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RAILROAD TIMETABLES

LEHIGH VALLEY RAILROAD.

May 15, 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, Scranton and Pottsville.

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, Mt. Carmel and Shamokin.

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.

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For further information inquire of Ticket Agents.

WILLIAM H. WILBUR, General Superintendent, CHAS. S. LEBLANC, General Agent, 36 Cortlandt Street, New York City.

THE DELAWARE, SUSQUEHANNA AND SCHUYLKILL RAILROAD.

Time table in effect April 18, 1897.

Trains leave Drifton for Jedd, Eckley, Hazle Brook, Stockton, Beaver Meadow Road, Roan and Hazleton Junction at 5:30, 6:00 a m, daily except Sunday; and 7:00 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, 2:30 p m, Sunday.

Trains leave Drifton for Onida Junction, Harwood Road, Humboldt Road, Onida and Shepton at 6:00 a m, daily except Sunday; and 7:00 a m, 2:30 p m, Sunday.

Trains leave Harwood, Cranberry, Tomhicken and Deringer at 6:30 a m, daily except Sunday; and 8:30 a m, 4:22 p m, Sunday.

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Trains leave Shepton for Beaver Meadow Road, Stockton, Hazle Brook, Eckley, Jedd and Drifton at 7:10 a m, 12:40 p m, 4:22 p m, daily except Sunday; and 8:10 a m, 3:44 p m, Sunday.

Trains leave Shepton for Beaver Meadow Road, Stockton, Hazle Brook, Eckley, Jedd and Drifton at 7:10 a m, 12:40 p m, 4:22 p m, daily except Sunday; and 8:10 a m, 3:44 p m, Sunday.

Trains leave Hazleton Junction for Beaver Meadow Road, Stockton, Hazle Brook, Eckley, Jedd and Drifton at 7:40 a m, 12:40 p m, 4:22 p m, daily except Sunday; and 8:10 a m, 3:44 p m, Sunday.

All trains connect at Hazleton Junction with electric cars for Hazleton, Leansville, Audenried 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. R. trains for Wilkesbarre, 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 7:50 p m, daily, except Sunday, arriving at Deringer at 8:10 p m.

LUTHER C. SMITH, Superintendent.

MISCELLANEOUS ADVERTISEMENTS.

ESTATE OF JOHN HALEY, late of Freed-

land, land hereon. The above named estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands to present the same, without delay, to

Chas. Orion Stroh, John Haley, Attorney, Scranton, Pa.

NOTICE.—The Freedland Water Company

heretofore notified consumers of water to cease using the same for washing vehicles, sidewalks, and in gardens and lawns, and to use it as sparingly as possible. Patrons are requested to prevent any waste of water about their premises. By order of Joseph Birkbeck, president.

FOR RENT.—Large store room in McMen-

amin building; possession given at once. Apply on the premises or to J. J. McMenamin.

DEATHS.

Fox.—At Jedd, August 20, John, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Fox, aged 17 years, 1 month and 13 days. Funeral this afternoon at 3 o'clock. Interment at St. Gabriel's cemetery, Hazleton. McNulty.

Gillespie.—At Drifton No. 1, August 21, Josephine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Gillespie, aged 5 months. Funeral tomorrow at 2 p. m. Interment at St. Ann's cemetery. Breslin.

Scott.—At Danville, August 16, Mrs. Thomas Scott, aged 55 years. Interred on Saturday at St. Ann's cemetery. Breslin.

Everybody Says So.

Casarets Candy Cathartic, the most wonderful medicinal discovery of the age, pleasant and refreshing to the taste, acts gently and positively on kidneys, liver and bowels, cleansing the entire system, dispel colds, cure headache, fever, habitual constipation and biliousness. Please buy and try a box of C. C. C. today; 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold and guaranteed to cure by all druggists.

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Reduced Rates to Omaha.

Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition, Omaha, Nebraska. Reduced rate tickets on sale June 10 to October 13, via Lehigh Valley Railroad, to Kansas City. Inquire of ticket agents for particulars.

Dr. David Kennedy's

Favorite Remedy
CURES ALL KIDNEY, STOMACH AND LIVER TROUBLES.

A Army of the Potomac.

Niagara Falls, August 29 to September 2. Reduced rates via Lehigh Valley.

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.

Samuel Benner, of Conyngham, a well-known resident of that valley, died on Saturday night.

Officials of the local coal companies predict staid work at the mines for the next few months.

Rev. Carl Houser's residence on Washington street is being artistically painted by A. A. Bachman.

A Jeaneville trolley party arrived here on Friday evening and had a merry time at the Cottage hall.

The Fernouts Athletic Association entertained a large number of people at their picnic on Saturday evening at Drifton ball park.

Hazleton's company of the new National Guard of Pennsylvania will be known as Company D, Seventh regiment, Third brigade.

John Zelanak and Miss Mary Bannock, both of Freeland, were married at St. John's Slavonian church on Saturday by Rev. John E. Stas.

A trolley party under the auspices of Jedd's young people left town on Saturday evening with three well-filled cars. They spent the evening at Hazle park.

Anthony O'Donnell, of Drifton, was admitted to Hazleton hospital on Thursday to receive treatment for his knee which was injured in the mines some time ago.

William Thrasher, aged 18 years, fell on a revolving saw on Saturday in Young's saw-mill in Butler valley. Both legs were terribly lacerated. He was taken to Hazleton hospital.

The new horse carriage ordered recently by the borough council arrived on Saturday morning. It has not yet been decided where this carriage and the new horse will be stationed.

The North Side had a large representation at the opening of Hazleton opera house on Saturday evening. The new manager, Ben J. Lander, believes in liberal advertising and good shows.

Mart Wolfel, a Birvaunt Hungarian, shot himself between the eyes early yesterday morning. He was examining a revolver with the intention of killing a troublesome dog when the weapon accidentally exploded.

Patrick Nash, formerly of Sandy Run, and well-known throughout the region as a violin player, died suddenly on Friday night at his home in Hazleton. He was 40 years of age and leaves a wife and four children.

Rev. K. E. Seip, an Evangelical minister of Weatherly, held services at Lindsay's hall several evenings last week and yesterday morning and evening. A congregation of this denomination may be organized here in the near future.

Paul Goodwald, of Eckley, arrived home on Thursday, his term of enlistment in the Twelfth regular infantry having expired. Mr. Goodwald is suffering from a gunshot wound in the left leg, received at the battle of El Caney on July 1.

Michael Most, of Plymouth township, died on Friday afternoon from a knife wound inflicted by himself. For some months Most had been troubled with a cancer, and recently went to an hospital to have it removed. The operation was unsuccessful.

District No. 7, United Mine Workers of America, which embraces all the locals from Silver Brook to Upper Lehigh, will observe the anniversary of the Lattimer massacre with a monster parade at Hazleton on September 10. Several thousand men will be in line.

Field officers of the new Seventh regiment of the State Guard were elected at Wilkesbarre on Friday, as follows: Colonel, Asher Miner, Wilkesbarre; lieutenant colonel, Charles L. Peck, Plymouth; majors, Captain Reynolds, Tunkhannock, and Captain Clark, Williamsport.

The Slavonian societies of the region will parade here on Sunday, September 11, in honor of the memory of their countrymen who fell in the Lattimer massacre on September 10, 1897. It was intended to parade the day previous, but the demonstration was postponed in deference to the G. A. R.

Henry Crowl, a well-known saloon-keeper of Nanticoke, was killed Friday night by an electric shock. He wanted to extinguish the arc light in front of his place of business, and while at work on a step-ladder the current passed through his body, and he was thrown violently to the ground. He was dead when picked up.

The Associated Wheelmen on Thursday evening received proposals for the building of the cycle path. A. H. Freese offered to complete the track for \$59.40 per mile and Charles McShea, Jr., asked \$28 for three miles. It was decided to accept the former bid and the committee was instructed to draw up a contract. Shares to the amount of \$100 were taken and paid for.

Helped to Win Battles in Cuba.

One by one the missing boys of Freeland are turning up as members of the great army which was organized to free Cuba. The latest to report is John McKinley, Jr., of Ridge street, who left home last winter and was not heard from for some months. He is a member of Battery H, Fourth regular artillery, and as such participated in the stirring scenes around Santiago during the early part of July. He arrived on Wednesday at Montauk Point, N. Y., where the army is recuperating. Many of his comrades fell in battle and others died of sickness, but he reports himself in perfect health.

John is a son of John McKinley, Sr., a veteran of the civil war, and therefore has the fighting spirit in him. When the war clouds began to gather he informed his parents that as soon as the shooting commenced he would get in it. At the time hostilities opened he was working near Johnston, Pa., but immediately struck out for a recruiting office. He refused to join until he met with an officer who would give him positive assurance that he would see active service. He traveled as far as Cleveland, O., before this was given him. There, he joined the Fourth regular artillery on May 28.

Next day he was sent to Tampa, Florida, and a few weeks later embarked for Cuba. His battery is mentioned in all the principal engagements that took place before Santiago, and from their position on the mountain side he witnessed the destruction of a portion of Cervera's fleet on July 3. On the 8th inst. the Fourth artillery left Santiago on the transport Mattawan and arrived at Camp Wikoff, Montauk Point, on the 17th. After the sick fully recover he expects to be sent to Fortress Monroe, Va., where Battery H is stationed in time of peace.

Will of John Haley.

The will of the late John Haley, of Freeland, was admitted to probate at Wilkesbarre on Thursday. It gives to Michael Murphy, Mary Murphy, Eliza Murphy, Bridget Murphy and Mrs. Flannery, of Wilkesbarre; Patrick and James Haley, of Dunmore; Mary Haley, of Scranton, and Catherine Jordan, of Wilkesbarre, each \$100. To Eliza Murphy, a watch, furniture and wearing apparel. All the remainder of the property is given to John Haley, of Scranton, who is appointed executor. The property is valued at \$2,130. The will is witnessed by John Toomey and Thomas A. Buckley, of Freeland.

Death of Mrs. Thomas Scott.

Mrs. Thomas Scott, widow of the late Thomas Scott, of Freeland, died in Danville insane asylum last week, and remains arrived here on Saturday evening and were interred at St. Ann's cemetery. The deceased was a sister-in-law of Manus Scott and Mrs. James Welsh, of Walnut street, and was one of the earliest residents of old Woodside. She became hopelessly insane some years ago. Mrs. Scott is survived by four children, as follows: Michael, of Philadelphia; Ellen and Mamie, of Lake Spring, N. J.; and Joseph, of New York. All were present at the funeral except Joseph.

Anderson Recaptured.

W. S. Anderson, who escaped from Wilkesbarre lockup last Tuesday morning, was recaptured Thursday night at the home of his wife in Kingston. Asked why he broke jail, he said he had a vision the night he left the lockup that his wife, who is not in good health, was dead and his boy was begging him to come to him, and seeing how easy it was to go, he could not resist the impulse. He was taken to Cumberland, Md., early Friday morning to stand trial.

Mysterious Death of a Boy.

John R. Morgan, aged 15 years, a son of William Morgan, of Buck Mountain, Schuylkill county, was found dead on Thursday at his work. His body was wedged in the machinery of the jig which he operated. How the accident occurred is not known. His remains arrived here today at 11:56 a. m., and services will be held at 12:30 o'clock at the English Baptist church by Rev. E. C. Murphy. The interment will be made at Freeland cemetery.

Slight Fire Friday Night.

Electric light wires and telegraph wires crossed in some manner in the Lehigh Valley Railroad ticket office at 10 o'clock Friday night and for awhile a serious blaze was imminent. Operator Louis Winters sent in a fire alarm and the company made a prompt response. The blaze was extinguished without using the hose. The telegraph switchboard was wrecked, but no other loss resulted.

Merchants Association Excursion.

To New York, September 1-4. Reduced rates—fifteen days limit. Consult Lehigh Valley ticket agents for particulars.

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YOUNG MAN'S SAD DEATH.

Mangled Under the Wheels of Cars at Jedd on Saturday Morning.

John Fox, aged 17 years, employed by Markle & Co. in Jedd's mines, was instantly killed on Saturday morning by falling off a locie on which he was riding. The young man was an oiler of cars and was going for oil when death overtook him. He jumped on the locie which was going in the direction of the oil house, and when he neared the destination he in some manner fell off the engine directly on the rails and the wheels of the two cars following passed over his abdomen, almost cutting him in two. He was still alive when picked up, but expired while being taken to his home in Pink Ash.

It is not known just how he fell from the engine, as the engineer and assistant were busily engaged at their duties when he fell. A noise from the rear warned them that something was amiss and they found young Fox missing. The engine was stopped and the young man was found under the wheel of the last car, having been dragged a distance of about fifty feet. Mine Inspector Davis was notified shortly afterward and he proceeded to Jedd and investigated the circumstances. No inquest will be held.

The deceased was born in Hazleton and was the son of Peter Fox. About five years ago the family moved to Jedd where they have since resided. A particularly sad feature of the affair was that Saturday was to have been his last shift at the works, as he was about to prepare himself for admission to the Bloomsburg state normal school. He was to have gone to visit an uncle in New Jersey today. He is survived by his parents, two brothers and a sister, James, Edward and Sadie A.

The funeral will take place this afternoon from his home in Jedd. The remains will be taken to Hazleton and interment made in St. Gabriel's cemetery. Special traction cars will leave Jedd at 3 o'clock.

PERSONALITIES.

The following members of the P. O. S. of A. will represent the camps of their respective towns in the state convention at York this week: H. G. Doppo, Free land; Joseph Roberts, John Richards and Elsie Hoffman, Drifton; George Knyrman, Eckley; John Dickinson, Sandy Run, and Levi Wenner, Drums.

F. P. Malloy, who is now employed as traveling agent for P. J. Sogru's pretzel factory at Hazleton, reports that business in his line is rapidly improving.

Rev. P. J. McNulty, of Philadelphia, who is visiting in town, read the 10:30 o'clock mass at St. Ann's Catholic church yesterday.

James J. Sweeney, of town, and Edmund Cox, of Drifton, witnessed the naval review at New York on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Welch, Benjamin Reynolds and Miss Maggie Williams are at Atlantic City this week.

Miss Kate McGinley, of Easton, is visiting Mrs. Denis Ferry and family, Ridge street.

Miss Alice Manelis, of Wilkesbarre, is visiting Miss Rose Gillespie on Main street.

Rev. W. W. Hartman and family are visiting Columbia county relatives.

POLITICAL PICKUPS.

Republicans on Saturday chose delegates to attend the legislative convention at Hazleton today and the county convention at Wilkesbarre tomorrow. The results in town are as follows: First ward, George Roth, district, and Jonah Evans, county; Second, John E. Jones, both; Third, John Shelly, both; Fourth, John W. Haworth, district, and George Hartman, county; South, Second district, Thomas Llewellyn, both; South, Third district, Charles Elliott, both.

The Democrats will elect delegates on Saturday evening to the legislative and county conventions. The former convention will be held at Hazleton on Monday afternoon and the latter at Wilkesbarre the following day.

Philip C. Miller announces himself as a candidate for delegate to the Democratic county convention from the Third district of the South ward. He desires his friends to understand he has not withdrawn.

To Cure Constipation Forever.

Take Casarets Candy Cathartic, 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

Ladies, don't fail to see those fancy 25c skirts at A. Oswald's. He sells lots of them and they are dandies.

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

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Pythians to Open a Home.

The thirty-fourth annual meeting of the grand lodge of the Knights of Pythias adjourned at Lebanon last week. The per capita tax question, which caused a heated debate on Thursday, was disposed of and fixed at 15 cents, an increase of 5 cents over last year. A resolution dispensing with the seal and seal to the grand keeper of records and seal was defeated. Entire new amendments, embodying a new code of statutes, was presented and laid on the table for consideration by next year's convention. Lancaster was unanimously chosen as the place for the next meeting of the grand lodge. An appropriation of \$300 was made for the use of the Uniform Rank at Indianapolis this week.

The Pythian Home committee submitted a report advocating the establishment of a home for indigent members and orphans, to be located in the central part of the state, by the purchase of a farm for about \$10,000 and the erection of a suitable building thereon, and the employment of a practical farmer to cultivate the land. The report was unanimously accepted.

Nominations for officers to be elected next July were as follows: For grand chancellor, Scott Dibert, Pittsburg; grand vice-chancellor, Thomas C. Thompson, Philadelphia; grand prelate, George G. Ernest, Punxsutawney; grand master-at-arms, George M. Fletcher; grand keeper of records and seal, George Hawkes, Philadelphia; grand master of exchequer, Julius Mountney, Philadelphia; grand outer guard, C. W. Broadhead, Montrose; grand trustee, George B. Wright and William E. Hartz, Philadelphia. Twenty-three were nominated for grand inner guard, and eleven for representatives to the supreme lodge, three of which are to be elected.

Garman's Probable Retirement.

Fresh rumors of an intention on the part of Garman to retire from the management of the Democratic campaign were rife yesterday. It is not believed, however, that he will voluntarily relinquish the position. It is well known that the campaign committee will be appointed.

In order to let Garman down easy he will be permitted to announce the names of the campaign committee, but Mr. Jenks will furnish the list. When this committee is appointed, leading Democrats who refuse to contribute cash while Garman is in charge are expected to come forward with the money needed to make the state contest.

A Santiago Hero Weds.

Marcus Marr, a sergeant in the regular army, who is home on furlough, having been wounded in the fight at San Juan hill near Santiago, was married on Wednesday evening to Miss Bridget Kennedy. The ceremony was performed in Holy Saviour church, East End, by Rev. Father Curran. The groom will leave for the front next week, though still suffering from his wounds, having been shot through both limbs. The bride has for many years been bookkeeper for James Keating.—Wilkesbarre Times.

The happy couple spent part of their honeymoon here last week, and were the recipients of many hearty congratulations from their Freeland friends.

How's This!

We offer One Hundred Dollar Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, Ohio.

We the undersigned have known F. J. Cheney for the last fifteen years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligation made by their firm.

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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price, 75c per bottle. Sold by all druggists. Testimonials free.

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FOR A LAND VALUE TAX.

QUESTION IS ASSUMING GREAT IMPORTANCE ABROAD.

New Zealand's Escape from Commercial Depression Due Directly to the Single Tax Features of Its Laws—Will Soon Sweep Over England.

Henry George, Jr., who at present is in England studying the questions of political economy of that country, in one of his weekly letters to a newspaper syndicate in the United States, writes as follows of the growth of tax reform in Great Britain:

"When again the war drums shall have ceased to beat and our people shall have returned to the ways of peace one of the early results of the era of good feeling among the English-speaking peoples will be to thrust upon the attention of Americans a question that is fast assuming first place in the practical politics of the British empire—a question which in the United States is known as the single tax.

"It is urged here that the British colony of New Zealand was the only English-speaking country to escape the worldwide commercial depression of the last few years, because by laying a tax on land values she reduced land speculation and forced vacant land into use, consequently reduced all ground rents and thereby relieved all renters of land, whether farmers, timber cutters, grazers, manufacturers, merchants or mere dwellers, which sent such a thrill of prosperity through every channel of industry throughout New Zealand as to keep every workman busy. It is pointed out that seeing this, the Australian colony of New South Wales, after a protracted political fight, put a special tax upon land values with results much like those witnessed in New Zealand; and, furthermore, that the policy of instituting a land value tax is rising as the first question in political contests in Natal, South Africa and in other British colonies.

THE MOVEMENT IN ENGLAND.

"But it is in Great Britain and Ireland that the question has assumed its greatest importance. Two hundred and sixty town councils and other local authorities in Great Britain, including those of the two greatest cities in the empire—London and Glasgow—have petitioned parliament for the right to raise local revenues from land values, and this is supported by commercial bodies and almost unanimously by the trades unions, which here are much stronger than they are in the United States. So clear has this question grown in the local affairs of London, for instance, that in the county council election last March it became the chief cry, and the vast influence of such great land owners as the Dukes of Westminster and Bedford, combined with the threats of the Tory government