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## ARMED GUARDS PROTECT HEALTH

How Smallpox Is Kept Out of Wilkesbarre.

Every Avenue of Approach to the City Blocked by VigilantWatchmen--Quarantine a Success.

If war waged up and down the Wyon It war waged up and down the wyoming valley, and Wilkesbarre was beset on every side by the enemy, her approaches could hardly be better guarded than they are now. At every bridge and road entrance, north, south and west, are afert and vigilant men, day and night, armed, who stop every car wagon and pedestrain. To the east the mountains arise and there are no towns

All this precaution is due to the fact that smallpox surrounds the city on three sides. It is epidemic in Plymouth, Wyoming, Maltby, Sturmerville, East Pittston and West Pittston, and further north in Avoca, Minooka, Hughestown and Scranton

For weeks precautionary measures have been taken and this week they grew to the present proportions.

The regulations require that no man, woman, or child, shall be admitted to the city without a pass, which must be given by the Board of Health of the place where the holder lives. In order to retain a said of the cords are the said of the place where the holder lives. to get a pass it is necessary to be em ployed in Wilkesbarre, to have important business there, and—most necessary—that the applicant shall have been recently vaccinated.

In the city the same rule applies. To leave the town one must also have a pass, even if it is but to pass the western end of the bridges to go skating. Dis cretion is used in issuing them too, and any violation of the rules is severely

The patrol stops every street car entering the city, and two of the officers walk through it, every person being required to show a pass or, not having

required to show a pass or, not having one to go back again.

All sorts of annoyances have been caused, but the guards are strict and vigilant and allow none to escape.

With wagons and carriages the same system is used, and anyone attempting to get past without showing a pass is arrested.

somewhat similar quarantine is established on the west established on the west side by the afflicted towns, one against the others, so that the unfortunate resident of the west side must run a gauntlet of care-ful guards and keep his pass ready to answer the numerous demands to "show

It is costing the city a great deal of money to keep up this vigilant guard, but so far it has kept the smallpox out, and it is expected to continue efficient g as it is strictly enforced

#### Hazle Brook Weddings.

Joel F. Stevens, Jr., and Miss Mary Jeffrey, both of Hazle Brook, were married at 7.30 o'clock on Wednesday evening at the home of the bride's father, David Jeffrey, at that place. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Wise, pastor of the Holiness Christian church, of town, and was witnessed by a large number of friends of the young couple. William Stevens was grooms-man and Miss Lizzie Jeffrey was brides-

Daniel Sweeney and Miss Mary Burke, both of Hazle Brook, were mar-ried at Eckley Catholic church yester-day by Rev. William O'Hara. Patrick Sweeney was groomsman and Miss Katie Ward was bridesmaid.

#### Opening of the Fair.

The fair for the benefit of the building fund of the Sisters of Mercy chapel will open at Kreil's hall tomorrow evening. Its success is already assured, as the solicitors and others who have been engaged in making preparation for the fair have met with unprecedent success in securing contributions of ney, articles, etc.

Tomorrow morning a large force will begin work at the hall—decorating, erecting booths and stands and placing the hundreds of exhibits in position.

Committees from the several Catholic societies of St. Ann's parish will assist in conducting the fair

#### Futile Search for Bullet.

On Thursday, while relatives of Neil Hanlon, of Coaldale, who was shot and killed in an altercation with a tramp at Wilkesbarre, were conveying his re-mains to Tamaqua cemetery, they were intercepted by Dr. Leith, of Hazleton Full Particulars. hospital, who was authorized by the coroner of Luzerne county not to permit

the burial of the body until another autopsy was made. The casket had been placed in the grave, but not cover-ed. Dr. Leith then took charge of the casket and removed it to an undertak-ing establishment, where he performed the autopsy.

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The physician was unable to find any trace of the bullet, which is supposed to have caused the death. The cause for this unusual action on the part of the Luzerne county coroner is contained in the fact that four distinct autopsies that it the league. The promoters stated that the nessessary capital had been raised to place a club. The league will probably be composed of the following: Scranton, Wilkesbarre, Lancaster, Reading, Lebanon and Hazleton. performed at Wilkesbarre have failed to disclose the bullet which is supposed to have caused Hanlon's death.

#### Ward Nominations.

The Democrats of the borough have made the following ward nominations: First Ward.

Councilman-William Woodring. School director-John J. Gillespie. Constable-James F. Welsh. Judge-Matthew Johnson. Inspector-Daniel McGarvey.

Second Ward. Councilman-Thomas P. McAndrews Judge-Charles E. Styles Inspector-Condy Gallagher.

Third Ward. Constable-Anthony Oneskah Judge-Frank McLaughlin. Inspector-John Schnee.

Fourth Ward. Constable—Patrick Heeney. Judge—John B. Hanlon. Inspector—Patrick Carey.

Fifth Ward. Councilman-Patrick Ward. Constable—John McGroarty, Judge—Anthony Gallagher. Inspector—Peter Gallagher.

Sixth Ward. School director-Edward Brennan Constable—Daniel Furey.
Judge—Hugh M. Breslin, Jr.
Inspector—John Brennan.

#### Smallpox Rumor.

A rumor that smallpox had been dis-covered in the First ward was circulated this week, and until the falsity of the rumor had been established considerable uneasiness was felt by those who had received the information. According to the report the case was located in the home of a Polish family residing in the alley at the rear of the Municipal build-

ing.

A diligent search of the premises and all the houses of the vicinity was made, and nothing was found to substantiate the rumor or even to give a basis for the report. Local physicians also deny all knowledge of the existence of the disease.

The origin of the falsehood Irion Works, Tamaqua that, commenchas not yet been located.

#### The Firemen's Ball.

Tonight the great ball of the Free-land fire department will be held at Krell's hall. The members of the two companies have worked for weeks to make the ball a success, and there is every indication that the affair will be

one of the largest of the season.

The committees appointed to sell tickets have thoroughly canvassed the town and have met with encouraging receptions in every ward. Freeland people always have a warm spot in their hearts for their fire fighters, and the latter deserve all the appreciation that the public can show

St. Ann's band will furnish the dance

### Accident to Former Resident.

Archibald Phillips, aged 19 years, of Gracedale, on the Wilkesbarre moun-tain, had both of his feet badly crushed at Soloman's Gap on Wednesday by becoming entangled in the guard rail of an engine. Three cars ran over his feet. He was an employe of the Jersey Central

He was an employe of the Jersey Central Railroad and was taken to Mercy hospital, where it was found necessary to amputate both feet.

The young man is a son of Archie Phillips, who was for many years a resident of town and later lived at White Haven. He will likely recover from the effects of the accident.

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Tickets for the Swiss Bell-Ringers, who come here under the auspices of the M. & M. Institute, will be placed on seen here the early part of next month. sale tomorrow at McMenamin's store. They will appear here on February 8.

Ice cream at Merkt's.

#### ROUND THE REGION.

William A. Whitman and A. V. Law yesterday making provision to have that city represented in the league.

After having been out on strike for ihe past seven weeks and not winning their cause, Miss Bee Holleran and Miss Charlotte O'Mailey, two of the promi-nent striking school teachers of the Pittston township schools, have announced that they intend to forsake the world and take upon themselves the your of and take upon themselves the vows of the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart at

Ten-year-old Frank Clark, of Miners Ten-year-old Frank Clark, of Miners Mills, was killed yesterday by a pas-senger train while watching for his father, who is a conducter on a freight. Seeing a freight train coming up the road, the boy waved to it. The trainnen shouted a warning, for an express train was speedying toward the lad. He did not see it, was struck, and huried a

Scranton Municipal League is still getting in its work. A number of liquor dealers have lost their license, others have been scared into observing the law and councilmen have been made to re sign and have been prosecuted through the work of the league. Yesterday the licenses of ten more liquor dealers were revoked by the court.

When Patrick Moore and his wife, who three days ago was Miss Helen Smith, three days ago was Miss Heien Smith, return from their wedding trip to Pittston they will find all the presents given to them missing. Burglars broke into the residence of the bride's mother last night and carried away every gift, as well as other valuables.

Carbondale's fight for municipal water received a discouraging blow on Tues-day, when Judge Halsey, who heard the case in Lackawanna county, filed an op-inion making permanent an injunction restraining the city from increasing its indebtedness \$145,000 for the purpose of securing a water plant.

At a mass meeting of Shamokin cititens the movement to erect a \$30,000 hospital for Shamokin was launched. Each wage-earner in the vicinity will be

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Trion Works, Tamaqua that, commoneting February 1, the shops will work ten, instead of nine, hours a day, with a slight reduction in wages instead of an increase, for which the men have asked.

"A Trip to Buffalo," the vaudeville extravaganza which was the hit of the Pan-America theatrical offerings at the Buffalo Exposition, will be seen in Free-land next week. The production is under the direction of Charles P. Salisbury a manager of wide experience, who has secured a company of artists that will compare favorably with the most notable comic opera organizations of the season. The stage settings are especially elaborate, particularly the third act which shows the Esplanade and Midway of of the Exposition, while the costuming may be described with the liberel use of superelatives without straining a point. It is hardly necessary to call attention to the music of "A Trip to Buffalo," inasmuch as the catchy numbers are being whistled in every city in this country. The engagement will be one of the most important theatrical offerings of the season and will prove a treat to those who falied to see the Exposition and a most pleasant reminder of chose who did. may be described with the liberel use of

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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 statement in the annual report of West Pittston Board of Health is one t the effect that the communion cup us in most of the churches is responsible in a great measure, for the spread of contagious diseases. It advises, and It advises, and even urges, that, in view of the pre-valence of smallpox, all congregations observing the communion use individual cups and help keep down the epidemic.

Next Sunday will be Candlemas Day and will be observed as such in several churches. It will also be ground-hog day, and should the day be fair and the ground-hog see his shadow look out for a season of six weeks of bad weather before spring is here. If the day is cloudy the shadow will not be cast and the weather will be root before spring is here. the weather will be good thereafter.

Howard Albert, of town, has passed the examination in pharmacy and is now qualified to practice as a druggist. Mr. Albert has been a student in the Phila-delphia School of Pharmacy two years and expects to study another year.

Arrangements are in progress for exing contest between "Kid" Ferry, Allentown, and Martin Mulhall, Summit Hill. If the men are matched the bout will probably take place in The Lackawanna Railroad, afte

some months of experiment with a tele-phone service for train dispatching, has determined upon installing a complete system between New York and Elmira. Elias Hartz, the venerable Reading

"goose-bone prophet," declares that February will be a record breaker for severe weather of all kinds, and he warns the people to be prepared. At the Park M. E. church, next Sunday, Rev. J. B. Polsgrove, of Hazleton, will preach the morning sermon and Rev. W. L. Armstrong, of Jeddo, will preach the evening sermon.

Miss Rose Boyle has resigned as operator at the Bell telephone exchange.
Miss Boyle was a courteous and obliging
operator and the patrons of the line will miss her services.

A fine catamount is on exhibition at John Rugan's saloon, South Centre street. It was shot by Mr. Rugan and Hugh Malloy in the swamp near White

Misses Katie and Mame Gallagher, who came here the forepart of the week to attend the funeral of their sister, are visiting at their parents' home in the Third ward. Today is the last day for filing certifi-

cates of nominations. The Democratic ward nominations were filed at Wilkesbarre today by Squire Buckley. The jury in the case of Joseph Mat-usibick, charged with the murder of Lewis Yescuskie at West Hazleton, re-turned a verdict of not guilty.

The national convention of the United Mine Workers of America has adjourned and the local delegates are expected

home tomorrow evening. Y. M. C. A. devotional meeting at 3.45 o'clock Sunday afternoon will be led by Field Secretary J. D. Bryden, of

Hazleton. Mrs. Peter O'Donnell, of South Wash ington street, fractured her arm by falling on the ice near her home on Wednesday.

A force of men, under the direction of John Broderick, of Sandy Run, are boring for coal on the Zeigler tract near

to both managers to close than to continue playing to small audiedces.

"The Fast Mail" is the title of a stirring melodrama which is making another big hit this season. It will be seen here the early part of next month.

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