NEWS OF THE LABOR WORLD

NEW COAL COMPANY HAS BEEN ORGANIZED.

It Has Secured Coal Land in the Third Ward of This City and Priceburg-Special Examinations for Lackawanna Employes-Cause of the Trouble at the Edwardsville Mines-Annual Convention of District Union No. 1, of the Mine Workers, to Be Held Next Month.

Application will be made to Governor Stone on Friday, Dec. 28, for the charter of the Reliance Coal company, a newly-organized corporation, of which D. M. Reilly is the temporary president, and which will conduct operations on a large tract of land in the Third ward of this city and Dickson City borough. Ninety-seven acres of coal land have been leased from the Price, Pancoast and Throop Coal company, and twenty-three acres have been leased from Alfred Harvey. Besides these, an undivided half part

of the coal under a stretch of fiftyeight acres, known as the Hartwell tract, has been purchased from the present owner, Ira E. Hartwell. All of the land is practically virgin territory, and has never before been worked.

As far as can be ascertained by a study of the neighboring coal lands, the tract is supposed to contain about one and a quarter million tons. The members of the company are: M. J. Kelly, E. A. Bartl, David M. Reilly, Michael Grimes and M. F. Sando.

A temporary organization was effected at a meeting held about ten days ago, when Mr. Reilly was elected president, Mr. Sando secretary and Mr. Kelly treasurer. The company is capitalized at \$100,000. The charter is expected to arrive here about Saturday, Sept. 29, but it is doubtful if a permanent organization will be started before the first of the year. Active operations will begin immediately after this move.

Special Examinations.

For some time it has been the practice on the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western rallroad to require an examination of the eye-sight and hearing of all persons wishing to enter the company's service, and also of examining the present employes.

In order to bring about a more rapid conclusion of these physical inspections, special car No. 503 has been fitted up, in which these examinations will now be held. The car will be placed on a convenient track to the passenger station and Dr. G. D. Murray will be in charge of it during the next few days, commencing at 1.30 o'clock this afternoon.

Lackawanna trainmen were yesterday acquainted with this action by a bulletin issued by Superintendent E. M. Rine, and all conductors, baggagemen, brakemen, drill masters and dril men are asked to report at the car as soon as possible.

Annual Convention.

Considerable comment is being aroused in labor circles by the annual convention of the United Mine Workers of America of District No. 1, which will be held next month.

ville and the session will be opened on Jan. 14 and continue several days. will be presided over by President A number of important matters to the men of the district will come up for action.

Finishing the Pays.

The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company has now completed the work of paying at the mines, yards and shops, and there will be no more work for the paymaster until Saturday, when the trainmen will be paid This month's Lackawanna pay roll was a large one, the ten per cent increase at the mines causing it to assume far larger proportions than of

O. and W. Officials Have Gone.

The officials of the New York, Ontario and Western Railroad company who were in the city during Monday and Tuesday, all left the city Tuesday afternoon and vesterday morning. Vice President Kerr being one of the

It is now announced that their visit was in the nature of a general inspection of the company's coal mines. As yesterday stated in The Tribune, Superintendent R. B. Williams and the out-of-the-city officials visited the Mt Pleasant colliery Tuesday morning. The Pine Brook, Capouse, Throop, Raymond at Archbald, Johnson a Priceburg, and Pancoast, were among other of the mines inspected.

Laborers Go on Strike.

Fifteen laborers at the Bliss colllery at Nanticoke will stop work today, as a result of a refusal of the miners whom they depend on for wages, to grant them the ten per cent increase. President Nicholls, of District No. 1, held a meeting of the colliery's miners last night at Nanticoke to take action regarding the matter. and all the miners present agreed to give their laborers the increase

The mine is operated by the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Rullroad company, and the ten per cent increase is in effect, as at the company's other collieries. The laborers are not paid by the company, but receive their wages direct from the min-

A few of the gangway miners, however, claim that they are not favored with a regular ten per cent. increase, and therefore refused to pay the men. Their increase consists in seven and a half per cent, off of the price of powder and a two and a half reduction on other supplies. The laborers will not return to work till they receive the December increase and a promise of continuance.

President Nicholls is in hopes of soon settling the trouble. The flaring reports which have appeared concerning the Lackawanna granting the increase at the Bliss. Taylor and several West Scranton mines, are without foundation.

Trouble at Edwardsville.

The condition of affairs at the Kingston Coal company's mines at Edwardsville is at present in a very disagreeable state. The company has been given specific notice that unless Foreman Thomas Morgan is removed by Decem ber 15, 1990, and several other griev-

ances adjusted, the men will

There are between fifteen hundred and two thousand men at the company's large breakers, and from present indications it looks as though they will go on a strike, as the company is obdurate and refuses to remove Morgan until he has been legally convicted of the charges against him. He is an outside foreman, and the employes claim that he has been guilty of extorting money from men who applied to him for work, and also of obtaining money from miners, by threatening them with dismissal unless his demands were complied with.

A hearing in the case was recently held before several of the company officials, at which a number of miners testifled against Morgan. Another of the miners' grievances is the fact that the company insists on nine inches topping at their collieries, while other mines only ask for six inches. Another of the men's complaints is that the Kingston authorities refuse to announce whether or not they will pay by the semimonthly system during the coming year, as will be done by most of the ompanies after January 1. The men at the mines all desire this.

Today's D., L. & W. Board. Today's D., L. and W. board is as

> Wednesday, Dec. 12. WILD CATS EAST.

S.00 p. m.—C. Hartholomev 10.30 p. m.—H. T. Fellows. 11.30 p. m.—J. Swarts.

WILD CATS EAST.

Thursday, Dec. 13,

12.30 a. m.—P. Gilligan.
3.60 a. m.—O. Randolph.
4.00 a. m.—R. Castner.
5.00 a. m.—T. Nauman.
6.00 a. m.—J. A. Bush.
9.00 a. m.—J. Gerrity.
10.00 a. m.—J. Gerrity.
11.30 a. m.—P. Cavanaugh.
1.00 p. m.—H. J. Larkin.
2.00 p. m.—E. M. Hallett.
3.45 p. m.—F. D. Secor.
4.45 p. m.—W. A. Bartholomew.

SUMMITS, ETC. 5.00 a. m., east—E. McAllister.
2.00 p. m., east—E. McAllister.
6.00 p. m., east—H. Gilligan.
6.00 a. m., west—G. Frounfelker.
9.00 a. m., west—W. H. Nichols.
12.00 noon, west—J. Carrigg.
7.00 p. m., west from Cayuga—McLane.
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8,60 a. m.—Houser. 11,30 a. m.—Moran. 7,00 p. m.—Murphy. 9,00 p. m.—A. H. Rowe. PASSENGER ENGINES.

7.00 a. m.—Gaffney. 7.00 a. m.—O. Case. 5.30 p. m.—Stanton. 7.00 p. m.—Magovern. WILD CATS WEST

4.00 a. m.—C. W. Dunn. 5.00 a. m.—T. J. Thompson 6.00 a. m.—T. Fitzpatrick. 7.00 a. m .-- W. Kirby, with A.

7.00 a. m.—W. Kirby, with A. G. Hammmen.
8.00 a. m.—John Gahagan,
9.00 a. m.—J. O'Hara.
11.00 a. m.—J. I. McCann.
12.00 noon—T. McCarthy.
1.00 p. m.—W. LaBarr.
2.00 p. m.—G. W. Smith.
3.00 p. m.—A. F. Mullin.
4.00 p. m.—O. W. Fitzgerald.
5.00 p. m.—G. Thomas, with Rogers' men.
6.00 p. m.—H. Smith.

This and That.

General Superintendent T. M. Clarke, of the Lackawanna, left for New York city Tuesday night.

Superintendent Dudgeon, of the Lackawanna, has issued two bulletin orders from Buffalo. In one of them the speed of trains over bridge No. 13, west of Nichols, is increased to twenty-five miles an hour. miles an hour ever bridge No. 11, one quarter of a mile east of Nichols. As a result of the recent conferen between the freight departments of the Central Railroad of New Jerse; and the New York, Ontario and West ern company, a report has now been drawn up regarding the present con dition of the movement of the traffic This will be immediately forwarded to the companies' transportation de-

partments. Superintendent Loomis, of the Lack awanna coal department, has accepted the resignation of William Penn Morgan from the position of foreman of the Diamond mine of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company, to go into effect Saturday. There are sev eral candidates for the place, and it is probable that Mr. Morgan's successor will be today named by Super-

intendent Loomis. All of the machinery has been removed from the Weston Mill property on Lackawanna avenue, now owned by the Delaware and Hudson com-pany, and everything is in readiness for the work of tearing down the present structure, and beginning the construction of the company's new frieght station. It is not likely that any ac tive steps will be taken, however, be fore Jan. 1, 1901.

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