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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.

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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.

Hazleton's hat factory has been closed by the sheriff.

An effort is being made to organize a national bank at Lansford, and it will likely be a success.

The postponed picnic and concert of DePiero's orchestra will take place at the Public park Saturday evening.

Harry Hawk and Miss Mary Floyd were married at Hazleton on Saturday evening by Rev. W. C. Hall, of town.

Base ball—Philadelphia Crescents vs. Mauch Chunk at Tigers park Sunday, September 3.

Young sons arrived this week at the homes of J. P. McNellis and J. B. Hanlon, Freeland, and Patrick Quinn, Drifton.

Margaret, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Bamlin, of Jeddo, died on Sunday and was buried in Hazleton Tuesday afternoon.

The state convention of the Knights of the Mystic Chain will open tomorrow at Lock Haven. Robert Bell will represent Loyal Castle, No. 67, of town.

William Getlin, a Hazle Mines breaker employe, was dangerously injured by a runaway car on the plane on Tuesday. He is in the hospital and may recover.

William F. Carter, Thomas Henderson, Wesley Fitcher, Hazle, and Ario Klingler, Butler, have been drawn to serve as grand jurors during the week of September 4.

R. J. O'Donnell, Esq., has rented the office rooms on the second floor of Campbell's building, Centre and Main streets, and will occupy the same as soon as necessary alterations are made.

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A new postoffice has been established near Wapwallopen powder works. It is called Scanlon, after State Senator Scott's wife's maiden name. W. J. Myers has been appointed postmaster.

A. W. Drake, of Lattimer, has been ousted as a member of the Republican state committee. He is succeeded by T. D. Jones, of Hazleton. Drake is suspected of having anti-Quay inclinations.

Cletus, a son of James K. Boyle, was severely hurt on Monday by falling between the wheel and the box of L. H. Lentz's wagon. The boy was hanging on behind and narrowly escaped being crushed to death.

A number of the young Slavonians of town chartered the decorated car of the Lehigh Traction Company Monday evening and enjoyed a ride over the trolley line. They were accompanied by the Slavonian orchestra.

Base ball on Sunday at 3 p. m. Philadelphia Crescents vs. Mauch Chunk at Tigers park.

The total number of huckleberries shipped from this region by the United States and Adams Express companies this season was 743,400 quarts. Computing this at an average price of 5 cents a quart, the value of the crop was \$37,170.

Several weeks ago the school board of Cass township, Schuylkill county, had Michael O'Brien ousted from the board because of his alleged tardy attendance at his meetings, and appointed another man in his place. On Saturday Judge D. C. Henning handed down a decree reseating Mr. O'Brien.

Marriage licenses were issued this week to Andrew Stefan and Miss Ellen Ondiz, both of Freeland, and to Andrew Kanyuk, of Jeddo, and Miss Annie Sisak, of Freeland. Both couples will be married on Saturday, the former by Rev. Carl Houser and the latter by Rev. Martyak.

John M. Powell announces himself as a candidate for delegate to the Republican county convention from the First ward of Freeland, and will be pleased to receive the support of his friends at the primary election on Saturday.

The Spanish cannon awarded to Wilkes-Barre arrived on Saturday. The river bank will probably be the site chosen. The cannon is of brass and old-fashioned, with the arms and crown of Spain in a mould on its side. It was formerly in the famous Morro Castle, Santiago. It is mounted on a truck and weighs 704 pounds.

The association of the 143d regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, held its thirty-third annual re-union at Scranton on Tuesday. The officers were re-elected as follows: President, P. DeLacey; vice presidents, H. M. Gordon, O. E. Vaughn and Asa Warner; secretary, J. H. Campbell; treasurer, James Rutter. The next reunion will be held at Fernbrook, Luzerne county.

PLEASURE CALENDAR.

September 2.—Concert and picnic at Public park by DePiero's orchestra.

Old newspapers for sale.

CHURCH CHIMES.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Freeland, Pa., August 30, 1899.

EDITOR TRIBUNE.—The street committee of council on Monday evening reported that there was an error in my report. I can show the council and the taxpayers that I do not overcharge them and do not intend to rob the borough. The facts are as follows:

I was asked by the assistant superintendent of G. B. Markle & Co. to run the stone crusher for about two days and to turn in the expense of my work to Markle & Co. through council. I asked permission of several councilmen. They intended to have a meeting on it, but failed to do so. Five members then gave their consent and instructed me to go ahead.

I charged Markle & Co. \$2 a day for two days, instead of \$1.50 allowed by the borough. I have not contracted with council to give my services to outsiders at the same price paid by council, but the street committee thinks different and cut off \$1 on this account.

I also worked for the Electric Light Company removing poles, through orders from a member of council and Superintendent Myers, with the understanding that the labor bill goes to the Electric Light Company through council, same as Markle's bill. One man was employed at the regular borough rate for three days. For my time I charged 50 cents a day for three days, or \$1.50 for the job. I was to receive \$1 and the borough 50 cents of this sum. The street committee cut off \$1 on this account.

I believe I am entitled to these two amounts of \$1 each. The street committee's report takes off net \$2, but \$4.25. I worked 262 hours in June at 15 cents an hour. I want council to explain for what reason I am allowed only \$35.25, when my report calls for \$39.50, without the \$2 above mentioned.

The claim made by the street committee that other employes' accounts were overcharged is another misleading statement. They reported that Timothy Boyle was overpaid \$2, John G. Davis was overpaid 38 cents and Isaac Davis was overpaid \$2.50. I will state that these men were employed at paving gutters. They were called "scabs" by a councilman for working for \$1.25 a day, and then they stopped work and refused to work unless they got a raise.

I notified the street committee and was told to turn in their time at \$1.50 a day while they worked at that kind of work. Now this street committee's report says I turned in too much for these men.

This is what the street committee claims are errors and overcharges. I do not want any taxpayer to believe that I am trying to defraud the borough of one cent and I am prepared to prove every statement I make.

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Harvest Home services were held on Sunday afternoon at St. John's Reformed church, Eckley, Rev. J. B. Kerschner, of town, officiating. The church was prettily decorated with plants, fruits and flowers and reflected credit upon the congregation. The attendance at the services was large and the offerings came within a very small sum of troubling the amount of a year ago.

In St. Mary's convent, Wilkes-Barre, on Tuesday, Miss Mary Featherstone, of that city, and Miss Ellen Morrissey, of Nanticoke, took the white veil, and Miss Mary Malarky, of Wilkes-Barre, took the final vows. On the same day Miss Mary Boyle, of Beaver Meadow, entered the sisterhood with twenty others at West Chester.

St. John's Reformed church, J. B. Kerschner, pastor. Harvest Home Thanksgiving services next Sunday. German services at 10.30 a. m.; song services at 7 p. m.; English services at 7.30 p. m. Subject in the evening, "The Rich Fool;" Luke xii-16-21. All are kindly invited.

On Sunday next Rev. W. C. Hall will preach at St. Paul's Primitive Methodist church at the usual hours. Subject for morning, "A Sorrow-Dispensing Christ;" subject for evening, "How to be a Good Marksman." All are welcome.

Tomorrow morning, Saturday morning and Sunday morning have been designated for special services in the Catholic churches in honor of the Blessed Sacrament. The services will be held after first mass on each of the above days.

Married at High Noon.

At St. Ann's church yesterday John Wagner, Jr., of Drifton, and Miss Marie Timony, of Walnut street, were married by Rev. M. J. Fallihee. Thomas F. Welsh, of town, acted as groomsmen and Miss Mary Herron was bridesmaid. The bride was handsomely attired in white mouseline de soie and carried a beautiful bouquet of bridal roses. The groom wore the conventional black. The bridesmaid was dressed in a white tulle with pink chrysanthemums.

After the ceremony a wedding dinner was served at the home of the bride's mother, after which Mr. and Mrs. Wagner left on the 3 o'clock train from Hazleton for Philadelphia and Atlantic City, where they will spend a few days sight-seeing.

Upon their return they will reside on Walnut street and will begin life with bright prospects and the good wishes of their numerous friends.

Secretary J. B. Doty Visits Freeland.

J. B. Doty, secretary of the Milmay Protective Association, of Milmay, N. J., gave the TRIBUNE office a pleasant call yesterday afternoon. Mr. Doty's letters in these columns have been read with keen interest by the Milmay investors of this region. He reports that the prospects of having the land released from the mortgage placed on it by the South Jersey Land Company are very bright for those who have followed the instructions of the Protective Association.

Mr. Doty's visit here was in the interest of the investors, of whom there are a large number in lower Luzerne. He left last evening to spend a few days with his mother at New Columbus, Huntingdon township. He will return on Monday to Milmay, where he is employed as principal of the public schools.

Death of Patrick Boner.

Patrick Boner, of Adams street, died this morning, at the age of 55 years, after an illness of some weeks. His condition for the past week had been serious, and death relieved him at 3 o'clock this morning. The deceased was a resident of town for some years past and has a large number of friends and relatives in this region. He is survived by one son, Charles, of Montana, and one daughter, Miss Annie, who lives at home.

The funeral will take place on Saturday morning. A requiem mass will be read over the remains at 9 o'clock at St. Ann's church. Interment will be made in St. Ann's cemetery.

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Forfeiting on condition that balance required shall be subscribed.....	6,000 00
Necessary to subscribe.....	3,000 00
Subscriptions to August 30, 1899.....	2,334 00
Previously acknowledged.....	5 00
Charles Croff.....	10 00
W. E. Oberender.....	20 00
Jacob Zeisloff.....	5 00
George Davis.....	5 00
Patrick Sweeney.....	5 00
Patrick Meehan.....	5 00
A. W. Roberts.....	5 00
E. B. Shellhammer.....	5 00
A. A. Bachman.....	5 00
John J. Gorman.....	5 00
E. J. Edwards.....	5 00
Alumni Ball at Drifton.....	42 80
Total subscribed.....	3,451 80
Balance necessary to subscribe.....	\$ 548 20

Candidate for Treasurer.

Fred C. Kirkendall, candidate for the Democratic nomination of county treasurer, called upon a number of people in the lower end on Tuesday. He was accompanied by City Treasurer Bernard McManus, of Wilkes-Barre. Both gentlemen report finding the party in good condition throughout the county. Mr. Kirkendall so far has no opposition for the nomination. He is a well known business man at the county seat and is well qualified for the important office of treasurer.

Base Ball Next Sunday.

Arrangements have been completed for a game of ball on Sunday next at 3 p. m. between the Mauch Chunk club and the Crescent club of Philadelphia. These two teams have played some of the finest games seen on Mauch Chunk grounds in previous seasons, and the friendly rivalry which exists between them will make both anxious to win out on the Tigers field.

Excursion to Toronto Industrial Fair.

The Lehigh Valley Railroad announces a Labor Day excursion to Niagara Falls and return at the low fare of \$8.12 from Freeland for the round trip. Tickets will be issued for train No. 3 and for immediate connecting train from branch line points, September 1, and all trains (except the Black Diamond express) on September 2 and 3, limit for return passage to September 6, 1899, inclusive. Tickets for Toronto and return will be sold to holders of Niagara Falls excursion tickets, at Niagara Falls. Fare, \$1 by steamer, or \$1.50 by rail, thus affording those desiring to visit the great Toronto Industrial Fair an opportunity to do so.

Consult Lehigh Valley ticket agents for further particulars.

G. A. R. Encampment Guide.

If you intend to visit Philadelphia during the great national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic you should get next Sunday's Philadelphia Press (September 3). It will contain information which will be of value to every visitor and to the stay-at-home as well. It will tell what to see and how to see it. It will have special articles of interest to those who fought for the stars and stripes. It will be splendidly illustrated and be a souvenir of this great gathering worthy of being kept and treasured by all.