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LIGHT RATES NOT FAVORED

Council Refuses to Accept Company's Figures.

Committee Is Appointed to Obtain Propositions From Others to Illuminate the Borough Streets.

A special meeting of the borough council was held Monday evening with all members present except Reinsnyder and McClellan. The council chamber was crowded with spectators, who spent a restless interval during a caucus of the body in which light contracts, etc., were discussed.

After roll-call chairman P. G. Gallagher, of the light committee, read the propositions of the Light Company, as given in the Tribune some time ago, also another for a term of six years in which are lights would be furnished at \$72 per lamp, the borough not to receive the free are nor the borough building to be supplied with free lights. The chairman stated that he did not favor any of the propositions offered, but was satisfied to have council act in the matter. The subject then rested for a time.

It was brought to the attention of council that the Light Company had rendered bills and were paid for forty-one are lights, while the contract called for but forty, and one free light, which, it was said, was not furnished. The secretary was ordered to investigate the light charges in conjunction with the light committee.

The bond of James Welsh as high constable, signed by himself, C. O. Boyle and P. M. Sweeney, was accepted and ordered filed.

The light question was taken up for discussion and resulted in a motion by Hincer and Sweet to accept the terms of the company for a three-year contract at \$78 per year, with all lights as at present located.

Before a ballot was taken much discussion ensued and Attorney D. J. McCarthy was given permission to address council in relation to his refusal to pay his light and water tax, which he declared was illegal and unconstitutional. He made offers to council to agree to a case stated to be referred to the court for a final decision, which in the matter of expense would be the least to bear for both parties, or otherwise to defend themselves in injunction proceedings which would entail an expense of from \$500 to \$1,000. He also submitted what he called cold naked facts in figures of the possible resources of the borough. Councilmen McLaughlin and P. G. Gallagher objected to the drift of the talk and asked that he be confined to the subject under discussion, as council had no desire to waste time with matters which all were aware of for some time.

The motion on the three-year contract was then taken up, the vote resulting: For—Crawford, Wm. Gallagher, Hincer, Sweet, Ward, 5; against—Doggett, P. G. Gallagher, McLaughlin, McNeilis, Moerschbacher, 5. The motion receiving a tie vote, it was declared lost.

The burgess and police committee recommended the appointment of the following special police: John J. Carr, Patrick McFadden, Peter Schnoe, John Budish, Charles Derange. The appointments were confirmed and they were ordered to be sworn in by the burgess.

The Y. M. C. A. asked and was granted permission to erect goals on the edge of the Public park to permit the playing of basket ball.

An excerpt from the minutes of the Board of Health was read, showing the

MISCELLANEOUS ADVERTISEMENTS.

REPORT of the condition of the Citizens' Bank of Freeland, of Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, at the close of business May 23, 1902.

RESOURCES.	
Cash on hand.....	\$ 58,417 79
Checks and other cash items.....	427 30
Due from banks and bankers.....	10,107 74
Loans and discounts.....	88,629 76
Investment securities owned, viz:	
Stocks, bonds, etc.....	389,359 88
Mortgages.....	20,709 03
Real estate, furniture and fixtures.....	15,991 70
Overdrafts.....	184 13
Miscellaneous assets.....	210 17
	\$ 579,968 10

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in.....	\$ 50,000 00
Surplus fund.....	19,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid.....	15,724 10
Deposits, subject to check.....	456,995 75
Cashiers' checks outstanding.....	1,109 09
Due to banks and bankers.....	13,849 16
Dividends unpaid.....	193 00
Bills payable.....	20,000 00
	\$ 579,968 10

State of Pennsylvania, ss: County of Luzerne, I, B. K. Davis, cashier of the above named Company, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. B. K. Davis, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this twenty-seventh day of May, 1902. Chas. Orion Stroth, Notary Public. Correct, attest: Thomas Birkbeck, H. C. Koons, J. O. Burton, Directors.

motion authorizing the increase of the health officer's salary and the neglect of the secretary of the body to notify council.

Mr. McCarthy asked what council proposed doing about the proposition submitted by him. P. G. Gallagher answered that so far as he was concerned the collector had council's answer in the matter, which was a refusal to exonerate him from the tax, and it was immaterial whether he paid it himself or compelled Mr. McCarthy to pay it.

McLaughlin and McNeilis advised doing something one way or another with the light question. A motion prevailed that a special committee be appointed to confer with different light companies and bring in prices and an ordinance as soon as possible. Committee: Messrs. McNeilis, McLaughlin and Crawford.

A motion that council approve of the action of the Board of Health in the matter of the increase in the health officer's salary was defeated by a vote of 6 to 4. The secretary was instructed to notify the board that council does not approve of the increase.

Mr. McNeilis suggested that in the matter which Mr. McCarthy brought to the attention of council that the advice of the solicitor be sought. After a lively discussion a motion referring the subject to the solicitor prevailed by a vote of 6 to 3.

The solicitor being present stated that by a decision of the McKean county courts the collection of a light and water tax was declared to be illegal and unconstitutional. As a matter of information he stated that boroughs are now permitted to increase borough taxes from 5 to 10 mills.

Before making the tax levy the finance committee will confer with the solicitor.

Council will meet in regular session Monday evening.

New Route for the Trolley.

From Hazleton comes a rumor that the Lehigh Traction Company intends to get as close to the heart of the borough, without crossing the limits, as it is possible to accomplish. It is said that the roadbed of the local road from Drifton to Freeland will be used and that the trolley terminal will be established at the corner of South and Fern streets, opposite the brewery.

For a week past surveyors have been running lines along Woodside culm bank. When questioned as to the object of their work, it was "confidentially" given out that the Lehigh Valley intended to construct a branch road to the brewery. Another said that a road was to be laid to take the culm to Drifton breaker. The Tribune investigated both replies and found them untrue. The Traction Company officials refuse to state whether or not the surveyors are working under their orders, but from evidence at hand it is believed they are the interested parties.

There is another rumor that the route of the trolley road is to be changed below the Tigers ball park. The new course, it is claimed, will run east of the ball grounds to a point near the Public park. This, however, is not likely to be chosen if the route leading to South and Fern streets can be obtained.

To Close on Friday.

At a meeting of Local Union No. 484, International Retail Clerks Protective Association, Monday evening, it was the unanimous sentiment of the members present that Memorial Day should be observed in business circles in Freeland in the same manner as in all other towns and cities in the coal region, viz., by a general suspension of business.

The clerks, therefore, appeal to all merchants and storekeepers to close their places of business all day on Friday, and if all join in granting this request there can be no loss to any one.

On account of Friday's closing, Freeland stores will be open late tomorrow evening, thereby giving patrons an opportunity to transact their business and obtain goods for the following day.

Fair at Laurytown Hospital.

A fair will be held at the Laurytown hospital on the four Thursdays of June, for the benefit of Michael Graham, who has lost both legs and one arm. The proceeds of sale of articles, made in part by the inmates of the institution, will be devoted to the purchase of two artificial legs, by which it is hoped the unfortunate man may again be able to walk about again and make a living for himself.

Important Notice.

Engineers, firemen, pumpmen, employees of the shops and all other skilled mechanics employed at Drifton by Cox Bros. & Co. are requested to attend a meeting at the Grand opera house hall at 7.30 o'clock this evening. All of the above employes, whether affiliated with labor unions or not, are asked to attend this meeting. By order of the committee.

Lillian Billus, a Wilkesbarre domestic, jumped overboard from a boat in the river, but was rescued by three boys.

ROUND THE REGION.

An action has been entered against Luzerne county by the managers of the House of Refuge of Philadelphia, who claim \$4,396.32, the amount being one-half the expense of maintenance and instruction of the children sent to the institution from Luzerne county. The commissioners refuse to pay the bill on the ground that the cost of maintaining the inmates should be paid by the state.

Edward Kester, of Shenandoah, and Henry Becker, of Tamaqua, poor directors of Schuylkill county, who recently pleaded guilty of misdemeanor and resigned, were sentenced to pay the costs, amounting to \$237, and each also a fine of \$250. They were charged, in addition to misdemeanor, with conspiracy, but the cases did not come to trial.

The Central Railroad of New Jersey has under consideration a pension system on the plan that was recently put into effect by the Philadelphia and Reading Company. Statistics of the employes are being gathered as rapidly as possible and the adoption of a pension plan at an early date is considered possible.

Frackville health authorities have forbidden a public demonstration in that town on Memorial Day because of the presence of two cases of smallpox. The High school graduation exercises, scheduled for tomorrow evening, have also been forbidden. The citizens are indignant at the decree.

Charged with killing fish with dynamite, Dominick Stavato was brought before Alderman Donohue, of Wilkesbarre, and sentenced to spend six months in jail in default of the payment of \$100 fine. Other arrests are expected for similar offenses.

District Presidents Nichols, Duffy and Fahy, of the United Mine Workers, made a personal appeal yesterday to Governor Stone for the release of Thomas Harcur, of Oneida, whose case has been held under advisement by the State Board of Pardons.

The State Base Ball League, which has had a tempestuous existence for three weeks, has officially disbanded. This was expected, but it was thought that the league would last until Memorial Day to have the benefit of the good attendance on that day.

William T. Creasy, chairman of the Democratic state committee, has issued a formal call for the meeting of the state convention at Erie, on June 25, for the nomination of candidates for governor, lieutenant governor and secretary of internal affairs.

At a special election held in Slatington yesterday on the question of incurring a \$60,000 indebtedness for public improvements the voters voted in favor of the debt. The vote was 306 for and 32 against.

The decomposed body of a man was found in the Lehigh river, below Mauch Chunk. It is supposed he was a pile driver who was drowned at Penn Haven three months ago.

Prodding the Constables.

Representatives of the Anti-Saloon League of Luzerne county appeared in court on Monday when the constables made their returns and declared that no liquor had been sold illegally. When Constable James Washburn, of Luzerne borough, presented his return, Agent McKay made him admit that he had offered a consideration to furnish ten witnesses to McKay against a speaker in that borough and Judge Ferris ordered the matter placed in the hands of the district attorney.

When the Pittston constables came up Rev. J. J. K. Fletcher stated that he had witnessed to prove violation of the law in a number of places in that city. The Pittston cases were continued until tomorrow.

Former Resident Dead.

Mrs. Nellie Sharpe died on Monday evening at her home in Plains, this county, where she had resided for several years past. The deceased was aged about 80 years and is survived by three sons, James, Daniel and Patrick. The funeral took place this afternoon.

Previous to the removal of the family to Plains they resided in Freeland. They also lived at Jeddo a number of years, coming there from Lansford. Mrs. Sharpe has many relatives in this end of the county.

Notice to Patrons.

In order to give the employes of the Tribune a holiday on Memorial Day, no paper will be issued from this office on Friday. Instead, the Tribune will be published tomorrow at the usual hour. Carriers, advertisers and others whom the change may concern are requested to be governed accordingly.

Watch the date on your paper.

LOCAL NOTES WRITTEN UP

Short Items of Interest to All Readers.

Happenings of the Past Two Days in and Around Freeland Recorded Without Waste of Words.

The first affair to be conducted by the famous Balaklava Club will be its ball at Krell's hall tomorrow evening. The membership of the organization is a guarantee that the ball will be made enjoyable for everybody who attends. On account of the strike the admission has been reduced to 25 cents.

On Friday afternoon and evening the annual picnic of the Tigers Athletic Club will be held. This being the first outdoor dance and pleasure event of the season the usual large crowd may be looked for. Games and amusements of all kinds will be conducted on the grounds.

Tomorrow evening the annual ball of the Fearnots Athletic Club will be held at Cross Creek hall. For several years past the Fearnots have entertained their friends on this date and the preparations for the coming ball are on a scale which insures success.

The report of the Citizens' bank, published in another column today, shows the institution to be in a flourishing condition. The deposits exceed \$456,000 and the surplus fund is \$19,000. The bank is ably and conservatively managed.

Joseph McMurtrie, aged 89 years, died Sunday evening at his home near Conyngham, and will be buried tomorrow afternoon. The deceased was the father of William McMurtrie, Birkbeck street.

Rt. Rev. Andro Hoboday, a Greek Catholic bishop, will visit Freeland next Sunday, and will be given a reception by Rev. Martyak and the congregation of St. Mary's Greek Catholic church.

A three-inch main is being laid on Chestnut street, between Washington and Pine, by the Freeland Water Company. It takes the place of a one-inch pipe which did service heretofore.

The cases of Thomas Smith and Louis Dinn, charged with killing Michael Choro on April 27, came before the grand jury yesterday. A number of witnesses gave testimony.

Ice cream at Merkt's.

At John Yannes' storeroom, Washington street, a drama will be given this evening for the benefit of the Italian Catholic church. The drama will be followed by a dance.

Work on the addition to the rear of the P. O. S. of A. building is progressing rapidly, and the alterations to the front of the structure will be started next week.

George Kovan, who was stabbed in a quarrel at Butler valley by Steve Maltis a few weeks ago, is recovering from his injuries. His assailant is in the county prison.

Overcoats which were laid away a few weeks ago have been resurrected and are being worn again, due to a snow flurry and a hail-storm this morning.

Hazle township school board last evening increased the salary of Superintendent Jos. B. Gabrio from \$1,500 to \$1,600 per annum.

John Melly, who spent the winter in Ireland, arrived at Philadelphia yesterday on the steamship Belgenland, and is expected home this evening.

The pension of Daniel Walters, of Butler township, has been increased from \$8 a month to \$12 a month, dating from December 4, 1901.

The funeral of the late Thomas Kessel took place this afternoon. A number of friends and relatives followed the remains to Freeland cemetery.

A large addition is being built to the property of Thomas Evans, corner of Birkbeck and Cunniss streets, in the Second ward.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Oswald, Mr. and Mrs. Harry McClelland and Victor Oswald will give the Knights Templar parade at Scranton yesterday.

Vincent Petrilla and Michael Capece played with an Allentown band at Scranton yesterday.

William Thompson left yesterday for Philadelphia, where he has accepted a position.

Mrs. Michael Mulligan and son, John C., of Nesquehoning, visited friends here this week.

A meeting of the borough school board will be held this evening.

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PLEASURE.

May 28.—Drama and hop, for benefit of St. Anthony's Catholic church, at John Yannes' storeroom. Tickets, 25c.

May 29.—Grand ball of the Balaklava Social Club at Krell's hall. Admission, 25 cents.

May 29.—Annual ball of Fearnots Athletic Association at Cross Creek hall. Admission, 25 cents.

May 30.—Annual picnic of Tigers Athletic Club at Public park.

Reduced Fares to Ithaca.

Via the Lehigh Valley Railroad. On account of the Cornell-Harvard-Syracuse boat race, Decoration Day, the Lehigh Valley Railroad will sell tickets to Ithaca at the low rate of one fare for the round trip. May 29 and 30, good to return to and including May 31. These tickets will be honored on any train except the Black Diamond Express. For further particulars consult agents.

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