DUNMORE DOINGS

BURGESS BURCHELL SENDS MESSAGE TO COUNCIL.

Important Session of the Borough Fathers Held, in Addition to Reading of Burgess' Letter, Much Business Being Transacted—Committees Appointed for the Year. Sunday's Storm Played Havoc with Dunmore Wires and Interfered with the Fire Alarm System.

The council met in regular session last night. The burgess read his annual message, which is appended.

Dunmore Borough Council:

Gentlemen: In submitting this message, I desire to express matters, which have come under my observation, recommending only such improvements as the taxpayers desire and the revenue of the borough will warrant.

The population of Dunmore, according to the last census exceeds 15,000, an increase of 15 per cent. during the last decade, and from present indications we shall have a population of 20,000 within the next ten years. The paramount question which confronts us is, How shall we prepare to care for this increase? Many theories might be advanced, but the proper one in the public's estimation is, make modern improvements at this time, which shall be paramount and meet all requirements years hence. One of the mistakes made during the entire government of the borough has been the large outlay of public money upon temporary street repairs and other purposes of that nature. Had the revenue derived from taxes been judiciously and economically applied and expended for road repairs the present financial condition of the borough treasury would not show a deficit, and the borough would compare more favorably with many towns in the commonwealth having municipal improvements.

The important factor in providing for the conduction and government of a municipality is the revenue derived from taxation, and in this borough I am forced to state candidly it is insufficient to meet all requirements. Increased taxation is not popular, but equal taxation is just. Having made diligent investigation of our method of taxation, I have found that the ward assessors are negligent in their duties and in some instances incompetent. If a proper and equal assessment were made we would have sufficient revenue to meet all our obligations and provide for future improvements.

SEWERS.

The preliminary work for the construction of the sewerage system having been about completed, the awarding of contracts and other matters pertaining thereto, will engross much of your careful attention during the coming year. In connection therewith I find a strong sentiment among the citizens to have the time of payments extended, as many of the assessables are financially unable to meet the payments as demanded and provide for in the ordinance, an extension of the term of payments would obviate legal process and be more satisfactorily to the public.

STREETS.

Only such street repairs as are absolutely necessary should be made during the coming year, as excavations for the construction of the sewer and branches will be made upon nearly every road in the borough, any contemplated grading or permanent improvement in that direction would only be a useless expenditure of funds. When the sewerage system is finally completed and the surface settled, Blakely street from Scranton city line to Drinker street should be macadamized. This method of macadamizing a street each year should be pursued and in the course of ten years Dunmore would have excellent thoroughfares at a nominal cost.

Signs with the name of each street, placed at the intersection of all thoroughfares would be an accommodation not only to the traveling public but to many residents of Dunmore.

LIGHT AND WATER.

The contract with the Dunmore Electric Light, Heat and Power company for street lighting expires in 1902, and as it is improbable that we can renew the contract at the present low rate, it would be advisable to consider the practicability of providing for the construction and maintenance of an electric light plant. The present expenditure for street lighting exceeds $7,000 annually, and as a plant to meet our requirements can be installed for about $30,000, the revenue which would be derived from commercial business and saving on borough purposes, would equal the original cost of the plant within five years.

The quality and quantity of water which has agitated Dunmoreans during the past few years, terminated by the introduction of the Scranton Water company's system of supply. But in the high portions of the borough the supply is still inadequate, and it would be advisable to confer with and request the water company to lay larger mains to provide a sufficient supply to all sections for manufacturing, domestic and fire purposes.

STEAM AND STREET RAILWAYS.

Accidents at railroad crossings are of frequent occurrence, and a local law should be enacted compelling railroad companies to erect safety gates to be in charge of competent employes day and night, at every street crossed by their tracks within the borough limits.

The traction company has been neglectful in planking their rails in compliance with the ordinance upon which their franchise was granted, and I earnestly desire your cooperation in compelling this corporation to comply with our ordinance.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The appointment of three permanent men and purchase of horses for the fire department has placed this well organized and thoroughly equipped department upon a firm and reliable basis. During the past year the department worked faithfully in subduing many fires, which but for their prompt response would have caused many serious conflagrations. Too much cannot be said in praise of those who volunteer their services in protecting life and property from that devastating element, fire. A matter of importance in connection with the fire department is the position of chief engineer, involving considerable time in conducting the management not only at fires, but keeping the fire alarm system, hydrants and apparatus in working order and repair. An ordinance should be enacted providing that the incumbent shall be elected by the firemen for a term of three years, and the chief devote his entire time to managing the department.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The appointment of night patrolmen made during the past year, meets with the approbation of the public. While the number of police officers is necessarily small, when the large territory is considered, additions can be made to the present force, when the finances of the borough will warrant. The services of a day patrolman is necessary for duty from 8 a. m. until 6 p. m., as there is practically no police protection at the business portion of the borough during those hours.

I notice that the discipline of the present force is very slack and recommend the adoption of more stringent rules governing the department.

SIDEWALKS AND GUTTERS.

In many sections of the borough property owners have failed to comply with notices requesting the laying of walks and gutters. It is advisable to instruct the street commissioner to lay the walks at his earliest opportunity and enter liens for the costs thereof. A thorough inspection should be made by the commissioner of all walks and gutters that have been laid and report their condition to the council for decisive action.

BONDS.

An issue of bonds equal to the amount of outstanding borough orders should be made immediately, as the present method of loaning money from banking institutions at 6 per cent. is inconsistent with business principles.

ORDINANCES.

A complete revision of the borough ordinance is necessary as many of our local laws are not properly transcribed and consequently ineffective.

APPROPRIATIONS.

I recommend that all appropriations made for the coming year shall state specifically the amount and purpose for which the money shall be expended. During former periods the expenditures have exceeded not only the appropriations but the yearly revenue. Money having been expended for purposes for which no appropriation had been made, which was an unlawful and unbusiness like procedure.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion I desire to express my confidence in the ability of the present local government to conduct the financial affairs and promote the welfare of our borough.

Respectfully submitted,
Victor Burchel, Burgess.

Dunmore, Pa., March 11, 1901.

After the reading of the message President McAllister appointed the following committees for the year:

Finance—McLaughlin, Brogan, Ward. Judiciary—Payton, Dondican, McLaughlin. Board of health—Brogan, Ward, Payton. Electric light—Dondican, McLaughlin, Ward. Fire department—Payton, Dondican, McLaughlin. Railway—McLaughlin, Brogan, Ward. Bond—Payton, Dondican, McLaughlin. Building and grounds—Brogan, Ward, Payton. Grievance—Dondican, McLaughlin, Brogan. Sewers—Ward, Payton, Dondican. Police—McLaughlin, Brogan, Ward. License tax—Payton, Dondican, McLaughlin. Pavements—Ward, Brogan, Payton. Streets and bridges—Dondican, McLaughlin, Brogan. Rules and printing, Ward, Payton, Dondican.

The various districts of the borough are to be under the care of the councilmen, as follows:

First ward, First district, Payton; First ward, Second district and Fourth ward, McAllister; Second ward, Ward; Third ward, First and Second districts, Brogan; Third ward, Third district, and Fifth ward, Dondican; Sixth ward, McLaughlin.

The election of P. J. Teevan as chief engineer of the fire department was confirmed, as were also his appointments of L. P. Wert, of the Neptune company, and William Beckman, of the Independents, as first and second assistants.

The pay for teams and laborers was continued the same as last year.

Frank Sacco, who at the last meeting was dropped from the police force, his place being taken by Michael Brogan, was last night appointed day officer, at a salary of $50 per month.

The matter of street signs was brought up and a committee appointed to arrange for the placing of same, and the borough attorney was instructed to look over old maps and in cases where the names of streets conflict report to council, in order that such changes as may be needed can be made by the borough fathers.

It was found that before anything could be done in the matter of free mail delivery that all streets must have signs at the corners.

The borough attorney was furthermore instructed to closely watch the sewer matter before the court and if necessary engage additional counsel.

A committee was appointed to make arrangements with the Pennsylvania Coal company to have their watchman blow the fire gong and replace with an indicator the present automatic blower, which has been unsatisfactory.

Effects of the Storm.

Sunday's terrific wind storm played havoc with the fire alarm system, the town being kept guessing a good part of the night with a choice collection of blows, long and short, due to contact with electric light wires, which were down in great quantity.

Chief Teevan was busily engaged all day yesterday repairing the damage done and at present the system is in working order, except boxes 16 and 35, which were burned out.

Early yesterday morning the horse of Milkman J. C. Woodruff came in contact with a live electric light wire on Blakely street, near Pine, and received a severe shock. Great difficulty was experienced in removing the animal, and at present it is not known whether its career is ended or not.

An Enjoyable Party.

A surprise party was tendered Mrs. William Young, of Spencer street, upon the occasion of her birthday. An enjoyable hour was spent and a delightful dinner served to the following ladies: Mrs. E. J. Secor, Mrs. George Harper, Mrs. Bigart, Mrs. Frank Secor, Mrs. Paine, Mrs. Hoyt, Mrs. Charles Engle, Mrs. Louis Engle, Mrs. Correll, Mrs. Frank Williams, Mrs. Janson Cole, Mrs. Fred Reber and Mrs. Quick, Misses Grace Sheip, Edna and Rachel Quick, of Scranton.

Unclaimed Letters.

Letters remaining unclaimed during the period ending March 9, 1901. Persons calling for these letters will please say advertised: Joseph Butler, Carrie Brown, Mary C. Brown, Jefferson avenue and Electric avenue; S. W. Bircher, Charles L. Collison, Thomas E. Baggott, Kate Dinihew, Owen Flynn, Sport Hill; Maggie Gallagher, Monroe avenue; Yinio Huszar, William Humlin, S. W. Kellum, 317 Madison avenue; John S. Luce, Mrs. James McDonald, Ward street; Mr. J. M. Monaghan, Peter W. Miller, Ida Renchner, Daxton Swingle, Mrs. Helen Wilson, Clay avenue; George Kisic, 213 Madison avenue.

People's Doings.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. H. Dreyer have arrived from Allentown and are being entertained at the home of Mrs. Dreyer's mother on Pine street.

Miss Grace Stanton has returned to her home at Whitney's Point after a visit with friends here.

Miss Florence Robertson, of Quincy avenue, is spending a few days in New York.

Sheckard Leaves for Hot Springs.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Lancaster, Pa., March 11.—James Sheckard, the Brooklyn outfielder, a former resident of Columbia, Pa., has resigned with that club, and will leave tomorrow for Hot Springs, where Hanlon's men are getting into shape for the ensuing campaign. Sheckard had tempting offers from the American league, and McGraw tried hard to land him for Baltimore.

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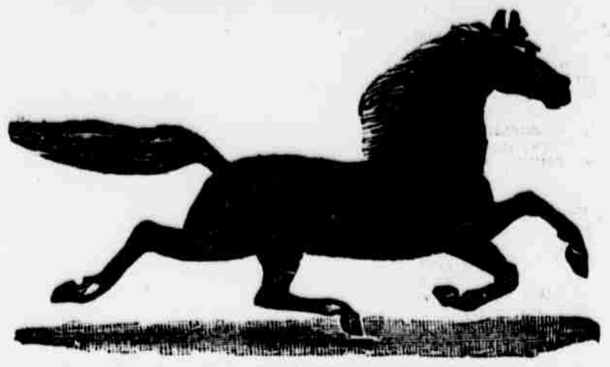

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NEWS OF THE LABOR WORLD

PROPOSED ENLARGEMENT OF THE CAR SHOPS.

Unrest Among the Workmen Has Caused the Improvement to Be Held in Abeyance—Conference of Foremen Employed at Various Points Along the Lackawanna Road—The D., L. & W. Board for Today—Two of the New Passenger Engines Expected Today.

The proposed enlargement of the Lackawanna car shops in this city for the purpose of centralizing all the repair work has received a setback from the employes of the company, who are at present somewhat dissatisfied with local conditions.

There is a grave possibility of the shops being moved elsewhere in the event of any trouble arising. Several sites have been looked over, but nothing definite has been decided upon. Both Binghamton and Kingston want the shops.

At present 750 hands are employed in this city, and in the event of an enlargement, over 1,100 would be employed. The taking away of this business would seriously cripple matters in trade circles, but if the present shops are enlarged, it will mean a perceptible increase in various ways.

The North steel mill plant has been looked over, but the present buildings are unsuitable for the company's work, and would have to be torn down if the site was selected.

Ontario and Western.

Traveling Passenger and Freight Agent J. E. Welsh, of the Ontario and Western railroad, has just completed an official visitation to all the agents on the main line divisions, and reports business booming and everything in first-class shape.

Everything is in readiness for the double-track extension from Jermyn to Mayfield yard. The grading has been completed, and the rails and ties are on the ground ready to be laid as soon as the frost is out of the ground.

Conference of Foremen.

All the general foremen along the main line of the Lackawanna railroad were in conference with Master Car Builder Canfield yesterday at his office on South Washington avenue. They were assembled for the purpose of conferring with each other about general matters which concerns themselves and the men under them.

Those present were: George Faber, Buffalo; J. C. Fritz, Hoboken; A. B. Miller, Binghamton; Martin Knuth, Scranton; Henry Smith, Scranton; P. J. Langan, air-brake instructor, and W. L. Robinson, general car inspector.

There Was No Strike.

The report printed yesterday of an alleged strike at the Scranton Bolt and Nut works was erroneous. A foreman and two helpers, comprising three-fifths of the shears shop, were discharged, and because of a misunderstanding another man quit. The last named, however, returned in the afternoon and was placed in temporary charge of the department. There was no cessation of work.

General Manager Zehnder denies that the men were not given a promised increase in wages. There was no promise of increased wages, he says.

Today's D., L. & W. Board.

The make-up of today's D., L. and W. board is as follows:

MONDAY, MARCH 11.

Wild Cats, East—8 p. m., J. Costello; 11 p. m., A. F. Mullen.

TUESDAY, MARCH 12.

Wild Cats, East—3 a. m., Frank Wall; 6 a. m., J. H. Swarts; 8.30 a. m., F. P. Stevens; 10 a. m., Frank Hallet; 11 a. m., M. Longmey; 1 p. m., W. W. LaBarr; 4.45 p. m., O. Kearney; 5 p. m., F. Van Wormer; 6 p. m., M. J. Hennigan.

Summits, Etc.—6 a. m., east, James Carrigg; 8 a. m., west, G. Fromtelker; 6 p. m., east, J. Hennigan; 1 p. m., west, W. H. Nichols; 7 p. m., east from Nay Aug, Moses Staples, with Edward McAllister's men; 7 p. m., west from Cayuga, McLane; 7 p. m., west from Cayuga, McGinley.

Fuller—10 a. m., F. E. Secor.

Pushers—8 a. m., Houser; 10 a. m., S. Finnerty; 11.30 a. m., Moran; 7 p. m., Murphy; 9 p. m., Lamping; 10 p. m., A. H. Rowe.

Passenger Engines—7 a. m., Thomas; 7 a. m., Singer; 5.30 p. m., Stanton; 7 p. m., McGovern.

Wild Cats, West—4 a. m., John Gahagan; 5 a. m., Ketcham; 6 a. m., P. Gilligan; 7 a. m., M. Golden, with E. M. Hallett's men; 8 a. m., J. Baxter; 9 a. m., J. H. McCann; 10 a. m., R. Castner; 11 a. m., R. Castner; 1 p. m., W. A. Bartholomew; 2 p. m., F. L. Rogers; 3 p. m., T. Fitzpatrick; 4 p. m., D. Haggerty; 5 p. m., F. Malone; 6 p. m., G. Clark, with M. Carmody's men.

NOTICE.

Round House:—Please give us regular engine and engine crew on 6 a. m., Wild Cat, March 12, with Conductor J. H. Swarts. Engine and crew to double back from Port Morris.

This and That.

Division Superintendent E. M. Rine was up at Pocono Summit yesterday.

T. W. Lee, general passenger agent of the Lackawanna railroad, passed through the city yesterday on No. 6, on his return from Chicago and St. Louis.

New interlocking signals will be put in use at the Hackensack draw bridge on the Lackawanna railroad at noon today.

W. E. Woods, division freight agent of the Syracuse division of the Lackawanna railroad, was in the city yesterday.

The cement flooring in the new locomotive paint shop in the Lackawanna yard is nearly completed, and Master Painter Miller expects to begin work therein in a few days.

Two of the new passenger engines for the Lackawanna railroad, from the Schenectady Locomotive works, are expected today. Six of the Dickson made switch engines are now in service on the road.

Notices similar to those printed were posted at all of the Lackawanna collieries on Saturday, informing the mine workers that the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company will continue the present scale of wages paid and adjust all grievances with the men at their respective collieries.

The Lackawanna railroad ticket office at Denville was broken open last Friday night and the ticket case and all the tickets stolen. Conductors are notified to look out carefully for any Denville tickets presented for passage not stamped on back, and telegraph C. H. Ketcham's office promptly if any such tickets are offered.

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