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BRIEF ITEMS.

The fair at St. Ann's Church, Woodside, closed on Monday evening.

Owing to a scarcity of cars Drifton collieries were idle a half a day yesterday.

A. W. Washburn is in attendance at the G. A. R. encampment at Altoona this week.

There will be a special meeting of the K. of L. Saturday evening, February 28, at 7.30.

The council will meet in regular session Monday evening at the close of the meeting of the new council will organize.

Miss Maggie M. Miller is closing out her millinery goods and is offering some rare bargains. Call and see her, at McGroarty's block, Centre Street.

The Garibaldi Beneficial Society, composed of Italians of Freeland and vicinity, will hold their first annual ball at Yannes' Opera House Thursday evening, March 19.

The fair for the benefit of the P. O. S. of A. Band, of Freeland, opened in Yannes' Opera House on Monday evening and has been largely attended during the week. Tomorrow evening will be the last night.

Work at the Eckley and Highland collieries was suspended during the early part of the week owing to a scarcity of railroad cars. The small output agreed upon by the carrying companies for the month of February being the cause.

There will be a meeting of the members of St. Patrick's Beneficial Society of Drifton held in their rooms at St. Ann's Church, Woodside, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. All members are requested to be present. P. H. HANCOCK, Secretary.

Persons in any part of Luzerne County who wish to attend the grand musical estedfod at Freeland on Monday next can return home after the close of the evening session—special rates and trains having been secured on the Lehigh Valley Railroad.

NOTICE TO LIQUOR DEALERS.—The licensees to sell liquor in the same person occupied the same house were granted on Monday, February 6, and must be paid for and taken out on or before Tuesday, March 3, otherwise the license will be void.

M. J. Moran returned home on Tuesday after spending a few days at Minersville and its environs. He reports business pretty brisk, with a fine future in store for that enterprising town and its merchants, owing to the large coal depots now being opened there.

Joseph Birkbeck, Jr., will leave on Monday next for New York, where he will combine business with pleasure. He will be absent for about two weeks. During his absence the business at the brick hardware store will be attended to by his father, Mr. Thomas Birkbeck.

The Evangelist C. W. Rath, of Indianapolis, Indiana, will take part in the exercises at the Bethany Church of the Heavenly Recruit Association of Freeland, beginning March 5th and will continue until the close of a two weeks' term. He is represented to be a powerful speaker and one who captivates an audience at sight.

The committee in charge of the estedfod has been busy during the past week, and on Monday morning (St. David's Day) our town will be filled with strangers from different parts of the country—all or nearly all bent on friendly rivalry for the many prizes to be given. Our people here should make this a gala day, and one that Freeland should be proud of. On behalf of Freeland we bid all a hearty welcome.

Coming Festivities.

Grand Musical Estedfod at the opera house, March 2.

Grand ball of St. Patrick's Cornet Band at the opera house, March 30.

Gave Ball.

County Commissioner Harry Evans, for whose arrest a warrant was sworn out on Saturday last by J. G. Lantry, of Plymouth, on a charge of perjury, went on Tuesday before Alderman Parsons and gave bail in the sum of \$1,000 for his appearance at court. Attorney Halsey went his security.

Election of Officers.

At the regular meeting of St. Ann's T. A. B. Pioneer Corps the following officers were elected:

President—Frank McLaughlin.
Vice President—John Malloy.
Recording Secretary—James Carey.
Financial Secretary—Thomas Boyle.
Sentinel—John Gallagher.
Messenger—William Welsh.
Trustees—John B. Hanlon, John McCahill and James Quinn.

Will Observe Emmet's Day.

The Robert Emmet Social Club of Freeland will celebrate the birthday of Robert Emmet, March 4, by holding an entertainment in Yannes' Hall. Rev. F. P. McNally will speak on the life of Robert Emmet, Jno. D. Hayes, Esq., will speak on the life and labors of O'Connell and James F. Sweeney, of Drifton, will speak on the present condition of Ireland. The balance of the programme will be made up of singing and recitations.

An admission fee of fifteen cents will be charged. Doors will be open at 7.00 sharp and the entertainment will commence at 8 p. m.

Special Announcement.

We have made arrangements with Dr. B. J. Kendall, Co. publishers of "A Treatise on the Horse and his Diseases," which will enable all our subscribers to obtain a copy of that valuable work free by sending their address (enclosing a two-cent stamp for mailing same) to Dr. B. J. Kendall, Co., Essexburg Falls, Va. The book is now recognized as standard authority upon all diseases of the horse, as its phenomenal sale attests, over four million copies having been sold in the past ten years, a sale never before reached in any publication in the same period of time. We feel confident that our patrons will appreciate the work, and be glad to avail themselves of the opportunity of obtaining a valuable book.

It is necessary that you mention this paper in sending for the "Treatise." This offer will remain open only a short time.

The Votes Counted.

Thursday, February 24, being the day set apart for the counting of the votes for Poor Director and Poor Auditor of the Middle Coal Field Poor District, the return judges from Carbon and Luzerne portions of the district met at the Poor House, Lanrytown, and completed the count. The judge of the First District of Hazle Township (old Jeddo) did not appear, and as a consequence the vote of that district is not included in the total vote cast.

For Poor Director—A. M. Neumuller, 5,077; Thomas Clemens, 3,572. Neumuller's majority, 1,505.

For Poor Auditor—Joseph P. Saloman, 4,590; John J. McNeilis, 3,913. Saloman's majority over McNeilis, 677.

There was very little interest manifested in the count, it being merely a question of details, as the result was known days before.

The figures, as a whole, shows a far different result than what was given out a few days after election, from the fact that very few of the return judges sent their extra copy of returns to the clerk of the Carbon County Court, as the law requires.

The business of counting and certifying to the returns was carried on in a business like manner, and where discrepancies appeared showed a disposition to favor the credit where it was intended. A number of ballots in the Carbon portion of the district were cast for Thomas P. Clemens and others for John J. McNeilis, and were so returned, but an extra copy of returns to the clerk were intended for Clemens and McNeilis they were placed to their credit.

Directors Clemens, Miller and Monroe, together with Steward Wells, were present and made it pleasant for all who were in attendance, which, by the way, was small in number in comparison to former years.

An Engine Runs Away.

Tuesday morning a coal train on the C. R. R. of N. J., Drifton branch, under charge of Conductor Phillips, was going down the grade from No. 2 breaker at Drifton, the engine, as was his custom, ran the engine ahead of the train toward the "Y," but, owing to a heavy fog prevailing at the time, did not notice the train of loaded coal cars coming behind him, and thinking there was going to be a collision both he and the fireman jumped off. As they jumped the cars and engine came in contact with each other with such force that the lever of the engine was reversed, and before the engine or fireman could remount the cab she sped away towards Eckley, on to Council Ridge and down the heavy grade towards the Seale Siding. In the meantime Conductor Phillips hastened with all his speed to the R. R. office at Drifton, where operator James J. Sweeney telegraphed to Weighmaster Solomon at Seale Siding, advising him of what had occurred. Mr. Solomon turned a switch leading to a siding where a freight car full of furniture stood, and the engine in its mad flight came thundering along and struck the side of the freight car. The engine was badly wrecked. An investigation into the cause of the accident will be held, and the person responsible for it will no doubt be made to feel the weight of the company's ire. It was fortunate that Mr. Solomon got the switch turned in time or the consequences might be more serious had the engine gone onto the main line, where a passenger train was about due at Drifton junction.

NOTES FROM OTHER TOWNS.

A reduction in wages is to be made at Fisher's pipe foundry in Allentown. Inside men will be cut ten cents and outside men five cents per day.

Six hundred men and boys were given employment Monday by the resumption of work at the Reading Company's colliery, at Ashland.

Thos. Gibbons, aged 14 years, while crossing the tracks of the Delaware and Hudson Railroad at Seranton Friday evening last, was run over and killed by a passenger train.

Work was resumed Monday at the rolling mill and nail factory of the Braddock Iron Company, at Birdsboro. The building will be a reduction from \$3.75 to \$3.50 per ton.

A crusade against Sunday shaving was made in Pittston on Sunday last by the Journeymen Barbers' Association. The association is determined to break up the practice of Sunday shaving.

Thomas Cleary, a man employed as flagman on the Lehigh Valley Railroad in the neighborhood of Mud Run, was run over and killed by a fast freight train early Sunday morning.

It is reported that the miners in the Hazle district of the Clearfield region are preparing for a strike which, it is believed, will be begun on March 5, when a probation asked by the operators will expire.

A train on the Allegheny Valley Railroad ran into a landslide, near Franklin, on Saturday. The engine and eight cars were thrown down an embankment. Fireman William Tegert was killed and Engineer Day and Brakeman Martin were injured.

Michael Clair, aged 26 years, of Wilkes-Barre, was being hoisted up the Conyngham shaft with a rope around his body on Monday, and when about eighty feet up he fell from the rope. He fell on a platform at the bottom of the shaft and was dashed to pieces.

Several boys, among them John McCloskey, aged 16, and William P. Powell, aged 15, while walking across a railroad bridge near Chester on Sunday evening, were overtaken by a train. Some of them jumped from the tracks, but McCloskey and Powell were struck and killed.

Patrick Ryan, a lad about fifteen years of age, of Ashland, was badly wounded Saturday by the accidental discharge of a revolver which he and some companions were endeavoring to load. One of them, named Kallbach, had a narrow escape, the ball grazing his forehead and making an ugly wound.

Joseph Harkins, a miner employed in the sinking of the new Indian Ridge Colliery shaft, was on Saturday struck by a descending bucket and knocked from a plank on which he was standing. He fell a distance of fifty feet to the bottom of the shaft, but a body of water broke the force of the fall. He sustained internal injuries.

Miners' Bodies Recovered.

During the past week nearly all the bodies of the men who were imprisoned in the Jeannette mine by the recent catastrophe there have been taken out. A search was made of the mine on Wednesday last but only one body was recovered—that of Edward Gallagher. A party again went down the mine on Saturday and after searching about for some time in various places they came upon the body of Patrick Kelly. They next found James Ward and then Jake Misto and Samuel Porter.

The four men were found in separate places and each showed symptoms of how they had met their death. The body of Kelly was found on a higher elevation than either of the other three, a height which the water had not reached, and it was evident he had been overcome by gas. Ward and Misto were found in the former's breast and Porter was standing on his head in the breast where the water had broken through. Each of the bodies showed signs of drowning and were slightly decomposed.

Another searching party searched the mine on Sunday and four more dead bodies were recovered. They were Lawrence Reed, Harry Ball, Michael Smith and James Bullock. These were found in Reed's breast lying on a small platform. The foamy marks on the sides of the breast indicated the highest point the water had reached and left no doubt as to the fact that the men had been starved to death. Large pieces were eaten out of the faces of each of them and the supposition is they had been attacked by rats and mice.

Monday morning four more bodies were found, being those of Bernard McCloskey, James Griffiths, John Hoosan and John Thomas. These men were found in different parts of the gangway, and when they were brought to the surface it was thought that they had been dead for some time, as their bodies were in an advanced stage of decomposition. These also showed signs of drowning. All the bodies were interred shortly after being taken out of the mine.

The rescuing party of Monday continued their search with the hope of recovering the bodies of four Hungarians who were known to be yet in the mine. They proceeded to the breast of Joe Mautech but found the highest point so thick they could not get through. They commenced to brush out the bad air when suddenly one of the party heard a sound which did not seem to have come from the searchers. They ceased work and all the men gathered. One of the rescuers shouted and received an "hello" in return. Another exclaimed "who's there?" and the answer came, "Me, Joe Mautech." The work of brushing out the black damp was immediately pushed and the rescuers were soon able to go up the breast. They went up and at the cross heading found the four men all huddled together. They were John Tomaskusky, Joe Mautech, Basso Franko and John Berno; all four of them were taken down and given stimulants, but were too weak to be taken up the slope. Physicians were immediately sent for. Drs. D. W. Meers and J. W. Bowman were hastily summoned from Audenried and J. W. Cole, of the Lehigh Valley, with Rev. J. J. Cumiskey of Hazleton, were at once lowered into the mine. The men were then removed to the pump house at the bottom of the slope and placed on beds of straw, wrapped in blankets and cared for by the physicians. In the meantime the news was made known through the town and the excitement of the people cannot be described. That four men imprisoned in a mine, with no possible means of escape, could survive twenty days without food was beyond all expectations, and no one had hoped to see any of the seventeen men, who were caught in the terrible flood, alive again. As it is, however, it is to be recorded as the greatest mystery of the Anthracite coal fields. The men were hoisted up the shaft and a fine breakfast morning and taken to the Sons of Temperance Hall, where they are receiving the full attention of the physicians. All are gaining strength rapidly and will be able to be about in a few weeks.

A Successful Drama.

Peck & Fursman's strong company presented "On the Trail, or Daniel Boone" at the opera house Friday evening last and met with the approval of the large audience present. The play is a first-class production of life in unsettled districts in olden times and many startling events in the life of the daring Pioneer are portrayed in a realistic manner. A good amount of comedy is infused in the drama, and the audience was kept continually laughing. The company also comprises a first-class band and orchestra.

Weekly Coal Report.

The anthracite coal trade is in a state of stagnation, and there appears to be no immediate prospect of improvement. Reports from nearly all quarters are of a gloomy nature, and very little new demand, and low prices. Until recently the prices for anthracite to the local line and city trade were well maintained. Within the past week some of the individual Lehigh and Schuylkill operators have diverted their shipments of coal to Philadelphia and vicinity from New York harbor and other places, and the consequence has been a cut in prices to induce sales, but with little effect. The weekly output of anthracite continues in excess of the market requirements. This is chiefly due to the large tonnage produced by the corporations. Many of the individual operators have either shut down their collieries entirely or else they are working only a day or two at a time, when they can obtain sufficient orders for coal to do so. The Lehigh Valley Railroad reported to have embargoed all shipments of coal for two days each week, to prevent too much coal being forwarded from the mines.

The total amount of anthracite coal for coal to market for the week ending February 14, as reported by the several carrying companies, was 651,593 tons, compared with 464,619 tons in the corresponding week last year, an increase of 186,974 tons. The total amount of anthracite mined thus far in the year 1891 was 4,379,105 tons, compared with 3,395,948 tons for the same period last year, an increase of 984,057 tons.—Ledger.

An explosion occurred in the Spring Hill coal mines, Nova Scotia, Saturday afternoon, from some unknown cause, and 117 men and boys lost their lives. A number of others escaped with injuries. Nearly all the bodies have been recovered. Of the unfortunate 54 were married, 40 single and 23 boys.

FOR SALE.—A fresh cow and calf, Jersey bred. Will be sold cheap. For terms apply to EDWARD QUINN, Highland.

TWO LOTS FOR SALE, SITUATED ON Washington Street, Five Points, Freeland. For terms apply to PATRICK McANULTY, Eckley, Pa.

FOR SALE.—A property in South Heberton consisting of a lot 60x100 feet with a dwelling of six rooms and large store room thereon; will be a large barn and all necessary outbuildings. Will be sold on reasonable terms. Inquire at this office.

NOTICE.—The Auditors of Foster Township will meet at the hotel of James J. Malloy, in Five Points, on Monday, March 9, at 9 o'clock a. m. to audit the accounts of Foster Township. ALFRED WITTECK, Auditors. FRANK DEVER, Auditors.

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Call and examine my stock.

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Keep watching this for changes. Eggs went down this week. Try us for CASH.

Flour, Anchor.....\$2 85 per cwt
" Faultless..... 2 75 " "
" Rye..... 2 50 " "
" Graham..... 2 75 " "
" Buckwheat..... 75 " 25lb
Corn Meal, Gold Dust..... 2 1/2 " lb
Oat Meal..... 5 " "
Oat Flakes..... 5 " "
Farina..... 15 " pk.
Rolled Wheat..... 15 " "
Tapioca..... 10 " lb
Buckwheat Grits..... 10 " "
Wheat Grits..... 10 " "
Corn Chop..... 1 35
Mixed Chop..... 1 35
Whole Corn..... 1 35
Cracked..... 1 40
Rye Chop..... 1 50
Oats Chop..... 1 50
Screenings..... 1 50
Middlings..... 1 50
Hay, per 100lb..... 75
Straw, "..... 75
Straw, bundle..... 30
Granulated Sugar..... 7 1/4 14lb \$1
Standard A "..... 7 15lb \$1
" C "..... 6 10 14lb \$1
Rice, best..... 9 3lb 25c
Rice, broken..... 5 per lb
Barley..... 6 5lb 25c
Beans..... 10 per qt.
Peas..... 9 3qt. 25c
Lima Beans..... 8 4lb 25c
Valencia Raisins..... 12 1/2 per lb
Muscatels..... 15 " "
Seedless Raisins..... 20 " "
Dry Peaches..... 12 1/2 " "
Dry Apples..... 12 1/2 " "
Dry Pears..... 20 " "
Citron..... 25 " "
Lemon Peel..... 20 " "
Prunes, French..... 12 1/2 " "
Currants..... 9 3lb 25c
No. 1 Mince Meat..... 13 2lb 25c
Jelly, pail..... 1 50 1lb 6c
Jelly, 5lb jars..... 45
Jelly, small glass..... 10
Apple Butter..... 40 per jar
"..... 6 " lb
Lard, home made..... 11 " "
Hams, small..... 12 1/2 " "
" large..... 11 " "
California Hams..... 7 1/2 " "
Long Cut Shoulders..... 7 " "
Green Bacon..... 10 " "
Dry Beef, chipped..... 20 " "
Smoked Bacon..... 12 " "
Bologna..... 8 " "
Fresh Sausage..... 12 1/2 " "
Fresh Pork Loins..... 12 " "
Fresh Pudding..... 10 " "
Scraples..... 8 " "
Tripe..... 8 " "
Pigs Feet, sour..... 8 " "
Cheese..... 12 & 14 lb
Eggs, per doz..... 22; 5, 81
Saur Kraut..... 3 per lb
Tub Butter..... 25 " lb
Roll..... 28 " "
Baking Butter..... 15 " "
Codfish, Large..... 8 " "
Codfish, boneless..... 9 " "
Mackerel, No. 2..... 12 1/2 " "
" No. 1..... 16 " "
" 10lb tubs, No. 2..... 1 40
" " " " 1..... 1 75
Smoked Herring..... 25 per box
Hollander Herring..... 1 00 " keg
Russian Sardines, 1 keg..... 60; 2kgs \$1
Salmon..... 14 and 16c
Souced Mackerel, 3lbs..... 35
Sardines..... 5; 5 for 25
Canned Herring..... 15
" Oysters (Boyers)..... 20
" " small..... 25 for 2.

CANNED GOODS.
Tomatoes, Berner's Brand..... 10c per can
Canned Corn, good..... 10 " "
" " best..... 15 " "
" Peas..... 10 " "
" " best..... 12 1/2 " "
String Beans..... 10 " "
Canned Peaches..... 30 " "
" Peas..... 25 " "
Soup Beans, canned..... 25 " "
Gloss Starch..... 10; 3lb 25c
Corn Starch..... 10; 3lb 25c
Loose Starch..... 25 for 4lb
Hops..... 20 per lb
Stove Polish, Rising Sun..... 6
Stove Polish, Electric Paste..... 6
Coffee, loose..... 25 per lb
Coffee, prize..... 28 " "
Coffee, Rio..... 28 " "
Coffee, Java..... 32 " "

SOAPS.
Soap, 3lb bar..... 25c for 2.
Soap, 1lb bar, full weight..... 5; 22, \$1
Octagon Soap..... 5
Tom, Dick & Harry Toilet Soap, 3 bars..... 10

SALT.
200lb, coarse..... \$1 00
140lb, coarse..... 75
50lb, coarse..... 45
50lb, fine..... 50
5lb, fine..... 7
5lb, fine..... 4
1 peck of Salt..... 13
Washing Soda, 2lb..... 5
Gold Dust, 4lb package..... 22
Soap Powder, 4lb package..... 22
Sapoline..... 12
Ivory, spoon in..... 15
Soap, powder..... 10; 3lb, 25c
Lye Balls..... 9
Lye, Red Seal..... 12
Canned Lime..... 10

All Kinds of Cooking Extracts, Etc.

WOOD & WILLOWWARE
Buckets..... 16c
Baskets..... 10
Wash Tubs..... 75
Syrup No. 1, per qt..... 13; 50 a gal
Molasses, per qt..... 18, best.
Soda Biscuits, loose, by bbl..... 5 for 1b.
Coffee Cakes..... 10 per lb
Ginger..... 12 " "
Mixed..... 12 " "
Oyster Biscuits..... 25 for 3lb.
Egg Biscuits..... 20 per lb.
Ladies Fingers..... 20 " "
3000 rolls wall paper..... 10 " roll
2000 rolls wall paper..... 12 " roll
1000 rolls wall paper, gilt..... 16 and 18
500 rolls wall paper, gilt..... 20 per roll
500 rolls wall paper, gilt..... 25 " "
500 rolls wall paper, gilt..... 30, 35, 40.

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