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COMMISSION TAKES RECESS

Strike Arbitrators Adjourn Until January 6.

Miners Shatter Testimony Civen by Operators' Wit-nesses--Judge Gray Sends Christmas Box to Boy.

Christmas Box to Boy.

At Saturday's session of the Strike Commission the miners were permitted to put in some rebuttal testimony. David E. Lewis, an Olyphant mine foreman, while on the stand the day before, testified that he was stopped by a crowd of 200 strikers and prevented from going to work. Attorney Darrow showed the commission a picture of the alleged mob. Lewis posed for the picture sitting on a mound of earth in the centre of the crowd. All were looking toward the camera and were smiling. It looked like anything but a mob of angry men and caused Judge Gray to laugh heartily. The judge asked Lewis whether the crowd resumed operations after the photographer had gone. Lewis promptily declared that they did and that even while the picture was being taken they refused to let him go away. There was more laughter at this.

President P. J. Mulherin, of the Father Whitty Temperance Society, of Providence, and the treasurer of the society, were called by the miners in rebuttal of testimony given by Joseph H. Dugan, who said he had been expelled from the society because he was an unfair workman. The two officers of the society testified that he was expelled because he had violated the total abstinence pledge.

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Mrs. Rhodda Snyder, of Wilkesbarre, told of the burning of her home by strikers. Her husband, a non-union man, was in the mines and could not come home because he feared bodily harm. She and her children were so abused that she decided to move to her mother-in-law's home. She and her two children took refuge with the mother-in-law. The same night the house and all its contents were destroyed by fire. Her goods were not insured. Her father-in-law and mother-in-law corroborated her testimony.

Dr. L. L. Sprague, president of Wyoming seminary, Kingston, said the union made it very difficult for the institution to get its supply of fuel.

John H. Otto said all the merchants in Archbald were compelled to boycoth him because he worked in the mines.

A boy testified that he was forced to leave the store he was employed in on account of his father being a non-union man, and the next witness testified that strikers tried to have him forced out of the volunteer fire company of which he belonged because he continued at work. William Allen, district superintendent of the Elk Hill Coal and Iron Company, and two other employes of the same company testified that an attempt was

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to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is
each box. 25c.

successful. Newell was a resident of Thornhurst, Lackawanna county, and was visiting the Wood family, who reside near White Haven. The young man's father died last week. Useful Gifts.

ing. The box was sent in the care
James Gorman, a Hazleton stenog
pher, who has been engaged before to

District Board Meeting.

Teacher Transferred.

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At a meeting of Foster township school board Saturday evening Miss May Roth, teacher of a primary school at Sandy Run, was transferred to Upper Lehigh school, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. Charles Schatzle. The transfer was made by the votes of Directors Johnson, Dudley and Zeistloft, Director O'Neil opposing the motion.

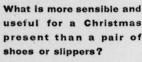
The school taught by Miss Roth at Sandy Run will be closed for the present, as the attendance there does not

ent, as the attendance there does not warrant the employment of two primary

Drowned at White Haven.

A young man named Newell, aged 19 years, was drowned yesterday in the Lehigh river. While attempting to cross the stream near No. 1 dam the ice broke

and he was cast into the water. Efforts to save him were made by his companion, a man named Wood, but were unsuccessful.



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Mayflower Assembly, Degree of Nami, has elected these of Micers:
Commander—Miss Sarah Bell.
Vice commander—Miss Mary Weiss.
Conductor—Miss Clara Marley.
Chaplain—Mrs. John James.
Secretary—Miss Sarah Zeistioft.
Financial secretary—George H. Thoms.

Inside guard—Mrs. Charles Shepperly.

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Inside guard—Mrs. Charles Shepperly.
Outside guard—John J. Shafer.
Trustees—Molile Keiper, Mrs. Al
Gooppert, Miss Barbara Davis.
The officers will be installed by District Deputy Mrs. Jane DeFoy at the
first meeting in January.
YOUNG MEN'S C. T. A. B. CORPS.
The Young Men's C. T. A. B. Corps,
seaterday elected the following officers:
President—John Meehan.
Vice president—John Gaffney.
Recording secretary—Charles Dever.
Financial secretary—F. Duffy.
Treasurer—John McCole, Sr.
Messenger—Daniel Myers.
Sergeant-at-arms—John F. Shovlin.
Directors—John Meehan, Hugh Kennedy, John J. McNolis, Peter O'Donnell, John Gaffney, Charles Shovlin,
Joseph D. Myers, Thomas Gallagher,
Patrick Collins.

St. ANN'S T. A. B. CADETS.

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President—Edward McHugh.
Vice president—Daniel Kennedy.
Recording secretary—James Brogan.
Financial secretary—John Johnson.
Transvers.—Pay. M. J. Edilihoo. Recording secretary—James Brogan. Financial secretary—John Johnson. Treasurer—Rev. M. J. Falliheo. Messenger—Edward McHugh. Sergeant-at-arms—Vincent Lawlor. Trustees—Charles Boyle, Denis North, atrick Quinn. Stewards—Chief, Edward J. McNelis,

District Board Meeting.

An important meeting of the executive board of District 7, U. M. W. of A., was held at Hazleton yesterday. Owing to the absence of the officers and several members of the board, who have been engaged at Scranton the past month, the business of the district has not been given the attention it deserved lately, and several important matters came up for discussion.

An effort to secure a postponement of the district convention, which will be held at Freeland on January 6, was made, but the proposition to postpone the convention did not meet with the approval of the board and the delegates will assemble on the date originally set.

The violation of the strike settlement agreement made with Coxe Bros. & Co. was also a subject of discussion. Radical action was advocated by some in return for the company's stand, but it was finally decided to postpone definite action until the Strike Commission reports its findings, in which the trouble is expected to receive consideration.

Teacher Transferred. Patrick Quinn.
Stewards—Chief, Edward J. McNells.
Freeland; John Clark, Highland; Philip
Boner, Drifton; Patrick Sweeney, Upper
Lehigh; Francis McHugh, James Mul
hearn, Freeland; Daniel McMahon

Sharp Murder Case.

Associate Judges E. R. Enbody and E. P. Williams handed down an opinion in Carbon court on Saturday dissenting from President Judge Horace Heydt in the opinion delivered by him on Monday ecting a change of venue to Lehigh nty for the trial of Harry McElmoyle

and William Ronemus, charged with the murder of Patrick Sharp, a striker, last August.

The two judges say they cannot concur with Judge Heydt, because they are by no means convinced that there exists in Carbon county such undue excitement against the prisoners or so great a prejudice against them or that there is any combination against them instigated by influential persons, by which they cannot have a fair trial in Carbon county. They are fully satisfied in their own minds from the evidence produced that the accused can have a fair, full and impartial trial in that county. The case is attracting wide attention, because the jurisdiction of the associate judges is disputed, owing to the fact that Carbon county has been made a separate judicial district. The associate judges are holding on to their office, because their terms have not yet expired.

Holiday Visitors.

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Daniel Timony, of Holy Cross college, Worcester, Mass., and R. J. Dever and Leo McDonald, of Dickinson law school, Carlisle, are among the holiday visitors. Miss Laura Koons, who is engaged as a school teacher at West Chester, is home for the holidays.

Misses Alberta Soder and Lena Vanauker are home for the holidays from the ladies' seminary at Williamsport.

Miss Mame Hayes, of Bloomsburg normal school, is spending her vacation with her mother, Mrs. S. E. Hayes.

Howard Albert, of Philadelphia School of Pharmacy, is visiting his parents.

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Miss Nellie McGarvey is the guest of
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John Sipple, of Philadelphia Dental
ollege, is home for the holidays.
Fred Koons, of Pennsylvania univerity, Philadelphia, has arrived home.

Notice to Members of L. U. 1499.
All members of Local Union No. 1499.
United Mine Workers of America, are hereby notified that the next regular meeting of the organization will be held at the Grand opera house hall, Friday evening, December 26, 1902, at 7.30 octook.

LOCAL NOTES WRITTEN UP USEFUL GIFTS

Short Items of Interest to All Readers.

Happenings of the Past Two Days in and Around Freeland Recorded With-out Waste of Words.

For Christmas afternoon the Crescent Athletic Association has provided for two games of basket ball for the one admission. The first game will be between the two clubs of the association and the second between the Crescent and Mauch Chunk teams. The home team expects to play the latter club at Mauch Chunk on Saturday evening.

Christmas presents will be distributed on Wednesday to the children of the employes of Coxe Bros. & Co. who reside in houses owned by the company. The gifts are presented by the Coxe ladies, of Drifton. For Christmas afternoon the Cresc

ladies, of Dritton.

Con Herron, a former resident of town, was the victim of a railroad accident at Jersey City last week, in which he lost an arm. Mr. Herron, when here, was employed on the D. S. & S.

Mrs. Bridget Brannigan, 102 years old, the blind woman who was evicted from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Coll, at Jeddo, some time ago, has been removed to the almshouse at Laurytown.

Connie Conaban was seriously squeezed between cars in Highland col-llery Saturday night. He is receiving treatment at the home of his father. Manus Conaban, Centre street.

In addition to her friends of this vicinity, many people from the South Side towns were present at the funeral of the late Mrs. Patrick McFadden on Saturday morning.

James Quinn, a well known young man of Highland, was severely burned about the hands and face by an explo-sion of gas on Friday in No. 2 colliery, Highland. Yesterday's heavy rain-storm caused

the water to rise rapidly in surrounding mines and work was partially suspended today at a number of collieries in this No coal will be sold to local consumer

y G. B. Markle & Co. before next pring. Employes of the firm, however, vill be supplied with all the fuel they

Paul, a three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kramer, of Pine street, was buried at Freeland cemetery Saturday afternoon. Death was due to pneu-

monia.

A pair of lady's glasses was lost on Centre street last week. Finder will be rewarded upon return of glasses to the Tribune office.

The brakemen on the Hazleton and Mahanoy division of the Lehigh Valley Raliroad have received notification of an increase in wages.

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The borough public schools will close tomorrow afternoon for the usual holiday vacation. They will reopen on January 5.

Peter McMonigle, of Harleigh, was badly injured Saturday night by being squeezed between cars in No. 5 mine, Jeddo.

Bernard Mooney, of the Third ward.

will spend Christmas with his sister. Mrs. M. Dougherty, South Bethlehem.

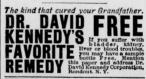
The engagement of Balser Stein and Miss Harriet Probert, of the Second ward, is announced. The Good Wills have a fine program

prepared for their entertainment on Christmas evening.

Every officer of the miners' local unions at Summit Hill and Coaldale, with the exception of one man, has been blacklisted by the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company

BIRTHS.

Heller.—To Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Hel-er, Pine street, a daughter.



ESTATE OF OWEN FOWLER, late of Free-land borough, deceased.

Letter steamentary on the above named estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indetted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands to present the same, without delay, to Nettie S. Fowler, John M. Carr, attorney.

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Xmas Silk Mufflers, from 50c

upward. Xmas Sweaters from 50c upward.

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Wednesday Evening. December 31.

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