

PICKED UP BY THE WAY.

THINGS SEEN AND HEARD IN THE TOWN AND VICINITY.

Matters of a Local Nature Commented Upon and Placed Before the Readers of the "Tribune" in Large Letters—Some Paragraphs May Interest You.

The increased attendance at the opera house each evening during the three nights the Boston Opera Company played here should be proof enough to induce some of our local capitalists to get the idea into their heads that an opera house in Freeland would be a paying investment. I mean, of course, a real opera house, one in which the average kind of a play can be properly presented and in which the audience will feel more comfortable and see more of the players than can be done in the present building. To remodel the structure at Front and Washington streets and bring it up to the requirements of Freeland would necessitate the outlay of a very large amount of money by Mr. Yannes. It is not probable that this will be done, although I understand he intends making a change in the seating arrangements of the house. Every little helps and the opera chairs ought to give better satisfaction than the straight-back boards, but the inclined floor, enlarged stage, remodeled gallery and other changes proposed last spring have been postponed until some time in the dim future.

Manager Welsh informs me that he has a number of very fine attractions booked for the season of 1893-94, and he proposes to bring here the very best talent on the road, or rather as much of the very best as will condescend to honor the town with a visit. It is no easy matter to get good companies here, unless the advance agent or some of the players have been here some previous season. Managers usually look up the population statistics of a town when asked to play, and, of course, Freeland naturally makes a profound impression upon them when they see it credited with 1,730 inhabitants. This is the borough's population, according to the census of 1890, but the fact that the borough has less than one-third of the people of the town within its limits is not known to the managers and consequently they give Freeland credit for about 2,000 people when it has almost 6,000, to say nothing of the surroundings. However, Manager Welsh is booking some very good drawing cards and is doing what he can to avoid being caught by any of the "snide" shows that are after him for dates.

A walk through some parts of the town might convince the board of health that everybody is not obeying as obediently as they can, the recent ordinance passed by the council. The violations are not many, neither are they of such a character as to be termed dangerous, yet the time may come when a too flagrant violation might be reported and an effort to enforce the provisions of the ordinance would be met with the question, "Why not make everybody live up to it?" I do not anticipate any trouble in the matter, and mention it only because the board of health, after doing such good work as it has this summer, ought not lay itself open to any charge, however small, of neglecting to enforce impartially every section of the health ordinance.

The Hazle Brook Hungarian who is living at the county's expense up in Wilkes-Barre since Monday for the part he took in the carving affair last Sunday was one of the coolest fellows I have ever met. The placing of him under arrest did not disturb his serenity in the least, and without a tremor he told a little knot of Hungarians how the trouble began and how he did up his victim, who was then lying for death in the room above where he was speaking. About the only thing that did give him any anxiety was the length of time it would take the authorities to acquit him. He had not the least doubt but that he will go scot free, and his claim of self-defense is said to be a strong one. When arrested he had \$151 in his pockets, and intended to return to Europe next day. He was a cousin of the man he stabbed.

On Sunday I strolled into the

ball park while the Tiger-Shepton game was going on and I noticed that several changes have taken place since the days when the Freeland club was the undisputed amateur champion of the coal fields. It is not two years since this town had more than a state reputation through its ball club, and the excellent contests that were played here gave Freeland more advertising than everything else combined. But what a change is to be seen now? The enthusiastic public which greeted the players and games of other seasons was entirely in the background on Sunday, the local cranks were seated here and there along the shady side of the fence and their countenances denoted general displeasure. Displeased they are—not at the boys who are keeping alive the sport, for without them the town would forget all about the national game—but because of the great opportunities that are allowed to pass by to bring fine clubs here and to have a semi-professional team that would be a credit to the community.

When the average lover of base ball looks backward and commences to trace the causes that led the downfall of our club his indignation cannot be easily expressed in words. The causes, which began with the first season of the Sweeney & Moore club, are so numerous and of such a character that it would require a book to hold them, and a book upon the same subject would make mighty interesting reading. Broadly speaking, it was a case of mismanagement in the financial department of the Freeland Association, but to resurrect the past will not benefit the future, so about the only thing to be done is to profit by the experience of former days and commence over anew.

This can be done in several ways and without any extraordinary amount of trouble. It is not possible to have a team of home players able to compete with clubs from the leagues or nine in that class, and it is useless to attempt to revive the game and attract the attention of the public unless first-class ball is played. By importing two or three good men and judiciously selecting the best of the local players, Freeland can have a team which I believe will make base ball go with all the vim and enthusiasm displayed in the days gone by. The town and vicinity has some real good ball tossers and under the direction of proper persons can make base ball as hot as it ever was here.

In scanning the matter over closely I find two ball parks, Freeland and Drifton, in the immediate vicinity of town that seem going to loss for the want of management. In Drifton two gentlemen, Messrs. Daniel Cox and Daniel Gallagher, who have shown much ability as base ball managers. Now what would be the matter with these two and perhaps a few others of Drifton coming together with some of the Freeland people, make a consolidation and run both parks under one management, the players to be chosen from both towns and a few from outside to strengthen them? If these gentlemen can be induced to come together I feel sure that Messrs. Cox and Gallagher, with the assistance of a few from Freeland, could get the game on its feet in a short while and make it go on a gallop before the season is out. The game would then be run on a business basis, and as soon as that is done base ball will come into public favor again and receive the patronage the people are willing to give it.

SAUNTERER.

PLEASURE CALENDAR.

- July 29—Excursion of Owena Council, No. 47, Degree of Pocohontas, to Glen Onoko. Fare: Adults, 80 cents; children, 50 cents.
- August 5—First annual picnic of the Shamrock Drum Corps, at Eckley Grove.
- August 5—Excursion of Freeland Citizens' Hose Company, to Oneida park, via D. S. & S. Fare: Adults, 50 cents; children, 25 cents.
- August 15—Picnic of the Garibaldi Benevolent Society, at Freeland Public Park.
- August 19—Picnic of the Fearnotts Athletic Association, at Drifton park.

COUGHING LEADS TO CONSUMPTION.
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A BRAIDED BALL OF SNAKES.

A Story that Recalls and Almost Exceeds the Secaucus Classic.

From the town of Montville, some six miles south of Norwich, Conn., comes a strange snake story as far above the average New Jersey or Kentucky legend as the eagle of the empyrean is above the waddling duck of the barnyard. According to the latest account of the Montville marvel Mr. Henry Dolbear and Mr. Frank Baker of that place "went to the extreme end of Henry's house lot" to clean an old well, which is described as a "deep, dry one." Some rubbish had been thrown out and the workers removed a couple of broad boards, when, in the language of the voracious correspondent, "the bottom of the well rose up, heaving and billowing beneath their feet."

Furthermore it is stated that as they "hopped about with trembling legs on their serpentine perch" they soon discovered that "there had struck a sort of a solid stratum of well snakes, deep, convoluted, and imbricated, a great round ball, as big as a school globe, of liberrant reptiles." Even as they gazed "the sphere of slim snake strands, which had been wound into a hard mass like a ball of wrapping twine in criss-cross fashion during the winter, had instantly burst into multitudinous and nimble consciousness and activity under the tread of the farmers' cowhide boots; then it began to unravel itself, and scores of serpent tails and red-forked jaws detached themselves from the mass and shot upward, twining themselves about the men's legs and slapping them viciously."

Clearly in such a case the heroic Montvillians had but one course of action. If the snakes had been weak, sickly things perhaps they might have been left undisturbed; but as they were "well snakes," and as they averaged five feet in length, some being seven feet long and as thick as a man's—perhaps an ossified man's—forearm, both Mr. Dolbear and Mr. Baker seem to have entered upon the task of turning the rescues out in good Jacksonian fashion. In a brief space of time, eight minutes by a stop watch, "the attacking column of serpents, the first onset of which was like the roar of a mad river advancing from subterranean regions, had dribbled away to a mere rivulet of reptiles, and the men as speedily disposed of the rivulet." By arithmetical computation it was discovered that one hundred and fourteen reptiles had been made to bite the dust.

The two men who are credited with the slaughter seem to have escaped without any injury except a slight strain of the arms, resulting from the energy displayed in the work of extermination.

The thrilling experience of Mr. Dolbear and Mr. Baker almost deserves to rank with that of Mr. Cornelius Vanderhook, of Secaucus, N. J. While we cannot vouch for the truth of Mr. Vanderhook's statements, it is only fair to note that the latter claims to have killed the more snakes. It is claimed that the New Jersey episode took place just after an election in Bergen county, and it is just possible that liquor was used in that contest, but on the day on which Mr. Vanderhook set out to mow the marshes near his domicile he was probably as dry as the Montville well. Mr. Vanderhook began his task in a listless fashion, but soon became conscious that the scythe was meeting with great resistance.

Upon looking more closely around him, he was astonished to see that the whole meadow was literally a loathsome field of snakes, which were so close together as to hide the grass absolutely from view. Their repulsive heads, alive with awful fury and malignant anger, swayed and trembled in waves of Medusa-like motion as grass before the wind. A thousand hissing-chilled Mr. Vanderhook's blood to colic-rous serum for the moment, but with a frenzy born of desperation he began striking madly on every side with the mad recklessness of a descendant of the Berserkers. He also used a scythe. After forty-three and one-half seconds had elapsed he had disposed of one hundred and seventeen serpents, making a record which will stand as the best, in spite of the excellent performance of the Montvillians.

In three and one-half minutes he had covered nearly half an acre, but was compelled to pause for a brief space because the dying snakes in their agony had so twisted themselves around each other and around his heavy boots that he was powerless to drag the contorted mass, which measured some nineteen feet across and nearly one and-half feet deep, any further. However, he solved the difficulty by stepping out of his boots and continuing the fight in stocking feet. Soon afterward the blade of his scythe broke off against a stone, and he was compelled to finish his task with merely the handle. After the last snake had been killed he counted one thousand one hundred and sixty-two and one-half snakes, the body of half a snake having wriggled away out of sight.—Boston Advertiser.

How to Clean Bottles.

Water bottles, decanters, vinegar and oil bottles often become discolored and require careful treatment. Nearly always the stains could be removed if cloth and soap and water could be applied to the inside of the bottle with the same ease that they can be to the outside. Yet one can get a very satisfactory control of the inside of these vessels by using a bent wire and a long strip of soft linen. Take a piece of an old table-cloth, about an inch and a half wide and half a yard long. Partially fill the bottle with strong suds. Wet the cloth, and soap all of it except one end. Hold this soaped end in the left hand, and put the other end in the bottle, pressing in with the wire all the cloth save the small piece held in the left hand. Now use the wire to carry the cloth about the inside of the bottle, rubbing until it is clean. Draw out the cloth and rinse with clean water. Wipe the outside and then turn the bottle upside down to drain.—Ladies' Home Journal.

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The Cuban Giants play at Hazleton tomorrow. The game commences at 3.30 o'clock.

Hazleton will play at Lansford on Saturday.

Mahanoy City scored 3 runs against 1 for Hazleton in a six-inning game yesterday.

Jeanesville plays tomorrow at Ashland, on Friday at Pottsville and at home with Pitston on Saturday.

D. S. & S. BASE BALL.

The office clerks defeated the car runners at Laurel Hill grounds Saturday afternoon in a hotly contested game. Both teams played very good, the score being tied three times. The clerks won, 18 to 12.

Hincer made a very good umpire, not one of his decisions were questioned.

Chas. Frye is an excellent coacher, but Charles must not run into the diamond and coach.

Barager's home run with three men on bases was a prominent feature of the game.

Dipple pitched a good game.

A return game will be played next Saturday afternoon when both teams will be strengthened and a good game can be expected.

Albert Ockrider has been appointed manager of the office team and is now open for dates with any railroad office team in the county.

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Church Services.

The members of St. Paul's P. M. church, Fern street, will hold services at 10.30 a. m. and 7 p. m. on Sunday. Rev. Weightman, of Allentown, will officiate.

An open air service will be held in the Freeland Public park at 2 p. m., at which Rev. W. F. Nichols, of Hazleton, will preach. The public are cordially invited to attend each service.

FIRE-SIDE FRAGMENTS.

—Fried Bananas.—Pare and slice in halves. Roll in flour thoroughly. Place in a pan in which a generous bit of butter has melted. Brown on both sides. Serve as soon as done.—House-keeper.

—Drawn Butter.—Boil half a pint of milk, and stir into it as much wheat flour mixed with cold milk as will thicken it. Take it off the fire and beat in gradually three ounces of butter. Add a little salt.—Boston Budget.

—Creamed Beef.—Scrape perfectly lean beef to pulp, mince, put in a pan with salt, pepper, one tablespoonful of water, two tablespoonfuls of rich cream, butter the size of an egg. Cook two minutes, stirring constantly. Add one tablespoonful of cracker dust, one teaspoonful of made mustard.—Good House-keeping.

—Mayonnaise Dressing.—Put the yolks of two eggs in a deep dish, with a little salt and white pepper; into this stir briskly some pure olive oil, which must be added very gradually, and alternated every little while with a few spoonfuls of vinegar. This dressing should have an agreeable flavor and a rather stiff consistency.—Home.

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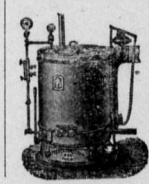
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