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THE VETERAN CAMPAIGNERS

Palmer and Buckner Address a Large Audience in Baltimore.

AN ELECTORAL TICKET NAMED!

Maryland Gold Democrats Formally Open Their Campaign for the Indianapolis Ticket and Platform—General Buckner Expects to Carry Four States.

BALTIMORE, Sept. 26.—A thoroughly sympathetic audience numbering between 4,000 and 5,000, assembled in Music Hall here last night to greet Generals John M. Palmer of Illinois and Simon B. Buckner of Kentucky...

THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

Proceedings at a Regular Meeting Held Last Night.

A regular monthly meeting of the Board of Health was held last evening with the following members in attendance: Messrs. Spalding, Morrison and Holman.

Patriek Sweetney appeared before the Board and complained that William Kimmel had created a nuisance by erecting a manure bin close to the kitchen door of a house on North West street which Sweetney recently erected. The Health Officer was instructed to inquire into the matter.

Health Officer Conry read his monthly report, showing the abatement of many nuisances. In answer to a question by Mr. Morrison the officer stated that all the nuisances complained of at the last meeting had been abated. The Health Officer again called attention to the nuisance on the Anthony Flynn property in the First ward and asked that the Board visit the place.

The committee on necrology reported that there were 51 deaths in the town since August 28th, as follows: Cholera infantum, 12; diphtheria, 3; congestion of the brain, 1; mine accidents, 2; congestion of lungs, 1; meningitis, 5; convulsions, 2; inflammation of bowels, 1; cancer of colon, 1; marasmus, 3; bronchitis, 1; spasmodic erysipelas, 1; diphtheritic croup, 1; typhoid fever, 1; acute gastritis, 2; gastroenteritis, 1; pneumonia, 4; heart failure, 2; peritonitis, 1; apoplexy, 1; typhoid fever, 1; premature birth, 1. During the month there were 13 cases of contagious diseases as follows: measles, 3; diphtheria, 7; diphtheritic croup, 1; typhoid fever, 2.

At Green's Rialto Cafe. Delicious oyster soup will be served as free lunch on Monday morning. Plenty for everybody. Meals served at all hours.

Fatal Explosion of Mine Gas. POTTSVILLE, Pa., Sept. 25.—An explosion of mine gas occurred at Middle Creek colliery, near Trouton, and five men were seriously burned and otherwise injured. Two of them died after reaching their homes at Blackwood, about two miles from the colliery. The dead are Jasper Newton, Sr., and his son-in-law, John Cosgrove. Both are married and have families. Charles Shoffstall and James Norton, also of Blackwood, are severely burned, and may die during the day. Edward Donmeyer, of Trouton, sustained a fractured collarbone and arm.

Burglars Burn Down a Store. NORRISTOWN, Sept. 24.—The dwelling house and general store of J. U. Hendricks, at Norristown, was burned to the ground early yesterday morning. The fire was discovered by Mr. Hendricks as he was returning home from a lodge meeting in Norristown. Mr. Hendricks' family were sleeping soundly when he reached home, and but for his timely arrival they would have been unable to escape. The suspicion is that the store was entered by robbers, who fired it intentionally, to hide the evidence of robbery.

Australian Cricketers' Great Batting. PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 26.—The Australian cricketers gave the Philadelphians a few pointers in the art of batting yesterday, and before they had been retired the runs had been piled up. It was the hardest and most scientific hitting that has been seen in this country for a long time, and was thoroughly enjoyed by the spectators.

Kendrick House Free Lunch. Cream of tomato soup to-night. Hot lunch on Monday morning.

TRACHER DECLINES. The New York Democratic Politicians Receive Another Shaking Up.

NEW YORK, Sept. 26, 1:19 p. m.—John Boyd Tracher, of Albany, who was nominated for Governor of New York by the Democrats on the 17th inst., and created somewhat of a sensation by announcing that he would vote for Bryan although disapproving of the silver plank in the platform, today announced that he would not accept the nomination for Governor.

Orange Blossoms. George W. Roberts, of St. Clair, and Miss Mary J. Evans, an attractive young lady of Millerton, were joined in wedlock on Wednesday evening, at Trouton. They were attended by Frank Roberts, brother of the groom, and Miss Lydia Evans, the bride's sister. They will make their future home at Pottsville.

A new two-step is eagerly watched for by musicians and dancers. We have a number of new two-steps which will please, at Brann's Jewelry Store.

Wait for Your Piano. Malcolm Love, of the Love Piano Company, New York, was in town yesterday and made arrangements with O'Neill Bros. for a large consignment of these richly toned instruments, which will be shipped here early next month. The reputation of these pianos is well known in this vicinity, as the parlors of many homes are adorned with them. O'Neill Bros. yesterday placed a handsome Pease piano in the home of M. J. Lawlor, which instrument they also represent.

Wanted. At the Factory Shoe Store, a number of boys and girls to give out tickets for beautiful decorated parlor lamps.

Foot Injured. William Melavitski, of East Centre street, had his right foot injured by a fall of coal at the St. Nicholas colliery.

AN INTERESTING DOCUMENT

Twin Shaft Report to be Published in Full.

DETAILS OF THE INVESTIGATION

How the Commission Proceeded With Its Work and Facts Upon Which It Rests the Blame Against the Superintendent. Useful For Future Reference.

The synoptical account of the official report to the Governor on the investigation of the Twin Shaft disaster at Pittston, as given in the newspapers, has occasioned so much interest and discussion that the Board decided to publish the report in full, and through the generous courtesy of Mine Inspector William Stein, of town, secretary of the investigating commission, it has procured a full copy of the report as it was handed to the Governor. The document is one of the most important that has ever been issued in connection with operations in the anthracite field. It is in reality an essay which miners and mine officials will preserve for frequent reference in the future. Owing to its extreme length the publication will be made in two parts. The second installment will appear on Monday.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Sept. 24th, 1896. To His Excellency, Daniel H. Hastings, Governor of the Commonwealth.

SIR:—In obedience to the request of your letter, dated July 1st, 1896, we, the Mine Inspectors of the First, Sixth and Seventh Anthracite Mine Inspection Districts of the State, in company with Hon. Henry C. McCormick, Attorney General, met at the Twin Shaft, Pittston, on the 6th day of July, 1896, and consulted together as to the method of making our examinations and investigations which would best comply with your request, as well as aid us in determining the cause of the sad disaster that occurred on the morning of June 28th, 1896, whereby fifty-eight lives were lost. At our preliminary consultation with the Attorney General we agreed that we should first inspect the colliery map; second, make an examination of the underground workings of the colliery; third, visit the neighborhood, Clear Spring colliery; fourth, travel over the lands known as the "Bank Farm" or "Flats"; and fifth, hear all witnesses who would voluntarily come before the commission to testify as to what they know of the condition of the Twin Shaft colliery prior to and at the time the extensive cave-in occurred.

On the evening of July 5th the commission was interviewed by a number of the citizens of Pittston, who wished to know whether our work was to be conducted privately, as they had been told. We notified them that their information was incorrect, assuring them that, on the contrary, the investigation would be conducted in public, and also that they could be represented by attorneys if they so desired.

Fully realizing the importance of the work assigned to us by you, as Chief Executive of the State, we have sought all information in question, and have the honor now to submit to you the result of our labors.

On July 6, 1896, we examined the maps of the colliery furnished for our inspection by the colliery owners, which maps accompany this report. These were offered in evidence and were sworn to be correct by Mr. David C. Davis, Mining Engineer for the Newton Colliery Company, and were verified and sworn to by Mr. William Siley, Mining Engineer for the Lehigh Valley Coal Company. We noted the general plan of the colliery, as represented by the maps, and the relative positions of the main avenues to the shaft, especially those close to where the unfortunate men were said to have been at the time a large area of the overlying strata was crushed down. We had a conference with the surviving officials, with a view of ascertaining the magnitude of the cave-in, which could only be approximated by those who were most intimate with the colliery workings. We then descended the shaft and for several hours inspected all accessible openings of the underground workings, but the fallen debris prevented us from getting far from the bottom of the shaft in any direction. We found men at work, propping, cribbing and otherwise attempting to arrest the squeeze from further approaching the shaft.

We next visited No. 3 slope, the head of which is in a westerly direction from the bottom of the shaft, as shown on the map. We traveled down this opening to where men were at work cutting through the fallen material to reach the entombed men. The coal pillars all along No. 3 slope were crushed to pieces, and every precaution was being taken to strengthen and maintain this avenue to the rear of the working force by extra relief timbering, so as to make the retreat to the bottom of the shaft as safe and permanent as possible. At intervals also men were stationed to prevent any one from inadvertently getting where danger existed from whatever cause, especially from explosive gas, as it was known that a large body of standing gas was in front and on either side of No. 3 slope. We proved this fact by entering an opening east from the head of No. 3 slope, where we tested with a safety lamp the return air-current and found it to be an explosive mixture. We noted the character of the rock measures immediately overlying No. 6 vein, which is a very hard quartzite, having hard impressions clearly defined throughout its formation, and not such as would sustain much pressure. It varies in thickness from eight to twenty feet, and widens into thickness from the foot of No. 3 slope towards the shaft. No. 5 vein crosses it.

The No. 6 vein is very hard and has a tendency to "chip," or fracture off the pillars and walls of the openings in course of mining the coal. This is not unusual, even in collieries where very large pillars are left to support the roof. The angle or dip of vein is from two to two and one-half degrees, and the formation of the coal bed is a little undulating.

On July 7th we visited the neighboring Clear Spring colliery in company with Mr. John B. Law, general manager for the Newton Coal Mining Company; Mr. Coker, general manager; and Mr. George Thomas, Mine Inspector.

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Improving the Service. The patrons of the Long Distance Telephone Company have experienced considerable inconvenience in the past in the use of the line, and the company is now working to overcome that difficulty. Two new metallic circuits, four wires in all, are now being placed in position. The lines have reached Franklinville, and expect to complete the work in the course of a week or ten days. This will no doubt give much better service, to which the patrons are entitled, considering the high rate charged.

Advertised Letters. Letters addressed to the following named people remain uncollected for at the local post office: John B. Lewis, Charles Miller, Wm. Maor, E. F. Pilgrim, George Slocum, Wm. Silverton, Jerry Flor, Lincoln Herb, A. Galushier, Joseph Thiek, Samuel F. Kinsel, A. N. Bouslat, David Lawson, John Meyrick, Dan McChristy, George Platt, Robert Porter, W. W. Davis, Jacob Haul, John Gillis, George Trump, S. Sobris, J. Splain.

Democratic rosters and McKinley trumpets, 10 cents, at Brann's.

Will Preach to-morrow. In the absence of the pastor, Rev. T. M. Morrison, services in the Presbyterian church will be conducted to-morrow morning and evening by Rev. Queen, of Philadelphia. A letter reached town this morning stating that Rev. Morrison had suffered another relapse and was very ill.

At Kepchinsk's Arcade Cafe. Hot lunch on Monday morning.

Not One Patient Admitted. The surgeons and attendants, who compose the efficient corps at the Miners' hospital, at Fountain Springs, under the direction of Superintendent Biddle, experienced a quiet day yesterday. Not a new patient was admitted nor were any treated at the dispensary. It was a well deserved rest.

Brennan's New Restaurant. Sour kraut, pork and baked potatoes on Monday morning as free lunch.

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