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TRI-WEEKLY

## Spring Clothing!

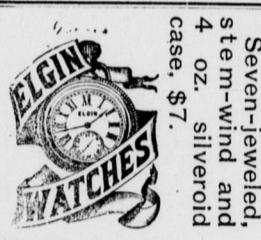
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Saturday Evening, March 30.

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The Trick Trolley Car.

The Revolving Scene.

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### ROUND THE REGION.

Michael and Stephen Hugus, of Bradocks, arrived in Wilkesbarre last night. They stopped at the Bristol House. Michael was to have been married today, and his brother Stephen was to have acted as groomsman. When the men retired they blew out the gas. Both are in a precarious condition, and the wedding has been postponed. When the prospective bride heard of the misfortune that befell her affianced she hastened to his bedside, and is now nursing him.

The fight over the wardenship of the county prison resulted in the election of George J. Llewellyn. He defeated Arthur E. Detro, who was elected deputy warden and Charles Gardner, who was elected turnkey. Dr. S. A. Wolfe was re-elected physician.

For the second time within ten days the grievance committee of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad is in session in Scranton, preparing a statement of grievances.

The Dickson Locomotive Works, of Scranton, have obtained a contract from Arthur Koppel, of New York, for the building of seven locomotives, which are to be utilized for plantation purposes in Java, East Indies.

Because he had received a letter from his wife in the old country, saying that she had remarried, Andrew Drygala, of Archbald, hanged himself to the limb of a tree outside his boarding house. Drygala was daily expecting his wife to join him.

In the interest of economy Deputy Revenue Collector Thomas Powell, of Hazleton, has been dismissed by the department, the dismissal to take effect tomorrow.

The Susquehanna river is a raging torrent, and should it rise four feet more the people of West Pittston will have to use boats.

Six children of James Brennan, of Ashley, have been taken by the Humane Society. Their father has just been released from jail and the children were clad in rags and hungry.

William Shafer, who escaped from the county jail a few months ago, has enlisted in the navy, and is believed to be on the battleship Kentucky, which recently arrived at Manila.

Captain Samuel Harleman, one of the ex-poor directors of this district, died on Wednesday at his home in Weatherly. He was aged 72 years and was one of the prominent men of Carbon county.

Patrick Cox, of Parsons, who has been a justice of the peace there for thirty years, died suddenly today.

### We Sell Shoes

and nothing else. You can buy to better advantage here than in stores where shoes are carried as a side-line, and if you give us the opportunity we will prove to you that this is true.

### STAR

SHOE STORE.

Hugh Malloy, Prop.

Corner Centre and Walnut Streets.

### NO DECISION ON STRIKE

#### Representatives of Miners Still in Session.

#### Absolute Secrecy Maintained by President Mitchell and His Associates in the Meeting Today.

A telephone message from the Wilkesbarre Times to the Tribune at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon states that the miners' convention is still in session.

President Mitchell and the three district presidents are preparing a statement, but what it will contain is not known outside the convention.

Opinion in Wilkesbarre is about evenly divided as to whether a strike will be ordered or not.

At 10:30 o'clock this morning the men in whose hands nearly 150,000 anthracite workers have placed the power to decide the question of suspending or continuing work on Monday met at the county seat. This meeting, though not widely advertised nor attended with spectacular accessories, will be recorded in the history of the anthracite coal region as one, if not the most important and far-reaching in power, of any gathering of mine workers ever held.

Those entitled to a voice and vote in the proceedings were National President John Mitchell, District Presidents Nichols, Duffy and Fabey, and the members of the executive boards of Districts Nos. 1, 7 and 9—thirty-one men in all.

The members of the executive board of District No. 7 are as follows: President, Thomas Duffy, McAdoo; vice-president, Andrew Matty, Stockton; executive board, William Harris, Jeanesville; Patrick Smith, Milnesville; Daniel S. Gallagher, Hazleton; William H. Dietrich, Nuremberg; Peter G. Gallagher, Freeland; Charles Gildea, Coaldale.

The convention remained in session until noon, when an adjournment was taken until 3 o'clock. No information of any description was given out except the statement that President Mitchell had been chosen to serve as a press committee.

When called upon, Mr. Mitchell had nothing to give to the press, and he maintained absolute silence on the subject of strike until the convention re-assembled at 3 o'clock.

At 4:45 o'clock the convention was still in session.

STATEMENT FROM REV. PHILLIPS.

Rev. E. S. Phillips, of Hazleton, and President John Mitchell and his associates of the Mine Workers left New York for Wilkesbarre yesterday afternoon. Before going they held a conference in the Ashland House. The representatives of the Mine Workers said that in their opinion a strike had been averted, and Rev. Phillips gave out a formal statement to that effect. He said in addition:

The United Mine Workers of America are a recognized body; its representatives, President Mitchell and the district officers have met and conferred with the representatives of the operators. More than that, a confidence in labor organizations has been established, which must eventually result in convincing the several individuals of independent operators that the wisdom and patriotism which have brought financiers, coal president and labor leader together have also taught them the value and usefulness of jointly conferring in time of peace to prevent war. The lesson has been taught without cost. Let us hope that it has been learned. If so, it is well for all concerned.

Early Closing Movement.

The early closing movement proposed by the Clerks' Union at their meeting on Tuesday evening has occasioned much discussion in local business circles. The proposition of the clerks that the merchants should close their stores each evening at 7 o'clock, with the exception of Mondays and Saturdays, has met with warm approval from some of the business people, while others believe that the hour is too early. Others, also, state that provision should be made for pay day evening when the latter fails to fall on Monday or Saturday, otherwise a considerable portion of the transient trade which drifts into town at such times will be lost and eventually return to the surrounding company stores.

The matter has been discussed from several standpoints by the merchants

since Wednesday, and from the information which the Tribune can gather the proposed regulations meet with almost general approval among the grocers and provision dealers. The clothiers and shoe merchants, however, claim they are entitled to at least another hour's service from their clerks in the evenings, inasmuch as their help are not compelled to report in the morning until an hour or more later than those employed by the grocers.

They further claim that the greater part of their business is done in the evenings, when the workingmen come into town, and that to close at 7 o'clock would bar them from receiving any patronage from men residing in the outside villages. Men, as a rule, they say, purchase their own clothing and footwear, and will not, as with estates and the like, delegate the purchase to their wives or children.

As the matter stands at present it is possible that some friction may follow an attempt to enforce the proposed closing hours. The rule, however, is not to go into effect until April 15, and in the meantime it is likely that alterations will be made by the clerks if it is shown by the merchants affected that the hour selected for closing bears unnecessarily heavy on certain lines of trade.

A conference between a committee of the clerks and the merchants would undoubtedly result in an agreement that would give satisfaction to all the interested parties.

### THEATRICAL.

It is only necessary to announce the fact that the Brothers Royer are engaged in a performance, and everyone will know that it will be a funny, very funny show. Their new acrobatic farce frolic, "Next Door," is a great production, and if laughter and applause be true criticism, the performance is of the finest order. Certainly the acrobatic part of the piece, and that constitutes the play itself, is splendid and exceedingly novel. The fun is clean and bright, and the show tomorrow evening at the Grand opera house should not be missed.

Sadie Raymond and Willard Dashiel and a strong company will give Freeland theatre-goers their first chance to see "Old Arkansaw" next Wednesday evening. The play has made a hit wherever presented. It is written by Fred Raymond, of "Missouri Girl" fame, and is more popular than the latter in cities where both have appeared. Sadie Raymond scored a success in Freeland last season, and her admirers should give her a hearty welcome on her return to town. The performance is a benefit for the opera house employees.

"Faust" and "Uncle Tom's Cabin" are two plays which never fail to please when properly presented before an audience. Porter J. White's company in the former and Stetson's in the latter are among the April bookings.

Adjusting the Assessment.

County Commissioners Jones and Finn, accompanied by their clerks, J. B. Lanbach, William Jones and John J. Norton, held forth at the Central hotel today to hear the appeals of taxpayers in Freeland, White Haven and Foster. Upwards of a hundred people were present to protest either against the revision of the assessors' books as performed by the commissioners, or against the valuations imposed by the assessors.

White Haven was given attention first, and numerous defects and inequalities were adjusted to the satisfaction of the complainants.

Freeland's assessment figures were then taken up, and the alleged injustice in doubling the frontage valuation on the several streets was objected to by Attorneys Stroh and McCarthy and Squire Buckley, all of whom maintained that land values in town have not increased since the tri-annual assessment in 1898.

A number of other protests, both in the interests of individuals and the assessment in general, were received by the commissioners, but no definite action was taken on the cases presented.

Owing to the number of objections raised against the new valuations, the commissioners appointed Monday, April 8, as a time, and Wilkesbarre as the place, for a further hearing in the matter.

Escaped Prisoner Captured.

James Pollack, who escaped from the county prison on March 2, was captured this afternoon in a barn at Huntsville.

See that you get the original DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve when you ask for it. The genuine is a certain cure for piles, sores and skin diseases. Grover's City drug store.

Ice cold soda at Keiper's.

### LOCAL NOTES WRITTEN UP

#### Short Items of Interest to All Readers.

#### Happenings of the Past Two Days in and Around Freeland Recorded Without Waste of Words.

Postmaster B. F. Davis' efforts to secure better mail facilities have been successful, and beginning with today an additional mail leaves town every afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. This mail makes connections for New York, Philadelphia and all intermediate points. It will be welcomed by merchants and others who have much correspondence with the cities named. Since the early part of the month there has been no outgoing mail between 8:18 a.m. and 6:34 p.m.

At 8 o'clock last evening Rev. J. B. Kerschner united in marriage Frank Michaels, of Drifton, and Miss Annie Eroh, of town. The ceremony took place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Eroh, on Chestnut street. Daniel Carroll was groomsman and Miss Estella Eroh was bridesmaid. The newly-married couple will reside in Drifton.

Easter baskets and novelties—Keiper's James Mike and Mike Swiska were placed in the lockup on Wednesday evening by Officer Mollik and are serving a five days' sentence. The boys were charged with throwing eggs at pedestrains on South Centre street. Their parents refused to have anything to do with the case, and a taste of jail life was considered necessary to check their turbulent spirits.

The witnesses in the Demerio murder case have been summoned to appear before the grand jury on Tuesday. The officers interested in procuring evidence expect to present sufficient proof to have Nicholas Capece indicted for murder in the first degree.

Gentlemen, for hats and caps go to A. Oswald. He has a nice variety.

An entertainment will be held at Juddo by the Literary Society of that town tomorrow evening. Prof. Francis Harvey Green, of West Chester normal school, will deliver a humorous lecture entitled "Three Queries."

Mrs. Robert Boyle, of Walnut street, will return home this evening from Philadelphia, where she has been receiving treatment in an hospital for several weeks past.

Griffith Pritchard, of Hazleton, a former Freeland resident, has been appointed as one of the watchmen at the county jail by the prison commissioners. Mr. Pritchard is at present a conductor on the trolley road.

Morris O'Donnell returned today to Bayonne City, N. J., after spending a few days with his sister, Miss Annie O'Donnell, of Coxe addition, who has been seriously ill. The young lady is now resting easier.

Samuel Cunningham, of Indian territory, is visiting Drifton relatives after a long absence from this section.

Rev. R. J. O'Donnell came up yesterday from Lawrenceville, Mass., to see his brother, William, whose condition is still serious.

Editor and Mrs. Owen Fowler attended the funeral on Wednesday of the latter's aunt, Mrs. Amos Shortz, at Dorranceton.

Wm. Wehrman,

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