

## Report of Committee on Muhlenberg Tablet

The tablet in memory of Henry E. Muhlenberg was placed on the Appel building, at the northeast corner of Duke and Grant Streets, on June 4th, 1929. The bronze tablet, 12 by 18 inches, from the Matthews Company, of Pittsburgh, cost \$69. The bill was paid by Judge W. W. Appel and T. Roberts Appel, Esq. The tablet reads:

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1753 - - - 1815

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marked by the

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## Collections in Aid of Sufferers from the Fire in Lancaster in 1811

By WILLIAM FREDERIC WORNER

**L**ATE in the night of Friday, March 1st, 1811, or very early in the morning of the 2nd, the citizens of Lancaster borough were awakened by the cry of fire, which originated in the stable of Philip Klein, blacksmith, in the second block of North Queen street, west side. The building was an old wooden one, containing hay and straw, and the flames, spreading rapidly, soon ignited adjoining properties. Before the progress of the fire could be stayed, four dwellings, a blacksmith's shop, a barn and other buildings, were in ruins. The conflagration raged with such uncontrolled fury that, for a while, it threatened to destroy the town. Fortunately, however, as one of the papers stated, "this calamity was averted by that Almighty power which controls the elements of nature even in their most destructive moods."

In the Lancaster Journal of Friday, March 8th, 1811, is the following list of buildings that were destroyed:

"The two story stone house at the north-west corner of West Orange and North Queen streets [site of Young Men's Christian

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