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TWO RESIDENTS DIE TODAY

Death Visits Town Early This Morning.

Mrs. Frank McDermott and Richard R. Welsh Have Succumbed to Their Afflictions.

Mrs. Frank McDermott died at 1 o'clock this morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mathers, on Centre street. She had been ill for some time past and her death was not unexpected.

Previous to the death of her husband, which occurred about four years ago.
Mrs. McDermott had resided in Drifton.
She was a native of England, but had resided in this country over a half a

resided in this country over a haif a century.

The deceased was aged 77 years and is avvived by one son and four daughters, as follows: John, Hartford, Conn.; Mrs. J. Mathers, Freeland; Mrs. William Shiye, Freeland; Mrs. Vincent Passarella, Hazleton, and Mrs. Peter Dunn, Weatherly.

The funeral arrangements will not be

The funeral arrangements will not be mpleted until this evening.

Richard R. Welsh, one of the best known young men of town, died this morning after an illness of about one month. A few weeks ago his condition was considered dangerous, but he rallied and his friends entertained good hopes of his recovery. Last night, however, he began to sink rapidly, and death ame at 5 o'clock this morning.

Mr. Welsh was aged 28 years and was engaged in the saloon business on South Centre street, succeeding his father, Michael Welsh, who died three years

He is survived by his mother and one brother, Steve, also by a half-brother, Edward Casey, of South street. The funeral will take place on Monday

morning at 9 o'clock. A requiem mass will be read at St. Ann's church and the interment made at St. Ann's cemeery.

Saved Some of the Gowns.

om the Wilkesbarre Record.
Miss Adaline Jones, of the firm Parisian dressmakers whose establish-Parisian dressmakers whose to ment was in the Weitzenkorn building, met with a quite a heavy loss owing to the fire. She estimates it at a little over \$500, with an insurance of \$300.

Miss Jones is a young woman of much ability and through her untiring efforts has established a good business in this city She employs seventeen girls, who are kept busy, and had it not been for her cramped quarters in the Weitzen-korn building she would have been in a position to employ half a dozen more girls. She makes many of the fashionable dresses worn in this city and her customers consist principally of the wealthier class. Her trade too, is not limited to this city and vicinity, but ex-tends to other cities in this section of the

Miss Jones had twelve of her girls working when the fire took place and they managed to save \$800 worth of gowns from the building. Miss Jones can boast of being a self-made woman. She came from Upper Lehigh, went to York city seven years ago and

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.

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studied fashionable dressmaking, then came to Wilkesbarre one year ago the first of October with a Miss James from Lansford and they opened the estab-lishment. The latter, however, severed her connection with the firm last August and Miss Jones is now sole own-

Miss Jones has opened rooms in the Allies Jones has opened rooms in Act Simon Long building and will conduct he business there until April 1. Miss Jones speaks French fluently and during the coming year expects to tour

Council -Meeting.

The December meeting of the borough ouncil was held on Wednesday evening with Councilmen Moersbacher, McNelis Rute, Reifsynder, McLaughlin, Hincer. Meehan, Doggett and W. Gallagher

The following bills were ordered paid:
H. Fisher & Co., \$4.47; M. M. O'Boyle, \$6 50; Rubber Mfg. Company, \$494 25; Electric Light Company, \$273 83; Thos. A. Buckley, \$10.50; Frank O'Donnell, \$3 75; Tribune, \$5.50; Condy O'Donnell, janitor salary and expense, \$34.65; police expense, \$144.33; John F. Boyle, \$5.

A report from the finance committee showed the available resources for the

balance of the year to be \$936.

The Freeland Silk Mill Company was exonerated from the payment of borough taxes for the current year.

The street committee reported that a ence has been built around the Mcfence has been built around the Mc-Nells property on the Hill, which de-bars the people of West Chestnut from easy access to Walnut street.

The ordinance committee reported in favor of readopting the ordinance taxing poles, wires, water mains, street cars, etc. A lengthy discussion followed on the amount which the cars should be taxed, and the committee's recom-mendation that the annual tax be \$15 a car was rejected by a vote of 5 to 4. The ordinance was then amended to tax each car \$300 a year.

Hazleton Smallpox.

Late last night another case of smallpox was discovered in Hazleton. The victim is James Walsh, a telegraph operator, who boards at the Wagner House. He had been suffering for the House. He had been suffering for the past two weeks from a severe cold, and

up to last evening no signs of the dis-ease had made their appearance.

The patients at the pest house, Misses Burns and Bentley, are not dangerously ill, and their complete recovery is expected.

The officials of the Miners hospital have issued an order prohibiting persons from visiting the institution. Exceptions will be made only for relatives of patients who are in a critical condition. The order was issued to prevent the disease from gaining access to the hospital.

Will Pension Employes.

The Reading Railway Company has inaugurated a pension system for faith-ful employes. The first intimation the men will have of this step will be tomorrow, when notices will be posted along the line and in all shops of the company stating that President Baer has given authority to retire all who have been continuously in the company's service fifty years or more.

Their names will be retained on pay rolls and pensions will be fixed on the basis of 50 per cent of wages received at the time of their retirement. In case this does not amount to \$30 per month they will be given \$30 per month.

Opening of the Fair.

The fair of the Tigers Athletic Club will open tomorrow evening at Krell's opera house and will continue every opera house and will continue every week-day evening until the 28th inst. week-day evening until the 25th msc. The fair will contain a large assort-ment of handsome and useful articles and these have been arranged in a manner to make a very fine display. There will be a number of amusements each evening to interest visitors to the fair and valuable door prizes

Royal Arcanum Officers.

Freeland Council, Royal Arcanum Freetand Council, Royal Ar has elected the following officers: Past regent—A. H. Bleckley, Regent—B. F. Shelhamer, Vice regent—John Thomas, Orator—Daniel Kline, Treasurer—W. R. Flad. Collector—William Feil. Chaplain—G. Hoch.

Sentry-William Roth

Warden-Williard Hoch

Restaurant For Sale.

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ROUND THE REGION.

Another trolley car was damaged with dynamite at Scranton Wednesday night The wheel that ran over the explosive was broken, the windows smashed and the machinery beneath the car derang-ed. This makes the third time that the crew aboard this car has encountered an explosion. Ten strikers returned to work this week making twenty-four in all who are back on the cars. The company has now succeeded in opening up all its lines from Pittston to Carbondale.

One of the boldest robberies ever com mitted in Shenandoah took place at the between the Steinandard cook place at the jewelry store of G. A. Schaab, when a thief deliberately walked up and broke the plate-glass window, over which stands a glaring electric light and, with dozens of people passing to and fro, grabbed a tray containing two gold watches and other jewelry, valued at \$300, and ran off.

A free course of lectures on "The First Aid to the Injured" is to be given to the mine superintendents, foremen and fire bosses of the various coal mining corporations in the Schuylkill region.
The course will be under the direction
of J. S. Biddle, superintendent and surgeon-in-chief of Ashland hospital.

Local Union No. 1381, U. M. W. of A., of Pittston, will be the first to disband in the history of the region. The members have all been transferred. This was the third local in the Pittston district, the first one to go on parade, and was one of the largest.

Michael Ferrens, whom the Reading coal and iron police shot early in the week, just after he robbed the Lehigh Valley Railroad station at Pottsville, died yesterday from the result of his in-juries. He was about 27 years of age and refused to reveal his identity.

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.

Frederick Sturk, aged 38 years, of Tamaqua, employed as foreman at the Reading Railway Company's freight station, injured himself, internally, station, while assisting in lifting a piano, and died several hours later.

Rev. James Kent Stone,

Fidelis, of the Passionist Fathers of New York, is at Wilkesbarre looking for a site for a new monastery, and will inspect tracts of land in South Wilkes barre and near Scranton. Horace M. Moyer, a well-to-do con

tractor, who disappeared from Pottsville about the middle of October, it is believed was one of the unidentified dead found in the ruins of the Market street fire at Philadelphia on October 25

Because the man he boarded with would not give him a dollar to spend for whisky, George Bender, of Duryea, committed suicide this morning, cutting his throat from ear to ear with a razor Superintendent Eli Conner, of the Le

high Valley Coal Company, has declined the offer of the strikers at the Maltby colliery to return to work if the company discharged all non-union men.

Tree ornaments at Keiper's.

By the explosion of a piston which hey were heating at the Vulcan Iron Works Matthew Smith and James Hen derson were so badly injured that they

Remedy for Smallpox.

Here is a prescription for smallpox which is considered by the Sisters of Charity of Philadelphia as stronger than vaccination: "One grain of sul-phate of zinc, one grain of fox-glove, sometimes called digitalis; mix with sometimes called digitalis; mix with two tablespoonsful of water; when thoroughly mixed add four ounces of water; take a teaspoonful every hour for twelve hours.

The remedy has been used for years in the large orphan asylum over which the Sisters have charge, and it is said no symptoms of the disease have ever appeared among the thousands of children under their care

Drawn as Jurors.

The following citizens of the vicinity have been drawn to serve as jurors on the dates preceding their names: John S. Klinger, Foster.

PLEASURE.

December 14 to 28.—Fair of the Tigers Athletic Club at Krell's operations.

December 25.—Shooting for turkeys, geese, etc., at the rooms of the South Heberton Sporting Club.

December 25.—Opening date of fair at Eckley Catholic church.

January 13 to 18.—Fair of Loyal Castle, No. 65, A. O. K. of M. C., at Krell's opera house.

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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.

The advance agents of the "The Evil on Thursday evening, were in town yes terday making preparations for show. The company consists of forty-two people and carries two carloads of scenery and will be by far the largest attraction which ever appeared in the

Elizabeth Fink, of Summit Hill, were married last evening at the home of the bride in the latter town. After the ceremony they departed on their wed-ding tour and upon their return will make their home at Drifton.

The condition of Neal Boyle, of Coxe addition, the boy who was hurt in Drifton mines on Tuesday, is serious. Reports from the Miners' hospital, where the injured foot is being treated, state that the limb may have to be amputated.

Ann's band at the band-room or South Ridge street Wednesday evening. There was an abundance of refreshments and cigars and the musicians spent a very pleasant evening.

William Iles has secured employmen in No. 40 colliery, Hazleton, and wil remove his family from Drifton to that Marcus Houser has removed from Birkback street to the building recently vacated by Mrs. C. Schaub on North

Centre street. Sylvanus Ayres, a gentleman who spent the summers of the past few years at Jeddo hotel, died on Monday at Bound Brook, N. J.

A large number of foreign-born resi-ents of Foster township are at Wilkesbarre today applying for naturalization papers.

Citizens who wish to vote at the February election should see that they are registered before the 19th inst.

Michael Mulligan, Sr., of Nesque noning, spent yesterday with Freeland friends. Foster township school teachers will

hold their monthly institute at Wood-side tomorrow. E. H. Ripple has been appointed postnaster at Scranton and Nathan Tanner

at Lansford.

THEATRICAL.

Yale & Ellis' production, "The Evil Eye," gave a well-filled house at the Lyceum a chance to laugh last night. The efforts of Nid and Nod to locate their sister, who has been abducted, are comically aided by a German-American from New York and a rich widow. The startling mistakes and extreme surprises experienced by the acrobatic twins are full of mirth-provokings antics. Some excellent acrobatic features are intro-duced, while Charles A. Loder and Miss Mayme Mayo help the fun along by their

Mayme Mayo help the fun along by their clever dialogues.

Miss Emilie Benner won applause in her singing of "You and I" and "The Legend of the Rhine." The play is well staged, the acting good, the chorus all that could be desired, and laughter was in every feature.—Buffalo Evening Times, November 19, 1901.

Old Arkansaw, which will be seen here on Tuesday evening, is now in its econd season and has been a success right from the start. right from the start. The reports from cities so far visited this season are that both play and players are creating an unusual sensation. The business has been enormous, a great part of the time January 13.—Lewis Hess, W. Roll, Freeland; Bernard Long, Foster.
January 20.—Peter Timony, Freeland; John S. Kilnger. Foster.

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