

LIVE NEWS OF THE INDUSTRIAL WORLD

ANOTHER LEGAL OBSTACLE IS INTERPOSED.

The Delaware and Southern Railroad Company Has Asked for a Writ of Quo Warranto to Compel the Erie and Wyoming Valley Company to Show by What Right It Proposes to Build a Road Between Lackawanna and Hawley. The Anthracite Coal Trade.

Wednesday, April 4, has been fixed by Attorney General Elkin as the time for hearing the application of the Delaware and Southern Railroad company against the Erie and Wyoming Valley company for a writ of quo warranto, requiring the latter to show by what right it assumes to build and operate an additional line between Lackawanna and Hawley.

The Delaware and Southern was chartered Nov. 20, last, to construct a line from a connection with the Erie at Lackawanna to one with the Jefferson at Hawley. It objects to the Erie and Wyoming building another line between those points because, it is claimed, the Erie and Wyoming exhausted the rights of its franchise, when it completed its line by buying the Pennsylvania Coal company's road between Lackawanna and Hawley. It also claims that the transfer of the old canal to the Erie and Wyoming was invalid because the Cornell Steamboat company never had rights to acquire property in Pennsylvania.

This is another move to prevent the building of the new Delaware Valley and Kingston road. The Erie and Wyoming leased to the Erie the line which it secured from the Pennsylvania and if prevented from building the new connecting link, as proposed, will have to wait nine years for the expiration of the lease with the Erie, before it can get a connection between Lackawanna and Hawley.

The Hard Coal Trade.

Despite the very fair amount of cold and stormy weather that March has brought, the anthracite market is dull between the seaboard and the West. The large producing interests all have coal to sell at prices considerably below those supposed to be standard, and all are trying to keep production within limits. The pronounced fall in ocean freight rates is not likely to lead to much movement of coal to the eastward as consumers stocked up very liberally last fall, and no dealers at Boston are going to tank any more coal before May 1st than is needed to supply immediate wants. In the West, however, the outlook is better.

The demand has been strong enough to hold up prices. There will be some coal on dock at Chicago. When navigation opens the supplies at Lake Superior ports will be cleaned up better than seemed likely a month ago. Along the lower lakes and at inland points farther east retail buying has been of very fair volume. The market for anthracite coal is clearly not like that for bituminous. Buying depends largely on the weather, and when buying lags, as at present, concessions on prices do not bring out orders.

It is stated that domestic sizes are accumulating at tidewater points and egg and broken sizes are more of a drug than ever. Pea and buckwheat sizes continue scarce and hard to get. We note for free burning white ash, f. o. b. New York: Broken, \$3.50; \$3.20; e. g. \$2.50; \$2.30; stove, \$3.70; \$3.90; nut, \$3.70; \$3.90.—New York Engineering and Mining Journal.

Erie's New Equipment.

The Erie is equipping its fast trains with smoking cars and day coaches that are marvellous for comfort and skill embracing all modern improvements, such as high back seats with foot rests, luxurious furnishings and decorations, up-to-date ventilation, roller curtain shades, Pintsch gas, automatic couplers, signal, air brake and heating apparatus, etc. Special attention having been given to the wide and roomy vestibules which extend across the extreme width of the cars and are constructed with bevel edge plate glass doors for observation purposes. The exteriors are painted with the standard Pullman dark bronze green with gold lettering and trimmings. The interiors are furnished with hard-polish mahogany. Ivory white head linings and decorated with gold, while the upholstery is in old gold plush. New Pullman cars have been added to these trains.

The Milk Business.

A party of Lackawanna officials, including T. W. Lee, general passenger agent; C. E. Zippel, general baggage agent; C. W. Ten Broeck, traveling freight agent; A. T. Bridgman, traveling auditor; A. H. Ewart, superintendent of the Utica and Syracuse divisions and M. L. Smith, agent at Scranton, was in the city yesterday morning. They came on the Comet and went up past Chemung Forks to Williams. It was said that milk interests were part of the business which called them to this city. It is said that the Lackawanna has decided to run the milk business over the road and has taken it away from

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The Westcott express company which has had control. The fact that the milk on the Delaware and Hudson is now shipped north and over the West shore, is attributed to such a change.—Hinghamton Republican.

D., L. & W. Board for Today.

Following is the make-up of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western board for today: Scranton, March 26, 1900. SUMMITS. 9 a. m., north—G. Frountelker. 1 p. m., south—W. H. Nichols. PULLER. 10 a. m.—Beavers. PUSHERS. 8 a. m., south—Houser. 11 a. m., south—Moran. 2 p. m., south—Murphy. 10 p. m., south—C. Cawley. PASSENGER ENGINE. 6:30 p. m.—Magovern. WILD CATS, NORTH. 11 a. m., 2 engines—J. E. Masters. 2 p. m., 2 engines—C. Kingsley. 4:30 p. m., 2 engines—O'Hara. WILD CATS, SOUTH. 1 a. m.—J. Rowe. 4:30 a. m.—C. Townsend. 8 a. m.—F. D. Secor. 10 a. m.—J. Burkhardt. 12 p. m.—W. F. Mann. 1 p. m.—A. Widener. 2 p. m.—M. Carmody with J. Swartz's men. 3:30 p. m.—E. McAllister with J. Brock's men. 4:45 p. m.—T. Fitzpatrick. 5 p. m.—R. W. Peckins.

This and That.

The fourth freight engine, No. 818, of the order of seven, built at the Dickson works for the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad, was put out Saturday. At Mauch Chunk a number of car repairs were discharged Thursday by the Central Railroad of New Jersey in conformity with the company's general policy of retrenchment. Two of the Lackawanna's new engines were submitted to tests on Saturday afternoon by Travelling Engineer and Superintendent FitzGibbons, who witnessed the tests and was much pleased.

The Delaware and Hudson railroad, in order to meet the enormous amount of traffic, had 200 box cars built recently at the Berwick shops. Each car has a capacity of 6000 pounds and has all the latest improvements, including the air brakes, the patent couplers and doors. Every track in the yard was utilized in order to hold them. They were put into service Saturday.

MEASURES THAT DIED IN COMMON

[Concluded from Page 5.] ating, Heat and Power company to lay a water main on the easterly span of the Linden street bridge.

In addition to the water rates ordinance for an electric light in the eighteenth ward, while the railways committee did report on the measure giving the Scranton Railway company permission to extend their lines. In the sanitary committee's file lies the monster petition signed by hundreds of citizens and asking councils to pass the ordinance compelling all poultry dealers to sell only drawn fowl. It will be remembered that the committee reported adversely on this ordinance, the report being adopted.

FOR CONVENIENCE OF FARMERS Telephone System Is in Operation West of the Mountain.

The Newton, Ransom and Lake Winola Telephone company, which will ask the governor for a charter on April 9, will run the telephone business which has been in existence for some time west of the mountain. For the convenience of the farmers who live over there a private telephone system was established some time ago, its headquarters being at Bald Mount. It was found to be a good thing and gradually lines were extended until now there are about one hundred subscribers and the lines extend from Clark's Summit to Falls. For the purpose of better conducting the business it was decided to form a company and have it chartered. It is one of the strong probabilities of the future that the lines will be connected with lines in this city.

COMING CONVENTION. District and Diocesan Gatherings Soon to Be Held.

The quarterly convention of the Second District Catholic Total Abstinence union will be held at North Scranton on Sunday, April 8, under the auspices of the Father Whitty society. Two important matters to be discussed will be the proposed insurance feature and the Philadelphia excursion. The annual convention of the Scranton Diocesan union will be held at Avoca on May 17 and 18. Delegates will be elected to the national convention and many important matters will be acted upon.

REPORT OF MOSES TAYLOR HOSPITAL

AVERAGE OF FORTY-TWO PATIENTS A DAY TREATED.

The Total Expenses of the Hospital for the Year Amounted to \$83,624.90—A Number of Improvements Made—Detailed Statement of the Expenses—Character of the Patients Received at the Institution. In the Outdoor Department 299 Surgical Cases Were Attended.

The seventh annual report of the Moses Taylor hospital for the year ending October 31, 1899, has now been issued and presented to the board of managers by Superintendent Janet G. Grand. In the course of the year 561 patients were treated at the hospital, 152 of whom were private. An average of forty-two patients have been treated daily.

The total expenditures during the year for the hospital amounted to \$83,624.90, which is a large increase over the expenditures of previous years, owing to the number of improvements made. Among the improvements may be mentioned the new ice house erected and the diet kitchen added to the hospital. The ambulance service was materially benefited by the bringing of the ambulance in direct communication with the hospital. The stable building was altered in order to provide suitable accommodations for the new ambulance, which was presented by Henry A. C. Taylor, and two new horses were purchased, which replaced those previously hired, and a driver is constantly in attendance.

The maternity ward was moved to a more convenient part of the building, and was suitably furnished and decorated. A new dark room was also added and equipped with all necessities for the proper examination and treatment of the eyes, nose, ears and throat of patients.

THE SURGICAL WARDS.

Considerable alteration has also been made in one of the surgical wards, the floor being relaid, walls repainted and furniture changed.

The detailed expenditures for the year were as follows: General Expenses \$4,205.46 Stationery and Printing 336.07 Gas and Water 497.23 Supplies and House 42.14 Meats 5,410.56 Fats 706.91 Paraffin 1,201.04 Beverages 307.19 Condiments 49.71 Dry Goods 540.43 Beds and Bedding 399.12 Washing and Cleaning 352.21 Miscellaneous 888.12 Fuel 7,840.31 Wages and Employee 1,901.32 Salaries of Surgeons and others 4,214.82 Medicines and Dressings 1,831.71 Instruments 145.33 Books and Periodicals 42.14 Furniture and Fixtures 968.25 Clothing 21.50 Medical and Surgical Supplies 1,500.41 Construction and Improvement—Paving Quincy avenue \$1,941.72 New Carriage House 812.50 New Ice House 708.00 \$3,462.22

The training school's work is steadily progressing and during the year twenty-seven applications for admission were received. Eleven probationers were received on trial, of which number six were accepted, one withdrew and four have been declined.

NURSING STAFF.

The present nursing staff consists of one graduate nurse, eight senior nurses, three junior nurses and one probationer. A general summary of the work done for the year shows the following: Patients remaining Nov. 1, 1898 47 Patients admitted during the year 521 Discharged cured 351 Discharged improved 72 Discharged unimproved 21 Died within thirty-six hours 32 Under treatment Nov. 1, 1899 57 Number of days of hospital care 15,506 Largest number of patients, March 12 52 Smallest number of patients, Aug. 15 19 Average daily number of patients 42 Average number of days each patient spent in hospital 37 Ambulance calls responded to 121

Of the patients given treatment, 252 were Americans, 98 were Irish, 43 Polish, 31 German, 23 Welsh, 16 Slavish, 16 English, 14 Lithuanian, 7 Hungarian, 2 Swede, 2 Jewish, while the Austrian, French, Russian, Scotch and Swiss nationalities were each represented by one patient. Three hun-

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And four Roman Catholics were treated, 207 Protestants, 5 Greek Catholics and 5 Hebrews. Of these patients 213 were employed by the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad, 150 by the Lackawanna Iron and Steel company, and the other 138 in various places.

OCCUPATIONS OF PATIENTS.

The occupations of the patients are shown by the following tables: WARD PATIENTS. Blacksmith 4 Musicians 1 Brakemen 23 Miners 33 Carpenters 9 Overseer 1 Chainmen 3 Riggers 2 Cooks 1 School boys 2 Dispatchers 1 School girls 2 Domestic 3 Section hands 3 Drillers 2 Slate pickers 4 Driver boys 7 Surveyors 1 Engineers 1 Switchman 1 Firemen 5 Telegrapher 1 Footman 1 Teamsters 6 Gate Tenders 1 Vesselmen 2 Housewives 16 Water boys 3 Laborers 187 Laundresses 1 Machinists 13 Total 360

PRIVATE PATIENTS.

Agents 7 Miners 2 Bartender 1 Music Teachers 2 Bookmakers 1 None 24 Dutchers 2 Physician 1 Carpenter 2 Printer 1 Civil Engineer 1 School boys 2 Clerks 6 School girls 4 Coachman 1 School Teacher 1 Domestic 1 Shoemaker 1 Dressmakers 2 Sisters of Mercy 2 Farmers 2 Soldier 1 Hairdressers 2 Students 2 Housewives 6 Stenographers 2 Laundresses 4 Waitress 1 Merchant 1 Total 153

In the outdoor department, 299 surgical cases were attended to, and in the patient department about 250 medical cases. A total of 7,245 prescriptions were compounded in the drug-room for patients.

LAD DUMMY MINES.

Frankfort, Ky., March 25.—The Republican adjutant general, Collier, denied that mines were being laid around the arsenal and capitol grounds, and in an explanatory communication to the Democratic assistant adjutant general, Murray, General Collier said that some indiscreet men at the arsenal had dug trenches and made a pretense of laying mines to create a sensation, but the work was entirely without the sanction or knowledge of General Collier and the men engaged have been sharply reprimanded.

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Important News of Dress Goods. Here can't be any Connolly & Wallace Dress Goods News that's unimportant, but this is a special occasion that calls for prominent mention: In the past two weeks we have been dealing out many good things in textile bargains. They have covered the field from Dimities to Cheviots, with some strong accentuation on Silks. But today's news is best of all, and there's more of it: Homespun Suitings—Of the clever and sturdy Scotch weaves, in many shades of grey, blue and brown mixtures.....50c, 75c, \$1.00 Storm Serges—Very superior quality, thoroughly sponged and shrunk, 40 inches wide. 60c, all shades Zebeline Stripes—Handsome stuff for separate or full costumes.....\$1.00 yard Crepe Armure—A very pretty and effective weave, entirely new. Are you thinking of a swell gown? If so, see these. Henriettas—In a beautiful assortment of the new pastel shades, soft and elegant.....90c yard Black Taffeta Silk—Our guaranteed quality, the very best taffeta ever produced; every yard warranted.....\$1.25 Foulard Silks—You know the elegance and popularity of Foulards. Here are many styles, qualities and grades, ranging from 50c to \$1.25 yard New Waist Silks—In the most elaborate range of exclusive styles we have ever shown, in all 4-yard lengths and no two alike. Don't fail to see this grand collection of Novelty Silks. 75c to \$4.00 yard

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