

COUNTY FARMERS MEET.

MEETING ON CHRYSANTHEMUMS HELD AT THE HOME OF THE LANCASTER COUNTY FARMERS ASSOCIATION.

The following named members were present: John H. Landis, president, Millersville; John C. Linville, secretary, Gap; Henry M. Engle, Marietta; Frank J. Diefenderfer, city; Jacob B. Hippie, city; D. M. Swarr, city; W. C. Fryer, city; Wm. H. Brown, Drumm; J. A. H. Herr, West Lampeter; A. E. Strick, Willow Street; John H. Kendig, West Willow; J. H. E. Rudy, city; J. M. Johnston, city; Joseph F. Witmer, Paradise; Calvin Cooper, Bird-in-Hand; Johnson Miller, Warwick; J. Hoffman Hershey, West Hempfield; Wm. D. Weaver, Drumm; M. W. Campbell, West Lampeter; Barton M. Weaver, East Earl; David H. Weaver, Upper Leacock; Wash L. Hershey, Chickley; John E. Bickwelder, Salisbury; M. H. Herr, West Lampeter.

Mr. J. D. Hester, of Millersville, was proposed and elected a member of the society.

Mr. Engle said the winter wheat looks unexpectedly well; the grass fields are somewhat frozen out; the peach trees are all right and other fruit promises well. The rainfall for February was 2.5 inches; for March 4.5 inches.

Mr. Witmer said the few windy days bleached the wheat considerably, but it has entirely recovered. The tobacco was never before so well as it is now. He knew of but a single crop in his neighborhood; there was a public sale of cows at Leesport, Pa., on Monday last, and \$25 to \$50 per head; grass somewhat damaged; corn was sold for 42 cents.

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We understand that negotiations have been in progress for some time looking to the transfer of this road to the Pennsylvania R. & O., according to which would pay the highest price; and although some have been mean to insist that nothing would take it as a gift, both road and anxious to get it. It is the prayer of all its patrons that it may be the P. & O., for it is their intention to extend it to Quarryville in the north, and Landenberg on the south, thus giving us excellent facilities for coal, lumber and passenger traffic, and also ultimately bridge the Susquehanna at Peapack Bottom and connect with the Maryland Central at Delta, which they already own.

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