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PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Fisher are enjoying the scenery of the Catskills. Captain James R. McCausland, of Montrose, was in the city yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hallstead are registered at the Hotel Earlington, in New York. M. T. Howley is at Baltimore, Md., attending the convention of the Master Plumbers' association.

General Superintendent A. W. Johnston, of the New York, Chicago and St. Louis railroad, is the guest of Division Superintendent A. C. Salisbury, of the Lackawanna. Mrs. Victor E. Arnold has returned from Providence, R. I., after a few weeks' visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Fritz, of that city. She was accompanied home by her mother.

Frank R. Wellard and Miss Margaret L. Young, both of Scranton, were united in marriage in Binghamton, New York, on May 17, by the Rev. T. S. Leonard, of the First Baptist church, of that city. General Superintendent E. G. Russell and Superintendent of Transportation J. M. Daly are out of the city. The former is spending a few days at Oswego, N. Y., and the latter is on an official visit to the middle west.

John W. Higgins, formerly of this city, has been married to Miss Vanderhoest Ryan at New York city. Mr. Higgins is a brother of Captain Ambrose and James Higgins, who were formerly with the Postal Telegraph company in this city.—Wilkes-Barre Times.

The following Scrantonians are members of this year's graduating class at Princeton: Bachelor of Arts course, James Reid Dickson, George Adams Lathrop and Harry Ridgeway Lathrop; civil engineering course, Edward Pincney Hubbard and Charles Edward Robertson. At the reunion of the Alumnae of the Frederick Female Seminary and Women's college, held recently at Frederick City, Md., a fine portrait of the Rev. Thomas M. Cann, L. D., president of the institution from 1865 to 1873, and at present the head of the School of the Lackawanna, of which he is the founder, was presented to the college. The presentation speech was made on behalf of the Alumnae by Miss Florence Traill.

IN BEHALF ELECTION REFORM

Public Meeting at the Board of Trade Rooms Friday. A call has been out for a public meeting in behalf of election reform in the board of trade room on Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The meeting is designed principally for business and professional men and will accordingly be held late in the afternoon. It is expected that as a result of the meeting a northeastern auxiliary committee

tee for the promotion of ballot reform and the merit system in Pennsylvania will be formed. A western auxiliary, with headquarters at Pittsburg, has just been established and includes in its membership many of the most prominent men of that city. The committee in Philadelphia is likewise constituted of leading business men. Addresses will be made by Clinton Rogers Woodruff and Cyrus D. Foss, Jr., of Philadelphia, both of whom are among the reform leaders of the Quaker City. The call for the meeting is as follows: You are requested to attend an informal conference of citizens to consider conditions that threaten the welfare of the state and to discuss propositions for a system of fair elections which will tend to make them the honest expression of the will of the people. The conference will be held on Friday afternoon June 15 at 4 o'clock in the room of the board of trade. The meeting will be wholly outside the realm of partisan politics and upon lines pursued by representative groups of public opinion in Philadelphia and Pittsburg who have formed a union committee for the promotion of ballot reform and the merit system in Pennsylvania. Very truly yours, R. M. Bates, E. B. Sturge, Luther Keller, C. D. Jones, Joseph Lutz, A. C. Fuller, James A. Lansing, F. L. Hitchcock, A. W. Dickson, R. H. Patterson, R. F. Y. Pierce, A. G. Thompson, James H. Torrey, H. C. Schafer, W. D. Schaefer, William A. Wilcox, J. W. Browning, J. W. Howarth.

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Superintendent Neale, of the Mt. Pleasant colliery, submitted five propositions to the striking miners employed by the Puller Coal company at a meeting in Co-operative hall, West Scranton, last evening, three of which were accepted and the other two were rejected. A committee from the strikers was appointed to arbitrate the rejected propositions at a meeting to be held at the colliery office tomorrow evening. After the meeting Superintendent Neale stated that the company is perfectly willing and anxious to deal with the men as employees of the Mt. Pleasant colliery, but not as members of the United Mine Workers of America. He claims that the existing difficulty is purely a matter to be decided by the employer and the officials, and not by any board of arbitration or officers of the Mine Workers' union. The propositions submitted were as follows: \$1.00 per car. \$2.50 per lineal yard in the ganeways. \$2.00 per lineal yard in the main haul. 75 cents per lineal yard for rock one inch thick in the hauls. This is based on 64 cents per inch, and when more than a foot of rock is taken in order to make the haul, the excess will be paid for at that rate. \$1.40 per lineal yard for cross-cuts. \$4.35 per ton of coal. A powder allowance on fifteen cars to the keg will be given when necessary. A gear shift will be used to decide the powder allowance. Under no circumstance will the powder allowance be given when a miner has earned \$2.50 per shift or more. The objection raised is in reference to the company's refusal to pay the men for time taken in cutting rock. The strikers claim that if twenty shifts are worked in a month, fifteen of which are on cutting coal and five on cutting rock, they will not receive any compensation for the latter. The men were asked to resume work this morning, but they refused, and Superintendent Neale stated that the colliery will be started up with the men who are willing to work. No trouble is anticipated, and if a satisfactory adjustment can be reached at the meeting tomorrow evening, the strikers will undoubtedly return to work Saturday morning.

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An explosion of gas occurred at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon in the upper split of the Red Ash vein in William A. colliery, near Duryea, in which one man was killed and three others badly burned and injured. The men were: JOHN JENKINS, fire boss, married; instantly killed. EUGENE POWELL, single; hands and face burned, body bruised. BERT JOHNSON, single; hands burned, head and shoulders bruised. JOHN W. JONES, married; head bruised, shoulders dislocated. The last three named, together with Thomas Williams and George Warnke, are members of E. A. Bart's surveying corps and went to the mines yesterday to make a survey. They discovered a pocket of gas soon after entering the mine and took the necessary precautions to avoid any danger. When they entered the Red Ash vein shortly before 2 o'clock, Jenkins, the fire boss, was in the lead, some distance from the other men. He carried a safety lamp and the others carried naked lamps. Suddenly an explosion was heard and the men noticed Jenkins' light go out, and made a dash for safety. Assistance was quickly rendered by men in the mine and stretchers were procured to relieve the injured men. When they returned to the scene of the explosion Jenkins was found lying on the ground dead, the top of his head was blown off and his body and clothing were slightly burned. Powell's hands and face were burned, there were several deep gashes in his head, and he also sustained bodily bruises. Johnson's hands were burned and his head and shoulders were bruised. Jones sustained a dislocated shoulder and several bruises about the head and body. Williams and Warnke escaped unhurt. BODILY REMOVED. Jenkins' body was removed to his home in Lackawanna, where he resided with his wife and several children. The latter are now in Colorado and have been communicated with. He is about 48 years of age, and had been employed at the mines for some time. Powell is about 15 years of age and is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Powell, of Jackson street. His father is a member of the shoe firm of Evans & Powell, of South Main avenue. He was removed to his home in the mine ambulance and medical aid summoned. The extent of his injuries cannot be fully determined as yet. Johnson resides on North Rebecca avenue and is the son of Frank Johnson, the well-known painter. John W. Jones resides in Bellevue and is well-known as a member of the Schubert quartette. All three men are now at their homes under the care of physicians.

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