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THE LOCAL CAMPAIGN.

BOROUGH AND WARD TICKETS IN FREELAND AND FOSTER.

Who the Men Are Who Have Been Nominated for Burgess, Tax Collector, Auditor, Councilmen and School Directors. Chances of Winning in the Township.

The local political campaign is rapidly drawing to a close, and the observing citizens cannot have failed to notice as election day comes nearer the prospects of the Democratic ticket in Freeland borough winning by handsome majorities is accepted as inevitable. The candidates on the ticket are men who have conducted an honest, honorable battle, appealing to the voters for their support in a manly, dignified manner. No effort has been made to win votes by any but the fairest methods, and this clean and open-handed style of seeking borough offices has brought to the side of the Democratic candidates the support of a great majority of the citizens who look beyond party affiliations when the positions to be filled next Tuesday enter into the campaign.

Those who have determined to cast their ballots for John F. Boyle for Burgess will assist in elevating to the highest position in Freeland borough a young man whose entire life, almost, has been lived in our town. Born at Lattimer, this county, thirty years ago, he came here with his parents at an early age, and that his record equals that of any other man in Freeland can produce is best attested by recalling the fact that not the slightest stain can be thrown upon his character. In a political campaign no candidate is free from slander, but such is Mr. Boyle's record as a citizen and a taxpayer that no one has even dared to attempt to sully his name. His interest in the welfare, the prosperity and the future of Freeland can not be doubted, for with his brother and sisters he is interested in the most valuable half-block of real estate in the borough. The taxpayers and the people in general can rely upon him to look after their interests so far as his official duties give him power, for, like many others who have risked their all in the town, Mr. Boyle will prosper or go backward in the same proportion as the town prospers or lags.

The Democratic candidate for Burgess comes before the people on Tuesday for the first time, and was tendered the nomination because his party saw in him a citizen who would honor the high position of Burgess, who would fulfill its duties with justice and impartiality and who would give the office a dignity that would be natural. That

the nomination of such a man met the demands of popular feeling, irrespective of party lines, is shown by the deep interest which the best elements of Freeland borough are taking in his election. Intelligence, respectability, sobriety and good common sense are the main qualifications which the law-obeying people of the community demand shall be part of the daily life of Freeland's chief executive, and in Mr. Boyle these attributes are found. His life has been lived under the eyes of our citizens, and the voters of town can attest their appreciation of honesty and good citizenship in no better manner than by recording their votes for the Democratic nominee.

For the office of tax collector there is not a citizen in town who does not concede an overwhelming majority for Hugh Malloy. To do otherwise is to stamp a man a bigoted partisan, one who refuses to acknowledge the infallible signs of the times. Six years ago the candidate named by the Democrats was chosen to this office by the voters of town, and when his three-year term expired the unanimous verdict of the taxpayers and every public body with which he transacted business was this: "Hugh Malloy was the best tax collector Freeland borough ever had." That was true then, and his unparalleled record stands today unapproachable. Every cent charged on his duplicates was paid long before it became due, and no branch of the public service suffered a moment's inconvenience through any fault of the collector. With such a record behind him it is no wonder that the opposition to him comes only from men for whom public office has a fascination which they, unfortunately, are unable to resist.

Mr. Malloy, personally, is known the county over as one of Freeland's representative business men. His activity and earnestness in every movement which has had for its object the advancement of the town and its people are too well known to repeat here. When Freeland was one of the infant municipalities of the state, Mr. Malloy placed his savings in Freeland property, staking all his earthly possessions on its future. He became one of its leading merchants, identified himself with every movement that promised to increase its growth and no stauncher friend or advocate of the town can be found. His name, his capital and all the labor he can give are ready at all times to be offered for Freeland. Public-spirited men of this class, who are friends and defenders of the town when out of office as readily as when in, are the kind Freeland voters need to pin their faith to, and in doing so they will give public notice that Freeland never forsakes the men who stand up for the town all the year round.

Six Fine New Coaches.

The six new coaches which the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company is having built for the Black Diamond express are models of beauty and comfort, and will eclipse anything of the kind in this section of the country. Each car is provided with a large and elegantly appointed smoking room; also with two saloons—one for men and one for women. A luxurious retiring room is connected with the saloon for women. The seating capacity of each car is sixty-nine people, and the weight about fifty tons. The length of the car is seventy feet. The roof is of the Empire style of construction and the inside is finished in solid mahogany. The decoration of the ceiling is in gold. The windows of the car are double sashed, with plate glass. The seats in the body of the car are covered with plush of the best quality and have mahogany ends. In the smoking room the seats are covered with sun-bleached green leather. The heating of the car is accomplished by the use of hot water circulation.

"The Corner Grocery."

The "Corner Grocery" is purely a farce comedy, and the characters are such that everyone wants to see—a clever subterfuge, a good Irish part, a funny Dutchman, a grotesque policeman, together with pretty young girls, introducing a lot of clever up-to-date specialties. The "Corner Grocery" was written for laughing purposes and it succeeds in its effort. During the action of the play, Miss Chaplin will introduce several specialties, among which is her famous "Drunk Song." Her support includes James Nesbitt, Billy Bowers, Wm. R. Healy, Kate Medinger, Rachael Loraine and others. Those who wish to see a bright up-to-date performance should not miss the "Corner Grocery."

Election returns from the borough polls and Foster and Hazle townships will be announced from the stage as soon as the count is completed.

Remarkable Gifts to Everybody.

Announcement is made by the publishers that every reader of the Philadelphia *Sunday Press* will receive next Sunday, absolutely free, two souvenirs of a character and value far beyond anything heretofore offered by a newspaper. One will be a beautiful picture in ten colors, by Paul de Longpre, entitled "A Yard of Roses." It is twice as large as any picture given away with any newspaper, and that it is worth framing is evident from the fact that copies cannot be bought at retail for less than a dollar. But, in addition to this, every reader of next Sunday's *Press* will receive an attractive illustrated booklet of convenient size, containing the greatest detective story ever written by Emile Gaboriau.

Popular Low Fare Excursion

To Washington, D. C., via the Lehigh Valley Railroad. Tickets on sale February 27, all stations Sayre to Allentown inclusive, including branch line points within territory named, good for return passage until March 9, inclusive, and will be honored on any train, except the Black Diamond express. Consult Lehigh Valley ticket agents for further particulars.

portant district the public could rely. Mr. Goepfert is infusing enthusiasm into the battle by working hard for the ticket's success. The candidate for council, Mr. Rutter, is no stranger to Freeland people. As a councilman he has served six years and when he departed from office two years ago he left behind him a standard of councilmanic ability which many holders of that office have since failed to attain. Mr. Rutter and Mr. Goepfert are both large property-owners in their ward, and their votes will be cast on all public questions in the interest of the town.

Until recently the Democrats of the South ward were the most melancholy set to be found in town. They were anxious for a battle with the opposition, but the opposition in that quarter amounts to such an insignificant factor in politics that the contest promised to be carried on without a ripple. However, a boast from a Republican leader that Peter Timony and Charles Moerschbacher would not be elected school director and councilman, respectively, by over 100 majority, was made in an unguarded moment, and since then politics is the sole topic in the South ward. A clear majority of 200 for everybody on the ticket is now the object, and if Timony and Moerschbacher and their fellow-men are given less the treachery will be unearched. The Democrats of the South ward might have taken life as it came, confident in securing a large majority, but the taunt has roused their ire and they are battling now for that 200 with the same spirit that marks the campaign in the uptown wards.

As a school director Mr. Timony has been tried and not found wanting. He discharged the duties of the office for three years in a manner most satisfactory to his constituents. He assisted in the erection of the handsome building on Washington street, the most economically constructed school property in Pennsylvania. His vote was at all times for advanced education, and with his fellow members of the board of 1896 laid the foundation of the present high standard. Mr. Timony stands in the front rank of Freeland's prominent citizens and his election as school director will place him where capable men are needed. Mr. Moerschbacher, as a property-owner and a man interested in the town, will be found true to the people as a member of council. He is a staunch advocate of progress and a firm believer in a great future for Freeland. His election can be secured without truckling to any interest but those which mean the welfare of the taxpayers, therefore he will take his seat a free man in every respect.

In Foster township the battle for the offices is going on merrily. The disruption and consequent defeat of the Republican party two years ago by an independent ticket, and its defeat again last February by dissatisfied voters, has not yet been overcome. The Democrats have taken advantage of the deadly feud which exists in the ranks of their opponents, which in spite of the truce declared is still alive, and they are making the most of the opportunities presented. The candidate for tax collector, Erasmus Snyder, is at the helm and is piloting the old ship to victory. He knows every rock and shoal in the township and will steer the craft to a safe haven. Every member of his crew is a true and trusted party man, and on Tuesday night Foster township will sadly disappoint its friends if the whole Democratic ticket does not win with many votes to spare.

NEWSPAPER NOTES.

The Wilkesbarre *Telephone* has again changed hands, having passed into control of the Wilkesbarre Democratic Club. The name of the paper will be changed to the *Luzerne County Democrat*, with G. M. Wilner as editor and C. C. Diller, of Forty Fort, as business manager. Singer and Schuman, the present owners, are connected with the new management. George S. Boyle, who had been editor of the *Telephones* under ex-Sheriff Robinson and remained with the present proprietors, has resigned. Rumor has it that John M. Garman, Peter O'Boyle and M. N. Donnelly and others, who are opposed to the Lehigh facton, are in control of the present deal and that the paper may be changed into a daily, in opposition to the *News and Leader*, both of which are opposed to the true Democratic sentiment in the county.

Hazleton's new paper, of which George Maue is to be editor, will be a semi-weekly and will be known as the *Bulletin*. It will be a Republican Quary paper. No time has yet been set for its first appearance, but it is expected that publication will soon begin. It is said that Pittston is also to have a new Democratic daily, with ex-County Commissioner English as a leading promoter. Names of others connected with the scheme have not been mentioned.

In Scranton Mayor Moir, ex-Mayor Fellows and other anti-Connell men will soon get out a paper to battle against the Connell-Ripple faction, so it is said.

Another Oakdale Accident.

Two men were entombed in the Maffit mine at Sugar Notch on Monday afternoon. They were: Patrick Quillan, aged 43, a miner and unmarried, and Mike Soskey, aged 30, laborer, with a wife and three children. The men were robbing pillars in an old working. The work is of the most dangerous kind, and in the morning the roof and the old pillars chipped threateningly, indicating that the immense weight they upheld were squeezing them in, but the men kept at work.

At 4 o'clock in the afternoon the roof fell in the workings through which they entered, and shut them in behind thirty or forty feet of rock and coal, which completely filled the passageway. The bodies were recovered at 11 o'clock Tuesday night. At first there was slight hope that the men might be behind the cave-in, in which case there was a chance of their being alive. This was an incentive for the rescuers to redouble their efforts, and after thirty-two hours' hard work they finally reached the place where the two men were last seen at work, only to find their mangled bodies.

Tippling in a Poorhouse.

From the Mauch Chunk Times. It is laughable to see how the inmates of the Laurytown poorhouse plan to get the best of Steward Wells. When they have colds they are given a bottle of cough syrup, containing rum and molasses. One of the inmates devised a scheme whereby he could extract the rum from the molasses, so that he could get the rum out without contaminating his stomach with the molasses. He placed the bottle on the window sill in the sun and discovered that the molasses came to the top, leaving the rum in the bottom. Procuring a straw at the barn he inserted it in the bottle below the molasses and proceeded to drink the rum from the bottom of the bottle.

Prefers Jail to Coercion.

Dennis Gannon, who nearly six years ago was committed to the Lackawanna county jail for contempt of court in refusing to sign a deed conveying some property as ordered by court, and where he had since been confined, despite spasmodic efforts to secure his liberty, was on Thursday a free man for several hours. It was for the purpose of attending the funeral of his sister that Judge Edwards permitted him freedom for a while.

After the burial Gannon met an officer detailed for the purpose and was returned to the prison, where he says he expects to end his days, as he believes he is right and will never sign the deed in question.

\$300,000 Loss at Ashley.

The relief committee appointed by the citizens of Ashley, whose property was damaged by the dynamite explosion in the wreck on the New Jersey Central Railroad three weeks ago, has completed the work and forwarded the list of names to the company. The amount will reach close to \$150,000. The committee assisted the families whose homes had been wrecked by the explosion and who were in immediate need. The company has also had a committee at work estimating the damages to the residents of Ashley, and this committee's estimate of the total cost of the wreck is close to \$300,000.

Death of John Edmunds.

John Edmunds, formerly of Drifton, but now of Wilkesbarre, died yesterday in Lansford, where he went to attend the funeral of a relative. Deceased was very well known in this vicinity, having resided in Drifton for a period of eighteen years, and at one time managed the Drifton boarding house. He is survived by the following children, his wife having preceded him in death a year ago: Mrs. William Hoch, Freeport; Mrs. E. J. Edwards, Thomas, Mauch Chunk; Maggie, Drifton; William, Wilkesbarre, and David, Tacona, Washington. The time of the funeral has not yet been set.

Boarded Up the Mine.

The operators of the Fernwood colliery, near Pittston, where the miners went on strike on Thursday, took the mules out of the mines this week and boarded up the entrance. They will not resume work until the miners are ready to go back. The men want less topping, cheaper powder, and demand the discharge of the bosses, whom they claim treated them very unfairly. Yesterday the strike was amicably settled, both sides making concessions.

The lecture at the Grand opera house on Tuesday evening by Hoyt L. Conary, under the auspices of the Mining and Mechanical Institute, was postponed on account of the failure of Mr. Conary to arrive in town. A large audience was present and the disappointment was keenly felt, as no apology or excuse had been sent by the lecturer.

Orders have been issued to all trainmen of the Lehigh Valley to reduce the speed of trains to four miles an hour when passing over the road between the Beaver Brook crossing and Audenried depot. This is on account of the tracks settling. The company has placed a watchman there to warn all trains against danger.

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.

A new water company is said to be one of the corporations to be organized next spring in Freeland.

A man giving his name as Charles Reed was arrested Monday night at Nanticoke while robbing the postoffice. John Salmon, one of Uncle Sam's regulars, is greeting friends in town after seventeen years' service in the army.

All the employes of mines, shops and railroads in this vicinity will receive their January wages on or before Saturday evening.

Joseph Grega, of Hazle Brook, and Barbara Lucas, of Freeland, will be married in St. John's Slavonian church at an early date.

Henry Beineman, Democratic candidate for poor director, called upon several of the voters on the North Side yesterday and made a favorable impression.

Miss Maggie Farrell, of town, will be married next Tuesday at St. Ann's church to George Beisel, formerly of Freeland but now a resident of Philadelphia.

Lackawanna county court on Tuesday granted a divorce to John G. Webster from Clara Widener Webster. This was her third husband and her third divorce.

Edward Houser, a councilmanic candidate on the Democratic ticket in Tamaqua, fell from a foot bridge spanning the Schuylkill river Tuesday morning and was drowned.

The Democratic ward candidates are making a thorough canvass of their territory and some unpleasant surprises are promised for the Republicans when the returns are all in.

The Fearnots Athletic Association promises an evening of enjoyment to all who attend its ball tomorrow evening at Cross Creek hall. Music will be furnished by DePierro's orchestra.

John Meehan of town, a D. S. & S. Railroad brakeman, fell from his train near Bethlehem yesterday and received severe injuries, including a broken leg. He was taken to St. Luke's hospital, Bethlehem.

Edward J. McGinley, a popular Mauch Chunk young man employed as a brakeman on the Lehigh Valley Railroad, was killed at Allentown yesterday. He was 35 years of age and had many friends here.

The remains of John J. Boyle, formerly of Eckley, which were shipped from San Francisco Saturday evening by the war department, have not yet arrived in town. They are expected on every train coming from the West.

At St. John's Reformed church on Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock Rev. J. B. Kerschner will deliver a sermon on the birth of Washington to the members of Camp 147, P. O. S. of A. All are welcome to attend the services.

On Monday afternoon the commissioners of Luzerne and Columbia counties declared the bridge across the river at Berwick free. In future no tolls will be collected from passengers, and the toll house and bar will be taken down.

On Sunday next Rev. S. Cooper, of Mt. Carmel, will occupy the pulpit in St. Paul's P. M. church, where he will deliver a missionary sermon. On the same day Rev. W. C. Hall, of St. Paul's, will take Rev. Cooper's place in Mt. Carmel.

On Saturday evening a hop will be conducted at Yannes' opera house under the auspices of Division 13, Daughters of Erin. The ladies will be assisted by members of the A. O. H. divisions of town. Dance music will be furnished by St. Ann's band.

Mary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hincer, died yesterday afternoon at her home on North Ridge street, aged 4 years and 9 months. Death was due to weakness and coughing which followed an attack of measles. Funeral tomorrow at 9 o'clock. Interment will be made at Laurytown cemetery.

The Catholic population of St. Gabriel's parish, Hazleton, is as follows, according to the returns made by the enumerators: Numbers of families, 737; total population, 4,370; divided as follows: Males over 21 years of age, 1,065; females over 21 years, 1,116; boys under 21 years of age, 1,107; girls under 21 years, 1,082.

PLEASURE CALENDAR.

February 16.—Ball of Fearnots Athletic Association at Cross Creek hall, Drifton. Admission, 50 cents.
February 17.—Hop at Yannes' opera house under auspices of Division 13, Daughters of Erin. Admission, 25c.
February 19.—Ball for benefit of St. Kasimer's Polish church at Yannes' opera house. Admission, 25 cents.
February 24.—Hop of Crescent Athletic Association at Yannes' opera house. Admission, 25 cents.

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FOR BURGESS OF FREELAND BOROUGH, VOTE FOR JOHN F. BOYLE. Election Day, Tuesday, February 20, 1900.

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