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IN FOSTER TOWNSHIP.

REPUBLICANS ARE ASKED TO IN-DORSE THE SCHOOL BOARD.

Directors Have Placed in Nomination a Ticket Which They Demand Shall Be Elected, So That They Can Claim an Indorsement of Their Methods.

In Foster township there has been brought forward an issue which should have no place in politics, and if the Republican party was strong enough there to stand on its own bottom it is safe to say it would not be tolerated in the campaign. The issue, according to the men who happen to control the majority party at present, is the indorsement or disapproval of the actions of the Foster school board last summer, when Directors Barton, Hoyle, Meneley and Richards introduced sectarianism into the business of the board by refusing to re-appoint any former teacher who was known to be of the Catholic faith or to even consider the application of any who were members of that denomination. To the credit of these men it must be said that they made no "bones" about the matter; they told the applicants plainly why they were not appointed, and in the beginning of this campaign they gave it out publicly that the coming election would be accepted as a test of their right to choose teachers upon a religious basis. They promised to nominate (and have done so) two men for directors who would follow in their footsteps if elected. Other men tried to obtain the Republican nomination for directors last month, but when they refused to assent to a continuance of last summer's work they were curiously they could not get on the ticket.

The township is now being canvassed for the Republican nominees, and the plea made for votes is that the candidates must be elected so the directors can claim their methods are indorsed. Why they should want an indorsement or wish to continue discrimination in selecting teachers is not known. The new system has certainly not improved the schools of Foster, for those who were given the positions of the teachers ousted have not the experience or ability of their predecessors. They were brought here from all quarters of the state to take the places of young men and women who were born, raised and educated in the township, who by their work had given proof of their qualifications. In all the history of the township, when the political and religious complexion of the school board was different, such a question as a teacher's religion never was considered in the appointments. There was no precedent for the action of the board, and the directors have given no reason why they established this rule. Personally they acknowledge that the certificates and diplomas held by the turned-down teachers are, individually or collectively, superior to anything that the imported people can produce, yet in the face of this confession they have thrust upon the pupils and taxpayers a number of teachers who have nothing in their favor but the fact that their religion suits the board. Inasmuch as religion is not taught in the schools, and as none of the teachers were ever accused of interfering with the pupils' belief, the action of the directors could not have been based upon anything but blind bigotry, which, for the welfare of the community in general, ought not to be indorsed for many reasons.

Foster township now has a Republican majority of something in the hundreds. A few years ago it was Democratic by about the same number. Political changes are frequent nowadays, and a very few more years will probably find it Democratic again. If a majority of present voters sanctions this introduction of religion into school affairs, the next majority may consider they have the same right. Under these circumstances every voter, especially those who are not bound hand and foot to support whatever secret conclaves may decide upon, should ask himself if he can afford, in justice to his children and as a good citizen, to allow the school board to become a plaything in the hands of any band of religious fanatics whom the political waves may sweep into office. Would it be in the interest of education to change the twenty-five teachers every year or every two or three years, according as one side or the other may have a majority on the board? Is it not better to follow the old custom of selecting teachers on their merits, to give out the schools to those who are most qualified to teach, and when other things are equal to give residents the preference? Those are a few questions which Foster voters ought to consider before they give their indorsement to a rule which will work against the best interests of the schools every year.

On the Democratic ticket the two nominees for directors, Erasmus Snyder and James Hough, are men whose previous work on the board is as creditable as any that men could wish for. They have proven their ability to rise to the responsibilities of that office in a large township, and no one can say that in the

performance of their duties they ever gave just cause for complaint, in the management of the schools and the finances, or the appointment of teachers. Both men happen to be of the same religious faith as the majority of the present board, but their past actions as directors show that such matters are not allowed to influence them in making selections for teachers, nor would they use the office to further any ambition they may have to lead in societies or orders. The children of the township would be under safe guides with Messrs. Snyder and Hough on the board, and every class could look with confidence to them as men who believe in "equal rights for all, special privileges for none."

These candidates have accepted the issue which the controlling element of the Republican party in Foster precipitated and insists upon, and the choice on the part of the voters should not be hard to make. The board, through the election of the Republican candidates, ask an indorsement of their religious discrimination in selecting teachers, of the appointment of a superintendent with a salary of \$1,000, of a unnecessary expense of over \$1,500 in changing text books, of the uncalculated expenditure of \$1,200 or more for so-called repair work, and to give them permission and authority to continue their extravagant and sectarian policy. Messrs. Snyder and Hough promise to banish religion from the business of the board, so far as they are able, to conduct the schools upon the highest possible plane consistent with judicious economy, to abolish all sinecures for which no adequate returns are apparent for the money spent, and to appoint teachers solely upon their merits, giving the residents of the township precedence when their ability is equal.

Here, in short, are the two platforms, and which shall be adopted is a question for the independent Republicans, who hold the balance of power, to decide. The importance of deciding this election right should not be overlooked by any real friend of the pupils or by the taxpayers. If the indorsement asked by the board is refused the old system will be returned to, and the past year will be the only blot upon the township's fame; if it is given by the Republican of Foster next week it will be accepted as authority to continue on the present lines, bigotry on both sides will be fanned into a blaze which no man can stay, and in a few short years, when in the natural order of events the tables will turn, this rule will react with crushing effect, perhaps not upon those now in power, for their popularity will soon wane and they will pass out of public life when they and their friends have "milked" the treasury, but upon many innocent and helpless teachers and others, just as the rule works its hardships today upon the deposed young men and women.

If liberalism is indorsed this year it will undoubtedly be indorsed in the years to come, and the men who vote for it on Tuesday may be surprised to find how quickly the effect of their ballots will return like a boomerang. The Democrats this year are in the minority, but they have a ticket and a platform which any man will honor himself by supporting, and it rests with the independent Republicans to say which shall win. That the township shall be spared from the blight of a sectarian struggle should be the earnest desire of all its good citizens, and it remains for them to decide next Tuesday what the future policy shall be in relation to this matter. Let every voter weigh well the responsibility of the marks he intends to place on his ballot, so that the result of this test election can be pointed out in future years as the honest expression of the present majority of the citizens, and the people will then know, once and for all, whether the Republican party is nothing more than a mask behind which intolerant bigots can take refuge in safety or whether it is composed of manly men who have the courage to repudiate and cast out the gang which now has the party by the throat and demands that their disgraceful actions be indorsed.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the eustachian tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

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Notice to Taxpayers.
All taxes for 1895 that are not paid on or before February 20 will have a penalty of 5 per cent added. This law will be strictly enforced.
Hugh Malloy, collector.

BOARD OF TRADE DOINGS.

Several Propositions Received and Referred to the Proper Committees.

The Board of Trade held its regular monthly meeting in the council room last evening, with President Price in the chair. The meeting was fairly well attended by the active workers of the board, as it was expected that the detailed proposition of the silk mill company would be presented. However, the final proposition in regard to the new industry was delayed, owing to the fact that the firm's representative could not be present. Secretary Kline read a communication from C. H. Hoffman, of White Haven, relative to locating a foundry in Freeland. The gentleman desires a free site near a railroad and \$600, to cover the cost of removing his plant and putting it in operation, after which he would be enabled to employ twenty or twenty-five hands. The matter was referred to the committee on metals for investigation.

Wm. H. Buz spoke of a textile manufacturing firm desiring to locate here, which, he stated, would like to have an opportunity to confer with the board. The members expressed their willingness to consider any proposition, and instructed the committee having charge of that kind of business to look the matter up. Mr. Buz stated that the plant was already established in a neighboring city, but that it was compelled to seek a new location owing to a scarcity of labor.

Communications from a Mr. Bacon, of Lebanon, Pa., relating to the manufacture of mining boots and shoes, and from George W. Smith, of Kankakee, Ill., a manufacturer of horse-shoe nails, were also read, but were found to contain no definite propositions.

The advisability of having a Western Union telegraph office in town was discussed and the committee on miscellaneous was instructed to find out what was necessary to secure its establishment.

The board adjourned to meet again at the call of the president. A special meeting will likely be held next week, when a representative of the silk mill company will be on hand with full details concerning that industry.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Freeland, Pa., February 12, 1896.
EDITOR TRIBUNE.—Please permit me space in your columns to answer to a political trick of some one to hurt my candidacy as township treasurer. It has been rumored that I want the office of treasurer for the purpose of securing payment of certain orders which I am said to hold against Foster township. I have in my possession an order of \$6.25.

The law is that the supervisors have control over all moneys collected for township purposes (outside of school purposes) in their term of office, and by issue of orders by them only can any money or monies be paid.

It is circulated among the public that I have several thousand dollars in orders against the township, which is absolutely false. I hold an order of \$6.25 only.

Yours respectfully,
Anthony Rudwick.

New Postmaster at White Haven.

The president on Monday sent to the senate the name of T. P. McAndrews for postmaster at White Haven. McAndrews was appointed several months ago, but the present postmaster's term was not finished and the nomination was hung up in the senate. James Ray was also a candidate and had influential backing. Ex-Congressman Hines supported McAndrews and is credited with the victory.

Asking Aid for a Home.

Bishop O'Hara has addressed a circular to the pastors of the Scranton diocese in the interest of St. Joseph's Foundling Home at Scranton. The bishop gives a history of the home and its wonderful success and urges the necessity for larger quarters and better methods of maintenance. A collection for the benefit of the home will be taken up in St. Ann's church on the 23d inst.

Married Yesterday.

W. F. Brogan, of Freeland, and Miss Mary Burns, of Jeddo, were married yesterday at St. Ann's Catholic church by Rev. M. J. Fallhee. James Quinn, of Highland, was groomsmen, and Miss Kate Breslin, of Jeddo, was bridesmaid. A reception was held at the bride's home, after which Mr. Brogan and wife left on a two weeks' wedding trip.

Services for Sunday next in St. Paul's P. M. church will be, subject: Preaching at 10.30 a. m., subject, "Fellowship with God and How to Obtain It," preaching at 6.30 p. m., subject, "A God That Is Near."

Owen Doudt was tendered a pleasant surprise on Monday evening by several friends at his home on Washington street. The occasion was Mr. Doudt's thirty-third birthday.

The officials and agents of the Prudential Insurance Company who do business in the Lehigh region will banquet at Hazleton on Saturday evening.

Rev. S. Cooper, pastor of St. Paul's P. M. church, has been confined in his home this week with a severe spell of sickness.

Sued His Prospective Father-in-law.

A peculiar romance was settled on Tuesday in Alderman Powell's court in Wilkesbarre. August Stains fell in love with Maggie Rutle. August made known his intention of matrimony to the girl's father and asked for his consent, which was granted, on condition that the girl make known her love by embracing her lover before him. She did this without hesitation, and together the father and intended son-in-law went for the marriage license.

August purchased the wedding costume, but his prospective father-in-law said that he would not have room for the young couple in his narrow quarters and that if the young man wanted his daughter he should provide her with a well-furnished house. August's purse was exhausted and he tried to get furniture on trust. Learning that the young man was short of cash, the father refused to allow his daughter to marry.

August then brought suit against the girl's father to recover the \$73 he spent in purchasing the wedding costume, etc. The case was taken before Squire Powell and a judgment was given in favor of August for the full amount.

Miners Thrown Out of Work.

All the collieries of the Delaware and Hudson Company, in and around Plymouth, are now more or less affected by a cave. The last to feel the effects of the disturbance is No. 2 colliery. The squeeze began early Tuesday morning in the old workings of the Bennett and five-foot veins. It started at the bore hole and interfered with the working of the whole mine. At 8 o'clock all mules were taken out. The culm bank, which is situated over the workings, is slowly but surely sinking into the mine. A large tank on the bank, which supplies No. 5 with water, sunk several inches and burst the pipe.

Superintendents Rose, Scherer, Peckens, Linskill and Reese were early on the scene and directed matters. The cars are being taken out as rapidly as possible, and their contents dumped into the breaker. The mines had just resumed work after three months' idleness and nearly 1,500 men and boys are again thrown out of work.

Queer Cause for Suicide.

Jacob Badders, of Scranton, committed suicide last night by taking a dose of strychnine. Badders was the defendant in an assault and battery case, which was tried in court yesterday afternoon. The jury returned a verdict of guilty. He went home after the trial, and it appears that while in company with several men, they began to joke with him about the case. This so preyed on his mind that shortly after supper he took the fatal dose.

Medical aid was summoned, but he deliberately refused to be treated and fought against any emetic being given him. His fight was a successful one, and he died about 11 o'clock. The case in court was the first one in which Badders was ever engaged. He was 45 years of age, and leaves a wife and several children.

Boy Killed at Upper Lehigh.

Peter Cismar, aged 16 years, was killed at No. 8 Upper Lehigh on Tuesday afternoon, by being caught between cars. He was a patcher in the colliery and was engaged in spragging a car when it struck another car, throwing it off the rails and squeezing the boy between it and the rib. Death ensued immediately. The body was not crushed or disfigured in any way, the accident leaving only one small mark on the breast to show the cause of death.

The boy was the only support of the family, his father being ill and confined to the house for the past fifteen months.

Hazleton Ball Team.

The Hazleton management has now signed twelve players for the coming base ball season. They are: Westlake, catcher and manager; Cooper, catcher; Infelders, J. E. Davis, Bob Rothmel, Smith, Halbauer and Wiegant; pitchers, Pfrom and Jordan; outfielders, Bradley and Hobright. Another pitcher and fielder are yet to be signed. Manager Westlake says his team is much stronger than the club of last year. The men are expected to report at Hazleton by April 15.

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.

PLEASURE CALENDAR.

February 14 to 22.—Fair at Cottage hall by Freeland Company, No. 29, Knights of Mystic Chain. Admission, 5 cents.
February 14.—Fair of Division No. A. O. H., at Eckley.
February 17.—Third annual ball of the Tirolese I. R. Society at Yannes' hall. Admission, 25 cents.
February 22.—Shooting match at Mrs. Krause's hotel, followed by a masquerade ball. All are invited.
February 23.—Entertainment of Young Men's C. T. A. B. Society at Young Men's opera house. Admission, 15, 25 and 35 cents.

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 Citizens' Hose Company decided to attend the ball of White Haven firemen on the 21st inst.

Part of the pupils of St. Ann's parochial school enjoyed a sleigh ride to Beaver Meadow yesterday.

Hugh Malloy shot a large catamount at the head of the Nescopeck creek, in Denison township, on Monday.

Strictly fresh eggs at Oswald's store. A delegation of the Daughters of Liberty, of Freeland, will attend the institution of a new council at Nescopeck tonight.

Voters of the South ward should not forget to mark the terms of years after the names of the candidates for council, when voting next Tuesday.

Several people of town attended the funeral yesterday of John E. Ferry, a well known young man of Hazleton, who died there on Sunday.

A part of No. 1 mines at Drifton began to "squeeze" on Tuesday, and the men, about forty, employed in the affected part are idle in consequence.

West Hazleton Council, Jr. O. U. A. M., paid a visit on Tuesday evening to Freeland Council, and enjoyed the hospitality of the latter until a late hour.

Eggs sold by A. Oswald are guaranteed to be fresh.

License court will be held next week at Wilkesbarre. There are forty-four applicants against whom remonstrances have been filed, all from the upper end.

The Plymouth Tribune, after a hard struggle for existence covering a period of two and one-half years, threw up the sponge on Saturday and retired from the field.

Miss Lizzie B. Sharp, of New Jersey, will begin revival services in St. Paul's P. M. church on Wednesday next, and continue for several weeks. The public is requested to attend.

Politics in the borough are quiet this week. In the North ward both parties are working and the result is in doubt, but outside of that the Democrats will win with many votes to spare.

Fresh fish every Thursday and Friday at McNelis' meat market.

J. H. Shellhammer, of Freeland, and Miss May Singley, of this city, were married yesterday morning at the English Lutheran parsonage by Rev. Dr. Wagner. They will reside in Freeland.

—Speaker.

A camp of the Patriotic Order of True Americans was instituted at Sandy Run on Saturday evening. It starts out with a membership of twenty-one. A large delegation from Camp 39, of Freeland, was present.

The reasons for a new trial in the case of George Windisch, who was convicted of the murder of his wife, were argued before Judge Woodward Monday morning. The court took the papers and reserved decision.

Sweet roll butter, always fresh, at Oswald's grocery store. Try it.

The Knights of the Mystic Chain will open their fair at the Cottage hall tomorrow evening, and the committee in charge invites everybody to attend. Music will be furnished by the bands of town every evening.

A Chester county man was arrested this week for swearing. He was fined 67 cents per oath, as the law calls for, and the bill amounted to \$8.04. The borough treasury should not be empty if that law was enforced here.

The Hazleton Plain Speaker has completed its fifteenth year, and it exhibits more signs of prosperity today than at any previous time in its history. The paper has had many ups and downs in its career, but it appears to be on a sound basis now.

You can rely upon goods bought at the Wear Well Shoe House. Try them.

The Young Men's opera house will be opened on the afternoon of the 23d inst. with a district temperance convention, which will be followed in the evening by an entertainment. Reserved seats for the latter will be on sale at Woodring's on the 20th inst.

Samuel Woodruff and Miss Hoyt, the former 72 years old and the latter 14, were united in marriage at the latter's home at Laceyville, this county. As neither bride nor groom is possessed of much of this world's goods, the match is said to be a purely love affair.

The "Fashion" is the ladies' favorite shoe. The price, quality and fit is right. Can be had only at the Wear Well, the great shoe house, at \$2 the pair.

The North Side candidates on the Hazle township Democratic ticket will receive a big vote at their homes. The candidates are John Mohan, of Jeddo, for supervisor, and John Brennan, of Drifton, for treasurer. Both men are deserving of the offices they seek.

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