

# FREELAND TRIBUNE.

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Handsome new-design Plush Rocker for \$2.

Children's Rockers at reduced prices.

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### J. P. McDONALD,

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### HOMES FURNISHED FREE.

SO THOUGHT ANDREW RADASIEWSKI, BUT HIS PLAN FAILED.

Stripped a Butler Township Dwelling of Its Furniture and Household Articles. Was Seen with the Stolen Property and Is Now a Fugitive from Justice.

The burglars who attempted to rob several places here on Monday night were not half so daring as a man who left Highland this week. The former waited for the darkness of night to cover their stealthy operations, but the fellow who lived in our neighboring town entered a house boldly in broad daylight and helped himself to whatever took his fancy. Not only did he do this, but a few days later returned to the scene with a wagon and carried away almost the entire contents of the dwelling.

The story of this robbery can best be told by stating that John and George Hoffman, two brothers, live in Butler township, out near Mt. Yeager. They each have a farm, and during the year frequently take their families to one another's home and spend several weeks together.

Two weeks ago John, with his wife and children, locked up their home and went to live with George. This they had often done before, and no thought of danger entered their minds, living, as they do, in the lonesome Oley valley.

About the time John Hoffman went visiting, a letter came to Freeland post-office for Andrew Radasiewski, of Highland, notifying him that his wife had left Hungary for this country, and requesting him to have a house furnished upon her arrival.

Radasiewski's credit is not at par in the house furnishing establishments of this town, nor in the company store at Jeddo. Neither had he a bank account to draw upon, and he was at his wife's ends to devise some plan to provide his spouse with a furnished home.

To relieve his feelings he went hunting rabbits last Friday. He followed the fleet-footed game over the mountain back of Upper Lehigh, along the Nescopeck, and finally found himself near Mt. Yeager.

The modest little dwelling of John Hoffman stood a short distance from the roadway. Seeing no signs of life about the premises, Andrew's curiosity tempted him to go closer. He first peered through the window. No one was inside. Then he tried the door. The feeble lock creaked and resisted his efforts, but he soon gave it a push that sent the insecure bolts from their fastenings. Stepping inside he found himself in just such a home as he would like to install his wife.

Then came another temptation, and without much coaxing Andrew fell into one of those snares which the evil one is continually setting for men in trouble. Here was an opportunity to obtain his heart's desire—the furnishings for a home—with but little trouble and at no expense.

He accepted the situation as it stood, and concluded to rob the Hoffman domicile—not that he alone could not carry away all the necessary articles which he saw around him. However, he filled his pockets with little nick-nacks, as souvenirs of his first trip, then departed.

Hurrying home, to the boarding house of Joseph Crosszinsky, he imparted the details of his scheme to a few of his fellow-boarders. Their sympathetic nature was touched when his dilemma and the way out was explained, and they readily agreed to assist him.

On Saturday they could not go, and on Sunday a moving might excite suspicion in the farming district. But bright and early on Monday morning Andrew hired a team and away they went to the spot where ready-made furnished homes can be had by breaking a lock.

Arriving at the Hoffman home, the robbers found everything as described by their leader. Hurriedly loading the wagon with dishes, bed clothes, chairs, tables, the clock and the sewing machine, and such other furniture and household articles as Radasiewski desired to possess, he prepared to return.

In the meantime, while the wagon was being loaded, another hunter passed that way. He took note of the extraordinary activity exhibited, and when he reached George's house he inquired why the people on the farm above were moving—a natural question, since farmers seldom move and any change made is commented on.

George immediately told John, and the latter started home to investigate. He arrived in time to see a team, four men and a load of his furniture turning a bend in the road. Following the outfit to Freeland, he here learned who the driver was and where he lived.

A warrant for Radasiewski and a search warrant for the goods were procured, but in some manner Andrew got an idea that he was wanted by the constables of Freeland, and after depositing the stolen goods in Crosszinsky's house he took to the woods.

The boarding house proprietor willingly gave up the goods when he learned how they had been obtained and the owner returned home with his property

on Tuesday night. Radasiewski has not been seen since, and the boarders are anxiously awaiting the arrival of his wife, who is due in a week or two. They will have strange things to tell her.

### Another Grand Opportunity.

At the Board of Trade meeting last evening H. E. Sweeney read a communication from George Brown, of Paterson, N. J., a representative of a firm of silk ribbon manufacturers, who desire to remove their plant from that city. They have an established business, all the improved machinery and equipments, including their own electric light plant; all valued at \$40,000. They employ at least 225 people, young men and girls, and would require a loan of \$15,000 for five years. Mr. Sweeney stated that after receiving the communication he had business in New York and met Mr. Brown there last Saturday, that they talked the matter over and he told him he did not think the people of Freeland could furnish them with the amount required, but it was a location they were seeking he was at liberty to state that he knew where a site could be had free, near the railroad. Mr. Brown promised to take the matter up at the next meeting of the syndicate.

A letter was read from Mr. Simpson, of the silk mill, in reference to the money that has not yet been paid on the bonds, and asked the board to appoint a collector. Subscribers are asked to pay the full amount at once, or at least the 30 per cent which is due. W. D. Kline was appointed as collector.

It was decided to notify the Blass Overall Co. that the board has done all it could to collect the amounts still due on bonds.

President Price then appointed the following committees:

- Membership—William H. Butz, chairman; J. P. McDonald, A. Oswald, Condy O. Boyle, W. E. Oberrender.
- Metal—Dr. F. Schlicher, chairman; William Williamson, Charles Dushek, Henry Fisher, Thomas Birkbeck.
- Textile Fabrics—Joseph Neuburger, chairman; J. C. Berner, H. C. Koons, J. P. McDonald, Philip Blass.
- Wood—H. S. Beagle, chairman; H. W. Fackler, W. D. Kline, A. Rudewick, Lewis Lentz.
- Leather—Geo. Wise, chairman; Philip Geritz, R. W. Jones, M. H. Hunsicker, S. Rudewick.
- Miscellaneous—W. D. Kline, chairman; Jacob Olsko, John H. Trevaskis, Wm. H. Butz, Thomas Birkbeck.
- Mercantile Interest—H. C. Koons, chairman; J. C. Berner, Wm. Williamson, Hugh Malloy, Thomas Birkbeck.
- Transportation—Hugh Malloy, chairman; Geo. S. Christian, H. E. Sweeney, Michael Zeman, B. F. Davis.
- General and Local Legislation—Chas. Orion Stroh, chairman; A. A. Bachman, Peter Timony, J. M. Carr, B. F. Davis.
- Annexation of Outlying Districts—J. M. Carr, chairman; J. C. Berner, Hugh Malloy, Thomas Birkbeck, H. C. Koons.
- Building—Thomas Birkbeck, chairman; W. E. Oberrender, H. C. Koons, W. D. Kline, M. Schwabe, Wm. Williamson, A. A. Bachman.

### Driver Killed in a Runaway.

From the Hazleton Sentinel.

John Yonick, aged 38 years, of Jeddo, was killed on the Jeaneville hill on Tuesday afternoon. He was assisting George Yackman to remove his household goods from Hazleton to Jeaneville. When going down the Jeaneville hill Yonick attempted to apply the brake, but in some manner missed his hold on the wagon and fell on the spreader at the horses' heels. In an instant the horses dashed forward, and on a mad gallop sped down the declivity towards the store.

Yonick's limbs became fast in the traces, and his head was on the ground. In this way he was dragged until the office was reached, where William Gildes stopped the runaway horses. Yonick's brains were dashed out, and he was dead when rescuers lifted his body from the traces. He leaves a wife and child.

Wall paper, 7c per double roll, at Sweeney & Herron's, Hazleton.

### First Anniversary Celebration.

The first anniversary of the organization of the Union Council Club was celebrated on Monday evening at the club-rooms in the Birkbeck building. The annual business session was held, after which a banquet was participated in by all the members. Caterer J. B. Laubach served all the good things of the season. The occasion was enlivened with toasts, songs, anecdotes, etc. The present officers were all re-elected.

### New Commissioners File Bonds.

County Commissioners-elect Hay, Jones and Guinney filed their bonds in court on Monday. The bonds are \$5,000 each and the securities are as follows: John M. Jones—George Llewellyn and E. J. Mackin. A. D. Hay—Eugene W. Mulligan and John J. Ryman. John Guinney—John M. Ward, Ig. Freeman, John C. Ritchie and W. R. Gibbons.

### Attention, Taxpayers.

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400 Gold Watches,

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### Burglars Visit the Town.

Burglars visited Freeland early Tuesday morning, but the result of their work so far as can be learned was scarcely worth their trouble. The principal place where they called was the postoffice, where they were frightened off by Mrs. Butterwick, who lives nearby. She heard them working at the door and raised an alarm. They disappeared, however, before a sufficient number of people were aroused to capture them. While working at the post-office door a large pane of glass was broken.

### Swallowed a Dose of Morphine a Short Time Before the Hour Set for His Execution—How the Poison Was Obtained Is Not Yet Known.

With a dose of opium or morphine, which he took in his cell at the county prison at Wilkesbarre at 6 o'clock Tuesday morning, Abram Eckert, the thrice respited murderer, who was to be hanged shortly after 10 o'clock a. m., that day, cheated the gallows. He died at 11.35, but little later than he would have been dispatched but for the suicide.

There are many theories as to how Eckert came in possession of the poison. The most plausible theory is that some one of his relatives gave it to him on Monday night at the farewell supper given in Warden Boland's private office. This could easily have been done during the excitement incident to the parting between the condemned man and his relatives.

Warden Boland, however, claims that Eckert was specially watched all the evening, and that it was impossible for anything to pass between him and any of the guests. Another theory is that one of the prisoners gave Eckert the poison some time ago, and that he had it secreted in his bed.

Despite the reports circulated that the condemned man had given no intention of suicide, it is known that he spoke with a fellow-prisoner named Burke some months ago on the subject. Eckert asked Burke one day whether he thought it was a sin to commit suicide. Burke replied that he thought it was. Eckert then hung his head, and said: "Well I don't know about that. I have been reading the bible for months, and I can find nothing there which condemns suicide."

### Reception and Presentation.

The reception given by the Daughters of Mary Sodality at St. Ann's church on Tuesday evening was the success that had been anticipated. The new members, of which there were many, went through the interesting ceremony in due form, with the president, Miss Bella McGill, and Rev. F. P. McNally, of Scranton, acting on behalf of the society. The sermon at the close of the exercises was preached by Father McNally. This noted orator paid a glowing tribute to womanhood in general, and to the Sisters of the Church and members of sodalities in particular. He urged the young ladies to take as a model for their lives the Blessed Virgin, whose feast day they were then celebrating, telling them that in the mother of the Redeemer they would find every characteristic necessary for temporal and spiritual success. His words were listened to with much attention by the large audience. Rev. E. A. O'Reilly, of Wilkesbarre, and Fathers Fallhee and Mack, of St. Ann's church, were also present.

### Banjo, Mandolin and Guitar Club.

A new banjo, mandolin and guitar club is being organized in town. A meeting will be held at the residence of Prof. T. J. Watson, 9 East Main street, this evening, for the purpose of effecting a permanent organization. All persons wishing to join should send their names immediately to Mr. Watson, who has been chosen leader. Among those who have already signified their intention to join are the following: William Birkbeck, M. E. Mooney, James S. McDonald, Joseph Birkbeck, Jonah Evans, George Jacoby, John Hill, Jesse Watson, Douglas Rute.

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