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FROM SUBURBAN POINTS.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE OF NEIGHBORING TOWNS.

Politics Are Commencing to Trouble the Democrats of Drifton—No. 2 Breaker at Oakdale Will Be Torn Down and Succeeded by a Larger One.

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DRIFTON ITEMS.

Since the new county bill was killed, and also the other "Bill," politically speaking, our politicians have turned their attention to the county aspirants. They don't want an office—to be a delegate is their whole ambition. We understand that not less than three have consented to "keep shady" until the proper time comes—then disappointment with all its bitterness will fondly embrace some two of them.

John C. Stroh is slowly recovering from his recent illness.

House cleaning is all the rage here.

The Farnot base ball club will not do much playing until after their picnic on June 17. Look out then.

The boys played some pranks on a few of our residents one night last week. Boys will be boys, but if they are caught something interesting is promised.

Chas. Rohland, clerk in the store here, resigned his position to accept another in New York city.

The mules which were taken out of No. 2 slope on account of the fire will be taken down again today.

Mrs. Patrick Tully, of Scale Siding, was among friends here on Friday.

Erza Weirich and family spent last week visiting relatives at Reading.

John Wagner, of Jeaneville, called upon his friends here yesterday.

The men working upon the slope at No. 2 colliery have their work nearly completed, and the effects of the fire will soon be removed. It is likely that coal will be hoisted by Thursday.

Miss Mary Gallagher, of Stockton, was the guest of Miss Annie O'Donnell here yesterday.

Miss Peters, one of Jeaneville's accomplished young ladies, visited friends here last week.

The eight-year-old son of John Potchey, of No. 2, was buried at the Greek Catholic cemetery, Freeland, on Wednesday.

Phillip Kennedy, at one time a resident of town, but of late at Olyphant, Lackawanna county, made a visit to friends here last week.

A number of tie posts were placed along the sides of the streets of town last week. This an accommodation that will be appreciated by physicians and others who drive spirited horses, as heretofore there was nothing to hold the animals, excepting the small boy and he is not quite so reliable as the tie-post.

ECKLEY CLIPPINGS.

Patrick Maloney resumed work this morning after being idle a week.

Wm. Monk, who was squeezed between a car and a prop at No. 2, is able to be about again.

Eckley will have one of the largest parades tomorrow that was ever held here. A band and three drum corps will take part.

Don't forget the date of the picnic of Division 20, A. O. H. It is June 17 and promises to be one of the best held yet in Eckley.

Miss Annie McCauley returned home from Philadelphia on Saturday.

Misses Julia Kennedy and Rose Gillespie, of Buck Mountain, drove to town yesterday.

Miss Connors, of Sandy Run, spent a few hours here yesterday.

Mrs. Bernard McCauley, of Silver Brook, called on friends here yesterday.

John Stranix removed his family to Drifton on Saturday.

Miss Rose Campbell was among the visitors to Freeland yesterday.

John C. Sneadon, a clerk in the company store, is unable to attend to his duties, owing to an attack of grip.

The cornet band of this place will hold its fourth annual picnic in the grove here tomorrow afternoon. Excellent music has been engaged and all may expect a good time. MARY ANN.

JEDDO NEWS.

The No. 2 breaker at Oakdale, which was built about twenty years ago, suspended operations on Saturday, and the work of tearing it down commenced today. On the site where it now stands a new one will be erected which is intend-

NEWS OF THE DIAMOND.

HAZLETON EASILY DEFEATED BY FREELAND CLUB.

The Home Team Puts Up a Good Game and Won by the Score of 6 to 3—Fearnots Lose to the Tigers in an Exciting Contest.

The fine battery work of Swartman and Zellar, of Wilkes-Barre, won a game for Freeland yesterday from a club which was thought to be the strongest in the region. It was Hazleton's first game, and their admirers counted upon a walk-over, but the uncertainty of base ball was again demonstrated by the result, which was 6 to 3 in favor of Freeland.

The local players put up an excellent fielding game and in batting were but one hit behind their opponents, who had seven to their credit. The battery for the visitors was Smith and Ulrich, and the latter showed up very poor, having six passed balls.

Swartman threw out twelve men and Smith three. Freeland gave its battery fine support at critical times and deserved to win for the earnest manner in which they went into the game.

At Drifton the two rival teams, Tigers and Fearnots, met for the first time this season, and an exciting game was the result. The latter club was not in the best of condition, owing to the absence of some of their regular players, but they managed to make the wearers of the white and blue play ball to keep ahead. The first two innings resulted in eight runs for the Tigers and nothing for the Fearnots. It looked like an easy victory, but the Drifton boys started to score in the next innings and played a great uphill game to the end.

The lead obtained by the Tigers, however, was too much to overcome, and as they continued scoring as well as the Fearnots, the result was 15 to 10 in favor of the Freeland boys.

Considerable reckless playing took place on both sides, still interest in the game did not abate until the last man was out: The batteries were Boner and Boyle for the Fearnots and Brislin and Gaffney for the Tigers.

Wilkes-Barre will be the attraction at the park tomorrow afternoon.

The D. S. & S. has a nine that will cross bats with any railroad club in the state.

On Sunday next the Tigers will play Silver Brook.

The Philadelphia Press club will play two games at Lansford tomorrow.

Jeaneville played a good game on Saturday and defeated South Easton by a score of 17 to 11.

Phil Bachman, of Freeland, is battling well for Jeaneville this season.

Died After a Short Illness.

Mrs. Mary Ann Peters, wife of Harry Peters, died at the residence of her husband on Centre street above Walnut early Sunday morning. She was ill but one week, and besides her husband leaves two children, one two years old and one week. She was a daughter of A. K. Burger, and was aged 23 years, 11 months and 4 days.

The funeral will take place at 10 a. m. Wednesday. Services will be held at the Heavenly Recruit church. Interment at Freeland cemetery.

Appointed Postmaster.

On Saturday Ex-Postmaster William F. Boyle was reappointed postmaster of Freeland, to succeed Owen Fowler, removed.

Mr. Boyle is a gentleman who is well and favorably known in this community, and during his previous term of office gave satisfaction in every respect to all. He is a good Democrat, and his application was endorsed by a majority of the postoffice patrons and Congressman Hines.

More Sewers for Freeland.

The members of the borough council met in special session on Saturday evening. Borough Surveyor Boyle presented the profile of the northeastern section of sewer, and it was agreed that work on the same be commenced today.

During the time that the sewer is being laid, Street Commissioner McGrettrick is to receive \$2.00 per day, the men having charge of the laying of pipe \$1.50, and those employed at digging the ditches \$1.40. The distance to be laid in this section is 1243 feet of 12-inch pipe and 800 feet of 10-inch pipe.

A notice was received from the resident property owners of the Woodside addition and Bivanton that it is their intention to apply for annexation to the borough. The following was agreed to: Resolved, That we instruct the president of council to accept for the borough council service of the notice of the application for annexation of the Woodside addition and Bivanton to the borough.

AROUND THE REGION.

The Farr compulsory education bill has been vetoed.

Work has been started upon Mauch Chunk's electric road.

John McNamara was appointed postmaster of Miners Mills, this county, on Friday.

Hazleton expects to have a large number of singers at the estidodf there tomorrow.

The Prohibitionists of this county will hold their convention at Wilkes-Barre on Thursday.

In an alley ball game on Friday for \$50 a side, Welsh, of Plains, defeated Curry, of Plymouth, by a score of 61 to 38.

James Bottom, a slate picker at Haddock & Co's, breaker, in Luzerne, was instantly killed by falling into the rollers.

The Audenried breaker was damaged by fire on Thursday, and was saved only by the prompt work of the employees.

Representative Flannery's bill providing for the election of a burgess for three years has been signed by the governor.

It is alleged that negotiations are pending for the lease of the Coleraine collieries near Beaver Meadow by Cox & Bros. & Co.

Bernard J. Dever, of Beaver Meadow, was ordained a priest at Philadelphia on Saturday, and will read his first mass at the former place next Sunday.

Mrs. Moritz Schultz has commenced suit against the Central Railroad for \$20,000 for the death of her husband, who was killed while crossing the company's tracks at Wilkes-Barre in a wagon.

Henry Jones, a sixteen-year-old driver boy, was instantly killed at Dorranceton shaft by being crushed between a car and the side of the gangway. He was running along driving a mule when the car jumped the track and crushed him.

Carbon county has a new paper, the Lansford Leader. Notwithstanding the fact that it is a staunch Republican, it is neat and looks like a stayer. Its publishers, Watson & Davis, are already known in Carbon journalism as energetic newspaper men.

Nine of the Wilkes-Barre depositors of Rockafellow's bank have sworn out warrants for the ex-banker's arrest upon charges of embezzlement. At the hearing he had to furnish \$25,000 bail, and as there are thirty more depositors who intend to have him arrested it is probable that he will be compelled to go to jail in default of bail.

BRIEF ITEMS.

A new slope is being sunk at Hazle Brook by J. S. Wentz & Co.

Farmers report that the cherry crop will be a very large one this year.

Nearly all of the Foster schools have completed their ten months' term.

B. F. Davis has removed his feed store to Sach's new building above the postoffice.

Services will be held in the Catholic churches on Thursday at 8 a. m., it being the Feast of Corpus Christi.

Application will be made to the court on July 1 for the annexation to the borough of the Points, Bivanton and other outlying parts.

This will probably be the last evening of the Welsh Baptist fair which is being held in the rink building. Don't fail to attend before it closes.

Nineteen new members were admitted to the Daughters of Mary Sodality yesterday afternoon at the semi-annual reception of the society. The ceremonies were very impressive.

PERSONALITIES.

County Treasurer McGroarty and wife, of Wilkes-Barre, and Miss Sadie O'Boyle, of Pittston, visited Postmaster Fowler last week.

Theodore Klagg, of Sayre, Pa., is on a visit to friends here.

Peter Gallagher attended the ordination of a friend at Philadelphia on Saturday.

Wm. J. Eckert and wife leave for the World's fair this afternoon.

H. W. Vorsteg and wife, of Baltimore, are visiting their son, W. H. Vorsteg, on Main street.

Miss Katie Kelly returned home from Philadelphia on Saturday.

Andrew and Edward McGeehan, who have been traveling through the South, returned home on Friday.

Chas. Raudenbush and wife have removed to Philadelphia.

Patrick Farey made his appearance on the streets of town this week and we were again treated to some of that gentleman's oratory.—Lansford Leader.

TOMORROW'S EXERCISES.

HOW MEMORIAL DAY WILL BE OBSERVED IN FREELAND.

Arrangements All Made by Maj. C. B. Cox Post for the Parade, Decorating of Graves and Addresses—The Day at the Different Cemeteries.

Under the auspices of Maj. C. B. Cox Post, No. 147, G. A. R., Freeland will observe Memorial Day with a parade and other exercises befitting the occasion. The town has never yet been behind its sister towns and cities in doing justice to our national holidays, and the programme arranged for tomorrow will show that Freeland still leads upon all patriotic occasions. The parade will form in the following order and will move promptly at 1.30 o'clock:

Grand Marshal—John Wagner. Burgess and Town Council. Citizens' Hose Company. Clergy and Speakers in Carriages.

FIRST DIVISION. First division forms on Washington street, right resting on Main.

P. O. S. of A. Band. Camp 147, P. O. S. of A., Freeland. Camp 259, P. O. S. of A., Drifton. Camp 144, P. O. S. of A., Eckley. Freeland Council, No. 348. Jr. Order United American Mechanics.

Military Rank No. 29. Knights of the Mystic Chain. St. Mark's Commandery No. 6. Knights of Malta.

SECOND DIVISION. Forms on Front street, right resting on Washington.

St. Patrick's Cornet Band. Division 19, A. O. H., B. of A. Garibaldi Italian Society. St. Peter and Paul's Slavonian Society. St. Michael's Greek Society.

THIRD DIVISION. Young Men's Slavonian Band. St. John's Slavonian Society. Drifton Lodge, No. 246, D. O. H. St. Luke's Lutheran Sunday School.

FOURTH DIVISION. Forms on Washington street, right resting on Front.

Maj. C. B. Cox Drum Corps. James G. Brookmire Camp, No. 248, Sons of Veterans.

Camp 39, Patriotic True Americans. Maj. C. B. Cox Post, No. 147, G. A. R. Disabled Soldiers in Carriages.

ROUTE OF PARADE. From the corner of Front and Washington streets down to Carbon street, out Carbon to Centre, up Centre to Walnut, down Walnut to Pine, out Pine to Johnson, down Johnson to Birkbeck, out Birkbeck to South Heberton and counter-march to Freeland cemetery, where the decorating ceremonies will be performed by Maj. C. B. Cox Post, assisted by James G. Brookmire Camp.

After the ceremonies the parade will repair to Birkbeck's grove where the closing ceremonies of Memorial Day will be carried out as follows:

Introduction by Charles O. Stroh, Esq.; orator of the day, D. J. McCarthy, Esq.

Flowers to be used in decorating the graves will be thankfully received by the members of the G. A. R.

At St. Ann's Cemetery. The members of the G. A. R. will meet promptly at 7 o'clock tomorrow morning at their hall, from which they will move to St. Ann's cemetery and there perform the usual decorating ceremonies.

Exercises at Eckley. After these duties the post will form in two divisions. One division will go from St. Ann's to Upper Lehigh where decorating ceremonies will be performed in a fitting manner. The other division will go to Eckley and perform the decorating ceremonies there after participating in a parade, which will be composed as follows:

Chief Marshal—John Wagner. Aids—Wm. Aubrey, Ambrose Rickert. P. O. S. of A. Drum Corps. St. James' Sunday School. Camp No. 144, P. O. S. of A. Shamrock Drum Corps. St. Mary's Sunday School. St. Mary's T. A. B. Society. St. Mary's T. A. B. Cadets.

A Fine Circus. Walter L. Main's circus on Monday was an eye-opener for those who, because the show is a stranger in this section, anticipated that it was a cheap concern. The immense auditorium and menagerie tents were none too large for the features which made up one of the best shows yet seen here.

A show given for the pleasure and entertainment of the people, rather than for every dollar which can be squeezed or stolen out of their pockets, worthy of praise. The Main show justly bears a fine reputation in the east, and will win golden opinions on its present western tour. Come again.—Kankakee (Ill.) Gazette.

At Freeland, June 8.

A CHILD LOST.

Disappearance of a Child at Hazle Brook on Friday Afternoon.

About 4 o'clock on Friday afternoon James Deviney, of Hazle Brook, the three-year-old son of John Deviney, a former resident of this place, strayed away from home. He was not missed until his father returned from work and asked for him. Mrs. Deviney went in search of him, but after inquiring of all the neighbors realized that he was lost. The little fellow had light hair, wore a gingham apron over a spotted top petticoat, under petticoat was of dark material.

After the colliery shut down all the people of the town organized themselves into a searching party and started out in different directions. It is believed the little fellow either wandered into the thick swamp around Hazle Brook and was unable to find his way out, or fell into one of the deep stripping openings.

The child was found on Saturday between Hazle Brook and the porter shop in the swamp.

Refused to Let Him In.

On Thursday afternoon a Hungarian named Fredrick Noll was badly injured by a premature blast at No. 2 Highland. After being removed from the mines he was taken to his boarding house, kept by a fellow-countryman, on Walnut street.

When the ambulance drove up the lady of the house appeared at the door and refused to let the unfortunate man in. The physicians wished to have him washed and examine his injuries before sending him to the hospital, but this even was not allowed.

He was then taken to Hazleton in his working clothes, and was suffering very much about the back and hips, where the coal from the blast had struck him.

Picnic Season to Open.

The picnic season opens here tomorrow with the fourth annual picnic of the Tigers Athletic Club. While the number in attendance will be very large there need be no fear of the boys not being able to accommodate all who call at the Public Park. Refreshments and eatables of every kind will be in abundance, also all sorts of games and amusements.

Dancing will commence immediately after the parade is dismissed, the music for which will be furnished by DePierro's orchestra. The bands of town are also expected to be present to add to the pleasure of the occasion.

Closer Inspection of Locomotives. Owing to the number of boiler explosions which have occurred lately the Reading management have decided to inspect all locomotive boilers weekly instead of monthly, as heretofore. This will mean a large increase in the force of workmen.

It has been proven conclusively that the majority of the recent explosions have not been due to the construction of the boilers, but to carelessness or ignorance of the engineer in not feeding the boilers properly with water.

One of the Best.

Walter L. Main's show gave two exhibitions at Hartford City, afternoon and evening, May 23. It was well patronized, and is one of the best shows that ever visited this place. The performance is neat and clean and the advertised programme fully carried out.

The people connected with the management are gentlemen in every respect, and should they return to this city will be again greeted with crowded tents.—Arena, Hartford City, Ind.

At Freeland, June 8.

The Hospital Appropriation. The announcement that Hazleton hospital appropriation of \$37,000 had passed the legislature was well received, especially by Dr. Kellar and the trustees. It will cover the expenses of the institution for two years, and will also allow the making of several much needed improvements. The appropriation will be divided as follows:

The maintenance of the hospital will cost \$17,500 a year or \$35,000 in two years. Of the balance \$1,000 will be spent for new boilers, \$1,000 for an isolating ward to be used in case of contagious diseases and \$300 will be used in the erection of an ice house. Work on these improvements will be commenced immediately. E. B. Cox, one of the trustees, will also build a smoking and sitting room for the patients at his own expense. This is a much needed as well as valuable addition to the institution. Another charitably disposed person has been found in Albert Lewis, of Bear Creek, who has signified his willingness to furnish all the ice needed to stock the new house free.—Standard.

COUGHING LEADS TO CONSUMPTION. Kemp's Balsam stops the cough at once.

Lane's Medicine Moves the Bowels Each Day. In order to be healthy this is necessary.

FIREMEN AT A BANQUET.

ECKLEY B. COXE HONORS THE CITIZENS' HOSE COMPANY.

Coxe Bros. & Co.'s Generous Donation of \$250 for Services Rendered at the Drifton Fire—An Evening That Was Enjoyed by the Host and His Many Guests.

DePierro Bros. cafe was the scene of a merry gathering on Thursday evening, and the occasion was one that will be long remembered by the members of the Citizens' Hose Company, which had assembled there upon invitation of Hon. Eckley B. Coxe. The firemen met at the hose house and marched in a body to the hotel, where they were met and each given a personal introduction to Mr. Coxe.

The members of the town council and others were also present, and after being seated at the tables proceeded to enjoy the excellent meal which DePierro's had prepared for them.

Upon concluding this very agreeable business Mr. Coxe made an address in which he assured them that Freeland's firemen had both his and the firm's most heartfelt thanks for the services rendered by the members at the fire in No. 2 slope on May 6. He was also very grateful to Burgess E. P. Gallagher for his promptness in allowing as much of the apparatus go to the fire as was necessary.

After complimenting them upon their energetic and successful work in subduing the flames, regardless of the danger and peril, he presented to Chief Dunlap a check for \$250, which he said was from Coxe Bros. & Co. to assist them in furnishing their rooms, etc.

He also stated the company would give them a free excursion train over the D. S. & S. and the use of the Oneida grove any day they may choose during the summer. The grove is one of the finest in this part of the state for picnic purposes, and the announcement was received with applause.

He assured the assemblage that Freeland and its people have at all times his earnest friendship, and told them that every improvement made here was viewed with as much pride by him as by any citizen of the town. He also referred to the new departure of the firm, which is to be increased by the addition of Eckley B. Coxe, Jr., and to the charters they intend to procure to enable them to do business upon a still greater basis.

The No. 1 breaker is to be rebuilt to handle the coal of the big vein, the shops are to be enlarged, as they are now doing work for the Lehigh Valley, the D. L. & W. and other railroads, besides that needed by the D. S. & S.

Mr. Coxe was followed by Burgess Gallagher, I. A. Buckley, Owen Fowler, James Williamson, Owen Fritzinger, P. M. Boyle, John Wagner, D. J. McCarthy and others, all of whom had something of interest to relate and speak about.

After Mr. Coxe retired to attend a business engagement at Drifton the firemen tendered him a vote of thanks for the generous donation and the banquet. All who worked at the fire and who were not employed by the firm were privately presented by Mr. Coxe with envelopes containing a letter of thanks and a \$10 bill.

An Important Law Suit. The action brought by the Big Black Creek Improvement Company against Mahlon J. Kemerer, of Mauch Chunk, in the Philadelphia court recently, ended in a verdict for the Improvement Company for \$23,246. The action grew out of the leasing of the old Harleigh colliery.

The lease was originally made in 1878 to Thomas S. McNair, of Hazleton, but the property afterwards came under the control of Mr. Kemerer by transfer of the lease. This lease called for the purchase of mine cars, pumps and machinery on the land for \$6,000; the renting of miners' houses, store buildings, etc., for \$200 a month; the erection of machinery, etc., capable of preparing 40,000 tons of coal annually for market, and the payment of \$14,000 per year as a minimum royalty. The lessee was also to keep the mines free from water, but it was averred that this part of the agreement was not kept, in consequence of which the lessee suffered heavy losses.

In the defense Mr. Kemerer alleged that he had paid to the Improvement Company all sums due it; that he had suffered heavy losses in the operations of the coal lands under this lease; that the mine on the property, when the lease was made to McNair, had been virtually abandoned, had caved in, occasioning the loss of two miners' lives, and had been flooded, but that he spent large sums of money to put it in working order again; that, owing to the negligent manner in which operators of adjoining mines and the Improvement Company managed the water in the mines and in an adjoining waterway, the mine belonging to the lessee had been unavoidably flooded.