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LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE OF INTEREST TO OUR READERS.

An Independent Candidate in Foster Explains His Position.—Driftton, Jeddo, Upper Lehigh and Eckley Reporters Give the News of Their Towns.

Special and regular correspondence from the surrounding towns is solicited by the TRIBUNE. All writers will please send their names to this office with communications intended for publication, in order that the editor may know from whom the correspondence comes.

A POLITICAL CARD.

HIGHLAND, Feb. 2, 1893.
EDITOR TRIBUNE.—At the close of the Democratic convention held in Woodside schoolhouse I announced myself as an independent candidate for the office of tax collector for Foster township. Since that time it has been proclaimed that I have withdrawn from the field. I wish to say here to my friends that such is not the case. I am still under the impression that I am justified in my action.

According to the laws that were to govern the Democratic convention I was justly entitled to the nomination, and no reason can be assigned whereby I was overruled.

If a citizen must be a trickster and belong to rings not specified in the rules of the Democratic party the sooner he shows his Democratic principles the better it will be for all concerned. I trust you will give space to this card, so that my numerous friends will be able to see I am just where they placed me and I will remain in the field until the votes are counted on February 21.

PATRICK J. GALLAGHER.

DRIFTTON ITEMS.

Three more Pennsylvania Railroad engines arrived here on Wednesday. They are receiving a general overhauling in the shops and it is expected to have them doing service on the D. S. & S. sometime this week. It is said two more new ones are being built at the Baldwin works and will be here shortly. The people who viewed this line as a local one on a large scale now begin to see that it is a bona-fide railroad and one of the best equipped in the country at that.

While a number of young boys were coasting here yesterday one of them, Frank O'Donnell, a son of Patrick O'Donnell, met with a very serious accident. When coming around a short curve he was unable to guide his sled, owing to the ice, and it dashed against a fence with terrific force. Frank was thrown against the railing, and it is stated his collar-bone was broken by the collision.

There is some difficulty experienced in trying to keep the collieries moving ever day. Coal is standing in cars along the line of the D. S. & S. in large quantities, but to the credit of the managers, they are using all their motive power to the best advantage to keep things running.

Mrs. John H. O'Donnell is lying very ill at her home here and her recovery is in doubt.

The shops are now working ten hours per day.

A slight wreck occurred on the D. S. & S. at the bridge near Stockton on Thursday night by cars jumping the track.

Coasting is very good on the streets here for several days past and the small boy is having great amusement.

James McGinley removed from here to the vicinity of Wilkes-Barre on Friday.

Michael O'Donnell removed his family on Saturday to Jeddo, where he has secured employment.

Charles Raudenbush, who was employed as clerk in the general office, has resigned.

John O'Donnell, the Democratic candidate for supervisor of Hazle township, is receiving much encouragement from all parts, and his chances of being elected are very good.

M. C. J. O'Donnell, of Silver Brook, one of our former residents, is the Republican candidate for township clerk of Kline township, Schuylkill county.

Edward Collins, of Buffalo, is here on a visit to his brother John.

Rodger O'Donnell left this morning for Villanova college, where he will go through a course of studies.

Several of our residents attended a play in Hazleton on Saturday night. The idea of coming home on a special train (a freight) is not to be commended.

Quite a number of young men from here intend going to Audenried this evening to attend a benefit ball in Hosack hall.

Miss Ella Weldon made a visit to her home at Silver Brook yesterday.

The tramp scare has reached here with great force. Almost every person seen here is not known as a resident and is said to be "looking for something," or is considered a tramp. Why the tramp is looked upon as a person who is capable of committing any deed, we cannot say, but we do know if our residents would look nearer home they might find bigger scamps.

ECKLEY CLIPPINGS.

P. J. Tolan, who had been sojourning with friends here for a few days, left for his home in Wilkes-Barre on Thursday.

Mrs. John Sweeney, who had been suffering with cramps for the past week, is able to be around again.

George Denny has accepted a position at Hazle Brook.

Whether the groundhog came out of his hole or not on Thursday we don't know.

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BURNED BY GAS.

Eight Men Injured by an Explosion in Conynghan Shaft, Wilkes-Barre.

A serious explosion occurred in the Conynghan mine of the Delaware & Hudson Canal Company at Wilkes-Barre, and eight miners were severely burned, three fatally. The men are: Patrick Meehan, aged 39, married, three children, badly burned on face and body; will die.
Thomas Keenan, aged 23, single, fatally burned on face and breast; will die.
John Morgan Parsons, aged 40, married, four children, burned on head and breast; will die.

Thomas Donnelly, aged 40, married, five children, burned on face, arms and breast; may die.
William Johnson, age 32, married, two children, burned on face, arms and legs.
Michael Ramsey, 50 years, slightly burned.
Samuel Fasset, aged 46, slightly burned.
Edward Ward, aged 22, single, slightly burned.

The explosion occurred without a moment's warning, and doors, props and timbers were blown down and shattered, while heavy falls of rock and coal followed the shock.
The explosion was followed by a heavy black damp, but fortunately a party was organized who managed to get into the unfortunates, who were the most injured, with stretchers and carried them out to the bottom of the shaft to safety.

The cause of the explosion is most mysterious. One of the least injured of the men tells the story of his experience. He said: "There were eight of us working in the gangway when we noticed the air was getting weak. The current at the place is strong and we were so surprised by the change that we gathered in together to discuss it. It was thought the fan had stopped for a moment or two and we waited for it to resume work. In a minute or two the flames of the lamps began to gather gas, and before we could blow them out the explosion occurred."

The damage to the mine is very great, as fifteen doors were demolished as well as several trips of cars and numerous props. The company officials are making a thorough investigation, and it is expected that William Thomas and Evan Evans, fire bosses, and Thomas Stonan, inside superintendent, will be arrested.

What a Newspaper Does.

An exchange asks: Did you ever think of it? Suppose every business man in town took as much interest in upholding of the place as the newspaper man. He works for railroads, manufacturers, school, churches, good streets, better roads and a hundred and one other things for the general good. He urges, pleads, scolds, hedges and cavorts around generally until he gets what he sets out for.

Imagine his feelings, then, when some fellow reproaches him because he does not boom things enough and nine times out of ten that same fellow has never paid a cent toward supporting the paper, and the paper he reads with marked regularity is either borrowed from his next-door neighbor or picked up from the counter in the store at which he trades.

Juryman Drawn.

The following citizens of this part have been drawn to serve as jurors:

April 3—Daniel Dougherty, Butler; Thomas Williams, Jacob Berry, Foster; Wm. Scofield, Hazle.

May 6—Robert Boyle, Jeddo; Augustus Schultz, Parker Price, Foster; H. W. Scheidt, Butler.

March 13—Thomas McNeilis, W. P. Avenue, Hazle; George McGee, H. B. Price, Foster; Reuben Flickinger, Butler.

April 25—Wm. E. Williams, Wm. F. Hayes, Foster; Frank Thomas, Hazle.

May 1—James J. Mowley, Foster; D. M. Evans, Samuel Davis, Lawrence Farley, Hazle.

April 17—Wm. Jenkins, G. A. Smith, Foster; Reuben Benninger, Butler; Geo. Davis, Charles Haas, Hazle.

A Japanese Supper.

The members of the International Order of the Kings' Daughters will give a Japanese supper, to raise the necessary funds to open a night school and reading room for miners, mechanics and apprentices. Kind friends will render vocal and instrumental music. Two evenings at the Freeland opera house, Thursday and Friday evenings, February 9 and 10, 1893. Tickets, 25 cents.

Borough School Report.

The fifth month of the borough school shows:
Enrollment 246
Average attendance 178
Per cent. attendance 79
The following pupils were regular in attendance during the month:
Lynnie Eastwood, Mamie Lindsay, Mary A. Lloyd, Lily Williams, Freddy Koons, James H. Lindsay, Wm. Ashman, M. D. Boczkowski, Minnie Daubert, Mary A. Powell, Annie Sachs, Lizzie Sachs, Annie Shanno, Henrietta Troell, Jennie Vanhorn, Harry Vanhorn, Joseph Vanduski, Andrew McCallih, John Lindsay, Walter Davis, Sarah Bell, Annie Vanduski, Agnes Gallagher, Maggie McGarvey, Gertie Keck, John Powell, John Goepfert, Frank McLaughlin, James McLaughlin, Edwin Hawk, Willie Brizinski, Charles Zeman, Annie Ward, Emily Bohlin, Mamie Brislin, Rachel Eastwood, Willie Davis, Alfonso Boczkowski, Charles Bell, John Boczkowski, John Bell, George Zeman.

H. L. Edmunds, Suse Gallagher, Teachers.
Tillie Lindsay, Lulu Schmidt.

The report of the second month of Freeland borough night school is:
Enrollment 48
Enrollment for second month 26
Average attendance 16
Average attendance for second month 8
Per cent. attendance 87
Per cent. attendance for second month 88

H. L. Edmunds, teacher.

AGAINST A NEW COUNTY.

ANY SCHEME TO DIVIDE LUZERNE SHOULD BE RESISTED.

The White Haven "Journal" and Shickshinny "Democrat" Speak Out Against the Plans of Hazleton Office Seekers, Politicians and Land Speculators.

The "Hazle county" boomers have commenced firing off their guns for the purpose of dividing old Luzerne, and are already preparing to bombard the legislature when the bill for that scheme comes up for discussion. The little coterie of political dead-heads who are engineering the plot expect to reap great benefit if their work is successful. Offices are to be parcelled out nicely among the little gang—some of whom who would not receive scarcely a dozen votes in a Luzerne convention, and every body whom they imagine is opposed to the new county is to be fixed with the promise of a fat berth when "we get our courthouse."

These dear little schemers, who have always refused to see or listen to anything outside the limits of their city, are liable to bump against a protest before long. There are a number of people in the territory that is to be included in "Hazle county" who do not live in Hazleton and they intend to have their say in the matter. There are many who do not want office, neither have they land around Hazleton to sell, and they are not going to assist anyone to saddle a high tax rate and a large debt upon the township and boroughs of the region in order that a so-called "city" may be boomed.

One of the Hazleton newspapers, in an article on this subject on Saturday, said their convictions are backed by the hopes of nine-tenths of the people of the territory that will come in under the name of Hazle county. That is like a Hazletonian every time. They pull a string and expect nine-tenths of the people to dance. While waiting for them to dance just ponder over this from the White Haven Journal:

The new county scheme has been revived by the introduction of bills in the senate and in the house having for their purpose the creation of the new county of Hazle out of portions of Schuylkill and Luzerne. Though the people of this vicinity were assured that Kline's candidacy was not in the interest of the new county, yet it now appears that they were deceived, for our senator's chief purpose appears to be the division of our county, and the forcing of White Haven, Denison and Foster into the new county, where they do not want to go. If the new county had been a pronounced issue at the last election, Kline would not have received a vote in the districts named, and it behooves his friends to redeem the pledges they made to the people at that time.

The "Journal" has frequently stated that after diligent inquiry it has failed to find a single individual in the borough of White Haven, the township of Denison, and the East district of Foster township, who favors the project of the Hazleton land schemers and office seekers, and that the people within these districts are unanimously opposed to the new county.

They desire to remain in old Luzerne with its low taxes and good government, and decidedly object to being forced into the proposed Hazle county, with its exorbitant taxes and insecure government incident to the creation of a new county. We are opposed to paying tribute to Hazleton's boomers, with whom we have neither sympathy, nor business relations, nor even the least friendly ties to bind us to them, nor will we knowingly aid them when to do so will result to our great disadvantage.

Our representative in the lower house, T. M. Moyles, should see to it that the new county bill does not pass, or that White Haven borough, Denison, Wright and Fairview townships be eliminated from the bill, as they are all within his district. Foster township is also opposed to the measure, but is not included in his legislative district. And his efforts in behalf of his constituents should be earnestly supported by the representatives of the first, second, third and fifth districts of the county.

That this end of the county is not alone in its opposition to the Hazleton schemers is evident from the feeling in the western townships, near the Susquehanna, and is well expressed by the Shickshinny Democrat as follows:
The Wilkes-Barre Record has come out flat-footed in favor of the new county and the arguments it presents in favor of the same are unworthy the utterance of a school boy. If the Record wants to know how the new county scheme strikes the majority of the taxpayers and those directly interested let its editor take a trip through Danes, Slocum, Conynghan, Hollenback and Nescopeck, and if the property owners in the farming districts don't catch him to change his tune you may rest assured the editor of the Record is getting rich quick. No sir, the people don't want the county divided.

PLEASURE CALENDAR.

February 11—Ball for the benefit of St. Kasper's congregation, at Freeland opera house. Admission, 50 cents.

February 14—Variety entertainment under the auspices of St. Patrick's cornet band, at Freeland opera house. Admission, 25 cents.

February 25—Entertainment at P. O. S. of A. band and World's Fair Monster Minstrels, at Freeland opera house. Admission, 25 and 35 cents.

CHURCH OPENED.

Bethel Baptist Church Completed and Formally Opened.

A large audience attended the opening of Bethel Baptist church, corner of Ridge and Walnut streets, on Saturday evening. Rev. Arthur Hague, of Plymouth, preached a very able sermon from Acts 8:35, 36, 37, 38, which was followed by a beautiful hymn, sang by his son, Dr. Conrad, of Philadelphia, and Rev. W. B. Grow, of Carbondale, took a prominent part in the services, at the close of which the pastor, Rev. C. A. Spaulding, baptized three candidates.

At 10:30 o'clock yesterday morning Dr. Conrad preached an excellent sermon from John 12:32, and over \$1000 was subscribed to pay off the debt that yet remains on the church and fixtures. Rev. Spaulding spoke in a feeling manner of the kindness and assistance that the members of other denominations had displayed towards him and his congregation, and thanked them and the business men of town for their cheerful manner in which they responded to every appeal made for the church.

At 2:30 in the afternoon Rev. Grow delivered a touching sermon from Gal. 11, 20, and the large number of people present were deeply impressed with the minister's words.

Commencing tonight services will be held at 7 o'clock each evening during this week by Rev. Grow and Rev. Spaulding, and the pastor extends a cordial invitation to all people to attend and take part. At 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon services will be held especially for adults.

During the day the pastor and the members of the congregation were complimented highly by the numerous visitors who had come to view the church. The edifice has been erected and furnished at a cost of about \$5000, and the small debt yet remaining will be soon cleared, as the congregation is one of the most earnest and hard-working bodies in town.

An Electric Clock.

After continual study for nearly three years, R. E. Meyers, of Freeland, completed an electric clock which is another valuable addition to the scientific world. It is simplicity itself when compared with the clocks now in use, and what will make it still more valuable, it has no complicated mechanism to get out of order.

The battery may be placed in the most convenient place, and as there are no weights or springs, when the electric current is turned on it will start and run for a year without it being necessary to make any adjustment.

Mr. Meyers tested it last week with his regulator and is fully satisfied that by an ingenious device he has invented it will be next to impossible for it to vary in time. It will be on exhibition.

Mine Inspector's Report.

Mine Inspector John M. Lewis, of this district, has completed his report for the year of 1892, and it shows that there were 56 fatal accidents. In the mines 47 were killed, in the strippings 6 and in the Jeddo tunnel 3. There are 24 widows and 36 orphans owing to the deaths. The causes of the accidents are divided as follows: Falls of coal, 26; by cars inside and outside, 16; blasts and explosions, 6; falls of clay and coal at strippings, 3; by machinery, 3; falling down slope, 1; smothered in breaker pocket, 1; total, 56.

The nationality of the victims was: Hungarians, 19; Polish, 9; American, 8; Italian, 6; Irish, 5; English, 4; Welsh, 2; Austrian, 2; German, 1; total, 56.

What Will Cigarettes Do Then?

The bill introduced in the legislature to prohibit cigarette smoking in this state has passed second reading in the house, and provides as follows:
"On and after January 1, 1894, it shall be unlawful to sell or offer for sale, or expose for sale, or cause to be sold or manufactured in the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, cigarettes containing tobacco."

"Any person violating the provisions of this act shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of committing a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not more than \$1000 and imprisoned for not more than one year, either or both."

Coal Over the Central.

In a few days negotiations will be completed between the Pennsylvania Railroad and the Central Company which will result in the former company turning over to the latter a large amount of coal tonnage throughout the Wyoming region, which originates on the line of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

A great part of this coal heretofore had been turned over to the Lehigh Valley and the remainder was hauled by a circuitous route over the Pennsylvania's own lines. It is said this step is taken only to make the haul shorter, and is not done in any way to antagonize the Reading.

K. G. E. Demonstration.

The knights and commanderies of the Knights of the Golden Eagle of Pennsylvania are actively preparing for the demonstration in honor of the granite castle. The event will occur at Lancaster, May 9, and promises to eclipse all former parades of this organization. The city will be profusely decorated, and the local committee will offer numerous prizes to be competed for by the castles and also the crack commanderies of the military branch.

Jail Officials Appointed.

The county commissioners and prison commissioners have made the following appointments for the county jail: Warden, C. C. Jones; deputy warden, Charles Ritterspangh; matron, Mrs. Ellen Jones, mother of the warden; second assistant warden, M. J. Gibbons; night watchman, Thomas Evans and John Fallon; prison physician, Dr. Kirwan. All are Democrats.

BRIEF ITEMS OF NEWS.

PARAGRAPHS GATHERED FROM ALL PARTS OF THE REGION.

Little Ones of Interest About People You Know and Things You Wish to Hear About—What the Folks of This and Other Towns Are Doing.

Wm. E. Watkins and family will remove to Hazleton on April 1.

The regular monthly meeting of the borough council will be held this evening.

The Masons of Hazleton expect to build a temple in that city in a short while.

Swiss and limburger cheese at Oswald's. It is the genuine imported article.

Gillespie's orchestra will furnish music for a ball at Hosack Hall, Audenried, this evening.

B. F. Davis sells the renowned Washburn brand of flour. It excels every thing in the market. Try it.

A meeting of District Camp No. 4, P. O. S. of A., will be held at the hall of Camp 147 on Friday evening.

Coxe Bros. & Co. will build twenty dwelling houses at Roan Junction to accommodate D. S. & S. employees.

Ernest Lunwig, who enlisted in the United States navy at Brooklyn a few months ago, has returned home.

Dan McCarthy, in "Cruiskeen Lawn," will be at Hazleton tonight. A special train will return to Freeland after the show.

A Hungarian dwelling house at Lattimer was destroyed by fire on Saturday, and the eighteen boarders lost all they owned.

Rev. Hicks, the weather prophet, says the month of February will be colder than usual, especially from the 8th to the 17th.

An exchange says the electric road here will connect with Eckley, Jeddo, Drifton, Hazleton and all the suburbs of Freeland.

Charles Steiner, of Stockton, and Miss Marie Walp, of South Heberton, were married by Squire C. A. Johnson on Thursday.

Every mother should have Arnica & Oil Liniment always in the house in case of accident from burns, scalds or bruises. Sold by Dr. Schlicher.

Miss Gerda Olsho, graduate of the Richmond, Va., Musical Conservatory, will give instructions on piano or organ. Terms, popular. Apply 79 Centre street.

The coal monument prepared for exhibition at the World's fair by the Lehigh Valley Company has been completed at Shamokin and is now awaiting shipment.

The storekeeper who does not advertise, says an exchange, keeps ice on his pavement in order that pedestrians may fall in front of his store and so learn his whereabouts.

Although politics in the borough and township are quiet at present, the indications are that the coming election will be one of the hottest yet held in Freeland and Foster.

Rev. H. M. Lingle, of Auburn, Pa., has been appointed pastor of the Heavenly Recruit church to succeed Rev. Charles Brown, who left today on his tour of missionary work.

The Catholic societies of the region are preparing for the annual St. Patrick's Day parade on March 17. This year's demonstration will be the largest and finest ever held here on that date.

Charles Voigt, assistant cashier of the Wilkes-Barre Savings Bank, who pleaded guilty to the embezzlement of \$4000 of the bank's money, was on Saturday sentenced to fifteen months at hard labor in the county prison.

The rate of wages to be paid the miners employed by the Reading Company for the latter half of January and the first half of February was on Thursday fixed at the average of \$2.64 6-10, a rate 5 per cent. above the \$2.50 basis.

Hazleton wants a night as well as a day telegraph service. White Haven has had both for years, and yet it doesn't want to tax the life blood out of the people in the surrounding towns and township in order to be made a county seat.—Journal.

How often we hear middle-aged people say regarding their reliable old cough remedy, N. H. Down's Elixir: "Why, my mother gave it to me when I was a child, and I use it in my family; it always cures." It is always guaranteed to cure or money refunded. Sold by Dr. Schlicher.

FOR SALE.—A horse, truck wagon and set of harness, also one heavy and one light horse. Apply to John J. Gallagher, Five Points, Freeland.

NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that the auditors of Freeland borough will meet on Tuesday evening, February 7, 1893, at the office of Philip Gertz, at 7 p. m.

NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given by the auditors of Foster township that Saturday, February 11, 1893, will be the last day for filing certificates of nomination, and Tuesday, February 14, 1893, will be the last day for filing nomination papers. By order of auditors.

ELECTION NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that at the election to be held at the time of Tuesday, February 18, 1893, being the 21st day of the month, the following officers of the middle coal field district are to be elected, to wit:

One person for director, to serve three years, from April 1, 1893, whose residence must be in that portion of the district known as the Luzerne portion of the district.

One person for poor auditor, to serve three years from April 1, 1893, whose residence must be in that portion of the district known as the Weatherly or middle district.

A. S. Monroe, }
C. M. Neuman, } Directors.
Samuel Harleman, }

Great Closing Out Sale of Winter Goods.

Overcoats at Half Price.

Men's Chinchilla Ulsters, \$3.90; former price, \$8.00.

Men's good strong pantaloons, 79 cts; former price, \$1.50.

A few men's suits left at 3.90; former price, \$6.00.

Good heavy merino shirts and drawers, 31 cents each; former price, 50 cents.

Red flannel shirts and drawers, 79 cents each; former price, \$1.00.

Fine camel hair shirts, 69 cents; former price, \$1.00.

All-wool overshirts, 49 cts; former price, 75 cents.

Canton flannel shirts and drawers, 24 cents; former price, 50 cents.

Boys' woolen mitts, 21 cents per pair; former price 35 cents.

Same Reduction on all Winter Goods.

Fine Tailoring Our Specialty.

Suits to order, \$13.00 up.

Pants to order, \$4.00 up.

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