

"Therefore, Resolved, By the citizens of Lancaster in Select and Common Councils assembled, That it be and is hereby recommended to illuminate on the evening of the day on which Andrew Jackson may arrive, as a testimonial of the high respect and deep sense which is entertained for the distinguished and invaluable services he has rendered to our country as a statesman and general.

"Resolved, That the mayor be requested to give the earliest notice of the time of his arrival. Extract from the minutes.

"Daniel Fuller, Clerk, Common Council

"Daniel Carpenter, Clerk, Select Council."

Owing to his wife's illness, General Jackson was not able to visit Lancaster, as at first planned. The Lancaster Journal of Friday, March 11th, 1825, contains the following:

"General Jackson, in consequence of the indisposition of his lady, is obliged to return home by the shortest route. We shall, therefore, be deprived of the pleasure which we should receive from a visit of this distinguished hero and statesman to our city at this time."

Lancaster's Contribution to Savannah in the Fire of 1820

By WILLIAM FREDERIC WORNER

ON the morning of Tuesday, January 11th, 1820, a fire started in Savannah, Georgia, and in less than twelve hours the principal part of the city was in ruins. Thousands of inhabitants lost their homes; and were left without the common necessities of life. At that time, this was the most destructive conflagration that had ever visited the United States.

Collections of money, food and clothing for the relief of the sufferers were made in many cities and towns of the country. The legislature of Pennsylvania appropriated ten thousand dollars.

A meeting of the citizens of Lancaster was held at the court house on Saturday evening, February 5th, 1820, for the purpose of securing relief for the sufferers. John Passmore, mayor of the city of Lancaster, was appointed chairman, and George B. Porter, secretary.

Mr. Passmore laid before the meeting a circular which had been addressed to him by the Committee of Correspondence and Superintendence in the city of Philadelphia, in which it was stated that "Between twelve and one o'clock on the morning of January 11th, the fire commenced, and in twelve hours time the principal part of the city was reduced to ashes. The number of habitations (exclusive of the public buildings) thus rapidly destroyed is stated to be 464, so that at the moderate estimate of five persons to each

dwelling house, 2315 individuals have been deprived of shelter in this inclement season, with the loss of almost every article of apparel necessary for their personal protection and comfort. The value of the whole amount of property destroyed is said to be upwards of \$4,000,000."

Committees were appointed at this meeting to obtain contributions from the citizens of Lancaster, as follows:

North-east Ward.

Jacob Long,	Peter Shindle,
Jonathan Foltz,	Emanuel Shaeffer.

North-west Ward.

William Dickson,	Jonas Dorwart,
George Matter, Esq.,	Jacob Snyder.

South-west Ward.

J. Whiteside, Esq.,	George Krug,
J. F. Steinman, Jr.,	John Christ.

South-east Ward.

Jacob Slough,	Jacob Fordney,
E. Reigart, Esq.,	Henry Diffenbaugh.

Joseph Ogilby, Esq., cashier of the Office of Discount and Deposit in Lancaster, was made treasurer of the fund, and Adam Reigart was appointed to receive donations in grain or flour.

Two weeks later, Saturday, February 19th, an adjourned meeting was held at the court house. The committees reported that \$711.28 had been collected.

In the Intelligencer & Weekly Advertiser of Saturday, March 25th, 1820, appeared the following:

"Police Office, Savannah, March 6th, 1820.

"Sir:

"I have the honor and the happiness to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd ultimo enclosing a draft of the cashier of the Bank of Pennsylvania, on the Bank of the State of Georgia, for \$709.36, the donation for the relief of our sufferers, from the inhabitants of the city of Lancaster. If no other sum had been remitted than the kind-hearted, munificent contribution of our brethren of Philadelphia, amounting, I believe, to \$7000, we could not, under any feelings of gratitude, have expected more from the liberality of our brethren of Pennsylvania; but this further bounty, and affectionate attention of the people of Lancaster, whilst it shows the deep interest taken by your fellow-citizens in the calamity which has desolated this once fine city, renders every Pennsylvanian a favorite brother and countryman.

"I pray you, Sir, in behalf of the sufferers, and of this corporation, to tender the municipal authority and inhabitants of Lan-

caster, their warmest thanks. Believe the assurance, Sir, that you have the best esteem of us all, and that no one can offer, with more sincerity, the homage of his best respects, than, Sir, your fellow citizen and most obedient servant,

“Thos. U. P. Charlton,
“Mayor of Savannah.”

“To
Hon. Wm. Tilghman, Philadelphia.”

Sixty-four barrels of flour were donated by the citizens of Lancaster city and county. Four of these were sold to defray the expense of transporting the remainder to Savannah. An additional contribution of \$27.68, received from people who were absent from home when the committees made their collections, was reported in the Intelligencer & Weekly Advertiser of Saturday, July 15th, 1820. In it also appear the names of those who contributed barrels of flour, as follows:

DONORS	TOWNSHIP	BARRELS
John Shenk	Conestoga	1
Martin Light	“	1
Isaac Heiney	“	1
John Bausman	“	1
David Miller	Hempfield	1
David Brubaker, Jr.	“	1
Jacob and John Brubaker	“	1
Henry Bear	“	1
John Lehman	“	1
John Lehman, Jr.	“	1
Benjamin Hershey	“	1
Abr. and John Brubacker	“	1
Andrew Gerber	“	2
Christian Stauffer	Leacock	9
Jacob Mayer	Manheim	1
John Myer	“	1
John and Jacob Kauffman and neighbors	“	12
Peter Baughman	“	2
Henry M. Reigart	“	2
John Stehman and neighbors	“	8
John and Andrew Kauffman	Manor	1
Benjamin Mellinger	“	1
John Mellinger	“	1
Christian Martin and neighbors at Ben- ders's Mill	“	6
Jacob Hershey and neighbors	“	5
Emanuel Reigart	City of Lancaster	1
TOTAL		64