

THE FARMERS DEPART.

PROCEEDINGS OF THEIR GLOMBING SESSIONS ON WEDNESDAY.

They Demand That the Revenue Bill Be Changed to Meet the Needs of Farmers. In Most Instances and Corporation Bonds. Asking For a Sugar Bounty.

The closing session of the Lancaster county farmers' institute was held on Wednesday afternoon, and the first paper read was: "Draining, its cost and profit," prepared by Thos. J. Edge, secretary of the state board of agriculture. It was read by Secretary Cooper. The essayist said it was an open question whether it will be found to be profitable to drain large areas for the agriculturalists. To do so many times the cost of drainage added to the original cost of land would create a sum so large that the product would fall to pay the interest, but there may be farms which will pay a good interest upon the cost of drainage.

In many cases areas containing but the fraction of an acre have been plowed over for years when they could (if dry) have been plowed and farmed with the remainder of the field with little or no increase in cost.

The drainage of such plots will usually yield a handsome profit upon the cost and will prove an excellent investment for surplus funds.

He took a tract of an acre and a quarter as an illustration. The following would be the expense of drainage:

6 rods of ditch, for digging and filling, \$20.00  
1,000 two-cent tiles, 100 rods, 10.00  
100 three-cent tiles, 100 rods, 10.00  
100 four-cent tiles, 100 rods, 10.00  
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100 twelve-cent tiles, 100 rods, 10.00  
100 thirteen-cent tiles, 100 rods, 10.00  
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In the first two years the value of the corn can be raised, the value of which is \$25. The following five years an equivalent crop of oats, wheat, hay and pasture may be raised, with an average of \$50 per acre. Deduct one-third for cost of production we have \$16.50 per acre, and in seven years we have \$115.00, or in other words the investment was repaid every three and a half years and it is good for many years to come.

THE FISH CULTURE.

"Fish Culture" was the subject assigned to Hiram Peoples, of New Providence. He said but little attention has been paid in this state or the United States to fish culture, and the streams of Pennsylvania do not yield one-twentieth of the fish that they should. He favored ponds for propagating fish and stock raising generally.

He said that the best ponds would yield as much per acre, especially as the land through which it flows. He described spawning ponds and the peculiarities of the fish in the streams of Eastern Pennsylvania.

Annie K. Conard, of Bird-in-Hand, read a paper on "The Preparation of Paper on a Home in the Household."

IMPROVED METHODS OF COLD STORAGE.

Col. Geo. F. McFarland, of Harrisburg, addressed the institute on the above subject. He began by saying that it was the live subject for the fruit grower, for without it that industry must fail. More fruit would be raised and sold if it were not for the loss of fruit in cold storage.

He described the various methods of cold storage, and said that the best method was to use a plant which would be established in every town in Pennsylvania and the cost of the same will allow fruit to be stored at 10 cents per barrel per month, which would give a handsome profit to the owner of the plant and at the same time pay the owner of fruit, for the fruit would be practically out of season.

He described how such a plant should be built and gave the estimate of the cost of the same. A plant with a capacity of 1,500 barrels would cost \$20,000, and with a capacity of 3,000 barrels from \$7,000 to \$10,000. The expense of running a 1,500 barrel plant was \$5 or \$6 per day. The system can be applied in buildings already erected and the machinery for fitting up a room with 500 would cost from \$1,000 to \$2,000.

FARMERS' PAY TAXES.

Johnson Miller, of Warwick township, opened the discussion of this subject. He took the position that farmers pay four times as much tax as the capitalist. He used as an illustration two men each of whom is worth \$20,000. One has half his money invested in bank and turnpike stock and the other half in judgments and mortgages. The second has a farm assessed at \$20,000.

The first pays \$30 state tax and the second pays \$50 county tax, \$30 school tax, \$50 road tax and \$10 for fire insurance, a total of \$120, or four times as much. In 1888 he assessed valuation of the county was \$86,310,000 and there was \$24,000,000 in interest.

The evil of unjust taxation on the farmer be attributed to the lack of interest taken by farmers in elections. There should be more farmers in the Legislature. With the large farmers' vote in Pennsylvania, there are but 35 farmer law-makers, or one to every 8,500, while one lawyer out of every hundred in the state is a member of the Legislature.

This question was further discussed by Messrs. Brandon, Witmer, Hartman, Hoover, Lefever, Landis, McFarland, Eshelman, Peoples and Bruns. Mr. Lefever moved the appointment of a committee of five to draft resolutions on the above subject. The motion was adopted and the chair appointed as that committee: Messrs. Lefever, Caselli, Peoples, Eshelman and Bruns were named as the committee.

They retired, prepared and reported the following, which was accepted:

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TO IMPROVE COUNTY FAIRS.

A CONVENTION FOR THAT PURPOSE TO BE HELD HERE NEXT WEEK.

The Establishment of Rules and Regulations to Govern the Exhibition is Demanded. The Meeting to Be Held at the City Hotel on Wednesday.

On Wednesday of next week a meeting of some of the leading agriculturists of the county will hold a conference at the City Hotel, Lancaster. Below is a copy of the circular calling the meeting, and it will explain the purpose of the gathering. It will be seen that it is signed by many well known gentlemen, including the secretary of the Lancaster association:

The question of county fairs, as well as to increase the interest and attractiveness of county fairs, so that they shall command large public patronage, is one in which the public interest is so deeply interested. How a fair shall be conducted so that the great mass of the population will be induced to patronize the fair, is the problem which every agricultural board, established institutions in the larger cities and towns all over the country for the annual display of mechanical, agricultural and horticultural products, have robbed the county fair of some of the most useful and instructive attractions. The old time attractions of the primitive fair, which were well known far and wide and a sort of harvest home festival, have in a measure disappeared.

The interest in the exhibition, however, must be maintained and new managers are called upon to supply some special attraction to lure popular support. There is a "must" to be resorted to in certain directions, and the exhibition of every character shall be of the highest grade, and command attention and respectful consideration.

The agricultural fairs of today are merely the fairs of yesterday. The fairs of the past were held in the open fields and the fairs of the future should be held in the open fields and the fairs of the future should be held in the open fields.

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FOR CITY OFFICERS.

The Democratic Nominations Candidates to Be Selected at the Primary Election on Saturday Evening.

The Democrats of the city met at the place designated by the city committee on Wednesday evening and placed in nomination candidates for ward officers.

In the Seventh ward William A. Morton was nominated for mayor. The position was taken by the Democrats of this ward that there is vacancy in the office of mayor, and that Mr. Morton is the candidate to nominate. Two hundred majority is promised for him in this district on the 19th of February.

Following were the nominations made: FIRST WARD. Common Council—W. Lowell, John Frisick, Geo. Nolly, D. E. Pacey, W. Bain, Judge—Sam'l Howard. Assessor—Ed. B. Kress. Judge of the Peace—J. M. Smith. City Committee—G. P. Phipps, Geo. W. Carr. City Committee—John J. Altick.

SECOND WARD. Common Council—G. Ross Kahlman, Thos. Wendell, Geo. F. Balfanz, W. W. Anson. Constable—Wm. A. Levars, James Arnsack. Assessor—Jacob Reese. Inspector—David McMullen. Assessor—Geo. Anson. School Director—David McMullen, Sam'l F. E. B. Kress. City Committee—Jas. B. Donnelly. The election in this ward will be held from 6:30 to 8 o'clock.

THIRD WARD. Common Council—M. Ksriy, Chas. W. Eckert, Jas. Nelson. Alderman—John A. Keller. Constable—H. Frank Leman. Judge—E. J. Davis. Inspector—Frank Schuler. City Committee—B. Frank Leman. Assessor—John Keller.

FOURTH WARD. The Fourth ward meeting was held at the saloon of John Fois, in West King street. The following tickets were nominated: Common Council—Henry E. Carson, James Frangley, J. John A. Corp. Constable—William Weingartner. Assessor—John Beck. Judge—Joseph Whittinger. Inspector—J. M. Schuler. School Director—Dr. H. H. McCormick, John Ochs, Wm. B. Hall, Wm. R. Bristol. City Committee—David Wolf.

FIFTH WARD. Common Council—Henry Birkendrofer. Assessor—J. M. Schuler. Inspector—C. O. Kaufman, John Stark, Jas. Sheber. Assessor—J. M. Schuler, James Coyne. Constable—Jacob E. Kautz. Judge—E. J. Davis. Inspector—Fred Smer, Jr. School Director—M. W. Ranb. City Committee—Jacob F. Katz.

SIXTH WARD. Common Council—Charles F. Hengler, Byron Brown, C. H. Downey, C. H. Foltz, G. W. Morrison, James Leman. Judge—John Marion. Constable—John H. H. Mowery. Assessor—John H. H. Mowery. Inspector—John H. H. Mowery. School Director—Walter Zieber. Assessor—Walter Zieber. Inspector—Walter Zieber. School Director—Walter Zieber. City Committee—W. V. Connor.

SEVENTH WARD. Mayor—Wm. A. Morton. Assessor—J. M. Schuler. Inspector—C. O. Kaufman, John Stark, Jas. Sheber. Assessor—J. M. Schuler, James Coyne. Constable—Jacob E. Kautz. Judge—E. J. Davis. Inspector—Fred Smer, Jr. School Director—M. W. Ranb. City Committee—Jacob F. Katz.

EIGHTH WARD. Common Council—A. Bradel, Henry Rill, George Fritsch, John Dusek, Conrad Ross. Constable—Peter Herr, John Roehrl. Assessor—Chris Wolpert, Christian Froley. Judge—John Myers. Inspector—Jacob Npoo. City Committee—Joseph Bowman, Jacob Fester.

NINTH WARD. Assessor—F. Gans. Judge—James Burns. Constable—Peter Herr, John Roehrl. Assessor—Chris Wolpert, Christian Froley. Judge—John Myers. Inspector—Jacob Npoo. City Committee—Joseph Bowman, Jacob Fester.

TENTH WARD. The people of Conowingo, Md., are talking about a new railroad to that place. Recently Reading railroad officials visited and inspected the Conowingo bridge. They talked with James C. Bell, president of the bridge company, and it is said that they named a route across the bridge. The object is to build a road to connect with the new Deer Creek & Susquehanna railroad in Harford county, now in course of construction, and the Lancaster & Quarryville branch of the P. & R. railroad.

Death of a Young Man. Benjamin F. Phillips, a young man who resided at 220 Church street, died last evening at his home, aged 22 years. About four years ago he had a quarrel with a young man, who struck him on the side with a baseball bat. For two years Phillips was unable to work, and ever since he received the injury could not settle in that part of his body. He never recovered from the injury, although the immediate cause of his death was pneumonia. The deceased was a son of Benjamin F. Phillips, of 149 Franklin street. The interment will be made at Woodward Hill cemetery.

Epist Church Meetings. During the past month a very successful revival was held in the Baptist church at Union. No services have been held since January 20th, workmen being employed in repainting the interior and exterior of the building and making other needed improvements. The church will be reopened on February 17th. The pastor, Rev. C. B. Furman, will be assisted by Prof. R. C. Henning, of Greater theological seminary.

Meeting of the First National Bank of Marietta has elected Mr. Thomas M. Gray cashier of the institution. Mr. Gray is a graduate of the Millersville Normal school, and for six years was one of the most popular of the young teachers of the county. Twelve years ago he was chosen teller of the bank, which position he has held ever since.

SUFFRAGE FOR WOMEN.

A BILL INTRODUCED TO ALLOW THEM TO VOTE FOR PRESIDENT.

Senator McPherson Presents the Measure. A Number of Bills Passed Finally by the Senate. A Resolution Concerning the Death of Senator Taylor Adopted.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 7.—In the Senate today Oberlin Venter feelingly referred to the death of Senator Taylor in Philadelphia last night. Bills were reported favorably authorizing the condemnation of property for school and public building purposes; providing for identification of criminals, providing photographs of them to be kept in prisons; for incorporation of savings banks to encourage money saving; for appointment of commission to compile and edit uniform system of text books.

McPherson introduced a bill giving the right of suffrage to women at presidential elections. The bill authorizing the governor to appoint all inspectors of penitentiaries was negatively reported.

Roberts, of Westmoreland, offered a resolution, which was referred to the committee on appropriations, providing for the appointment of a joint committee to investigate alleged cruelties and other wrong doing in the Western penitentiary. Bills were passed finally as follows: Authorizing owners of real estate to appeal from assessments of county commissioners to the courts; increasing the limits on real and personal estates held by corporations, religious and charitable associations; requiring names of principals doing business through agents to have their names and those of their agents registered in the recorder's office in the county in which the place of business is located; the Home bill authorizing the appointment of assessors every three years in boroughs and townships.

Smith, of Philadelphia, announced the death of Senator Taylor, and a resolution of condolence was adopted. A committee of nine senators, (McPherson, chairman), on motion of Penrose, was appointed to make arrangements for the Senate to attend the funeral.

On motion of McAlleister the chief clerk was authorized to drap the hall for thirty days, after which the Senate adjourned in respect to the memory of deceased. In the House bills were introduced as follows: Blackburn, Westmoreland, compelling railroad companies to give notice at intermediate points when trains are not on schedule time. Richmond, Philadelphia, to provide punishment for deception in labeling bottles.

Righteous to Death. Eleven-year-old Frankie Moore, who was buried in York last night, died on Monday of convulsions and brain fever produced by fright four days before, when she was returning home from school.

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Mrs. Loomis' Funeral. A sufficient sum of money has been raised by subscription to bury Mrs. Loomis, in respect of No. 610 North Christian street. Mrs. Loomis' funeral was held on Wednesday evening, and will take the remains to Maryland, and will take the remains to Maryland on the early morning train.

Henry Doerr's Suit. The suit of Henry Doerr vs. the Pittsburg & Birmingham Street Railway company, for damages for injuries received, came to an end for the present in the Pittsburg courts on Wednesday. During the examination of Dr. Doerr it was found necessary to subpoena to bury Mrs. Loomis, in respect of No. 610 North Christian street. Mrs. Loomis' funeral was held on Wednesday evening, and will take the remains to Maryland, and will take the remains to Maryland on the early morning train.

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To Abolish Poll Tax. Senator Cooper's anti-poll tax bill, which proposes to submit to the people the question of abolishing the poll tax, was passed by the Senate on Wednesday by a vote of 27 to 6.

FIFTY-FOUR LIVES LOST.

A TERRIBLE COLLISION OCCURRED ON THE COAST OF GREAT BRITAIN.

The Bark Largo hit the Steamer of the Lateral Line With All On Board Twenty-three Killed Among Them. Who Were Buried by the Ocean.

A dispatch from London says the bark Largo, bound for Auckland, was towed to Spithead on Wednesday in a state of collision with the steamer of the Lateral Line. The bark Largo was carrying twenty-three passengers and crew, and the steamer was carrying fifty-four passengers and crew. The collision occurred on the coast of Great Britain, and the result was the loss of fifty-four lives.

LONDON, Feb. 7.—The firm of McCowan, Gowen & Co., of Glasgow, believe that the steamer of the Lateral Line, which was struck on Monday night off Beach Head, was the bark Largo, of the Lateral Line. The Glasgow carried a crew of 54, but had no passengers on board. She was last reported as passing Fawley Point on Monday. Later reports say that the steamer sank in certain latitudes.

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