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STRIKERS IN BATTLE AT SHENANDOAH.

Four Officers Shot. One Man Beaten to Death, and Many Others Injured.

The situation at Shenandoah is serious. The police and strikers clashed last night. The conflict was a bloody one, four officers were shot, one fatally, one man was beaten to death and at least fifty miners were more or less hurt. It is feared that many deaths will result. Never before were such scenes enacted in Shenandoah. The riots of 1900 sink into insignificance when compared with it. Centre street, which is one of the principal streets of the town, was in the hands of the infuriated mob. Joseph Beddall, a leading merchant and cousin of Sheriff Beddall, was brutally clubbed to death, and upwards of three score of strikers whose names at this writing could not be ascertained, were shot by policemen and it is expected that many deaths will result.

Sheriff Beddall arrived from Pottsville at 7:45 o'clock yesterday morning with a posse of deputies. He took up his headquarters at the Ferguson hotel. The trouble started about 6 o'clock last evening, when Deputy Sheriff Thomas Beddall attempted to escort two non-union workers through the strikers' line of pickets. The workmen were dressed in their street clothes, but one of them carried a bundle under his arm and this aroused the suspicion of the strikers.

The bundle was torn from him and when it was found to contain a blouse and overalls the man was taken from the deputy and beat almost to death. In the meantime Beddall opened fire on the mob which had gathered by this time and emptied his revolver.

Two of the shots took effect, one man being shot in the leg and the other in the foot. The deputy and the other strike breaker were now compelled to fly for their lives and took refuge in the Philadelphia and Reading railroad depot.

The depot was soon surrounded by an angry mob of 5,000, which was becoming more threatening and demonstrative every moment. Joseph Beddall, a hardware merchant and brother of the deputy sheriff, was seen making his way through the crowd in an effort to reach his brother, and the mob believing that he was carrying ammunition to those inside the depot, seized him and beat him with clubs and billies into insensibility. He died en route to the Miners' hospital.

Shortly after this the entire borough police force arrived on the scene and escorted the deputy sheriff and his man to an engine which had been backed into the depot for that purpose. When the mob realized that their prey was about to escape they surrounded the engine and the engineer was afraid to move. In a few moments, however, the police fired a volley dispersing the crowd for a brief period and the engineer turned on full steam and got away with his men.

Stones were now thrown thick and fast about the heads of the police, whereupon Chief John Fry

gave the order to fire. At the first volley the mob fell back and several were seen to fall. Their retreat, however, was but momentary. They turned and with stones, revolvers and even a few shot guns they charged on the little band of policemen and made them fly for their lives.

The policemen turned in their flight at short intervals and fired volley after volley at their merciless persecutors, but the mob seemed thoroughly infuriated and smoking revolvers seemed to have no terrors for them. When the Lehigh railroad crossing was reached, a passing freight train blocked the progress of the police, two of whom were caught and brutally beaten. One of them, Stiney Yacopski, will die. It is estimated that upwards of one thousand shots were fired and the wonder is that more fatalities did not result.

More than twenty strikers, all of whom were foreigners, were shot and at least two of them will die.

The doctors of the town dressed the wounds of nearly forty strikers all of whom are foreigners. Four out of the six policemen were shot. Chief Fry received a slight wound in the hand; Yacopski was shot in the neck and may die; Ringheiser was shot in the hand and back, not serious; Laurites was shot in several places and cannot recover.

The following printed notice was posted by the mine workers all over town last night.

"In view of the disturbances that have occurred in Shenandoah within the past twenty-four hours, in utter disregard to the teachings and principals of the United Mine Workers as an organization and contrary to the explicit instruction of the leaders, we call upon all members of the United Mine Workers to at once do all in their power to suppress lawlessness, and to aid the officers in every way to maintain peace and good order."

The Eighth and Twelfth Regiments have been ordered out, and arrived at Shenandoah this morning.

We clip the following from Saturday's issue of the Harrisburg Telegraph.

"State Chairman Creasy, of the Democratic State Committee, was at his desk yesterday winding up the week's work, and will go to Catawissa this afternoon to look up the apple crop and incidentally to pluck a few ears of his new corn, which he was advised by telephone is now ripe enough to be eaten. Mr. Creasy says that the candidates of Democratic State ticket will be formally notified that they are 'It' some time in September, and that he arranged with the Democrats of Berks to have charge of the entire affair. The notification meeting will be held either at Neversink or Mount Penn Park, either of which is well fixed to accommodate a great crowd such as is expected."

Dug Up a Box of Money.

Farmer, Building a Fence, Finds \$3400 That Had Long Been Hidden.

Benjamin Sauerwine, a Lehigh county farmer, near Saegersville, found a box containing \$3400, and he is now endeavoring to find the owner. He was engaged in digging post holes for a fence when he unearthed the box. It was filled with notes and coin. Some of the notes were quite mouldy, and the money had evidently been buried a long time.

Camping Party.

A party of prominent young men, mostly from Harrisburg will arrive at Roaringcreek on Saturday, for a two weeks outing. The party will include E. R. Dasher, William Breitingner, Ernest Reamer, Louis Grenewalt, H. C. Weaver, William Bennett and John Daugherty of Harrisburg, Frank Eisenhour, of Carlisle and Joseph Snyder, of Lancaster.

P. O. S. of A. Picnic to Nay Aug Park.

The eleventh annual excursion and picnic of W. C., No. 319, P. O. S. of A., of Bloomsburg, will picnic at Nay Aug Park, Scranton, Pa., on Saturday, August 16, 1902.

Nay Aug Park is acknowledged by all to be the most beautiful park in Eastern Pennsylvania. The City of Scranton appropriated and expended last season \$100,000 to beautify and maintain it. It is equipped with the best of buildings and all the popular amusements of a city park. It has the most beautiful scenery to be found anywhere, some of which is attractive—Nay Aug Falls, the Spanning Bridge, a real Coal Mine, one hundred and fifty feet under ground, and lighted by electricity, one of the finest Menageries in the State, a large lake, stocked with gold fish. Mountain scenery unparalleled.

All those interested in Bloomsburg's Centennial celebration should patronize the excursion, as fifty per cent. of the net proceeds will be given towards making it a success.

This excursion will be run over the D. L. & W. Railroad to Scranton, thence by trolley to the park. First-class refreshments can be secured on the grounds at popular prices.

Trains leave Bloomsburg 7:30 a. m., sharp, stopping at Espy, Lime Ridge and Berwick only.

Fare, from Bloomsburg and above: Adults, \$1.25; children, 65 cents. Catawissa: Adults, \$1.35; children, 75 cents, including trolley fare.

Trolley leaves Catawissa bridge at 6:40 a. m., sharp. Tickets will be on sale at bridge on morning of excursion. Baskets should be distinctly marked to avoid loss. By order of COMMITTEE.

He Claims Millions.

Claiming to be the original owner of \$60,000,000 worth of most valuable coal land in Pennsylvania, and without any money with which to pay his car fare to Harrisburg, O. H. Wheeler, a prominent lawyer, during the Civil War, appeared in Altoona on Monday and was an object of pathetic interest. His story is probably more remarkable than that of any American or foreign claimant in modern history and differs from many in that the best legal talent in Philadelphia indorses his claim as genuine.

Wheeler was once Deputy Attorney General of the Commonwealth. What led to the ultimate collapse of his mind was his being retained as counsel by descendants of those having the original deed to many valuable mining tracts in Westmoreland county, this state, originally given by their first owner, Robert Morris, of Revolutionary fame, to John Nicholson. If the descendants of the people to whom Morris gave the land are the real owners, Wheeler, who is now the last living representative of the alleged interests, is entitled to the land.

Light Companies May Consolidate.

The Dauphin county court filed an opinion last week deciding that electric light and gas companies chartered under the general corporation act of 1874 may consolidate. The question arose in the case of a bill filed by the commonwealth at the instance of Attorney General Elkin to enjoin the Huntingdon Gas company and the Huntingdon Electric Light company from consolidating.

The companies claimed the right to consolidate was conferred by the acts of April 17, 1876, and May 29, 1901, supplemental to the general corporation act. The commonwealth took the position that these acts do not authorize the consolidation of companies organized for different purposes.

Committee Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Centennial Executive Committee will be held tonight at 8 o'clock. Important business will be transacted. The Committee on Parade (Civic), Committee on Music for public meetings, and Committee on Privileges will meet at the same time and place. Also the Committee on Invitation.

Hair Splits

"I have used Ayer's Hair Vigor for thirty years. It is elegant for a hair dressing and for keeping the hair from splitting at the ends."—J. A. Gruenewald, Grantfork, Ill.

Hair-splitting splits friendships. If the hair-splitting is done on your own head, it loses friends for you, for every hair of your head is a friend. Ayer's Hair Vigor in advance will prevent the splitting. If the splitting has begun, it will stop it. \$1.00 a bottle. All druggists.

If your druggist cannot supply you, send us one dollar and we will express you a bottle. Be sure and give the name of your nearest express office. Address, J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

Rheumatism

What is the use of telling the rheumatism that he feels as if his joints were being dislocated?

He knows that his sufferings are very much like the tortures of the rack. What he wants to know is what will permanently cure his disease. That, according to thousands of grateful testimonials, is

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It promptly neutralizes the acid in the blood on which the disease depends, completely eliminates it, and strengthens the system against its return. Try Hood's.

THE STATE AT A GLANCE.

—Six cattle out of a herd of seven, belonging to Charles Lasure, of Lawsville Centre, afflicted with tuberculosis, have been killed. About 170 suffering from the same disease have been killed in Susquehanna county during the present year.

—Joseph Hendler, having refused to accept the contract for the building of the new Court House, at WilkesBarre, the County Commissioners on Tuesday awarded the contract to the next lowest bidder, Wilson J. Smith. Smith's bid was \$682,000.

—John Rush, 19 years old, residing in North Wales, near Norris-town, was found dead upon the front porch of his home at an early hour Monday morning. The young man was a cigarette fiend and was known to have smoked several packs daily. It is thought that heart failure, superinduced by the smoking of the cigarettes, caused his death.

—Michael Andrack, 19 years old, climbed into a big bin of the General Crushed Stone Company at Redington Monday afternoon to force down the broken stone that had clogged at the sides. He was caught when the clog gave way and was buried beneath tons of crushed rock. Half an hour elapsed before his body was dug out.

—Monday night's storm was one of the most destructive that has visited the farming districts in Locust Valley in many years. The downpour continued two hours, the rain being accompanied by hail. Ruin was visited upon the crops at Lakeside, Locust Valley, High Point Park and East Mahanoy Tunnel. The homes of Daniel Shuck and Claudius Gerber in Locust Valley and John Curtis at Vulcan, suffered considerable damage from lightning.

MINING FOR COAL.

The discovery of coal in Salem township, recently reported for the first time in the Independent, has reached a more practical stage. A slope is being run by Wm. Carr a professional miner of Milnesville. Mr. Carr understands all the branches of his trade and is assisted by H. B. Shannon, son of J. L. Shannon who runs the pump and pushes a wheelbarrow. He has penetrated to the depth of 41 feet from the top of the slope. The rock slopes at an angle of 38 1/2 feet, and Mr. Carr together with Wm. Mason, also a miner, have found the eight streaks which indicate eight benches of coal.

Mr. Varner is determined to see just what is in this basin and the work of mining, blasting and timbering is going right on. The present output is growing richer in indications of anthracite and the product when burned, gives carbonate of iron, silica and lime which would indicate redashcoal. It is thought the veins will become richer and thicker as the work progresses.

A representative of the Independent penetrated the slope and personally secured a number of specimens which are to be seen at this office. The conglomerate rock is everywhere in evidence on the surface. There is an abundance of blue clay, and constantly increasing quantity of sulphur is noticeable. There may be a good coal basin here as a physician would say, "the symptoms are all present."—Berwick Independent.

Dog Days are Here.

The dog days are here and will last six weeks. This season is regarded by many persons as more unhealthy than that which immediately precedes or succeeds it, and as being a time when mankind are more liable to attacks from disease through exposure or imprudence in their general habits than in any other. If there is no foundation in fact for the belief it is a superstition of long standing. There are even those now who would not for a single moment be regarded as at all superstitious who look upon the dog days as exercising bad influences upon everything. The heat while the dog days last is usually more sultry and oppressive than any other in the summer. Then, too, meats and vegetables are supposed to be in more danger of spoiling from the effects of the weather than at any other. Be this as it may, we will now enter upon the dog days, and it would be well for us to be careful in our diet and manner of living.

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TOWNSEND, THE CLOTHIER.

There's to be a Routing out of Remnants and Odd Lots.

This has been a big season. That means lots of remnants and odd lots! Money saving here is most pronounced, as this sale means a final cleaning up of all the left over, as reading of the offerings will convince you of the fact that go prices have been put upon every item.

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| Dress Goods | These you can use to good advantage. Color assortments may be some-what broken, but you'll find prices more broken. Get first fling at these. We have cut the prices half; some a little more than half. | Muslins at | We will put on sale another lot of muslin this week. |
| and Silks. | No wash goods wintered in this shop, which accounts for the big price break on the following lots. The remnants of all the summer goods have been measured and put on the table as you enter the store. They have been priced to sell. Get the first pick. | Case Prices. | Both bleached and unbleached. |
| | 75c. all wool chevots, 56 in. wide, make the best skirts you can get at 49c. per yard. | 10 yds. of best unbleached muslin 36in. wide at 39 cents. | 10 yds. of good unbleached muslin 36in. wide at 50 cents. |
| | 75c. all wool chevots, 56 in. wide, make the best skirts you can get at 49c. per yard. | 10 yds. of best unbleached muslin 36in. wide at 60 cents. | 10 yds. of bleached muslin at 50 cents. |
| | 75c. all wool chevots, 56 in. wide, make the best skirts you can get at 49c. per yard. | 10 yds. of bleached muslin as good as Hill, at 75 cents. | |
| Wash Goods. | No wash goods wintered in this shop, which accounts for the big price break on the following lots. The remnants of all the summer goods have been measured and put on the table as you enter the store. They have been priced to sell. Get the first pick. | Ladies' Hose. | You will find bargains here, bargains that it will pay you to look after. |
| 25 and 50c. Dress Goods reduced to 19 cents. | We have put another big lot to the 84 cent pile. | Ladies' black hose with white feet at 12 1/2 cents. | Ladies' black hose with white feet at 25 cents. |
| 28c. Mercerized gingham 19c. | | Ladies' black hose with white soles at 25 cents. | Ladies' black hose lace stripes at 11 1/2 cents. |
| | | Ladies' black hose lace stripes at 25 cents. | Ladies' black hose lace stripes at 50 cents. |
| Odd Lots of | These are pickings from here and there; they are all of the surplus, odd lot sort, and every item is most temptingly price reduced. | Summer Under- | You'll have to choose quick, as the lots are not large. |
| \$1.00 colored shirt waist reduced to 49 cents. | \$1.25 counterpanes at 95 cts. | 49c. Men's Underwear, shirts and drawers, all sizes, reduced to 35 cents. | Men's light blue underwear, all sizes of shirts and drawers, worth at least 30 cents each, reduced to 21 cents. |
| 15 cent towels at 11 1/2 cents. | 50 cent handkerchiefs at 25c. | | |
| 25c. handkerchiefs at 12 1/2c. | Children's lawn caps reduced. | | |
| Parasols reduced. | | | |

This is the week we give 10 per cent. off on furniture. A big reduction on what Go-Carts are left.

F. P. Pursel.

Today sounds the death knell of July. The following letters are held at the Bloomsburg, Pa., postoffice, and will be sent to the dead letter office August 12, 1902. Persons calling for these letters will please say that they were advertised July 29, 1902: Mrs. Mary Klein, Mr. Harry Hollenback, John Wroe. One cent will be charged on each letter advertised. J. C. BROWN, P. M.

Silk tassels and pencils for programs for sale at this office. TAILOR-MADE SUITS. N. S. Tingley has accepted the agency for Reinach, Ullman & Co. of Chicago, merchant tailors, and is ready to supply made-to-measure clothing at prices lower than can be obtained elsewhere. He has a large line of samples to select from. His place of business is the third floor of the COLUMBIAN building. 4t.