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## FROM CORRESPONDENTS.

LETTERS THAT MAY CONTAIN BITS OF NEWS FOR EACH READER.

**A Budget of News from Highland and Upper Lehigh—A Haunted House in the Latter Town Causes a Removal. Personals and Other Items.**

Regular correspondence from the surrounding towns and communications upon local or general subjects are solicited by the *TRIBUNE*. The name of the writer must accompany all letters or items sent to this office for publication.

### HIGHLAND DOTS.

The attention of parents is called to the fact that many of their children, who attend the public school, find great pleasure in playing and loitering near the railroad at every opportunity. All the passenger trains are due about recess time and for the children to play in the vicinity of the railroad is exceedingly dangerous. Parents should warn their children against this danger, as the school property is without a yard or enclosure to limit the play ground the teachers cannot keep watching them constantly.

John Wilson, a mute who resides at South Heberton, became engaged in a fight with a young man of town on Monday and it is said the mute was shamefully assaulted. Wilson's friends are very indignant about the affair and it is probable that our pugilist will have to fight some of them before the trouble will end.

On Tuesday a man from Hazleton made a thorough search of the dog kennels of town for a dog which he says was stolen from him and is supposed to be hidden somewhere in this vicinity. He failed to find it.

Some of our handy mechanics have almost gone daft over their latest achievements. Patents will soon be applied for to protect some of their latest work from infringement.

A valuable mule at the stripping had an eye knocked out accidentally by the driver on Monday.

Assistant Mine Superintendent Marley gives the collieries an occasional call now.

Mrs. Canty is visiting at Duryea.

Several Freeland young ladies were in town visiting on Tuesday.

Patrick Ferry and wife, of Hazleton, are spending a few days here among relatives.

John Clarke, of Scranton, spent a few days with his brother here. He returned to his home on Monday.

Robert Boyle, the able and efficient master mechanic of Markle & Co.'s collieries, has tendered his resignation to take effect on November 1.

Al Seitz, formerly of town, had one of his fingers smashed at the Traction Company's power-house in Hazleton on Monday. He was raising a heavy armature and it fell back upon his hand.

### UPPER LEHIGH NOTES.

After sheltering various families for twenty-five years, one of the houses here was vacated last week by a family which says it is haunted and is the abode of ghostly things. It is claimed that at night people who have gone to the other world come back and run things to suit themselves until early dawn demands their departure. Covers are taken from the beds, the doors are slammed and rapped upon, tapping on the window panes and shifting every piece of furniture to a different place, is a favorite pastime for the spooks. The family, after enduring the company of these unwelcome visitors for a considerable time, moved to Freeland this week, and say there is no exaggeration about the things they have seen and heard.

Work of every description in and about the collieries here was suspended yesterday out of respect for the burial of E. B. Leisenring at Mauch Chunk.

Patrick Brislin, a young man working in No. 5 slope, had two fingers severely crushed while at work on Saturday.

John M. Brogan and James H. Burns, spent a few days at Lansford last week.

John Mulligan made a visit to his parents at Nesquehoning on Saturday.

Many of our young temperance people attended the ball at Freeland opera house last evening.

Several of our most prominent residents were at Mauch Chunk yesterday attending the funeral of E. B. Leisenring.

Conrad Seiple, a former resident of this place, died at his home in Elizabeth, N. J., on Saturday. His remains were interred at Hazleton on Monday.

Sporting goods of every variety, guns, ammunition, etc., at A. A. Bachman's. Bicycles promptly repaired.

### Fifty-five Race for Their Lives.

Because Irvin Buffington, a carpenter repairman, employed at the Luke Gilder mine, Shamokin, deliberately disobeyed orders on Monday night by lighting his naked lamp while repairing the brattice in the shaft, his dead body now lies in his late home, four of his fellow workmen are also dead, the mine which was considered one of the most complete in the anthracite region is doomed to destruction. The monetary loss to the Mineral Railroad and Mining Company will aggregate \$700,000, and 900 men and boys are thrown out of employment.

The dead and missing are: Irvin Buffington, 35 years, suffocated by smoke and gas; George Brown, miner, suffocated and body not recovered; leaves wife and several children; Anthony Bobert, driver boy, body not recovered; two Polish laborers, names unknown and bodies not found.

The disaster occurred while about sixty men and boys were working in the mine on the night shift. Buffington and John Anderson, Jr., were making repairs to the brattice about half-way down the shaft when the former lighted his naked lamp in order to test the air current. A spark set fire to some of the dry timbers and the air current swept the flames up the airway with lightning like rapidity. The sixty miners made a desperate race to another opening, but five of them were caught in the smoke and suffocated.

### Suicide of a Polish Miner.

Michael Polan, a miner of Alden, committed suicide there by blowing out his brains. Work at the Alden collieries has been slack for the last month or so, and Polan was very despondent. On Monday morning he went to the slope as usual, only to be told that on account of scarcity of cars there would be no work that day.

He returned to his boarding place and told the boarding mistress that there was so little work that he could never make money enough to send for his wife and three children, who are in the old country, and he could not live without them. He then went to his room.

Shortly afterward the report of a pistol was heard, and when his friends broke open the door of his room, he was dead. He had shot himself through the head.

### A Typhoid Victim Handled Food.

Dr. W. G. Weaver, of Wilkes-Barre, surgeon of the Ninth regiment, has completed his investigation as to the cause of the outbreak of typhoid fever among the members of Company F, three of whom have already died from the disease and twenty others are sick from the same cause. The first impression was that the victims contracted the disease by drinking bad water at Gettysburg.

Dr. Weaver finds, however, that Private Seitz had typhoid fever when he went with his company to Gettysburg. He did not do duty at Gettysburg, but was assigned to light labor in the mess tent. Here he handled all the food and the physicians think that in this way the germs of the disease were transmitted to the other members of the company.

### E. B. Leisenring Buried.

The body of E. B. Leisenring, the president of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company, who died at Homburg, Germany, on September 20, arrived at his Mauch Chunk home at 6 o'clock on Monday evening in a special car over the Central Railroad from New York city. The body was accompanied by his private secretary, William C. Kent.

At the request of the family, no public demonstration was made. The funeral took place at 2 p. m. yesterday afternoon from the residence of his brother-in-law, Dr. J. S. Wentz.

Mrs. Leisenring, who went to Germany when her husband's illness became serious, was taken sick there and is unable to return. Her parents are with her.

### Dan Hart's Success.

Dan Hart, Wilkes-Barre's popular young playwright and Democratic candidate for representative in the first district, has scored a big hit in his new play, "O'Neil, of Washington, D. C." The first production was in Seattle, Washington, and the house was filled. The Seattle *Intelligencer* devotes a column to the new play, and warmly congratulates Mr. Hart on his new success.

### PLEASURE CALENDAR.

October 18.—Entertainment by Ralph Bingham and sister Ruth for benefit of Mining and Mechanical Institute, at Freeland opera house. Admission, 25 and 50 cents.

October 20.—Second annual entertainment of the Tigers Athletic Club, at Freeland opera house. Admission, 10, 25 and 30 cents.

October 23.—Ball of the Slavonian band, at Freeland opera house. Admission, 50 cents.

Parties supplied with ice cream, cakes, candy, etc., at low prices by Laubach.

### THE REASON WHY.

LUNAR halos are sometimes large and sometimes small, because they are formed at different heights in the air.

The glow-worm has a brush attached to its tail, because it is necessary to show its light that the back be kept clean.

DECAYING wood and putrefying fish look luminous in the dark, because they are really undergoing a slow combustion.

IRON bedsteads are safe during a thunderstorm, because, being good conductors, they keep the electricity from the body.

SILVER tarnishes when exposed to the light, because of the actinic or chemical property possessed by the rays of the sun.

A BURNING gas jet is unhealthy in a bed chamber, because one gas light gives out as much carbonic acid gas as two sleepers.

WHITE clothing is cool, because it reflects the heat of the sun; black clothing is warm, because it absorbs both heat and light.

The eyeball is white because the blood vessels that feed its substance are so small that they do not admit the red corpuscles.

The flesh under the nails looks red, because the nails are almost transparent, and thus the color of the tissue beneath is visible.

LIGHTNING is destructive because of its enormous power. A flash of lightning has been calculated to equal twelve thousand horse-power.

### Married Yesterday.

Daniel Cox, superintendent of the D. S. & S. Railroad, was married yesterday morning to Miss Margaret White at the residence of the bride's parents. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. P. Buxton in the presence of only the immediate members of both families. At 9.30 a. m. the bridal party left on a special train over the Central Railroad of New Jersey for a wedding tour. They have a host of friends who extend congratulations and wish them happiness.

Many valuable presents were received by the young couple from their relatives and friends. Mr. Cox, in his position as superintendent of the railroad, has won the esteem of his employees, and they had intended to present him with a miniature silver locomotive. Mr. Cox, however, when he learned of the plans, requested them to not.

### Blind People Marry.

Charles C. Gamble, of Luzerne borough, and Miss Susanna A. Bennett, of Scranton, were married on Tuesday at Scranton. Interest is added to the wedding by the total blindness of bride and groom, and two others who attended the ceremony, as well as the blindness in one eye of another member of the bridal party.

Miss Bennett is 19 years of age. She became totally blind five years ago from an attack of meningitis. She was educated at the Pennsylvania Institution for the Blind in Philadelphia. Mr. Gamble, the groom, is 35 years old, and resides at Luzerne, this county. He has an income sufficient to support himself and wife. They will reside in Luzerne.

### Young Men's Ball Held.

The seventh annual ball of the Young Men's C. T. A. B. Society at the opera house last evening was one of the most successful held by the organization and the largest seen here for some time. The ball room was profusely decorated, and the work of the members in managing the details was highly praised. Music was furnished by St. Patrick's cornet band and DePierro's orchestra.

At 10.15 p. m. the grand march took place, led by Master of Ceremonies James F. Sweeney and Miss Rose Sweeney, both of Drifton. More than 100 couples took part, and it was one of the prettiest marches led at the opera house.

### An Equity Suit.

From the Wilkes-Barre Newsdealer.

A suit in equity was commenced on Monday by James Givens against Mary McGill et al. The plaintiff says he purchased a lot from Joseph Birkbeck in Freeland on August 11, 1880. That he transferred the deed to his wife in order to secure himself against financial loss. On September 27, 1897, she died. A few hours previously, while her mental faculties were enfeebled, she made a will leaving all her property, including the aforesaid property to her heirs. Givens asks that the deed be reformed and possession given him. Edward A. Lynch and Chas. Keck are the plaintiff's attorneys.

### Democratic Mass Meeting.

A Democratic mass meeting will be held at the opera house on Saturday evening. The speakers who are to take part are Hon. E. B. Cox, J. L. Lennan, Esq., and District Attorney John M. Garman. In addition to the above Candidates Hines, O'Boyle, Rice, Schappert and McNelis will be present. All the voters of the vicinity are invited to attend.

Meetings will be held at Harwood this evening and at Eckley tomorrow evening.

### The Gallitzen School Case.

The Gallitzen school case was argued before the supreme court at Pittsburgh on Tuesday. The case is that of John Hyson and others against the school board of Gallitzen borough. The plaintiffs were backed by the state officers of the Jr. O. U. A. M. in an effort to secure an injunction to restrain Catholic nuns from teaching in the public schools. The bill was filed last April. Attorney T. H. B. Patterson presented the arguments for the plaintiffs, who appealed from the decision of Judge Barker. He laid particular stress upon the claim that the objection was not to the nuns individually, but that the fight was being made against them teaching in a sectarian garb.

Attorney D. L. Krebs represented the school board. He denied that the nuns taught and used their garb as emblems in such a manner as to impart to the children under their instruction religious lessons and ideas peculiar to the Catholic Church. He denied that the directors had violated any statute law, and claimed that the garb of the nuns should be no bar to their right to teach in the public schools.

On the question of the use made by the teachers of their earnings, Mr. Krebs said that if the board had a right to employ the teachers they had a right to pay them, and the disposition of the money could not be inquired into.

The decision of the supreme court will be of much interest to the anti-Catholic orders, and they are anxiously awaiting the verdict.

### Says the Editor Was "Boodled."

"Little Billy" Hines is not a bit pleased at the way the *TRIBUNE* has removed his mask of hypocrisy, and because it has shown that he is no more of a supporter of Democracy than his opponent, he becomes real angry. In the Hazleton *Standard's* report yesterday of the Democratic meeting at Milnesville on Tuesday night, Billy is said to have told the people present that the editor had been "boodled" by the Leisenring people to aid in defeating him.

This important feature of the campaign has heretofore escaped the attention of the *TRIBUNE*, and in order to learn the full particulars of the "boodling" case the editor will rely upon Billy to furnish the proof and details. It should make interesting reading, and our patrons know that we seldom let anything interesting, especially in politics, go by.

The *TRIBUNE* apologizes to its readers for its neglect in not learning and reporting that its editor was "boodled," but a full and accurate account of the affair will be given when Billy tells all he knows about it. Some time may be required to draw the story ought of him, but out it must come, for the *TRIBUNE* could not afford to deprive its readers of any choice news in the "boodling" line.

### There's Going to Be Fun.

There will be merriment created at the opera house on Friday evening when that delightful comedy "Our Irish Visitors" will be presented. This unusually funny comedy grows funnier every successive season. Never in the history of this comedy has it had such a competent cast. Never has there been such good, bright musical numbers introduced, and never has there been such original sprightly dances, with scenic effects and general assemblage. W. J. Mason, who heads the cast, is quoted as being the brightest young Irish comedian on the American stage today, and in "Our Irish Visitors" will have more than abundant chances to display his versatility.

Frank Davis, whose every movement creates a laugh, will be his opposite, and as the cast surrounding them contains such well-known people as Miss Victoria Walters, from Koster & Bial's, New York, Miss Emily Northop, of the Duff Opera Company, Ed. Rowland, Lillian Keene and many others of equal calibre, it is safe to predict more than an enjoyable evening's entertainment.

### How to Save Money.

The amount of money a man has saved at the end of a year does not depend upon the salary he received, but upon the use he made of it during the year. If he buys the best goods at the lowest market prices he is sure to come out ahead, and this he can do in the clothing line by dealing with that reliable and responsible clothier, I. Refowich. His present assortment of piece goods is without doubt the most complete in the Lehigh region, embracing, as it does, the best that was in the city markets.

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When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.  
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

## 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.**

An effort is being made by the local Republicans to have Congressman Reed, of Maine, speak at Freeland on October 31.

A supper and sociable will be held in the basement of the P. M. church, Fern street, on Thanksgiving evening, for the benefit of the church.

Bernard Curran, an old resident of the region, died at his home in Harleigh on Sunday and was buried yesterday. He was 62 years of age.

A meeting of the Democratic committee of the fourth legislative district will be held at the National House, Hazleton, next Monday evening.

The body of missing young Warner Arnold, of Shickshinny, was found mangled on the Pennsylvania Railroad between Mocaqua and Wilkes-Barre.

Services for Sunday next at St. Paul's P. M. church, Fern street: Morning at 10.30, preaching by pastor; evening at 6.30, a praise service. All are welcome.

Coxe Bros. & Co.'s collieries were idle yesterday, and last night notice was given to work half a day today and then close down for the balance of the week.

J. D. Oliver, of Drifton, has been drawn to serve as a jurymen on November 12, and Arthur McClellan, of Drifton, and Owen Fowler, of Freeland, for November 19.

While playing on a bridge on Tuesday Edward Kane, aged 12, of Pittston, accidentally touched a trolley wire. The shock threw him to the ground and he was terribly injured.

Michael Horan, a married man residing at Girardville, was instantly killed by a fall of coal at Preston on Tuesday morning. His body was not recovered until 5 o'clock that evening.

High-class specialty in the shape of new music, songs, dances and all the latest operatic medleys of the day are consistently introduced in "Our Irish Visitors" by the members of the company.

County Commissioners Smith, Dullard and Norton, County Solicitor Moore and County Clerk Norris are attending the annual meeting of the county commissioners of Pennsylvania at York this week.

A special train will convey the Hungarian and Greek Catholic societies of town on Sunday to Pleasant Hill, where a church of the latter denomination will be dedicated. It will leave here about 8.30 a. m.

Hazleton's match factory has commenced operations and a load of wood was used already. The city council has exempted it from taxes for five years if it employs forty or more employees constantly.

Tony Olas, an Italian boarding at Harleigh, shot at his boarding mistress yesterday because the victims did not suit him. The ball grazed the woman's head and inflicted a severe scalp wound. Tony escaped.

The appointment of R. B. Brundage, of Wilkes-Barre as deputy internal revenue collector under Grant Herring, has been confirmed. He succeeds S. L. Laciari, Republican, who has held the office pending the confirmation of Mr. Brundage's appointment.

The Kutznoff Journal, Democratic, has come out against its party's nominee for congress, E. J. Erdman, in the ninth (Berks and Lehigh) district, and is now supporting the Republican candidate, Dr. J. S. Trexler. It prefers a good Republican to a bad Democrat.

### PERSONALITIES.

Colonel Patrick Lynch, deputy clerk of the courts, came down from the county seat yesterday to size up the political situation here.

Mrs. James Welsh and son, Patrick, returned on Monday from a visit to Lansford relatives.

Ex-Deputy Sheriff John Dwyer, of Wilkes-Barre, enjoyed the ball here last evening.

Miss Celia Brennan, of Centre street, returned yesterday from an extended visit to Allentown.

Miss Maggie Harkins, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is enjoying a few weeks with Freeland friends.

Rev. C. W. Twing returned on Tuesday from East Mauch Chunk, where he attended a meeting of the archdeaconry of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

NOTICE.—The undersigned will sell at public sale (unless cost of board is paid) at the Central hotel stables, Freeland, Pa., on Friday, October 26, 1894, at 10 o'clock a. m., one bay mare, the same being held for board.

M. H. Hunsicker.  
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