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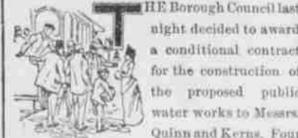
25 CTS. PER YARD FOR OIL CLOTH. Others for 35, 45, 50c and upwards. Parties having carpet rags should send them and have them made into a first-class carpet.

THE CONTRACT HAS BEEN AWARDED

FOR THE PROPOSED BOROUGH WATER WORKS.

QUINN AND KERNS SUCCESSFUL

Four Ballots Taken to Decide the Question, but the Successful Firm Had it From the Start.



The Borough Council last night decided to award a conditional contract for the construction of the proposed public water works to Messrs. Quinn and Kerns. Four ballots were taken to decide who should get the prospective plum, but they were not necessary, as Messrs. Quinn and Kerns were "in it" from the start.

Quinn and Kerns are Pottsville people. Their own bid for the work and all material outside of the pump and machinery is \$70,000.35.

But thirteen members of Council were present at the meeting. President James and Mr. Amour were absent. Councilman Hopkins was awarded the chair for the evening. There were several members of the joint committee present.

There was some question about the submission of bids. Messrs. Quinn and Kerns, of Pottsville; Mr. Riebe, of Lansford, and Coons, of Wilkes-Barre, the three lowest bidders, were present. Mr. Quinn presented his bid. The other two bidders expressed a desire to read their bids before placing them upon the secretary's desk, claiming they could read their own handwriting better than the secretary could and could therefore expedite matters.

Messrs. Coakley and Gallagher wanted all bids placed upon the desk so that the secretary could read them. Mr. Lamb said it would be nothing more than an act of courtesy to let Messrs. Coons and Riebe read their bids if they wished to do so. As an outcome of the argument Messrs. Coakley and Lamb got dangerously close to each other and it looked for a moment or two as if blows would be struck.

Chairman Hopkins demanded order whereupon Mr. Lamb said, "As a representative of the Third ward, I claim to be gentlemanly and sensible enough not to bring any discredit upon the people I represent by any bullying or ruffianism."

Mr. Coakley said he was only insisting upon an enforcement of a rule laid down by a motion of Council and he again demanded that all bids be placed upon the secretary's desk. Messrs. Scheibly and Gallagher agreed with Mr. Coakley, while Mr. Gable thought the bidders should be allowed to read their own bids if they wished to do so.

The three bids were eventually placed upon the desk. Mr. Morris, representing a Jeaneville firm, then stated that his bid for the pump, &c., was \$15,080. There were no other bidders for this branch.

Secretary Coakley, with the assistance of the respective bidders then read the itemized proposals, which proved to be as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder Name and Amount. Includes Quinn and Kerns (\$87,100.35), Coons (\$74,367.10), Riebe (\$72,500.00), and a total of \$90,244.00.

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Upon Mr. Coakley's motion it was decided that whoever would get the contract should furnish a bond of at least half the amount of the contract price for faithful performance.

It was also announced that should the project be permanently stopped by any injunction of the court the successful contractor should not fall upon the borough for damages for breach of contract.

Mr. Gallagher moved that Quinn and Kerns be awarded the contract. Mr. Deves seconded the motion.

Mr. Gable put in an amendment to the effect that Council receive the three bids and vote upon them and that each vote be re-

corded. Also that three ballots be taken and after the third the lowest man be dropped. Mr. VanDusen seconded the motion.

Mr. Lamb said that it was a matter of dollars and cents to the borough and no friendship should be considered, or the interests of any man. He said that Mr. Coons had already agreed with the committee that if he should prove to be the lowest bidder and get the contract he would return \$300 the borough had spent for surveys and would keep the works running for two months at his own expense after completion.

Mr. Betteridge claimed that this offer should not be taken in consideration against the other bidders as it was not called for in the specifications made by the committee.

Finally the votes were taken and recorded. On the first ballot Quinn and Kerns had 8 votes; Riebe, 5; Coons, 0.

On the final ballot Quinn and Kerns had 9 votes; Coons, 4.

On the first and second ballots Holman voted for Riebe, but on the third he cast his vote for Quinn and Kerns, and did likewise on the fourth.

As Riebe had no votes on the third ballot he was dropped and the battle rested between Quinn and Kerns and Coons, the former winning easily. Lamb, Van Dusen, Stout and Gable went down with the Coons ship.

In order that the HERALD readers may see just how the votes were cast the following table has been arranged:

Table with 3 columns: Ward, Quinn, Coons, Riebe. Lists votes for various wards including First ward, Second ward, Third ward, Fourth ward, and Fifth ward.

Upon Mr. Lamb's motion it was ordered that the ballot be recorded upon the minutes as taken and Mr. Coakley agreed with Mr. Lamb by seconding the motion.

On Mr. Coakley's motion the Jeaneville pump was adopted for the works.

On Mr. Van Dusen's motion the work of drawing up the contract and bond was left in the hands of the law committee and the solicitor and counsel the borough has engaged in the water case.

It was also decided that Mr. Quinn be notified that his firm had been awarded the conditional contract and then Council adjourned.

Do not fail to attend the grand ball to be given by the Grant Band in Robbins' opera house, on Columbus Day, Friday, Oct. 21st.

- In One Line. Disinfect. Just as we expected. Board of Health wanted. Pray for rain. Everything drying up. Disinfect. Clean up. Sweet cider in market. Diphtheria about. Make Columbus day a success. Winds will soon whistle. Horses are cheap. Late trains. New style of hats out.

Needs assistance it may be best to render it promptly, but one should remember to use even the most perfect remedies only when needed. The best and most simple and gentle remedy is the Syrup of Figs, manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co.

Obituary. Lillie, the five year old daughter of John and Mary Garshner died Wednesday evening of diphtheria and scarlet fever. The funeral will take place at 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

For all Rheumatic diseases use Dr. Richter's imported "Anchor" Pain Expeller. It quickly allays all pain, at 50 cents a bottle. Sold by C. H. Hagenbach, P. P. D. Kirlin, J. M. Hillan and other druggists.

The Place to Go. Shenandoah people visiting the county seat (surnamed Pottsville) all call in the Academy Restaurant. Either J. F. Cooney, the proprietor, greets you with a smile, or his genial brother, M. A. Cooney, welcomes you. It is the resort for all gentlemen from north of the mountain.

Columbus Ball. The Grant Band has made arrangements to hold a grand ball on Columbus night, Friday, 21st inst. The dancing music will be furnished by the Schoppe orchestra.

The grand tableau march will be a new feature at the Grant Band ball on the 21st. A reason for the faith that is in him--A responsible citizen of the South writes: From observation covering a great number of cases I unhesitatingly pronounce Salsalva No. 60 to be the most wonderful remedy for Burns I have ever tried.

INJUNCTION WITHDRAWN.

EXTENDING THE RAILWAY DOWN MAIN STREET.

TO GO TO CHERRY STREET

The Schuylkill Traction Company and Street Committee Agree Upon Terms Satisfactory to Both Parties.



The electric railway is again going ahead in town. Foreman Patrick Conry to-day put thirty Italians at work at 7 o'clock this morning to extend the road down Main street to Cherry, a distance of two squares. Connections will at once be made with the road already in operation.

Yesterday, by an arrangement between the Schuylkill Traction Company (which has leased the M. C., S. G. & A. Railway for a term of 99 years), and the street committee of the Borough Council, the injunction was withdrawn and the company authorized to go ahead. The stringers for the road were upon the streets ready for the start.

The work was pushed as rapidly as the thirty men could work to-day and Foreman Conry said he thought the cars would be able to run down to Cherry street by to-morrow night.

LET COUNCIL ACT.

A Board of Health is Absolutely Essential.

The Borough Council should call a special meeting at once and create a Board of Health.

There should be no further delay. There is an epidemic of diphtheria and scarlet fever in town and Superintendent Freeman is seriously considering the advisability of closing the schools.

The appeal for a Board of Health is backed by many of the most prominent and influential citizens of the town.

THE HERALD has its reporters out to-day making investigation and expects to have a full report on the condition of affairs by this evening.

CAUTION!

Superintendent Freeman, of the public schools, gives notice that children who attend funerals or visit houses, where there is diphtheria or scarlet fever, will not be permitted to attend the schools.

The White street school building was thoroughly disinfected this morning. It is presumed the other school buildings in town will be put through the same process.

THE THEATRE.

Miss Meril's First Appearance in Shenandoah.

Madeline Meril presented "Frou-Frou" last evening to a large and enthusiastic audience. This was her first appearance in our town and judging from the hearty applause and curtain calls scored a complete success, artistically. Miss Meril was admirably supported by a strong company of players. "Frou-Frou" is a play that appeals to the better class of theatre-goers, a fact demonstrated by the select attendance of our best citizens last evening.

"THE FAIRIES' WELL." "The Fairies' Well" should be witnessed by all lovers of refined Irish drama. It is pure in tone, refined in sentiment, enlivened by beautiful singing and excellent dancing while the scenery is a beautiful reproduction of Ireland's picturesque beauties. The play is a tribute to the worth and dignity of the Irish character that every descendant of the Emerald Isle can point to with pride in comparison to the hideous burlesque so often seen on the stage to-day. A company of more than usual excellence will personate the characters in the drama. "The Fairies' Well" will be produced at Ferguson's theatre on Thursday evening, October 20th.

Little Locals.

Advertise in the theatre programme. Shenandoah must have a Board of Health. The HERALD's circulation is rapidly increasing.

The fire alarm will be tested again this evening. Don't get alarmed. Quite a large number of young folks of town attended a party at Wm. Penn last evening.

The electric cars brought a number of Girardville people to town last night to witness the production of "Frou-Frou" by Madeline Meril in Ferguson's theatre.

Important Notice.

Commencing Sunday, October 16th, water will be supplied only between the hours of 7 and 9 a. m., and from 4 to 6 p. m., until relief comes.

10-14-92

Best work done at Brennan's Steam Laundry. Everything white and spotless. Lace curtains a specialty. All work guaranteed.

COLUMBUS DAY.

Reasons Why the Date of the Celebration Was Changed.

A number of people have recently been asking for an explanation of the change of date for the celebration of Columbus Day from October 12th to 21st. The change was made in the interest of scholarly accuracy. The explanation is this:

For many centuries the calendar instituted by Julius Caesar, known as the Julian calendar, was commonly accepted. This calendar assumed that there were 365 1/4 days in a year. But as this made the year 11 minutes and 14 seconds too long, it could not without correction very long answer the purpose for which it was devised. Consequently, in 1582, it was found necessary to reform the calendar, and the Gregorian calendar was adopted. In order to correct the errors that old calendar had made, 10 days were dropped out, and October 5th of 1582 became October 15th. As the error was found to be exactly 3 days in 400 years the Gregorian calendar omitted the leap-year, from every centennial year, excepting those which were divisible by 400. Thus the years 1500, 1700, and 1800 were not leap-years.

As above stated, this reformation took place in 1582, and ten days were omitted from the calendar. But as Columbus discovered America previous to the year 1500, which reckoned by the Gregorian calendar would not be a leap year, there would be but 9 days to omit.

On October 21, 1892, the sun will occupy the same relative position to the earth as on the memorable October 12, 1492.

The Gregorian calendar was not introduced into Great Britain until 1751, popular ignorance and prejudice up to that time successfully opposing it. It is remarkable that Russia still adheres to the Julian reckoning.

We have already announced the change as in the interest of scholarly accuracy. The public school stands for enlightenment and progress and it would not be in keeping with this spirit to compute the four centuries that will intervene between the date of the discovery and the date we are to celebrate by an erroneous calendar which had its day and was discarded more than 300 years ago.

All the precedents for celebrating American anniversaries are in favor of correcting the old calendar to the new. For instance, "Forefathers' Day" in New England is celebrated December 21st, although according to the Julian calendar the Pilgrims reached Plymouth December 11th. Washington was born on the 11th day of February, "old style," but we celebrate the anniversary of his birth on the 22d day of February, "new style."

The original proposal for the Public School Celebration set apart October 12th, but the friends of free education who are pushing the enterprise believed a had precedent would be established as it named a false date for the observance of an historical event. This is the first effort that has ever been made fittingly to observe, by national commemorative exercises, the achievement of Columbus, and the right day should be celebrated.

PERSONAL.

George Folmer, Sr., went to Bloomsburg this morning.

Candidate Harry James, of Ashland, was in town yesterday.

Dr. Williams, who has been dangerously ill, is on the mend.

Mrs. John Niehter, of town, is visiting Mrs. John Arnold, of Hacketon.

Mr. J. P. Williams and daughter, Miss Mame, were county seat visitors yesterday.

James Toohy, supervisor of West Mahanoy township, circulated among friends in town yesterday.

Anthony Miles, residing for the past 25 years at Brownsville, died yesterday after a lingering illness.

Mrs. A. D. Hall, who has been stopping at the Ferguson house the past four weeks with her husband, has been quite ill lately.

David Morgan, inside foreman at West Shenandoah colliery, came home very ill last evening. His two fire bosses are also on the sick list.

Henry Steinberg has returned from Philadelphia to accept a position as salesman for Louis Goldin, the South Main street clothing merchant.

William Ryan has resigned his position as baggage-master on the Lehigh Valley railroad to accept a position in one of the railroad yards in Philadelphia.

Alarm Sounded.

EDITOR HERALD:--I think it is high time some steps were taken to organize a Board of Health to look after the sanitary condition of the town. There has been much talk about a visitation of cholera but such a scourge would be no more serious than is the epidemic of scarlet fever and diphtheria that is already breaking out among us. And with such stinking streets as we have since nature's scavenger has ceased her visitation there is cause for alarm. Why will people jeopardize the welfare of the community by keeping their dead almost a week in order to have a big parade on Sunday and then insist on having public funerals and taking dead bodies into our churches? And why will infected families persist in sending other members of the family to school? Reason and not sentiment should be our guide. P.

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