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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.**

Freeland is the Mecca of the trolley parties in this region.

A new paper, the *Evening Item*, will appear at Pittston today.

Foster township schools will open for the 1895-96 term tomorrow.

Buy your clothes of Refowich.

The postoffice and several of the coal companies are observing Labor Day today.

Vincent Vitacco has disposed of his barber shop in James K. Boyle's building to Thomas Mellon.

County Candidates Martin, of Plains, and Phillips, of Nanticoke, toured the town on Saturday.

Suits to order, \$12 and up, at Refowich's, Freeland.

The Wilkesbarre Telephone claims there are seventeen people in the county jail charged with murder.

It is claimed that the first bicycle ever used in this country was ridden by John W. Taylor in Wilkesbarre.

Messrs. Ike and Mose Refowich left today for a ten days' trip to the city, bent on business and pleasure.

Fred Haas is again proprietor of the Cottage hotel and will be pleased to greet his friends at the old stand.

Refowich has the latest fall styles ready for inspection.

E. J. Gaffney and Thomas McCole will leave tomorrow to resume their studies at Holy Cross college, Worcester, Mass.

Today is Labor Day in all states where the same is observed, except in Pennsylvania. Next Saturday will be Labor Day here.

The water in the Lehigh river was never so low as it is at present. Boating on the Lehigh canal is almost at a standstill in consequence.

The early closing movement shows signs of collapsing. Some of the business men broke away last week, and it is rumored that more will follow.

Refowich sells the best \$1.50 and \$3 children's suits to be had anywhere.

The Union Coal Company's Richard colliery at Shamokin was forced to shut down on Friday, as the breaker boys ran away to attend Washburn's circus.

An accident at the electric light plant on Friday night prevented the all-night arc circuit from being operated. The street lights were sadly missed after the stores closed.

The board of health at the meeting on Friday evening, decided to make an inspection of the borough, commencing this morning. They expect to visit every residence in town within a week.

The "Wear Well" working shoe for men cannot be found in any other store in town.

Freeland's two bands won great praise for their playing last week. The St. Patrick's was complimented highly at Harrisburg and the Mayberry band was one of the features of the Allentown P. O. S. of A. parade.

The Philadelphia Times this morning states that the coal war has been finally settled. Each carrying company will receive a fixed amount of the output. All the presidents are reported as having agreed to the plan.

Everything is in readiness for a big night at the opera house next Friday evening, when the members of Division 6, A. O. H., and their friends will gather in large numbers to attend the third annual ball of the society.

Refowich, the leading tailor and clothier, is where you should buy your clothing.

The building committee of the Young Men's C. T. A. B. Corps has extended the date for closing the opera house proposals a few days longer. Saturday last was the date announced for the closing, but several contractors requested that the time be extended.

District Deputy Stephen Page will install the officers of Garfield Commandery, No. 6, K. of M., at Freeland tonight, St. Mark's Commandery, No. 7, of Hazleton, on Wednesday night, and Palestine Commandery, No. 14, of Hazleton, on Thursday night.

Try the Wear Well Shoe House. Their goods cost no more and give better satisfaction than any other store in Freeland.

David Edwards, boss machinist at the Gaylord colliery, Plymouth, and a gang of men were at work tearing down the trestling which connects the old shaft to the breaker on Friday, when Edwards fell from the top to the ground below, sustaining injuries from which he died that evening.

The Wilkesbarre jail is so crowded that it has been found necessary to procure cots and place them in the corridors for the accommodation of the prisoners. And yet the Wilkesbarres kicked like steers against the proposition to divide the county, but the division will come.—*March Chunk Democrat.*

## Peculiar Twists of the Law.

A peculiar case of the law's delay, which deprives an innocent man of his liberty, comes from the county jail. A man died at Nanticoke some time ago under suspicious circumstances. John Cronus, of Nanticoke, told the police that he suspected foul play, and said the man died from being kicked during a fight at the house of William Evans. County Detective Eckert, when he learned of the case two weeks after the supposed beaten man had been buried, went to the county commissioners to have the body disinterred, but they refused to grant the order and the matter was dropped.

When William Evans had Cronus arrested for slander and had the latter sent to jail in June last, in default of \$1,000 bail. The case was taken before a committee composed of Attorneys Trembath, Mulhall and McAniff, who acted as arbitrators, and found Cronus not guilty and ordered his release. Evans took an appeal and Cronus, who was declared innocent, is still in jail awaiting a final disposition of the case.

## Stable Burned This Morning.

Between 4 and 5 o'clock this morning the large stable owned by Jim Andralla, of South Heberton, was found to be on fire. A carriage, several goats and a quantity of hay were consumed with the building. The fire is supposed to have been of incendiary origin. The proprietor is the keeper of the dive that has disgraced South Heberton for the past few years, and no sympathy is likely to be expressed for his misfortune. Shortly after the fire started the alarm here was sounded. The company promptly responded, and ran in the direction of the blaze. The small hose cart and the ladder truck were taken to the borough limits at Birkbeck street. From there they saw where the fire was located, and they then returned to the hose house.

## To Contest the Controller Law.

The newly-appointed controller, Jos. D. Lloyd, has appointed Robert E. Donaghy, of Hazleton, as his chief deputy. The controller will file his bond with the court on Wednesday morning, and if it is approved he will assume his duties as county controller at once. In the meantime the county commissioners and auditors will take steps to fight the act under which Mr. Lloyd was appointed and will test its legality before the highest court. The auditors held a meeting on Friday afternoon and have decided to enter an injunction proceeding to restrain Mr. Lloyd from entering on his duties until the legality of his office is decided by the courts.

## Foster Township Schools.

The salaries of the teachers in Foster township were fixed by the school board on Saturday evening. The males are to receive \$65 per month and the females \$40 per month, except those at Ripple's, Tannery and Scale Siding, who will receive \$35 each per month. Permission was granted to the P. O. S. of A., of Sandy Run, to donate a flag to the schools of that town, and also to the P. O. S. of A. and Jr. O. U. A. M., of White Haven, to donate flags to the schools at Ripple's, Scale Siding and Tannery.

## Killed the Semi-Monthly Pay Law.

Judge Gordon, of Clearfield county, has created considerable consternation among the miners of the soft coal region by an opinion filed last week in which he holds that the semi-monthly pay law is unconstitutional because it contravenes clauses of the constitution. The decision was given in the case of the commissioner vs. Alfred P. Isenberg and Charles H. Howland, who were indicted for a violation of the semi-monthly pay law.

## Freeland Boys Won.

From the Hazleton Plain Speaker. A game of alley ball was played at Sharkey's alley, on Diamond addition, yesterday afternoon, between Patrick and James Gallagher of Freeland, and Messrs. Norton and Lannon, of this city. The latter club was outplayed at every point and lost by a score of 16 to 41, the latter number of points having been determined as game. The stake was \$10 a side.

## DEATHS.

Boyle.—At Freeland, August 31, Annie, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Boyle, Ridge street. Funeral this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment at St. Ann's cemetery.

Gallagher.—At Freeland, August 29, Mrs. Mary Gallagher, aged about 100 years. Interred on Saturday at St. Ann's cemetery from the residence of her son, Joseph Gallagher, Ridge and Chestnut streets.

McLugh.—At Drifton, August 29, Mrs. Margaret McLugh, aged 62 years. Interred on Saturday at St. Ann's cemetery from the residence of her son-in-law, Condy Boyle.

Price.—At Freeland, August 27, James, son of John and Martha Price, aged 1 year and 5 months. Interred on Friday at Freeland cemetery.

Snyder.—At Sandy Run, September 1, George, son of Albert and Catherine Snyder, aged 11 months and 7 days. Funeral tomorrow at 2 o'clock. Interment at Freeland. McNulty.

## SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Editor TRIBUNE.—"Council take notice," says a certain writer of the *Standard* on Saturday, August 31, "the most important matter for council to settle at the meeting on Monday evening will be the providing for residents of Laurel and Pine streets with suitable street accommodations." The above bull-dozing article does not intend to have Pine street to be extended and is accepted by court to be opened, but for a show to the public the mention of Pine street is made. Who ever heard of Laurel street in our borough? But so they call it.

To the greatly excited writer of the *Standard* of August 22, 1895, I did not intend to give the article any attention, but as I can hear now that they are working their very best amongst our citizens to make their side look smooth, I will say that I am always and have been for improvement of our borough, but when it comes to individual selfishness to improve their own property at the taxpayers' expense, I am not with them.

If we are in need of a street, or this so-called Laurel street (or alley) should be opened, let them come before the council and let the council take action on it, then it will be either approved or disapproved. But for one street committee man to take the responsibility to order the said street to be opened, without the consent of the borough council, I say is wrong. No action has ever been taken on said street or alley, but a similar act of opening a certain street has been taken before without further trouble, but trouble might arise yet, and I think our borough had enough of it already.

Also, in regard to opening a new street for the accommodation of property owners, all expenses and cost, according to our law of the state, must be levied and assessed to the property owners whom are benefitted by such opening of streets. The borough shall be free of expenses of the same, or the cost of it. If the party who wants the street opened gives the council or the borough satisfactory guarantee to pay all costs of opening said street, let them go on with it and all will be right. MARK YON.

## A Sound Association.

The Washington National Building and Loan Association, of Washington, D. C., is the banner building and loan association in America. It has had a phenomenal success, which is plainly shown by the accumulation of assets. The assets of the association are now over \$600,000, and the stock in force over 60,000 shares, or \$6,000,000. The amount transferred from the expense fund to the loan fund is about \$15,000, while over \$100,000 have been paid to members on withdrawals. The profits on the loan fund are 18% per cent per annum, which is most gratifying to the management and we believe will be equally so to our stockholders.

Our withdrawal plan is one of the most liberal in existence in the United States. A member may withdraw after one year from date of subscription of stock and will receive the full 50 cents per share paid in monthly payments, together with 6 per cent interest for the average time. After seven years the member receives the full amount paid in the loan fund and full profits. Any time a member withdraws he gets a renewal certificate, which entitles him to renew his shares without the payment of any admission.

Some other associations have had withdrawal plans. They deduct 10 cents per share per month for operating expense and a withdrawal fee of 50 cents or \$1 per share is charged when the member withdraws, which means that the member who withdraws before maturity gets considerably less than he would have received if he had stayed with the association. So remember before you make an investment in any building and loan association you should investigate the plan of the Washington National, carefully considering the home management and directory, among whom you will find men of successful experience, well and favorably known to the public, and of acknowledged ability, as is proven by the fact that they have all been very successful in other financial affairs.

The Freeland branch of this association has 400 shares in force and is growing very rapidly. The association has over 200 branches in active operation in this state and 330 throughout the different states in which it operates.

A. M. Minich, manager of the above association for eastern Pennsylvania, will be at the Central hotel, Freeland, all this week and would be pleased to meet the stockholders or persons who desire further information.

**When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.**

**When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.**

**When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.**

**When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.**

## Corbett Brothers Were Defeated.

The alley ball contest between James J. Corbett, champion pugilist of the world, and his brother, Joseph, on one side, and Messrs. John Rickaby and Thomas Dove, of Scranton, on the other, was played at Scranton on Friday. Three games of twenty-one points each were played, lasting about forty-five minutes. The games resulted 21 to 12, 21 to 16 and 21 to 19, all in favor of Rickaby and Dove. The conditions gave very little room for a scientific exhibition. Champion James displayed more interest in his health than the same, and took every precaution to hold his equilibrium, which was a task. The grounds were in the condition to make straining one's self a very easy matter.

Joe Corbett put up the strongest game of the quartet, and made many brilliant plays. He was given most of the play. Throughout the three games interest was so intense that many spectators stood about the alley in the drenching rain. The players did not wear any extra clothing. James Corbett was attired in a sleeveless shirt and tights. The crowd was satisfied with the Corbetts for even consenting to play.

James J. Corbett was accompanied by his new wife. The party left next morning for Washington, where Joseph Corbett joined the Washington National league base ball team. James J. Corbett will go into training at Asbury Park this week for his fight with Fitzsimmons.

## Queer State of Affairs.

From the Philadelphia Times. A queer state of affairs has arisen in Gallitzin, which was recently the seat of so much trouble between the Sisters of St. Joseph and the American Mechanics. After the garb bill passed the school directors insisted upon employing the sisters to teach in the public school building regardless of consequences, but the nuns refused, saying that since the garb bill was law they would obey it however unjust. The school directors have since made arrangements with the nuns to teach in the old church building at that place, the Catholic citizens of the town agreeing to send their children to the sisters and not the public schools. As the population of Gallitzin is almost entirely Catholic, the handsome new school building there will be practically deserted.

## Mutilated by a Train.

Mike Danetto, an Italian, was instantly killed on the Jersey Central Railroad on Friday near Wilkesbarre. He was walking on the tracks and becoming bewildered as a train approached, stepped directly in front of the engine. His head was cut off, one arm was cut off between the elbow and shoulder and the other was badly lacerated. His brother, who was with him at the time, but who was uninjured, ran away as fast as he could as soon as he saw the accident, and has not returned to his home.

## Get on the Registry List.

As this is a Democratic year, it is important that the name of every Democratic and independent voter shall be on the registry list. Thursday next is the last day for registration to secure a vote at the November election. Examine the list to be found at the polling place and assure yourself that your name is thereon. Don't wait until election day, then run around half the day to get some one to vouch for your residence.

## DRIFTON ITEMS.

Stanley Boskosky, a resident of Freeland, who is employed as a company laborer in No. 2 mine here, had one of his fingers on the left hand so badly lacerated while unloading rails on Thursday that amputation was necessary.

Patrick X. O'Donnell called on friends at Allentown on Thursday.

Miss Mary Davis spent last week at Hazleton.

Miss Teresa Brogan was a visitor at Silver Brook for a few days last week.

## ON THE DIAMOND.

The Lattimer club played yesterday against the Fernots at Drifton park. The score was 15 to 2 in favor of the latter. The Fernots outplayed their opponents in batting and fielding, making eleven hits and five errors against Lattimer's seven hits and nine errors. O'Donnell and Hoffman were in the points for the home club and Costello and Brennan for the visitors.

The Actors yesterday were defeated by the Travelers at the park here, 12 to 7. The Actors claim they were not given justice by the umpire.

A writer in a Hazleton paper yesterday goes out of his way considerably to ridicule the Tigers for asking the State league club of that city for a game. He also makes the ridiculous accusation that umpires who do not show partiality to the home club are not tolerated here. Allowing this jealousy and ignorance to crop out is not creditable to the writer.

Olsho's announcement of the arrival of fall hats is worth your attention and investigation. He is the acknowledged leader in this town.

## FOUR FEMALE MINERS.

WOMEN HELP TO MINE COAL IN THE MAHANOHY VALLEY.

Katie, Mary, Annie and Lizzie Mans Assist Their Father to Operate a Little Colliery in Schuylkill—They Have Fall Charge and Work Like Men.

The Associated Press correspondent at Shamokin has sent out an interesting report of a colliery where the principal work is done by women. This unusual spectacle of American girls assisting in the mining and preparation of anthracite coal can be seen in the Mahanohy valley, a few miles southwest of Shamokin, where four young women find daily employment and perform the work assigned them in such a manner as would cause many of their expert mine brethren to look upon their strength and expertness with envy. Joseph Mans, the owner and operator of the mine, does not hesitate to pronounce them the best and most satisfactory employes he has ever had, and even the much maligned mine mule understands that these girls are not to be trifled with, even though they have not adopted bloomers or any of the fads of the new woman.

These girl mine workers are Katie, Mary, Lizzie and Annie Mans, aged respectively, 20, 19, 18, and 16 years. They are daughters of the mine owner, and are magnificent specimens of womanhood, as they are straight as arrows, six feet in height, and each tips the scale in the neighborhood of 200 pounds. Tight lacing is unknown to them, but their figures are attractive, and they have never known a day's sickness. They work hard six days every week, but seem contented with their lot as do also their seven younger brothers and sisters who range in age from 2 to 15 years.

Katie, the oldest of the sisters, is known as chief engineer or outside foreman of the mine, and is fully capable of performing the duties that thus fall to her lot. She directs and assists in the breaking and preparation of the coal, while Mary drives the mule that hoists the coal from the slope by means of an old-fashioned gin. Annie is also an expert mechanic in her way and runs the pump that keeps the mine free of water, as well as the steam engine that operates the breaker machinery. Lizzie acts as breaker boss and assists her little brothers and sisters to pick the slate and rock from the coal as it passes down the chute to the storage pockets. When working at the mine the girls are attired in petticoats and skirts that do not reach their ankles by several inches, and their feet are encased in stout brogans.

This primitive colliery that is operated largely by female labor, is located on the southern side of the mountain that marks the extremity of the Shamokin coal basin and is owned and has been operated by Joseph Mans, an industrious native of Germany, during the past twelve years. He cannot speak too highly of the valuable services his four daughters have rendered in the working of his mine, and says that he would have been compelled to go out of the business several years ago had it not been that they stood by him. Consequently he and his wife have gotten over the disappointment that they felt when their first four children proved girls instead of boys. Of the seven children born since these girls, four are boys, so that Mr. Mans will soon have four young miners to help him cut dusky diamonds in the bowels of the earth. While he and his athletic daughters are working the mine, his wife runs their farm, which according to his history is the better paying investment of the two. The product of their mine finds ready sale among the farmers of the Mahanohy and Mahantongo valleys.

The only other instance known of women working in or about a coal mine in the lower anthracite region, occurred eight years ago, when Mrs. Daniel Grassens attired herself in men's clothing and found employment as an inside loader at the Gimlet colliery. She worked on the same shift as her husband and her sex was not discovered for a period of two months. Then the boss admitted that she did a man's work well, but he discharged her because she was a woman. She and her husband are now prosperous tillers of the soil in the Mahanohy valley.

There is more catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from ten drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

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