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## RAILROAD TIMETABLES

### LEHIGH VALLEY RAILROAD.

May 10, 1898.  
ARRANGEMENT OF PASSENGER TRAINS.  
LEAVE FREELAND.

6 20 a m for Weatherly, Mauch Chunk, Allentown, Bethlehem, Easton, Philadelphia and New York.  
7 40 a m for Sandy Run, White Haven, Wilkes-Barre, Pittston and Scranton.  
8 32 a m for Weatherly, Mauch Chunk, Allentown, Bethlehem, Easton, Philadelphia and New York.  
9 30 a m for Hazleton, Mahanoy City, Shenandoah, Mt. Carmel, Shamokin and Pottsville.  
11 56 a m for Sandy Run, White Haven, Wilkes-Barre, Scranton and all points west.  
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6 57 p m for Hazleton, Mahanoy City, Shenandoah, Mt. Carmel and Shamokin.  
ARRIVE AT FREELAND.  
7 40 a m from Pottsville, Shamokin, Mt. Carmel, Shenandoah, Mahanoy City and Hazleton.  
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For further information inquire of Ticket Agents.  
WILLIAM W. WILBUR, General Superintendent.  
CHAS. S. LEE, Gen'l Pass. Agent.  
28 Cortland Street, New York City.

## THE DELAWARE, SUSQUEHANNA AND SCHUYLKILL RAILROAD.

Time table in effect April 18, 1897.  
Trains leave Drifton for Jeddo, Eckley, Hazle Brook, Stockton, Beaver Meadow Road, Roan and Hazleton Junction at 5:30, 6:00 a. m., daily except Sunday; and 4:00 a. m., 2:30 p. m., Sunday.  
Trains leave Drifton for Harwood, Cranberry, Tomhicken and Deringer at 5:30, 6:00 a. m., daily except Sunday; and 7:00 a. m., 4:25 p. m., Sunday.  
Trains leave Drifton for Onedia Junction, Harwood Road, Humboldt Road, Onedia and Shepton at 6:00 a. m., daily except Sunday; and 7:00 a. m., 2:30 p. m., Sunday.  
Trains leave Hazleton for Onedia Junction, Harwood Road, Humboldt Road, Onedia and Shepton at 6:00 a. m., daily except Sunday; and 7:00 a. m., 2:30 p. m., Sunday.  
Trains leave Drifter for Tomhicken, Cranberry, Harwood, Onedia Junction and Roan at 2:30, 5:40 p. m., daily except Sunday; and 9:37 a. m., 6:10 p. m., Sunday.  
Trains leave Shepton for Beaver Meadow Road, Stockton, Hazle Brook, Eckley, Jeddo and Drifton at 5:30 p. m., daily, except Sunday; and 11 a. m., 3:40 p. m., Sunday.  
Trains leave Hazleton for Beaver Meadow Road, Stockton, Hazle Brook, Eckley, Jeddo and Drifton at 5:30 p. m., daily, except Sunday; and 10:10 a. m., 5:40 p. m., Sunday.  
All trains connect at Hazleton with the electric cars for Hazleton, Jeannetteville, Auderick and other points on the Traction Company's line.  
Trains leaving Drifton at 5:30, 6:00 a. m. make connection at Deringer with P. & R. trains for Wilkesbarre, Sunbury, Harrisburg and points west.  
For the accommodation of passengers at way stations between Hazleton Junction and Onedia Junction, a train will leave the former point at 3:30 p. m., daily, except Sunday, arriving at Deringer at 4:00 p. m.  
LUTHER B. SMITH, Superintendent.

## MISCELLANEOUS ADVERTISEMENTS.

### SHERIFF SALE.

The following real estate will be sold at sheriff's sale at the Court House, Abington, Pa., on Saturday, June 11, 1898, at 10 a. m., at the suit of J. C. Lerner vs. John McGlynn.  
All the right, title and interest of the defendant in those two lots of ground, one on the west side of Adams street, in the borough of Luzerne county, Pa., which are marked Nos. 30 and 31, of block 10, on map plan of Jeddo City, Luzerne county, Pa., in addition to said borough, described as follows, viz: Beginning at a point on said Adams street 20 feet north of the intersection of Adams and Carbon streets, thence west on a line parallel with said Carbon street 100 feet to Adams street, thence south along Adams street 50 feet to place of beginning. The improvements are a small frame dwelling.  
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All that certain lot or piece of land situated in Freeland borough, Luzerne county, Pa., bounded and described as follows, viz: Beginning at a point on the north side of Front street, 60 feet north from the intersection of Front and Washington streets, extending westward along Front street 20 feet to land of late Neal McNeil, thence northwesterly 150 feet to public alley, thence east 20 feet to lands late of Peter Cunningham, thence southwesterly 150 feet to place of beginning.  
The improvements thereon are a two and one-half story frame building, occupied as a hotel and dwelling, kitchen attached and out-buildings.  
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### WAIT FOR THE REAL SHOW.

The great realistic play.

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The largest and grandest production of a play ever attempted. Special scenery and mechanical effects. Singing and dancing. See the thrilling saw mill scene. Hear the famous Joshua Simpkins orchestra.  
An ordinary opera house stage would be too small for this production.  
Admission, Only 25 Cents.  
WATCH FOR THE PARADE AT NOON.

## 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.

Dr. N. Maley returned yesterday from a two days' business trip to Philadelphia.  
G. W. Gomer, of Conyngham, has been granted a patent on a scaling device.  
Hazleton hospital has twenty-six patients. The average for May was thirty-five.  
Dr. G. S. VanHorn, the Freeland assistant of Dr. Geo. S. Wentz, is spending this week at his home in New Jersey.  
Prof. A. J. Gallagher, a well-known school teacher in the upper end of the county, died on Tuesday at his home in Wilkesbarre.  
The annual closing exercises of the Mining and Mechanical Institute will be held at the Grand opera house tomorrow evening.  
Bituminous coal is sold in ton lots at \$1.20 per ton in Philadelphia. The Times reports this the lowest price ever recorded for coal in that city.  
William Ritter, ex-clerk at the Central hotel, on Tuesday leased Brennan's restaurant at South and Centre streets and immediately took possession.  
The presence of Maj. C. B. Cox Post, with the Grand Army drum corps, gave the funeral of the late Joseph Ammerman, of Jeddo, a military aspect on Tuesday afternoon.  
The inner circle of the coal trust has graciously decreed that 2,500,000 tons of anthracite may be mined in June. This is half a million more than was allowed to be mined last month.  
A pretty flower bed in the form of an American flag will appear if red and white geraniums are planted for the stripes, adajurium for the blue-field and small white daisies for the stars.  
Notwithstanding the coolness of the evening the picnic of the Tigers Athletic Club on Monday was attended by a very large crowd of pleasure-seekers and the festivities continued until a late hour.  
The smallest constable in the world was appointed by Judge Lynch on Tuesday for Hunlock township. He is Thomas M. Bonham, who is only 49½ inches tall, weighs 61½ pounds and is 48 years old.  
Lehigh town council has awarded the contract for the erection of a new electric light plant to the Fort Wayne Electric Company, of Philadelphia, for \$18,800. The plant is to be completed thirty days after the contract has been signed.  
Hazle township school board has decided to give Drifton pupils an extra month's schooling, and the schools will continue open until the end of June. Mrs. E. B. Cox will pay all the expense incurred in teaching the pupils this month.  
Freeland's school board of ten will organize on Monday evening. The taxpayers are devoutly praying that the increase in membership will have a better effect upon the public welfare than resulted by increasing the borough council.  
James O'Brien, a miner employed at Jeannetteville colliery, was crushed to death by a fall of rock yesterday afternoon. The deceased was aged 45 years and had been a resident of Jeannetteville the larger part of his life. A wife and two daughters survive him.  
A movement to boom anthracite coal has been started in the Schuylkill region and is increasing in strength according as it travels. Individual operators seem disposed to help the business people and property holders of the coal towns in curbing the restrictive powers of the anthracite trust.  
Local horsemen expected that a race would be arranged this week between the trotters owned by John E. McHugh and Jonah Evans. Both men agreed to match their steeds for \$100 a side, but the details of the contest could not be satisfactorily settled, and the race is off for the present.  
The railroads of this vicinity are making big preparations for their Memorial Day, Sunday, June 12. In the morning the graves in the local cemeteries will be decorated, after which they will leave for Mauch Chunk, to take part in the general celebration. St. Patrick's band will accompany them.  
Conrad Zang, of Freeland, was in the city today and swore out a warrant before Alderman Holdenreich for Eugene Wuest, also of Freeland, charging him with false pretense. Wuest had been seen in various parts of the city during the morning, but he mysteriously disappeared about noon, and eluded capture.—Sentinel.

#### Twelve Street Lights Extinguished.

The light from a big, bright moon last night made the absence of twelve arc street lights less noticeable than would have been the case had the night been dark. The change, however, in illumination, from a modern embryo city to a backwoods hamlet, was sufficient to cause remarks in every quarter of town which would not be music to councilmanic ears had our borough dads heard them. Only two of the fourteen lights ordered extinguished by the council were allowed to remain. These are at the intersection of Centre and Walnut and Pine and Walnut streets, and the business people of these localities agreed to pay the expense of retaining them.  
On Centre street, owing to the many well-lighted stores, the difference was not so noticeable until a late hour, but on all other streets, even with the help of the moon, the appearance of the thoroughfares was anything but creditable to the ruling powers.  
Where the fault lies for taking this backward step is not quite plain at this writing. The plea of economy put forth by a majority of council is a good one to fight behind, and if they are sincere in reducing all expenses the taxpayers will undoubtedly stand by them. Any deviation from economic principles on the part of council will, however, make this claim a ridiculous one and give color to the rumors which are frequently heard, viz: that the reduction in lights is due to personal friction between members of the council and members of the light company.

#### Democratic Paper Suppressed.

The State, the Democratic newspaper recently started at Milton, has suspended publication, owing to the action of the postal authorities in refusing to admit it to the mail as second-class matter, as all other newspapers are. The State had to pay two cents postage on each copy mailed, and after trying to have this unfair discrimination removed, it gave up. The paper was an excellent news journal, and its political matter, Democratic to the core, was of a higher order than that in any other paper in the state. The fear of Republicans that it would cut a big swath in their ranks in the coming campaign is supposed to have been the cause of its suppression by the postoffice department.

#### Prominent People Remarried.

From the Hazleton Standard.  
The many friends of George B. Markle will no doubt learn with pleasure that he and his former wife have been reunited by a re-marriage. Mrs. Markle, whose home is in Portland, Oregon, was a Miss Goodwin, and for some reason only known to a few she obtained a divorce from her husband, after which he came east. Since then friends of both have succeeded in satisfactorily adjusting the differences. Miss Goodwin arrived here last Sunday and the two departed early Monday morning for New York, where they were re-united in marriage and are now enjoying their second honeymoon. They will take up their residence in this city.

#### Flags in the Clouds.

The citizens of Gordon on Monday hoisted a flag to the greatest height that any flag has ever been raised in the county. The flag is suspended on a crucible steel wire stretched from mountain to mountain across the Gordon Plain Gap, twenty-six hundred feet long. The flag is 19x30 feet and floats 900 feet above the town, and looks as if suspended from the clouds.  
Mauch Chunk people are thinking of raising a flag in the same way, on a wire stretched from the two mountains alongside the town. It will probably be raised on July 4.

#### Open to All Physicians.

The management of the Mercy hospital, Wilkesbarre, has thrown open the private rooms of the institution to the entire medical profession of the county. This new rule gives any reputable physician in the county the privilege to take a private patient to a private room of the hospital, or in other words, any patient occupying a private room has the privilege of choosing any physician in the county to act as his or her medical attendant.

#### Social Club Elects Officers.

The Young America Social Club elected the following officers on Sunday: President—Frank Roberts. Vice president—John Dusheck. Recording secretary—William Sachs. Financial secretary—John Weiss. Assistant—Charles Peters. Auditing committee—Edgar Albert, Thomas Howey, John Kuntz.

#### Two Millions a Year.

When people buy, try and buy again, it means they're satisfied. The people of the United States are now buying Cascarets Candy Cathartic at the rate of two million boxes a year and it will be three million before New Year's. It means merit proved, that Cascarets are the most delightful bowel regulator for everybody the year round. All druggists, 10c, 25c, 50c a box, cure guaranteed.

A. Oswald sells three bars of grand-ma's butter milk soap for the small sum of 5c.

## LOCAL WAR NOTES.

It seems to be considered settled that all Pennsylvania regiments in the field must increase the number of their companies to twelve, which is the standard. Most of them have only eight companies. In expectation of this, a company has been organized at Pittston and another at Wilkesbarre to fill the Ninth. This will still leave two vacancies, and lower end people are talking of trying to have these places held for companies from Freeland and Hazleton.

At a meeting of the Wyoming Valley chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution at Wilkesbarre resolutions were adopted protesting against the establishment in the Ninth regiment at Chickamauga of "a regimental saloon or canteen." The resolution says: "It will prove in every way hurtful to the moral, physical and financial condition of the soldiers and be a source of sorrow as well as loss to their families and friends."  
Enlistments for the Eleventh infantry, regulars, are still going on at Wilkesbarre. Luzerne county has furnished over 200 men for this regiment. They are at Fort McPherson, Georgia, but will start for the Philippines in a few weeks. In a letter to the Sentinel last evening A. J. Evans, of Hazleton, reports all the boys well. This includes Ernest Ludwig, and S. W. Buck, of town, and William LeBar, of Jeddo.

Hazleton City Troop, composed to a large extent of Lattimer-deputies, wants to go to the war. The North Side is represented on its roll by J. M. Roberts and W. J. Schmidt, of Freeland, and L. A. Sundmacher, Hans Sundmacher and Andrew F. Harger, of Drifton.

The wet weather during May destroyed many handsome flags in town, including some large ones. Among those who have replaced their soiled banners is the Tigers Athletic Club, which is displaying a large new flag on its building on Walnut street.  
Councilman Patrick Meehan has presented a fine 6x10 flag to the South ward, and it proudly flies across Washington street, near Luzerne.

#### BASE BALL DOTS.

Villanova college club played at Mauch Chunk on Monday. The visitors lost the morning game, 9 to 3, but retaliated after dinner by shutting out the Chunks, 3 to 0, with Barney McFadden in the box. All the other Freeland boys, Boner and Gillespie, with Mauch Chunk, and Broderick, with the collegians, played giddy-edged ball.  
The first game of ball played here this season took place on Monday, the Good Wills losing to the Stars by a score of 25 to 5.  
A meeting will be held at Hazleton tomorrow evening and an attempt made to reorganize the Anthracite league.  
Hazleton Athletics and the Fernouts play at Drifton on Sunday afternoon.

#### CHURCH CHIMES.

Rev. J. B. Kerschner left on Tuesday to attend the annual session of the Wyoming Classis of the Reformed Church, which convened last evening at McEwensville, Northumberland county. A. Oswald accompanied Rev. Kerschner and will take part in the session as delegate elder from this charge. As the session will last seven days, there will be no preaching in St. John's church, Freeland, nor in Eckley, next Sunday. Sunday school will be held in the morning, as usual, as will the Christian Endeavor meeting in the evening.

#### DEATHS.

Casper.—At Freeland, May 31, Mrs. William Casper, Ridge street, aged 33 years. Funeral this morning with requiem mass at St. Kasimer's church. Interment at St. Ann's cemetery.

#### Resolutions of Condolence.

At a meeting of the Freeland Board of Trade, held at Freeland, Pa., Tuesday, May 31, 1898, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:  
Whereas, On the twenty-third day of May, 1898, the hand of death (which hereby has demonstrated that "Death loves a shining mark") removed from our midst our late beloved and earnest member and treasurer, William H. Butz, whose life of usefulness and benefit to our community and his country, we had hoped had but begun, who had in so few years accomplished so much; and  
Whereas, By his death, we have lost a most earnest, whole-souled and energetic member, the entire community a pure, upright, manly, patriotic and philanthropic citizen; and his parents a dutiful and loving son, and his wife a noble and affectionate husband, a loving father to his sweet, gentle and innocent babe; therefore, be it  
Resolved, That we tender our most sincere and heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved wife and parents in this sad hour of their great affliction. Be it further  
Resolved, That the foregoing preamble and resolutions be entered upon the minutes of the board, that they be published in our local papers, and a copy, properly engrossed, be presented to the bereaved family.

Wm. D. Kline, Joseph P. McDonald, Amandus Oswald, Hugh Malloy, Committee.

## BOOMING HARD COAL.

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The Philadelphia papers have taken the matter up and have given lengthy and exhaustive arguments on the subject, and they think as we, that the whole matter lies in the question of freight tolls. It is an unbearable state of affairs for us, in the fact that even the carriers and miners of anthracite coal use bituminous coal for their engines; and boilers in their larger shops.  
They say it is cheaper to use bituminous. But why is it so? Can not the larger railroad companies produce their own fuel at a less cost than they can buy the other kind? If not, then the stockholders of these companies had better look up better managers and smarter financiers. In short, we think that the old saying: "Carrying coals to New Castle," which has been the expression for fool tricks for many years, suits some of our coal carrying companies.

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The parade and exercises at Eckley, in the morning, where George McLaughlin, Esq., delivered the address, were also well carried out, as were the exercises at Upper Lehigh, where the address was made by G. T. Brown, Esq.

#### STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, ss.

LUCAS COUNTY,  
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## HEAVY SHOT FOR MORRO.

Battered by Big Guns—Smaller Ones Shell the Shores.

The firing began at 2 P. M. and was kept up for two hours—the forts responded in lively fashion, but little or no damage was done to our fleet.

Cape Haytien, Hayti, June 1.—A despatch which has just been received from Santiago de Cuba, says that the American squadron, under command of Commodore Schley, which has been blockading the port for a number of days, bombarded the fortifications, the evident intention being to reduce them in order to get to Admiral Cervera's squadron at anchor in Santiago Bay.

The American fleet comprised fourteen vessels, including the Brooklyn, the flagship of the squadron; Massachusetts, Texas, Iowa, Marblehead, Nashville, Scorpion, and two torpedo boats.

The despatch says that among the attacking vessels was one which seemed to be the New York, flying the flag of Admiral Sampson.

When the firing began many of the men in the city whose sympathies have been with the insurgents started for the insurgent lines, which are but a short distance from the town, to offer their services.

The fighting began about 2 o'clock, when the signal to begin the battle was displayed on the Brooklyn. This seems to refute the statement that Admiral Sampson was present, for he had been with the fleet he would, by his rank, have been in command.

Owing to the height of the hill on which the Morro Castle is situated at the entrance to the harbor, it was impossible for the Americans to run inshore and elevate their guns to a sufficient height to do any damage to the old fortifications. Consequently the big ships with the heavy rifles stood some distance off shore, from where they could pour in a more effective fire, while the smaller vessels, nearer the shore, devoted themselves to attacking the sand and mortar batteries on the front beneath the Morro.

The firing was apparently directed principally against the Morro, the Fort of La Socapa, on the opposite side of the entrance, and Punta Gorda, some distance from the entrance, but which could be reached by an almost straight fire from the sea.

The forts replied bravely to the fire of the enemy, but, as far as can be learned, did not appear to do any great damage.

The despatch intimates that some of the Spanish warships took part in the engagement, but this cannot be verified.

Whether or not the Americans entered the bay is not known. It is reported here that they did, but this is doubted, as it is scarcely to be supposed that Commodore Schley would attempt to run the forts through a channel known to be filled with both electrical and contact mines.

Judging from the reports of the fight that have been received here, it is almost certain that little, if any, damage was done to the Americans.

It may be that Commodore Schley did enter the harbor for a short distance, countering as he went, and is now awaiting a more favorable opportunity for proceeding up the bay and engaging the Spanish warships.

During the fighting a number of troops were hastily despatched from the city, and it is judged from this that the Spanish losses in the batteries must have been heavy, and that the artillerymen were needed to man the guns.

The despatch says that the Americans were compelled to retire after the battle had lasted about two hours, but this is doubted here, as it is known that the fortifications at Santiago are hardly strong enough to cope satisfactorily with such a powerful squadron as that commanded by Commodore Schley.

Further details of the fighting are lacking. They are awaited here with intense interest. It is supposed that some of the despatch boats accompanying the American squadron will cable the details of the engagement from Kingston as soon as possible. Of course all the information that has reached this point is from Spanish sources.

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Owing to the height of the hill on which the Morro Castle is situated at the entrance to the harbor, it was impossible for the Americans to run inshore and elevate their guns to a sufficient height to do any damage to the old fortifications. Consequently the big ships with the heavy rifles stood some distance off shore, from where they could pour in a more effective fire, while the smaller vessels, nearer the shore, devoted themselves to attacking the sand and mortar batteries on the front beneath the Morro.

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The forts replied bravely to the fire of the enemy, but, as far as can be learned, did not appear to do any great damage.

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#### B. & L. Dues Suspended.

The National Mutual Building and Loan Association, of New York, in which several Freeland people are interested, has suspended the collection of monthly dues from shareholders from June 1 until further notice. The inability of many to continue paying their dues, which compelled them to withdraw from the association, is given by the directors as the reason for such action. The suspension applies solely to dues which would have become due and payable during the term of suspension if the same has not been ordered. It is expected to last about one year.  
The directors claim that their action will be a relief to a large number of the shareholders by giving the latter an opportunity to expend their dues for other purposes and at the same time retain membership in the association. Shareholders who are able to pay their dues without any inconvenience do not take kindly to the suspension, as it sets the date of maturity of their shares so much further off.

#### Honored the Dead Veterans.

The celebration of Memorial Day in Freeland on Monday afternoon was all that could be desired. The several societies which accepted the invitation of Maj. C. B. Cox Post turned out with full ranks, and the parade was greater than had been expected—both in numbers and appearance. The exercises at the Freeland cemetery were of a high order, the oration of Rev. J. B. Kerschner being a fitting tribute to the dead veterans. The address by Stewart Macfarlane, Jr., was also well delivered and the young man was warmly congratulated upon his successful debut on the platform.  
The parade and exercises at Eckley, in the morning, where George McLaughlin, Esq., delivered the address, were also well carried out, as were the exercises at Upper Lehigh, where the address was made by G. T. Brown, Esq.

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FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, Ohio, and State of Ohio, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of CATARRH that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE. FRANK J. CHENEY. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1898.

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