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THE STRIKE ENDED.

THE MOVEMENT INAUGURATED TWELVE DAYS AGO IN BUFFALO HAS UTTERLY FAILED.

A WATERLOO FOR THE SWITCHMEN.

BUFFALO, Aug. 24.—At midnight tonight, Mr. Sweeney, the head of the switchmen's order, officially recognized the fact that the strike movement of switchmen, which was inaugurated twelve days ago in this city, has failed. In the official terms of the order, the strike was "declared off." The men who were formerly employed as switchmen in the railway yards here will before daylight be notified by their local officials that the purpose for which they quit their employment has not been accomplished and that they are now at liberty to get back their places if they can.

The evident fact that the companies had resumed the natural conduct of their business without the men who had left their employ with Mr. Sweeney's sanction pressed home to the grand master workman the conviction that his local followers had become no longer striking switchmen, but only idle men whose work is the throwing of switches, but whose positions have been forfeited without profit to themselves. Their leader was brought to see by daily developments in the yards that if his men were saved at all some power beyond his resources, or theirs must be invoked.

Thus at the close of last week with physical fact of renewed traffic movement by the railroad confronting him, and without an official bank account at his command, Mr. Sweeney knew that his cause was lost. He turned as a last resort toward the other organizations of railroad workers and his invitations to Messrs. Sargent, Clark, Arthur, Wilkinson and Thurston were the visible indications that the switchmen must confess defeat without fraternal aid.

Mr. Sweeney was asked at once to set forth the position in which he and his men were placed. He did so at length and in detail. At the conclusion of Mr. Sweeney's statement, Mr. Sargent reiterated what he had already stated, that his men should not go out on a sympathetic strike unless all railway organizations did so. If this was a case which demanded that a general issue should be made by all organized railway labor, then he would be in the line with his firemen; otherwise the firemen would be kept on boiling water.

Mr. Clark stated that the conductors had no grievance and that while they believed the demands of the switchmen were just, there would be no strike of conductors save it was to redress wrong to the conductors.

Mr. Wilkinson, for the trainmen, informed the switchmen's leader that he felt the original demands of the switchmen were fair if ever any demands were just, but his order could not consent to co-operation by a sympathetic strike.

These statements having been made, Mr. Sweeney had received his ultimatum. The conference broke up about seven o'clock and all save Mr. Sweeney strolled together down the broad staircase to the lobby. Nearly the entire force of newspaper correspondents who have been working here were awaiting the result of the conferences to learn the determination of the council. The three labor chiefs frankly stated the ultimatum they had severally given to the switchmen's leader.

Mr. Sweeney proceeded through the upper hallway and made his escape from the hotel and the correspondents through the ladies' entrance. He had appealed for aid which had been denied him and his next duty and errand was to appraise the representatives of the now idle switchmen that their cause was lost.

P. of E. CAMP.

The Patrons' Picnic and Exhibition at Grange Park, Center Hall will open September 10th. Public meeting will be held every day and evening.

Veterans' reunion Friday, 16th, presided over by Gen. James A. Beaver, President of Veterans' Club. Addresses by President Harrison; Ex-President Hayes; Gen. J. P. Taylor, Department Commander of Pa.; G. A. R.; Gov. Pattison; Ex-Governor A. G. Curtin; Gen. D. McV. Gregg; Gen. D. H. Hastings; Major E. A. Montooth; R. A. Cassidy; Col. Chill Hazard; Maj. L. G. McCorley; Hon. J. W. Noble; Col. James A. Danks, and others.

For information in reference to the Picnic and Exhibition address the chairman, Leonard Rhone, Center Hall, Pa.

Schools and oysters will be opened next month.

Homestead Becoming Deserted.

MANY OF THE MEN SECURE WORK ELSEWHERE PENDING A SETTLEMENT OF THE STRIKE.

Homestead is daily becoming more deserted, many of the strikers securing work elsewhere, pending a settlement of the strike. As a result the relief committee find their work much easier. The soldiers are looking forward to the 1st of September when they expect to be relieved. By that time they will have been in continuous service longer than at any time during the history of the guard, having been on the field sixty days.

The Fourteenth regiment, which held the record at Johnstown, was on duty only thirty-three days. The soldiers generally are of the opinion from their constant association with the strike that it would not be wise to remove the guard entirely for a month at any rate.

Ten Thousand Miners May Strike.

WILL RESIST A PROPOSED REDUCTION IN THE PRICE OF MINING.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Aug. 22.—A meeting of the Pittsburgh Coal Exchange will be held tomorrow to decide upon a proposed reduction in the price of mining. The miners are now being paid 33 cents per bushel in the first, second and third pools, and 3 cents in the fourth and fifth.

Prior to two years ago they were paid 3 and 2 1/2 cents. The long strike for an elevation of one-half cent per bushel, at that time resulted in the miners gaining their point.

The river operators have claimed since then they were paying a half cent more than the railroad miners. They will now insist upon a reduction to the old rate prior to the strike. Advices from up the river say the miners will resist the proposed reduction. A strike of the usual long duration is thought to be inevitable. There are between 3,000,000 and 4,000,000 bushels of coal loaded and ready for shipment. This is considered a small amount.

If a strike occurs 10,000 men will be thrown idle. Since the failure of natural gas a strike of miners means that there will be a big advance in the price of coal.

The men are thoroughly organized. As they have been working steadily for two years they can stand a long siege.

The Horrors of Leprosy.

WHAT FATHER CONRADY EXPERIENCES AT THE ISLAND OF MOLOKAI.

The Rev. Father Vallery, of the New York diocese, Wednesday received a letter from the Rev. L. L. Conrady, who was ordained priest in 1880 and, with Father Damien, banished himself to the leper island, Molokai, whence none returns until released by death. The martyr priest says:

"In regard to leprosy, I won't say I have it or have it not. Sometimes I think I have it, but of this I cannot be sure. I don't wish to get it. If it comes, I will have to endure it; but leprosy is often painless and does not incapacitate one for work. As a matter of course, everything is saturated with leprosy. The chickens eat the bits of decaying skin and flesh that the lepers pick from their fingers and hands, and when you break a fresh egg at the table the odor of the disease comes from it.

"In visiting the lepers one touches where lepers have touched thousands of times, so you take more or less of the leper matter, and if you have a scratch on finger or hand, or before washing your hand you touch your eye or sore mouth, you inoculate yourself. You notice it when too late."

The holy father begs pathetically that his brothers in the outer world pray for him and his afflicted subjects. Father Damien died of leprosy at the island in 1885. Since then Father Conrady has furthered his cause almost single handed. There is at present another priest at Molokai assisting Father Conrady.

The celebrated old war horse Gettysburg, which carried Gen. Meade's orderly through the rebellion, died a few days ago at the Schuylkill arsenal, on Gray's Ferry road, near Philadelphia. The animal was thirty-four years old. Gettysburg was wrapped in an American flag and three volleys were fired over his grave. The horse was condemned by the War Department several years ago and provision made for his keep at the arsenal.

Governor Pattison has appointed H. W. Buser of Hamburg, the successor of Samuel F. Keller, late sheriff of Dauphin County.

THE STROUP LEGACY.

PROCEEDINGS IN COURT ASKING PERMISSION TO INVEST IT IN A PUBLIC FOUNTAIN.

On August 18th J. B. Robison Esq., solicitor for the Town of Bloomsburg, filed a petition in court, setting forth in substance as follows: That David Stroup died in August 1884, and by his will he made a bequest "to the Town of Bloomsburg to assist in supplying the same with water, the sum of two thousand dollars, the same to be invested and kept at interest, and the interest thereof applied to that object or to be expended, with any accrued interest, upon water works erected or maintained by the town, or to be invested in stock or bonds of any water company organized to supply the town with water, after the erection of such works by such company, upon such terms as the town council in their discretion may prescribe. The above trusts in the Town of Bloomsburg shall be formerly accepted by the Town Council by resolution recorded upon their minutes before the same shall take effect, but after their acceptance, any citizen of the Town may apply to the Court of Common Pleas as occasion may require, for any proper order, decree, or judgment to define or enforce said trusts and cause the same to be executed according to their true intent and purpose."

That the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg is residuary legatee of the Stroup estate, and H. H. Grotz and C. A. Klein are executors of the will.

That the Town Council accepted the trusts named in said will on June 4th, 1891, which acceptance was duly recorded.

That the Bloomsburg Water Company has informed the Town Council that if the Council will cause the money devised to the Town to be expended in the erection of a water fountain to be located in the public street at or near Market Square, that the Water Company will furnish the water for such fountain free of expense to the Town, and at the expense of the Water Company. That the Town Council has accepted the proposition of the Water Company, and the petition prays the court that an order and decree be made authorizing the investment of the proceeds of said legacy in a bond of the Bloomsburg Water Company, not transferable, and that the condition of such bond shall be that the proceeds of said legacy shall be expended in the erection of an ornamental and useful fountain provided with appliances for watering man and beast, and that the Bloomsburg Water Company shall without further expense to the Town, furnish in the manner usual for such fountains all water necessary.

The design for said fountain shall be approved by the Council, and the fountain erected under the direction of the council. The petition is sworn to by C. C. Peacock, one of the members of the Town Council.

The court made the following order: "And now, August 18th, 1892, this petition having been presented to me in chambers, a rule to show cause is granted, returnable to an adjourned court on Tuesday, August 22nd, at 2 o'clock p. m., and that said rule be served on the executors of the wills of David and Esther Ann Stroup, The Gettysburg Theological Seminary, the Selinsgrove Theological Missionary Institute (a legatee) and the Bloomsburg Water Company. And it is further ordered that these several parties answer to the said rule on said 23rd day of August, when and whereupon, or in default thereof, the court will make such order as shall appear to be right and proper. E. R. IKELER, P. J. Service of the rule was accepted by Col. Freeze, attorney for the executors of David and Esther Stroup; by Wm. Chrisman Esq., attorney for Selinsgrove Institute, and by B. F. Zarr Esq., attorney for Gettysburg Seminary. Copies of the wills of David and Esther Stroup are attached to the petition.

In pursuance of a resolution of the Town Council, President F. P. Drinkwater, and Councilmen Holmes and Gilmore went to New York last week to examine fountains. They selected one with a total height of seventeen feet, and a base thirty feet in circumference. It is proposed to erect it on the Market street crossing between McKelvy's and Hartman's store. On the other side of the street will be a drinking fountain for men, horses and dogs. The cost will be about \$1,900. Should no unexpected delays occur the fountains will be in place in a few weeks.

Owing to the absence of E. H. Little Esq., counsel for the Bloomsburg Water Company, no decree was made by the court on Tuesday concerning the Stroup legacy. Until such a decree is made, the purchase of a fountain is premature.

FORKS.

Paxton Creasy and wife visited Bloom on Saturday last.

H. W. Gara was at Bloom on Saturday on business.

Harry Jenkins and wife made a visit to our County Seat on Saturday last.

Harry Cressler became wealthier on Saturday last, a pair of twins of the female sex, weighing 8 lbs. apiece.

Mrs. Lewis of Orangeville made Forks a visit during the week.

The Farmers' picnic at Central was nicely represented from this section, the rain in the morning came very opportunely settling the dust and making the day very pleasant.

Bartly Albertson this week has taken charge of the Orangeville Hotel recently run by Chas. Turner. Mr. Albertson has been spending the last year among the Alleghenies of Virginia, lumbering. His many friends wish him abundant success in his new enterprise as landlord.

Orville Mellick and wife were the proprietors of a camp along the R. R. at Montgomery's camp last week. Mr. J. Brown and sister, Prof. Creasy and brother Rush, Miss Shew, Miss Reichart, Miss Sands, Miss Townsend, Miss Zella Custer of Lightstreet, Sam'l Johnston, Newton Kelchner, Chas. Custer, Mr. Shew of Lightstreet, Miss Daniels of Plymouth and couple ladies and gentlemen from a distance were there. Mr. Rush Creasy conveyed the parties back and forth and supplied them with provisions and the mail. The party had a jolly time bathing and fishing, visiting and receiving visitors. They spent their last night at the comfortable farm home of Wm. Achenbach and family, had an elegant time long to be remembered. Mr. Achenbach is the proprietor of one of the finest farms along the Fishingcreek. Their neighbors all regret their departure. Mr. Whitney and daughter of Lightstreet made them a visit during their camp, 50 persons called upon them on Sunday last.

MILLVILLE.

The fire company will give an Ice Cream festival in the grove on Saturday night the 27th. Supper will also be served on the ground.

Josiah Heacock has been quite sick for several days.

Edward Scout buried their infant child last Monday.

The Ice Cream social given by Millville Lodge No. 809 I. O. O. F. in P. P. Eves hall, was a grand success in every way. Quite a number of relatives and friends were invited, and the occasion was quite an enjoyable one throughout.

Mrs. Reuben Rich had a flower on their night blooming Cereus to open which measured five and one half inches. The largest one yet reported.

An Elocutionary entertainment will be given in the opera house on Friday night the 26th, it will be given by home talent, and the proceeds are for the fire Co.

Saturday the 27th is the last chance in this section to pay taxes and get the 5 per cent off.

V. P. Eves is putting down a new pavement, and cobbling the ditch along the east side of his lot in accordance with the wishes of the council.

Six of the Y. M. C. A. boys of Bloomsburg are in town this week holding meetings in the Free church. It is hoped that their efforts to save souls may prove successful.

State Sabbath School Convention.

The Twenty-eighth Annual Convention of the Association will be held at Lancaster, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, September 20, 21 and 22 next.

There will be one session on Tuesday and three each on Wednesday and Thursday. An excellent program has been prepared, largely on educational or normal lines, and a profitable as well as pleasant Convention may be expected.

Railroad arrangements are as follows: Tickets will be sold over all railroads in the state at the rate of two cents per mile traveled which is equivalent to a one and a third rate for round trip. Orders for such tickets can be obtained only of the Recording Secretary, Rev. W. R. Laird, 69 Oak avenue, New Castle, tickets to be good going September 17 to 22, returning until September 23 inclusive. Apply to Rev. Laird for orders, specifying the number required.

The delegates from Columbia County are Dr. I. L. Edwards, Benton, H. V. White Esq., Bloomsburg.

ESPY.

Mr. Lloyd Werkheiser of Pittston, in company with his two children, spent Sunday with his father Mr. J. D. Werkheiser.

The members of the Evangelical church of this place propose holding a festival in the Park on Saturday evening of this week.

Mr. Samuel Bogert Sr., is still lying seriously ill, at the home of his son William. He has been a great sufferer for quite a long time.

Mrs. Florence Englehardt of Evansville, Indiana, has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Barton of this place, during the past two weeks.

Master Fred Edgar of Brooklyn, N. Y. but formerly of this place, is at present visiting his old home, and his many friends, who all give him a cordial welcome.

Miss Mintie Custer, who has been staying with her sister Mrs. Baker, of this place, left for Baltimore, on Tuesday morning, at which place she expects to reside for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Kline and family of Wilkesbarre returned home on Monday evening, after paying a short visit to Mrs. Kline's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Merrell of this place. Mr. Kline was one of the Homestead soldiers, and had but recently returned home.

The fresh air children from New York who have been entertained by the Bloomsburg people during the past two weeks, passed by this place on Tuesday en route for home. They all seemed cheerful and happy, and appeared as though they had been enjoying themselves immensely.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

An adjourned session of court was held on Tuesday all the judges being on the bench.

Frank L. Shuman vs. Angelina Shuman. Subpena in divorce awarded.

Frank Caldara was naturalized, James H. Mercer being witness.

Estate William Beck. Bond for sale of real estate approved.

Hotel license of C. W. Turner of Orangeville transferred to Bartley Albertson.

Sara M. Boston vs. George Boston. Subpena in divorce awarded.

C. H. Moore, M. C. Vance and Simon Hons appointed viewers for a county bridge over the Susquehanna River at Bloomsburg. Adjourned to meet September 3, 1892, at 10 A. M.

Under the New Law.

One of the last acts of Congress just adjourned was a law placing the survivors of Indian wars upon a pension standing. Heretofore they could not obtain pensions.

The first applicant under this new law in Columbia county is Frederick Dhuta (Duty), Locust township, a well known resident of that section close on to eighty years of age. His application is based upon service in the Seminole war in Florida in 1836-43. He enlisted in the organization then known as the Washington Company, of Philadelphia, Captain Kosritch and Lieutenant Gable, serving under General Zachary Taylor, afterwards President of the United States. His claim is in the hands of Geo. S. Gilbert, pension agent, and should the allowance be the same as under other pension laws (except that of June, 1890) his back pay would amount to about \$6,000.—*Catawissa Item.*

A CONUNDRUM SUPPER.

The ladies of the Tunkhannock Baptist church recently gave a conundrum supper, and this is what the bill of fare consisted of. See if you can guess them.

- HIDDEN MENU.
- Woman of grief.
- Ground Staff.
- Occupant of the Art.
- Ancient Sacrifice.
- Mischief Maker.
- McGinty's Favorite.
- Boston's Pride.
- Food and the spinning wheel.
- Relishes.
- Fruit of the Vine.
- A girl's name and an "ad."
- Skinner's Home.
- Equine Vegetables.
- Acid Solidified.
- Elevated Fellow.
- Two for a cent.
- Everybody's friend.
- Pastry.
- Endless Sweets, Maid of Orleans.
- Joy of Darwin's Ancestry.
- Eastern Delicacy.
- Porcine Marine Substantive.
- What a boy called his sweetheart.
- Crayon Belated.
- Beverages.
- Aroise Beverage.
- Old Bachelor's Comfort.
- Boston's Overthrow.
- Spring's Offering.
- Ruin of the World.
- Times Specified.

E. T. Long of Wilkesbarre has received the contract for the erection of the new building at the Normal School, as his bid was the lowest. He is an experienced and responsible builder.

PERSONAL.

W. A. Kile the veteran democrat of Sugarloaf, was in town on Tuesday.

Judge Phillips of Sullivan county spent several days in town this week.

The Misses Patterson spent last week at Ganoga Lake.

Miss Lottie Powell of New York is the guest of Mrs. Wintersteen.

Mrs. E. D. Hughes of Scranton is the guest of Mrs. F. P. Billmeyer.

William Chrisman and family spent last week at Ocean Grove.

Thomas B. Hanly Esq. has been breathing the salt air at Asbury Park the past week.

G. H. Huppert and family of Williamsport are visiting their relatives here.

Rev. W. C. Leverett preached in St. Luke's church, Scranton, on Sunday last.

John M. Clark Esq. and sister, Miss Martha, drove up to Ganoga Lake on Tuesday to spend a few days.

Misses May and Bessie Kuhn returned Tuesday evening from a visit to Mauch Chunk and Mt. Carmel.

Robert R. Little Esq. returned home on Thursday, after a week's absence at the sea-shore.

Miss Helen Liber, a prominent musician of York, Pa. and leader in the social circle is the guest of Mrs. P. A. Heilman.

Col. Freeze was seized with illness at Ganoga Lake on Tuesday, and removed to Proctor Inn. Dr. Rutter has been visiting him daily.

Mr. and Mrs. Rishton went to Eaglesmere last Friday to spend a few weeks. Mr. Rishton is a victim of hay fever.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Eshleman, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Peacock, Miss Fannie Peacock and Gertude Miller, went to Asbury Park on Tuesday.

Mrs. Ladd who has been visiting Mrs. Judge Elwell and Mrs. Funk the past month, returned to her home in Towanda on Tuesday.

Mr. Gould and Mrs. Beilas drove down from Eaglesmere on Tuesday and spent the day with Miss Sade Sloan. Mr. Gould returned on Wednesday.

Mrs. Orrie Taylor of Newark N. J. and Miss Gladys Beach of Philadelphia are the guests of the Misses Runyon. Mrs. Taylor is a vocalist of high culture, and Miss Beach is an accomplished organist and pianist.

Mr. Lloyd Paxton entertained a number of Bloomsburg young ladies and gentlemen at his beautiful country seat at Rupert on Monday evening. Vocal and instrumental music was one of the attractions.

Miss Dora Niles will go to Texas on September 6th, where she has accepted a position in the art department of a college. She is well fitted for the place, and we wish her great success. She will be absent nine months.

Edward W. Drinker of Scranton spent a few days in town the past week, at his father's. He is connected with the Lehigh Valley R. R. and the blockade at Sayre stopped all freight trains, and left him time to take a short vacation.

J. R. Smith, head of the enterprising firm of J. R. Smith & Co., of Milton, whose advertisement appears in this paper, was in town on Monday. They deal in pianos, furniture, carpets, china &c., and carry an immense stock. Their sales in this county are large.

H. W. Sloan, C. W. McKelvy, W. S. Moyer and J. C. Brown went up to Proctor Inn on Saturday afternoon, and walked up the mountain next day to Ganoga Lake. The pedestrian experience of Messrs. Moyer and McKelvy was sufficient and on the return trip Monday morning they rode down.

Lutherans Reunions.

There will be a great gathering of Lutherans from all over this section of the state at Northumberland Heights or Hotel Shikelimy next Thursday Sept. 1. Everybody is invited. Excursion tickets will be sold on all roads. Among the prominent speakers will be Rev. Lutzy of Selinsgrove Rev. Fisher of Center Hall, Geo. B. Reimensnyder Esq. of Sunbury, Rev. T. B. Roth of Utica and others. A number of Bloomsburg people are going.

Seventy five people took dinner at Rickett's Hotel at Ganoga Lake last Sunday. It is a popular resort for Wilkesbarre people.