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WHOLESALE ARRESTS AT CENTRALIA.

Warrants were served on one hundred and twenty striking miners at Centralia Tuesday by Sheriff Daniel Knorr and Deputy Bruce Black. They were arrested on charges of rioting and unlawful assembling. The disturbances occurred at Centralia Thursday night and Friday morning, when a number of men, a great many of them leaders in the miners' organization, probably two or three hundred in all met at the Lehigh Valley depot and made an attempt to prevent the pumpmen employed by the Lehigh Valley Coal Company at Packer Colliery from going to work.

Information was lodged by Coal and Iron Policeman Ferdinand Steinmetz, Friday night and the warrant was issued by Justice of the Peace Guy Jacoby on Saturday.

When the men became aware of the fact that Sheriff Knorr and his deputy Bruce Black were in town with warrants for their arrest they hurriedly called a meeting and unanimously agreed to accept the situation peaceably and to insist on being brought to Bloomsburg for a hearing. The determination to have the hearing held at Bloomsburg was an unexpected turn for the sheriff and he was at his wit's ends to know how to procure sufficient conveyance to bring them over. After considerable difficulty he succeeded in getting thirteen teams, and the start for Bloomsburg was made about two o'clock Wednesday.

The procession headed by the Centralia Band, the members of which figured in the disturbances arrived in Bloomsburg about seven o'clock in the evening. Amid the strains of "Marching Through Georgia," and cheers for Mitchell and the Union, the train moved up to the Court House where the men got out. A number of them went to the office of their counsel Judge Herring, for consultation. At eight o'clock they were arraigned before Squire Jacoby for a hearing. The Court room was a perfect jam. The prisoners occupied the first three rows of seats, while interested spectators filled the others. The aisles were all congested and many were unable to gain admittance at all.

Ikeler & Ikeler and W. C. Johnston represented the Lehigh Valley Coal Company, and Judge Herring the miners.

The first witness was R. S. Mercur, division superintendent of the Lehigh Coal Company. He testified that on Thursday evening two or three hundred men met at the railroad station for the purpose of stopping the pumpmen employed at the Packer Colliery from going to work. They informed him that their organization had decided to stop any further work at the mines. They would request the men to quit work, and if this failed other means would be employed. When the train reached the station, he was pushed rudely to one side, while two of the leaders made speeches to the pumpmen. Several of the pumpmen made an effort to get away but they were held and forcibly detained. The witness said he wished to call special attention to the intimidation and underhand threats made.

The mob was at the station again Friday morning, and prevented the men from going to work. Only three got on the train. Others were collared and held. There was considerable loud talk, and threats, but there were no weapons of any kind used.

Capt. John Porter, deputy sheriff of Centralia, was sworn. His testimony was corroborative of that of Mercur. The men, he said, were unruly but used no violence.

Other witnesses called by the prosecution were Ferdinand Steinmetz, a member of the coal and iron police, William Mensch, an Engineer on the Lehigh Valley Railroad and George George and John Eisenhower, employees at the Packer Colliery. This evidence was all in support of Mercur's story.

For the defense John O'Donnell was the first to testify. He said that a crowd numbering about one hundred went to the station and asked the men to quit work. They met Capt. Porter who urged them not to go and informed them that more than three was a mob. They also met Mercur with whom they argued their rights to be there. No one was struck, there was no vio-

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KRIKBAUM TESTIFIES.

His Deposition in Bond Issue Taken Before Judge Little on Tuesday.

A decision in the bond issue case may be looked for soon. The testimony of Commissioner William Krickbaum, whose illness prevented him from being present at the hearing, and for which Judge Little has been waiting was taken in open court on Tuesday. There was scarcely any one in the Court room during the proceedings except those directly interested in the case. Neither was all the counsel present. Fred T. Ikeler and Grant Herring, the former for the plaintiff and the latter for the defense looked after the interests of the respective sides, lone handed.

Commissioner Krickbaum began his testimony by stating that he was present at a meeting of the Commissioners and A. Z. Schoch held in the bank building. He conversed with Mr. Schoch in regard to the county bonds at four per cent bringing a premium. Mr. Schoch was of the opinion that at this price the county would realize more than at 3½ per cent and the bonds would have a readier sale. "I was under the impression," continued Mr. Krickbaum, "that this was to be a public letting of the bonds and my recollection is that Mr. Schoch expressed a desire to bid on the bonds."

At the hearing in the case two weeks ago, Commissioners Kitchen and Fisher stated that the manner of sale of the bonds had never been discussed or even considered by the Board of Commissioners. "Oh that," said the witness, "is certainly a mistake. It was my full understanding that the bonds were to be put up at public sale at a rate we fixed on which was 3½ per cent." Mr. Krickbaum was positive that 3½ was the price agreed upon, because he had made a note of it at the time, in a minute book which he kept.

In cross examination, Mr. Krickbaum said that in reply to Mr. Schoch's question, "I suppose, gentlemen, you will give us a chance to bid on the bonds?" he had answered in the affirmative. He didn't recollect any subsequent interview with Mr. Schoch on the subject.

The Commissioners, he said, had settled on nothing but the percentage. No resolution touching upon the matter had been passed.

Mr. Herring then referred to the testimony of the other Commissioners in which they said that the manner in which the bonds were to be sold had never been discussed. "Do you mean to say, Mr. Krickbaum, that this is not true?"

"I am not responsible for what they said," returned the witness, "It is certainly a mistake."

This closed the testimony.

EYER-MILLER.

Rev. A. A. Long of Shamokin Officiates at Afternoon Wedding.

Franklin Eyer of Bloomsburg, and Miss Elizabeth Miller of this city, were married Wednesday at the home of the bride, 1502 North Fourth street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. A. Long, of Shamokin, formerly pastor of the Memorial United Brethren Church, of this city.

Miss Gertrude Miller, a sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Robert Carl was the best man. Robert Miller, a nephew of the bride, was page and Miss Fannie Zeiders played the wedding march. After an Eastern trip, Mr. and Mrs. Eyer will be at home at Bloomsburg. Mr. Eyer is an insurance man and his bride was formerly a teacher in the city schools.—Harrisburg Patriot.

Benton Democratic Meeting.

Although it was a stormy night the public hall at Benton was well filled on Tuesday evening when the first Democratic meeting of the campaign was held. Russel Karns was made chairman, and C. S. Hirtleman and C. B. Ikeler secretaries. The Benton Band furnished good music and excellent speeches were made by Col. J. G. Freeze and John G. Harman, Esq.

Coal Shipped as Salt.

Coal shipped as salt is the latest extremity to which consumers are driven as a result of the coal strike. Last week a Sunbury merchant received ten barrels of the precious fuel, which was picked from a coal bank by Mt. Carmel strikers and shipped in barrels labeled salt.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Bloomsburg National Bank

At the Close of Business September 15th, 1902.

[IN BUSINESS THREE YEARS.]

RESOURCES.	LIABILITIES.
Loans and Investments, \$374,615.61	Capital Stock, \$60,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures, - 8,000.00	Surplus and Profits, (Net) 41,917.73
Cash and Reserve, - 81,500.29	Circulation, - 58,700.00
	Individual Deposits, - 300,084.06
	Bank Deposits - 4,312.11
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WM. H. HIDLAY, CASHIER.

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HYMENEAL.

A very pleasant home wedding took place in Orangeville on Sept. 24. The contracting parties were Mr. J. Boyd Anderson of Shickshinny, and Miss Mary E. Houtz, only daughter of Rev. A. Houtz.

The parlor was tastily decorated with fern and flowers. Suspended from the ceiling was the monogram: "B and M." At 3:30 p. m. Miss Ruth Anderson, sister of the groom began to play the wedding march. At this signal the bridal party descended the stairs and entered the parlor with measured steps. Eight young ladies who constituted the S. S. Class of the bride, led the procession. As they entered the parlor they divided into two single files, and holding a drooping white ribbon in their hands, formed an aisle through which the bride and groom passed to the officiating ministers. The ribbon aisle was a beautiful feature and was expressing the love and devotion of the young ladies to their S. S. teacher.

The marriage was solemnized by the father of the bride, assisted by Rev. G. E. Lambert of Danville. The congratulations were hearty and the presents numerous and beautiful. The following guests who were present included the relatives and intimate friends of the bride and groom and the S. S. Class of the former.

Orangeville—Misses Mary A. Achenbach, Luella Henrie, Retta McCollum, Bessie Appelman, Lillian and Alma Kisner, Mary Lois DeWitt, Carrie Sharpless, Susie Fairman, Sarah Laubach, Alice Smith, Allie and Lizzie Patterson, Lilly Mosteller, Hellen Vance, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Patterson, Aaron Patterson, Mrs. Jane Mosteller and Howard K. Houtz. Stillwater—Mr. and Mrs. Oliver McHenry. Benton—Dr. and Mrs. I. E. Patterson, Dr. and Mrs. I. L. Edwards. Danville—Rev. and Mrs. G. E. Lambert and son Paul, Mrs. S. Jane Houtz, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Williams and Miss Anna Williams. Broadheadville—Mrs. Hattie Mengle and Miss Mary E. Mengle. Scranton—Mr. Alfred B. Houtz. Centre Mills—Misses Eva and Rebecca Moyer. Freeland—Mrs. Sarah Breah. Pottsville—Miss Jennie Patterson. Shickshinny—Dr. and Mrs. M. B. Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. J. Baldwin Anderson,

Misses Ruth Anderson, Elizabeth Hughes and Cora Koons, Messrs. Gryon P. Anderson, Arthur B. Anderson, William R. Anderson, Edgar E. Anderson, and Russel H. Anderson.

This Ought to Work for Good.

The very latest thing in raising funds for churches, fire companies and other organizations is "The Mind Your Own Business Club." The members pledge themselves to pay fines for any violations of the rules which prohibit talking about neighbors, friends and relatives. The parent body has headquarters in New Jersey, but branches have been formed in many Pennsylvania towns, and a large revenue is expected or a change in the conduct of many members can be looked for. A branch of the organization in Bloomsburg would be a winner. Here's a chance to replenish some depleted treasury.

Rain Stopped the Circus.

Welsh Bros., Circus did not exhibit in Bloomsburg last Thursday. The heavy rain which began on Wednesday continued throughout Thursday and made it so disagreeable that the showmen thought it best not to make any attempt to give a performance. They had raised the big tent, but took it down again. Public judgment seemed to sustain the wisdom of their move. They went from here to Hamburg where according to reports they entertained two large audiences the next day.

Wanted Something to Eat.

Nelson Welliver of Jerseytown, made himself obnoxious while in town on Monday, and as a result got into trouble. He entered a home on Center street and demanded something to eat. He was expelled from the house, but his senses were deadened by the use of strong drink and he laid down on the porch and went to sleep. Chief of Police Knorr was sent for and removed him to the lockup. He was arraigned before Mayor Townsend Monday evening. He manifested remorse and promised to do better, whereupon he was allowed to go.

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