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BISHOP FOWLER DEAD.

The Rev. Charles H. Fowler, bishop of the Methodist Episcopal church, died at his home in New York on Friday last.

Bishop Fowler's long life was filled with activity for the church and the cause of education. Born in Burford, Ontario, in 1837, he was graduated from Genesee College, now Syracuse University, in 1859, and was the valedictorian of his class. He also headed his class at graduation from the Garrett Biblical Institute, which he entered soon after leaving college, and was the first man to receive the honorary degree of D. D. from that institution. After completing his education he removed to Chicago, where he studied law, but never practiced that profession.

Entering the ministry at the conclusion of his law studies he served as pastor of several churches in Chicago during the next twelve years, and in 1872 was elected president of Northwestern University. He remained at the head of that institution for four years and then became editor of the *Christian Advocate* in New York. He was made general missionary secretary of the church in 1880, and four years later was elected bishop.

Bishop Fowler was acting as pastor of one of Chicago's churches at the time of the great fire, and it was he who suggested the plan of pooling the interests in the different churches until all should have the time to rehabilitate themselves.

As missionary secretary he organized Peking University in North China, Nanking University in Central China; the first Methodist Episcopal Church in St. Petersburg; established the McClay College of Theology in Southern California, and consolidated the three colleges in Nebraska into the Nebraska Wesleyan University at Lincoln.

He suggested and inaugurated the Twentieth Century Thank Offering of his church, whereby more than \$20,000,000 was raised for the church. He also originated the Open Door Emergency Commission, which eventuated in the great Cleveland convention, at which, with the bishop presiding, \$225,000 was raised in a single evening.

He was trustee of Syracuse University, Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J.; American University, member of the board of managers of the Methodist Missionary Society, the Church Extension Society, Freedmen's Aid and other Methodist societies.

TO THE TAXPAYERS OF COLUMBIA COUNTY.

I am acquainted with W. C. Sweppenheiser, and have always treated him, as well as other taxpayers of Columbia County, as a gentleman. Sweppenheiser has a right to do as he pleases with every dollar he honestly earns, and so have I. If I choose to spend my own money for old books, it is my own business. I am willing to give to others the rights that I claim for myself. As to my proficiency as a Clerk, and as to whether my work is up to the standard or not, the books in the office are open for public inspection. I have had 106 books to make up for the Spring Primary that no other clerk ever had, and I had no help in making them. I was paid for this work by the state last year the same as other Commissioners' Clerks throughout the state.

A. B. BLACK.

The Citizens Band was out last night, and made some fine music on the streets.

THE COUNTY FAIR.

The Columbia County fair will be held this year on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, the 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th of October.

The total amount which will be offered as purses for the racing events will be \$4200 or \$100 more than last year. While the free-for-all trot or pace purse has been reduced from \$600 to \$500, a 2:30 class, for a purse of \$200, has been added for horses owned in the county, which will give one more racing event than usual.

Instead of acrobats to entertain the audience between heats it was decided to secure the famous Batt's trained bears. A regular bull fight in which men and real bulls will take part will also be an attraction, and it is safe to say that either of them will be equal to anything heretofore given.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7th.

No. 1, 2:18 Class, Pacing, purse \$400.00.

No. 2, 2:27 Class, Trotting, purse \$400.00.

No. 3, 2:21 Class, Pacing, purse \$400.00.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8th.

No. 4, 2:12 Class, Pacing, purse \$500.00.

No. 5, 2:16 Class, Trotting, purse \$500.00.

No. 6, 2:21 Class, Pacing, purse \$400.00.

No. 7, 2:30 Trot or Pace, in County, purse \$200.00.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9th.

No. 8, Free-for-All Trot or Pace, purse \$500.00.

No. 9, 2:20 Class, Trotting, purse \$400.00.

No. 10, 2:15 Class, Pacing, purse \$500.00.

CONDITIONS.

The conditions are as follows: National Trotting Association rules to govern with exceptions noted; entrance fee 5 per cent with 5 per cent added to purse winners; five to enter, four to start; hoppers not barred; best in five heats; a horse distancing the field will receive but one premium. Entries close Tuesday, October 1st, 1908.

LADIES' COLONIAL MINSTRELS.

Benefit of Y. W. C. A.

A number of the members of the Young Women's Christian Association have organized the Ladies' Colonial Minstrels for the purpose of giving an entertainment for the benefit of the Association.

It will be given in Evans' Hall on the evenings of April 2nd and 4th. The first part will consist of an olio, the personnel of which will be as follows:

Interlocutress—Mrs. A. R. Heilmiller.

Bones—Mary Lewis, Lizzie Moyer.

Tamborines—Katherine Gray, May House.

Premier comedians—Miss Gertrude Miller, Miss Florence Bergold.

First circle—May Gross, Carrie Smith, Blanche Smith, Aletha Bombay, Lena Bundy, Clara Eastman, Laura Wagoner, Edith Krum.

Second circle—Mrs. Oviatt, Christine Welliver, Elva Reaser, Amy Ashworth, Ada Ashworth, Bessie Eastman, Elsie Gilpin, Carrie Betz.

The second part of the program will consist of specialties ending with a farce comedy, entitled: "Mrs. Black's Pink Tea." An orchestra of ten pieces will furnish the music.

The entertainment promises to be a very enjoyable one, and is worthy of liberal patronage. The price of admission is only 25 cents.

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DEEDS RECORDED.

The following deeds have recently been entered of record by Recorder of Deeds Frank W. Miller:

John M. Clark, assignee of Neals, to John Shultz for a lot of ground in the town of Bloomsburg.

Harrison D. Miller to N. C. Cragle for three tracts of land in Mifflin township containing in all about 105 acres of land.

Sarah Frederick to J. C. Fox for a house and lot of ground on the South side of Main street, Catawissa.

Elizabeth Fetterman to Isaac Fetterman for 67 acres and 50 perches of land situate in Locust township.

Francis P. Nertney et al. to James O'Conner for the surface right to a lot of ground on the South side of Center street in the borough of Centralia.

Oliver Lynn and Catherine Lynn to Edward Hartman for 22 acres and 141 perches of land in Center township.

Washington National Building and Loan Association to John J. Henry for a house and lot of ground situate on the West side of Leonard street, Bloomsburg.

Berwick Land and Improvement Company to William Purcell for lot No. 444 on the South side of First avenue in the borough of West Berwick.

Joshua Zimmerman and wife to Thomas Aten for 47 acres and 58 perches of land in Mifflin township.

Thomas Aten, Sr., to Thomas Aten, Jr., for three tracts of land situate in Mifflin township containing in all about 81 acres of land.

Commissioners of Columbia County to Wm. Krickbaum for 3 acres of land in Mifflin township in name of George Longenberger.

William Krickbaum and wife to Thomas Aten for 3 acres of land in Mifflin township.

Sarah Robbins Stecker to Honora R. Grimes for a lot of ground on West First street in the town of Bloomsburg.

James P. Pursell and wife et al. to J. S. Grimes for lots Nos. 13 and 14 in block 2 of the plan of lots laid out by the Inter-Burban Realty Company known as 'Glen Heights.'

Silas W. Pettit et al. to James R. Clendenin for their interest in a tract of land in Beaver township in the warrantee name of "Andrew Clark," containing 372 3/4 acres of land.

Chas. C. Rhoades et al. to Jas. K. Clendenin for their undivided shares in a tract of land in Beaver township in the warrantee name of "Andrew Clark," containing 372 3/4 acres of land.

James R. Clendenin to Charles A. Farnum for 372 3/4 acres of land in Beaver township in the warrantee name of Andrew Clark, excepting and reserving the surface thereof and also use of sufficient ground to construct switches adjoining the S. H. & W. Railroad.

Charles A. Farnum et ux to Cabin Run Coal Company for two tracts of land situate in Beaver township.

Andrew Fleming and wife to C. A. Fenstermacher for a lot of ground in the borough of West Berwick.

Wilson Wolf and wife to Abiah Sinsin for a lot of ground in the borough of Berwick.

The letters D. L. & W. will be removed from all Lackawanna Railroad stock, and the word "Lackawanna" substituted. This will include the obliteration of the old sign on 700 locomotives and 1000 passenger coaches, besides on the other cars.

PRIMARY ELECTION LAW.

As the primary election to be held on April 11th is the second one to be held under the new election law, the voters are not yet very familiar with the provisions of the Act. We therefore print below such portions of the law as apply to the ballots and the methods of voting which should be thoroughly understood, as it will be observed that there are heavy penalties attached to violation of this law.

Part of Section 8 is as follows:

The polls shall be open between the hours of two post meridian and eight post meridian: Provided, That all persons licensed to sell liquors, either at wholesale or retail, or as bottlers, shall be compelled to keep their places of business closed, on said days for holding said primary elections, only between the hours of one o'clock post meridian and nine o'clock post meridian.

Primaries shall be conducted in conformity with the laws governing the conduct of general elections, in so far as the same are not modified by the provisions of this act or are not inconsistent with its terms: But, provided, That no elector shall be permitted to receive any assistance in marking his ballot, unless he shall first make an affidavit that he cannot read the names on the ballot, or that by reason of physical disability he is unable to mark his ballot.

Section 10. The qualifications of electors entitled to vote at a primary shall be the same as the qualifications of electors entitled to vote at elections, within the election district where the primary is held. Each elector shall prove his qualifications and his identity in the same manner in which electors in the election district in which he offers to vote are, or hereafter may be, required by law to prove their qualifications or identity, on election day.

Each elector shall have the right to receive the ballot of the party for which he asks: Provided, That if he is challenged, he shall be required to make oath or affirmation that, at the next preceding general election at which he voted, he voted for a majority of the candidates of the party for whose ballot he asks.

Upon executing such affidavit the voter shall be entitled to receive the ballot for which he has called, and to cast his vote according to law.

Section 14. Any person who votes or attempts to vote at a primary, knowing that he does not possess the qualifications of a voter at such primary, as indicated by this act, or who shall vote or attempt to vote more than once at a primary, or who shall have unlawfully in his possession an official ballot, outside the polling place, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars or to undergo an imprisonment not exceeding two years, or both, in the discretion of the court. No police officer in commission, whether in uniform or in citizens' clothes, shall be within one hundred feet of a polling place during the conduct of a primary election, unless in the exercise of his privilege of voting, or for the purpose of the serving of warrants, or the preserving of the peace.

Any election officer who permits a person to vote at any primary, with the knowledge that such person is not so entitled to vote, or refuses to permit any lawfully entitled elector to vote at such primary, with the knowledge that such person is so entitled to vote, or who

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refuses to permit him to receive the party ballot for which he asks, after having executed the affidavit herein provided, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars or to undergo an imprisonment not exceeding five years, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Any election officer or clerk who shall be guilty of any wilful fraud in the conduct of his duties at a primary, or who shall make a false return of the votes cast at such primary, or who shall deposit fraudulent ballots in the ballot box, or who shall certify as correct a return of ballots in the ballot box which he knows to have been fraudulently deposited therein, or who shall write false names in the lists of voters for the purpose of concealing the deposit of such fraudulent ballots or of aiding in the perpetration of such fraud, or who shall conspire with others to commit any of the offenses herein mentioned, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars or to undergo an imprisonment not exceeding five years, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Except as modified by the terms of this act, election officers shall be subject to the same pains and penalties for violations or neglect of their duties at a primary as they are or hereafter may be subject to for violation or neglect of such duties at elections. In all other respects, officers officiating at primaries shall be subject to the pains and penalties provided by law for offenses committed at primaries. The existing laws relating to bribery at primaries shall continue in force, and shall apply to bribery at primaries as provided by this act.

MONUMENT CONTRACT LET.

The contract for the erection of a soldiers and sailors monument at Bloomsburg was awarded to J. U. Kurtz, of Berwick, last Friday, whose bid of \$7,795 was the lowest of five submitted.

The monument will be erected in Market square, and according to the terms of the contract will be finished by the 30th of next September.

Court was in session on Tuesday morning when the following business was transacted:

Emma J. Harmony vs. John Harmony. Court handed down a decree granting a divorce to the libellant.

In the estate of C. G. Murphy deceased, upon petition proceedings in partition were decreed by the Court.

Directors of the Poor of Conyng-ham township and Centralia borough vs. Thomas I. Curran, former tax collector. This was an action to recover from the sureties on his official bond. After considerable argument between Mr. Flynn, who represented the plaintiff, and Messrs. Ikeler and Harman who represented the defendants, as to the sufficiency of the affidavit of defense the case was placed on the argument list for the April term.

C. G. Murphy estate vs. Mary J. Barry petition for a rule to strike off judgment granted, returnable the first Monday in April.

Sale of real estate ordered in the estate of J. M. Sutliff, deceased.

Bond of Ellen Lynch, guardian of Catharine Nertney approved by the Court.

A petition was presented by C. C. Yetter, Esq., representing that John P. Aten had resigned as supervisor of Mifflin township and requested that A. R. Henry be appointed in his stead.

The Court made an order that upon the resignation of Mr. Aten being filed in the Prothonotary's office the appointment would be made.

Lutheran Reunion at Island Park.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Susquehanna Lutheran Reunion association held in Sunbury last Thursday, Island Park was chosen as the place for the next reunion and July 23rd will probably be the date. A number of noted speakers have been engaged and an especial program is being arranged.

Owing to the crowded condition of the Joseph Ratti Hospital, it has been necessary to refuse patients during the past week.