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HIGHLAND DOTS.

The flag station on the Lehigh Valley Railroad between here and Freeland was broken open early Wednesday morning by bursting the shutters open. As there was nothing of value kept in the building the thieves did not get anything for their labor. The station is used by the flagman, Francis Gillespie, of Freeland.

Patrick Ferry has accepted the agency of a well-known installment house of New York city, and has resigned his position in the mines in order to give the business his undivided attention. "Taylor" is a hustler, and we wish him success.

Memorial Day was not observed at this place. No. 1 colliery began work but was obliged to shut down at 9 a. m. No. 2 worked as usual.

James Boyle has changed his residence from No. 2 to No. 1.

Mrs. Bannigan, of Norristown, was here last week visiting. She will move her family here in the near future.

James Slusser, of Freeland, moved his family to this place on Monday.

About thirty houses which were vacant for nearly a year, not one is empty at present.

Mrs. Clark, mother of our townsman, Patrick Clark, returned to her home at Archbold on Saturday.

Mrs. John Pettit is today attending the funeral of her father, Robert Cowan, who died at Oakdale on Tuesday.

Mrs. O'Donnell will remove to Freeland next week.

A new stripping was commenced on Tuesday at the Sandy Run crossing. It will follow the road for nearly 300 yards and there will be work for a large number of men during the summer. The surface which is being removed will be used to fill up the old stripping.

UPPER LEHIGH NOTES.

The water in the mines here is still very high and troublesome. There are five pumps under water yet, but as several more have been put in to relieve them there are good hopes of the drowned ones being recovered. The collieries resumed work on Monday and the prospect for steady work is very bright for several months at least.

It is rumored that a pigeon match has been tied between Wm. Brehm, of town, and William Sipple, of Silver Brook.

Harry B. Price and family are visiting at Johnston, Pa.

Thomas Terry, a former resident, made a trip from Wilburton, to visit friends here last week.

The Juvenile base ball club of town was defeated in a game with the Actors at Birvanton yesterday by a score of 23 to 14.

The people of this place were out in true patriotic style to assist in celebrating Memorial Day at Freeland.

Several of our young people attended the "Old Homestead" at Hazleton last evening. They say it was good.

The Mayberry band visited this place to participate in the memorial services of the G. A. R. yesterday. It is an unusual sight to see a band parade the streets here, and the fine music the visitors played was much appreciated by our residents. Come again boys, you will be always welcome.

SAD SCENE AT FREELAND CEMETERY.

Freeland, May 31, 1893.
EDITOR **TRIBUNE**.—Yesterday the writer noticed a little girl carefully and tenderly placing a pot of beautiful flowers upon the grave of her dead mother. No sooner had her task been performed than a lady, the owner of the lot, approached and removed the flowers from the grave and then removed them from the lot. The little girl, with a face showing the most bitter grief, remarked, "Oh! they are taking the flowers from mama's grave. What shall I do?" The child's grief was the most heartrending scene the writer ever experienced.

The little girl's dead mother was a sister to the party who removed the flowers, and it appears, through petty spite she bears the father, she thus wronged not only the little child but the memory of her dead sister.

This exhibition of spite but shows the

brutality and the nature of the prime spark in human kindness would thus wrong a little child—certainly no one who has any part of a Christian's feeling, or who has any hope of eternal life could be guilty of such an act.

The guilty one as well as the child live at Sandy Run, and the probabilities are that trouble may ensue before the thing is ended.

We wish that such exhibitions of savagery will never be seen again in our beautiful cemetery.

Three Miners Burned.

There was a terrible explosion of gas at the Mount Lookout colliery, Wyoming, this county, on Tuesday afternoon, in which three men were horribly burned. Their names are: William Morgan, rock man; William Mitchell, rock man; and Thomas Protheroe, door tender. The men were engaged at driving a rock tunnel, and had retired to the north of the tunnel to wait until the smoke of a blast which they had fired would go out. It was about ten minutes after the blast had gone off and while the men were eating their lunches from their pails that they heard an explosion. The burning gas and rushing air passed over them, throwing them about the floor and passed on to the foot of the shaft.

Rescuing parties were organized and found the three men unconscious and terribly burned about the head, face, shoulders and arms. They were sent to their homes in ambulances. A survey of the mine showed that all the doors and brattices in that portion of the mine were wrecked. Officials of the company who examined the scene of the accident an hour later said they could only account for the explosion on the theory that the blast must have opened and set fire to a "blower," this in turn setting off a body of hanging gas.

Luzerne's Prohibition Ticket.

The prohibitionists met on Tuesday in county convention at Wilkes-Barre and nominated the following to run for county offices: Winifred Perego, of Lake, prothonotary; Frank M. Seely, of Hazleton, clerk of the courts; William Armstrong, of Wilkes-Barre, jury commissioner; W. H. Evans, of Plains, congressman.

The following delegates were elected to the state convention: Noah Pettibone, John G. Ward, Rev. Thos. Furey, Walter Simms, Nathan Evans, W. B. Bertles, H. W. Evans, E. J. Lance, E. D. Nichols, C. H. Cool, J. E. Marcy, Joseph Vanloo, Adam Hise, Dr. A. Kropf and Frank Argust.

Meeting of Poor Directors.

The directors of the middle coal field poor district met in regular session at Lowrytown on Monday. After the transaction of routine business, Architect Davies submitted plans for the new hospital building. The directors, with Hon. Eckley B. Cox, who was present, examined them carefully, and after making several important alterations, adopted the same, and will shortly advertise for bids.

Hon. Eckley B. Cox was so delighted with the plans that he increased his subscription toward the fund from \$1,000 to \$2,000. Everything is in first-class condition.

Tried to Kill the Foreman.

Two Italian laborers approached Thomas O'Brien, outside foreman of the Ravine mine at Pittston, on Monday afternoon, and demanded their wages. O'Brien told them to go to the company's office for what was due them. The Italians thereupon drew revolvers from their pockets and began to shoot at O'Brien.

The latter ran into a shanty nearby, returning the fire as he ran. One of the men was fatally shot. O'Brien escaped uninjured.

Crushed by a Mine Cage.

On Tuesday morning Michael Barret, a foot tender in the Maltby mine, near Wilkes-Barre, was caught under the descending shaft cage and crushed so terribly that he died within an hour after being taken to his father's home in an ambulance. He was attempting to spring the latch and slipped, fell across the sump, the heavy cage catching him across the chest, crushing him so that his ribs were all broken.

Says He Holds Office Illegally.

District Attorney Garman has petitioned the court to call before it Thomas Cassidy, oil inspector for the district. Mr. Garman claims that Cassidy holds office illegally, as the act of assembly provides there shall be no oil inspector excepting in districts where burning or lubricating oil is manufactured. Write as prayed for was issued by the court.

Deeds Recorded.

Cross Creek Coal Company to Mrs. Mary McHugh, property in Freeland, for \$400.

Cheapest carpets in town, McDonald's.

CHURCH TROUBLES ENDED.

Peaceful Settlement to Be Made by St. Kasimer's Congregation.

The trouble among the congregation of St. Kasimer's Polish church is settled, and according to the terms of an agreement effected last night there will be no further rioting. The Poles have agreed to remain away from the church and not interfere with Rev. Maszotas until the church authorities give a decision. They are to have services in St. John's Slavish church in the meantime, under Rev. Lidgay.

Thirty or forty suits and counter suits had been commenced, and all of those charged with rioting had been placed under \$2,000 bail. These will be withdrawn today, and the prospects are very favorable for some settlement of the difficulty that will be peaceful and satisfactory to the whole congregation.

Shooting Match a Tie.

The shooting match here on Tuesday afternoon between Patrick Herron, of Milnesville, and M. E. Fritzing, of town, for \$200 a side, resulted in a tie—each man shooting seven and missing four birds. A large crowd of sporting people from all parts of the region was present, and quite a lot of money was wagered during the contest. The fore-part of the contest was very favorable to Herron, but Fritzing steadily gained on him, and tied him on the ninth bird. Each killed his tenth and missed the eleventh. The score was as follows:

Herron . . . 1111010101010—7
Fritzing . . . 001110111110—7

The stakes have not yet been drawn, and the probabilities are that they will be increased and a new match arranged.

Picnic Next Saturday Evening.

The picnic of the Tigers Athletic Club opened at the Public park yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, and was making good strides toward being successful until 6 o'clock, when a drizzling rain set in. The second floor of the opera house was then engaged, and dancing was resumed there. Although quite a large hall it was unable to accommodate the people who wished to assist the club and enjoy themselves.

In order that all may have a chance to attend, the picnic will be resumed at 6 p. m. on Saturday at the Public park. In case of rain the opera house ballroom will be used that evening.

Memorial Day.

The weather yesterday was not of the kind to make Memorial Day exercises a success, still the programme arranged for Freeland was carried out in full despite the dreariness of the day. The parade, though not quite so large as in former years, was arranged in good form and made a nice appearance. The exercises at Birkbeck's grove were attended by a large crowd, and the remarks of Hon. E. B. Cox, the chairman, and the address of Chas. Orion Stroh, Esq., were highly praised by all who had the pleasure of hearing them.

Sudden Death at Oakdale.

Robert Cowan, of Oakdale, died suddenly at his home on Monday evening. Mr. Cowan came from work, and after eating his supper and doing some writing, went to bed and shortly afterwards was found dead. He was a resident of Oakdale for many years, and was highly respected by his acquaintances. The deceased was aged 61 years, 2 months and 16 days. Funeral takes place today at 12.30. Services will be held in the Jeddo Methodist church. Interment at Vine street cemetery, Hazleton.

The Pioneer Ball.

The opera house was comfortably filled on Tuesday evening, the date of the Pioneer ball, and the affair was one of the best of its kind that has been held here for some time. The grand march was led by Master of Ceremonies Anthony McNeelis, of Jeddo, and Miss Madge Boner, of Drifton, and was executed in a pretty manner.

The ball was a success, both socially and financially, and the committee extends the thanks of the society to all who assisted in making it such.

In a Burning Car.

An electric car of the Carbondale Traction Company, while crowded with passengers, was found to be on fire on Monday. The alarm was given and the passengers commenced to alight. When about half were off a flame burst through the floor of the car, filling the car with smoke and causing a panic. In the rush that followed several passengers were badly burned, but none fatally.

The secretary of the Elkhardt Carriage and Harness Mfg. Co., of Elkhardt, Ind., informs us that their prices will be lower for 1894 than ever. He wishes us to ask our readers not to purchase anything in the line of carriages, wagons, bicycles or harness until they have sent 4 cents in stamps to pay postage on their 112 page catalogue. We advise the readers of this paper to remember his suggestion.

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McDonald sells 6c dress gingham.

Paid Duty on His Bride.

A very interesting case was settled by Alderman Donohue, of Wilkes-Barre, on Monday night, the prosecutor being a Hungarian who wanted the duty on a bride imported by him, from another Hun who had won her heart and hand. John Undo, who came to this county some time ago, left Mary Nico in the old county. When he had a little money saved up, Mary's aunt, Mrs. Koboski, was interviewed about the state of affairs of the old country, bring Mary over and get married. She agreed to pay part of the expense.

Mary was sent for and she came in due time. There was a large time at Mrs. Koboski's on the night of Mary's arrival. Undo was the happiest man on earth. That night, however, Undo brought his friend, Mike Kolloro, to see the bride and he fell in love with her at first sight, and it was soon seen that she thought more of Mike than of John.

Several weeks passed and one night Mike and Mary were quietly married, much to the grief and disappointment of Undo, who had especially imported her to become his wife. Undo then argued that if Mike married the girl he ought to pay the \$60 expenses that were incurred by Mary's importation.

Mike declined to listen to the demand, but Squire Donohue told him that as long as the bride had been imported he would have to pay a duty on her, as she was classed in the tariff bill, and that she ought certainly be worth \$60, and cheap at that. Mike agreed to pay the money and that settled the matter.

State Convention at Latrobe.

The state convention of A. O. H., Board of Erin, was held last week at Latrobe, Westmoreland county. Rev. Father Graver, of Latrobe, opened the convention with a short address, in which he commended the Irish people for their loyalty to the stars and stripes, applauded their purpose for the establishment of home rule for Ireland and expressed confidence in the good results that will come from a unity of the Boards of Erin and of America.

There were 225 delegates present, and the proceedings were in harmony with the national convention, and it is expected that unity will be speedily accomplished.

T. A. Bradley, of Lilly, Cambria county, was elected state delegate, Joseph McLaughlin, of Philadelphia, state secretary, and James Laffin, of McDonald, Westmoreland county, state treasurer.

There has been great advancement made in the membership of the order throughout the state during the past year, and the increase was 1,500.

The state convention of the Board of America will open at Pittsburg on June 12. Division 19, of Freeland, will be represented by its president, James P. McNeelis.

Fred Boyle Sent to Jail.

Fred Boyle, of Honey Brook, ex-tax-collector of Kline township, was on Monday sentenced to fourteen months imprisonment by Judge Bechtel at Pottsville. Boyle pleaded guilty to the charge of embezzling \$1,972, while acting as collector of taxes in 1890, at the January term. He was given time to restore the money, but having failed to do this, was called for sentence on Monday.

Having been a defaulter to the school, county and township, there were separate indictments, to each of which he pleaded guilty. Besides imprisonment, Boyle was directed to pay costs, a fine of \$5 in each case and restore the money taken. His bondsmen, John Arnold, John Daniels, A. D. Guinter, Stanislaus Anilinski and W. M. Bachert, will have to make up the deficiency, less the exonerations.

Incarcerated at Work in Hazleton.

Fires broke out simultaneously in the residences of Bernard Knoth and Fred Engert, of Hazleton, early Monday morning. A prompt response of the fire department saved the buildings and Cooper's lumber yard, which adjoins. Upon investigation evidence of the incendiary hand was discovered in both places. The woodwork of the buildings had been saturated with kerosene. Had the object been successful, a most disastrous conflagration would have resulted, as frame buildings compose the tenements surrounding the place.

Courts Crowded with Work.

Schuylkill county's civil trials this term will be the heaviest for years. Cases have been accumulating very rapidly on the civil docket, and it has become necessary to call in assistance from neighboring counties. When court opened on Monday, in addition to Schuylkill's two judges, Judges Edwin Albright, of Allentown, and G. A. Endlich, of Reading, occupied seats upon the bench.

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BRIEF ITEMS OF NEWS.

PARAGRAPHS GATHERED FROM ALL PARTS OF THE REGION.

Synopsis of Local and Miscellaneous Occurrences That Can Be Read Quickly. What the Folks of This and Other Towns Are Doing.

The picnic of the Tigers Athletic Club will be continued at the Public park on Saturday evening.

Luzerne county will receive \$204,963.02 as its share of the state appropriation of \$5,500,000 for school purposes.

The Republican county committee will meet at Wilkes-Barre on Wednesday next and decide upon a date for the county convention.

The Shamrock Drum Corps of Eckley, whose picnic on the 19th inst. was prevented by rain, will hold the picnic on June 30 at Eckley grove.

James Moran, for many years a resident of Freeland and Jeddo, died on Saturday at the Lowrytown almshouse. He was 65 years old.—*Sentinel*.

Services next Sunday in the P. M. church at 10.30 a. m., Sunday school at 2.30 p. m. and evening services at 6.30. Preaching morning and evening by Rev. S. Cooper.

Col. M. J. Keck, of Wilkes-Barre, has resigned his position as colonel of the Ninth regiment. Dissatisfaction among the members of the regiment caused his resignation.

Rev. William Thomas will preach in the Welsh Baptist church on Fern street on Sunday at 2 o'clock in Welsh and at 6 o'clock p. m. in English.—Sunday school at 10.30 a. m.

County Superintendent Harrison will hold an examination for all who wish to apply for teachers' certificates at Freeland on Monday, June 25, for Freeland, Jeddo, Foster and West Hazleton.

The anthracite coal sales agents met in New York city on Tuesday and advanced the price of broken and egg 15 cents a ton and of stove and chestnut 25 cents a ton for the eastern trade. For the western trade all sizes were advanced 25 cents per ton. The production for June was fixed at 2,700,000 tons.

WORTHLESS COAL.

Expensive Delay to a Big Ocean Steamship.

NEW YORK, May 29.—The big Wilson line steamship Francisco, which hauled out from Prentice's store, Brooklyn, on Saturday, bound for Hull, is here still, by Saturday afternoon. She has a large quantity of cattle on board besides a heavy cargo. Her detention is one of the results of the great coal strike, for when the engineers tried to get up steam it was found that the coal supplied was of so poor a quality that it would hardly burn. Notice was sent to the agents and empty coal barges were moored alongside the steamer to unload the bunkers into. The ship's time is probably worth \$500 a day, and the incidental expenses and losses will have to be made good by the firm supplying the coal. The merchandise may have been shipped for delivery at a certain date and this would entail still further loss. It is quite evident that if the strike in the coal regions continues much longer, steamship agents will be sorely tried to find the right kind of coal for their vessels.

Triple Hanging in Prospect.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 29.—The decision of the supreme court at Washington sustaining the decision of the United States circuit court in the case of Thomas St. Clair, probably means a triple hanging in California. St. Clair's appeal was a test case for three convicts, who had been sentenced to death. They are the sailors who murdered Mate Fitzgerald of the bark Hesper, on the high seas. They had plotted to kill all the officers of the Hesper and to cruise the southern seas as pirates. The decision also means liberty to nine of the Hesper's sailors, who for fifteen months have been imprisoned on Alcatraz island, a United States penal station in San Francisco bay. They were held as witnesses pending a decision in St. Clair's case.

Maher Defeats Godfrey.

BOSTON, May 29.—The contest between George Godfrey, the colored boxer of this city, and Peter Maher, the Irish boxer, demonstrated that the colored man has passed his prime as a boxer, and that he is no match for the younger men. He made a game fight, however, and there were many present who really believed he stood a chance of winning, despite his age. The contest lasted six rounds, at the end of which time Maher was declared the winner.

Elgin Butter Market.

ELGIN, Ill., May 29.—Butter market opened this week active, 3,600 pounds sold at 10 1-2c and 37,000 pounds at 17c.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR CONGRESS—
JOHN LEISENRING,
of Upper Lehigh.

Subject to the decision of the Republican congressional convention.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE—
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