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**PERSONAL**

Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Barrett are at Atlantic City, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kirkpatrick, of Clay Avenue, are at Adirondack Park.

Judge and Mrs. H. M. Edwards leave tomorrow for a few weeks' stay at Block Island.

Open P. Keeney, one of Wilkes-Barre's prominent newspapermen, was in Scranton visitor yesterday.

Miss Elizabeth Cadden, of Marion street, has returned from Lake Ariel, where she spent her vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lucas, of Philadelphia, have returned home after a visit with Judge and Mrs. John P. Kelly.

The Misses Victoria and Martha Broadbent left yesterday for Summit, N. J. From there they will go to Atlantic City.

Harry F. Finn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Silas Finn, of Franklin Avenue, left yesterday for New York to enlist in the Sixth United States Infantry, bound for Chinese service.

A. I. Francois, of North Scranton, left yesterday for Saratoga, N. Y., where he will join Mrs. Francois. After leaving Saratoga Mr. and Mrs. Francois will make a tour of the New England States.

Deputy Controller Charles A. Hartley has returned from a brief vacation spent at Lake Idlewild. Controller Howell is at that resort at present and will remain there until the beginning of next week.

W. F. Gibbens, assistant superintendent of the West Side postoffice, and Miss Nellie L. Archibald, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Price, of Archibald, will be married this evening at St. Thomas' church, Archibald.

**MONUMENT ENGINEER HERE.**

Work of Setting the Stone Will Soon Be Under Way.

James Curtis, of New York, supervising engineer of the Harrison Granite company, arrived here yesterday to start the work on the superstructure of the soldiers' and sailors' monument. Mr. Curtis has been with the Harrison company for eleven years and during that time has worked on many big monuments, including the General Sherman monument recently erected in Washington.

Mr. Curtis could give no definite idea as to when the monument will be completed. The stone is about all cut and dressed and much of it has been, or is about to be, shipped. It is received here all ready to be put in place. Some of the blocks are of immense proportions, the light base stones weighing each eight tons.

A tool shed has been erected near the monument site and the work of setting the stone will be under way in a few days.

**CHANGES AT THE GAIETY.**

Harvey E. Long is Putting the Theatre in Shape.

Extensive alterations and changes are being made in the Gaiety theatre by Harvey E. Long, who will be manager of that house during the coming season.

One of the changes that will be appreciated by the patrons of the house is the re-arrangement of the seats. The first floor of the theatre has been level, but Mr. Long is now having the floor so arranged that each row of seats will be a trifle higher than the row directly ahead of it. This will make the rear seats much more desirable. The old straight line of seats is one away with and the seats are being arranged in semi-circular form, as they are in all first-class theatres.

Drowsiness is dispelled by Beecham's Pills.

Smoke The Popular Punch Cigar, 10c.

**LARGEST IN THE COUNTRY.**

Remarkable Growth of a Wyoming Avenue Business Enterprise.

A certain business interest has been developing in this city during the past few years to a degree scarcely realized by the majority of our townspeople who have witnessed the growth without being aware of its magnitude.

What is now the Griffin Art company started at the corner of Lackawanna and Wyoming avenues with two persons constituting the force. Today forty people are employed in various capacities connected with the many departments of the expanding enterprise.

It has been a healthy growth, notwithstanding the fact that but thirteen years have passed since C. L. Griffin opened a photograph gallery over what was then Courtwright's shoe store. In 1890 he had so shown his ability and had secured such a class of patrons that Charles Schlager thought it a good investment to construct a building adapted to the needs of the young photographer, and the handsome set of studios occupying three floors were planned at 125 Wyoming Avenue.

His continued efforts, fastidiously kept rooms, attracted still greater patronage, and in 1895 they became too small for the prospective advantages to be attained and Mr. Griffin purchased the Hart & Ottiger Art store at 209 Wyoming Avenue, the place still occupied by his establishment. It was the first experiment in this city with an operating room on the ground floor, where special rooms were built and where patrons found every convenience and comfort without climbing stairs. It made a great hit, and the place was soon thronged. It was most attractive, with luxurious and costly furnishings, and with beautiful art rooms, where hours could be spent in looking over the fine array of etchings, water colors, photographs of famous subjects, bric-a-brac, etc. From time to time exhibitions of celebrated collections were held and these at once became popular. But the magnificent work done by Mr. Griffin was the chief feature of the establishment. His photographs have been far more than local renown and are reproduced in magazines and favorably commented upon by undisputed authorities. Both he and his brother, G. Taylor Griffin, of Wilkes-Barre, made a constant study of up-to-date methods, endeavoring to approach perfection in their line of work. That they have been recognized as being at the top is evinced by the great prominence of both men in the State and National Photographers' associations, where they have held prominent offices and have received many awards in exhibitions.

The beautiful results obtained by Mr. Griffin in his carbonette effects and later in the platinotype and other noted styles are well remembered.

So great had the business become that in June of 1898 Mr. Griffin decided to give up the business and to devote his time to further investigation and possibilities by enlarging the plant, and therefrom a stock company was formed, in which several of the most prominent and influential citizens of Scranton took an interest. Since that time it has been known as the Griffin Art company, chartered for the purpose of placing on the market certain art productions original with Mr. Griffin, and including water colors and copies of the old masters. Mr. G. Taylor Griffin, of Wilkes-Barre, was induced to combine his own wide experience and interests with the project and devote his entire time to it, while other persons of special fitness were also engaged.

The establishment is now the largest of the kind in the country, and includes not only the building at 209 Wyoming Avenue, but also the adjoining structure, 205 and 207, where several floors are occupied by the art department, where the manufacture and placing on the market of exclusive works are conducted by a process which is the result of Mr. Griffin's own experiments, portrait work of the value and beauty of etchings has been added to the various branches of art carried on in the establishment. Much of the reproduction in water colors and sepia is prepared for the wholesale trade. Among the recent results of laboratory experiments the company has secured a marvelous success in the way of an exquisite effect of etching on Japanese paper. It is termed a gravure and is in a soft, sepia effect, and is simply dazzling in beauty.

The growth of the business enables the company to make an offer to the public which, were it not for the large manufacturing interests connected with it, no one would ever dream of. It is proposed to give a dozen of the best made new platinotypes, exact counterparts in appearance of the costly platinotypes, for the nominal price of \$3.50 together with a water color miniature in a gold frame of French design. The platinotype in which soft coloring is exclusively a discovery of this establishment and cannot be produced elsewhere. The studios have been remodeled and furnished waiting rooms are arranged for the use of visitors, who are invited to come in and inspect at their leisure. They are a delightful place for an hour's rest and afford an opportunity for the study of many fine works of art.

The platinotypes can be seen in the show windows, together with the water color miniatures and gold frame. A copy of the list of the new gravures are also there on exhibition.

**FALSE PRETENSES.**

A. A. Stanton Charged with This Offense by Helen G. Hartley.

A. A. Stanton was arrested yesterday on a warrant issued by Alderman Howe, at the instance of Helen G. Hartley, who charges him with false pretenses. She manages the business of D. H. Tolman, who lends money on salaries.

She claims that Stanton secured \$18 from her on March 31, representing himself as being in the employ of the Lackawanna company, and that she has since learned that he is not Stanton was held in \$200 bail for his appearance in court.

To the Speedway Hotel.

Commenting Tuesday, July 24th, 1900, at 5:45 p. m., round trip 50 cents; one way, 25 cents. Start and stop at Mears building corner. Leave as above, 8:30 a. m. and 5:45 p. m. Leave Speedway house, 7:30 a. m. and 5 p. m. If the party is large, notify H. S. Gorman & Co. in advance, but the time cannot be changed. Trip around the lake will leave the house every evening at 7:30; time, one hour. Price, 25 cents. For any further information, inquire of H. S. Gorman & Co., Spruce street ferry.

Speedway Hotel meal hours—Breakfast 6 to 9 a. m.; lunch, 12:30 to 2 p. m.; dinner, 6 to 9 a. m.

**COMMITTEE NAMED.**

The runners and drivers at the Marvline mine went out first at that limit but they were quickly followed by those employed at the other three mines in North Scranton. Meetings were held and a committee was appointed to wait upon Superintendent Rose.

The latter official was out of town and the committee accordingly waited upon General Inside Superintendent Finlay Ross. Mr. Ross, it is said, signed an agreement providing that no driver boy was to be paid less than \$1.05, that they were to be paid \$1.10, and that runners were to receive \$1.05, and first-class drivers \$1.25, as heretofore.

It was stated last night by several of those in attendance at the meeting that when Mr. Rose had been furnished with the agreement he was acting under instructions in doing so. The strikers accordingly returned to work in all of the four mines and have been working ever since.

It is claimed that when they opened their envelopes containing their June pay, the early part of this month, they found that the cut had been made as before, and that none of the promises contained in the agreement signed by Mr. Rose had been fulfilled.

A committee which waited upon Superintendent Rose was informed, so they state, that he had not authorized Mr. Ross to sign any agreement and that the men would have to be content with the cut for the present.

**STRUCK LAST WEEK.**

In the meantime, runners, door boys and rail sanders at the Grassy Island and No. 2 mines in Olyphant went out on strike last week. They demanded that the runners' pay be increased from \$1.38 to \$1.45 a day and that first class drivers be paid \$1.26 per day, as heretofore, the company having cut their wages down to \$1.12.

The North Scranton drivers and runners invited the Olyphant strikers to join with them and the middle of last week it was jointly decided to present a new wage scale to the company for its consideration. This wage scale provided for an increase in the pay instead of simply a demand that they be paid what they previously received.

It provides for an increase in the pay of runners for \$1.51 to \$1.61 a day; an increase for first class drivers from \$1.25 to \$1.35; an increase for second class drivers from 97 cents to \$1.07; an increase for door boys from 50 cents to 80 cents a day.

This wage scale was placed in the hands of a committee, which waited upon Superintendent Rose on Thursday last. Mr. Rose informed the men, it was stated last night, that he did not favor the new scale, but that he would give them a definite answer sometime in the near future.

The men and boys waited until last night and then decided to go on strike tomorrow morning. If their demands are not acceded to by then, if they do go on strike it will mean the throwing out of employment at once of about 2,500 men and boys employed at the six mines in North Scranton and Olyphant. There are about 800 runners, drivers and door boys in these six mines.

**WILL VISIT OTHER MINES.**

It was stated last night after the meeting that if the strike comes off tomorrow, that deputations would be sent at once to all of the Delaware and Hudson mines, both up and down the valley, to get the runners and drivers in those mines to make a similar demand and go out also. It was announced after last night's meeting that

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**POOR DIRECTORS' VISIT.**

Six Members of Board Inspected Hillside Home Yesterday.

Poor Directors Shotton, Palms, Burks, Decker, Fuller and Williams, accompanied by Secretary Gillespie, visited the Hillside Home yesterday and inspected the new conservatory, which is now almost erected.

The party took dinner at the home, as the guests of Superintendent Beemer, and were shown all through the buildings and over the grounds. Some of the party returned the latter part of the afternoon, while others remained till evening.

Bought by the B. & O.

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**MINE WORKERS FAVOR A STRIKE**

**MAY TIE UP ALL OF DELAWARE AND HUDSON COLLIERIES.**

Employees of the Mines at North Scranton and Olyphant Held a Meeting Last Night in Leonard's Hall, at Which It Was Decided to Present a Wage Scale to the Company and if It Is Rejected to Strike on Thursday—They Hope to See Strike Grow.

A strike which may tie up all the Delaware and Hudson mines from Vandling to Plymouth was ordered last night by the mine workers who attended a meeting of the runners and drivers of the North Scranton and Olyphant mines of the company, held in Leonard's hall, North Scranton. If such a strike should occur, upwards of 17,000 mine workers employed at twenty-eight mines would be thrown out of work.

The runners and drivers present, by a unanimous vote, decided to quit work tomorrow morning at the dockwork, Marvline, Von Storch and Leggett's Creek mines in this city if the company does not agree to their demands today. The drivers and runners at the Grassy Island and No. 2 mines are already out on strike, so that if the company does not give in this will mean the closing down of six mines in this vicinity tomorrow.

The trouble dates back over six weeks since the former strike of the drivers and runners at the Marvline mine. At that time the strikers maintained that when they received their June wages, the following cuts were made without any previous notice: First class drivers, from \$1.25 to \$1.05; runners from \$1.51 to \$1.40.

**THE NEWSBOY'S PICNIC.**

Annual Event Will Be Held at Nay Aug Park Thursday—List of the Prizes.

Thursday the annual picnic of the newsboys of the city will be held at Nay Aug Park. The central city, Olyphant, North Scranton and Grassy Island newsboys will be present at the Court House square not later than 8 o'clock, where they will be joined by the West Scranton boys, who will meet at Main and Jackson street at 7:30 a. m.

Headed by Bauer's band, the boys will march to the park by the following route: Linden street to Wyoming Avenue, to Mulberry street, to Penn Avenue, to Linden, to Franklin, to Lackawanna, to Washington, to Mulberry street, and up to the park. At the park the boys will be royally entertained. The band will play and there will be amusements of various kinds and prizes will be offered in the following contests:

No. 1—Race of the grand pig, pair shoes.

No. 2—Bicycle race, boys between 15 and 18 years. First prize, one bicycle pump; second prize, one watch; third prize, one knife.

No. 3—Bicycle race, boys between ages of 10 and 15 years. First prize, one watch; second prize, one baseball bat and ball; third prize, one knife.

No. 4—Bicycle race, boys between ages of 7 and 10 years. First prize, one baseball glove; second prize, one bicycle pump; third prize, one bathing suit.

No. 5—Sack race. First prize, one alarm clock; second prize, one brush.

No. 6—Hockey race. First prize, boxing gloves; second prize, one shirt; third prize, bathing suit; fourth prize, shirt.

No. 7—Three-legged race. First prize, watch and sock for two; second prize, bathing suit for two.

No. 8—Pony race. First prize, one watch; second prize, one cap.

No. 9—Donkey race. First prize, one pair shoes; second prize, one cap.

No. 10—Tag-of-war, Central city vs. West Side.

No. 11—Messenger boys race. First prize, one watch; second prize, one air gun.

No. 12—Boat black bicycle race—First prize, one watch; second prize, one gun.

**ROUNDING UP THE BRASS THIEVES**

**THREE ARRESTS MADE AT WILKES-BARRE.**

On Account of the Large Amount of Brass That Was Being Stolen the Railroad Companies Hereabouts Some Time Ago Pooled Their Interests—Investigations of Detectives Showed That the Railroads Were Being Robbed in a Systematic Manner—Other Arrests to Follow.

Railroad detectives stationed at Wilkes-Barre, Williamsport, Elmira and Rochester have just succeeded in running down a gang that have been systematically robbing the railroads for nearly two years past. Within the last year large quantities of brass, valued at thousands of dollars, have been stolen from the Pennsylvania, Lehigh Valley, Delaware and Hudson, Lackawanna and Central Railroad of New Jersey.

Last March the detectives in the employ of these roads held a conference and it was agreed to make a concerted effort to run down the thieves. Chief of Detectives Verne, of the Pennsylvania railroad, stationed at Williamsport, had charge of the case. It was long before he discovered that large shipments of the stolen brass were being made from Wilkes-Barre. Detective Heffron, of Wilkes-Barre, was notified and he watched the movements of the shippers. It was then discovered that a great deal of the stolen brass was being sent to Rochester, N. Y. The party to whom the goods were consigned in that city was taken into the confidence of the detectives and this caused the shippers to fall into a neat trap.

SENT TO WILLIAMSPORT.

The stolen brass, instead of going to its destination was shipped to Williamsport, where it was taken charge of by the Pennsylvania railroad officials. The shippers, however, were none the wiser. They received their money just the same. To throw off suspicion a couple of shipments were allowed to go through to their destination, the detectives having learned that some brakemen were acting as spotters for the shippers.

Yesterday orders were issued by the detectives in charge of the case to make the first arrest. Accordingly the Pennsylvania railroad officials, headed by Wilkes-Barre, was taken into custody. He was arraigned before Magistrate Pollock for a preliminary hearing. Hall in the sum of \$10,500 was demanded for a further hearing on Monday. The detectives are positive that they have succeeded in breaking up the gang of jobbers who dealt in stolen brass. It is alleged that the jobbers bought at a very low figure and sold to wholesale dealers at a big profit.

It is said that one of the parties who was a heavy shipper of the stolen brass had made a confession which exposes the whole plot organized to rob the railway companies.

**EX-CAPTAIN FORNEY CHARGED WITH LARCENY BY BALLES.**

Military matters were aired yesterday before Alderman W. S. Millar, who is a military man himself. The case was all about a cap, an overcoat, a line officer's sword and a mess tent.

Captain J. T. Forney of Company K, Eighth regiment, stationed at St. Clair, Schuylkill county, came to town yesterday morning, accompanied by Attorney John Dyson, of Pottsville,