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Plans for the Business Men's Picnic.

The unexpected success of the joint picnic of the business men and their employees and families of Lock Haven and Bellefonte, at Hecla Park, last season, gives good ground for the belief that the second undertaking of this sort will even surpass the great gathering of last year.

At that time the Lock Haven people did not enter into it with the same spirit as Bellefonters did for the reason that they did not realize to what extent this town would carry out the project. Bellefonte was like Sunday on that day. Every business house and manufacturing establishment in the place was closed and owner and employee were off to the park, having a mutual good time. While Lock Haven was fairly well represented there was no such a general out-pouring as had almost drained Bellefonte of her population. This time our sister town will have charge of the picnic and she intends showing Bellefonte what she can do when thoroughly enthused.

Let it not be for us to play the part of laggards, but let us all join in and help make it a notable day in the history of the town. A close relationship should exist between our people and this is an opportunity to promote it. So far as an acquaintance between Bellefonte and Lock Haven is concerned one of the towns might just as well be located in the south of Africa. Such should not be the case and these picnics are just the means of bringing us closer together.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

The executive committee met in the Fallon house, in Lock Haven, on Wednesday evening, of last week, and made arrangements for the next picnic. It will be held on Thursday, August 12th, and if that day be disagreeable the next, the 13th, will be the picnic day. Those in attendance at the meeting were:

P. P. Rittman, Lock Haven, chairman; Col. Shortlidge and T. A. Shoemaker, Bellefonte; A. C. Mann, Mill Hall, and S. Z. Martin, Lock Haven. Mr. Warfield, manager of the C. R. R. of Pa., G. W. Fredricks, Flemington, and W. F. Elliott, Lock Haven, members of the general committee, were also present.

It was decided that every hour of the day shall be occupied with some attraction. For the morning it was deemed best that the addresses, tub, swimming and foot races shall take place. The noon hour will be reserved for dinner. The afternoon will be taken up with bicycle races, base ball and trap shooting, and the evening with a display of fireworks.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

Speakers—General superintendent Gehhart, Tub, Swimming and Foot Races—Wm. Conley, Bellefonte; and W. F. Elliott, Lock Haven.

Bicycle Races—John S. Walker, Bellefonte; L. H. Anthony and L. K. Poust, Lock Haven.

Base Ball—J. C. Schank and G. A. Brown, Lock Haven; Mitchell Cunningham, Bellefonte.

Trap Shooting—J. B. Leshner, Lock Haven; G. R. Meek, Bellefonte.

Fireworks—Frank Warfield, Bellefonte.

Printing—G. W. Mason and Torrence Shearer, Lock Haven.

Music—W. O. Bentley and Prof. Ingalsbe, Lock Haven; the leader of the Undine band, Bellefonte; W. H. Noll, Pleasant Gap.

To Solicit the Closing of Business Houses on Day of Picnic—J. D. Sontrock and S. Speiglemyer, Bellefonte; George Loder and T. R. Mann, Lock Haven.

General Advisory Committee—Mayors of Lock Haven and Bellefonte.

PRIZES.

The following prizes will be awarded:
Tub Race—First prize, \$3; second \$2; third, \$1.

Foot Race—Best out of three 1/2 mile races—First prize, \$10; second, \$5; third, \$2.
Swimming Race—200 yards, open to boys under 15 years.—First prize \$5; second, \$2; third, \$1.

Bicycle Races—Professional contestants.—First prize, \$25; second \$15.
Amateur Wheelmen—First prize, \$10; second, \$5.

Colored Wheelmen—First prize, \$5; second, \$3; third, \$2.
Trap Shooting—To be participated in by eight sportsmen, four from Centre county and four from Clinton county, 50 live birds, each man to shoot at 10 birds. No prizes.

A Sad, Sad Death.

No one who read the circumstances of the sad death of Robert K. Stevenson, the Pennsylvania State College Senior, at Baltimore, Maryland, on Saturday, July 3rd, can help feeling the terrible sadness surrounding it.

Stevenson was a Senior at the college, and is the man who took the first prize in the Junior Oratorical contest held during commencement week. He was engaged in acquiring practical ideas of steel making and was passing near an oven at one of the furnaces when an explosion of gas hurled the molten metal over him. The young man was terribly burned, as was also Alfred Howel, an old colored man, an employee of the works, who was standing near him.

Stevenson's nerve was remarkable. The burns penetrated the region of the heart and lungs. He did not believe he would die, and Friday night asked the physicians, when they were dressing his wounds, to try and prevent scars on his flesh.

When told that he could not survive he did not flinch, but asked that his body be sent home as soon as he died. His father is John Stevenson, of Morris Run, Tioga county.

The young man was a bright fellow, well liked at College and his untimely death is particularly sad, since he was just at an age when life seems most dear and precious.

The Undine Picnic at Hecla Park.

The picnic of the Undine fire company, at Hecla park, on Saturday, July 3rd, attracted the largest crowd to that resort that has ever been there except at the business men's picnic last season.

The day was an ideal one and from early morning 'til late at night the hard working firemen had some manner of entertainment in progress for the crowds on the grounds.

During the morning there was dancing, boating and band concerts. After dinner Mackeyville and Millheim base-ball clubs played on the athletic field, the score resulting 16 to 1 in favor of Mackeyville. Bicycle races followed with this result:

One Mile Race—Won by Bruce Barnhart, of Bellefonte, time 3:21; second, Lock Haven, third, Parsons, of Lock Haven.

One Mile Open—Won by John Teats, of Bellefonte, time 3:10; Harry Weaver, second, Jessie Underwood, third.

Boys Race One Mile Open—Won by Harry Weaver, of Bellefonte, time 2:49, Teats second and Underwood third.

After the bicycle races the Demorest and South Williamsport base ball teams played a game, the latter winning by the score of 10 to 9, after a long drawn out and tire some contest.

The Pleasant Gap band heroically braved the intense heat and kept things cheerful during the sports. They played long and often and were not one bit stingy with their music. That was probably because they were in good form and playing very well.

The presence of the Lock Haven consolidated band and the high class music they rendered was a feature that pleased many. The Lock Haven players are artists and gentlemen whose presence could not but add to the success of any such affair.

The great hit of the day was made by director Nathan Beerly with his consolidated Milesburg-Coleville band. With forty-five pieces he held the pavilion in the east park for two hours during the afternoon and from the character of the music and the skillful interpretation of it one of the listeners might indeed have imagined himself at Willow Grove listening to Damrosch's orchestra. It was truly a surprise and a pleasure to know that we have such a capable organization in our midst and it is to be hoped that the members will let no disorganizing influence work to mar the great success this band will undoubtedly prove.

On the whole the picnic was everything that a picnic could be. And for such a day when exuberance is always licensed to the fullest extent, it was a very orderly, good natured, thoroughly enjoyable crowd of five thousand people who gathered there. There were scores of means for amusement and everyone took that of his choice without interference from any source.

Launched in the Matrimonial Craft.

On Wednesday morning of last week, July 7th, John Nolan and Elizabeth Shaughnessy were married in St. John's Catholic church, on Bishop street. Though the hour for the ceremony was 7:30 quite a number of the friends of the young couple were there to witness the nuptials.

Rev. McArdle officiated. Daniel Nolan, a brother of the groom, was best man and Miss Louisa Grumbough was the maid. After the ceremony the bride and groom were tendered an elaborate wedding breakfast at the bride's home, an informal reception followed and they left for a short tour on a mid-day train.

The groom is a son of Jerry Nolan, of South Thomas street, and is an industrious, trustworthy young man. He is freight master at the Bellefonte station of the B. C. R. R. and by careful economy has prepared a cozy home for his bride. Mrs. Nolan is a daughter of street commissioner Thomas Shaughnessy, of this place, and is a bright, intelligent young woman who is thoroughly capable of making her young husband a faithful and helping companion.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Following is the list of marriage licenses granted by orphan's court clerk, G. W. Rumberger, during the past week.

George W. Williams and Laura B. Houtz, both of Lemont.

Thomas J. Barner, of Bellefonte, and Ida B. Johnson, of Hubersburg.

John A. Whitmeyer and Sallie A. Stiger, both of Coburn.

Vinson Barriger and Lida Smoke, both of Keating, Clinton county.

William E. Martz and Lillie Maude Hepburn, both of State College.

William W. Grenoble and Bessie Stover, both of Millheim.

John C. Nolan and Elizabeth Shaughnessy, both of Bellefonte.

Ross S. Grove and Mary M. Brouse, both of Pine Grove Mills.

Charles E. Schreffler, of Pleasant Gap, and Sallie C. Veidendorfer, of Pine Glenn.

Wm. P. Smith, of Bellefonte, and Mary Goodfellow, of Fleming.

John H. Letterman and Margaret E. Minnenyer, both of Milesburg.

The Council Meeting.

The Bellefonte borough council held its regular meeting, on Monday night, July 5th, with only six members present. Very little business of importance was transacted.

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On Wednesday of last week the taxpayers of Tyrone voted on the question of increasing the borough indebtedness by an additional amount of \$108,000 for the purpose of buying out the plants of the Tyrone gas and water company or providing plants for the same purpose. The vote was 472 for the loan and 307 against it. A clear majority in its favor of 165.

A. A. Stevens, manager and owner of most of the stock in the Tyrone company that is at present supplying the people of that place, has instituted proceedings to test the legality of the election on the ground of irregularity in advertising it and also that the borough cannot borrow so much money because it is already in debt to the amount of \$27,400, which when added to the proposed loan for gas and water amounts over the seven per cent of the assessed valuation of the town.

The water supply of Tyrone is as good as any town could want. It is strong enough to supply the wants of a place six times as large, but the people are of the opinion that the service would be cheaper were they operating it themselves. Bellefonte has her own water supply and the service is certainly cheaper than it would be were it in the hands of a private company. It is our other taxes that burden us so highly.

A Centre County Murderer Located.

About the first of the year Andrew Flaxo, a Hungarian miner who lives near Clarence, this county, induced John Garbor to go hunting with him out in Snow Sho township. The two had been at a christening, the night before, where they had been drinking and started off for a hunt on apparently very amiable terms. When they had gone but a short distance Flaxo, who was leading the way and carrying the gun, turned around and without any provocation fired the full charge into Garbor's neck, killing him instantly.

Flaxo fled. But very little effort was made to apprehend him. It has just come to light that a foreign society to which his victim belonged had caused the murderer to be trailed and has finally located him in Hungary, where it is claimed he can be arrested and brought back here for trial.

Centre county authorities will hardly do anything to bring Flaxo back unless positive assurance can be had that it is really he. This county has had a rather costly experience running after escaped murderers who have been supposed to be captured and have turned out to be wrong fellows.

Death of a Former Bellefonte Woman.

Some of the residents of Bellefonte will remember when Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Haupt lived here and will be sorry to learn of her death, which occurred in Tyrone, on Friday morning, July 2nd. Deceased was 67 years old and for sixty-two days prior to her death she had taken no solid food, her only nourishment having been small quantities of brandy and water. Cancer of the stomach was the cause of her death.

Fell and Broke His Arm.

Jefferson Tressler fell from a load of hay, last Friday morning, and broke his left arm. The accident occurred on the Rock-Vermont farm of W. F. Reynolds, near Shiloh, where the young man is employed and was in the act of building a load of hay on the wagon when he fell. Dr. Hayes reduced the fracture.

Mrs. Mariah Gates' Death.

Among the deaths that occurred last week was that of Mrs. Mariah Gates who died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. C. Jones, in Phillipsburg, Tuesday evening, July 6th. Mrs. Gates was 81 years old and her maiden name was Williams, she having been a resident of Bald Eagle valley until recently. Miles Gates, of Unionville, is a son.

Her remains were interred in the lower cemetery, in Unionville, on last Thursday.

The Clearfield post office is to be moved from its present quarters into a room owned by Fred Mossop, which is now being made ready for it.

—Dr. John A. Peters, of Heidelberg University, Ohio, preached in the Reformed church, in this place and at Zion, on last Sunday.

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