

further violence. On the two following evenings, no recurrence of a similar disturbance was attempted.

"We have heard various pretenses assigned for the commission of this truly disgraceful outrage, an outrage which inflicts discredit on all concerned, but have understood that the principal ground assumed of defense or exculpation is, that the charter of the church does not permit English preaching, and that as the introduction of a clergyman to deliver an English sermon was a violation of the provisions of that instrument, the preventive proceedings resorted to were justifiable."

A number of the rioters were arrested.

AID GIVEN TO NORFOLK AND PORTSMOUTH IN THE YELLOW FEVER EPIDEMIC OF 1855

By WILLIAM FREDERIC WORNER

IN the summer of 1855, the scourge of yellow fever was epidemic in Norfolk and Portsmouth, Virginia. Business was paralyzed, much suffering ensued from a lack of nurses, and many inhabitants died. Subscriptions for the relief of sufferers were solicited in the principal cities of the country.

Lancaster city and county, never behind in deeds of mercy and charity, responded to the call for assistance from the afflicted inhabitants of the two Virginia towns. A meeting of citizens of Lancaster was held on Tuesday evening, September 11th, 1855, in the city hall, for the purpose of securing funds to aid the unfortunates. Mayor Jacob Albright was called to the chair, and Francis H. Carpenter was appointed secretary.¹

Committees were appointed to solicit subscriptions as follows: North-east ward, Charles M. Howell, Esq., John Wise, Esq., Abm. W. Russell; south-east ward, Charles W. Cooper, David Bair, Hugh S. Gara; south-west ward, Col. William S. Amweg, Carpenter McCleery, Esq., Peter G. Eberman, Esq.; north-west ward, Capt. J. H. Duchman, Dr. J. Miller, Dr. J. H. Longenecker, Lewis Haldy.

¹ Lancaster Examiner and Herald, Wednesday, September 12th, 1855.

The Lancaster Examiner and Herald of Wednesday, November 21st, 1855, contained the following statement of monies collected for the Virginia sufferers:

From citizens in the north-west ward,	\$ 571.33
" employees in William Diller's machine shop,	12.21
" citizens in the north-east ward,	482.87
" employees in the Lancaster locomotive works,	88.75
" " " Miller and Fellenbaum's machine shop,	20.00
" " " C. M. Howell's marble works,	12.50
" citizens in the south-east ward,	318.66
" " " south-west ward,	198.50
" Rev. Alfred Nevin's Second Presbyterian church congregation,	28.00
" Lodge No. 43 F. and A. M.,	50.00
" " " 67 I. O. O. F.,	25.00
" St. John's Protestant Episcopal church, Pequea, Rev. E. P. Wright, rector,	30.00
" L. Habersberger, M. D.,	5.00
" Second M. E. church, Rev. J. L. Kilgore, pastor,	10.00
" students of Mr. Beck's academy, Lititz, Pa.,	30.00
" B. Huber,	1.00
" citizens of Lititz, Pa.,	50.00
" M. P. Cooper, Enterprise, Pa.,	10.00
" proceeds of Philharmonic concert,	59.35
" First M. E. church, Rev. D. W. Bartine, pastor,	34.16
" several widows, through Rev. J. A. Baldwin,	5.00
" B. Champneys, Esq.,	5.00
" citizens of Strasburg,	50.00
" " " Gordonville,	14.50
" " " Christiana,	4.37
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	\$2,116.20

The disbursements were as follows:

September 19th, 1855. Remitted by draft,	\$1,000.00
" 24th, " " " "	1,000.00
November 12th, " " " "	103.00
Miscellaneous expenses,	13.20
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	\$2,116.20 ²

His honor, Mayor Jacob Albright, treasurer of the Norfolk and Portsmouth Relief fund, received the following letter:

² The total is incorrectly stated to be \$2,116.30 in the Lancaster Examiner and Herald of Wednesday, November 21st, 1855.

“Portsmouth, Va.,

“November 16th, 1855.

“Dear Sir:

“Your esteemed favor of the 12th inst. came to me this morning. I have this day remitted to R. W. Bowden, Esq., treasurer of the Norfolk Howard Association, fifty-one dollars and fifty-two cents, and made him acquainted with your suggestion, relative to its appropriation; the remaining half I have already appropriated in accordance with your intimation to the use and benefit of the orphans of Portsmouth.

“I take occasion here to reiterate the expression of the gratitude of our people towards the benevolent and generous citizens of old Lancaster, who have throughout the pestilence, in so noble and prolific a manner, through yourself, manifested their sympathy and their charity. May you all be blessed with health, richness and prosperity, and have all your noble ends crowned with the indispensable blessing of Almighty God.

“I am, very truly, your friend and servant,

“Holt Wilson,

“Treasurer of the Relief Fund of Portsmouth.”

“To his honor,

“Jacob Albright, Esq.,

“Mayor of Lancaster, Pa.”

STANDARD PRESENTED TO WASHINGTON GRAYS

By WILLIAM FREDERIC WORNER

THE Lancaster Journal of Friday, February 26th, 1830, contained the following:

“The anniversary of the birth of our illustrious Washington, was celebrated [Monday, February 22nd] in this city by a very handsome military parade of the Volunteer Battalion, and Captain Ringwalt’s company of Washington Grays. A beautiful standard, painted by Lieut. Armstrong, was presented to the Grays, accompanied with a very neat address by Mrs. Armstrong, to which an appropriate and patriotic reply was made by Sergeant Brenneman.

“In the evening, a splendid military ball was given at Mr. Cooper’s hotel.”

Arthur Armstrong, the artist who painted the standard, was born in Manor township, Lancaster county, Pa., October 6th, 1798,