, three daughters and one son, Margaret, Mrs. Blaine Piper, Bessie, and Frederick. He was a brother of Mrs. Joseph Ruckle, Mrs. Amos Savage of Bloomsburg, and Mrs. Morris Ellenbogen of Danville.

He was a member of the Knights of the Golden Eagle.

### HARTMAN RENOMINATED.

At a meeting of the Prohibitionists held at the office of M. P. Lutz & Son on Monday night, Fred B. Hartman was nominated for the office of School Director. Mr. Hartman has been a Director for the past three years, and has made a most efficient one. He was a school teacher for many years and understands the situation thoroughly. He is said to have visited the schools oftener than any other member of the board, and he has scarcely ever been absent from a board meeting. His retention in the position would be a well-deserved reward for services faithfully performed.

### Republican Caucus.

The Republicans of town made their nominations last Thursday night, as follows: For School Director, E. F. Carpenter; Council John Deily, J. E. Zeigler, James Magee, J. E. Fidler was nominated for President of Council without opposition.

As a matter of precaution all the bars in Bloomsburg were closed on Saturday from 1 to 9 o'clock, p. m. that being the day fixed by law for primary election. Though there were no primary elections here, the dealers thought best to be on the safe side.

### DEEDS RECORDED.

The following deeds have been recorded by Recorder Miller since those last published:

Berwick Land and Improvement Co. to Edward Kepner for two lots of ground in the borough of West Berwick; consideration \$450.

Charles Linderuth, administrator Charles Linderuth for 26 acres and 130 perches of land in Conyngham township; consideration \$325.

Charles Linderuth and wife to Lewis Limerad for 26 acres and 130 perches in Conyngham township; consideration \$1500.

Catharine A. Davis to B. W. Fortner for 470 acres of land in Beaver township; consideration \$300.

Jesse Rittenhouse, administrator, to Henry Miller for 427 acres of land in Beaver township.

E. H. Eisenhart to C. W. Miller for two tracts of land in Sloan's addition to the town of Bloomsburg; consideration \$300.

C. W. Miller and wife to W. R. Kocher for parcel of land situate at the northeast corner of Jefferson and 8 1-2 streets in town of Bloomsburg consideration \$500.

George Fisher and wife to Clinton Derr for half interest in tract of land in Main township; consideration \$1200.

Benjamin Webb and wife to Tilman Nagle for 99 acres and 93 perches of land in Center township; consideration \$500.

Jacob Faux and wife to Tilman Nagle for a tract of land in Center township.

Mahlon H. Moser and wife to W. W. Heacock for house and lot of ground in Iola, consideration \$700.

Berwick Land and Improvement Co. to Jacob Newman for two lots in West Berwick; consideration \$700.

R. A. Beaver and wife to Mary E. Beaver for lot No. 187 in West Berwick; consideration \$2123.

F. R. Jackson and wife to J. W. Sittler for lot No. 67 Jackson and Crispin addition to Berwick; consideration \$2500.

F. R. Jackson and wife to B. B. Paden for lot on East Seventh street in Berwick; consideration \$600.

C. D. Bomboy to Emma J. Nesbit for lot of ground in Espy; consideration \$1200.

Joseph Linnetty and wife to Mike Growacki for 6 acres of land in Locust township; consideration \$430.

S. C. Creasy and wife to Thomas F. Drake for lot of ground in Berwick; consideration \$2000.

Elsie Vandine et al to Irvin Vandine for two tracts of land in Madison township; consideration \$900.

Fred Fowler and wife to W. A. Linden for lot of ground in Briar Creek township; consideration \$300.

Freas Fowler and wife to W. A. Linden for lot No. 14 in Fowler's addition to West Berwick; consideration \$2000.

### ORDER ON THE TROLLEY.

Indecent language is to be stopped on the C. & M. Trolley line. It cost Lewis Lockhart \$17.50 to find out that he couldn't talk just as he pleased on the cars. He was arrested on Tuesday for indulging his tongue too much on James Saltzer's car on Saturday, when in an altercation with the conductor he indulged in language of too ornate a character. The company had him arrested, and Squire Jacoby fined him \$5.00 and costs, amounting to the sum above named. The company is entitled to the thanks of the public for this action.

\$10.00 MEN'S OVERCOATS \$5.50	CONTINUE 15 DAYS Greatest Commercial	\$16.50 MEN'S OVERCOATS \$9.50
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### The Community at Large Will Watch With Keen Interest the Outcome.

BOYS \$4 OVERCOATS \$2.29	BOYS \$2.50 SUITS \$1.47	MEN'S \$1.50 PANTS \$1.12
BOYS \$9 OVERCOATS \$5.40	BOYS \$5.00 SUITS \$3.47	MEN'S \$4.50 PANTS \$2.97

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