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POLITICAL PICKUPS.

The Democrats of the borough will probably elect delegates on Saturday. If so, the convention will be held next Monday night. According to the rules adopted by the last borough convention three delegates will be chosen in each voting district, one in each ward and one by the entire borough, fifteen in all. The candidates are conducting a quiet and harmonious contest, and whoever may be nominated will have behind them a united party to assist them in recapturing the town.

John B. Hanlon and James B. Ferry, chairman and secretary respectively of the Democratic borough convention of 1896, request that all Democratic candidates for office in the borough meet at the rooms of the Citizens' Home Company tomorrow evening at 7.30 o'clock. Important matters relating to the coming election are to be discussed, and the presence of every candidate is desired.

Foster Democrats are not disheartened by the large majority, about 400, which is against them. W. E. Oberender is willing to head the forces as a candidate for tax collector, and promises, if the delegates place a strong and well-balanced ticket in the field, to show the Republicans an exciting time.

The borough Republicans will nominate on Monday evening next. Three delegates will be elected in each voting district on Saturday evening. Some of the candidates are so confident of seeing South Heberton annexed before the election that they have placed delegates in that district.

The date for the Foster Democrats to nominate has been fixed for Monday evening. Three delegates will be elected in each voting district on Saturday evening. The convention will be held at Woodside school house.

The Republican candidates are waging a spirited battle for nominations on the borough ticket. There are several aspirants for burgess and tax collector and combinations are being made and broken almost daily.

Both the Republicans and Democrats in Foster have decided to refuse to give South Heberton representation in the township conventions this year. They claim the district is already a part of Freeland borough.

The withdrawal of Thomas Clemens from the Republican poor director contest insures the re-nomination of James McCready, the present director. The Republicans will nominate on the 18th.

M. A. Bonner, of Summit Hill; E. J. O'Donnell, of Lansford, and Jacob Buss, of Nesquehoning, have been mentioned as aspirants for the Democratic poor director ticket.

Foster Republicans will hold their primary elections on Saturday evening. They nominate on Monday night. Several contests are being waged.

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 McKinley and Hobart banner has been removed from across Centre street. Hundreds of young folks enjoyed skating yesterday at the different ponds around town.

Weatherly school board has added notice to the list of studies in the public schools of that borough.

Buy your rubbers at the Wear Well. William Johnson has purchased an ice plow which he will use this winter on his dam in South Heberton.

The "Sporting Craze" satisfied a full house at the Grand on Friday night. Several changes were made in the piece since its former appearance here.

Working mittens, 15c. At Sippel's. An extensive squeeze is in progress at the Empire shaft, Wilkesbarre. The mine officials claim it will not amount to much, but old miners say a tremendous cave-in is likely.

W. D. White, of Wilkesbarre, has been notified of his re-appointment as district deputy grand master of the Masonic lodges of Luzerne county. This is his sixth successful term.

Buy a dance and dodge the doctor. Sold at A. Oswald's.

It has been decided by the military authorities that the National Guard of this state shall take part in the inauguration of the president-elect at Washington. The entire division will attend.

The borough school teachers held their second semi-monthly institute on Friday afternoon. Short addresses on educational topics were made by Profs. Hanlon, McBrierty, Schmidt and McLaughlin.

The dance will never let your ears or face get cold. Sold at A. Oswald's.

Some one has pithily observed that "advertising does not consist in keeping a fine assortment of goods on your shelves but in letting people know they are there." Try the TRIBUNE. It reaches the people.

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It is alleged that warrants have been issued for Senator John J. Coyle, of Mahanoy City, and W. J. Whitehouse, of Pottsville, on the charge of attempting to bribe Representative T. M. Powell, of this district, during the late senatorial fight.

Don't pay more for shoes than their worth. Full value at the Wear Well.

A meeting to organize an association of the various Boards of Health of the county will be held tomorrow at 2 p. m., in the rooms of the Luzerne County Medical Society, Wilkesbarre. Several prominent sanitarians will be present and read short papers.

Suits and overcoats and gents' furnishings of all kinds reduced. Geo. Sippel.

Will Shaffer, a desperate young criminal from Hazleton, escaped from the county jail on Thursday, by picking the lock of his cell, and squeezing through the bars of a rear window, which had been forced apart by confederates from the outside. Shaffer is only 29 years old, but has a bad reputation.

Big blizzards come at short notice. Buy a dance at A. Oswald's and be prepared for them.

At a meeting of the Foster school board on Saturday evening Superintendent Gabrio reported that Drs. Wentz and Filbert refuse to furnish vaccination certificates to the pupils at Eckley and Hazle Brook unless they be paid 15 cents for each certificate. The board decided that the vaccination law would have to be complied with by the pupils.

PERSONALITIES.

M. Schwabe, whose legs were broken by a fall of coal in his colliery two months ago, is improving rapidly, but will not be able to leave his residence before next spring.

Rev. John E. Stas will shortly occupy the new parochial residence at Ridge and Luzerne streets, erected by the parishioners of St. John's Slavonian Catholic church.

Henry Haas, proprietor of the Cottage hotel, transacted business at Wilkesbarre and Nanticoke on Thursday.

Andrew O'Donnell, of Main and Ridge streets, has recovered from his illness and resumed work today.

Frank O'Donnell, a resident of Drifton, has been taken to Laurytown hospital for treatment.

A son has arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Allen, Main street.

Francis Brennan has recovered from his illness sufficiently to leave his room.

Mrs. Michael O'Brien, of Alden, spent last week in town with friends.

William McGinnigle, of Allentown, is the guest of Freeland friends.

John B. Keenan and family will remove to Eckley today.

Miss Maggie McGinness, of Penobscot, is visiting in town.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

Routine Business Transacted at the Session on Saturday Evening.

The borough board met Saturday evening with Messrs. Rute, Sweeney, Ferry, Timony and Johnson present. In the absence of the president, Mr. Rute was elected to fill that position. A communication from Miss Mary Herron, applying for the position of substitute teacher, was accepted and placed on file. The following bills were ordered paid: TRIBUNE, printing, \$1.75; T. A. Eckley, J. P., affidavits, etc., \$1.95; E. H. Freese, hauling coal, \$5.50; Wm. Williamson, supplies, \$3.38; Mrs. Donlin, cleaning, \$2; Wm. Birkbeck, supplies, \$15.12; P. O'Donnell, brooms, \$1.20; Thos. Kane & Co., tellurium globe, \$20; Cross Creek Coal Company, coal, \$64.50. A bill for \$15.09 from Lewis Lentz was laid over for correction.

A communication was received from Representative Powell offering his aid in the matter of having school districts increase their debt to 7 per cent of their assessed valuation. It was accepted and ordered filed.

Director Rute reported that the hydrant in the Washington street school building was allowed to run, causing the water to flow over the street and gutter. The principal was ordered to see that such does not happen again.

The board decided to purchase three flags to take the places of old ones which have now become unfit for use. Director Rute was ordered to purchase two locks for the coal houses. The board decided to allow William O'Donnell, of Ridge street, who is over age, to attend the Washington street school.

New Officers Chosen.

The following were elected officers of the Tigers Athletic Club yesterday:

President—Bernard Boyle.
Vice president—Bernard McFadden.
Recording secretary—John Trimble.
Financial secretary—William Doggett.
Treasurer—Daniel McLaughlin.
Sergeant-at-arms—James Timony.
Guard—Peter Houston.
Trustees—Peter Gallagher, John McGroarty, James M. Gallagher, John Gillespie, James McKinley.

Camp 259, P. O. S. of A., of Drifton, has elected these officers:

President—W. C. Gibbon.
Vice president—Calvin Deitrick.
Recording secretary—J. H. Trevasnik.
Financial secretary—O. D. Fowler.
Treasurer—R. S. Cunningham.
Conductor—Harry Shaffer.
Inspector—Isaac Solt.
Guard—George Zellstoff.
Trustee—W. C. Gibbon.

The officers of the Stars Base Ball Association for the next six months will be:

President—Hugh Malloy, Jr.
Vice president—John Gallagher.
Recording secretary—Patrick Furey.
Financial secretary—Hugh Brislin, Jr.
Treasurer—Joseph Ferry.
Trustees—John Gallagher, J. O'Donnell, Dominick Welsh.
Manager—Thomas B. Welsh.

The following have been chosen managers of the White Haven Brick Company, Limited: E. R. Embury, Mauch Chunk; J. C. Shepherd, Hazleton; E. S. Rowland, S. S. Staples and Michael Dempsey, White Haven.

Four More Deaths.

Miss Katie Reinsmith, the seventeen-year-old daughter of Henry Reinsmith, died at the family residence at Birvanon on Saturday. Death was due to heart trouble, with which the young lady has been affected for many months. The funeral will take place at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. Interment at Freeland cemetery.

Annie Gallagher, a six-week-old child of Mr. and Mrs. William Gallagher, died at the family residence, Ridge and Carbon streets, on Thursday. The little one succumbed to an attack of whooping cough. Interment was made at St. Ann's cemetery on Friday afternoon.

On Friday evening a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Alden died at their home in South Heberton. She was aged 1 year and 6 months. The remains will be buried today at Dorrance.

Mrs. Curran, an aged lady residing at Ridge and South streets, died on Thursday after a lingering illness. The remains were interred at St. Ann's cemetery yesterday afternoon.

Prisoner Escapes from a Court Room.

A sensational escape was made from a crowded court room in Pottsville on Friday by a prisoner awaiting trial. Constantine Miskel, charged with a serious crime, was brought into the court room in charge of Sheriff Scott and Deputy Roberts. The prisoner was not taken immediately to the dock and slipped away while the officers' attention was diverted from him. All efforts to find the man thus far have been unavailing.

A Butcher's Narrow Escape.

A lighted lamp between the feet of Butcher Kepler, of Girardville, caused considerable damage. He had wrapped the lamp in a blanket, and fell asleep while driving along the road. The blanket caught fire and Kepler tossed it from him. The horse's tail became ignited and the animal ran away, wrecking the wagon and injuring himself so badly that he had to be shot. Kepler was severely burned.

BIG TECHNICAL LIBRARY.

The Collection of the Late Eckley B. Coxe Goes to Lehigh University.

From the Bethlehem Times. The announcement that Mrs. Coxe has given the great technical library of her late husband, Eckley B. Coxe, to Lehigh University will be received with enthusiasm by all the friends of the university. The fact that Mr. Coxe has brought together at his home in Drifton a rare collection of books on engineering, mining, metallurgy, mathematics, physics, astronomy, chemistry, etc., was well known in scientific circles, and it was frequently consulted by engineers as a reference library.

Mr. Coxe's large knowledge of scientific literature enabled him to select books of enduring value. The collection is rich in complete sets of scientific periodicals and in the transactions of learned societies. Here we find, too, the complete library of his old friend, Julius Weisbach, whose pupil he was in Erieberg, and whose work on mechanics he translated into English. A fine oil portrait of Weisbach accompanies his books and adds much to the interests and value of this collection of one of the foremost teachers of mechanics in his day. The total number of volumes with which Lehigh thus becomes enriched is about 8,000.

This gift to the university is not only a valuable addition to her educational equipment, but is peculiarly welcome as a memorial of Mr. Coxe, who as a trustee of the university was its benefactor both as a contributor to its needs and as a trusted counselor in its educational progress.

It has been happily suggested that the library be kept together in a special building erected in memory of Mr. Coxe's great services to the university in whose growth and usefulness he took such a deep interest. His large-minded views of education and his whole-hearted devotion to the cause of technical training in this country find a fitting and permanent expression in these books, which he had gathered around him. Through Mrs. Coxe's generosity and her sympathetic appreciation of his educational ideals this library will now begin a new era of usefulness in Lehigh university.

The Anthracite Coal Trade.

The production of anthracite coal in the last three months of 1896 aggregated nearly 13,000,000 tons. The unsold stocks above ground are very large, the Reading alone being credited with 1,000,000 tons, and prices are weakening under this load. The mild weather is against the companies, but the important fact is that the distributing trade has no confidence that present prices will hold, and are cutting their orders down to the smallest possible dimensions.

The January output will be about 3,000,000 tons, and from all appearances will be more than ample. Prices are very weak, and sales are reported free on board in New York at \$3.80 net for stove. The circular price is \$4.35 net. Occasional instances of fire cutting are reported, the most important being the government contract for 1,500 tons of broken to go to Florida, which is said to have been taken at less than \$3.

The Philadelphia market has been disturbed by an incursion of Coxe Bros. & Co., who have made one of their periodical raids. One large company is reported to be holding up to the full circular, but every other producer is under suspicion of price cutting. There is a somewhat short supply of pea coal, but of every other size there is more than enough.

Railroad Men Endorse Penrose.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the state legislative board of railroad employes, at Harrisburg, some proposed legislation was discussed. The Erdman arbitration, the contempt bill and the Phillips commission bills were endorsed. The first provides for voluntary arbitration, the second for prevention of government by injunction and the third for a commission to study the needs of the masses. The nomination of Boies Penrose for United States senator was endorsed. D. J. Dugan, of East Mauch Chunk, resigned as a member of the board and E. M. Alpine, of Northumberland, was elected.

Strong Company and Good Play.

"Side Tracked," with its scenic and mechanical effects, its funny tramp, German and Irish comedians, and its saucy hoyden and charming lovers, will be the attraction at the Grand tonight. There is a vim and "go" about the play that captures the gallery as well as the elite of every audience. The special scenery is effective, and several strong specialties assist materially in the action of the play. E. H. O'Connor is very successful in the performance of the tramp, and Billy Bowers, a section gang boss, assists materially in the fun-making by his finished German character work. Daisy Chaplin, a captivating little sourette, introduces a number of very catchy songs and dances. Gail Stawood, Camilla Martin and Amy Paige appear to advantage in their different characters.

Israel Refowich, the oldest and most reliable clothier in town, intends to close his business here on April 1 and is offering his immense stock at a great sacrifice. Parties wishing clothing, hats and gents' furnishings will do well to call at his store while the assortment is complete.

Madame DeLeon, of Philadelphia, the noted clairvoyant and phrenologist, reads your life at the Cottage hotel on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

Shoes that fit the feet at prices to suit your pocketbook can be had at the Wear Well Shoe House, 55 Centre street.

LEISENRING'S CHANCES.

SAID TO BE THE MAN WHO WILL SUCCEED MR. HASTINGS.

The Luzerne County Congressman Appears to Have the Inside Track for the Republican gubernatorial Nomination. Views Expressed by an Exchange.

From the Altoona News (Washington Corr.). The coming retirement from congress of Representative John Leisenring, of the Luzerne district, is an event that is regretted by every person who has become acquainted with him. Mr. Leisenring is only serving his first term here, but in that short period he has made a friend of every member of the delegation, and in fact of all who have come in contact with him. Quiet and unostentatious, he has quietly performed his duties to the satisfaction of his constituents to a marked degree.

In Mr. Leisenring, Luzerne county has a representative in every sense of the term. He was one of the most punctilious members of the house, and never missed an opportunity to advance the interests of his constituents. And he succeeded where many of his predecessors failed. For years Wilkesbarre has longed and begged for a public building, but none of its representatives possessed enough influence to secure it. Mr. Leisenring undertook the task and the result is that the Wilkesbarre building bill is the twelfth one on the list of those that are to become laws at this session.

Mr. Leisenring's entrance in public life is typical of the man. Although always an active and ardent Republican he never sought an office and was content to attend to his large business interests. But he was always ready when the party called upon him for the assistance in his power. Luzerne elected him to congress by a majority of 5,500 over his opponent.

When the time for the next convention arrived Mr. Leisenring modestly declined a re-nomination and re-election, although there was a general demand for him to make the race again. He assisted in the nomination of a personal friend and then worked valiantly to have him elected which was the outcome of the battle.

Although Mr. Leisenring will retire from congress he will be heard of again in public life. The splendid record that he has made here has attracted attention to him as possessing the requisite material for governor of the old Commonwealth. It has been a long time since his section of the state has had a governor and as a consequence a strong movement is already under way to secure the nomination of Mr. Leisenring to succeed Governor Hastings. His friends are actively at work, but so far Mr. Leisenring has not announced his candidacy. He will probably do so before he retires from congress.

Dropped Into a Mine Hole.

A singular accident occurred near Pittston on Friday when a horse and rider dropped into the earth a distance of forty feet into an old mine working. Michael Ruane was riding his horse across a field belonging to the Butler Mine Company, just on the outskirts of the city, when the frozen ground suddenly gave way beneath him.

A hole barely large enough to admit the animal and rider was formed, and both plunged down into the darkness of an abandoned chamber. Ruane, singularly, escaped without injury. Crawling to the surface by way of an adjoining opening, he raised the alarm and a big crowd gathered about the scene of the accident.

An investigation showed the horse standing in a pile of debris at the bottom of the cave, wedged into a space about four feet square. The animal was subsequently raised to the surface by means of ropes and tackles, apparently none the worse for its terrible plunge.

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