

HALF-CENTURY OLD

Sharpsburg Will Celebrate To-Day the Semi-Centennial of Its ERECTION TO A BOROUGH.

Complete Arrangements Made for Two Days of Festivities.

BUSINESS HOUSES TO BE CLOSED.

The Town Decorated and a Grand Civic Parade Prepared.

BRIEF HISTORY OF OUR LITTLE SISTER

To-morrow will be the greatest day in the history of the borough of Sharpsburg, and it will be a day to be proudly remembered by every inhabitant.

This evening the festival will begin with a citizens' mass meeting in the Presbyterian Church.

Everybody Will Turn Out on Saturday.

The great event in which all are most interested, however, is the parade to-morrow.



JAMES SHARP'S FIRST RESIDENCE.

The town will be in gala dress to-morrow morning. It is expected that not a house in the borough will be without decoration.

The column will be divided into six divisions and will embrace some novel displays. In one division will be the numerous secret societies and other civic organizations.

The Features of the Parade.

A feature of the parade will be a float showing the postoffice as it was in 1842, when Thomas Gardner, grandfather of the present postmaster, L. S. Gibson, held the position.

Sharpsburg was incorporated as a borough on March 26, 1842, 79 years then constituting the settlement.

The Founder of the Borough.

Powers sold his property in 1804 to General Wilkins, who in 1814 sold 200 acres of it to Elisha Brooks, a farmer, who occupied it until 1826.

which he moved with his family, but the old log house still stands in a good state of preservation, and has been tenanted until within a couple of years.

In the year that Sharp made his purchase Pennsylvania canal construction was begun through this part of the State, and when it was opened for travel in 1831 Sharp had quite a settlement around him which the Government had recognized by establishing the Sharpsburg postoffice.

Mr. Sharp was a shrewd man, but a benevolent one, and of the Presbyterian faith. He had built a schoolhouse on the hillside near the present residence of Judge Collier.

When the population had grown to about 200 souls a borough charter was applied for. The name of the town had been changed to Sharpsburg, and there were 30 houses in the place.

James G. Constock, David Bryson, Andrew Morton, W. D. Courtney, M. D., H. S. Batto, Stephen Clarke, John Wise, James Lappley, William Topper, John Cook, William Lewis, J. B. Erwin, G. R. McClean, George W. Rodgers, Philip Miller, Abernethy, William Hamilton, John Erwin, Andrew Lindsay, R. S. Berkhimer, Joseph K. Slack, H. P. McManam, John Colwell, R. W. King, George W. Rogers, H. C. Ogilvie, William Alexander, James Stewart, I. Campbell, Robert E. Rogers, Alex. Patterson, Jr., John Baird, James Bayson, David R. Butler, Jacob Della, Wm. G. Miller, M. Munson, James Sharp, James G. Miller, Wm. Bratte, P. A. Behan, Thos. Gardner, Francis Allsup, Geo. F. Simmon, James P. Wrey, Wm. Lapaley, Sr., J. E. Will, Wm. Campbell, Samuel Coyle, James Davidson,

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MURPHY HELD AGAIN.

He Waives a Hearing and Gives \$1,500 Bail for Trial at Court ON A CHARGE OF EMBEZZLEMENT.

The Chief Insists That the Case Has Been Set Up Against Him.

SATISFIED HE WOULD BE HELD ANYWAY

John R. Murphy, Chief of the Department of Public Safety, Allegheny, charged before Alderman Schellman with receiving bribes, yesterday evening waived a hearing and gave bail in the sum of \$1,500 for trial in court.

The hearing yesterday had been set to occur between 4 and 5 o'clock in the evening. At 4 o'clock a crowd had gathered about the Alderman's office on Beaver avenue and all waited impatiently for the appearance of those involved in the case.



The Expert Auditor and Prosecutor.

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LEADERS CONFERRING.

The Amalgamated Trying to Convince the Unamalgamated Officials They Should Not Oppose the Pittsburgh District—It Will Not Accomplish Its Purpose.

The City Solicitor and Sinking Fund Reports Approved.

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THE LAST THIS YEAR.

Allegheny Select Council Quietly Finishes Up Its Work.

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Irish Pointe,

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In WHITE EMBROIDERED SWISS MUSLINS we offer the largest range of choice styles ever seen, 18c, 20c, 22c, 25c, 28c, 30c, 35c, 40c and 45c a yard; being much under the regular value.

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SASH CURTAIN MATERIALS, in endless variety, including all the new designs in

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In all the newest and choicest materials, in

Damasks

Tapestries,

Velours,

Plushes,

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WINDOW SHADES.

We are now taking advance orders on Window Shades, and would urge our customers to anticipate their wants and to place their orders immediately, so that sufficient time can be devoted to the proper and careful making of them that they may be ready to put up at a moment's notice. Estimates cheerfully furnished.

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