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He was immured in the darkest dungeon beneath the castle moat. "If I had a saw, a file, anything," he moaned, as he looked at the solid bars across the solitary window. Then a thought struck him. His face brightened, like a Cripple Creek conflagration. Rapidly running over his supply of collars, which had just come from the laundry, he selected one fitted to his purpose. Five minutes later the great middle bar of the window, dexterously severed by the saw-like edge of the laundered collar, fell apart.

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CONVENTION IS CALLED

Miners to Meet on Friday at Scranton.

President Mitchell Issues Order This Morning to Assemble and Consider Operators' Propositions.

President John Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers of America, issued an order this morning calling a convention of the anthracite mine employes for the purpose of considering the propositions made by the employers.

The convention will be held in Music Hall, Scranton, on Friday, October 12, commencing at 10 a. m., and will continue in session until the business for which it is called has been transacted.

This convention, which will be composed of delegates representing every section of the anthracite region, will pass judgment upon the offers made by the operators.

If these offers are considered satisfactory, the convention has power to declare the strike at an end and set a date for the resumption of work.

Should the offers be considered unsatisfactory, the convention will so decide and the strike will continue.

The convention will be the most important labor gathering that has ever assembled in the anthracite region.

POSTING INCREASE NOTICES.

Notices offering a 10 per cent increase have been posted at nearly every mine in the anthracite region, including the collieries operated by the Drifton corporations. In this vicinity all the operators have offered the increase except G. B. Markle & Co. Up to 2 o'clock this firm had not made any offer to its employes. The Upper Lehigh Coal Company posted its notices at noon today.

The wording of the notices posted by the several companies differs but little. The majority read as follows: "This company makes the following announcement to its mine employes: It will adjust its rate of wages so as pay its mine employes on and after October 1, and until further notice, a net increase of 10 per cent on the wages heretofore received.

"Note.—It is understood in the foregoing that powder will be sold to miners for \$1.50 per keg, and that the difference between this rate and the old rate of \$2.75 shall be taken into account in figuring the net advance of 10 per cent noted above for this class of work."

FIGURING ON THE INCREASE.

The offer to increase miners' wages 10 per cent, said increase to be considered part of and to be taken into account in a reduction of powder from \$2.75 to \$1.50 a keg, has puzzled many men in and out of the mining region. In the Scranton Times on Friday an explanation of the workings of the increase is made in an article a column long. In this it is shown that the price paid on the car or ton of coal, as well as the price per keg of powder, will vary each month, both being based on the quantity of powder required to blast a designated number of cars or tons.

With the car or ton price originally based on the sliding scale, as it is in this region, followed by an ever-changing percentage on the powder, and on the coal again, none but a man well versed in mathematics can solve the problem of how much a miner has earned at the end of the month. Further, should a miner produce more coal from the number of kegs of powder usually designated as necessary, he will suffer a reduction

MISCELLANEOUS ADVERTISEMENTS.

PROPOSALS WANTED.—Sealed proposals will be received by the secretary of the Middle Coal Field Poor District, up to October 12, 1900, inclusive, for the erection and construction of a telephone line connecting the Anthracite Telephone Company at Weatherly town, a distance of seven (7) miles. The District reserve the right to reject any and all bids. For full particulars and specifications apply to John C. Tosh, secretary, Mauch Chunk, Pa. Samuel Gangwer, Wm. S. Leiby, Directors.

in wages in proportion to his saving in powder expense.

The offer, as stated by many of the corporations and firms, is vague and misleading. It may not only not be an increase, but in the hands of unscrupulous persons, and more than one coal company in the anthracite region employes such men to figure on the wages to be paid, it gives employers unlimited opportunities to manipulate the wage and powder figures to their own advantage.

OFFER NOT SATISFACTORY.

Several of the miners whom the Tribune has interviewed in regard to this question state that the offer is objectionable inasmuch as it does not guarantee the increase any longer than it suits the purposes of the employers to allow it to be paid. The companies also ignore the offer of the miners to arbitrate other grievances. Some of the employers offer to "consider" all other grievances, but this does not cover the question.

The miners claim that if the employers desire a real settlement they should place their offer in notices that can be comprehended by the average mine worker. The strikers are also inquiring why the employers who run company stores and pay but once a month refuse to obey the laws on these subjects. The notices posted maintain a silence on these matters, and this silence is not creditable to those employers who profess to be law-abiding citizens.

LOCAL SITUATION TODAY.

Notwithstanding the rain and disagreeable weather this morning, every road leading from town to the collieries of this vicinity which are making efforts to work was lined with strikers. The union men appealed to their fellow-workers to return to their homes, and the success they attained was shown by the fact that less men are at work today in Highland and Drifton than at any time since the day the strike was declared.

The Drifton corporations added another stigma to their besmirched reputations this morning by sending home several painters who refused to act as deputies. These men claim they are not employed to travel through woods with weapons, but the officials at Drifton think otherwise, and as a result a lot of men who are not connected with the strike must stand idle to suit the whims of Superintendent Luther Smith.

BOTH SIDES SEEKING LAW.

Residents of Drifton kept the justices and constables of town busy on Saturday evening with suits growing out of the strike. Some of the striking foreigners of the town were arraigned before Squire Buckley on the charge of acting in a riotous manner and threatening men who have not ceased work. The former charge was not proven and the men were discharged, but they acknowledged having made threats against some of their fellow-countrymen and were placed under \$200 bail each to keep the peace, which was promptly furnished.

Before Squire Shovlin a striker had another Slavonian arrested on the charge of shooting at him. This hearing was continued until this evening, when another case, an alleged attempt on the part of Paymaster H. E. Sweeney to interfere with Constable Welsh when the latter was arresting the defendant in the first-named suit, will also be tried.

MARCHED ON LATTIMER.

One of the most notable marches ever undertaken in any strike was planned on Friday, and at an early hour Saturday morning 2,500 strikers, embracing men from every town between Upper Lehigh and McAdoo, swept into Lattimer and closed up the collieries so effectively that not one employe appeared for work when the whistles blew at 7 o'clock. The men entered at the No. 2 side of the town, while "Mother" Jones and sixty McAdoo women entertained Sheriff Harvey and a squad of deputies on No. 1 side.

So well planned was the march that the guards were not aware of the strikers' presence until every foot of the company's land in the town had been overrun. Unlike the fatal march of three years ago, when strikers were shot down on the township road, the deputies saw on Saturday that it was not a crowd of foreigners they were dealing with and they and the sheriff quietly submitted to the condition of affairs.

When the marchers accomplished their object they returned to their homes, and a few hours later C. Pardee & Co. issued a notice suspending operations at Lattimer until further orders.

Fell From a Tree.

William Green, aged 14 years, of North Ridge street, fell on Saturday on a chestnut tree and broke his right arm in two places and sprained his leg. He fell a distance of eighteen feet. He was taken to the Miners' hospital.

Foster School Board.

All members of Foster township school board, except Director Zeistloft, were present at the September meeting of that body. The principal's report showed an enrollment in the schools of 1,099, average attendance 854, percentage of attendance 52. He reported that at Highland there was not sufficient seating capacity for the 178 pupils at school. He was ordered to have as many seats as could be placed in the building removed from Foundryville and placed in position.

Drifton, Pond Creek and Ripple's schools were reported without rope to float flags. Directors in whose districts these towns are located will see that rope is secured. The principal was instructed to procure a muslin curtain to run through the centre of the school room at Sandy Run to avoid distraction of pupils and which will be used as an experiment.

The director in whose charge the Woodside building is located had his attention called to the recently blown down fence at the rear and ordered to have the same repaired.

These bills were ordered paid: Mrs. Thos. McBrearty, cleaning, \$16.80; Tribune, publishing, \$12.15; Mrs. John Banjoek, cleaning, \$8.60; Progress, printing, \$12; John Fisher, hauling, \$2; Mrs. Frank Martina, cleaning, \$11; Mrs. John Koeble, cleaning, \$8; Mrs. Elias Weaver, cleaning, \$12.80; John Miller, coal hauling, \$9; J. S. Wentz & Co., coal, \$12; Mary Burk, cleaning, \$13; Mrs. Kate McHugh, cleaning, \$23; Mrs. Effie Miller, cleaning, \$8.25; M. S. Kemmerer & Co., coal, \$36.33; Mrs. Samuel Herring, cleaning, \$8; Mrs. George Kresge, cleaning, \$8; J. A. Everitt, cleaning, \$8; Thos. Hughes, labor, 90c; C. C. Merriam, books, \$1.50; Ginn & Co., books, \$30; J. P. McDonald, curtains and furniture, \$25.70; Coxie Bros. & Co., supplies, \$1.50. Bills from James E. Griffiths, repairs, \$108.14, and H. A. Whiteman & Co., supplies, \$249.23, were ordered laid over.

Councilmen Sentenced.

Judge Johnson, of Media, who presided over the trial of the Shamokin councilmen and agents for brick companies, who were convicted last May for conspiring to defraud the borough of Shamokin, on Saturday handed down an opinion refusing to grant a new trial to the defendants.

The following are the names of the convicted men: Councilmen, W. A. Reppard, E. O. Zuern, Thomas A. Holl, W. S. Zimmerman, Oscar J. Reed; brick company agents, W. B. Dixey, Maier Rothschild, H. L. Boas.

The eight men were each sentenced to pay a fine of \$250, the costs of the prosecution, and to undergo an imprisonment in the Northumberland county jail of four months. By request of counsel for the defendants the sentence will date from next Saturday to allow an appeal to the superior court.

Teachers' Meeting.

The first meeting of the borough teachers will be held in the High school room on Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. Teachers are requested to present such topics as they desire to have discussed. The program is as follows: Introductory remarks by the chairman.

Reading of minutes. Report of program committee, Principal Geo. McLaughlin. "What Is Nature Study—Its Educational Value," Miss Anna Sensesbach. "Reasons for Teaching Drawing," Miss Ild McLaughlin. "The Use of Pollard as an Aid to the Ward System," Miss Annie Gillespie. "Teaching Elementary Geography" (Frye and Butler), Principal McLaughlin.

Health Board Meets.

The Board of Health met on Friday evening. The report of Health Officer James J. Ward showed five cases of scarlet fever and one case of diphtheria in the borough. The action of council in refusing to confirm the appointment of Mr. Ward as health officer and ordered the paid police to perform his duties was discussed and Mr. Ward was instructed to continue fulfilling the duties of the office.

The sanitary committee of council, which was ordered by council on Monday evening to meet with the Board of Health, failed to appear, Mr. Rute being the only member of the committee present.

Lost a Pocketbook.

J. B. Laubach, of town, clerk in the county commissioners' office, while at the Dallas fair on Thursday, lost his wife's purse, which he was carrying in his pocket. The purse contained some money and a check on the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company for \$40. Payment has been stopped on the check.

Try Keiper's ice cream soda.

LOCAL NOTES WRITTEN UP

Short Items of Interest to All Readers.

Happenings of the Past Two Days in and Around Freeland Recorded Without Waste of Words.

The seven boys who were arrested on Thursday, charged with damaging the roof of a stable on the alley between Front and Centre streets, were given another hearing before Burgess Boyle Friday evening. One was released and the others were fined \$2 each, which one boy paid. The remaining five served their time in the lockup.

Gentlemen, for hats and caps go to A. Oswald's. He has a nice variety.

Hugh Malloy, Jr., of Freeland, and J. O. Baker and Warren Drumheller, of Hazle township, have been drawn to serve on the grand jury during the week of October 29.

Smoke and chew Kendall, Clock & Co.'s XXXX union-made. Mfd by the Clock Tobacco Co., Scranton, Pa.

Eugene West has resigned his position as bartender for Condy O. Boyle to take charge of the butcher department of John Shigo's meat market at Coplay.

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St. John's Slavonian Catholic church on Ridge street, which has been enlarged and improved, will be rededicated next Sunday by Bishop Hoban, of Scranton.

Feelings of safety pervade the household that uses One Minute Cough Cure, the only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. It is infallible for coughs, colds, croup and all throat and lung troubles. It will prevent consumption. Grover's City drug store.

Rev. J. W. Bischoff, of Upper Lehigh, delivered an address of welcome on Friday evening at Hazleton to Rev. R. B. Jack, who has just returned from a trip to Scotland.

Torturing skin eruptions, burns and sores are soothed at once and promptly healed by applying DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the best known cure for piles. Beware of worthless counterfeits. Grover's City drug store.

The second half of an alley ball game was played here yesterday afternoon between Gallagher brothers, of town, and Duffy and Brown, of Hazleton. The game was won by the Freeland boys by a score of 81 to 78.

This is the season when mothers are alarmed on account of croup. It is quickly cured by One Minute Cough Cure, which children like to take. Grover's City drug store.

William Sipple and William Houser have been elected delegates to represent Freeland Epworth League at the convention to be held in Sunbury on the 17th, 18th and 19th inst.

No other pills can equal DeWitt's Little Early Risers for promptness, certainty and efficiency. Grover's City drug store.

A fight in a saloon in Wyoming, Saturday night, ended in a small-sized riot. Six men who took part were badly wounded, but none of them will die. A hatchet, revolvers and knives were used by the participants.

The best method of cleansing the liver is the use of the famous little pills known as DeWitt's Little Early Risers. Easy to take. Never gripe. Grover's City drug store.

Jacob Yoski, of Adams street, was charged on Saturday with robbing a foreigner at Highland. The crime was committed some time ago, but was successfully concealed until last week, when Yoski and his wife quarreled. She cast up this theft, and bystanders heard the accusation. When Yoski was confronted with his victim he acknowledged stealing the money and returned the full amount.

PERSONAL.

W. F. Boyle and R. Lutz, of Freeland; William Kimmel and J. Murphy, of Foster, and J. M. Reagan and James Moy, of Hazle, are serving as jurors at Wilkesbarre this week.

P. X. O'Donnell, of Drifton, left today to resume his studies in Pennsylvania university, Philadelphia.

Misses Agnes and Celia Gallagher, of Sandy Run, leave today for Philadelphia.

Councilman Daniel Kilne has resumed his studies at Dickinson Law school, Carlisle.

County Commissioner A. D. Hay spent a few hours in town today.

A Dollar Saved Is A Dollar Earned.

You can earn many \$'s without working hard if you only know the right place to buy your clothing, shoes, hats and furnishings. The right place is our place. If you have not found this out, come and let us prove it to you. Compare our goods and prices with those from other stores, and, if you don't have the best of the bargain, we refund your money as cheerfully as we took it, and pay your expenses besides.

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