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Should Harrison and Grover Cleveland be the opposition candidates for president this year it would be the third in the history of the government of a second race for the presidency between previous competitors. Thos. Jefferson and John Adams were the opposing candidates in 1796 and 1800, and Martin Van Buren and William Henry Harrison in 1836 and 1840. In both these cases the man beaten the first time was successful the second, and history will not go back on Grover.

Last week Deputy Factory Inspector Castler brought suit against the proprietor of a marble works at Danville for refusing to comply with the semi-monthly pay law, and the case is now in court. The employees were not afraid to ask for their rights, and they acted like men by going in a body and demanding what the law allows. If there were more men of this kind working in the Upper Lehigh and Sandy Run collieries the operators would be given an opportunity to explain their position in court.

The *Newsdealer* wants to know why we are "opposed to the nomination of so stalwart a Democrat as Hill in preference to one Cleveland, who is utterly selfish and not a Democrat of the people?" Simply because the former is a type of those politicians who stop at nothing which will further their personal ambitions. By this is meant all that the words imply. Cleveland is a man who expressed his honest convictions when that measure insured his defeat, but he would rather be right than be president. There is not a taint of selfishness in any act, word or deed of his whole public career, and we hope to see the *Newsdealer* working for his election and the adoption of the noble principles he advocates.

A determined and systematic effort is being made by Harrison's opponents to obtain Blaine's consent to be a candidate at Minneapolis, and many even go so far as to claim that the name of the secretary of state will be presented to the convention whether he consents or not. They count upon the magic of Blaine's name to stampede the delegates and believe that he will feel duty bound to accept the nomination when it is tendered to him unanimously. Such might have been the case a few months ago, but since several of the states have instructed their delegates positively for Harrison it is not the easy job it appears to be, and the people who are soured on the administration cannot defeat the instructed delegates are false to their trust.

The movement started nearly a year ago in Europe to have bishops appointed in the United States for the different nationalities which are represented in the Catholic Church has received its death-blow in a letter recently issued from Rome, stating that such a policy is both inexpedient and not in harmony with American institutions. Apart from its religious aspect the question is one that has an important bearing upon the welfare of this country, for to allow every separate nationality to have its own ecclesiastical superior would be an incentive and a direct method of forming nations within a nation, thereby lessening the opportunities and desires of foreigners to become thoroughly Americanized. The view taken by the vatican is worthy of commendation by every citizen, no matter of what denomination he is a member.

Although dog days have not yet arrived the editor of the *Coopersburg Sentinel* is tearing around through Lehigh County like a mad canine because the *Tribune* does not support the Reading deal. Here is a specimen paragraph of his unintelligible nonsense when writing upon our position. We print it as he does and will present a medal to any person who can comprehend what the rattle-brained scribbler means:

To the Reading Coal Combine it is to be insolent to give one line in favor of it. It is of no use the *Tribune* opens its "gaps" for the Reading Coal Combine is a good move and to it we would say "long live the Reading Coal Combine."

Of course we don't mind the abuse or any other part of his article. The *Tribune* will continue its opposition to the deal until the highest court in the country says the combination is legal. Our refusal to offer homage to their master throws the coterie of P. & R. curs into convulsions, but a little of McLeod's "puff" ought to soothe their wounded feelings.

BRIEF ITEMS.

The opera house, *Record* office, Lyceum building and Dr. Llewellyn's office at Lansford were destroyed by fire on Saturday. Loss about \$30,000.

Twelve young men had skin grafted from their arms and transplanted to the injured leg of Wm. Kimmel, of Treskow, at the Hazleton Hospital on Sunday.

Joseph Nicholas, a sixteen-year-old boy, fell eighty feet from the top of No. 3 breaker, at Latimer, on Friday. He was instantly killed, almost every bone in his body being broken.

While angling along Mill Creek, near Miners Mills, on Sunday, a fisherman was surprised to see the stream suddenly disappear and an immense cavern take its place. He has sworn off Sunday fishing.

Thirty-five men are at work placing Mountain Park in shape for the opening, which takes place on Saturday with a picnic from Pileto. Then beginning on Monday the park is booked solidly for fifty-five consecutive days.

The Welsh Baptist conference closed at Parsons on Monday. Rev. E. Edwards, of Milneville, and Rev. W. T. Davis, of Scranton, were elected as delegates to the Centennial of Missions, to be held in Philadelphia, this week.

The *Weatherly Herald* says that since the P. & R. deal most of the towns on the Lehigh Valley have been boycotting Philadelphia and its papers on account of the stand they take in regard to the deal and New York papers have been in great demand.

Pat Burke and Pat Park appeared in the ring at Plains on Sunday morning to fight to a finish. Four rounds were fought and both men were horribly punished. Before the last round had been finished Rev. Father Phillips, who heard of the mill, sent a messenger and stopped all proceedings.

Samuel Hershetsz, a peddler, went to a Hungarian colony near Shamokin on Monday afternoon to sell goods. He entered a house where John Zerbine resided. Zerbine forced the peddler into the cellar, exclaiming "I have sworn to kill all Jews," and seizing a hatchet split open Hershetsz's skull.

At Sunbury the arbitrators in the case of the farmers along the Shamokin Creek against the Reading and Pennsylvania Companies, handed down awards in ten cases. For years the coal dirt from the mines has been washed on the lands. Ten cases were prosecuted, and, after taking testimony for three years, damages ranging from \$500 to \$4000 are awarded.

PERSONALITIES.

Mrs. French Collins and daughter, and Mrs. Stroh Smithers, of Mauch Chunk, are visiting old friends in town.

Wm. Evans, of Birvanton, attended the conference of the Welsh Baptist Church at Parsons on Saturday.

A. A. Barthmaier, representing the well-known firm of Oesterle & Co., dealers in church and society goods, made a business trip through the county this week.

John J. Gallagher, who has been a few days in Philadelphia, returned home on Tuesday.

Mrs. Daniel Kline is spending the week with relatives in Monroe County.

Miss Mamie Vorsteg, of Baltimore, Md., is visiting her brother and family on West Main Street.

Ex-Mayor McCuen, Arthur Frothingham and L. B. Gernon, of Scranton, were among the visitors in town yesterday.

Rev. L. Novemsky, of Allegheny County, formerly pastor of the Hungarian Lutheran Church, was a visitor here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Ferry, of Shenandoah, are spending the week in town.

James McGinley, of Easton, is visiting at the residence of his sister, Mrs. D. Ferry, of Main Street.

Mrs. James K. Boyle is spending the week with friends in New York City.

UPPER LEHIGH NOTES.

Nothing has occurred here yet in the way of compelling the company to obey the semi-monthly pay law, and all left to the men of this place. The condition of work here is not of the very best at the present time, as this place is in what may be called the last stages of a once prosperous town. The prospects are that before many years the men who have lived here for nearly a score of years will have to seek a home elsewhere. With about three men for the one job it may be plainly seen that the chances of enforcing the semi-monthly pay law are not the very best.

It is rumored here that the members of the game club will be apt to get themselves into trouble on account of the manner in which they poisoned decoys for foxes, weasels and other wild animals which destroy the game. Last week two more valuable dogs were found poisoned. The owners are looking the matter up and if it can be traced to the game club they will be prosecuted. Can the members of the game club enlighten the public on this subject?

Mrs. Catharine Kennedy, an old and respected lady, died at the house of her son-in-law, P. W. Amon, in No. 3, on Tuesday night. The funeral will be held on Friday at 2.30 o'clock.

An extensive cave-in took place at No. 4 last week within a few yards of the breaker. Work was suspended for two days on account of it.

Base ball here is slack, because the boys seem to be divided. Boys, this is foolish. Come together, settle your differences and boom the game. You can do it.

The activity displayed around the breaker this week by the bosses in trying to beat former records of hoisting coal has brought the average hoisting up to nearly 600 cars a day.

A large number of people from here went over to Freeland on Tuesday morning to the scene of the fire.

One of our young men who had been thinking of going to the Western States has abandoned the idea. Letters that came from Colorado and Montana caused the change.

BASE BALL.

The Tigers, of Freeland, and the Fearnots, of Drifton, played at Drifton Park on Sunday afternoon before a large audience. As it was the first game for both clubs this season the need of practice was noticeable, but this made it none the less interesting. The Tigers were handicapped by the absence of Brislin, their pitcher, but were confident of winning until the Fearnots got down to work. Then the Fearnots played gracefully, surrendered the honors of the day with a score of 8 to 4. The batteries were Dever and Gaffney for the Tigers, and Boner and Boyle for the Fearnots.

The Reading Club has been secured as the attraction for next Sunday. The base ball people of the region are familiar with the record of this strong team and a repetition of the hard-fought game of last year may be looked for. Reading made the pluckiest stand against Freeland of any club that played here, and will try to carry back with them to Berks County the honors they lost in 1891. Game at 2 o'clock.

The base ball writer of the *Lehighton* called Anderson "the red-headed left-hander" who threw for Cape May and played afterwards with the Phillies and Lebanon. Tommy says he never was at Cape May, never saw the Phillies or Lebanon and is neither red-headed or left-handed. The party the *Advocate* referred to is not in the business this season.

The A. C. S. N., one of Philadelphia's strongest clubs, booked for two games at Catasauqua on Memorial Day.

The Never Sweats, of Eckley, would like to hear from the Tigers.

Reading defeated two strong clubs yesterday—Catasauqua, 15 to 8, and Phoenixville, 7 to 0. Freeland will have to get down to work to meet them on Sunday.

The State League season opened on Monday. Rejermel and O'Hara, of the Harrisburgs, are holding their own in the game.

The much-advertised Anthracite League has gone up in wind.

Lehighton does intend to be in the swim this season and a permanent association has been organized. The following players will compose the team: Reichard, p; Christian, c; Conard, 1b; Chambers, 2b; Koch, ss; Scypes, 3b; Yenser, lf; Mantz, cf; Shaffer, rf; Brinkman, substitute. No outside talent will be signed.

Reading on Sunday afternoon.

ECKLEY DOINGS.

Rev. Thos. Brehony, while engaged in reading mass in the church on Sunday, was suddenly taken ill, and was compelled to stop the services. He is still sick, but it is hoped he will speedily recover.

Patrick Gallagher was at Wilkes-Barre on Monday on a business trip.

Frank McGoarty and Condy Quinn, of Freeland, were circling among the fair sex in town on Sunday.

There are three boys in town to whom May desires to give a bit of advice, that is to remain at home after sundown, and not be walking railroad ties and assisting three young, nervous girls across the D. & S. bridge, as they were seen doing on Sunday evening.

Walter Fernau, Harry Shelhammer and John James are developing into expert cyclists.

Edward Gallagher, who has been very ill during the past week, is recovering.

Patrick McDermott, a miner at No. 10, received a severe gash on the head by a fall of coal on Monday.

Mary Nagle, of South Heberton, is visiting here.

There are several girls in this town who are inveterate candy fiends and can be found every day chewing sweetmeats of various kinds. As it is only natural that they will persist in their cravings for this article when there is the least chance of their desires being satisfied, we would advise the young fellows upon whose purses the girls have a constant demand, to go into the candy business unless they decide to call a halt upon the continual requests for "soothing syrup." MAY.

DRIFTON ITEMS.

At present we are working four days a week and not earning enough to keep us the other three. This is about the condition of things here, and notwithstanding all that has been said in favor of the Reading deal, it, and it alone is responsible for this state of affairs, and if there is not something done soon by Governor Pattison and Attorney General Hensel they will have their name about on the same level as this infamous deal.

The abutments for the large bridge across the locie track going to No. 1 are nearly finished. When this is completed and the track laid it will greatly simplify the present method of handling cars around the breaker.

The new locie house that has been built in the place of the one that was burned sometime ago, is completed.

Mrs. Thomas Williams, of Mahanoy City, is visiting at house of William E. Davis.

Michael Marley, who has been sick for the past week, is slowly recovering.

The teachers of the school at No. 2 will finish their term this week. Presents will be distributed among the most worthy of the pupils.

Stanley Shaffer, a lad about five years of age, and his brother found a duelin cap which they thought had been exploded. They began experimenting with it and the result is that Stanley is sniffling from a very sore hand.

The young men of this place who take such delight in cock-fighting better be careful, or they may have the pleasure of running to Freeland behind Selwell's sulky like the Hun did from Stockton.

The manager of a base ball club that goes under the ferocious name of Tigers, came here on Sunday with the intention of shutting out the Fearnots of this place. Their name seems to have lost all its fierceness, anyhow it failed to scare the Fearnots. At the end of the game the score was 8 to 4 in favor of the Fearnots and a more subdued and crestfallen lot of Tigers would have been hard to find anywhere when the Fearnots were through with them.

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JOB PRINTING OF ALL KINDS DONE AT THE TRIBUNE OFFICE.

An Effort to Bribe Journalists.

Evidently John Russell Young was not appointed for ornament. Mr. McLeod has earned the praise of all the New York journalists through the courtesies he extended by giving them a trip to Gettysburg and we are presented with the peculiar spectacle of that gruff and despotic railroad man, M. F. Bonzano, the man who oriented that all sideboards be torn down from the faces of conductors, giving a special engine to carry copy to Harrisburg that a freak of the editors might be fulfilled.

As members of the profession we sincerely hope that the men who received the passes will not stop pitching into the "deal." It might spoil a season of dead-head traveling if they do. But there is a moral in this nice treatment of New York editors that the great public would do well to watch and profit by, and that is that there is only one effectual way to deal with a great question, and that is to hammer it as persistently as you can, flatter it, but you bother it and bother it a corporation means the loss of money and money is its life.

The Reading has never been a liberal corporation in any sense. Like a good many newspapers it couldn't afford to be liberal, but just now it has a special reason to be liberal, and John Russell Young, who is one of the most polite of lobbyists, realizes that now is the time for a little liberality. Every cloud has its silver lining and out of the darkness of the Reading deal may come a glorious era of prosperity for the editor.

But like all golden eras, it will be short. Once they succumb to the magic of the pass their good time ends. Bonzano will be himself again. Passes will have to be begged for and will be marked "account charity" by some gruff, well-fed autocrat of a depot yard or a dozen clerks.

McLeod may be a pleasant fellow, and so may John Russell, but the public side of a great question must not be spoken of in the same breath as the pass, nor must the pleasure excursion blind the writers or the public to the evil of the monopoly which is greater now than when it first took our breath away.

Consistency is a jewel that ought to be worth more than a pass and until the Reading company comes out and shows that it has not violated the constitution, that it is not a law breaker no newspaper can afford to become its advocate.—*Hazleton Sentinel.*

On Secret Societies.

The following article, taken from the *Catholic Citizen*, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, is published by request.

The Third Plenary Council of Baltimore, held in the year 1884, contains a long chapter on "Secret Societies," which received the approbation and commendation of the ecclesiastical authorities at Rome, and constitutes to-day the law binding every Catholic in the United States. The council declares that forbidden societies are of two kinds—those forbidden by name, and those forbidden implicitly, i. e., falling within the range of general condemnations. It says that the societies condemned by name are only two, the Freemasons and the Carbonari. It says that the societies that are condemned implicitly are all those whose members take an oath of blind obedience, i. e., to do what ever is commanded them whether it be right or wrong, and which forbids the making known the purposes of the society to legitimate ecclesiastical authority. However, in order to

prevent confusion or diversity of discipline in the church in the United States, the council provided that the application of these principles to any one society in particular did not belong to the province of any single priest, bishop, or archbishop of the United States, nor to any collection even of bishops, but to a committee composed of all the archbishops of the United States; and, in order further to prevent the possibility of scandal in this matter, it provides that no direct application of these principles should be made to any one determined society without the unanimous vote of all the members of the commission. This was approved by Rome, and the decree is found under No. 255 of the acts and decrees of the Third Plenary Council of Baltimore. The words are as follows:

"Moreover, to prevent the possibility of a confusion of discipline by the toleration in one diocese of a society which same society is condemned in another, and to the consequent scandal of the faithful and detriment of ecclesiastical authority, we desire that no society be condemned by name as falling under one of the classes indicated before the Ordinary has referred the case to the commission which we now constitute for deciding such cases, and which shall consist of all the archbishops of these provinces. But if the society should not seem to all to be one to be condemned, recourse must be had to the Holy See in order that a sure decision may be had and discipline be preserved uniform in our provinces.

Since the time of the council this commission of archbishops holds a meeting every year to take into consideration what ever points of church discipline the past year has presented as most demanding attention. In the year 1890 they assembled in Boston and took into consideration the condition of societies in the United States that were under no formal condemnation, and passed the following resolution:

"The Freemasons excepted, the Societies most prevalent in America, such as the Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Sons of Temperance, etc., are not formally condemned by the church; many of these societies may be, and very likely are, from their position and tendencies, more or less dangerous to Catholics, and it were better by far that the Catholics had no part in them. Catholics should be discouraged from joining them; however, when Catholics do belong to them, the question of leaving them or remaining in them must be decided by the conscience of each individual. So far as the societies are now known to the archbishops there seems to be no absolute certainty of any positive wrong in them, and consequently no general mandate can be issued forbidding them; moreover, we must be prepared, it was said, to leave as much latitude as we well can to individual Catholics, as severe restrictions imposed upon them, where no absolute necessity of so doing exists, would only irritate them and do harm."

The next meeting of the archbishops was held at St. Louis, on the occasion of the Jubilee of Archbishop Kenrick. The question of societies was again placed under consideration, and the archbishops resolved to stand by the decree of the council of Baltimore and by the resolution taken in their meeting held at Boston the year previous. A correction was, however, introduced in that resolution, where it is said:

"The question of leaving societies or remaining in them must be decided by the conscience of each individual" the words should have been: "By the conscience of each individual under the direction of his confessor."

After further discussion the resolution was passed, that the rules of the Third Plenary Council regarding societies be adhered to, the resolution of the Boston conference to be explained as not having altered these rules. This is the law of the church in the United States in force at this moment concerning the condemnation of societies and the attitude of Catholics toward them.

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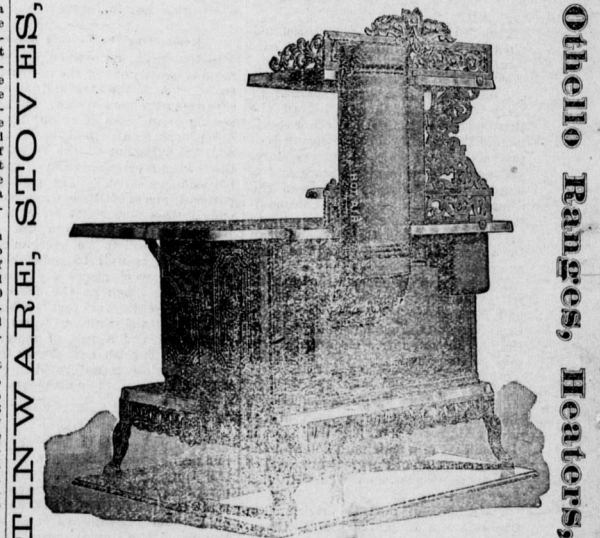


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