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PLEASURE.

Winter Tours' less neat little octave of some seventy pages, issued by the passenger department of the Lehigh Valley Railroad, and, as its name incleates, is devoted to descriptions of wintes resorts in warmer climes. The paper, press work and make up are good; there is a well arranged index, and much care has evidently been given to the compilation of the text. Copies may be had by addressing Chas. S. Lee, General Passenger Agent, 26 Cortland street, New York.

Clare Timney, a seven-year-old daughter of W. J. Timney, of North Centre street, found a bill of the denomination lost by Mrs. Smith. It was lying in the gutter on Centre street, above Chestmut. The little girl immediately placed her find in the possession of her teacher, Miss Gillespie, who reported the matter to Acting Principal Hanlon, who began a search for the owner of the money. Mr. Smith's daughter is also a pupil at the school, and learning of the lind,

LEHIGH VALLEY

Former Road Is to Dominate Hard Coal Trade.

Positive Announcement Is Made That the Plan of Consolidation Has Been Agreed To.

The report which has been current in nancial circles for ten days, that a deal s on foot to turn control of the Lehigh

is on foot to turn control of the Lehigh Valley over to the Reading Company, received a more definite shape yesterday. It was declared that the First National bank, of New York, which has been buying Reading stocks representing powerful interests seeking to control it, is also engineering the reported Reading-Lehigh Valley deal. There is now said to be a pool comprising 340,000 shares out of the 808,820 shares of Lehigh Valley stock outstanding. This high Valley stock outstanding. This pool includes the stock, 160,000 shares, bought by Drexel-Morgan interests from the Packer estate.

Several months since this stock was divided into four blocks between the Erie, the Lackawanna, the Reading and the New York Central. When the Reading bought control of

the Jersey Central it virtually increased its call on Lehigh Valley stock to 80,000 shares. The plan, as outlined yester-day, is to let the Lehigh Valley, which, in view of the peculiar distribution of the stock outside of the pool among in-numerable small holders, is considered enough to insure a safe control.

The purpose of the scheme is that the Reading shall absolutely dominate the hard coal trade, and that the Pennsyl-vania Railroad, controlling, as it now does, the soft coal business, shall agree to maintain freight rates at a point which will prevent bituminous fro on the legitimate market for

Jingle of the Bells.

Mr. and Mrs. John Powell, who were married at Scranton on Saturday, have taken up their residence at Upper Le-Upon their arrival here on the 9.30 Lehigh Valley train yesterday morning they were met at the station by a handsome carriage and spanking team to convey them to their home.

The carriage and horses were decorated with strings of sleigh-bells, cow-bells and other noise producers, all of which were concealed from the bride and groom until the carriage started towards

Upper Lehigh.

As the vehicle passed through town it attracted a great deal of attention, the jingle of the bells serving to bring it to the notice of every person on the streets at that hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Powell thoroughly en-joyed their unenviable position and accepted the joke in the manner which the perpetrators intended.

False Alarm of Fire.

Several persons noticed considerable smoke in the vicinity of St. Anthony's Italian Catholic church on Wednesday evening, and without making a proper investigation raised the cry of "fire." This was heard by Timothy Boyle, who

hurried to Box 32 and sent in an alarm.

An unusually prompt response was made by the members of the Citizens' Hose Company, and two carts and the truck were out and on their way to the supposed fire when the news was re-ceived that the alarm was not war-

ranted.

The spoke seen was due to the church sexton lighting a fresh fire in the furnace, to heat the building for next morning's services.

Lost Money Found.

Irvin Smith, an employe of the D. S. & S. Railroad, while on his way to his home on North Washington street after receiving his pay last week, lost a \$20 bill. Upon discovering his loss he re-November 27.—First annual ball of the Bachelor Club, of Jeddo, at Krell's opera house. Admission, 50 cents.
November 28.—Hop of Jeddo Drum Corps at Krell's opera house. Admission 23 centl's opera house. Admission 23 centles operated by the control of the contro money.

On Wednesday afternoon, while on her way to Washington street school, Clare Timney, a seven-year-old daughter of W. J. Timney, of North Centre street,

notified the principal that her father had suffered the loss.

Upon his return from Perth Amboy yesterday, Mr. Smith furnished proof of his ownership and the money was de-livered to him. He rewarded the finder presenting her with \$2 for her

Violated Health Laws.

Mrs. Andrew Matus, of Japan, was arraigned last evening before Squire Shovlin on complaint of Markle & Co. It is alleged that she persisted in violating the quarantine laws by visiting homes in Japan in which scariet fever

exists.

This being the first prosecution of its kind hereabouts, the woman was discharged after agreeing to pay the costs of the case and promising to obey the health laws.

The Jeddo firm is determined to put a

stop to the practice of people visiting homes where contagious diseases exist, and the next offender who is caught will likely be given the full penalty of

Thanksgiving Services.

Union Thanksgiving services will be held on Thursday next, beginning at 10.30 o'clock, in the Primitive Methodist church on Fern street, to which all are cordially invited. Following is the pro

Invocation, Rev. J. J. Kuntz. Hymn (to be announced), Rev. Farns

prayer, Rev. J. R. Kerschner.

Hymn and offerings, benefit of St. Luke's hospital, Bethlehem. Sermon, Rev. O. G. Langford. Closing prayer, Rev. E. T. Schwartz

Doxology and benediction, Rev

Married Last Evening.

John Phillips, of North Centre street, and Miss Mary Moore, of the Second ward, were married last evening at St.
James' Episcopal church on Washington
street. Rev. F. Marshall performed the ceremony, which was witnessed by a large number of friends of the contract

ing parties.

A wedding supper was afterward served at the home of the bride's mother, where the young couple received the congratulations of their numerous

Mr. Phillips is a member of the firm of Norris & Phillips, and is a popular business man of town.

Papers Lost in Mine.

Report was made today that many papers of the greatest importance to the city of Pittston are missing and are believed to be in the pocket of Michael Langan, whose body with those of fifty-seven miners is entombed in the ill-fated Twin shaft.

At the time of the disaster in 1896 Langan was acting mayor of the city and a few hours before he entered the mines had received valuable papers. There is no hope of ever penetrating the fallen rock and recovering either body or papers.

Farewell Party.

Charles Mietke, of Alvinton, was tendered a farewell party at his home on Wednesday evening. The members of the Luther League, of town, and St. Luke's choir were present, also a num ber of visitors from Hazleton and other towns, making in all over sixty persons who called to participate in the exercises. During the evening an abundance of refreshments were served and

games were played.

Mr. Mietke departed yesterday morning for East Stroudsburg, where he has entered the normal school.

Against Chinese Labor.

Mass meetings in the interest of the Chinese exclusion act will be held in all towns throughout the anthracite region during the next few months. The meetings will be held under the auspices of the United Mine Workers and other labor organizations. Prominent speak-ers, including President John Mitchell and members of the national executive

board, will deliver addresses.

The date of the meeting to be held here has not yet been selected, but it is expected to be some time next month.

New Arrivals in Town.

A daughter was born this morning to Mr. and Mrs. James B. Ferry, South

Kline, and Mr. and Mrs. Neil Dugan, of the Second ward, are entertaining will meet at Drifton park on Sunday Kline, and Mr. and Mrs. Neil Dugan,

Bears the Signature Charty Fletchers

ROUND THE REGION.

Samuel Risky, of Shenandoah, has brought suit against the First National bank, of that town, to recover \$400 which the bank, it is alleged, paid ou self to be Risky, the depositor. It is said the money was paid out by the bank on the strength of identification by a grocer here, who now claims he does not know the man who drew the money

Jacob Hinckle, a resident of Taylors to a rope in the attic of his barn. barn on one of the Hinckle farms was destroyed by fire on Monday night, and the tenant, John Hoppel, sustained a heavy loss, accused the old man of having caused the fire. It is believed that Hinckle committed suicide to avoid

A case, the first of the kind on record in the courts of Schnylkill county, was placed on trial before Judge A. L. Shay, The charge is blasphemy. William Trelvor is the prosecutor and Henry Greenway the defendant. It is alleged that the offense took place in September last on a trolley car from Tamaqua to Lansford.

The specialist sent by the Board of Pardons to investigate the mental condition of John Lutz, sentenced to be hanged January 21 for the murder of his wife, declared that Lutz is sane, but has been feigning insanity. The Board of Pardons yesterday refused to interfere in his case.

What may prove a case of parricide ccurred at Browntown, a suburb of littston. James O'Boyle shot his father, John O'Boyle, and wounded him very seriously. The two men had ar-gument in regard to the final disposition of the old gentlemant's property.

W. C. Metzgar and Henry Krause Mahony City dairymen, arrested for violating the food law, have paid the state fine and costs, amounting to \$78. Ger-basi Brothers, charged with selling cot-ton seed oil for olive oil, have determined to fight the case in court.

The Pennsylvania building on the Pan-American Exposition grounds, at Buffalo, has been sold for \$305. The contents of the building, including the furniture, brought \$525.31. The building was erected by contract and cost the state \$16,300.

The members of the firm of D. G. seiler & Co., of Shamokin, were placed under \$400 bail, being charged by Pure Food Agent R. M. Simmers with churn-ing Illinois butter with new milk and selling it for creamery butter.

There are some prospects of settling he Scranton street car strike before the week is out. A conference between the strikers and the general manager the company has been arranged Scranton business men.

William McShaffery, 28 years old, of Summit Hill, is suffering from derange-ment of the brain and has been conveyed to a sanitarium. Worrying over the death of his father and reading novels are said to be the cause. Four-year-old Roblin Cobh, of Pottsville, got a hold of some matches and se

fire to his mother's curtains and carpets.

The fire was put out after hard fighting and considerable damage had been done. A Schuylkill Haven merchant has on exhibition in his window a monster radish. Its weight is 16 pounds and

measurers 2814 inches in circumferen and 361/4 inches in length. Watkin Williams, a well known resi dent of Hazleton and a prominent Re-publican politician, was killed by a fall of coal in Hazle mine on Wednesday

Pittston Central Labor Union will commence issuing a labor paper within a couple of weeks. It will be a four-page

SPORTING.

Every possible effort has been made by Freeland sports to arrange a game between Freeland and Hazleton football elevens, but neither coaxing nor ridicule can induce the city club to ridicule can induce the city club to meet the local team. A more glaring exhibition of cowardice has seldom been shown in sporting circles in the Lehigh region.

Jack Bonner and Dan Creedon, two day evening in a fifteen-round contest at Lansford.

William Gallagher is conducting shooting contest at his South Ridge street hotel. The prize is a handsome street hotel.

afternoon in another contest to decide the question of football supremacy.

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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.

A lady's handsome hat is on exhibi-tion in the show window of Mrs. Mathers' millinery store. It has been purchased by the fair committee of the Tigers Athletic Club and will be awarded door prize on the opening night.

The play booked to appear here on Thanksgiving Eve has been cancelled by the local imanagement, and the only attraction next week will be the great drama, "Barbara Frietchie."

A picture of Dr. John L. Wentz's handsome team. Lord Brilliant and Lord Golden, now on exhibition at the New York horse show, appears in to-day's Philadelphia North American.

Rev. B. J. Dever, pastor of Beaver Meadow Catholic church, who has been transferred to New Philadelphia, was in town last evening giving farewell to his friends here.

Complete stock of felts, all kinds of rubber boots and shoes and a full line of men's and women's slippers at moderate prices at John Bellezza's, 110 S. Centre street, near Luzerne, Freeland. Frank Scanlon, who lost an arm in a nine accident several months ago, has

opened a cigar store on South Centre Samuel Salmon, of Freeland, and Frank Siglin, of Jeddo, were drawn yesterday to serve as jurors during the week of January 6.

John and Matt Broderick have pur-chased the Stahl saloon on South Centre street and will reopen the establishment tomorrow evening.

Miss Alice Rhoda has returned from Philadelphia to see her sister, Miss Sarah J. Rhoda, who is ill at Upper Lehigh. George J. Shambora, who was em

ployed at the Pan-American Exposition during the summer, is renewing ac-quaintances in town. The friends of W. J. Morgan, of Washington street, are pleased to see him about again after a very serious

Daniel McLaughlin and family are preparing to remove from Ridge street to Coxe addition.

RELIGIOUS.

Rev. Carl Houser, of town, is collect ing subscriptions in Hazleton for the erection of a Slavonian Lutheran church in that city. He has organized a congregation there and they will build in the vicinity of Seventh and Alte.

At St. James' Protestant Episcopa chapel on Sunday evening Bishop Tal-bot will confirm a large class. In the morning confirmation services will be conducted by the bishop at St. James church, Drifton. English services will held be at St.

John's Reformed church next Sunday both morning and evening. Topic, "Life and Character of Moses;" second period in the morning, third period in the evening. Rev. J. B. Kerschner, pastor.

Next Sunday is known as the world's temperance Sunday. The Sunday schools of the world will study a lesson on intemperance. Appropriate services will be held in nearly all churches.

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She—But this was no common beggar.

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He—How do you know he was?

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