

MAYOR CLARK'S MESSAGE.

IT CONTAINS IMPORTANT SUGGESTIONS TO CITY COUNCILS.

Adequate Water Supply and Equitable Assessment of Real Estate Recommended—Needs of the Departments.

The June meeting of city councils was held on Wednesday evening. The following were present: Messrs. Erisman, Everitt, McComsey, Riddle, Rohrer, Schum, White, Wise and Long, president.

In obedience to that direction, I beg leave to submit the following exhibit of the financial condition of the city with regard to its bonded debt.

It is interesting and satisfactory to note that almost the entire indebtedness of the city bearing a higher rate of interest than four per cent. interest is about to be extinguished.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

In view of this showing it is worth consideration whether the great body of our citizens are not weary to consider the expediency of approving, by popular vote, the expenditure necessary to provide that ample and increased water storage capacity which seems to be the natural supplement to adequate pumping facilities.

OF ALL THE SUBJECTS WHICH ENGAGE THE ATTENTION OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT, THAT OF OUR FINANCIAL CONDITION, OUR PHYSICAL COMFORT AND BUSINESS PROSPERITY.

THE FLOATING DEBT.

While the condition of the bonded indebtedness of the city is, upon the whole, satisfactory, I feel bound to call the attention of councils to a considerable amount of floating indebtedness which must be provided for.

THE STREETS.

The large sums of money required to be annually spent for street repairs might have impressed upon the city government the superiority of durable street improvements.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

I have had recent occasion to commend the fidelity and efficiency of the present fire department, and to recommend to councils that its members be uniformed.

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The lighting of the city has upon the whole been satisfactory, but with the power at the city's command its pumping stations the proposition that it be employed at night in furnishing the light for the streets should be left to the light of day.

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The law department of the city has been efficient and diligent, as little vexatious or expensive litigation has been engaged upon.

upon. The demand of the county for the payment of it of a large claim in behalf of business interests referred to the courts for adjudication and is not likely to be settled for some years.

THE POLICE.

The police force manifests a good state of discipline and efficiency. The station house, City hall and other municipal property are in excellent condition.

RELIEF FUND.

The various relief funds within control of the city authorities are intact, and the good uses they serve ought to stimulate other similar benevolent institutions.

PUBLIC PARK.

The necessity and advantage of a public park occupying and opening to the people some of the eligible sites near the city have been repeatedly discussed by the council.

Every consideration of convenience and expediency in the selection of property for a districting of the city wards into voting precincts. Experience proves that from 250 to 500 is an ample number of votes to be cast in each ward.

CONNECTION WITH EVERY PROJECT FOR THE LIBERAL IMPROVEMENT OF OUR CITY MUST BE CONSIDERED THE PERMANENT DEBT WHICH WILL BE INCURRED BY SUCH A PROJECT.

MONTHLY REPORTS.

The reports of the water, property, finance and other departments for the month of June were presented. The report of the water committee was approved, after striking out the recommendation directing the removal of a certain street.

FOR PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS.

An ordinance for the purpose of obtaining the consent of the electors of said city of Lancaster for the permanent improvement of certain streets in said city.

THE CITY FINANCES.

The report of the city treasurer for the month showed the receipts to be \$62,737.50; disbursements, \$69,274.14; balance in treasury, \$57,283.35.

SELECT COUNCIL ORDINANCE NO. 6, APRIL 29, 1890.

When the item appropriating \$1,000 to the board of health was reached Mr. McComsey offered an amendment reducing the amount to \$500 and appropriating the remaining \$500 to the board of health.

MR. WISE FELT LIKE MR. McCOMSEY, THAT \$1,000 WAS TOO LARGE A SUM, BUT AN AMENDMENT OF THE ORDINANCE TO-NIGHT MEANT DEFICIT.

THE ORDINANCE INTRODUCED AT THE MAY MEETING, INCREASING THE SALARY OF DRIVERS FROM \$10 PER MONTH TO \$50 PER MONTH, WAS CALLED UP.

MR. ERISMAN OFFERED AN AMENDMENT REFERRING THE ORDINANCE TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, AND THAT THE CITY SHOULD PAY THE PAY OF THE MEMBERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, RESTRICTING THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF INCREASE TO \$1,500.

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE REFUNDING OF THE AMOUNT OF THE CITY DEBT BY THE SALE OF BONDS IN THE SINKING FUND, AND ONE APPROPRIATING \$1,416, PREMIUM RECEIVED ON SALE OF BONDS, TO THE APPROPRIATION TO PAY INTEREST ON THE CITY DEBT, WAS CONSIDERED AND ADOPTED BY SELECT COUNCIL.

MR. EVERETT'S SEAT IN COUNCILS.

MR. ROHRER CALLED THE ATTENTION OF COUNCILS TO A MEMBER OF THE BRANCH OCCUPYING A SEAT AS THE REPRESENTATIVE OF A WARD IN WHICH HE DOES NOT LIVE.

holding his seat, he would resign and he presented his resignation.

MR. RIDDLE REFERRED TO CHILD'S PLAY IN COMMON COUNCIL IN ADJOURNING WALK THERE WAS BUSINESS RELATED CONCERNING THE REQUIRED THEIR SANCTION.

COMMON COUNCIL MET AT HALF-PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK AND THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT: ALICK, FORN, BAIS, BIRNER, BOARDMAN, BRADL, BURGER, REUBENBACH, CUMMINGS, DINAN, FLYNN, FRESH, FRITSCHE, GEMMELY, HANBRIGHT, HEISS, HENRY, KANTOR, KAY, KLEIN, LAMON, LEONARD, TRUIT, ZOOK, BAUMGARDNER, PRESIDENT.

THE FOLLOWING PETITIONS WERE PRESENTED AND REFERRED TO THE DIFFERENT COMMITTEES.

BY MR. FRESH: FOR MANICURING CHESTNUT STREET FROM LEMON AND FRANKLIN STS. TO THE COMMONS.

BY MR. HANBRIGHT: FROM THE CITIZENS OF THE WESTERN PART OF TOWN ASKING FOR A BETTER WATER SUPPLY FOR THAT SECTION OF THE CITY.

BY MR. BRADL: FOR RAISING A CROSSING AT WEST KING AND MARY STREETS AND LAYING A PIPE AT THE SAME POINT.

BY MR. FRESH: FOR A GUTTER ON POPLAR STREET FROM LAUREL TO FRANKLIN STS. AND A CROSSING AT THIRD AND CORAL STREETS.

THE STREET COMMITTEE REPORT, WITH NUMEROUS RECOMMENDATIONS, WAS PRESENTED BY MR. CUMMINGS.

ON MOTION OF MR. ALICK, IT WAS ORDERED TO APPOINT A BOARD OF HEALTH, TO BE COMPOSED OF ONE MEMBER FROM EACH WARD.

THE HARBOR MISSION AT NEW YORK WAS ORDERED TO BE CONTINUED.

THE CONSTITORIES ARE DIRECTED TO MAKE SPECIAL EFFORTS TO BRING THE MATTER OF MISMANAGEMENT OF THE INDIVIDUAL MEMBER.

THE CLASSES ARE DIRECTED TO ASSESS FIVE CENTS PER YEAR FOR CHURCH BUILDING PURPOSES.

THE BOARD WAS INSTRUCTED TO JOIN WITH THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD IN ORGANIZATION OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS IN THE THICKLY SETTLED PORTIONS OF THE CITY.

DEATH OF AN OLD LADY.

MR. MARTHA E. R. KEIM DIED WEDNESDAY MORNING AT THE RESIDENCE OF HER SON-IN-LAW, Mr. Schaffer.

WAS REFUSED HER CHILD.

JUDGE PATTERSON ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON HEARD THE APPLICATION OF SARAH YOUNG, WHO DESIRED THE CUSTODY OF HER CHILD, BARBARA YOUNG.

THE DOCTORS MEET.

THE JUNE MEETING OF THE LANCASTER CITY AND COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

BACK TO HIGH RATES.

IN MARCH LAST, OWING TO THE CUTTING OF RATES BY THE WESTERN RAILROADS, FARES FROM THIS PLACE TO THE FAR WEST WERE LOWERED.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

THE MEN WHO WILL DIRECT AFFAIRS OF THE REFORMED CHURCH.

MEMBERS OF THE VARIOUS BOARDS AND DELEGATES TO RELIGIOUS BODIES CHOOSE \$2,500 FOR THE HARBOR MISSION.

LEBANON, June 5.—At Tuesday evening's session of the Reformed synod the board of home missions were directed to look after the Protestant Hungarians in this country.

THE WORK OF THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES WAS COMMENDED AND THE REQUEST OF GENERAL SYNOD'S WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY ASKING FOR DIRECTION IN THEIR WORK WAS GRANTED.

THE SYNOD RESOLVED THAT IT IS SYMPATHY WITH THE AMERICAN SABBATH UNION AND COMMENDED IT TO THE CHURCH, AND THAT THE REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA SHOULD JOIN THE UNION.

THE MINUTES OF POTOMAC SYNOD WERE REVIEWED AND THE FOLLOWING ITEMS FOUND TO HAVE BEEN TAKEN.

THE RULES OF OTHER OF THE GENERAL SYNODS WERE ADOPTED.

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A CYCLONE-SWEPT TOWN.

Not a Building Left Standing in Bradshaw, Neb.—Twelve Killed and 80 Injured, 8 Mortally.

The Lincoln State Journal party returned from the storm on Tuesday night, in Bradshaw, York county, Neb., on Tuesday evening, and brought a confirmation of the worst reports received of the destructive force of the storm on Tuesday night.

The storm struck the town at 8:30 Tuesday evening, coming from the northwest. Scarcely a moment's warning was given, the roar of the whirlwind being the first notice that the terrified people heard.

The depot building was crushed into kindling wood and every car standing there was wrecked, except one that was not touched by the wind.

The fire bells were rung and in a short time large numbers of the people were on their way to give assistance.

The discussion began on Tuesday evening was continued Wednesday morning by Drs. Kuehling and Tittel.

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A NIGHT IN COUNCILS.

How the Warm Weather and Troublesome Business Operates—Many Announcements.

Those people who have never attended a hot weather meeting of city councils do not have an idea of the picnic that the members and reporters have.

The session was the longest that councils have had in a long time, and it was considerably after dark when the work of the common branch had concluded their business.

It seems that everything came on the hot night, and Clerk Leen was obliged to read a number of ordinances over and over again until he looked as though some one had painted his face red and thrown a bucket of water upon him.

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THE TOBACCO DUTIES.

THEY ARE NOT SATISFACTORY TO MANUFACTURERS OF CIGARS.

A Probability That the Schedules of the House Bill Will Be Amended—The Silver Measure in the House.

WASHINGTON, June 5.—Treasurer pressure is being brought to bear upon the Senate finance committee, which is considering a tariff bill, to secure a change in the paragraph fixing the duty on leaf tobacco suitable for cigar papers at \$2 per pound if stemmed and \$2.50 per pound if stamped.

IT IS BELIEVED THE COMMITTEE WILL RECOMMEND AN AMENDMENT WHICH, WHILE AFFORDING ADEQUATE PROTECTION TO NATIVE GROWERS, WILL AT THE SAME TIME ENABLE MANUFACTURERS OF Havana cigars in this country to cut their prices, which has grown to great proportions.

SILVER IN THE HOUSE.

THE REPUBLICANS VENTURE TO PUT THE BILL ON THE ROAD TO PASSAGE.

WASHINGTON, June 5.—In the House today Mr. McKinley, of Ohio, from the committee on rules, reported a resolution providing that the House shall proceed immediately to the consideration of the silver bill and that consideration shall continue until Saturday, at 3 p. m., when the previous question shall be considered as ordered.

MR. BLOUNT, OF GEORGIA, HAD NO OBJECTION TO THE TIME LIMIT, BUT HE WAS INFORMED THAT THE MAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES WOULD BE ALLOWED TO OFFER ALL AMENDMENTS WHICH WERE ADMISSIBLE UNDER THE RULES OF THE HOUSE.

THESE WERE OFFERED THERE WOULD BE LEFT OPPORTUNITY TO THE MINORITY TO OFFER AMENDMENTS. THEY GAVE THE SENATE OPPORTUNITY ON THE PART OF THE PRESIDENT TO ASK THE HOUSE TO VOTE ON THE COINAGE OF SILVER.

OTHER SPEECHES WERE MADE AND THE RESOLUTION MAKING THE SILVER BILL THE SPECIAL ORDER WAS ADOPTED—YEAS 117, NAYS 114.

HEAVY RAIN STORMS.

PEOPLE KILLED AND MUCH PROPERTY DESTROYED BY A STREET WIND STORM.

ST. PAUL, June 5.—Over a foot of rain fell yesterday, this city receiving the same through drenching in many months.

RAILROADS, HOWEVER, ARE SUFFERING. MILWAUKEE TRAINS WERE ALL DELAYED SEVERAL HOURS BY WASHOUTS, AND OTHER RAILROADS IN THE NORTHWEST ARE ALSO DELAYED.

DAMAGE IN EASTON AND VICTORIA.

EASTON, Pa., June 5.—The rain here last night caused \$6,000 damage to goods in basements of stores, by the water overflowing the Pennsylvania river.

THE GREAT COUNCIL OF THE STATE OF THE ORDER OF AMERICAN STEAM ENGINEERS WILL MEET IN THE CITY OF PITTSBURGH, IN PENNSYLVANIA, ON WEDNESDAY NEXT.

CARPENTERS QUIT WORK.

TWO OF THE CARPENTERS OF JOHN ADAM BURGER, who had been working on the Snyder building on Wednesday afternoon, spoke belongs to the Union, but these men claimed they were not members of the union.

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SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

WATHER FORECASTS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 5.—Fair; no change in temperature; southerly winds.

HERALD WEATHER FORECAST.—The strong depression now central near Lake Michigan will probably move eastward, followed by a "hot wave" in the Central and Atlantic states and attended by severe local storms, heavy local rain and high winds.

HOT WEATHER WILL PROBABLY CONTINUE GENERALLY IN THIS SECTION UNTIL Saturday at least, except on the coast line. Temperature rose in the United States yesterday; the chief minimum reported was 39 degrees, F., at Chynoweth; the maximum reported was 92, at New York.

THE STREETS CAR TRACK DID IT.

A wagon of Schwabel & Bro., loaded with wood, was overturned by the tracks of the East King street this afternoon. One wheel was wrecked.