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THURSDAY EVENING, JUNE 3, 1880.

THE FATHERS OF THE CITY

WORK OF COUNCILS LAST EVENING.

Beginning of the New Fiscal Year With a Quantity of Important Business on Hand.

MAYOR MacGONIGLE'S MESSAGE.

His Annual Communication to our Local Legislators: A Strong and Sensible Document—Sharp Arrangement of the Court.

TOPICS OF MUNICIPAL INTEREST.

Chief of Police Deichler Confirmed at Last—The Contract for Lighting the City Deferred—Street Work Recommended—New Market Driveway—Mr. Franklin's Resignation.

June Meeting of Councils.

A stated meeting of select and common councils was held last evening.

Select Council.

The following members were present: Messrs. Doerr, Eberly, Franklin, Judith, Zecher, and Evans, president.

City Finances.

Mr. Zecher presented the monthly report of the city treasurer and receiver of taxes for the past month, from which it appeared that the receipts during last month were \$28,000.77; the payments on the 1st of June, \$19,395.16; and the balance in treasury \$18,965.73.

Mr. Zecher presented the monthly report of the finance committee for the past month.

Leaving the Market Stairs.

Mr. Zecher presented an ordinance changing the time for leaving the market stairs and stands, which provides that for the purpose of facilitating the payment of the current indebtedness of the city, the stalls next year shall be rented on the first Wednesday of April for a term of nine months; and thereafter on the third Monday in December for one year from the first Wednesday in January. The ordinance was read once and laid over.

The "Old Factory."

Mr. Zecher offered a resolution authorizing the property committee to sell the old Rockland mill property.

Mr. Eberly moved to amend by referring the resolution to the property committee with instructions to report to next meeting of councils how much of the property may be sold without interfering with the water rights of the city, to secure which the property had been purchased. He was in favor of selling the old mill, but not the water right.

The resolution was amended as adopted. Common council concurred.

Mr. Eberly presented a petition for guttering and paving East King street, east of Franklin. Referred to street committee. Common council concurred.

Chief Deichler and Officer Leman Con-

Mr. Eberly, from the committee on executive appointments, stated that the committee had been unable to get any evidence in support of certain charges made against Chief of Police Deichler; they therefore recommended the continuation of Mr. Deichler and also of Mr. B. F. Leman, a policeman, whose confirmation had been postponed for the past two months, though there were never any charges preferred against him.

Mr. Zecher said he did not consider Mr. Deichler a proper man to be chief of police and he would not vote for his confirmation. He believed the charges made against him could have been sustained had not the witnesses been tampered with and threatened.

The years and may being called on for the adoption of the report of the committee recommending confirmation, resulted as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Doerr, Eberly, Judith and Evans, president.

Nays—Mr. Zecher.

Steel Works.

A very long report from the street committee was read. It gives a detailed statement of the work asked for by petition, work recommended by the committee, and work done.

On motion of Mr. Eberly the report of the street committee presented at the May meeting was taken up, and the work ordered to be done by common council at last meeting was concurred in.

Mr. Zecher moved that the report of the street committee for the present month be taken up and the recommendations of the committee considered.

President Evans suggested that its consideration be laid over until next meeting, as the work already ordered to be done was more than could be done during the present month.

Mayor's Annual Message.

The mayor's annual message was presented and read as follows:

To the Honorable the Select and Common Councils of the City of Lancaster:

GENTLEMEN:—It again becomes my duty to direct the attention of councils to "the condition of the city in relation to its government, finances and improvements, and to recommend the adoption of such measures as the business and interests of the city may require."

FINANCE.

The annual statement made by the Finance Committee in January last, showed the funded debt of the city, bearing 6 per cent interest, to be \$922,512 02. Total interest of the city for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1880, was \$59,000 00.

Total amount of deficiencies to be provided for in the next fiscal year, \$11,600 00. Net amount of indebtedness outstanding, \$922,512 02.

Total funded debt outstanding June 1, 1879, \$904,458 96. Total funded debt outstanding June 1, 1880, \$922,512 02. Decrease in the city's debt for the fiscal year ending June 1, 1880, \$11,600 00.

The deficiencies referred to above have occurred in the street and lamp departments—in the former about \$22,000, and in the latter about \$800. How these deficiencies came about in the street department is familiar to all our citizens who have taken any interest in our municipal affairs. In the lamp department the deficiency is attributable to the great number of new lamps put up during the year—sixty-four in number—for which no adequate provision was made in the yearly appropriation.

Of the total deficiencies, estimated at

\$22,900, the appropriation bill of the current fiscal year—1880-1881—provides for the payment of \$5,000, leaving \$17,900 to be provided for. The \$15,000 loan now before councils, should it become a law, will thus fall nearly \$3,000 short of paying our deficiencies, and takes no account whatever of the lamp deficiency. This will cause some of the city's creditors to complain of an undue burden being placed upon them.

It will be gratifying to know that this is the first time in eleven years that the city's debt has shown a decrease. I believe that the fiscal year upon which we have just entered will show equally good results, and also invites your serious consideration should arise no occasion for any extraordinary expenditures.

I would again call the attention of councils to the annual delay in the liquidation of bills against the city occasioned by the very late reception in the fiscal year of the rents from market stalls and water privileges. Of the \$125,000 appropriated last year for all purposes, about \$8,500 was derived from market stalls and \$22,000 from water rents, or about one-third of our total income from these sources. The result is a very appreciable portion of which finds its way to the city treasury until far on in the eleventh month of the fiscal year. The receipts at the city treasury should correspond as nearly as possible to the cash made up on it from the various departments—most of the departments—the calls are pretty regular and uniform from the beginning to the end of the year, and in those which are not so, as in the street and fire departments, the appropriations are used up long before the expiration of the fiscal year, the city treasury finds itself short from about the beginning of January on until the market and water rents commence to come in in April and May. This can be remedied to some extent by selling the market stalls in December, and by meting the payments to the water rents from sixty to ninety days.

Streets.

During the year very considerable work has been done on the streets of the city. East King street and Centre square have been repaved at a cost to the city of nearly \$10,000, and in amount to the entire appropriation for streets for the year; two squares of macadamizing were done on Mulberry street from James to Walnut, one square on James from Chestnut to Pine, one on Charlotte from Orange to Chestnut street. The contract price for this work was in the neighborhood of \$7,000. Sewers were built on West Walnut street, across Centre square to South Queen street, near Millers street, and on the South Queen street, between Beaver street, and two sewers on West Chestnut street, at a cost to the city of about \$2,800. Thus for new work there were nearly \$20,000 spent, and for repairs and material about \$15,000 making a total expenditure on the streets of \$35,000, of which \$22,000 is in excess of the appropriation.

It is hoped that the committee will not pursue the same policy this year that was done last and for many years previous, that when the city is in a position to appropriate for street purposes is used up they will wait until additional funds are provided in a legal way to carry on the city work. It cannot be iterated too often that a committee has no power to pledge the city's credit, and that the appropriation is the limit of a committee's power over the funds of the city.

The street commissioner reports the Shippen street bridge over the Pennsylvania railroad is in a bad condition, and that it is dangerous to drive over with the heavy tobacco teams delivering tobacco at the warehouses in the immediate neighborhood. I would suggest that the street committee open a correspondence with the superintendent of the Eastern division of the Pennsylvania railroad company, Mr. W. F. Lockard, on the subject. The terms agreed upon between the city and the company, which are in my possession, are applicable to all the bridges over the road in the city as well as to the Shippen street bridge. I believe the company will not hesitate to rebuild the Shippen street bridge the full width of the street, of iron, and in the same style as the Lime street bridge was built.

Water.

The water department has been conducted very satisfactorily during the year just closed. The appropriation of \$7,500 for water works general has been sufficient to cover all expenses for the year. The machinery at the water works is in excellent condition with the exception of the pumps, which will have to undergo repairs when the water power of the season is no longer available. Since last December, with a brief interval of a few days, our water pumps have supplied all the water that was required for the year from February 28, 1879 to February 28, 1880, as reported by ex-Superintendent Halbach to councils in March last was 746,937, 113 gallons, a daily average consumption of 2,046,347 gallons, and the quantity of the Geyelin pump delivered into the reservoirs 92,963,891 gallons; the Birkinbine pump No. 1, 207,677, 718 gallons; the Birkinbine No. 2, 150,712, 404 gallons. Total number of gallons pumped by water power 451,354,040, costing \$3.75 per million gallons. The Washington steam pump delivered into the reservoirs in the same time 295,583,100 gallons at a cost of \$8.69 per million gallons.

I would especially call the attention of councils to the following from the report of Mr. Halbach: "Frequent complaints are made by water renters living on the high points of the city that they do not get a good supply of water, and frequently are totally without, even when the reservoirs are full. It is a substantial item, and such measures as the business and interests of the city may require."

For the most interesting particulars in relation to the water works, councils are respectfully referred to Mr. Halbach's report which will be published in the annual report of the finance committee.

Your attention is directed to the following resolution introduced by Maj. R. W. Shuck and passed by the water committee: "Resolved, That the mayor be respectfully requested in his next annual message to call attention to the necessity of the removal of the water works from their present location to a position on the Conestoga beyond the influence of the future necessary sewage of the city, and to the necessity of the enlargement and greater elevation of the present reservoirs, in order to meet the increasing demands of water for private, business and public use."

The committee on fire engines and hose companies have recently made a thorough inspection of the fire department of the city and report it in good condition. The committee recommended the procuring of an order from the court to open Marion street its present width, by which a one-story brick building at the corner of Ann, which projects into Marion about eight feet, may be removed.

Purchase of a street roller at an estimated cost of between \$500 and \$600.

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of by our citizens living on the high ground of the city. Another serious inconvenience, and one to which Mr. Halbach has alluded, is that the small mains which a mistaken economy in days gone by caused to be laid in many parts of the city. The attachments to these have become so numerous that many water renters can get no water at all during the heaviest part of the day.

That portion of the foregoing resolution looking "to the necessity of the removal of the water works from their present location to a point on the Conestoga beyond the influence of the future necessary sewage of the city," also invites your serious consideration. It is known that the entire drainage of the northeastern portion of the city finds its outlet in the Conestoga a few hundred yards above Hancock's mill, or about two miles above where the water is pumped up for city use. Up to this time, perhaps there has not been any deleterious effect produced by the consumption of this water, but with our rapidly growing city the vast accumulation of garbage and filth which will be drained into the Conestoga from these sources, and the result of the city effect must necessarily be injurious to the health of our people. Of course, the carrying out of the objects of the resolution will be attended with very considerable expense, but on the other hand it is certain, it is not necessary, that such a remodeling of the water works generally should be begun which will meet the requirements, and at the same time assist in the development of the material prosperity of our city? Nothing is more inviting to the manufacturing and mercantile interests of the city, and Lancaster, surely, with its magnificent surroundings—steep fields, health-inspiring atmosphere and lovely landscape—requires but the co-operation of its citizens to make it a centre of industry, in time equal in importance to that of any city in our own or foreign lands.

The water committee at its inspection of the reservoirs on Friday, May 21, 1880, found the eastern one in a very dangerous condition. The bank on the north side was sliding, and a gap, widening daily, ran along the bank diagonally in a north-westerly and southeasterly direction, though which the water from the reservoirs ran in a steady and considerable amount. There was every probability in the opinion of the committee that if the water was kept up in the reservoir to the height required to supply the high portions of the city that the bank would soon give way. The superintendent was ordered to lower the water, and the committee at its meeting, Monday, May 24, 1880, unanimously resolved to proceed with the work of repairing the reservoir at once, under the immediate supervision of the superintendent. All materials, such as brick, sand, cement and stone, will be furnished by proposals.

Lamps.

The report of the lamp committee made February 28th last, contains a detailed account of the work done during the year. There have been put up for the year six and thirty-four new lamps, and thirty-four old lamps were put up with the exceptions that the police report that the burning of lamps is not carried on as fully, that the lamps are not repaired as promptly as they should be; that in many cases the lamps, particularly the gasoline, go out long before daylight, and that they are not kept, in some parts of the city, as clean as they should be. It was accordingly resolved that a committee to institute some plan of drawback from the gas or gasoline company where it can be proven that the company failed in its agents in lighting the lamps, or where, as with the gasoline lamps, they are allowed to go out because of broken glass, or go out for want of sufficient oil. It is not right that the city should be made to pay for that which they do not receive. The police will co-operate with the committee in keeping a strict account of the lamps, and report on them. The reports of the police are made to me now once a week, and are immediately placed in the hands of the chairman of the lamp committee.

If new lamps are supplied with anything less than the liberality this year as last, it will be necessary to increase the appropriation, or we shall find a serious deficiency in the "lighting city" department at the end of the fiscal year. A deficiency exists in this department of about \$800 for the year ending May 31, 1880, for which there does not seem to be any provision made. This should be provided for at once. Nothing is gained by deferring the inevitable.

Police.

The constitution of the police force has undergone some change since my last annual message. In January last Mr. John Pontz, chief of police, tendered his resignation, which was accepted, and Police Officer Snyder, a former policeman of the city, was appointed to fill the vacancy. B. Frank Leman was appointed policeman of the Third ward, to fill the place of Mr. Deichler, promoted. John Matton, policeman of the Fourth ward, resigned his position on account of failing health and advancing age; James Coyle, of the same ward, has been appointed to fill the place. Washington C. Pyle, of the Eighth ward, declined being a candidate for constable at the February election; John Snyder, a former policeman of the ward, was elected to fill Mr. Pyle's place, and John Harman was appointed to fill Mr. Shay's place.

It is but justice to the force to say that they are a sober, industrious and reliable body, and that they are doing their duty fully and promptly. If our city is not so peaceful as it should be, it might be well to look further than the police force for the cause. If crime is toyed with, and for a political *quid pro quo* can secure the acquittal of a respectable gentleman to prevent the prison's doors from closing on it, and can reach up into high places and escape the meshes of the law for the same consideration, it will not be long until society will have but little protection from the law, and the punishment is the sure preventive of crime and the sure protection of society. Councils are respectfully referred to the report of the chief of police for the details of the working of the department.

Fire.

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In common with the recommendations of the committee were adopted; select council postponed action.

A communication from Allan A. Herr stated that pursuant to the order of the court issued May 12 he had been engaged in making the necessary surveys for the

during the year, and have become bolder and bolder, setting fire to buildings, in some cases on thickly populated streets, and have no doubt at all that if means were provided, these outbreaks might be detected, but it is a work that will have to be undertaken in the utmost secrecy, and will involve some expense. I commend the matter to the prompt attention of councils.

Buchanan and McEvoy Relief Fund.

The committee appointed for the management of the Buchanan and McEvoy relief fund had, for the last fiscal year, for the purchase of fuel for the poor of the city of Lancaster, under the bequest of the Hon. James Buchanan the interest of \$6,000 invested in city bonds at 6 per cent, \$300.00; \$5,000 invested in city bonds at 6 per cent, \$250.00; bequest of P. McEvoy, esq., \$180.00.

DISBURSED.

J. A. E. Carpenter for printing distribution cards, \$3.75. Stearns & Hensel for printing postal cards, \$3.75. Henry Baumgardner & Co. for coal, \$500.00. Thos. F. McElhitt, clerk, \$10.00. \$509.00.

The committee find great pleasure in reporting the generous bequest of the late General James L. Reynolds of \$4,000, the interest of which yearly is to be applied to the purchase of fuel for the poor of the city. This, added to the amount already received from other bequests, swells our annual fund for distribution to \$780. Further details of the operations of the committee may be found in the accompanying report of the committee.

City Property.

The property of the city generally is in good condition. The city hall, station house, market houses and water works buildings will require but little outlay to keep in repairs during the year. The eastern reservoir is the only drawback in this respect. The necessary work on this reservoir is spoken of under the head of water.

Law.

The amount of liens due the city of Lancaster for taxes, paving, water rents, &c., on January 1, 1880, by the report of the Finance Committee was \$2,500.00. Liens filed since January 1, 1880, \$46.00.

Amount collected since January 1, 1880, by C. L. Landis, esq., \$571.50. Amount collected since January 1, 1880, by C. L. Landis, esq., \$571.50.

Total amount due the city, \$2,974.50.

At the date of my last annual message, there was an uncollected judgment against the city of \$249.25. This was an award of arbitrators for work done by A. E. Roberts. The judgment is entered to May term, 1877, No. 62. The city has accepted.

The city is defendant in a suit brought by Mary Kissinger for the recovery of damages sustained by her in the death of her husband by an accident at the corner of Cherry alley and East Queen street. The damages in this suit are valued at \$5,000. The suit was set down for trial at the May term of common pleas, but has been postponed until August. Special counsel has been retained.

One hundred and seventy-six suits were brought in the city last year against the Pennsylvania railroad company for the violation of the city ordinances regulating the speed of trains. Judgment was given by the alderman in favor of the city. The company has appealed.

Jno. T. MacGONIGLE, Mayor. Mayor's Office, June 2, 1880.

After reading a number of reports from committees that had previously been read in common council, select council adjourned.

Common Council.

The following members were present: Messrs. Albert, Barnes, Beard, Boos, Boyer, Brown, Corney, Cox, Downey, Franklin, Hartley, Hays, Hershey, Johnson, Keeler, McMillen, Sings, Snyder, Spring, Storkmeltz, White, Yackly, Levergood, president.

The minutes of the last stated and special meetings were read and approved, after which the following petitions for street work were presented and referred to the street committee.

By Mr. Franklin: To macadamize Chestnut street between Mulberry and Charlotte.

By Mr. Hartley: To repair the arch way or culvert on Manor street over the run at the foot of Dorward street.

By Mr. Snyder: To repair Mary street between Walnut and Lemon.

By Mr. Hershey: For a crossing on the north side of Chestnut street across Pine.

Mr. McMillen presented the monthly report of the street committee, which recommended that the following work be done:

Gutter on south side of West Orange street from Pine to Marietta avenue.

Crossing on High street at corner of Filbert.

Repair of Walnut street between Water and Mulberry, by street commissioner; macadamizing not deemed necessary.

Gutter on Strawberry street from North to Woodward on south side, and from Green to Woodward on north side.

Repair by street commissioner of Conestoga street between South Queen and Prince; macadamizing not necessary.

Repair of gutters on south side of West King street between Lemon and Mary, as soon as property owners reset their curbs.

Grading a street roller at an estimated cost of between \$500 and \$600.

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corrections ordered in the southern section of the city. These changes will require the replacing of some of the corner-stones, and the copying of the corrected plan.

Mr. McMillen offered a joint resolution for the re