

GOLDEN WEDDING

Anniversary Celebrated by Judge and Mrs. G. L. Cranmer.

LARGE ASSEMBLAGE OF FRIENDS

Of the Couple Attended the Reception Given at the Cranmer Home on Chapline Street Last Night—The House was Beautifully Decorated for the Occasion—Sketch of Judge Cranmer's Career.

Judge and Mrs. Gibson Lamb Cranmer yesterday celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding, and last evening at their home, on Chapline street, the judge and his estimable wife were tendered the heartiest felicitations by many of their friends at a reception the hours of which were from 7 to 11 o'clock.

Just fifty years ago yesterday, May 22, 1849, at the bride's home, the old Zane homestead, on the Island, Rev. G. W. Holmes, a Methodist minister, performed the ceremony which united in marriage Mr. Cranmer and Miss Oella Zane, daughter of Daniel Zane and grand-daughter of Ebenezer Zane, Wheeling's pioneer citizen.

The reception was largely attended. The entire house was given over to the affair, the rooms being prettily decorated and wrapped in soft light from tinted candelabras.

Further tributes of the esteem in which Judge and Mrs. Cranmer are held were shown in the number of handsome presents they were the recipients of.

Among the guests present were the following: Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Speers, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Broekunier, Dr. and Mrs. John L. Dickey, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Toney, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. James P. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Pollock, Dr. and Mrs. Robert J. Reed, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Lange, Mr. and Mrs. John Frew, Mr. and Mrs. George K. McMechen, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Kirk, Mr. and Mrs. Gibson Lamb, Col. and Mrs. Robert White, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Jepson.

W. P. Bachman, Thos. B. McLain, Mary J. Moore, Rebecca Harter, Mary Delaplaine, A. B. Martin, J. H. Myers, M. E. Irvine, Lavina Zane, Sue E. Wright, Mary Allison, Alfred Caldwell, A. V. Hamilton, A. W. Kelly, Belle Irvine, Carrie Zane, Clara Zane, Miss Allison, Fannie Campbell, Mary Dickey, Miss Martin, Miss Bates, Mary Vance, Sue McMechen, Mary Gardner, Mary McMechen, Miss Carr, Geo. H. Taylor, J. D. DuBois, Wheeler Bachman, Dr. John McColl, P. P. Campbell, Edmund Boeking, A. J. Sweeney, H. H. Hicks, M. T. Carr, W. W. Gilchrist, A. B. Cushing, Mary Franzel, M. Reilly, Henrietta Harper, P. J. Hearne, W. F. Butler, Mrs. Kendall, Jennie Hendershot, Mary Lamb, E. M. Clarke, Nina Schriver, Marjorie Schriver, Hulda Delaplaine, Agnes Wilson, M. C. Wilson, Gertie Lamb, Julia Goldman, Annie Miller.

Judge Cranmer was born in Cincinnati about seventy-three years ago, coming to Wheeling when he was nineteen years of age, and with the exception of nearly three years in Illinois, he has since resided in this city. He was educated in Woodward College, Cincinnati, among his instructors being Prof. McGuffey, of school reader, and Dr. Ray, of mathematics fame.

On coming to Wheeling he read law with his cousin, the late Daniel Lamb. Shortly afterward he went to Illinois, locating at Springfield in the practice of his profession, and while there he became intimately acquainted with Abraham Lincoln. The judge tells many interesting incidents of their journeys on an Illinois circuit together, and his reminiscences of the martyred president are worthy of being embodied in permanent form.

and at present he is one of the most efficient members of the city board of education. He has been an elder in the First Presbyterian church for a number of years, and served for a long time as president of the Ohio County Bible Society.

Another office he filled was the presidency of the Antietam Cemetery Association, he succeeding John Jay, of New York. Judge Cranmer visited Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, this state and others, making addresses for the purpose of securing \$100,000 to erect a cemetery at the famous battlefield, and after his signally successful efforts the resting place of the civil war heroes was turned over to the government.

The more than three score years sit lightly on his head, and the judge smilingly remarked last night that he has a nephew still younger, ex-Governor Palmer, of Illinois, who has seen four score years go by.

COMMERCIAL JEALOUSIES

Responsible for the Insults Offered Gunboat Wilmington.

NEW YORK, May 22.—A special to the Herald from Washington, says: Commercial jealousies between the cities on the river Amazon are responsible for the insults offered the gunboat Wilmington and the stoning of the American consulate at Manaus by a Brazilian mob. Reports received by the state and navy department represent the fact which have been made the basis of proper representation to the Brazilian government.

No doubt is felt in official circles that the Brazilian government will make a prompt investigation of the discourtesy offered to the Wilmington and that speedy action will be taken. The authorities sincerely regret that the incident should have arisen because of the undoubted friendship of the United States and they are satisfied that all proper amends will be made.

SHRINE ROBBED

Of Jewels at El Cobre, Cuba—An American Accused of the Crime.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, May 22.—The startling discovery was made yesterday that the famous shrine of Nuestra Señora Caridá at El Cobre had been robbed of jewels valued at \$25,000 and that the head of the statue had been broken off and removed.

The report caused great excitement in the town where the shrine has long been the principal attraction. It is supposed to have miraculous healing powers and is visited annually by thousands of pilgrims from all parts of Cuba, from Mexico and even from Europe, who have loaded the image with rich gifts.

THE RIVER

YESTERDAY'S DEPARTURES.

Parkersburg, BEN HUR, 11 p. m. Sistersville, RUTH, 3:30 p. m. Clarington, JEROY, 3:30 p. m. Steubenville, T. M. BAYNE, 2:30 p. m. Newport, JEWEL, 11 a. m. Pittsburgh, PITTSBURGH, 10 a. m.

BOATS LEAVING TO-DAY.

Cincinnati, KEYSTONE STATE, 8 a. m. Pittsburgh, RUTH, 3:30 p. m. Sistersville, RUTH, 3:30 p. m. Clarington, JEROY, 3:30 p. m. Steubenville, T. M. BAYNE, 2:30 p. m. Louisville, PITTSBURGH, 9 p. m.

BOATS LEAVING TO-MORROW.

Charleston, KANAWHA, 6:20 a. m. Pittsburgh, BEN HUR, 2 p. m. Sistersville, RUTH, 3:30 p. m. Clarington, JEROY, 3:30 p. m. Newport, JEWEL, 11 a. m. Steubenville, T. M. BAYNE, 2:30 p. m.

Along the Landing.

The marks at 6 p. m. showed 11 feet 2 inches and falling rapidly. Weather, clear and cool.

The Hudson, running on the Virginia's day while the latter is receiving repairs at Pittsburgh, will be here this morning for Pittsburgh.

The Keystone State arrives from Pittsburgh early this morning, and clears for Cincinnati and southern and western ports at 8 a. m. She has large offerings in sight out of the upper river.

The City of Pittsburgh passed up on good time yesterday morning, and will be here to-night at 9 o'clock for Cincinnati and Louisville. Captain Phillips has a big trip awaiting the side-wheel at Pittsburgh, including a number of "round-trippers." Agent Smith, 22 this port, has several people booked for the Pittsburgh. The big packet has now thoroughly demonstrated that she is able to make the weekly round trip between Pittsburgh and Louisville, and she will doubtless enjoy a generous patronage.

Pittsburgh River News.

PITTSBURGH, May 22.—The Ohio has fallen below a coalboat shipping stage, but there is a good barge stage of water. The Tom Dodsworth and the Clifton were the only boats to depart this morning, the former taking twelve barges and the latter eight. The Dodsworth will be assisted by the Nellie Walton, and she will have twenty-two barges from Belaire. The shipments on the present rise will mean a ten-day aggregated 5,040,000 bushels of coal and a total shipment for the month of 9,500,000 bushels. The coal going south on the last rise is nearly all destined for New Orleans. The following boats will get away from Louisville this week: For New Orleans, W. W. O'Neil, Samuel Clarke, Defender, John A. Wood, Smoky City and the Boaz, as soon as her repairs are completed. There is an excellent shipping stage of water at Louisville.

River Telegrams.

OIL CITY—River 2 feet 6 inches and falling. Clear and cool.

WARREN—River 2 feet. Clear and cool.

GREENSBORO—River 8 feet 8 inches and falling. Cloudy.

MORGANTOWN—River 8 feet 2 inches and falling. Clear and warmer.

BROWNSVILLE—River 6 feet 5 inches and falling.

PITTSBURGH—River 8.6 feet and falling. Clear and pleasant.

STEUBENVILLE—River 10 feet 9 inches and falling. Clear and warm.

POINT PLEASANT—River 20.6 feet and falling. Cool.

CINCINNATI—River 16.6 feet and rising. Clear.

CAIRO—River 20.5 feet and falling. Cloudy.

EVANSVILLE—River 16 feet and falling. Cloudy and cool.

LOUISVILLE—River falling; 8.3 feet in canal; 6.1 feet on falls; 17.8 feet below locks. Cloudy.

MEMPHIS—River 21 feet, a fall of 1 foot. Cloudy and hot.

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THE FINANCIERS

Of Council Again Struggle With the Appropriations and

SEVERAL CHANGES WERE MADE

In the Estimates Which are to Figure in the Ordinance—The Ordinance Will not be Ready for To-night's Meeting of Council—The gas board's Employees' Wage Advance is Rescinded—The H. P. W. Contingent Fund.

The council committee on finance met again last night and continued consideration of the estimates of revenue and expenditure that are to figure ultimately in the annual appropriation ordinance for 1899. It was anticipated that the committee would have to do nothing but go over the ward estimates for the ten-cent fund, and that the ordinance would be in readiness for presentation at the regular meeting of council to-night, but unexpectedly there were hitches, and the committee meets again Friday evening, when the ward appropriations will be considered. The ordinance will surely be ready for adoption at the next council meeting.

The committee's chairman, Councilman McMechen, presided, and among those present were Councilmen Knoke, Schmidt, Caldwell, Kindelberger and Bachman, of the committee. Mayor Sweeney, Councilmen Fox and Chew and City Solicitor Nesbitt were also present.

Clerk O'Brien reported the revised statement of revenues and expenditures as compiled at the last meeting of the committee, but with a change that made it necessary for the committee to provide additional revenue or indulge in some cuts. The change was in the estimated revenue of the gas board, which had been fixed at \$95,000 in the estimate made last week, when as a matter of fact the gas board is only able to estimate revenues amounting to \$89,275. This and minor changes brought the totals to the following:

Revenues estimated \$122,276 01 Expenditures \$125,584 61 Deficit \$3,308 59 The committee discussed the matter at some length, and was unanimous in the opinion that the city was not now in a position to grant the twenty cents a day advance to the thirty-nine employees of the city gas board, whose application was favorably considered at the last meeting of the committee. Incidentally there was an interesting discussion of the matter of refunding the city's bonded indebtedness. The opinion was expressed that a large amount in interest would be saved if the loans were refunded, an amount large enough to relieve the city's financiers from present difficulties if the loans had already been refunded, which unfortunately they have not. In this same connection the late unsuccessful effort to effect a refund was discussed, and the defeat of the measure was ascribed to the efforts of persons owning blocks of high interest-bearing bonds of the city, who, it was said, spent not a little in putting out workers against the refund.

"But what killed that measure was the long period before there was any reduction of principal," said Mr. Chew.

"Merely a subterfuge," replied Mr. Maxwell, "by the fellows who wanted to hold on to their high interest bonds." Finally the committee decided to wipe out the \$1,500 appropriated at the last meeting for the advance in wages at the gas works and to leave practically half of the gas board overdraft, which had been provided for before, to be taken up next year. This balanced estimated receipts and expenditures, as follows:

Formerly appropriated \$125,684 61 Less gas wage advance \$1,500 00 Less half of overdraft 1,908 60 Revised appropriations \$122,276 01 Estimated revenues \$122,276 01

The committee stated its position with regard to the advance in wages desired by the men at the gas plant, which was that it would like to grant the increase, but that the condition of the city financially was not such as would warrant any increase. Mr. Gontier, representing other workmen at the gas plant, appeared before the committee and asked for an advance, but it could not be granted.

The committee decided that it would adjourn to another evening to take up the distribution among the wards of the ten-cent fund and adjournment was about to be taken when Clerk Hornish, of the board of public works, appeared before the committee. He stated his objection to the cutting down of the board's contingent fund from \$21,400 to \$17,114.33, a step the committee had taken in order to provide \$4,285.67 for the taking up of outstanding orders of the board. Mr. Hornish said it would be necessary for the board to have more than \$17,000 for its contingent expenses. The board, he said, was surprised to learn recently that the finance committee had not appropriated all the money accruing from sources of contingent fund revenue. Already, he added, in five months of the year the board had spent \$5,500 of its contingent fund, which would leave only \$8,700 in round figures for the balance of the year. The month-

ly pay roll for labor alone is \$1,500. Then another added expense is the street workmen, whose wage was increased on order of council from \$1.50 to \$1.75 a day. The streets that are paved are growing each year and the fund for their maintenance is each year cut down, Mr. Hornish said. The expense for the "white wings" alone, and only in the business part of town, is \$50 a week.

Mr. Knoke moved to strike from the ordinance the provision of \$4,285.67 to take up outstanding orders, and increase the contingent fund appropriation from \$17,114.33 to \$21,400. The motion prevailed.

With all these changes, the estimated revenue and appropriations provided for are as follows:

ESTIMATED REVENUES. Water Board \$116,107 77 Gas Board 89,275 00 Taxes: Ten-cent levy \$118,000 00 Ten-cent levy 23,000 00 Railroads 3,875 50—141,875 50 Licenses: Miscellaneous 36,533 53 Cemeteries 4,700 00—41,233 53 Rents 800 00 Balances: General fund 5,681 68 Contingent 1,771 50 Ten-cent levy 568 73—6,921 91 B. P. W.: Steam heating 1,500 00 Pipes 7,000 00 Markets 11,000 00 Scales 1,400 00 Wharves 600 00—21,500 00 Total revenues \$122,276 01

APPROPRIATIONS. Water Board \$116,107 77 Gas Board: Expenses \$92,216 00 Overdraft 5,866 00—98,082 00 Contingent 10,000 00 Salaries 11,663 06 Collection of taxes 3,600 00 Loans and interest: Loan of 1877 7,250 00 Loan of 1881 7,000 00 Loan of 1881, int. 4,119 00 Loan of 1885, int. 10,550 00 Loan of 1885, int. 11,850 00 Elec. light loan, prin. 8,000 00 Elec. light loan, int. 1,400 00 Jfdge loan 1st ser. int. 1,372 00 Jfdge loan 2d ser. int. 3,170 00 Comp. loan, int. 2,501 74—55,512 24 B. P. W.: Contingent 21,400 00 Cemeteries 25,000 00—46,400 00 Markets 2,000 00 Real estate 8,000 00 Health 500 00 Scales 1,400 00 Fire 57,000 00 City prison 4,500 00 Police 23,900 00 Total \$122,276 01

The committee adjourned until Friday evening, when the ten-cent levy fund distribution among the wards will be taken up.

Cuban Hero Dying.

NEW YORK, May 22.—Captain Malcolm A. Rafferty, Company E, Seventy-first New York Volunteers, who distinguished himself by his bravery at the battle of San Juan, is reported to be dying at Trinidad, W. I. Captain Rafferty was born in England thirty-four years ago. He was educated at Rugby and served in the Buckinghamshire Yeomanry. He enlisted in Australia and also served in the infantry in Canada. He joined the Seventy-first regiment six years ago and steadily advanced and three years later reached the grade of first lieutenant. Captain Rafferty is more than six feet tall, and in health was splendidly proportioned and an adept at all outdoor sports or any trial that tested the muscle and endurance. After the return of his regiment from Cuba Captain Rafferty was taken sick with fever, and in the hope of benefiting his health he was taken to Trinidad.

Oh, Are They?

HAVANA, May 22.—Salvador Cisneros (the marquis of Santa Lucia), who was president of the Cuban provisional government, has published a long statement, in the course of which he expresses confidence in the United States, but explains that the Cubans are "naturally suspicious at the wholly undefined policy."

Secretary of State Dawson to Wed. Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer. KINGWOOD, W. Va., May 22.—Announcement of the engagement of Hon. William M. O. Dawson, secretary of state, to Miss Maude M. Brown, of this place, has been made. The wedding will take place in June.

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