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# ADDRESS OF JOSIAH HOWARD

At the Board of Trade Banquet, June 8, 1908.

"UNITED WE STAND--DIVIDED WE FALL"

Mr. Chairman, Members of the Board of Trade, and Fellow Citizens:-

I have been asked to say something as to the ways and means of improving trade conditions in Emporium and Cameron county. Of course, it is necessary first to find out how anxious our people are to help themselves, and to be benefitted thereby. From what I know of our people, and what I have seen and heard to-night, I would say that we were like "Miss Mary Ann Murphy," who was out boat riding with "Mr. Mike Finnegan" one evening, and, as they were rowing along on the river, Mike said, "Mary Ann, I want you to marry me; and if you are anyways bashful about saying 'yes' just please rock the boat and I will know what you mean." Mary Ann immed iately rocked the boat so hard that they were both upset, and when Mike had succeded in rescuing Mary Ann, said, "Begorra, I didn't know you loved me so much."

I think we all feel the same way, and don't care if we do get a ducking in trying to find out where we stand.

The first settler came to Emporium in 1810 and in two years it will be time for us to celebrate our first centennial. This Board of Trade has taken hold of matters and it would not be surprising if in the two years intervening before 1910 we improved as much as we have in all of the ninety-eight years past. By this I do not mean that we should at all cultivate the spirit of making this a boom town, but that we should settle once for all the fact that Emporium is here to stay, and to stay as a growing community. Our location is magnificent, our transportation facilities are fine; and the spirit of the peo ple is such as belongs to an energetic law abiding, and progressive com

Each man can improve himself and his conditions working separately and alone, but the experience of civilization is that we grow by doing things and we develop by association and co-operation with others. When we all believe this axion as firmly as we be lieve the immutability of the multiplication table, then we will have the best schools to teach us the most up-to-date methods, we will have the best churches to teach us the only true end of civilization, and we will have the best public roads and the closest commercial relations with all the neighboring cities and peoples whom we can reach.

The only question that concerns us is a practical plan of ways and means to begin this work. All growth in the animal and vegetable world, and I also wish to add the business world, must be from within. The tree grows from its roots up, the animal grows from its stomach out, and business grows from the energy, and industry, and intelligence of its management. All society and all business is made up of healthy component parts, and if we each individually see that our individual methods are clean and vigorous, then the community's methods will be clean and vigorous. So the best part of our work must be in laying this clean and vigorous foundation indii vidually, and then cementing it togther with patriotic civic pride.

This is all very nice talk, but the pessimist will say that he cannot see any results from such talk.

The difference between the pessimist And the optimist is quite droll,

The optimist sees the doughnut, The pessimist sees only the hole

I have only one subject this evening to present to you which I think is feasible for Cameron county. Every tall oak from a small acorn grew; every large insurance company developed from the individual efforts of a half dozen organizers. The New York Life, the Mutual Life, the Massachusetts Life, Northwestern Life, and all other great life insurance companies grew from the same kind of a beginning. The same way with all our large fire insurance noted for her silks, Axminster and sistance, to attempt the organization date, Monday, June 22.

of a mutual fire insurance company in

Emporium.

I think it is feasible. I think that we could do business by mail just as well through the Emporium Post Office as it could be done through the New York or Philadelphia Post Offices. It may be a small affair to start with and we may never have a 42 story skyscraper on the corner of Fourth and Broad streets, but we can have just as honest, just as economical, just as reliable and strong a fire insurance company with headquarters in Emporium as there is anywhere in the world.

The details of this plan I may present to you within a few weeks, but as to the question of ways and means, I sent to you to-night what I think to a practical and feasible subject for enlarging our business interests.

We cannot do all our own growing, we must get other people to come and grow with us. If we cannot get them come personally, we can through an insurance company get them to send me of their money here to be passed through our exchanges.

The reserve fund from this insurance company in the course of ten or fifteen years, if properly handled, would add very materially to our financial credit, and the advertising that we would get in the meantime, would be beyond all calculation.

This is no slick sounding rhetorical pill, which, if you only have foolish faith enough to shut your eyes and take it without question, will accomplish anything that you wish. Still, it is a dream, but nevertheless, a dream of possibilities founded on facts.

The greatest victories, both ancient and modern, have been won when the cause looked the most hopeless. It is only by cowardice and faint-heartedness that any people are kept down. I firmly believe that the darkest cloud on the horizon of the American repub lic, and of any community, is the tendency of her people to shirk responsi-

When we are willing to stand up, whed we are willing to enforce the law, and when we are not afraid to risk a battle in such business as our good judgment indicates to be right and practical, then we are sure to win, and in closing I wish to repeat a few lines clipped from a paper the other day, entitled "Courage."
"When trusted friends fail,

And sorrows assail, Is it brave to surrender and sigh? Then abandon the strife, Make a wry face at life, And turn on the gas and die Halt! Tighten your grip! Life's no mere pleasure trip, Summon all of your assets together; And till life's work is done, Never shirk it nor run; Only cowards display the "white feather!" Let me give you a cue,
Never say you are blue,
But rejoice and be glad you're alive.
As you journey along,
Sing a brave, happy song,
And remember "the fittest survive!"

I thank you for your attention and trust in 1910 we will all be here to smile! smile! smile!

Challenge.

Citizens Base Ball Association to a which Mrs. Jerome Bell rendered the zens grounds for a purse of \$25 a side and the total gate receipts; the game impressive sermon. While the funeral to be played on Saturday, June 20, provided the same team that played Port Allegany on Saturday is used and the Central will use only Emporium

The winning team to be afterwards known as the first team of Emporium. The Centrals line up will be as follows if there is no hindrance to the

Cummings, catcher; C. Farrell, pitcher; J. Farrell, first base; Hockley, second base; Morrisey, short stop; T. Quinn, third base; Brady, left field; Bush, center field; H. Vogt, right field.

G. A. WALKER, Mgr.

C. A. HOCKLEY, Captain.

Stereopticon Mission Lecture. Rev. J. P. Broadhead, missionary for nine years in South Africa, now home on furlough from the foreign field, will give a stereopticon lecture in Emporium court house. Monday evening, June 22nd. Rev. Broadhead is an interesting and pleasing speaker and his lecture is illustrated on canvas by companies. The same way with all many life size pictures, taken from our large industries. If Lyons can be actual life in the South African mission fields. Beginning at Cape Town Brussels for their carpets, Emporium his lecture and pictures give his audicould be noted for her insurance com- ence a vivid idea of a trip through panies. I say companies because Zulu Land and Pondo Land mis eventually we might have three or four sion fields, with its mixture of with their headquarters in our little pathos, humor, needs and missions. borough. I have been thinking the The lecture is free and should be well matter over some for the last few attended as the Rev. Broadhead comes weeks, and am willing, with your as- highly commended. Remember the DEATH S DOINGS

\$24.30 gall. WEBSTER

Our citizens were greatly shocked Monday morning to receive the sad news of the death of Mrs. JENNIE P. WEBSTER, aged 45 years, as the result of very serious operation, performed at

Port Allegany on Wednesday the 10th. Deceased rallied after the operation and it was thought she was getting along as favorably as could be expect-Imagine the surprise to receive the sad information that she had pass ed away.

Charles W. Rishell of LaBar's un dertaking rooms, went to Port Alle gany and returned same evening with the remains of the respected lady

Mrs. Webster came to Empcrium ome years ago when her husband was in the employ of the Pennsy railroad During his long illness she patiently aided him and in every way was a loving helpmate. Mr. Webster died uddenly four years ago last April.

Deceased was universally respected by our citizens. She was a consistent member of the M. E. church and in many ways aided unselfishly those less fortunate in this world's goods. She is survived by three sisters and two brothers, viz: Mrs. Myra Card, Idaho; Mrs. Amanda Taylor, Tumcario, New Mexico; Mrs. B. E. Jones, Emporium; Harry Jacobs, Galeton; L. D. Jacobs, Clearfield, and an aged mother who makes her home with Mrs. B. E. Jones on Third street. All of whom will be present at the funeral except those two sisters residing in the far west.

THE FUNERAL.

The funeral takes place at two clock this afternoon from the M. E. church, Rev. Anderson officiating. As we go to press the large church edifice is crowded with friends and relaives of the deceased.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Jacobs, Clear. field, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jacobs and daughter, Galeton; Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Webster, Buffalo; friends and relatives from Renovo and St. Mary were among those from out of town who attended the funeral.

BAIR.

FRANK HENRY BAIR, aged 25 years, passed to the great beyond last Sunday afternoon, after an illness lasting three years. About two years ago he went to the state sanitarium at Mt. Alto, but remained only a short time, then coming home and building an outsleeping apartment, similar to that at Mt. Alto. In this he was contented and stuck to his cabin until death ended his troubles. No doubt it prolonged his life. Frank was a brick layer by profession and was an industrious and gentlemanly young man, as all the Bair boys are. During his long illness he bore all patiently and he was prepared and ready to meet his God and the loved anes gone before. We knew deceased all his life and take pleasure in bearing testimony to his excellent qualities.

His funeral took place yesterday The undersigned of the Central Base and was largely attended. Requim ame of ball to be played on the citi- solo, "Face to Face," in a very swee voice. Father Downey delivered an party were leaving the church the choir sang, "Lead Kindly Light." This death makes the fifth in the Bair family in ten.

The floral offerings at the church were numerous and handsome, the Knights of Columbus remembering their dead brother with a basket of

roses.

The following relatives and friends from out of town were present, viz: M. A. Bair, (brother) and Mrs. Overdorf, Jersey Shore; Mrs. Rose Lupold, (sister) and child, John Weisman, (brother-in-law) and three children, Olean; Miss Anna Greenalch and sisters, Canoe Run; Miss Kate and Carrie Dippold, St. Marys; Mr. Hedstrom and Miss Agnes Hedstrom, Renovo; Dr. Kerney Donahue, Lancaster, N. Y.

LEDBETTER.

In this city, June 11, 1908, Elizabeth, wife of Valentine Ledbetter, mother of William W. Taylor, Mrs. W.H. Taylor, Mrs. Alfred F. Kuhn, Harry and George Taylor, Hellen and Elizabeth Ledbetter. Age 52 years. Funeral from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Alfred Kuhn, 38 Carlton street, Sunday 2 p. m.—Buffalo Evening News, 14th.

BRITTON.

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Daniel Britton, aged 79 years, died at Warren State Hospital, Saturday morning last. C. W. Rishell, Geo. J. LaBar's assistant, went to Warren on Saturday p. m., and returned on Sunday with the remains. The burial took place on Britton Hill, Monday p. m., Rev. Allen officiating. Deceased leaves one married daughter, Mrs. S. S. Hicks and other relatives. He resided in this county for many years and had a stormy career. a stormy career.

## THE PAVING **QUESTION.**

The PRESS has been requested by Mrs. E.M. Newton, of New York city, who is visiting in Emporium this summer, to publish the following letter from Mrs. A. E. Howard, of Williams port, who owns the large and valuable ousiness block, corner of Fourth and Cherry streets, with a frontage of fiftyfive feet on Fourth street:

The following letter is a sample of the trend of public opinion on the pavement question:

MRS. NEWTON,
DEAR FRIEND - Yours of the 12th at hand, and contents noted. DEAR FRIEND - Voirs or incoments noted.

In reply will say I have no money to put in paving the street of Emporium You fight it, and I will help you all I can.

I think the times are too hard to start any such expense as that.

Very sincerely,

MRS. A. E. HOWARD.

We gladly publish the above, yet we to not endorse the sentiments. In fact the PRESS is emphatically in favor of paving as many squares as our citizens express a willingness to defray their holes and cockle burrs for years to share of the cost of brick paving. Our come. Borough Council having manifested a desire that at least one thousand feet be paved at once, commencing from the brick paving in front of the Olmsted block, to Wood street corner, a distance of one thousand feet or more, The age of advancement and improvement demands that Emporium take its place with all important county seat towns. The work can be done now very cheaply, much less than when the last paving was laid. Thus far Hon. Josiah Howard has liberally donated a large sum of money to lay the solid foundation that will enable the bricking of our main street at a very reasonable price.

Those opposed to bricking the street are circulating reports that the cost will be too great. Let us see: The paving from the Episcopal church west to the Olmsted block cost \$1.29 per square yard, equal to \$7.17 per lineal foot, of which the property owner would pay one third of the cost, or \$2 39 per lineal foot on a fifty foot street, making the total cost for 50 foot frontage of \$119.50. If the distance be one thousand feet, the total cost will be \$7,170.00-and not \$250 or \$15,000 as put up by the Independent. These are correct figures upon the actual cost and the Borough defrays one-third of the cost of paving from Olmsted block.

Now, that our citizens, backed by the energetic councilmen, desire to place Emporium where she belongs, and furnish employment to a large number of men during the summer months and pave our streets, up jumps the "knocker" and all kinds of Tommy-rot arguments are used to bemuddle the average citizen. Again, this same class of objectors never stop to consider that the Borough authorities are favoring the property owner by agreeing to relieve them of one-third the expense. while they can force the property owner to pay the ENTIRE cost of the paving, which the Borough may be forced to do, or continue hauling mud into the streets and squandering the morning at St. Marks Catholic church tax-payers' money. The public spirited citizens are determined that our Ball Club do hereby challenge the High Mass was celebrated, during streets shall be improved and the squandering of money stopped.

We dislike to take issue wit esteemed and talented lady friends, yet our duty to our town makes it absolutely necessary. You are radically wrong and mistaken, or misinformed. A glance at the assessment books of the Borough, which we made yesterday, convinces us that the valuations in very many instances are altogether too low.

Paving should be done now and the ost should be carefully looked into. We are interested in our town, a heavy tax-payer and certainly would not think of urging an unwarranted expenditure.

In closing, we ask all citizens, who live here, expect to remain here and improve our beautiful little city, to sit down and ask themselves honestly: Does not every public improvement add to the value of my property.

House for Rent or Sale. Six room house situated on West Fifth street, supplied with gas and city water and bath, toilet and laboratory, for rent or sale. Inquire of H. Day at the tannery office.

Religious.

There will be services in the Baptist Church next Sunday, June 21st, morning and evening. Rev. F. H. Baker, of Galeton, Pa., will preach.

Looked In.

Hon. Josiah Howard was in Chicago on Tuesday and looked in upon the opening of the Republican National Convention. He came home yesterday noon.

## Paving Fourth and Broad Streets. "The good men are all dead, so I fear

we shall have to stand for it," said a mournful voice. Moved by personal and public con-

siderations, the writer of this article sallied forth to ascertain if it were sadly true that the good men in Emporium are all dead. She found one brave and sensible

man who dared stand by his convictions, all by his lonely. Loyal Len Taggart! Still as brave as when went forth to defend his country during those dark days of Civil War. She found a number of other sensible men who were not afraid to add their names to a protest against a foolish and extravagant measure.

As for the women-bless their troubled hearts! Every one, without an exception, signed the protest gladly, gratefully, prayerfully; for they knew that if the pavement scheme went through that it meant living on gimblet

It is easy to spend money. There is no difficulty in making public improvements if the bank account is unlimited; but where the amount of money available is limited, and where the needs of the town point to getting in new indus. tries, instead of a little vain show that will increase the tax rate very materially, without putting a dollar in the

public treasury, that is another story. One of the oldest cries "ringing down the grooves of time" is that "no citizen shall be favored at the expense of another." Now, the paving on Fourth and Broad streets originated in the inventive genius of a few whose brilliant mental parts enabled them to see that a new burden might be laid on their long-suffering neighbors in order to enable those advocating the measure to reap a return.

OVERBONDING THE BOROUGH.

It would be very easy for Emporium to issue too many bonds. Then, or very soon thereafter, the people will wake up and say "For what did we spend this money? What have we to show for it?"

Despite what some of our rulers tell us about are not being overtaxed, most of us are paying nearly eight per cent. on our valuations, and those who are not paying this exorbitant per cent. are the ones who are favored at our ex

There must be a drop somewhere that will cause the people's endurance to overflow, for one of the cardinal rules of business is that invested capital must have a proper return. In the good old Scriptural days the tithing man was not permitted to take more than one tenth of a tax-payer's income; but here in Emporium, some of us are paying one-fourth of our income for taxes. And because I opposed the paving of Fourth and Broad streets, one of the borough officials threatened to raise my taxes higher yet. In this connection it may not be improper to say that when I owned a large property on Sixth and Seventh streets, my taxes were not as high as now that I only own a beggarly strip on Fourth and Broad. As fast as I sell off a piece of property my taxes are raised to meet the emergency. Thus it seems that the tax-paying business woman inevitably shares in the tax burdens, although she is deprived of redress, because she is not a person in the eye of the law.

WHY THE PAVING SHOULD NOT BE DONE AT PRESENT.

First, because the sewer is in the centre of the street, and every time it is repaired the paving must be torn up, causing a continual expense.

Second, because there is not water enough to flush it: and unless it is flushed, and kept clean, it will breed an epidemic of disease.

Third, because those who have to pay for it are struggling hard to just live, with no prospect of economic public reform, or betterment within

Fourth, because the borough officials admit that the paving must be kept clean by individual enterprise, and if any one will take the trouble to glance at the pavement in front of the Episcopal Church, my meaning will be obvious.

Fifth, because rents must be raised to remunerate the property holder for the assessment, and rents are already as high as the tenants can bear.

What Emporium needs is a sprinkling cart, run twice daily. I do not ask if there are any good

men in Emporium; but I appeal to good sense, and ask if there are any just men in Emporium?

EMMA MERSEREAU NEWTON.

Every resident taxpayer and property owner should be deeply interested in public improvements.

THE WEATHER. SATURDAY Showers

SUNDAY Fair

ASSETS At the close of business June 17, 1908.

### \$850,478.15 First National Bank,

EMPORIUM, PA.

"JUNE 14, 1777. The stars and stripes were made the flag of ur country. Red, white and blue were chosen for the flag

cause they stand for bravery, purity and truth There are many flags in many lands, There are flags of every hue

But there is no flag however grand,
Like our own Red, White and Blue.
INTEREST PAID ON CERTIFICATES OF

DR. LEON REX FELT, DENTIST. Rockwell Block, Emporium, Pa

DR. H. W. MITCHELL, DENTIST,

(Successor to Dr. A. B. Mead.) Office over A. F. Vogt's Shoe Store, Emporium, Pa.

#### Extended Vacation.

Rev. Father Downey who for several years has been priest in charge of St. Mark's Church at this place, leaves on Friday for Victor, Col., to visit his brother, Rev. Edwin Downey, who on Thursday next celebrates his 25th anniversary in the Holy Priesthood. Father Downey, during the ten years he has been in charge of his church at this place, has labored hard in behalf of his people and the town generally. By his energy he has greatly improved his church edifice as well as the rectory, expending over \$18,000 in cash. He is popular and greatly respected by all creeds and classes.

During Father Downey's absence of three months, the congregation will be in charge of Rev. James Kearns of Du

### Approaching Marriage.

Hon. and Mrs. F. X. Blumle have issued invitations for the marriage of their daughter, Miss Anna, to Mr. W. A. Deitzler, on Monday morning, June 22, 1908, at St. Mark's church. Miss Blumle is one of Emporium's most popular daughters and Mr. Deitz er is to be congratulated on securing as a bride one whose sunny disposition, amiable manner and gentle graces are a blessing to the home she now honors and the one she will preside over. While Mr. Dietzler has only been in our midst a short time and is not known to the people as is Miss Blumle, yet those who do, know him as a young man of sterling worth. May their lives be one continual honey-moon is the wish of the PRESS.

A Weighing Social.

In charge of the Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist Church, will be held on Friday evening of this week, on the lawns of Mrs. Pepperman and Mrs. Getchel, on West Fourth street. Come and get your correct weight, with ice cream and cake and have a good social

Don't Knock.

Don't knock against street paving. If we are to be considered a live town we can't expect to remain in the mud road class. Reason should tell you that public improvements increase the value of your property. Don't pu!l back. Be progressive.

Insurance Office Opened.

Don't fail to read the new advertisement of Wm. Hackenberg, Insurance. Mr. Hackenberg is very reliable and is sure to have something that will interest you, if you will call at his Fifth

Emmanuel Church Notice. Celebration of the Holy Communion next Sunday, June 21, at 8 a. m.

This offerings next Sunday morning will be for General Missions.

The Rev. David B. Matthews, Archdeacon of Erie, will preach at the even

Dance at Dreamland.

There will be a dance at Dreamland after the pictures on Friday evening, June 19, 1908. Dance will be 50 cents per couple and extra ladies ten cents. ELMER BAXTER, Manager.

### Gone to Canada.

Mrs. Edgar T. Henry and daughter Miss May left on Sunday for Vauedrill Station, Quebec, Canada, where Mr. Henry is employed in a dynamite .