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DANGER ON THE VALLEY.

COLLISIONS AND WRECKS OCCURRING HOURLY ON THE ROAD.

Wilbur's Scabs Roll Up an Appalling List of Casualties—Men Slaughtered Indiscriminately—Time for the Public to Be Protected from These Murderers.

Those who ride on the Lehigh Valley Railroad, outside of the Hazleton division, take their lives in their hands, for the record made by the present employees the past few days has demonstrated the fact that the scum of the eastern states has now full control of the rolling stock.

The incompetency and ignorance of the things who have charge of the engines and who run trains is shown daily by the frequent wrecks, collisions, delayed and stalled trains, mails from two to ten hours late, and the utter disregard they have for life and property.

The scabs are slaughtering one another at the rate of half a dozen a day. Nobody but the company will ever know the cost of the strike or the loss of life, as the officials absolutely refuse to acknowledge the wrecks on the road, but they cannot hide from the public the disabled engines, the cars destroyed or the mangled remains of the scabs whose souls are blown into eternity daily.

President Wilbur's pride alone is the cause of the strike continuing, and through his pride the property of the company is being smashed and burned by the poor apologies for men in whose care he has placed the road.

It is time a halt is called. The public is entitled to protection from these murderers, and there is surely some law that can be invoked to bring the autocrat at Bethlehem to his senses.

The company is defeated, but the stubbornness of the high-salaried officials prevents them from saying so, and it seems they are determined to allow every engine and car to be destroyed before they will give the strikers justice.

News Along the Line.

The following brief paragraphs, all obtained from reliable sources, show what is being done now on the Lehigh Valley system:

An engine blew up near Waverly and two of the new men, Charles Swartout and Pearl Smith, were fatally scalded. Both suffered terribly for twelve hours, then died.

At Penn Haven a caboose and several coal cars went through a misplaced switch and landed in the Lehigh river.

At Fairview a coal and a freight train collided, scattering merchandise in every direction and destroying fifteen cars.

A passenger and a freight met at West Avoca. Fortunately the freight got the worst of the shock.

Engine 328 was deserted by its crew near Penn Haven and left standing on a siding.

Seven freights were stalled on the mountain cut-off. The new brakemen refused to work until they were fed, and the Pinkertons took their places.

An engine went over the embankment, at Glen Summit, although the engineer was signalled to back from the open switch.

Central officials have forbidden their employees to lend any assistance to the scabs on the Valley.

Two hundred and forty coal and iron "thugs" are on duty at Wilkes-Barre, and every train on the road carries from five to twenty of these armed "bums."

A through train from New York to Wilkes-Barre had seven passengers on board, and took nine hours to cover the distance.

Up to Friday night twenty-seven engines with their crown sheets burned were lying in the Wilkes-Barre roundhouse. They represent at least \$60,000 worth of damage.

Last night's storm caused many scabs to desert.

The Hazleton and Mahanoy divisions are reported to be tied up tighter today than at any time since the strike began.

Coal and iron policemen at Pittston try to provoke quarrels with the strikers. "All grievances must be adjusted and all scabs discharged" is the ultimatum of the men.

Several passenger trains on the Wyoming division have been taken off. Nobody will ride on the Valley road, and the Central and D. & H. trains are crowded.

Engine No. 30, claimed to be the finest in America and the pride of the Valley Company, was burned out by an incompetent engineer above White Haven. The loss was no less than \$10,000.

Not a striker has yet deserted between White Haven and Pittston.

Hazleton has ninety-five men enrolled on the strike list.

Freight will not be accepted by the company unless the shipper will send it "subject to delay."

An unknown brakeman had his arm taken off while making a coupling near Ashley on Friday afternoon.

On Friday morning at a point east of Glen Summit a freight train coming in the middle and the sections coming together at a high rate of speed demolished about fifteen cars.

Near Pittston Junction a loaded gondola broke from its train and started down the track. Engine 71 was coming up and—both were taken to the shops in pieces. The scab engineer jumped out the window when he saw the car coming.

Go to McDonald's for furniture.

A DAY OF WRECKS.

It Was a Black Friday for Scabs on the Lehigh Valley Railroad.

A wreck occurred at 1 o'clock on Friday afternoon at Fairview. Engine No. 402 pushed engine 394 and a freight train from White Haven to Glen Summit and then cut loose. No. 394 with the train went on and stopped at the Gracedale tank for water, when No. 402 came around the curve at the rate of thirty miles and hour and dashed into the caboose in the rear of No. 394. Engine 402, the caboose and half a dozen freight cars were badly wrecked, and the mass of debris caught fire from the stove in the caboose. Two brakemen, Frank Wilson, of New York, and James McCabe, of Jersey City, were in the caboose and were pinned under the wreck and slowly roasted to death. Their cries could be heard, but they could not be reached. Later their bodies, almost burned to a crisp, were extricated. The uninjured portion of the train was pulled away from the wreck, which was all consumed.

Another wreck occurred the same morning at North Wilkes-Barre. A freight train leaving Wilkes-Barre about midnight remained intact until it reached a point near the Conyngham breaker, where the two last cars parted and the train sped on and left the two cars standing on the main line. Passenger train 19 due to leave that city north at 1.40 a. m. did not leave until about 5 o'clock. Going at good speed it crashed into the two freight cars about that time. The engine with the two freight cars were wrecked and the firemen, Peter Sweeney, of Sayre, so severely injured internally that he died that afternoon.

A collision occurred south of Hazleton on Friday night, in which a shifting engine ran full speed into the Pottsville express. A heavy snowstorm prevailed at the time, which prevented the engineers from seeing any distance ahead of them. The shifter was about to reverse her ends and ran down the "Y" for that purpose. Just as she approached the western switch the express dashed over it and the next instant both engines came together with tremendous force. The shifting engine left the track, but still held the express train, bringing the latter to a full stop and throwing the passengers about the cars promiscuously. The shifting engine was wrecked completely. The other locomotive was badly damaged by the scabs' neglect.

Saturday's Smashups.

A freight train was parted by the sudden jerking of the engineer above White Haven early Saturday morning. No notice was taken of it, and the last part of the train came through to White Haven, where it stopped in the centre of the town. Another freight came rushing along, the engine plowed through the caboose, set it on fire and threw the burning timbers in every direction. The engine and cars were completely destroyed, tracks were torn up and traffic stopped for twelve hours. Three scabs were reported missing.

The burning cars set fire to Rhunke's hotel, Ricker's store, Cramer's store, J. Feist's residence, several stables and outbuildings, all of which were more or less destroyed. The strikers worked nobly to save the town from destruction. The entire loss is estimated at \$200,000.

Superintendent Wilbur's combination car and engine, "Dorothy," met a runaway engine near Phillipsburg. Ten seconds later \$20,000 worth of railroad property was wrecked. The scabs saved their lives by jumping and made no effort to avoid a collision.

A scab crew at Wilkes-Barre got stuck on a crossing on Saturday. The police arrested them for obstructing the streets, and the mayor fined them \$7.50 each.

It is said another disastrous wreck occurred yesterday near Fairview, but the report could not be verified.

DEATHS.

BROGAN.—At Beaver Meadow, December 2, from typhoid pneumonia, Maggie, wife of John J. Brogan, formerly of Freeland, aged 29 years. Funeral on Tuesday at 10 a. m. Interment at St. Ann's cemetery.

TRIMBLE.—At Sandy Run, December 2, Celia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Trimble, aged 23 years, 8 months and 18 days. Funeral will leave Sandy Run with carriages on Tuesday at 8.30 a. m. Requiem mass at St. Ann's church. Interment at St. Ann's cemetery. Brislin.

SCHULER.—At Foundryville, December 2, John G., son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Schuler, aged 2 years, 3 months and 16 days. Services at residence at 12.30 o'clock on Tuesday, after which the funeral will proceed via Lehigh Valley train to Vine street cemetery, Hazleton. Bachman.

You can get 50c. muffs at McDonald's.

JEDDO NEWS.

Misses Rose Brannigan and Ellen Haughey are on a visit to Wilkes-Barre friends.

The members of the Progressive Club realized a handsome sum from their ball last week. It will be used for the needs of the club. They also desire to thank the public for the patronage given them.

James Ferry, of Wilkes-Barre, spent a portion of last week in town.

The Lehigh Valley strikers have many admirers in this place.

Peter McHugh visited his sister at Summit Hill last week.

Miss Maggie Burns is visiting relatives at Mauch Chunk.

John McCarron, of Hazleton, spent Friday among friends here.

Patrick Cunningham attended the funeral of a relative at Plymouth yesterday.

Miss Tessie Timony has returned home after an extended visit to friends at Philadelphia.

Miss Susie Gallagher, of Beaver Meadow, spent several days in town last week.

Miss Mollie McHugh, of Trescow, spent Thanksgiving day with friends in town.

Miss Ella Mulligan returned to her home in Philadelphia after a short visit to friends in town.

DRIFTON ITEMS.

At the magic lantern exhibition given here last week a number of boys gathered about the hall outside and made it very annoying for those within. If this occurs again these boys are liable to get into trouble.

Condy Gallagher had a finger badly injured in the mines at this place last week.

Miss Maggie A. Williams, of Mahanoy City, is visiting friends in town.

George Keller is laid up with sickness.

Work is suspended at the mines here for today and tomorrow on account of putting a new screen in the breaker.

Dave Phillips, who was hurt on the 23d ult., is slowly recovering again.

Prof. Pat. O'Hara gave an illustrated entertainment in the Odd Fellows' hall one evening last week. The audience enjoyed it very much.

Miss Mary Sweeney spent Saturday at Hazleton.

Some of our girls say that the Polish ball was fine on Thursday night.

There was a large crowd from here at the fair at Hazleton on Saturday night.

Miss Jessie Schaeffer, who was injured several weeks ago by falling from a chair, is slowly improving.

Fractured His Skull.

Mike Patsko and Mike Shatoka became involved in a quarrel in the points on Thursday afternoon, and the former struck Shatoka with a large stone, fracturing his skull. The injured man was taken to Hazleton hospital.

Coal and Iron Policeman Rought arrested Patsko and placed him in the borough lockup. On Saturday he was given a hearing before Squire Stroh and committed to jail to await the result of Shatoka's injuries. He was taken to Wilkes-Barre at 12.33 o'clock on Saturday by Officer Rought.

Dr. O. H. Brown Dead.

After an illness of several weeks, Dr. Oliver H. Brown died at his residence in Lattimer on Thursday evening, aged 41 years. The cause of his death was peritonitis. The doctor was well-known and highly esteemed here, where he made many friends while assistant to Dr. Geo. S. Wentz, of Jeddo, some years ago. He was a member of Union Council, Legion of Honor, of this place, and several of the members attended the funeral, which took place this morning. The remains were interred at Mauch Chunk.

Waiting to be Claimed.

From the Bethlehem Star.
The remains of Mrs. Michael Baska, a Hungarian woman from Drifton, who died at St. Luke's hospital on Tuesday, November 28, are at Undertaker Naebler's morgue, West Fourth street, awaiting to be claimed by friends. If not soon claimed they will be sent to the anatomical board of Philadelphia. The woman was being treated for the past few weeks for chronic Bright's disease.

Building and Loan Association.

A meeting of the Freeland branch of the Washington National Building and Loan Association was held on Friday evening. Libor Winter, John M. Cunnius and Charles Dusbeck were appointed appraisers of the association. Another meeting will be held on Friday evening at 8 o'clock at the Central hotel to get the organization in proper working order.

CONGRESSMAN LILLY DEAD.

Expires Suddenly at His Home in the Arms of a Physician.

In the midst of his preparations for the regular session of congress, which meets at Washington today, General William Lilly, congressman-at-large from this state, died very unexpectedly at his home at Mauch Chunk at 1.20 o'clock on Friday afternoon. Death was due to congestion of the lungs, caused by a heavy cold contracted during a visit to Indianapolis since the adjournment of the special session of congress. Nothing was thought of it, however, for he was able to be about. At 1 o'clock he was taken suddenly ill. His physician was sent for and twenty minutes later he died in his arms.

William Lilly was born at Penn Yan, N. Y., in June, 1821. He went to Mauch Chunk in 1840 and entered the service of the Beaver Meadow Railroad Company as their coal shipping agent at Penn Haven, then the head of the Lehigh canal. He began a poor boy and died the possessor of at least \$1,500,000 in wealth. The business enterprises in which he was interested are almost innumerable. He was a member of the coal mining firm of Lentz, Lilly & Co. and L. A. Reilly & Co., in Schuylkill, and of the firm of George B. Markle & Co., at Jeddo. He was a director in the East Broad Top Railroad Company, in the Highland Coal Company, the Union Improvement Company, and the Andover Iron Company.

In Carbon county he was president of the Lehigh Emery Wheel Company and the Carbon Metallic Point Company. He was a director in both the First and Second National Banks of Mauch Chunk, and also held a seat in the board of directors of the First National Bank of Shenandoah. He was the president of the board of trustees of the miners' hospital at Ashland.

His title he received during his connection with the militia in the younger days of his life. He became interested in politics early in life, and at one time represented Carbon county in the house at Harrisburg. At the breaking out of the rebellion he became an ardent Union man and joined his forces with the Republican party. He was also a prominent Mason.

The general's wife died two years ago. He is survived by one sister, eleven nieces and nephews, one stepson and a stepdaughter. The funeral will take place tomorrow.

A successor to Congressman Lilly will be elected at the February election.

Powderly Given An Ovation.

Ex-General Master Workman T. V. Powderly, of the Knights of Labor, was tendered a reception and banquet by his friends and admirers upon his arrival in Scranton on Friday evening. A large number of the members of the labor organizations of that city were present at the depot when the train bearing Mr. Powderly arrived. He was greeted with cheers and escorted by a committee to a carriage drawn by four white horses, each being led by a footman in livery. A crowd numbering fully 3,000 persons followed the dozen carriages bearing the notables of the city.

At the hotel, where a banquet was held, Mr. Powderly was obliged to appear on the balcony to appease the desire of the crowd. He made a short speech, thanking his friends for the demonstration in his honor and assuring them of his warmest gratitude. At the banquet addresses were delivered by Judges Archibald, Gunster and Smith, Congressman J. A. Scranton, Senator M. E. McDonald, Colonel E. H. Ripple, Mayor Connell and Hon. George McDonald.

At Freeland on Thursday Evening.

From the Chicago Dispatch.

A crowded house both afternoon and evening greeted the first performance of Augustus Thomas's play, "The Burglar," at the Clark street theatre yesterday. Eugene Moore appeared in the title role and gave a forceful interpretation of the character of William Lewis, the burglar. He was particularly strong in the emotional scenes and made the robbery the most thrilling feature of the play.

Little Lottie Briscoe as Editha won the honors with Mr. Moore and did the greater portion of applause. Her voice is wonderfully well adapted to both singing and acting, and she exhibited a histrionic talent beyond her years. The entire support was above the average.

Business Briefs.

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BRIEF ITEMS OF NEWS.

LOCAL JOTTINGS GATHERED FROM VARIOUS SOURCES.

Little Ones of Interest About People You Know and Things You Wish to Hear About—What the Folks of This Vicinity Are Doing.

The jingle of the sleigh bells was heard on the streets yesterday.

The houses in the Coxe addition known as "Rag Row" are being weather-boarded.

Every colliery in the Lehigh and Schuylkill regions has shut down for today and tomorrow.

The Young Men's T. A. B. Society will hold an entertainment at the opera house on Saturday evening, January 20.

The "grip" is around again, and physicians predict that it will be as severe this winter as it was three years ago.

Timothy Boyle, of Main street, and Mrs. Andrew Furey, of Centre street, were married at St. Ann's church on Thursday.

Samuel Gay, who has been mine inspector of the Pottsville district since 1880, died on Thursday with cancer of the stomach.

The Mauch Chunk Daily News will be launched upon the journalistic sea this afternoon by E. H. Rauch & Son, publishers of the Democrat.

William Bainbridge and Miss Harriet Bird were married on Thursday afternoon by Rev. Levi Bird, of Auburn, N. Y., a brother of the bride.

The White Haven Journal began its fifteenth year on Saturday, and Editor Feist says business is increasing in every department. The Journal deserves it.

The members of Freeland Council, No. 348, Jr. O. U. A. M., attended services at Trinity M. E. church yesterday morning. Rev. White preached the sermon.

A large crowd accompanied the St. Patrick's cornet band to Hazleton on Saturday evening, where they attended a fair held by the Holy Trinity Catholic church.

James McLaughlin, of Pittston, recently convicted of manslaughter, has appealed to the supreme court for a new trial. Pending a decision he is out under \$10,000 bail.

William Norris, who was arrested last Monday on the charge of setting fire to Ludwig Brandmeier's culm bank at Pond Creek, was discharged at the hearing, the evidence submitted being insufficient to convict him.

James F. Sweeney, John Brogan, Alex. Mulhearn, William J. Timney and Edward Hanlon have been elected delegates to represent the Young Men's Society at the C. T. A. U. quarterly convention at Harleigh next month.

The handsome buggy which was contested for by Mine Foreman Holman, of Stockton, and Conrad Kanig, of Hazleton, at the Jr. O. U. A. M. fair, which closed on Saturday evening, was made by Washburn & Turnbach, Front street.

A Unique and Original Piece.

From the Boston Traveller.

That entrancing comedy drama, "The Burglar," adapted from Mrs. Burnett's popular sketch by Gus Thomas, author of "Alabama" and other plays, is the attraction at the grand opera house this week. "The Burglar" is a piece unique and original in its construction, appealing with equal force to young or old. Its incidents are powerful and interesting, and give unsurpassed opportunity for good dramatic action.

Little Lottie Briscoe plays the child Editha, in the eyes of most audiences the chief character of the piece. Last night she completely captured everyone from the first. Her dialogues show her to be a carefully trained little artist, with nothing of the parrot-like utterance of most stage children about her.

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