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RAILROAD TIMETABLES

LEHIGH VALLEY RAILROAD.

February 5, 1899.

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 20 a m for Weatherly, Mauch Chunk, Allentown, Bethlehem, Easton, Philadelphia, New York City and Hazleton.

9 33 a m for Hazleton, Mahanoy City, Shenandoah, Mt. Carmel, Shamokin and Pottsville.

11 45 a m for Sandy Run, White Haven, Wilkes-Barre, Scranton and all points West.

4 36 p m for Hazleton, Mahanoy City, Shenandoah, Mt. Carmel, Shamokin and Pottsville.

6 34 p m for Sandy Run, White Haven, Wilkes-Barre and Scranton.

7 27 p m for Hazleton, Mahanoy City, Shenandoah, Mt. Carmel, Shamokin and Pottsville.

ARRIVE AT FREELAND.

7 20 a m from Ashland, Shenandoah, Mahanoy City and Hazleton.

7 40 a m from Pottsville, Ashland, Shenandoah, Mahanoy City and Hazleton.

9 17 a m from Philadelphia, Easton, Bethlehem, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, Weatherly, Hazleton, Mahanoy City, Shenandoah, Mt. Carmel and Shamokin.

9 33 a m from Scranton, Wilkes-Barre and White Haven.

11 45 a m from Pottsville, Shamokin, Mt. Carmel, Shenandoah, Mahanoy City and Hazleton.

4 36 p m from Scranton, Wilkes-Barre and White Haven.

6 34 p m from New York, Philadelphia, Easton, Bethlehem, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, Mahanoy City and Hazleton.

7 27 p m from Scranton, Wilkes-Barre and White Haven.

For further information inquire of Ticket Agents.

H. H. WILDER, General Superintendent.

CHAS. S. LEE, Gen'l Pass. Agent.

20 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 Park, Stockton, Hazleton, Mauch Chunk and Hazleton Junction at 6:30, 6:00 a m, daily except Sunday; and 7:05 a m, 2:38 p m, Sunday.

Trains leave Hazleton for Drifton, Mauch Chunk, Tomblinck and Deringer at 6:30, 6:00 a m, daily except Sunday; and 7:05 a m, 2:38 p m, Sunday.

Trains leave Drifton for Oneida Junction, Harwood Road, Humboldt Road, Oneida and Shepton at 6:30, 6:00 a m, daily except Sunday; and 7:05 a m, 2:38 p m, Sunday.

Trains leave Hazleton Junction for Harwood, Cranberry, Tomblinck and Deringer at 6:30, 6:00 a m, daily except Sunday; and 7:05 a m, 2:38 p m, Sunday.

Trains leave Hazleton Junction for Oneida Junction, Harwood Road, Humboldt Road, Oneida and Shepton at 6:30, 6:00 a m, daily except Sunday; and 7:05 a m, 2:38 p m, Sunday.

Trains leave Deringer for Tomblinck, Cranberry, Harwood, Hazleton Junction and Oneida at 2:35, 5:40 p m, daily except Sunday; and 3:07 a m, 5:07 p m, Sunday.

Trains leave Shepton for Oneida, Humboldt Road, Harwood Road, Oneida Junction, Hazleton Junction and Oneida at 7:11 a m, 12:40, 5:22 p m, daily except Sunday; and 8:11 a m, 3:44 p m, Sunday.

Trains leave Shepton for Beaver Meadow Road, Stockton, Hazle Park, Eckley, Jeddo and Drifton at 5:45, 6:26 p m, daily, except Sunday; and 10:10 a m, 5:40 p m, Sunday.

All trains connect at Hazleton Junction with electric cars for Hazleton, Jeannette, 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 Wilkes-Barre, Scranton, 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 3:40 p m, daily, except Sunday, arriving at Deringer at 5:00 p m.

LUTHER C. SMITH, Superintendent.

MISCELLANEOUS ADVERTISEMENTS.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF Foster Township School District for the year ending June 5, 1899.

William E. Oberender, Tax Collector.

To amount of duplicate.....\$ 7,820 41

To amount of supplement..... 468 78

By.....\$ 8,289 19

By amount paid treasurer..... 6,478 56

By commissions..... 170 39

By rebates..... 268 63

By abatements..... 14 54

By returns..... 59 97

By exonerations..... 1,191 14

By.....\$ 8,219 29

Statement of Jacob Zisloft, Treasurer.

To amount from ex-treasurer..... 1 91

To amount from tax collector..... 6,478 56

To state appropriation..... 6,408 50

To unassessed land tax..... 86 35

To election returns..... 90 00

To check from Pottsville..... 25 00

By.....\$ 12,898 32

By teachers' salary and institute..... 7,360 00

By outstanding orders 1898..... 2,123 98

By night school..... 353 75

By fuel and contingencies..... 380 87

By books and supplies..... 82 74

By repairing and furnishing..... 67 47

By cleaning schools..... 127 84

By printing..... 57 30

By janitor..... 50 00

By attorney 1898..... 30 00

By superintendent's salary..... 916 67

By secretary's salary..... 250 00

By treasurer's commission..... 30 41

By attending county convention..... 17 12

By tuition..... 1 40

By balance on hand..... 12 57

Liabilities.....\$ 12,898 32

Orders outstanding and unpaid.....\$ 3,373 79

Resources.....\$ 3,961 22

Balance in hands of treasurer..... 12 57

Liabilities in excess of resources.....\$ 3,961 22

We, the undersigned auditors of Foster township, being duly sworn according to law, do hereby certify that the foregoing statement of the financial condition of Foster Township School District, is just and true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

J. H. Gallagher, Auditors.

T. G. Argus, Auditors.

STATE OF SARAH GALLAGHER, late of Freeland, deceased.

Letters of administration upon the above named estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment of those having claims or demands to present the same, without delay, to

Thomas A. Buckley,

Chas. Orion Stroh, attorney.

FOR SALE.—Ten bonds of Freeland Silk Mill Company, par value, \$50 each, will sell in lots of one or more or all together. Apply at Tribune office.

J. W. Kraft, city editor of the Hazleton Plain Speaker, and Miss Ida M. Jones, an estimable young lady of that city, were married last evening. Mr. Kraft has many friends on the North Side, and all wish himself and bride un-

DANCERS' GOOD NEWS.

MRS. E. B. COXE WILL BUILD A PLATFORM IN THE PARK.

Freeland Firemen Sought the Privilege of Using Ground Elsewhere for Picnic Purposes—This Brought Forth Mrs. Coxe's Offer—Council Accepts.

A special meeting of the borough council on Tuesday evening an offer was received from Mrs. Eckley B. Coxe, of Drifton, to build a dancing platform in the Public park. The offer was accepted by the council and the opening date, July 4, was given to Citizens' Hose Company, No. 1.

The platform will be 50x50 feet and will be located near the center of the park than the former one was.

Mrs. Coxe's offer is regarded as a very generous donation by the pleasure-lovers of town, and dispels the gloom which has overshadowed them since the old platform and seats were removed from the ground.

The members of the Citizens' Hose Company desired to conduct a picnic on July 4 and had asked permission from the council to use the park. Not receiving a satisfactory reply a committee was appointed to investigate the matter.

The committee was appointed to investigate the matter and sought the privilege of using the ground near the old Lehigh Valley Railroad station for picnic purposes.

Mrs. Coxe, it appears, learned of their intention, and, after acquainting herself with the facts, made to the park committee of council the proposition to erect the pavilion.

The firemen are naturally gratified at the unexpected turn of affairs, and at a special meeting on Tuesday evening appointed committees to make the Fourth in Freeland a day of real pleasure and enjoyment for the people of this region.

A committee was appointed to extend invitations to the several organizations of the town and vicinity to parade here on the afternoon of Independence Day.

After the parade addresses appropriate to the occasion will be delivered by orators whose names will be announced later.

A picnic will follow these speeches and continue during the evening.

The committee which has been given charge of the arrangements for the parade consists of T. J. Moore, Honry Hincer, Richard Scott, Francis Mooney, J. D. Myers and George H. Hartman.

Now that the movement to celebrate the Fourth has been started, let every organization and individual give all the assistance possible to make the day a rousing success.

Other Business of Council.

In addition to accepting the offer made by Mrs. Coxe, as stated above, council took up other questions of public interest on Tuesday evening.

Hugh Trimble asked that a sewer be constructed from in front of his residence on Front street to the corner of the Johnson property, as he has no place to make a connection at present. This was referred to the street committee.

A manhole will be built on the northwest corner of Walnut and Pine streets, and a two-foot gutter laid on the east side of Pine street.

Council ordered a substantial spring lock placed on the side door of the hose house.

William Kemp asked council to instruct the police to prohibit girls employed at the silk mill from loafing around his residence and disturbing the tenants of his houses. The police were ordered to attend to the matter.

The entire police force was ordered on duty on July 4.

The practice of allowing constables and others to carry lockup keys was taken up and the law committee was instructed to ascertain by what right this is done.

The police committee reported having awarded the printing of a book for the street commissioner to the Tribune and the printing of police reports to the Progress.

The secretary was ordered to communicate with ex-Tax Collector Bachman and ask him to settle his accounts with the borough.

An invitation from the Citizens' Hose Company to participate in the Fourth of July parade was accepted and a committee appointed to engage carriages for the councilmen.

Anthracite for the Navy.

A recent issue of the Anthracite Coal Operators' Journal has the following with reference to anthracite for naval use:

"The establishment by the government of coal stations for its naval vessels is good in itself, but if these are to be supplied with soft coal there will always be a depreciation in quality to be provided against after it has been stored for any considerable period, and further, the liability of the coal to spontaneous combustion always keeps the chance of at least a part of the stock being destroyed or unfit to use.

"The following is the announced list of stations with the tonnage to be maintained at each: Manila, 25,000; Pago, 10,000; Honolulu, 25,000; Pago,

Pago, 10,000; San Francisco, 25,000; Bremerton, Puget Sound, 25,000; Havana, 25,000; Santiago, 10,000; San Juan, Porto Rico, 25,000; Tortuga and Key West, 50,000; Port Royal, S. C., 25,000; Norfolk, Va., 5,000; Washington, 1,000; League Island, 5,000; New York, 5,000; New London, Conn., 25,000; Boston, Mass., 15,000; Portsmouth, N. H., 10,000; Frenchman's Bay, Me., 15,000.

"Only recently it was ascertained that spontaneous combustion in a pile of government coal stored in Honolulu threatened the destruction of the entire stock, nearly 100,000 tons, and when finally extinguished a large quantity of coal had been rendered practically useless by the heat and water.

"In view of the many serious dangers and losses which result from the use of soft coal for such purposes, it would seem desirable that the navy department should make a series of tests of anthracite, which is absolutely free from all danger of spontaneous combustion, to see whether, under proper conditions, it would not perform as satisfactory service under the boilers as does soft coal. It is claimed that anthracite is not suitable for such work, but since no thorough trials have been made, there is not any ground upon which to base such assertions.

"The only records of using anthracite on board naval vessels, on file in the department, are those of years ago, or of sporadic attempts made with a few tons, on grates not adapted to the coal, and fired by men who were accustomed only to flaming coals. It is manifestly unjust and unreasonable to point to these, as has been done, and attempt to prove by them that anthracite is not satisfactory and would not be when the conditions as to area of grate and skill of firing were as much in its favor as they are now in that of soft coal."

Sons of Veterans Encampment.

The nineteenth annual encampment of the Pennsylvania Sons of Veterans opened Tuesday morning at Hazleton with 190 delegates present, Division Colonel Moulthrop, of Dubois, presiding. The first business taken up was the presentation of officers' reports. The total state membership, according to these reports, is 6,750, made up of fifty camps, a gain of 1,200 members and ten camps since last year. Over \$2,500 was spent for relief during the year and forty deaths occurred. The order is free of debt, a balance of \$60 remaining in the treasury after the payment of all expenditures.

The officers elected were: Division commander, S. B. Horn, of Easton; quartermaster, W. B. McNulty, Philadelphia. The next convention will be held at New Castle.

The parade of the order took place yesterday. The Citizens' band, of Freeland, headed the Easton camp, which had the right of line.

A large number of people were attracted to the place, expecting to see a great demonstration. For some unknown reason only a few hundred members were in line and the disappointment of the crowd was general.

A convention of the Ladies' Society, an auxiliary to the Sons of Veterans, also held its convention there.

Successful Bridge Bidders.

The county commissioners have awarded contracts for building the bridges in this end of the county to the following persons, they being considered the lowest and best bidders:

Across Big Nescopeck creek, Sugarloaf township, to W. M. Keal, Upper Lehigh.

Across Long run, Butler township, to John Fleckinger, Dorrance.

Across Shades creek, Bear Creek township, to John Schafer, White Haven.

Across Branch Bull run, Bear Creek township, to E. A. Stable, White Haven.

Across Pond creek, Foster township, to John Schafer, White Haven.

Across Stevenson mill race, Nescopeck township, to Jasper Winans, Shickshinny.

Across Wright creek, Denison township, to E. A. Stable, White Haven.

A large number of contracts were not given out, owing to lack of money in the bridge fund.

Bursting Dam Floods Mine.

A big rush of water into the Mt. Lookout mine on Tuesday night threatened the lives of a number of employes. The men escaped, but the flow continued for some time. Then it was discovered that a basin holding about 2,000,000 gallons had emptied into Wilkes-Barre.

About two years ago a "pothole" was discovered in the mine, which was the cause of a great cave-in, a general sinking of the surface and a heavy flood in the mine. In order to stop the flow of water a dam of solid masonry was built and this has since been confining about 2,000,000 gallons of water.

An investigation next morning revealed the fact that the coal alongside the dam had cracked and through this aperture the water is pouring and flooding the veins lower than the shaft. It will be necessary now to erect another wall to stop the flow.

PERSONALITIES.

J. H. Pennington, superintendent of motive power, and A. J. Belz, master mechanic, of the D. S. & S. Railroad, are in Old Point Comfort, Va., attending the annual convention of the Master Car Builders and Master Mechanics.

George McLaughlin, Esq., accompanied by his sister, Mrs. John McCarthy, of Drifton, and Miss Mary A. Brennan, of town, left today for Atlantic City, where the former will spend a few weeks for the benefit of his health.

James Collins, a New York telegraph operator and a former resident of this section, is spending a few weeks vacation with his sister, Mrs. Sarah M. Dennenny.

Hugh L. McMenamin, of St. Mary's seminary, Baltimore, arrived here on Tuesday to spend the summer vacation at his parents' home.

Charles Cunnius, Freeland; Josiah Smith, Foster, and J. R. Smith, Butler, will serve as jurors at Wilkes-Barre next week.

Owen Fritzinger has gone to Pittsburgh, to look after the interests of his son, Milton, who died there last week.

Rev. M. J. Fallbein is at Glen Summit this week, attending the retreat of the senior priests of the Scranton diocese.

Mrs. Sarah Lawlor is enjoying a visit to friends in Carbon and Schuylkill counties.

John M. Carr, Esq., attended to legal business at Easton yesterday.

MINES AND RAILROADS.

Orders were received this week for nine hames by the Beagle Company from Utah, Colorado and Wyoming. The hames are now in use in every state in the Union and in Canada. The factory on Front street is kept running at full speed continuously.

The Cross Creek Coal Company is draining the water from No. 3 colliery, Leaviston, which was abandoned forty years ago and has since been idle. The same corporation will replace its wooden breaker at Beaver Meadow with an iron structure.

William F. Hallstead, general manager and second vice president of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad, has tendered his resignation to President Truesdale, and it has been accepted. It is to take effect on July 1.

Railroaders will celebrate Memorial Day at Easton on Sunday. Owing to the fact that a rate no lower than \$1.60 can be secured from Freeland, it is not likely that the local railroaders will participate.

The damage suit of Mrs. Michael Loner, of Hazleton, wife of the Lehigh Valley Railroad engineer who was killed in the wreck at Pond Creek two years ago, is on trial at Wilkes-Barre.

Thomas A. Edison, the noted electrician and inventor, visited Hazleton yesterday and viewed the systems of cleaning coal in several nearby collieries.

Seven victims of seven different mine accidents were admitted to Wilkes-Barre hospitals on Tuesday afternoon.

BRIEF ITEMS.

On Sunday next Rev. W. C. Hall, of St. Paul's Primitive Methodist church, will preach at the usual hours. Morning subject, "A Much Needed Effort"; evening subject, "The Value of One Man." We desire your presence if you go to no other place. W. C. Hall.

Lewis Williams, of McAdoo, has been formally notified of the death of his son, David L., in the Philippines, an account of which was given in the TRIBUNE a few weeks ago. The young man was a member of the First Montana regiment.

The Twelfth and Twenty-first regular infantry regiments had severe fighting in the Philippines this week, and as Freeland is represented in both commands the list of casualties is anxiously awaited by several people here.

The Pittsburgh presbytery of the Presbyterian Church, at its meeting on Tuesday, decided that members of the church must not sign applications for liquor licenses.

A new concrete floor is being laid in the livery stable of Frank O'Donnell, and other improvements are under way in the building.

Pottsville and Hazleton companies of the National Guard will fight a sham battle in the latter city on July 4.

PLEASURE CALENDAR.

June 17.—Picnic of Division 20, A. O. H., of Eckley, at Cycle Path Grove.

June 17.—Trolley excursion to Hazle park under the auspices of Stars Base Ball Club. Round trip ticket, 25 cents.

June 21 and 22.—Seventh annual entertainment of the Pupils of St. Ann's Parochial School at Grand opera house. Tickets, 35, 25 and 15 cents.

June 24.—Trolley excursion to Hazle park under auspices of Good Wills Athletic Association. Round trip ticket, 25c.

July 4.—Dinner and supper under auspices of Ladies' Aid Society of St. Paul's P. M. church at Geritz building. Tickets, 25 cents; tickets for both, 40c.

July 4.—Parade and picnic under the auspices of Freeland Citizens' Hose Company, No. 1, at Public park.

Foster School District's Report.

The auditor's statement of the financial standing of Foster township school district appears in the TRIBUNE today. The showing made by the board is remarkable, when it is considered that the taxes collected, due to the decreased valuation of the township, were several thousand dollars less than in previous years.

Had the revenue last year been as great as that received by the boards of recent years, Foster directors would now have a handsome balance in their treasury.

It is the intention of the present board to live, if possible, within its means, and at the same time give the pupils nine months' schooling next term.

As soon as the tax duplicate is received from the county commissioners, the directors will estimate their probable expenses for the ensuing year and expend the money accordingly.

Exercises Largely Attended.

The closing exercises of the Freeland public schools were held at the Grand opera house on Monday evening, and so great was the number who applied at the doors that many were unable to gain admittance and to accommodate the disappointed the program was repeated the following evening.

The pupils acquitted themselves creditably on both occasions, and no doubt the public closing exercises will hereafter become one of the features of the school term. Notwithstanding the warm weather and the crowded condition of the building, the audience appreciated every number and came away well pleased with the showing made by the children.

Retreat of Priests at Glen Summit.

The senior priests of the Catholic Church, diocese of Scranton, are having their retreat at the Glen Summit hotel this week. There are seventy-seven altogether and Bishop Hoban is among the number, and they come from all over the diocese. The retreat is in charge of Father Halpin, of New York city, a Jesuit father. The priests will have a daily routine of prayer and devotions and there will also be lectures by Father Halpin. The retreat will last all week and next week the junior priests will have their retreat.

Picnic on Saturday Evening.

At Cycle Path Grove, Eckley, on Saturday evening, will be held the annual picnic of Division 20, A. O. H., of that town. At 6:30 p. m. a shooting match for \$25 a side will come off on the ground. The contestants will be John McMonaghan and James Cannon. Each will shoot at eleven birds. Bicycle races and other sports will also be conducted and there will be no lack of amusements for all who attend. Dance music will be furnished by DePierro's orchestra.

Claimed Burglars Entered.

Vincenzo Vascovitich, of Adams street, announced on Monday morning that his residence on Adams street was entered Sunday night by burglars, who stole two trunks, one of which was his and one belonging to a boarder named John Lucash. The trunks were found in the woods a few hours later. From Vascovitich's \$50 was missing. Nothing else in the trunks was disturbed. No arrests have been made.

To Marry This Afternoon.

Daniel McCole and Miss Annie Brislin will be married at St. Ann's Catholic church this afternoon by Rev. Francis Mack. The bride will be attended by her sister, Miss Agnes, and the groom by his brother, Denis. After the ceremony the wedding party will enjoy a ride through the surrounding valleys, and upon their return will receive their friends at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Neice McCole, Walnut street.

They Are Dropping Fast.

Reports as read in the G. A. R. encampment at Wilkes-Barre give the information that nine years ago the order numbered 409,489, the high water mark. Last September the order had fallen to 305,601. The death rate in 1898 was 2.41 per cent. Nine years ago there were 44,613 members in good standing in Pennsylvania, and this number has decreased about 15,000 since then.