

CHESTER TIMES – June 5, 1915 – SEVERAL GOOD CONTRACTS LET – New Dwellings Costing Nearly \$70,000 Are to be Erected in Lansdowne Borough

Considerable property changed hands in this city and boroughs and townships outside of the city during the week, while many contracts were awarded for the erection of dwellings, stores, and factory buildings. Lansdowne Borough took a big boom in building this week when contracts were let for nearly \$70,000 worth of dwellings, and at the same time the Board of Trustees of the First Presbyterian Church, have received bids for the erection of a handsome new edifice on North Lansdowne Avenue. Contract for the edifice will be let next week.

The Caledonia Manufacturing Company of Clifton Heights has started the erection of a two-story building, 27x80 feet, to cost about \$6,000. The structure will be brick and will be used for general manufacturing purposes. James Booth and Thomas Blythe of Garrettford are the builders.

Contractor Joseph Seal of Media has started the erection of twelve two-story brick dwellings on Fourth and Lemon Streets, Media. These dwellings will contain seven rooms, and will be modern throughout. The cost of these dwellings will be approximately \$40,000. Contractor Seal has just completed two brick houses on the same streets.

Claude A. Simpler of Lansdowne, president of the Borough Association of Lansdowne, has let a contract to Milton S. Graul of Llanerch, for the erection of six three-story stone and stucco dwellings on Plumstead Avenue, Lansdowne, costing \$7000 each. These houses will contain thirteen rooms.

A building agreement has been filed in the office of the prothonotary between W. W. Lindsay & Co., contracting engineers of Philadelphia and the United Roofing Company for a brick office at Marcus Hook to be finished by September 1. The contract price is \$77,500.

NEW HOUSES FOR LANSDOWNE – Contractor James Ingram of Lansdowne has been awarded contracts for the erection of four handsome dwellings in Lansdowne. One of the contracts is a two and one-half-story stone and stucco dwelling for John E. Greenwood on East Stewart Avenue. This dwelling will contain seven rooms and cost \$5000. Ingram will also build a nine-room stone and stucco house for Richard E. Young in Drexel Hill to cost \$5000, another home for Frank Labor on Shadeland Avenue, Drexel Hill to cost \$8000; and one house for Henry Barker on North Owen avenue, Lansdowne to contain nine rooms and to cost \$5,500.

A building agreement has been filed in the office of the prothonotary between Millard M. Croll, builder of Radnor and Haverford College, for the erection of an attic and addition to Chase Hall, Haverford College, to be finished by September 15. Cost \$5,980.

A building agreement has also been filed in the office of the prothonotary between John W. Cromble, owner, and M. Atlee Ermold, contractor, for a house on Carol Boulevard, Highland Park. No price.

John D. Harslow of Philadelphia has awarded a contract for the erection of a stone and shingle dwelling on Providence Avenue, Aldan to William T. Graham, a builder of Folcroft.

Eastburn & Co., contracting engineers, have started on the work of constructing a concrete and steel bridge over Ridley Creek, Media. The bridge will take the place of a wooden bridge almost a century old, which is now being demolished. The contract price is \$14,000. This same company is building a bridge over Hook Creek, near Marcus Hook, to

cost \$4000. The county commissioners will open bids next week for the erection of two county bridges. One of these bridges is to be built over Whetstone Creek, Marple, and the other on Glenolden Avenue, over Mackinpatus Creek.

SOME OPERATIONS IN VIEW – Plans have been prepared for the erection of a two and one half story stone residence at Drexel Hill for Henry C. Swartz of Philadelphia. The owner is taking bids and a large number of builders are estimating.

The architect has received bids for alterations and additions to the Mary Lyon School at Swarthmore. A two-story addition and a number of improvements are called for in the plans. The new building will be used for school purposes.

Plans are in progress for the erection of a one-story, stone parish building to be built at Tenth Street and Saville avenue, Eddystone, for the congregation of St. Peter's Protestant Episcopal Mission.

Plans are being prepared for the erection of a handsome residence and garage costing \$35,000 at Haverford, for Sydney Thayer of that place. The details have not been decided upon.

The Board of Education of Clifton Heights have decided to make alterations and additions to the main school building. Plans are in progress for the erection of a two and one-half story brick structure. The architects will be ready for bids June 6.

Building Inspector Terryl T. Williams issued but one building permit last week. This was to J. Harragan of 604 West Fifth Street for the erection of a one-story frame garage in the rear of his residence. The garage is to be covered with corrugated iron.

BUILDING NOTES – An attractive porch is being erected in front of the residence at 218 East Broad Street.

The improvements to the Smith and Kennedy residences at Seventeenth and Walnut Streets will be completed in a few days. They consist of new windows on the third story and a new shingle roof. The rain has kept the work back for several weeks.

The airtite houses on East Twenty-Second Street are completed and ready for occupancy. The carpenters finished their part of the work on Wednesday and the painters expect to finish today. The residences are very attractive.

M. T. Ackermann is progressing with the two houses he is erecting at Twenty-Third Street and Edgmont Avenue. Plumbers are installing the heating systems in both houses and plasterers will commence their work the early part of next week.