

# FREELAND TRIBUNE.

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ICE CREAM THE YEAR AROUND.

## HOSPITAL SITE IS SELECTED

Health Board Chooses Spot Northeast of Town.

Preparations to Prevent an Epidemic Are Continued. Dr. Lee, of State Board, on Smallpox Conditions.

Freeland Board of Health met Saturday evening to take further action on the matters which at present are giving the members much concern, viz., the protection of the town against smallpox. School Director McCole and Councilman Hincer represented their respective bodies at the meeting. Burgess Boyle was also present.

The Board of Health reported that a site for an emergency hospital has been selected. It is located on the Markle tract east of Alvinton, near an abandoned saw-mill, off from the old stage-road which runs between White Haven and Freeland.

The site is said to be an ideal one for a pest-house and if it becomes necessary to erect an hospital for persons afflicted with smallpox no better location could be found.

Council will be asked to approve the selection of this site. Owing to the large increase of work which has lately fallen to the lot of the health officer to perform, the salary of this official was increased from \$10 to \$20 per month.

Burgess Boyle promised the board the support of the police department of the borough in carrying out all orders issued for the purpose of preventing an epidemic.

The board decided that it is advisable for all employees of the overall factory and silk mill to become vaccinated without delay. All stores, shops, etc., should be fumigated regularly, and the employees vaccinated.

Superintendent Bleckley, of the Silk Company, reported that an order embodying the above had been issued at their mill and that those who fail to act accordingly will not be retained as employees.

The health of the town and kindred subjects were fully discussed by the members before adjourning.

Dr. Benjamin Lee, secretary of the State Board of Health, has given out these views relative to smallpox and its creation:

"There are two reasons why smallpox increases in winter. One is that heat destroys the virus, as it also does the vaccine virus. The makers of vaccine virus direct that it be kept in an ice box, so that its potency may be unimpaired. Some physicians are careless about this, and as a consequence their vaccination fails to take.

"The other reason is that the houses of the sick in winter are closed so tight that the atmosphere becomes impure. Next to heat, fresh air is the deadliest enemy of smallpox virus. When fuel is not abundant the house must be kept closed in order that the inmates may be warm, and as a result the wholesome elements are replaced by poisonous exhalations. The effect is two-thirds—the general condition of the health is impaired and the germs thrive in the poisonous atmosphere."

"I notice the newspapers advocate careful cleaning of the streets and of houses. But it is not a filth disease. The well-to-do and clean catch it just as readily as those who live in a swarm-

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ing population. It is loathsome—exceedingly so. I don't know anything more repulsive than a bad case of confluent smallpox. But it thrives no more in filth than in cleanliness, and vaccination is the only effectual barrier to its spread."

## Two Entertainments.

The second of the Sunday evening entertainments under the auspices of the Young Men's Corps was given last evening before a fair-sized audience. Prof. John J. McGill was chairman and in a brief address opened the program, which consisted of vocal and musical solos, duets, etc., and recitations. One of the features of the entertainment was the singing of the Lynch sisters, of Mahanoy City.

The third entertainment of the M. & M. Institute was given on Saturday evening. The Hawthorn Concert Company was the attraction and pleased a very large audience. The entertainments this season are of an exceptionally high grade.

## Home for the Holidays.

John McGarey, Jerry McGinley and Miss Maggie Gaffney, students at East Stroudsburg state normal schools, are spending the holidays at their homes in Freeland.

Joseph Gallagher, of Sandy Run, from East Stroudsburg normal school.

Joseph V. Gallagher, of Dighton, from Pennsylvania university.

William Lawlor and Daniel Timony, from Holy Cross college.

G. Mord Newburger and John Houston from Jefferson Medical college.

John McCole from St. Michael's college, Toronto, Canada.

Miss Mattie Lewis from Philadelphia Conservatory of Music.

Joseph Roberts, John Powell, Richard Cunningham and Joseph Wagner from Lehigh university.

## Some Collieries Working.

Drifton collieries began work this morning and continued until noon, when operations were suspended to permit the boys employed to take part in the Christmas tree exercises at Cross Creek hall. Work will be resumed again tomorrow.

Markle & Co.'s Oakdale and Ebervale collieries resumed operations this morning Jeddo and Highland mines are still idle, but are expected to be working before the week is out.

Upper Lehigh collieries are ready to work again and as soon as the Jersey Central gets its road opened the collieries will start.

## Fire Visits Sheppton.

The only built-up square in the town of Sheppton was destroyed by fire Saturday morning. The blaze was discovered at 1 o'clock in the hotel building of W. S. Troy, which is owned by Arnold and Jacobs, of Hazleton. The town has no fire protection and before the flames burned themselves out they destroyed the hotel and the properties of Squire Horn, Monroe Rape, Joseph Marr, Daniel Singley and John Solinsky. The loss is estimated at \$25,000. The fire is supposed to have been caused by a defective furnace flue.

## Masons Elect Officers.

Arbutus Lodge, No. 711, F. of A. M., has elected the following officers: Worthy master—C. C. Collins. Senior warden—George W. Wilmot. Junior warden—George Ripple. Treasurer—H. E. Sweeney. Secretary—J. H. Trevaskis. Trustees—Samuel Salmon, George Christian. Representative to grand lodge—Rev. J. W. Bischoff.

## Drawn as Jurors.

The following residents of this section have been drawn to serve as jurors on the dates preceding their names: January 27.—C. Miller, Nicholas Surman, Foster; W. B. Fry, Hazle. February 3.—Henry Hincer, George Hartman, Freeland; James Quigley, Jacob B. Wagner, Isaac Reifsnnyder, Foster; William Renshaw, Hazle; John Hemmerly, Butler.

## The Tribune Tomorrow.

The Tribune will be issued tomorrow, instead of Wednesday, its next regular publication day. By this arrangement the employees of the office and the carriers will be given a holiday on Christmas. The paper will appear tomorrow at the usual hour.

## Grand Low Fare Excursion

To Washington, D. C., via the Lehigh Valley Railroad. Tickets will be sold January 9, limited for return passage to January 19 inclusive, at the low rate of one fare for the round trip. Half fare for children.

Consult Lehigh Valley ticket agents for further particulars.

A. Oswald has the agency for the celebrated Elysian's extracts and perfumery. The finest goods made. Try them.

## ROUND THE REGION.

When Frank Shanley, of Plymouth, announced his candidacy for council he did not think he would be handicapped by confinement in the smallpox hospital. He made a personal canvass of his district, and was stricken down with smallpox. At present he is directing the work of his lieutenants by telephone. In a statement issued he says he is still a candidate and calls upon his friends to stand firm and true to their pledges of support.

The Lashuba hotel at Pittston was partially wrecked Saturday morning by an explosion of dynamite which had been placed under the building. The front part of the building for a story and a half was blown to pieces and the first floor was completely wrecked. The tower was destroyed. The force of the explosion was so great that the residences of Jacob Pluster and Mrs. Kerns, across the street, were badly damaged.

Mrs. David Alexander, of Pittston, caused a search warrant to be issued for the purpose of finding her husband, who has been missing from home since Monday. She declares that her husband's family, who did not approve of their marriage, have kidnapped him and are keeping him away from her.

To lie all night in the cold was the experience of Patrick McGee, who was taken ill while walking between Lansford and Summit Hill Friday night. Both his legs are badly frozen, and if physicians are able to save his life, which is doubtful, it will be necessary to amputate both limbs.

The striking employes of the Wyoming Valley knitting mill at Plymouth, have decided to return to work at the old wage rate. As some of the machines have been removed all the old employes cannot be taken back.

Shenandoah town council is having trouble with the trolley company of that town over car-tax and has authorized its solicitor to institute proceedings unless the tax is paid at once.

Lansford school board has decided that all teachers and scholars of the public schools who are not vaccinated by January 1 must stay away from school until they comply with the law.

Mrs. Hannah M. Wright, widow of Joseph B. Wright, of Washington, assistant surgeon general of the United States army, has given Wilkesbarre City hospital a Christmas gift of \$5,000.

By an increase in the wages of motor-men and conductors from \$1.65 to \$1.70 a day a strike on Wilkesbarre traction lines has been averted.

The hotel of Joseph Johns, at Plains, was burned to the ground Saturday morning. Nothing was saved, and the family escaping in their night clothes.

In a fire caused by the bursting of the water-bank in his stove, Thomas Lloyd, 80 years old, who lived alone at Kingston, was burned to death.

A. D. Goldsworthy has been appointed a fourth-class postmaster at Centralia.

## Can't Collect the Tax.

The store order tax cases, recently heard by the Dauphin county court, were decided on Friday in favor of the corporations which appealed from the taxes levied against them by the state authorities. The court does not touch upon the constitutionality of the act, but finds that none of the corporations were taxable under the act itself.

In the Rochester and Pittsburg Coal and Coke Company case, Judge Simonon decides that the company has issued no orders within the terms of the act, and, therefore, is not taxable.

In the case against the Bethlehem Steel Company, Judge Weiss decides that pay envelopes are not checks, orders, etc., within the terms of the act.

The cases against J. S. Moyer & Co. and the Hyatt Slatt Company were decided by Judge Weiss on the same grounds.

In the Empire Mining Company case, Judge Weiss holds that the company issued no orders not redeemable within thirty days.

Attorney General Elkin represented the commonwealth and Congressman Olmsted, of Harrisburg, the corporations in these cases. The law was passed by the last legislature, at the request of the United Mine Workers, and levies a tax of 25 per cent on the face value of store orders, checks, dividers, etc., issued by corporations.

Attorney General Elkin says that the auditor general's department will continue making settlements against firms and corporations until it does get a decision on the constitutionality of the law, and will take the cases decided last week to the supreme court.

## Restaurant For Sale.

The good will and fixtures of the restaurant of Stanley Rudewick, Front street; best paying location in town; good reason for selling. Apply to Daniel Kilns, attorney-at-law.

## 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 attendance at the Tigers fair on Saturday evening was the largest since the doors were opened. Several of the exhibits were disposed of during the evening. Music was rendered by St. Cecilia's Mandolin Club.

Mine Inspector William Davies' annual report shows that during the year ending November 30 152 accidents, 59 of them fatal, occurred in the Fifth mining district. In 1900 there were 42 fatal and 87 non-fatal accidents.

There will be shooting for turkeys, geese, chickens, etc., on Christmas Day and evening at the rooms of the South Heberton Sporting Club. All marksmen are invited to compete.

The boiler house at Hazie Brook colliery was totally destroyed by fire Saturday evening. The roof of the building became ignited by a over heated stack. The loss will be about \$400.

The borough school teachers have petitioned the directors to extend the holiday vacation from January 2, the date set for reopening the schools, to January 6.

A branch of the Fraternal Order of Eagles was organized yesterday at Hazleton, and a dozen Freeland young men were made members of the order.

Patrick Rogan on Saturday sold his property on South Centre street to David Gross, who will have it remodeled and enlarged to suit his present business.

Large stock of men's Sweet-Orr & Co.'s overalls and coats at 75c and 80c. They are guaranteed not to rip. J. Bellezza, 110 South Centre street, near Luzerne.

Sheriff Harvey will engage in the meat business on an extensive scale at Pittsburg after his term expires next week.

Bernard J. Koeman, of Upper Lehigh, will leave tomorrow to spend Christmas with Philadelphia friends.

The fair at Eckley Catholic church will open tomorrow evening and continue until after the holidays.

Freeland borough school teachers will hold a local institute on Saturday, January 11.

Tree ornaments at Kelper's.

## PLEASURE.

December 23 to 28.—Fair of the Tigers Athletic Club at Krell's opera house.

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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