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## RAILROAD TIMETABLES.

**LEHIGH VALLEY RAILROAD.**  
May 19, 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.  
4 32 p m for Hazleton, Mahanoy City, Shenandoah, Mt. Carmel, Shamokin and Pottsville.  
6 39 p m for Sandy Run, White Haven, Wilkes-Barre and Scranton.  
6 57 p m for Hazleton, Mahanoy City, Shenandoah and Mt. Carmel.  
**ARRIVE AT FREELAND.**  
7 40 a m from Pottsville, Shamokin, Mt. Carmel, Shenandoah, Mahanoy City and Hazleton.  
9 17 a m from New York, Philadelphia, Easton, Bethlehem, Allentown, Mauch Chunk and Weatherly.  
9 30 a m from Scranton, Wilkes-Barre and White Haven.  
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For further information inquire of Ticket Agents.  
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**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, Sunn and Hazleton Junction at 5 30, 6 00 a m, daily except Sunday; and 7 30 a m, 2 38 p m, Sunday.  
Trains leave Drifton for Harwood, Cranberry, Tomhicken and Deringer at 5 30, 6 00 a m, daily except Sunday; and 7 30 a m, 2 38 p m, Sunday.  
Trains leave Drifton for Oneida Junction, Harwood Road, Humboldt Road, Oneida and Shepperton at 5 30, 6 00 a m, daily except Sunday; and 7 30 a m, 2 38 p m, Sunday.  
Trains leave Drifton for Harwood, Cranberry, Tomhicken and Deringer at 5 30, 6 00 a m, daily except Sunday; and 7 30 a m, 2 38 p m, Sunday.  
Trains leave Hazleton for Oneida Junction, Harwood Road, Humboldt Road, Oneida and Shepperton at 6 32, 11 10 a m, 4 41 p m, daily except Sunday; and 7 30 a m, 2 38 p m, Sunday.  
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Trains leave Deringer for Tomhicken, Cranberry, Harwood, Hazle Brook, Eckley, Jeddo and Drifton at 5 35, 6 20 p m, daily except Sunday; and 7 30 a m, 2 38 p m, Sunday.  
Trains leave Drifton for Oneida Junction, Harwood Road, Stockton, Beaver Meadow Road, Sunn and Drifton at 5 30, 6 00 a m, 2 38 p m, Sunday; and 8 11 a m, 3 44 p m, Sunday.  
Trains leave Hazleton for Oneida Junction, Harwood Road, Stockton, Beaver Meadow Road, Sunn and Drifton at 5 35, 6 20 p m, daily except Sunday; and 7 30 a m, 2 38 p m, Sunday.  
All trains connect at Hazleton Junction with electric cars for Hazleton, Jenksville, Audenried and other points on the Hazleton Company's line.  
Trains leaving Drifton at 5 30, 6 00 a m make connection at Hazleton with the train for Wilkes-Barre, Sunbury, Harrisburg and points west.  
For the accommodation of passengers at way stations between Hazleton Junction and Deringer, a train will leave the former point at 3 30 p m, daily except Sunday, arriving at Deringer at 5 00 p m.  
LUTHER C. SMITH, Superintendent.

## 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 season of trout fishing will close tomorrow, and lovers of the speckled beauties have been hauling in all they could this week.  
Rt. Rev. Bishop O'Hara yesterday celebrated the thirtieth anniversary of his consecration as the first bishop of the diocese of Scranton.  
Business men of Mauch Chunk have offered the proper inducements to a company manufacturing corn-cob pipes and paper boxes, and the plant will be located there.  
St. John's Reformed church, Rev. J. B. Kerschner, pastor. German services next Sunday morning and Children's Day services in the evening. All are invited to attend.  
High Constable Mullik has brought suit against the borough for refusing to pay him for burying dead animals. The hearing will take place before Squire Shovlin tomorrow.  
Daniel J. Kennedy, of Ridge street, employed as a pumpman in Drifton mines, was severely hurt by a fall at his work last week and will be confined to his home for a while.  
Democrats who want to represent their respective districts in the county convention are getting down to work. It seems that there will be contests at most of the polls for this honor.  
Squire Jones, of West Hazleton, is hard at work serving summons upon those who have failed to pay their mercantile tax. There is quite a number of them in the lower end and they must now step up and settle.  
The Lehigh Valley Railroad paid their employes on Monday by check. Rumors have been going the rounds of the press for several days that they would pay in cash so as to avoid placing a two-cent stamp on each check.  
Maj. C. B. Cox has commenced to make arrangements for G. A. R. Day, which will be observed here on September 19. All the Grand Army men in lower Luzerne, Carbon and Schuylkill counties will parade in Freeland on that date.  
The dwelling of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Ratko, of Humboldt, was destroyed by fire yesterday, and two children, a four-year-old girl and a nine-months-old boy, were burned to death. The mother locked the children in the house while she picked huckleberries.  
Reuben Boninger, a well-known resident of Butler township, died Tuesday morning, aged 45 years. He is survived by his wife, three daughters and one son, one being Mrs. G. H. Benner, of Jeddo. The funeral will take place this afternoon at St. John's cemetery.  
Freeland's mail service is receiving no small amount of criticism lately. The irregularity of the arrival of mails has become quite frequent, and the local officials are unable to remedy it. Yesterday the first mail from New York and Philadelphia did not arrive until 4 32 p m.  
The chartering of the Royal Oak Coal Company at Shamokin on Monday, with a capital of \$60,000, will result in a new slope being sunk at the plant in that town. The breaker will be enlarged and new tunnels cut through. A large additional number of men and boys will be given employment.

**PERSONALITIES.**  
The consistory of St. John's Reformed church has granted a two weeks' vacation to Rev. J. B. Kerschner, the pastor, to begin on August 1. Rev. Kerschner and family, with several friends, will likely spend the vacation at the seashore.  
Misses Mary Legget and Hettie Kennedy, of Philadelphia, are visiting the Johnson family on Walnut street.  
John J. McGarvey left this week for Pittsburg, where he intends to reside for some time.  
Miss Lizzie Stenner, of Centralia, is visiting her sister, Miss Jennie Stenner.  
Miss Ella Coyle, of Philadelphia, is the guest of Michael Halpin and family.  
Miss Maggie Harkins, of Buffalo, visited friends here this week.  
Miss Mary Dougherty has returned from a visit to Philadelphia.

**Ten Dollars Reward.**  
A reward of \$10 will be paid by M. H. Hunsicker for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who cut the water hose at Woodside dam last night or early this morning. The hose was new and had been in service less than a week. It was used in filling the street sprinkler with water.  
**Beauty Is Blood Deep.**  
Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin today to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets—beauty for 10 cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

## Borough Teachers Appointed.

The members of the borough school board met last evening. The finance committee reported the taxable valuation to be \$250,622. The tax rate was fixed at 13 mills and \$1.00 minimum tax for educational purposes and 13 mills for building. The building committee submitted sealed proposals for the repairs recommended by them to the different buildings, which were laid over to next meeting. The teachers' committee recommended that the board open two new schools, one in the Daniel Cox building and one in the old building at South Heberton, which, with the two vacancies, gave the board power to elect four teachers. The report was accepted. A petition protesting against the election of a teacher, name not given, was referred to the committee on teachers. The names of the following applicants were placed on the board and each director voted for four teachers: S. W. Baird, Annie Simon, G. N. Vanauker, Mattie Brown, Miriam Edmunds, Ellen P. Stewart, Anna Sensesbach, Thomas Evans, Myron Zimmerman, Isabel C. Crawford, D. S. Pensyl, Katie Winter, Hattie E. Beidler, Mary McGill, John J. McBrierty and Con McGeehan. The first ballot resulted: Vanauker, 7; Zimmerman, 10; Miss Winters, 10; Miss Brown, 1; Miss Sensesbach, 4; Miss Crawford, 2; Miss McGill, 4; McBrierty, 2. Messrs. Vanauker and Zimmerman and Miss Winters were declared elected. Another ballot was then taken, which resulted in the election of Miss Sensesbach, who received six votes to three for Miss McGill and one for Miss Brown. Miss Crawford was chosen as substitute by a vote six to four for Miss McGill.  
A resolution commending the action of W. J. Schmidt, who has joined the regular army, was introduced and will be acted upon at the next meeting.  
In addition to the teachers elected last night the following will also teach, as they hold over from the appointments made in 1897: E. F. Hanlon, George McLaughlin, John Houston, Mrs. S. M. Donnelly, Misses Kate Rogan, Katie Timony, Bid McLaughlin, Tillie Lindsay, Mary Dougherty, Mary Herron, Nellie Gillespie and Carrie Bilger.

## COUNCIL MEETING.

**Tax Rate Fixed at Fifteen Mills at the Session Held Last Night.**  
Council met in adjourned session last evening. A bill for \$55 from William Boyle for concrete sidewalks, and one for \$37.87 from the Citizens' Hose Company were approved and ordered paid. The borough solicitor, to whom was referred the question of appropriating money to the Board of Health, was present and explained the manner in which the board should be organized. He stated that the officers should be sworn and file bonds. It was agreed that the sanitary committee of council wait on the Board of Health and inform them that the council will assist them financially and otherwise and that it is the desire of council that the board have the proper officers placed under bond. The solicitor also informed the council that they could borrow money, and a resolution empowering the president and secretary to borrow \$1,000 from the Citizens' bank for ninety days was passed.  
The valuation of the borough having been computed by the commissioners, and approved by them at \$250,622, a resolution was passed that the tax levy for 1898 be as follows: Borough tax, 5 mills; light and water, 8 mills; sinking fund, 2 mills; total, 15.  
The committee on the extension of the main sewer reported progress. They were instructed to order the necessary iron and the terra-cotta pipe.

## Freeland's Valuation Reduced.

After months of figuring, re-arranging, re-adjusting and "equalizing," the county commissioners have advanced sufficiently with their work of fixing the assessment of land, property and occupations to give the people a chance to learn where they are at. After all the talk and promises of equal assessments, the result of their labors shows the adjusted valuation of Freeland borough to be \$1,002,487. The valuation for taxable purposes, however, has been set at one-fourth of this amount, or \$250,622, by the commissioners. This is a reduction from last year of \$13,877, the valuation in 1897 being \$264,499, and as the borough and the school district then had the tax rate at the highest notch allowed by law it will be seen that the revenue of both treasuries will be reduced in 1898 as a consequence of this so-called equitable adjustment of the valuation.  
According to the commissioners' new system properties throughout the county have been assessed at their supposed actual value and coal lands have been assessed at \$50 per foot. The general revision shows that the aggregate valuation of Luzerne county property is \$124,000,000. The commissioners believe that one-fourth of this amount is sufficient for taxable purposes and decided to make the adjusted valuation on this basis all over the county.  
The real values, as they stand on the assessment books, will not be changed, but in the last column, headed "valuations as adjusted for taxation," only one-fourth of the full values, including occupations, will be entered. The occupation values have been increased to conform to the property valuation, but the occupation valuation will also be divided by four and this will reduce the taxes of miners and laborers quite materially. For instance, last year a miner's occupation was valued at \$50 and tax was levied upon that. This year the occupation is valued at \$15, but this is divided by four, making \$3.8, and the latter is the basis upon which miners' taxes will be levied.

## BIG FIRE THIS MORNING.

### WASHINGTON STREET VISITED BY A DISASTROUS BLAZE.

**Commissionman Zeman's Bottling House Burned to the Ground and William Jenkins' Double Dwelling Partially Destroyed—Loss Is Over \$5,000.**  
A mysterious fire was discovered shortly after 3:30 o'clock this morning on South Washington street, and before the firemen obtained control of the flames one building was burned to the ground and a double dwelling was partially destroyed. The buildings were owned by Commissionman M. Zeman and William Jenkins and were occupied by Squire Hugh Shovlin and George Fagan. The loss from fire and water and damage to furniture, as nearly as the interested parties could estimate this morning, is over \$5,000.  
The Zeman property was located at the extreme end of South Washington street, next to the Lehigh Valley Railroad tracks. The fire was discovered by John H. Shovlin, who lives nearly opposite, and the entire structure was then a mass of flames. The interior, it is stated, was burning fiercely and the fire had broken out at the sides of the building.  
From this point it is several blocks to the fire bell, and much time was lost in getting to the alarm. Once it was sounded, however, the response was prompt on the part of the firemen and citizens, and two streams were turned on the blaze, which, by this time, had communicated with the Jenkins' property, on the side occupied by Squire Shovlin.  
The fire in Mr. Zeman's building had such a headway that it was known to be doomed from the time it was discovered, and strenuous efforts were made to save the adjoining property. That the firemen succeeding in even partially accomplishing this is due to their hard work for half an hour and to the fact that the morning was calm and without wind.  
The intense heat from the Zeman building interfered with the saving of much of Mr. Shovlin's furniture, and so rapid was the advance of the fire that many articles on the second floor were burned before they could be reached. Everything on the garrets of both residences were destroyed, and many valuable articles of both families were broken and damaged while being taken out.  
Efforts were made early to pull down the Zeman building, but these were not successful until a large part of it had been burned. It was built of very strong timber, and one section, containing an ice depository, resisted until the last. The heavy lumber and sawdust combined to make the fire an exceedingly hot one. The other sections of this building were used as a storehouse for liquors and wines, and several barrels of these went up in smoke. It was two stories high, with a bottling establishment in the basement.  
The mysterious part of the fire is that no work has been done in the Zeman building for some time, and there was no fire of any description, nor chemicals that might start a blaze, in or around the premises. It has every appearance of incendiary origin.  
There was no insurance on either of the buildings, their contents or the furniture of Messrs. Shovlin and Fagan. Mr. Zeman's property had been insured, but the policy expired in November, 1897, and was not renewed.  
The estimated losses are: M. Zeman, building, \$2,300; contents, \$800. William Jenkins, building, \$1,500. Hugh Shovlin, furniture, books, etc., \$700. George Fagan, furniture, etc., \$500.  
Mr. Fagan removed today to Timony's building on Adams street and Mr. Shovlin to William Mulhearn's building on Washington street.

## CHAS. ORION STROH,

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EX-PRESIDENT SANFORD B. DOLE.  
Who Will Probably Be First Territorial Governor of Hawaii.  
the Supreme Bench by President Dole, about three years ago. Before that time he practised law in Honolulu. Judge Frear was a prominent annexationist and is regarded as a lawyer of great ability. His father, the Rev. Walter Frear, is at present in charge of the Congregational Board

Washington, July 12.—When President McKinley formally announced Saturday the names of the members of the Commission to suggest laws for the government of the new Territory of Hawaii, it was found that a change had been made in the list of names given out. Instead of naming Chief Justice Judd of the Supreme Court, of Hawaii, as one of the Commissioners, he nominated Justice W. F. Frear, a member of the Court. The other members of the Commission are: Senator Morgan, of Alabama; Representative Hitt, of Illinois; and Sanford B. Dole, President of the Hawaiian Republic.  
Judge Frear is about thirty-five years old and was born in the United States. He went to Honolulu when a child with his father, the Rev. Walter Frear, who for many years was pastor of the Congregational Church in Honolulu. Judge Frear was appointed to

## LOCAL WAR NOTES.

A full company of infantry was recruited at Towanda on Monday by Captain John Flannery, of the Ninth Penn'a Volunteers, in three and one-half hours, the shortest time on record. The company was sworn in and left at once by the shortest route for Chickamauga, where it will be attached, as Company M, to the Ninth regiment. This fills the Ninth.  
William T. Thomas, of Larksville, a member of Company A, Ninth regiment, died at Chickamauga on Monday of typhoid fever. He was only 20 years old and was a son of Edward W. Thomas, a well-known citizen of Plymouth township. The telegram stated that the young man would be buried in the National cemetery at Chickamauga.  
Colonel Charles B. Dougherty, of the Ninth, has applied for promotion to brigadier general. He has been acting commander of the Third brigade, Third division, First army corps, since he arrived at Chickamauga, and his thorough knowledge of the duties of the position won him much praise from his superior officers.  
Thomas Mulhearn, of Lansford, who enlisted in Company K, Ninth regiment, at Bethlehem, last Thursday, fell from the train bearing the company to Chickamauga, and was instantly killed. The body was shipped to his late home.  
Gordon Scott, son of State Senator W. J. Scott, of Wilkes-Barre, who gave up the assistant consularship at Aix-la-Chapelle, France, to join the Ninth, has enlisted in the company which was recruited at Summit Hill.  
**Schuylkill's Democratic Ticket.**  
The Schuylkill county Democratic convention on Monday placed the following candidates in nomination: Judge, William A. Marr, Ashland; congressman, James W. Ryan, Pottsville; district attorney, B. W. Cummings, Shenandoah; coroner, Dr. C. A. Bleiler, Frackville; poor director, John F. Horriegan, Mahanoy City; county surveyor, John S. Stout, West Penn. The resolutions reaffirm faith in the principles of the party's national platform from the time of Jefferson down to the present.

## Many Jurors Drawn.

The following grand jurors have been selected to serve beginning September 6: Hazleton—Cornelius Held. West Hazleton—G. E. Haines. Freeland—John Herron, Thos. McLaughlin. Black Creek—George R. Kelmer. Sugarloaf—Nathan Wagner. Quarter sessions, September 12: Hazle—George Beisel, Bernard Carpenter, Samuel Davis, James Oswald, Robert G. Russell, Frank Thornton. Foster—John Evans, John Wagner. Freeland—John McBrierty. Quarter sessions, September 19: Foster—George Hinson, John Leisenring, James Shearon. Hazle—Joseph Harry, S. S. Simpson, William Weigand, James Gerard. Quarter sessions, September 26: Butte—Nathan Drasher. Hazle—Albert Jacobs, Anthony McNeilis. Foster—John J. Maloy, A. Woodring.

## Band Concert on Saturday Evening.

St. Patrick's cornet band will give a concert on the stand on Lentz's building, South Centre street, on Saturday evening. The following program will be rendered:  
March, "American Guards," (E. Brooks).  
Overture, "Ariadne," (F. L. Griswold, opera 14).  
"Alice, Where Art Thou," (Ascher).  
Euphonia, "Air Variet," (J. J. Masten), solo baritone, T. J. Quigley.  
Waltz, "Columbian Exposition," (Andrew Herman, opera 230).  
"Dat Cake Walk," (J. B. Lamp).  
"Unforgotten Song," (H. Prendiville), solo tuba, Frank McKinley.  
Overture, "Normandie," (H. C. Miller).  
Waltz, "Banks of the Wabash Far Away," (J. W. Chattaway).  
Schottische, "Eastern Belles," (M. A. Althouse).  
"Star Spangled Banner."

## Booty Worth \$1,500 Found.

The coal and iron police have made another rich find at the home of Peter Schaffer, one of the gang of freight car robbers recently arrested at Hazleton. They entered the house at West Hazleton, and tearing away the steps leading to the second story, discovered the booty. In the hole underneath the stairs were concealed rolls of silver, silverware, pairs of men's trousers, ladies' underwear, lace curtains, a medicine chest, a barrel of brandy and many other articles. The total value of the goods is about \$1,500. The police expect to find more of the stolen goods.

## League of American Wheelmen.

Indianapolis, August 9 to 13. One fare for round trip via Lehigh Valley Railroad. Tickets on sale August 7 and 8. Consult Lehigh Valley ticket agents for further particulars.  
**Reduced Rates to Buffalo.**  
On account of the Baptist Young People's Union convention July 14 and 15, 1898, via Lehigh Valley. Consult ticket agents for rates, trains and further particulars.  
**Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets.**  
Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.  
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## Luzerne's Births and Deaths.

The assessors and registers of the various towns and districts throughout the county have reported the number of births and deaths in their respective districts from December, 1897, to June, 1898. The number reported for the whole county is 3,567 births and 1,162 deaths. Following are the figures of the lower end:  
Births. Deaths.  
Black Creek township..... 30 5  
Butler township..... 49 16  
Denison township..... 8 3  
Foster township..... 116 33  
Freeland..... 73 23  
Hazleton..... 160 55  
West Hazleton..... 27 15  
Hazle township..... 274 76  
Jeddo..... 2 0  
Sugarloaf township..... 27 8  
White Haven..... 17 4

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