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DEATH OF THOMAS FUELEEN. Well Known Resident of This City Called Away. Thomas Fueleen, long a well known resident of this city, passed away after an illness of seven weeks, on Sunday morning, Mr. Fueleen came to America over thirty-six years ago, and had been a resident of Carbondale for thirty-four years.

He was well known and highly esteemed for his integrity of character. Some weeks ago he suffered from an attack of sciatic rheumatism and was confined to his home. His illness was also catarrhal fever and general prostration. For many years he was a member of Olive Leaf Lodge, of Odd Fellows. He is survived by his wife and three children. The funeral services will be held on Wednesday afternoon.

A quiet wedding took place last evening at 8 o'clock at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Bayley, 87 Cuman street. His eldest daughter, Mary, was united in marriage to Frank E. Vandorford, of this city. The ceremony was performed by Rev. E. J. Balsey, rector of Trinity church. Only the immediate friends of each family were present. Mr. and Mrs. Vandorford will reside with Mr. Vandorford's parents on Cuman street for the present and will dispense with the usual wedding trip.

John Hope's Death. Early yesterday morning John Hope, the son of Mr. Dominick Hope, a well known young man, was called away after a short illness, aged twenty-one years. Mr. Hope was a young man highly esteemed, a member of the Cottage foot ball team, of the Marine Fife and drum corps, and the Cottage Home company. The funeral will be attended at 3 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon.

Installation of Officers. The new officers of Laetitia Lodge of the Rebekah degree, will be installed this evening, by Mrs. Skillhorn, of Scranton. A number of Patriarchs Militant from Scranton are expected, also friends from Archbald and other localities. Refreshments will be served to the guests, and a pleasant social season enjoyed.

Death of Miss Collins. Alice Mand Collins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Collins, died on Sunday evening after a short attack of typhoid fever. She was fourteen years of age and came with her parents from England about two years ago.

Injured in the Mines. Owing to a fall of rock roof at Powderly's mine, Michael McFadden received serious injuries yesterday morning. He is attended by Dr. H. C. Wheeler, who dressed the painful wound.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL NOTES. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bennett and daughter, of Lenoxville, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. B. K. Wickville. Mrs. G. F. Sorigert, of Spring street, is ill. Mr. W. Burdick has resumed his former situation as prescription clerk for A. W. Reynolds.

Michael McFadden, a miner employed in the Powderly mine, was injured yesterday morning by a fall of rock. The Misses Maggie and Mary Mahon and Kate Loffing, of Archbald, spent Sunday with friends in town. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wyllie, of West Pittston, are visiting in this city. Miss Carrie is entertaining Miss Helen Stanton, of Waymart. Miss Pearl Rosegrant is visiting friends at Keene's. Mrs. E. F. Fox has returned from a visit in Glyphant. Thomas Williams is very ill at his home on Wayne street. Misses Marie McAndrew and Anna Ferguson, of Scranton, who have been visiting Miss Sarah McHale, have returned home. Mrs. J. Drink, of Tenth avenue, is ill. Word has been received from Mr. and Mrs. Homer Smith that they are visiting in Illinois and will soon leave for Los Angeles, California. Mrs. J. B. Van Bergen, Mrs. M. B.

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ent. The following bills were approved and ordered paid: Street commissioner's time, \$34.85; M. J. White, \$4; C. A. Battenberg, \$110; Republican, \$2; J. Bishop, \$10.60. The street committee reported that they had seen the traction company with reference to the repair of the road beside its track, and the company had agreed to do the required repairing. A petition was also presented asking for the removal of the foot bridge in front of Poole's pharmacy and the council decided to have it rebuilt at a cost not to exceed \$125.

OLYPHANT. A cantata entitled "Santa Claus' Arrival" will be produced by the Sunday school scholars of the Susquehanna Street Baptist church under the direction of Professor T. W. Watkins on Christmas night. It is doubtful whether there will be another opportunity this winter to enjoy such a musical treat as this will be. Following is the cast of characters: Maud, Miss Phoebe James; June, Miss Annie Davies; Lola, Miss Maggie Watkins; Nellie, Miss Della Watkins; Mamie, Evaline Davis; fairy queen, Miss Maggie Thomas; Judith, Miss Maggie Evans; Nora, Miss Mary Meyrick; Tot, Miss May Davies; Molly, Miss E. Evans; teacher, Mr. Thomas Brown; Len, Mr. Carlyle Evans; Bill, Mr. Isaac Griffiths; Tom, Mr. Frank Williams; Joe, Evan Lewis; Santa Claus, Mr. James B. Williams; chorus of fairies, chorus of Brownies, chorus of esquimos, chorus of Santa's workmen, Accompanists, Mrs. T. W. Watkins and Lewis Evans. Doors open at 7.30, curtain rises at 8 p. m. Admission 25 and 35 cents.

The mission under the direction of the Carmelite priests was opened at St. Patrick's church in this place, and at St. James' church, Jessup, on Sunday morning. Rev. J. M. Smolter celebrated the late mass at St. Patrick's church and Rev. J. M. Smolter, superior of the Carmelite order of this county, delivered a very instructive sermon. At the evening service the church was crowded to the doors. Rev. Anastasius G. Kredt preached an excellent sermon which began with these words: "What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his soul?" Benediction of the blessed sacrament was offered. Masses were celebrated yesterday morning at 5 o'clock and 9 o'clock, at the latter mass Rev. A. G. Kredt delivered a sermon on confession. The mission will be continued during the week. Miss Cassie McDonald, of Dunmore, is visiting her sister, Mrs. M. J. Lavin, of Lackawanna street. Miss Maria Langan, of Dunmore, is visiting Miss Katie O'Hara. Mrs. Robert Willis, of Scranton, spent Sunday with the Misses Jordan, of Dunmore street.

An alarm of fire was sounded from Flann G on Saturday night, which caused a great extent of damage in a short time. The fire proved to be a dwelling house owned by William Healey on Dunmore street, and was occupied by William Davis. It was extinguished without the aid of the fire company. Very little damage was done.

JERMYN AND MAYFIELD. Antonio Fuselok, of Mayfield, died at his home on the East Side after an illness of two months and six days with consumption. The deceased was a young man twenty years of age and brother and two sisters survive him. The funeral will take place at 12 o'clock. Interment will be made at the Green Catholic cemetery. A child of Ernest Ward, of West Mayfield, is ill with diphtheria. A case of measles is reported to the board of health on Highland hill. Dr. P. Hunter, Clifford, will know here, having conducted a confectionery store some time ago, has secured a position with the traction company and will enter upon his new duties this morning. Mrs. Daniel Morgan and son James, of Carbondale, were yesterday the guests of Mrs. William T. Davis. Miss Mary Jane Lyons, of South Side, Jermyn, is visiting friends here. The correspondent of a Scranton morning paper who first boasted that "The Times" had a fine edition in Jermyn and Mayfield, now whines in print because his business is disappearing. The public generally understands such screeds and promptly discounts them. Mathew Timon, who was fatally injured at the Delaware and Hudson mine on last Friday morning, died at his home on the East side on Sunday morning. Deceased was 35 years of age. A mother and three brothers and four sisters survive him. The funeral services will take place at 2 o'clock this afternoon at St. Mary's Catholic church. The Rev. Father Lynnott will officiate. Interment will be made at the Archbald Catholic cemetery. A teachers' institute of the district comprising Archbald, Scott, Jermyn and Mayfield was held here in the pub-

licity school house on Saturday afternoon. In addition to the teachers, County Superintendent J. C. Taylor and a number of school directors were present and the session proved interesting and instructive. In the district represented there are fifty teachers and upwards of 2,300 pupils just one-seventh of the teaching force and one-fifth of the pupils of the county exclusive of the city of Scranton. Principal Paetzart presided and welcomed the visitors.

PECKVILLE. Seventeen members were taken in the Methodist Episcopal church last Sunday morning on full membership. Miss Minnie Wademan, of Scranton, spent Sunday here as the guest of her cousin, Miss Stella Wademan. The epidemic of diphtheria in the Second ward for the past month continues. New cases are reported daily. Work was resumed at the drift of the Forest Coal company at the Ridge yesterday morning without any trouble. None of the strikers put in an appearance.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that on and after Jan. 1, 1897, no person or persons residing in Blackly borough will be allowed to keep any horse or hogs, without a special permit granted by the board of health, and that all persons violating this notice will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

HALLSTOWN. Miss Grace Read is ill. Mrs. Gould Capwell was in New York city last week. A horse belonging to E. Kakestraw, of Epsomville, became frightened on Main street on Friday by a pile of paper blowing about and ran away. He ran against a hitching post and broke the wagon and harness. The horse was uninjured. William McLoud and F. B. Ross were in Scranton on Saturday. Albert Sloat visited in Susquehanna last Friday. Harry Van Gorder, of the Hallstown Herald, visited his family at Lakeside Sunday.

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