

Humes, Samuel Humes, Jr., William Kirkpatrick, Jacob Miller, Benjamin Ober, Joseph Ogilby, George B. Porter, Adam Reigart, Daniel Reigart, John Reynolds, Matthew Waddel, Jr., Samuel White and John Whiteside.

Others doubtless subscribed later, as the names of one of the counsellors and of several members of the committee of correspondence, do not appear in the above list.

The officers were elected as follows:

President, Robert Coleman.

Vice-presidents, William Kirkpatrick and James Humes.

Secretaries, Adam Reigart and Samuel White.

Counsellors, Charles Smith, George B. Porter and Edward Coleman.

Treasurer, Joseph Ogilby.

Committee of Correspondence, Daniel Buckley, Casper Schaffner, William Dickson, Jacob Duchman, Samuel Humes, Jr., Cyrus Jacobs, John Landis, Jacob Miller, Benjamin Ober, John Reynolds, John Rohrer (Lampeter) and John Swar.

A meeting of the society was held in the court house on Wednesday, May 14th, 1817. The Lancaster Journal of Monday, June 2nd, announced that the next meeting of the society would be held in the court house on Wednesday, June 18th, 1817. Whether the meeting was held as advertised, is not known. Neither is it known how long the society continued to exist, as subsequent issues of local papers contain no references to it.

Hat Made by a Lancaster Woman Exhibited at Franklin Institute

By WILLIAM FREDERIC WORNER

THE Lancaster Journal of Friday, October 22nd, 1824, contained an announcement that a hat of grass, made by Mrs.

Hopkins, of Lancaster city, was on display at the first annual exhibition of Franklin Institute. The hat was made from a species of grass never before used for that purpose. Soon women, and a great number of children at the public school in the city, mastered the art of plaiting the straw.

The grass from which the hat was made grew abundantly, at that time, in Lancaster county. Joel Lightner, Jr., was the first to suggest its adaptability to the making of hats and bonnets, and he forwarded a quantity of it to the public school. It was, when dry, of a greenish color, but, after a number of experiments, it was changed almost to the shade of Leghorn straw.