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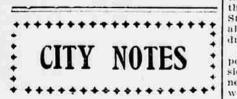


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BEST IN TOWN.





AT ORAL SCHOOL .- The Christmas exerci of the Pennsylvania Oral school will be held this evening at 7.30 p. m.

CHILD DIFD SUDDENLY .- Coroner Roberts was notified yesterday of the death of a child in Olyphant without medical attendance. The case will be investigated today.

BROKE A WINDOW,-John Riiney was Satur day night arrested on Penn avenue by Patrolman Karius on the charge of breaking a window at Smith's eight store. He was yesterday fined \$10.

A V BOWER CHOSEN - Attorney A A Bower was on Saturday elected trustee at a meeting of the creditors of S. L. Gallen, bankrupt, held in the office or Referee in Bankruptcy Van Wormer.

LEG CRUSHED .- John Scharf, of 922 Map street, was yesterday taken to the Moses Taylor Lospital with one of his legs badly crushed. He is employed at the blast furnace and was someezed between the bumpers of cars.

RODE FREE .- Ten or eleven passengers one of the special Petersburg cars run yesterday, managed to ride from Prescott avenue to Lackawanna avenue free of charge last evening. They bounded the car in Petersburg, paid their faces, and when they reached Lackawanna avenue demanded transfers. There being no cars to trans fer them to, the conductor was unable to accede to their demands, whereat the passengers clam-ored loudly for their rights and at last had their

VACANCIES IN THE

Captains Bevan, of K. and Burkhouse, of C, Resign-Captain

Stokes May Follow.

There are two captaincies in the Thirteenth regiment vacant, with the prospect of a third during the present

The captains who have resigned are Captain Eurson W. Bevan, of Company K, and Captain Edward H. Burkhouse, of Company C. Their resignations were handed in during the past week, and were accepted with much regret by Colone! Watres because both young men have been cap-

able and efficient officers. The reason assigned for the resigintions in both instances was that the

duties of the position interfered too much with their business offairs. The hird resignation, which is expected this week, is that of Captain Fremont Stokes, of Company F, who is generally conceded to be one of the best drillmasters in the guard.

Captain Stokes was recently appointed superintendent of the Hillside Coal and Iron company's mine near Pittston, and has within the past week moved to that city and will make his future home there. Those in a position to know say that his resignation will be forthcoming within the

next few days. It is generally conceded that First Lieutenant Milton O'Connell, of Combany K, will be elected to succeed Captain Bevan at the election, which s to be held on January 5 in the armory, and that Second Lieutenant Isaac Brown will be made first lieutenant. Just who will be elected second licu-

tenant is an open question. The date for the election to fill the vacancy in Company C has not yet been fixed, but it is almost certain that when it is held First Lieutenant Joseph Helriegel will be elected to fill the vacancy caused by Captain Burkhouse's resignation.

If Captain Stokes resigns First Lieu enant George C. Merriam will in all probability he chosen in his place Lieutenant Merriam was up to a few arrive at 10 o'clock." A crowd of the ago inspector of rifle practice but resigned this position to accept the first lieutenancy of Company F. to which he was elected unanimously If he is chosen captain, Second Lieu tenant Henshaw will probably be raised to the first lieutenancy, and First Sergeant Derby to the second lieutenancy. The spring inspections will be commenced by Major W. S. Millar, in-spector of the Third brigade, in February. The Thirteenth regiment is the will conduct their second annual Caristmas social at Y. M. J. hall tomorrow evening. Professor M. F. Culkin, John Walsh and James J. Marion will direct the dance and Miss Kate Reardon the doughty major looks up and down the company lines.



[Concluded from Page 1.] same dividends as the stockholders. their wages, whatever they may be,

representing the capital on which they draw dividends. If a man receives wages of \$700 a year he gets a dividend check every three months equivalent to that which a stockholder would get on \$700 capital. It is our intention to put that plan in operation here as soon as conditions warrant it. This strike will not, to say the least, help to hasten the conditions

that will warrant it. The men have acted hastily, and I sincerely regret it. We must operate our road, however, and if we cannot do it with the old men, we will of course have to get new ones." General Manager*Silliman spoke in

the same strain. He said further that the company will have cars running this morning, and will add to their number right along until the full equipment is in motion. Mr. Silliman also said that if the statements contained in his letter are

brought into question, he is satisfied to have The Tribune designate a competent accountant to examine the company's books and make a public statement as to whether or not the allegations contained in the company's

answer are correct. He also invites investigation of his statement as to how the wages paid here compares favorably with those in

States. In Philadelphia the old men receive eighteen cents an hour, he says. In Scranton they receive only a fraction of a cent less. This, the company believes, is fairly liberal, when the difference in size and wealth of the

the public:

public is fairly acquainted with the long hours we have been compelled to work and the measure

work was taken only after a full, free and thor-ough discussion and exhaustive efforts to secure an amicable settlement of our differences with ur employers. We deprecate the failure of our efforts to reach a satisfactory understanding with the Traction company, which fact forced us into

We are fully cognizant that the suspension of traffic on the street cars will somewhat harass business and we delayed any action that would interfere with the business of the city mer-chants to the last possible moment, out of collideration for them and the shopping pubin

taining public sympathy and the union em-phasizes its determination to conduct the union from Forest City to Pittston are unanimous in the demand submitted to our employers and ermined to remain idle until satisfactory cone

be our reward. Executive committee Division 168 Amalgamated Association Street Railway Employes. MEN FROM PHILADELPHIA.

The report that men were being re-

ruited in Philadelphia to take the trikers' places grew by night time to the dimensions of "a special train load on the Delaware and Hudson to

and crews made up of foremen, dis-patchers, chief clerks and the like. SPOKE ABOUT manned the cars. Very few passengers were carried despite the rain and not infrequently a car made a round without taking up a single fare. Not even the semblance of any in-

terference was noticed. The strikers did not begin to gather until late in the afternoon, and then they assem bled at the headquarters of the United Mine Workers, 215 Lackawanna avenue, "to talk things over," as one of them put it.

Men were sent out to watch the cars that were running and note the passengers. A committee was appointed to have cards printed for distribution at the hotels and railroad stations, giving notice of the strike to the strangers and requesting them not to ride on the cars. Other men were detailed to the several stations to watch for the coming of a crowd of Phila delphia men, who, it was reported, the

company had secured to take their places. The report was given color discovery that bunks were by the being fitted up in the company's general offices on Lackawanna avenue, ents, 13% Marion street. THE CORRESPONDENCE.

The correspondence which passed between the men and the company is contained in the answer presented by General Manager Silliman, Saturday:

eral Manager Silliman, Saturday: eral Manager Silliman, Saturday: Scranton, Pa., Dec. 21, 1900. J. P. Collins, P. W. Breen, M. J. Barrett, P. J. Shea, P. J. Tigue, committee, and to the employes of the Scranton Railway Company. The above-named committee presented to me on Dec. 12 the following polition: Mr. Frack Silliman, Jr., Grneral Manger Scran-ton Railway company, Scranton, Pa. Dear Siri-As a committee representing all the motormen and conductors in your employ, we have been instructed to present to you a state-ment of our grivances, and request that you give it your earnest consideration. We contend that our hours of labor per day are too many on account of the arduous and constant duty and responsibility of our positions. We feel that we are justified in asking that the hours be re-duced from 12 to 10 per day, because of general prosperity, and -because laboring men in all branches have recently been granted increased wages and reduced hours of labor, while we have not been advanced whatever. We claim that on account of our long hours of labor, we have not sufficient time for proper rest and referred hours confistion mentally and socially, and that while a great body of work-men in our country are receiving the bonks of an Schour day, we are compelled to work one and a halt times that number of hours per day. We believe that the large amount of busines and increased carings, criables the company to grant us better conditions than we now work under. my daughter. She was very dear to us, and her death has been a great trouble. It may appear strange for me to preach the funeral sermon for my departed child, but she is the uppermost thought in my mind and no one knew her as well as we did. for seventeen years and a half, during which time she was a great comfort in the home, for her life both illumined and garnished the domes-tic circle. We never knew her worth and many excellencies before the Lord of Life took her to heaven, as we do now. The text which we have appropriated very fi

said by us in relation to the one whose untimel death we mourn, for her advent among us, her sojourn with us, and he departure from us, are nder. Following are the amendments we request that te us subjects of sacred interest.

you make; 1.--A 10-hour day, 2.--All conductors and motormen in the em-

2.—All conductors and motormen in the employ of the Scranton Railway comparing for one (1) year or over, 20 cents per hour.
3.—For new men: First three month, 15 cents per hour; second three month, 16 cents per hour; third three months, 17 cents per hour; fourth three months, 18 cents per hour. All harn employes shall receive 15 cents per hour.
Barn men employed by the company six months or nore shall receive 15 cents per hour.

Barn men employed by the company six months or more shall receive 1745 cents per hour, and when working with a helper shall receive 29 cents per hour. Men employed in the machize shop on the floor shall receive 175ge, per hour, and when employed on floor and lathe shall re-ceive 29 cents per hour, after one year. Ten hours shall constitute a day's work. This scale is to prevail on all lines operating betwee Earcet (fity and Putston, We respectively ask an answer to this com-munication by Monday next, Dec, 17th, Respectfully yours,

Respectfully J. P. COLLINS, P. W. BREEN, I. BARRETT.

P. J. SHEA, P. J. TIGUE, Committee

The management of the company has given this petition the careful consideration which it merits with the idea of presenting to you clear-ly and fairly the actual conditions which must determine the answer of the company at the meant the She then became a teacher in our Sunday school, where she had a class of seventeen boys, for whose benefit she labored with prayerful delight. She was greatly elated when a present time. In regard to conditions and hours of employwas presented to the class for good conduct, and

was presented to the class for good conduct, and devoutly thankful when it was read out by the secretary before the whole school, time after time, that "Miss Hughes had a perfect class." Some of those decar boys are present this evening and I want to tell them that their late teacher In regard to conditions and hours of employ-ment, the company wishes at all times, in the future as in the past, to do everything in its power, consistent with the requirements of its service to the public, to improve such conditions by shortening the hours, or otherwise, and is ready at any time to coasider practical sugges-tions which are favored by a majority of the motormen and conductors. We would call your attention, however, to the fact that your hours



of considerable interest, and this can be truly Schimpff, the Jeweler,

sation, for the one implies the other.

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Has much to show you in the Gift li e-more than you'll see in most other stores. Not only more, but something "different"-novelties that appeal to you, because of their novelty.

That's the name. You've heard it a good many times-

most every time in fact, when jewelry is the topic of conver

Dr. Reyer, Dentist

514 Spruce St., Opp. Court House.

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Has everything going in the jewelry line. Think of what you want; it's there. Prices, too, are less than you think, when you consider that no matter what you buy, quality v apparent.

than she had ever been, Since our arrival here she joined the church, 317 Lackawanna Avenue. and from that time to the day of her death she was deeply interested in Christian work. She

Set of Teeth \$5

All work guaranteed for 10 years. Call and have your teeth examined free of charge. Satisfaction or no pay.



the surrounding citles of Wilkes-Barre, Hazleton or the citles of Scranton's size throughout the United

two cities is concerned. The men had a meeting last night,

and framed the following statement to To the Public The Scranton street car men feel that the

compensation the Traction company's employes Our decision Sunday morning to discontinu

strike.

generally. We appreciate the necessity of having and re-

every workman has discontinued work and is desions are made to the workmen. The appeal to all friends and sympathizers to give us their moral support and feel confident that victory will

ide of the present struggle without any overt or lawless action on the part of any member of our union. The employes of the entire system

THE PRINTERS' BALL. The annual dance of Scranton Typographical union, No. 112, will be held New Year's eve at Music hall and every tleket purchaser is entitled to a chance on a \$10 gold piece which will be given away.

DIVORCE SUIT BEGUN .-- Laura Hansen, by he next friend, B. K. Nyce, begun on Saturday a suit in divorce against her bushand, Ferdinand Hansen, She charges him with desertion. The couple were married in September, 1943, and ived together until March, 1898,

CHRISTMAS DANCE .- The Elite Dancing class will play the piano accompaniments.

THE WEEK'S CLEARINGS, The clearings to the last week, as reported by the Scranton Clea The last week, as reported by the Scratton Clear-ing House association, were as follows: Monday, 8331,004.23; Tuesday, 8263,019,83; Wednesday, 8177,560,63; Thursday, 8251,570,50; Friday, 82,8,-971,98; Saturday, 8196,605,12; total, 81,661,029,99.

MULE STRUCK WITH ANE. - Engene Masters, of Avoca, was held in \$300 bail by Alderman Millar, SaYturday, on the charge of cruelty to animals. He works in shaft No. 13 of the Pennsylvania Coal company and is accused of striking one of the mine mules with an axe, catting a big gash in its side.

NEW YEAR'S RECEPTION. The managers and secretaries of the Central Young Women's Christian association will receive the friends of the association on New Year's day from 6,30 ; 10 p. m. Gymnastic drill from 7 to 8 and music from 8 to 10. The cooking school will be open for inspection and Miss Smith and some of he pupils will receive

RESISTED ARREST.-Patrick O'Brien created disturbance on Linden street Saturday night and flercely resisted Special Officer Terwilliger, who tried to arrest him. With the aid of Pa-trolman Goerlitz, he was seen subdued and was yesterday morning fined \$3. John Thornton, who put up a stubborn fight when arrested on South Vashington avenue by Patrolmen Walsh and Feeney, was fined \$5.

CHRISTMAS EXERCISES .- The Christmas relies of the Elm Park Sunday school will be held Christmas night at 7 o'clock in the main auditorium. The programme is of unusual ex-cellence. Gifts will be distributed to the memters of the school. At each entrance of the church there will be persons stationed who will receive gifts for the Florence Crittenton Mission and every person is expected to bring some gift.

CASE DISMISSED .-- Patrolinan M. J. Walsh Was on Satisfy the assault and battery by idiar, charged with assault and battery by idward F. Rush, of 258 Railroad avenue. The **affair** grew out of a dispute at last Tuesday's special election in the Eighteenth ward, when Mr. Rush's brother, William, was elected com-



Scranton Postoffice. Order No. 51.

Christmas Day, December 25, 1500 will be observed at this office as follows:

Carriers will make on delivery in morning General delivery and stamp windows will be open from 9 a. m. to 12 noon. Registry and money order window will remain closed all day.

Collection from street letter boxes will be made as follows:

On Main avenue, between West Lackawanna avenue and Washburr street; also West Lackawanna avenue and Lackawanna avenue to Adams

avenue. Adams avenue to Mulberry street, Mulberry street to Franklin avenue, and all boxes between these points, will be made at 1 p. m. The usual evening collections will also be made. This order of business will also b observed for New Year's Day, January

1, 1901. Ezra H. Ripple, Postmaster.

Newest Calendars. Reynolds Bros.

For Sale.

Two heavy and one light delivery wagons: one buggy pole; cash register; two pipe-cutting machines; one four horse-power engine: \$1,500 worth gas fixtures and supplies; \$2,500 plumbers' and steam-fitters' supplies, and one

two-seated open wagon. Hunt & Connell. Sterling Desk Blotters, Reynolds Bros.

Clear Havana Cigars.

20,000 imported and Key West cigars at New York prices for hox trade. O'Hara's cigar store, 431 Spruce street.

Mounted Pocketbooks, Reynolds Bros ment of comfort. Then, wonder

Cigars by the Box.

Standard brands. 12 or 25 in a box for \$1.00 or more at O'Hara's cigar store, 431 Spruce street. Fancy Leather Bags, Reynolds Bros. Mounted fountain pens. Reynolds Bros

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup

HIS. WHISTOW'S SOOTHING SYTUP Has been used for over FIFTY YEARS by MILLIONS of MOTHERS for their CHILDREN WHILE TEETHING, with PERFECT SUCCESS. It SOOTHES the CHILD, SOFTENS the GUNS, ALLAYS all PAIN; CURES WIND COLIC, and is the beat remedy for DIARBHOEA. Sold by Druggists in every part of the world. Be sure and tak for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind. Twenty-five rents a bottle.

strikers was at the depot to turn them back, if possible, but the report proved erroneous. Business men are very much per-

plexed over the blow that the strike will deal to their holiday trade, particularly today. Some of the bigger houses were yesterday trying to arrange for busses to run specially from Dunmore, Providence, South Scranton and West Scranton to their stores. Atherton's and Archbald's liveries in Providence ran wagons from the "corners" to Lackawanna avenue during the day and up to midnight.

A committee of the Wilkes-Barro street car men came up yesterday to find out what the Scranton men did and proposed to do today. They said that the Luzerne county men would very likely go out on Thursday. Pottsville men are also threatening strike. NUMBER ON STRIKE.

On Thursday the company discharged from its service P. W. Breen, one of the members of the grievance committee. This furnished the pro-strike element a strong weapon and they wielded it with effectiveness.

The discussion on the company's answer continued from 2 o'clock until nearly 4.30, and shortly after this latter hour the announcement was made that the strike was ordered. The men left the hall cheering and in many other ways indicating enthusiasm.

The number of men on strike is 300. The membership of the union is 278. The company operates sixty-five miles of track in a territory thirty miles long, and ordinarily runs between

seventy-five and ninety cars. It owns all street car lines between Pittston and Forest City, including that of the Carbondale Railway company, which was bought at a receiver's sale, March 1, 1900.

Only two cars, Nos. 110 and 156, were run yesterday. They were taken out of the Linden street barn at 10.55 a. m. and from that time until 5.30 p. m. when darkness set in, they made irregular trips on various of the Scranton lines. Superintendent Patterson

The "lfs"

A short name, but a very busy family. They're also very numerous, scarcely a community being without many of its members. And any attempted progress or improvement must pass their criticising or foreboding cavil. Strange it is, yet true; that hundreds of well-meaning folks allow "IF" ideas to influence their action and delay the enjoy-

why their circumstances never change. "If-I knew it would pay. Ifsaving were easier than spending. If-1 were certain of living. If-wages were higher. If-noth-

ing seemed to hinder. If-, If-" Think of it! Were it possible for such people to save and still spend-to "eat their cake and yet keep it," all imagined difficulties would disappear. But shrewd savers long since learned the fol-

ly of such logic, and will smilesure. Savings Department TRADERS NATIONAL BANK Cor. Wyoming and Spruce

hopes to meet them all in heaven. Then, again, she joined the choir, and did motormen and conductors. We would call your attention, however, to the fact that your hours of labor are less than on other street raliways in this locality and that you are paid for more time than you actually work, full pay being given for meal times, which aver 33.07 minutes in every twelve hours. In regard to wages, the information on which you based your remeat for an advance is not what she could to assist in leading the praises of God at the services held here for public wor ship. She was very deeply interested in this branch of

er work. Her sincere desire was to see efficient choir leading in reverent song the praises of Jehovah in this chapel.

Turning to the choir, Dr. Hughes said:

HER FUNERAL SERMON.

for the occasion.

We thank God for having spared her to us

tingly illustrates her existence in this world and especially in our family, for we can truly

say that her sun went down while it was yet day

and the setting of the sun, are, to many, them

HER LIFE ILLUMINED.

Her life and death have not been like an an

ow cleaving the air, the course of whose flight

was immediately obliterated by the closing up of the atmosphere, but more like the shining

sun, which guilds while it illuminates, and whose silvery sheen is seen after it has passed

Miss Gwen, as we affectionately called her, was born in England, but when four years of age

we took her with us to South Africa, where we lived and labored for ten years, during which

ime we buried three younger children, and th

oved one we speak of tonight was languishing

We returned to England, where we traveled fo

twelve months in quest of domestic health. We then came to America, where her health im-

proved considerably, and she became more robus

became an active member of the Christian En-deavor society and was chairman of one of the committees at the time of her demise.

The rising of the sun, the shining of the sun,

fect:

the horizon.

LOVED THEM ALL.

In regard to wages, the information on which you based your request for an advance is not correct. The facts are as follows: Early in 1900, the company, anticipating a prosperous year, voluntarity offered its employes, on the Scranton division, extra compensations, which, from Feb. 1 to bee, 1, amounted to an aver-age in crease in wages of 5 27-100 per cent. In-stead of having a prosperous year, there was a heavy loss in earnings to the company, on ac-count of the coal strike and the interruption to traffle due to the paying of providence road and for these and other causes there was a large in-crease in expenses, so that instead of a fair increase, as anticipated, the surplus carnings over operating expenses, inferest and taxes for the eleven months ending Nov. 30, 1000, were 40 per cent, less than during the same months of My friends, she loved you all, and I am sure it would increase her felicity in the realms of lory to learn that you continue faithful to the Master. She was' always delighted to be with you, and I am persuaded she is looking forward to the time when she will have the opportunity to give you a cordial greeting in that better land

Much of her time was spent in song. Many er cent, less than during the same months sweet pieces of music she composed, and oft did she make the home resonant with sacred melody.

The very last thing she played on her plane was "Glory to God in the Highest" and the and the very next hymn she intended singing here alone, or with Mr. Rankin, the leader of the choir, was that beautiful hymn, "Only Remembered by What I Have Done "

I am thankful to God that by divine help she did many things that will keep her memory green and fragrant for many years to come. We never had any difficulty in getting her to

over operating expenses, interest and taxes for the cleven months ending Nov. 39, 1900, were 40 per cent, less than during the same months of the previous year. A street railway company cannot collow the existom of other kinds of busi-ness and of steam railroads and increase its prices to its patrons during prosperous times. The fare remains at 5 cents, notwithstanding the fact that the company must pay higher prices for all of the materials and supplies which it bays. On the other hand, your wages are not reduced during hard times, as evidenced during the years 1833 to 1897, throughout which years you had steady comployment at full wages. The first and only dividend ever made to the stockholders was paid on Sept. 1, 1900, and amounted to only 1 per cent, so that the em-ployes certainly received a fair share of what-ever prosperity the company enjoyed in 1900. The alvance in wages made last February and the dividend of Sept. 1, 1900, would not have been made if the management could have an-ticipated the unsatisfactory earnings of the past year. In addition to the above, the employes of the Carbondale Railway company, were im-mediately raised to the same scale of wages as stild in Scranton, when the operation of that division, although the earnings of that division have shown a steady decreas. The wares now paid are higher than is paid on other roads in this locality, and as high or higher than in most cities of the United States, of the size of Scranton. Conductors and motor-men who have been with the commany four years or more, and there are 40 per cent, of the whole number, are paid higher wages than in other similar eities. During the coming year the company will suffer a large loss in earnings during the construction of the Provi-dence road paving. It is impossible to estimate this, but the company cannot expect any in-crease in profits until these and other needed improvements are completion. attend church. Whenever this place was open for worship, she was here, and when here, I believe, she conducted herself with that sacred decorum which becomes the House of God. Her parents have never had occasion to rebuke her, for either neglect of the House of God, or for anything like levity or misdemeanor while there. She was a great comfort to us on this account. She was endowed with a sensitive nature and a generous heart. Anything in shape of cruelty even to dunib animals would cause her to shee She would not allow any poor person to go

from the door without trying to render some as-sistance. She has received the blessing of the poor many times, which she cherished as in perishable garlands. While she had fully recovered from the frailty

which she had contracted in South Africa, and which burdened her life for many years, and while her Christian usefulness was increasing daily, it was then when our hopes and expecta-tions were the brightest, it was then that fatal shaft was hurled by an invisible hand, and the soul of the dear one mounted up on high. "Her sun weat down while it was yet day." But we should remember that the setting of the sun is often as glorious, as the rising of the

same. It not only guilds the horizon with amber same. It not only guints the norizon with amber and gold, but it seems to invite the mind to follow it through the resplendent vista through which it has passed. Such was the departure of this sweet young saint.

Her death was almost painless and her end was as a summer evening. Her sun went down early, but the light of her life will linger long among us. As when the great luminary of the beavens bids good night to the world, the win-dows are not immediately darkened, so with our beloved daughter, though she has passed the horizon and gone far across the border land, the light of her life still lingers with us, for "though dead she yet speaketh."

WILL NOT FORGET HER.

Her place in the Sunday school will be taken by another, but the dear boys she taught will not soon forget her. The chair she occupied in the choir will be filled by another, but the young people who blended their voices with her's in praising God will remember dear Gwen for many

long years to come. The home which she adorned and cheered may have to experience other violent changes, but the sweet memory of Mary Gwendolen will never fade, for it is enshrined in the heart of the houseered. We note the committee's request that our re-ply should be made through the committee and not by personal notification. We think, on fur-ther consideration, you will agree with us that as this is a matter which concerns all of our employes, that each one should be notified of our answer. hold.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Stockholm, Dec. 23.—The condition of Prince Oscar, duke of Scanic, eldest son of the crown prince of Sweden and Norway, who has been seriously ill, is now much improved. the chapel, and those who did not worship there for their many kindnesses to Mrs. Hughes and himself in their sacred sorrow.



you, as the saying runs, and you know the give is always blessed. We have about a thousan loft, and the choicest and daintiest designs-Box Papers, Stationery Sets, Fountain Pens, Ink Stands, Leather Goods,

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this, but the company cannot expect any increase in profits until these and other needed improvements are completed. The management desires to state positively and frankly its policy that its employes shall share with the stockholders in the profits of the company and toat it will be prepared to consider an increase in wages whenever the conditions warrant s. You can rely absolutely on the good faith of the management in this matter. The wages which you ask for would amount to an average advance of 25 8-10 per cent, over the company to pay such rates, even in the most prosperous times. Under present conditions, the company would not earn the interest on its boulds and taxes, were such rates in force, and operation on such a basis would force it into bankruptey. In view of the facts stated above, you will appreciate that any advance make at the present conditions, the company and to say that the management desires to continue the good relations and mutual confidence which have always existed between the company and, as the model relations and mutual confidence when the act is again considered by the company and reast for any second relations and mutual confidence when the good relations when a the share the management desires to continue the good relations and mutual confidence when the good relations when a the share the management desires to continue the good relations and trusts that this matter will receive from you the same care hal and conservative consideration whica it has bad from the company. We would urge upon you the desirability of a full attendance of our employed. The desirability of a full attendance of our employed to the committee's request that our re-

SCRANTON RAILWAY COMPANY. By FRANK SILLIMAN, JR., General Manager.

Prince Oscar's Condition.