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**DAY'S DOINGS IN DUNMORE BOROUGH**

**FROZEN WATER PIPE RESPONSIBLE FOR A FIRE.**

Occurred at the Double Dwelling on North Blakely Street, Owned by Arthur Spencer—Dangerous Spot on South Blakely Street—Surprise Party Tendered to William Brady. Big Crowd Attended the Firemen's Fair Last Night—It Has Closed for a Time.

An alarm of fire was sounded from box 21 at the corner of Blakely and Drinker street yesterday morning about 8:10 o'clock. The fire proved to be under the front porch of the new double dwelling of Arthur Spencer, on North Blakely street, occupied by Frank Saunders. The fire started on Mr. Saunders' side and was caused by the wood work catching from a blaze while they were endeavoring to thaw out the water pipe.

The Neptune and Independent fire companies responded to the alarm, but the services of the former were not needed. They were the first upon the scene and did effective work with their new chemical engine, which was used for the first time since being accepted by the borough.

The people of Dunmore are proud of their fire boys. We have from time to time printed in this column the alertness of different companies in responding to alarms. At present three companies are thoroughly equipped with fire fighting apparatus, teams, wagons, etc. The Independent's horse wagon and team, John Van Horn, driver; the Neptune, chemical engine and team, George Seese, driver and William Potter, George Tudge, engineers; the Electric, wagon and team, Philip Waskner, driver. All these permanent men sleep in the hose rooms. Besides those there are the A. D. and F. M. Spencer, John B. Smith's and Anthracite companies. The two former are equipped with hand carts. The latter was recently organized and has no apparatus as yet.

Dunmore needed such a fire department. It had been almost impossible to insure buildings in the vicinity of the "corners," or, in fact, in any other part of the town, so high were the insurance rates. The present borough council saw the plight of the citizens and came to their rescue. Last year they appropriated one-quarter of the borough's money to the fire department to bring it up to the present standard. This amounted many thousands of dollars. Now, they as well as the citizens expect to see the insurance companies lower their rates in the borough limits. The cry of the insurance companies was that the town was not sufficiently protected in case of fire. This has been overcome.

**DANGEROUS SPOT.**

An auto which needs attention is on South Blakely street near the Keystone brewery. At that point there is a hydrant about two feet from the sidewalk and water runs from it all night. The result is that the sidewalk can be used for a skating rink. It is dangerous for pedestrians to pass this place. An old gentleman passing by last evening received a severe fall by slipping upon the ice.

**SURPRISE PARTY.**

William Brady, of Apple street, was pleasantly surprised last evening by a number of his young friends who passed a pleasant evening playing games, etc., until a reasonable hour when refreshments were served. Those present were: Misses Lilla Tudor, Annie Williams, Ada Webber, Margaret Stewart, Mary Armstrong, Grace Harvey, Minnie Lee, A. Annan, Eva Stoenburg and Emily Strong, of Peckville; Mrs. Fred Reber, Mrs. Wm. Williams, Mrs. George Tudge, Edward Miner, William Collier, Andrew Collier, Fred Shultz, William Stein, Patrick Derig, Michael Monahan and Edward Harner.

**LAST EVENING OF FAIR.**

The last night of the firemen's fair was a grand success. From the time the doors opened until they closed the hall was packed to its fullest capacity. At 10:30 o'clock the contest for the scholarship between Frank Bogart, Patrick W. Gill, Lawrence Penetar, and Harry Masters was decided. The winner has the choice of a scholarship in any school he may choose. The results were as follows: Bogart, 2511; Gill, 1220; Masters, 1095; Penetar, 2495. The representatives for the different quarters were as follows: For Gill, Timothy Holand and Anthony Haggerty; for Bogart, Hadley Van Camp and John Van Horn; for Penetar, James Scanlon and Thos. Hughes; for Masters, Thomas Carney and Roger O'Hara. The amount received from all competitors was \$629.83. Many articles were placed out. Among them were a water set, won by William Hastings; rocking chair, R. O'Hara. Later it was decided to continue the fair for three nights following the Pennsylvania pay day, at which time the contents for the bicycle and \$50 in gold will be changed off.

**SHORT PARAGRAPHS.**

Howard Patrick, of Jersey, spent the day in town with friends. James O'Hara, of Pine street, who has been spending a few weeks with Wilson-Barre friends, returned home yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. John Carney, of Carbondale, spent the holiday with friends on Franklin street. Miss Nellie Van Bergen, of Peckville, who has been spending a few weeks with Dunmore friends, has returned home. Miss Helen Benjamin, of Hollister, is spending a few days with her sister, Bessie, on South Blakely street. Mrs. Thomas Stewart, of East Drinker and Apple streets, is confined to her home with an attack of the grip. The National Drum corps of this place attended the sixth annual ball

**ENDED IN A DRAW.**

**Twenty Round Bout Between Owen Zeigler and Matty Matthews.**

New York, Jan. 2.—The Greenwood Athletic club of Brooklyn held a boxing show which began at 3 o'clock this afternoon and the house was uncomfortably crowded. The star event was a twenty round bout at catchweights between Owen Zeigler, of Philadelphia, and Matty Matthews, of this city, both welterweights with good records. They fought the twenty rounds hard and fast, each displaying a great deal of science and good judgment. From the opening round neither let his opponent have an idle moment and before five rounds had been gone through each man's face was well marked up. For fifteen rounds Matthews had a slight lead, and although Zeigler did most of the leading Matty's counters on the wind were very effective. Zeigler got home some heavy jolts on the local man's face and swung both hands to the head, stopping Matthews. Matthews, however, always had a left upper cut on a salient point. Zeigler came within reach, and the latter must have been in grand shape to withstand such hard punishment on the stomach. Toward the close of the fight Zeigler was the stronger, but once in the seventeenth round Matthews hit with a left hook on the jaw which forced the Philadelphia to his knees. Zeigler was very strong in the last round but Sam C. Austin, referee, could not decide on either man as a winner and declared the bout a draw. The decision was a popular one.

**BUY UP CUBA'S RAILROADS.**

**Widener and Elkins Among Those in the Race.**

Havana, Jan. 2.—Several rival bands of capitalists are after the railroads of Cuba. An English syndicate now owns the "Haiti" railway, the lines of which run from Havana and Regla to Matanzas and Cardenas, and also the Bank of Commerce of Havana and the Regla sugar warehouses. A syndicate composed of Widener and Elkins, of Philadelphia, G. E. M. Harvey, W. C. Whitney and others, another, headed by Tom Johnson, and said to be backed by the Illinois Steel company; and another, said to be composed of McKenzie, of Toronto; the Bank of Montreal, J. W. Todd, of London, and several wealthy Spaniards, are also in the field. The roads to be taken over are the Matanzas and Sabanita, running from Matanzas to Cienfuegos; the Sagua railroad, running from Calbarien to Porto Principe, through Sagua; the Western railroad, running from Havana and Pinar Del Rio city.

**OUTPUT OF THE MINT.**

**It Is the Largest in Any Year Since 1890.**

Philadelphia, Jan. 2.—A statement of the output of the United States mint in this city for the year 1898, given out today, shows that the output for the year just ended was the largest since 1890. The total number of coins made was 100,258,433, valued at \$27,654,452.29. The gold coined was 170,470 double eagles, \$1,197 eagles, 633,495 half eagles and 24,185 quarter eagles, with a total valuation of \$14,738,257.50. Total silver coinage was 5,884,735 dollars, 2,956,725 half dollars, 11,100,735 quarters and 16,320,735 dimes, a total valuation of \$11,770,295.75. There were 12,532,087 nickels and 49,823,078 cents coined, giving a grand total of \$27,654,452.29 for the year. There were also coined \$11,873 pesos for the government of San Domingo and orders for 200,000 more of these coins have been received.

**HONESDALE.**

The cold wave has reached Honesdale, Monday morning the thermometer registered 23 degrees below zero. Many water pipes were frozen. The town clock ceased to do duty. At 2 o'clock Monday morning the coldest weather for many years was registered. Wesley Gardner, who for the past sixteen years has been employed in the office of Superintendent L. O. Ross, of the Delaware and Hudson Canal company, left yesterday for Scranton, where he has accepted a responsible position with the Finch Manufacturing company. In Mr. Gardner's departure Honesdale loses a prominent citizen. Mrs. Parker, son and daughter of Paterson, N. J., are the guests of Miss Carrie Weston. The third number of the Christian Endeavor course will be given on Friday evening next by the Franz Wilczek Grand and Concert company in the Opera house. Harry Greter, who for a number of years has been in the employ of Photographic Brodie, left yesterday for Wilkes-Barre, where he has accepted a situation with Photographic Griffin. Mr. and Mrs. Greter are popular young people and will leave many friends in Honesdale. Rev. J. E. Bone was called to South Canaan on Sunday by the death of a nephew, Rev. Mr. Prentiss, of Waymart, officiated for him at the morning service. Onelek Tribe of Red Men will hold their annual ball on Washington's birthday. The Carbondale mail came in yesterday by private conveyance, notwithstanding the trains were running on the gravity railroad. The week of prayer will be observed by the Presbyterian congregation next week. Rev. Mr. Whalen, the new pastor of the Baptist church, occupied the pulpit on Sunday. The special Christmas music was repeated on Sunday evening by a large choir in the Presbyterian church. The singing was excellent, especially the duet by Mrs. W. W. Wood and Miss Florence Wood, and the solos by Mrs. Harry Rockwell. The first locomotive passenger train left Honesdale yesterday morning at 7:35 o'clock, ten minutes late. The train was drawn by locomotive Lackawanna with John Lines engineer, Peter Bollis fireman, W. F. Pierce conductor, and George W. Penwarden and Edward Ugallo as brakemen. The train reached Waymart twenty minutes late. A number of Honesdale people went on the train as far as Waymart.

**ORDER ABOUT THE DISCHARGE OF MEN**

**IT HAS JUST BEEN ISSUED BY GENERAL SUMNER.**

Directs the Company Commander to Make a Careful Investigation of the Facts with Reference to the Men Who Ask to Be Discharged from the Army—Military Reception Given by Generals Young and Sumner—Thirteenth Officers Who Attended the Function.

Special to the Scranton Tribune. Camp MacKenzie, Augusta, Ga., Jan. 2.—The question of discharges which seemed to have taken such tangible shape several months ago at Camp Meade, is coming to the front once more. It was then stated that the married men would be discharged on proper application. They applied, and from that time nothing has ever been heard from such applications, though it is hinted that they are purposely held up or pigeon-holed somewhere along the line. It is felt by the members of the Thirteenth who have requested their discharges that this wholesale cornering of their applications has taken place somewhere outside the regiment and they feel much displeasure thereon. Pertinent to this subject the following important and suggestive order has just been published:

Headquarters First Division, Second Army Corps, Camp MacKenzie, Ga., Dec. 29, 1898. Circular No. 27. A large number of soldiers of this division are applying for their discharges by favor, and having given as their reasons for desiring discharge the necessity of their being at home to support their families or other people dependent upon them and other similar reasons. The company commander will in each case make a careful investigation of the facts, so far as he can ascertain them; and in forwarding the applications endorse thereon a statement to the effect that he had made such an investigation and was or was not satisfied with the statements in the applications to be true. By command of Major General Sumner, John A. Harman, Adjutant General.

This matter is again becoming quite pressing; and with the advent of the new year and a certainty of peace, the most of the married men, who have families depending on them and have been over eight months away from home, are wondering with regret why they are still being held here.

**MILITARY RECEPTION.**

Major Generals S. B. M. Young and S. S. Sumner, the corps and division commanders respectively, gave a grand military reception Saturday afternoon and evening at the Bon Air hotel, Summerville, to the officers of this camp. All who could avail themselves of the invitation were present and enjoyed a pleasant time. There were also many ladies, wives or friends of the officers, in attendance. Refreshments were served, and in the meantime the Thirteenth's band, which occupied the seat of honor, rendered several selections. The officers representing the Thirteenth were: Colonel Courson, Majors Wood and Fellows, Battalion Adjutants Courson and Gunster, Regimental Adjutant Mattes, Chaplain Stahl and Dr. Blanchard, all of the staff, and Captains Kambeck, of B; Gillman, of D; Derman, of A; Robbins, of C, and Acting Company Commander Huff, of G, accompanied by Mrs. Huff; Lieutenants Keith, of A; Innes and Foots, of D, and Freeman, of F. The usual Saturday inspection of the men's personal appearance, their arms and quarters was not held. During their absence and that of Colonel Courson, Lieutenant Burkhous, of C, being officer of the day, was called upon to sign, and approve of, all passes.

**CAMP GOSSIP.**

In order to attract Santa Claus during the holidays, Privates Llewellyn, Melzer, Rogelle, Miles, Beckman, Redmond and Edward Thomas, of C, put the sign "Home of the Friendless" in front of their "shack." So far they have not been successful in their intentions. Private Richard Joyce, of A, attended to brigade headquarters, is now able to attend to duty after a short illness. Private John Everhart, of B, has returned to camp after an extended absence on account of sickness. Corporal John M. Thro is now the only member of Company F who is absent on sick furlough. In this respect F is more fortunate than any of the other companies. Last evening Sheriff O'Connor entertained several members of the Thirteenth at his home in Augusta. Among those present were Captain Robbins, of C, and Musicians Evans, Gill, McCree, Upstegrove, Rice and Lynett. The musicians brought their instruments with them, and rendered some of their choicest selections. All enjoyed a pleasant evening. Private Lewis A. Huguenin, of H, has returned to camp after a long absence. He was taken sick on the 6th day of last October while visiting at the home of his parents at South Sterling, Wayne county, on furlough. After his recovery he was given a sick furlough to recuperate. He is now enjoying good health. Corporal Robert Armstrong, of B, who suffered from the effects of a slight sprain of the right leg for a few days, is now rapidly improving. Richard J. Bourke.

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