

CARBONDALE.

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COMMON COUNCIL MEETING.

Lower House Aids in Closing Up a Year's Business.

The common council held a very brief session last evening. It concurred in the resolution authorizing the fire chief to have Columbia hose repaired and to get those couplings under the direction of the building committee. It also passed finally the amended ordinance requiring the Ontario and Western company to erect safety gates at Belmont and Scott streets. The ordinance allows ninety days for completion of the work, and fixes a penalty of \$5 a day for every day beyond the expiration of that time the work is not in operation.

Case's report that the city clerk advertise for sealed bids on "printing and publishing" for the next year, was adopted.

A request from select council to meet at a joint session April 2 to let the contract for Spring street sewer was granted. The body adjourned to meet April 2 for general business.

RETURNS FROM ENGLAND.

The Post-Justice of No. 4 Again on American Soil.

Mid pleasures and palaces though I have roamed,
Be it ever so humble there's no place like home.

So sings Justice of the Peace William Williams, of No. 4, who arrived home from England on the American liner St. Paul on Saturday. He spent nearly three months at his birthplace in Cornwall and had a most enjoyable time, but the Cornish vales are not to him what they were in boyhood days and he turns back to the hills of Northeastern Pennsylvania as the dearest spot on earth, home, sweet home. The ties of family, of property and of friendship outweigh those of nativity. Mr. Williams says there is considerable interest over there in the prospective hostilities between Spain and the United States. He found the English people almost unanimously in their sympathy for the American side of the quarrel, and says he never heard anything but kind words spoken of this country during his entire visit.

BE ON HAND.

Fabric Company Will Test Its Hose as 9 O'clock This Morning.

An official test of the 1,000 feet of hose recently sold to the city by the Fabric company will be made at the Mitchell hose house at nine o'clock this morning. An effort will be made to test the hose yesterday afternoon but the couplings on the small hose used to connect with the pumps gave out at about 500 pounds pressure and the work had to be postponed. The hose showed no sign of giving out at the pressure put upon it and the agents confident it will meet every requirement. The hose that was tested at work a few weeks ago and what was guaranteed of it was as follows:

TCH MISSING.

William's \$10 Timepiece Stolen.

Samuel, of the Fifth ward, reported the loss of a gold watch, valued at \$10, which he had in his possession when he worked on the opera house while the company's baggage, and the watch, was being unloaded. He proved by a witness that he was looking for the watch at the time it was stolen.

TRINITY'S EX-RECTORS.

Appended items concerning ex-rectors of Trinity church will be of interest to the Carbondallians. The Rev. J. Baisley, of Williamsport, Pa., was yesterday's Press article on the subject of St. Luke's church, South Patterson, has accepted, and will here be taken charge on March 24th, the second Sunday after the St. Luke's people feel gratified at their success in securing Baisley-Paterson Press.

He publishes the fact that Rev. Charles I. Pittsell, late rector of Trinity church, Carbondale, has been deposed from the ministry of the Protestant Episcopal church in America by Right Rev. Ethelbert Talbot, bishop of Central Pennsylvania, under Canon 7, Title 2, of the Digest.

WILL GIVE MIKADO.

Drummers are in the city to present the "Mikado" for the next band some time in April. A band and chorus will be made up of talent, which there is an abundance of. The list of the band consists of: Hannah Leonard, soprano; Miss Snyder, contralto; Howell Davis, bass; and A. R. Jones, basso, has been mentioned in connection with the parts. The full Mozart orchestra of nearly twenty pieces will play the singers. The first rehearsal was held in the band room last evening.

CROWDED HOUSE.

Ethel Tucker company opened an engagement at the Grand last evening. The house was crowded and the audience so well pleased that an encores business is promised. The drama, "Queens," was excellently presented. The Symphony Lady orchestra played itself into great favor. Specialists of the company were warmly received.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Fifteen-year-old son of Al. White, of the firm on the gravity, whose name is near the foot of plane No. 3, was home last Wednesday morning to work in the silk mill, where he has been employed and has not returned.

His father is searching for the vicinity of Preston Park, Pa., a peanut dealer of Dunnet, was taken before Alderman yesterday afternoon at the instance of Mrs. Concerta Leo, who alleged that he assaulted her. The Alderman required bail of the defendant, who will have to answer the charge at a higher court.

and highly respected citizen, and has a host of friends throughout the county who will be sorry to hear of his illness.

JERMYN AND MAYFIELD.

Mayfield Was Visited Yesterday Morning by Fire and the Home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Mullen was Destroyed.

Mr. Harding, a next door neighbor, was aroused from his slumbers by a strange noise about 2:30 o'clock. On coming down stairs to the kitchen and also through the front part of the building, Mr. Mullen and his son had a narrow escape from being suffocated. They slept on the second floor and had to make their escape by jumping through the window onto the kitchen.

The funeral of the late Thomas Gilhool will take place at 10 o'clock this morning from his late home on South Main street. A high mass of requiem will be celebrated at the Sacred Heart church. Interment will be made in the Archdiocesan cemetery.

The Sunday school committee of the Fourth district will meet at 5 o'clock in Winters & Co.'s store this afternoon.

The funeral of Lewis Piser will take place from his late home on Main street this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Service will be held in the Episcopal church. Interment will be made in Shady Side cemetery.

John J. McCarthy, of Mayfield, an employee of the Tractor company, will leave in a few days for New Mexico.

Work was suspended at the Delaware and Hudson shaft yesterday, owing to the rope giving way from the carriage. Work will be resumed this morning.

GLENBURN.

W. S. Palmer is in New York on business. John Shamp is still under the doctor's care.

Alfred Reed is suffering from a felon on his right hand.

A private fire pond has been constructed here by fish warden Frank Hale and he intends stocking it with fish for private use. The pond receives its water supply from one of the fine springs in the country.

Postmaster Wolf, the librarian of the free library, has worked faithfully this winter in distributing the books, which the citizens should highly appreciate.

Frank Tennant, who recently leased the Glenburn hotel, is giving entire satisfaction to the community and traveling public. His management, accommodating, competent landlord, and is making extensive preparations for the accommodation of city boarders during the summer season.

PECKVILLE.

Chicken thieves made another visit at the home of S. J. Callender, of the West End, last Saturday night and stole twelve of his chickens.

The stereopticon lecture which will be for the benefit of the Jessup kindergarten at Peckville, has been postponed, on account of the death of Mrs. D. L. Callender, of Peckville, who was attending the lecture last Saturday.

A. Thorne, a runner on the Gravity railroad, had his leg badly hurt yesterday by being caught in between the wheels at Peckville.

PRICEBURG.

Eugene Winfield, of Scranton, spent Sunday in town.

Miss Grace Ely, of Lincoln street, is visiting her cousin, Miss Florence Baines, of Jermyrn.

The Ladies Aid society of the Primitive Methodist church are making preparations for their annual supper to be held on Monday evening, April 25. Tickets, 25 cents each. The proceeds will be devoted to the pastor's salary.

Jacob Owendick is having a residence erected at the corner of Storrs avenue and Lincoln street.

The convention of the Young People's Wesleyan leagues of the Wyoming district will be held in the Primitive Methodist church today.

UNCLE SAM'S POWDER BILL.

One Charge for a Big Gun Costs One Thousand Dollars.

From the Pittsburg Dispatch.

It takes 550 pounds of powder to fire a charge from a 13-inch gun, the largest carried by any of the ships of our navy. Indiana, Oregon, Massachusetts each have an armament of four 13-inch, eight 8-inch and four 6-inch guns, besides many rapid-fire rifles. Therefore, every time the heaviest guns of one of these big ships speak together over a ton of powder is turned into nothingness. It takes 114 pounds to speed the 8-inch shells and 59 pounds for these 6-inch guns. At 27 cents per pound, the ordinary contract price which Uncle Sam pays for his powder, a single round from the Indiana costs him almost \$900.

The 13-inch guns can be fired about once every six minutes, while those of 8-inch caliber can be discharged nearly 30 times as fast. Firing on this capacity, the Indiana is capable of consuming 80 tons of powder in an hour at a cost of \$40,000. It is probable that in an engagement the actual consumption would not be more than one-quarter or one-half this amount, but even \$10,000 per hour is a tidy sum to pay for smoke and literally requires "money to burn."

A good many persons think of all powder as being in the form of fine grains such as is used in ordinary shot-guns or for blasting purposes. Others, whose memory extends back to the Civil war, recall the "cannon powder" of that time which was in the form of half-inch cubes about the size, and shape of lozenges. As a matter of fact

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Better, however, to see them both. See all there is to be seen; you will enjoy every minute. Our Millinery Department is a perfect bower of roses, violets, palms and foliage. Nothing could be added that would make it grander or increase its splendor.

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force an entrance, even at the risk of its life. Once inside, it makes room for others of its companions to enter, and then, gathering up its abdomen in as small a space as possible, it assumes the defensive. Two of the hives bees pounce upon it, and, seizing it directly, they seek to find a vulnerable point between the rings of its body to sting it to death. The attacking bee just as determinedly struggles to cover every unprotected spot. If sufficient time can be gained and the attacking swarm is large enough to force an entrance, the badly mauled bees that have not been stung to death will suddenly assume the offensive and pursue the tactics of their enemies. Should the battle go against the attacking body, the balance of the swarm flies away to seek safety, and the dead carcases of their companions are thrown contemptuously out of the hive. But in the event of the opposite termination of the struggle the poor inhabitants are slaughtered. What their fate has been practically decided, many of them turn traitors to their cause, and in order to save their own lives they join the forces of the attacking party and display great vigor in killing their former companions. But there is honest patriotism even among bees. In every hive there are some who fight to the last and prolong the struggle.

The powder of the present day is very different from this. A "grain" of the kind used in the big guns is made in the form of a hexagon about an inch in diameter with a cylindrical hole through the center. The purpose of this hole is to make the powder burn faster since the fire is able to get at it from every side. It is dark brown in color, except that used for lighting, which is black. The smokeless powder, which is the only kind used in the rapid-firing guns and is coming into favor for those of larger caliber, is made in flat yellow strips about ten inches long, or in hollow cylinders for all the world like pieces of macaroni.

In the factory the blocks of powder are packed into flat wooden cases lined with tin. Where the sides of the case fit on a small slightly raised band of rubber runs about the edge, making the box air and water tight when it is closed. Thence it is shipped to one of the government storerooms, of which there are eight in different parts of the country—at Portsmouth, N. H.; Chelsea, Mass.; Fort Wadsworth, in New York harbor; Fort Mullen, on the Chesapeake; the Norfolk navy yard; Pensacola, Fla., and Mare Island, California.

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BATTLES OF BEES.

In battle the movements of bees are so rapid that it is difficult to follow them through all their evolutions, but the plan of battle seems to be very simple. Two bees from the hive are sent to kill one intruder, and the latter always tries to