

Dr. Wadsworth on Lecture Tour.

The following clipping was taken from last Thursday's issue of the Miners' Journal of Pottsville, Pa.

"The P. & R. Coal and Iron Co. lecture at the old Methodist church, Second street, last night, was heard by one of the largest audiences of the season. Fully 800 men, most of them employees of the Company, were in attendance, and the closest attention was given Prof. M. E. Wadsworth of State College, whose subject was, "Some of Our Common Minerals and Rocks." Prof. Wadsworth has made a life-long study of minerals and geology, and is at the head of the Mining Department at The Pennsylvania State College, which is in a most flourishing condition. The Professor's talk was an interesting and instructive one, especially to those who are dealing with similar minerals in their general line of work."

The speaker began by discussing in general our most common minerals, stating the practical uses of each. He did not confine his talk to such as were found in this State, but embraced in his lecture the most common of those of our county.

The Professor told how to distinguish gold and copper pyrites from each other and from other minerals of like appearance. Copper and silver were next treated and the distinguishing qualities of each fully discussed. Lead ores were also treated. It was next shown how quartz and diamonds can be discriminated.

Prof. Wadsworth's lecture was illustrated by stereoptican views under the direction of Gilbert Bretz, who has conducted this feature at every lecture. The excellent views greatly aided the Professor in a clear demonstration of the points under discussion." Similar items appeared in the Tamaqua, Ashland, Shamokin and Reading papers.

General Beaver is accompanying

Dr. Wadsworth on this instructive tour through the coal regions, and beneficial results are expected for the Mining Department of our College.

Foot Ball Changes.

Last Saturday, the Intercollegiate Football Rules Committee met at New York for further discussion of football rules. One of the changes decided upon was the shortening of halves from 35 to 30 minutes, and providing for an intermission of 10 minutes. The report of a sub-committee on a central board of officials was received and discussed. It was voted to recommend the adoption of a plan providing for the appointment of central boards in different sections of the country in order to introduce the new system. The sub-committee was instructed to get opinions from the best known officials in the country as to the best methods of carrying out the proposed idea, and to submit plans for the same at the next meeting, set for March 30.

"Holding—The players of the side that has possession of the ball shall not hold, block or otherwise obstruct the opponent except with the body. The only allowable use of the arms in blocking or obstructing an opponent is with the arms close to the body. A player running with the ball may ward off an opponent with the hands. The penalty for holding will be a loss of fifteen yards.

"Hurdling in the open field is prohibited; such to consist of jumping over an opponent who is still on his feet. Hurdling through the line is prohibited. Hurdling the line is jumping or attempting to jump over a player on the line of scrimmage with the feet or knees foremost, within the distance of five yards on either side of the point where the ball was snapped.

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