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RUMOR OF SALE OF DICKSON CO.'S MACHINE SHOPS.

a Transfer of the Property to the Midvale Iron and Steel Company. Individual Operators' Road to New York Is Again Among the Possibilities-Annual Meeting of the Ontario and Western Railroad Company-Industrial Notes.

Rumor has it that negotiations are under way for the sale of the Dickson Manufacturing company's machin? works in this city and Wilkes-Barre to the Midvale Iron and Steel company,

which has works near Philadelphia. The purchasers, so the story goes, secure the plant in consideration of their assuming the Dickson company's bonded and floating indebtedness.

The locomotive shops, known as the Cliff works, are to be retained by the stockholders. The deal will be consummated, it is said, when the Dickson company's statement of indebtedness is verified by the accountants of the purchasing company.

These experts, so it is said, were ing over the company's accounts made an attempt to reach this city, and making inventory of its but owing to the high price demanded property, and last week went back to for the ground and other obstacles, the New York, whence they came, and are idea was abandoned, and wh n Mr. Willikely, now, forming a report for the bur retired from the presidency of the prospective purchasers.

floating debt is about half as much again. This just about represents what | that city. the property is intrinsically worth. The capitalization is \$800,000, and it is figured that the Cliff works is worth all of this and probably more. At all events the deal would, in the opinion of the interested parties, make the now practically valueless stock worth its full face

The Dickson company's heavy debt is accounted for by the fact that for many years the company persisted in paying its regular ten per cent, dividend when it could not afford it. This left it with such a meagre working capital that when extensive improvements were found necessary to keep abreast of the times bonds had to be issued. Some reverses at one period accounts for a

That Opposition Road.

Announcement was made yesterday that the meeting of the Anthracite Operators' association scheduled to take place Oct. 11 has been postponed to Oct. 25. This is the meeting at which definite action is to be taken on the proposition to proceed with the construction of the contemplated road from Scranton to New York.

A local member of the association and prime mover in the projected independent road said yesterday to a Tribune reporter when asked as to the cause of the postponement:

"The postponement means much, but at present I am not at liberty to discass the matter. I can say this much, That meeting will develop something that will give you a startling bit of news:

From another source a direct intisummer that the new road had secured backing. The fact that a number of its stockholders spent the summer abroad gave the story color at the time, and later developments of various kinds strongly confirm the

The surveys of the road as far as the Delaware river have been completed.

Flooding the Dodson.

The work of flooding the Dodson o ably and if nothing unforeseen turns up the mine will be filled with water within the next ten days and the fire that has been raging in it since the destruction of the breaker will be mas-The nine large pumps at the river are throwing 12,000,000 gallons of water into the mine every twentyfour hours and the mine itself makes one million gallons in the same time.

Mine Foreman Duniel R. Davis

states that the water is at present fifty-six feet up the shaft and it is rapid y filling the Pennett, Cooper and Five-foot veins. When the mine is filled the water will be allowed to stand some time and then the task of pumping it out will begin:

Lehigh Valley Changes.

More changes in the organization of the Lehigh Valley Railroad company at one time was the general storekeeper of the company, but who for some time past has been the purchasing agent been offered the position of purchasing agent of the Lehigh Valley Rallroad company, which he has accepted. He

Many of the officers of the Lehigh Valley Railroad company are located now in New York, and it is intimated | the road will be extended from the lake that it will not be many years before all the officers, except the secretary and trasurer, will be in that city. As gron as all the arrangements can be made the purchasing agent department, which is located now in this city, is to be moved to New York, but owing to the lack of room at the present time in the building in which the offices in



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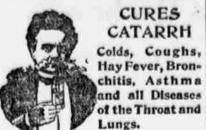
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New York are located, it is thought that it will be several months before all this department is located here.

W. C. Alderson, who has been appointed treasurer of the company, in place of J. Andrews Harris, jr., who resigned, will assume the duties of his new position on the first of next month, but owing to the inability of Mr. Coleman to retire from his present position until that time, he will have charge of the purchasing agent's department as well.

The Lehigh Valley Railroad company at the present time is practically a New York corporation, as its lines run directly to Jersey City, and its business is secured almost wholly from that work for several weeks, go- city. Several years ago the company company the new management began The company's bonded indebtedness to cater to the wants of its patrons in in round numbers is \$1,000,000, and its | New York, and it was not long before most of the high flicials were located in

Exetnsive Trolley System.

For some time past Columbia county capitalists have been agitating the building of a trolley line to run from Berwick to Bloomsburg and to co-operate with Montour county mneyed men to extend the road to Danville and

thence on to Sunbury. The right of way has been secured and the prospect now looks favorable. Attorney Charles Miller, of Bloomsburg, is one of the promoters of the new enterprise and it is expected that by next spring the system will be in operation at least from Berwick to Bloomsburg. It is also claimed that Philadelphia parties are in the deal and will take a greater part of the stock.

When the line is in running order, an attempt will be made to connect with the Wyoming Valley Traction company road at Nanticoke, and should this deal be consummated it will be only a year or two until there will be a line from Wilkes-Barre to Sunbury. - Wilkes-

O. & W. Annual Meeting.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the New York, Ontario and Western the following directors were elected: O. D. Ashley, .C. Ledyard Blair, Henry W. Cannon, Chauncey M. Depew. Thomas P. Fowler, Gerald L. Hoyt, John P. Kerr, Grant B. Schley, Albert S. Poe, of New York; Francis R. Culbert, of Newburg; H. Pearson and Joseph Price of London.

Thomas P. Fowler, was re-elected president: Joseph Price, vice-president; John B. Kerr, second vice-presmation was received that the road is | ident and general counsel; Richard D. very likely to be built. There was a Rickard, secretary and treasurer. Jas. well-founded story affoat during the E. Childs was re-appointed general manager and Chas. S. Wheelan, chair-

This and That.

The Lackawanna is shipping 25,000 tons of coal daily and expects to in-

erease the amount materially. Buffalo Bill has entered the industrial field He and Colonel D. Frank Powell. of La Cross- Wis., have formed a company for the development of the copper properties in the Grand Enmine at Plymouth is progressing fav- campment teritory in Colorado. They have a capital of \$500,000 and have secured H. H. Hake as general man

ANOTHER ELECTRIC ROAD.

It Is to Run from This City to Lake Winola.

In all probability, next year will witness the construction of an electric railway between Lake Winola and Scranton, by way of Mill City, Shultzville and Clark's Summit. A movement in that direction has already been started C. E. Frear, proprietor of the Winola House at Lake Winola, is at the head of the scheme.

He is now engaged in securing signa tures to a paper granting a right of way for the proposed line over the pub-He highway through the country disare to take place. C. P. Coleman, who | trict adjacent to the lake. The farm owners welcome the move and are quitwilling to grant the desired permission. since it will add greatly to the value of of the Lethiehem 'ron company, has their properties and be very convenient, Mr. Frear says that if the right of way is secured, he will have no troub! whatever in raising the capital neces will assume the duties of that office on sary to build the road. It is hoped that the new line can be got ready for oper ation in time to accommodate next season's lake traffic. In the course of time to Tunkhannock.-Pittston Gazette,

FORMAL NOTICE GIVEN.

Girard Company Must Begin Work or Move.

Commissioner Thomas, by order of council yesterday served notice on the Girard Construction company that if it does not begin work on the paving of North Main avenue within ten days it must remove its curbing and other material

from that street. The commissioner also addressed communications to the electric light companies directing them to move their poles inside the curb line on East Market street and to the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company direct-ing it to plank the alley that crosses Bloomsburg tracks between Railroad avenue and Meridian street.

ASSESSMENT WILL BE DELAYED.

Councils Have Not Yet Authorized Employment of Assistants.

The city assessors say they are being seriously embarrassed by the failure of councils to pass the resolution authorizing them to appoint assistent as-

Work should have been begun by the assistants in the different wards on Sept. 1. There has already been a delay of a month and the city asks sors say that of itself is enough to interfere greatly with the completion of the assessment on time.

DUNMORE BOROUGH

WALTER CARTER KILLED IN THE SPENCER MINE.

Caught by the Conveyors Used to Hoist Culm-His Neck Was Broken and His Body Badly Bruised-Elizabeth Wilson, a Three-Year-Old Girl Badly Burned-Narrow Escape of the Little Daughter of Mr. O'Horo, of Pine Street.

Walter Carter, a young man 31 years of age, residing with his brother-inlaw, Peter Lutz, of Drinker street, was instantly killed at the Spencer breaker while engaged at his usual duties (yesterday afternoon at half past two o'clock.

The young man was caught by the conveyers used to hoist the culm to the culm heap and thrown into the box through which the conveyers pass. Although the machinery was at once stopped, death had been instantaneous, the man's neck being broken and his body badly bruised.

The young man's father, who ruis the conveyers and operates the machinery in that section of the breaker, noticed a nut loose and stopped the machinery to tighten the same It is supposed that Mr. Carter while

walking near the conveyers noticed

some coal in them and reached in while

they were slowly revolving. He was struck on the head by the next conveyer and thrown into the pit. Deceased was born at Cambridge, England, in 1868, and came to America in 1888. He has been employed at the Spencer breaker for a number of years and was a trusted employe. Three brothers and three staters and the

young man's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Carter, survive. The fun-

eral announcement will appear later.

CHILD BADLY BURNED.

Elizabeth, the little 3-year old daughter of James L. Wilson, of Spencer street, was very painfully burned about the body and face yesterday morning at 10 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson were house-cleaning and had been burning some papers during the morning. The little one war playing in the yard after the fire was considerably spent, and succeeded in kicking the partially burned papers into a blaze. In a moment the inflamable dress of the little girl had caught fire and before discovered had frightfully burned her body, hands and face.

Medical aid was at once summoned and the child's sufferings somewhat relleved. At the present she is resting much easier, under the care of a nurse

CHILD'S NARROW ESCAPE.

A little daughter of Mr. O'Horo, of Pine street, had a narrow escape from burning Wednesday afternoon. Some workmen engaged in repairing the read near Mr. O'Horo's residence were startled by the cries of a child who came running toward them. The men soon discovered that the little one's dress was on fire and quickly smothered the flames. Beyond burning the dress and hands

of the child, no serious injury was sustained.

BUNCH OF BREVITIES.

The workmenexcavating for the new chool house on the Throop property found so much rock beneath the surface of the ground that the contractors discontinued the work. The presnt contractors are pushing the work along and the superstructure will soor be completed.

Miss McCrory, the newly-elected ommercial teacher of the high school this borough, visited the different de partments of the school yesterday. Rev and Mrs. E. J. Haughton, o South Blakely street, who have been away on their vacation, will return this evening. The members of St. Mark's church, of which Mr. Haughton is pastor, will tender him a reception dur-

ing the evening. The No. 5 colliery of the Pennsylvania Coal company, was idle yester-

The evangelistic services which were started Tuesday in the Horan building, on Smith and Mill streets, are being well attended. Rev. Van Cleft, of the Methodist Episcopal church, has had charge of the several meetings. Misses Bishop, of Dudley street, and Montgomery, of Church street, left yes. So terday for New York-city.

George E. Fritz. of Bloom street, will enter upon his new duties as manager of Weichel's china store in Scran-

The Neptune Fire company in full uniform, ied by the American band, will parade the principal streets of the borough this evening advertising their fair, which will commence Oct. 2 The Ladies' Aid society of the Presbyterian church will meet at the home of Mrs. Loveland Tuesday afternoon,

NEXT WEEK'S CONVENTION.

Ladies of Methodist Churches of the City Preparing for It.

The ladies of all Methodist churches of the city are very actively engaged these days in preparing for the big missionary convention which will be held in Elm Park church next week. The entertainment committee has had a great amount of work in securing places of entertainment for delegates, as

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many visitors are expected. A number of officers and district secretaries will arrive on Tuesday for an executive session. The regular sessions will begin on Wednesday, continuing until

Friday. Among the features of the week will be the presence of several returned missionaries who will make addresses. The list includes Miss M. L. Hamp-ton, who has spent fifteen years in Japan, Miss Singer and Miss M. A.

Spencer.
Luncheon will be served every day during the convention. On Wednesday the Elm Park church will have matters in charge; Hyde Park, Thursday; Green Ridge, Friday. The luncheons will be free to delegates. Others thus entertained will pay 15 cents each. On Thursday afternoon Mrs. William Connell will throw open her handsome home in a reception to delegates and the missionary societies.

CHINAMEN PASS THROUGH.

They Are on Their Way to the Philadelphia Exposition. A special train on the Lackawanna

road carrying 102 Chinamen passed through this city vesterday en route from San Francisco to Philadelphia. The Chinamen are actors who will take part in the exposition which is now being held in the Quaker City. This is the second batch of Chinese actors who passed through this city re-

cently en route for Philadelphia.

As was the case when the other batch passed through the windows of the passenger coaches were all painted. It seems the Chinamen when want a glimpse of the passing landscape are in the habit of break-ing a window. By denying them a view of passing panorama the windows are preserved.

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