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## **CHRISTMAS** BUYERS

Should not overlook our store when seeking something suitable for presents for their relatives or friends. Nothing will be better appreciated this year than

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## M. MERKT,

# INSPECTION TERRITORIES

Chief Roderick Makes All of the Assignments.

Districts to Be Looked After By Each Mine Inspector. The Number of Mines in Each District.

James E. Roderick, the chief of the James E. Roderick, the chief of the State Bureau of Mines, met the newly elected mine inspectors and those who are already holding office at Hotel Sterling, Wilkesbarre, Wednesday even-ing and assigned the territories which they are to inspect. The Luzerne and Lackawanna men will have districts as follows:

First, Lackawanna—Edward Rode-ck, with office in Scranton.

Second, Lackawanna, and including squehanna and Wayne—Patrick J.

loore, Dunmore. Third, Lackawanna—Henry O. Pryth-

erch, Scranton.

Fourth, Lackawanna—Thomas R.

Williams, Scranton.

Fifth, Luzerne and Sullivan—Hugh
McDonald, Pittston.

Six h, Luzerne—P. M. Boyle, Kings-

Seventh, Luzerne-Edward Reynolds.

Vilkesbarre. Eighth, Luzerne-David T. Davis,

Eighth, Luzerne—David 1. Davis, Wikesbarre.
Ninth, Luzerne and Carbon—David J. Roderick, Hazleton.
On Tuesday night the Schuylkill, Vorthumberland and Columbia inspecors were assigned, as follows:
Tenth, Schuylkill—William Stein, Rosandach

Eleventh, Schuylkill-Patrick Fenton,

Mahanoy City.
Twelfth, Schuylkill-Michael J. Bren-

Pottsville.
Fourteenth, Northumberland—James
Tinley, Shamokin.
Fifteenth, Columbia—Martin Kelly,
Ashland.

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The inspectors were furnished, the Wilkesbarre Record reports, with the name of each mine in their districts, the company operating it and the number of men and the production, based upon the report of the department for the year 1901.

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Wm. Wehrman,

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REPAIRING OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

P. M. Boyle has from Kingston on the west side to the Lackawanna line. Edward Reynolds has from the northerly line of Wilkesbarre to and including Glen Lyon.
David T. Davis has on the west side the territory from Kingston to Mocanaqua, and has also the Buttonwood mine on the east side of the river, because it is connected with the workings of the Parrish Coal Company on the west side.

west side.

David J. Roderick has the Hazleton region and Carbon county.

### CHRISTMAS CANTATA.

Exercises at St. John's Church to Be Repeated This Evening.

"Santa Claus' Arrival," a cantata for Christmas, was given last evening at St. John's Reformed church under the auspices of St. John's Sunday school, and so great were the demands of the audience that the large edifice was by far too small to accommodate the people who sought admission.

In order to appease the wishes of those who were unable to witness last evening's exercises, the entire program will be repeated this evening, commencing at 7 30 p. m. All who have not yet attended, or were unable to enter last evening, will be welcome tonight.

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The title role of the cantata is portrayed by Charles H. Wolfe, assisted by Misses Twilla Brobst, Beatrice Brobst, Stella Deltrich, Alice Zimmerman, Mame Lentz, Emma Schaub, Eva Reibold, Annie Riebold, Nelda Winter, Irene Winter, Masters John Stuntz, Clare Edmunds, Ray Miller, Thomas Fritzinger, George Johnson, Isaac Sachs, Nelson Owens and Roy Brobst.

The program was rendered in an admirable manner and the twenty numbers composing it were well received. A

mirable manner and the twenty numbers composing it were well received. A piano introduction opened the cantata, followed by these songs:

"He's Coming," "Expectation," "We All Believen," "Where Santa Lives,"
"The Boys' Parade," "The Christmas Bird Song," "The Little Esquimos," "Songs of Joy," "The Plan for a Surprise," "The Workmen's Song," "Merry Christmas," "Christmas Fairies," "The Brownies," "Have a Paper," "A Queer Old Fellow," "Santa's Warning," "The Children's Delight," "Santa Claus" and "Good Night."

#### Death of Mrs. Hoch.

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The friends of Mrs. Messina Hoch, of Allentown, were surprised on Wednesday evening by receiving a message announcing her death at the family residence, 238 Peach street. The deceased was not known to have been seriously ill, and the sad news was therefore all the more shocking to her Freeland acquaintances. With her husband, Conrad Hoch, she took up her residence in Allentown a few months ago, in hopes that the change would benefit Miss Annie Sheaman, who has been an invalid for a some time | a.t.

who has been an invalid to a solution to this vicinity for a number of years. She was aged 57 years and 8 months, and is survived by her husband, Conrad Hoch; one step-son, George Sheaman, of Freeland, and one step-daughter, Miss Annie Sheaman, of Allentown.

The funeral will take place at Allentown on Tuesday.

#### Chris!mas Visitors.

ne following were among those who t Christmas with relatives or friends

ere: Patrick Ferry, Joseph Ferry, Hugh Ialloy, Thomas Campbell and John Dusheck, Philadelphia.

Miss Clare McDonald and Miss Mam

indsay, Scranton.

Miss Lizzie Riebold, New York city.

Miss Lizzie Smith, New York city.

Miss Rose Boyle, Thomas O'Donnell

nd William Sloan, Wilkesbarre.

W. J. Purcell and James Lindsay,

Bethlehem.

John Powell, Richard Cunningham,
and William Lesser, Lehigh university.
William F. Gallagher, Hartford, Conn.
Thomas Sioan, Tamaqua.
Harry Brobst, New York city.
Dr. John Houston, Philadelphia.

#### PLEASURE.

December 31.—Fourteenth annual ball of the Tigers Athletic Club at Krell's hall. Admission, 50 cents.

of Mines cannot make any division.

The Fifteenth, with only seven mines, makes it easy for the inspector, that being the only workings in his district, covering the counties of Columbia and Dauphin. There is no provision whereby he could be called upon to help outside of his district.

The districts in Luzerne county are divided as follows:

Hugh McDonald has from the northerly line of Wilkesbarre on the east side of the Susquehanns river to the Lackawanna line.

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David T. Davis has on the west side the territory from Kingston to Mocanaqua, and has also the Buttonwood mine on the east side of the river, before the final half both teams put gin-

which they were penalized by Referee Powell.

The Crescents were the better players of the second half, having scored 6 points to 4 by the visitors. The latter, however, had 4 points to their credit from the first half, which made the final score 8 to 6 in their favor.

During the game Forward Stolz received a hard knock on the head against a post. He was not injured much but was replaced by Nowak. Guard Whalen had his hand slightly cut in some manner during the game. Nevertheless, he continued playing and made his opponent, Nowak, look like an Indian by the artistic manner in which he placed

he continued playing and made his opponent, Nowak, look like an Indian by the artistic manner in which he placed the crimson over the arms and face of the Freeland player.

Referee Powell did full justice to both teams and his work was much admired by his many friends. Mr. Powell was a former resident of town, being a son of the late John M. Powell, of Allentown. Since leaving Freeland he has become a past master in the art of basket ball playing and other sports. At present he is a student at Lebigh university, South Bethehem.

The line up was as follows:

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Stolz (Nowak) Forward Smith
O'DonnellZeller
We!sh Monohan
Davis
Jacquot Guard Phillips
Goals from field-Welsh, 2; Smith, 1; Zeller,
1; Phillips, 1. Goals from fouls-Welsh, 2;
Zeller, 2. Referee-John Powell, Allentown.
Timekeepers-Amesbury and A. Powell.
Clima of halmas 90 minutes

Time of halves—20 minutes.

Previous to the main event the Crescents played a preliminary game between teams captained by George Hartman and Thomas Brown. During this game it was to be seen that some good material yet remains untried. The final score resulted: Brown 10; Hartman, 4. Walter Davis acted as referee.

#### Well-Rendered Program.

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The entertainment given under the auspices of the Good Will Athletic Association at the Grand opera house last evening was attended by a large audience and a good program was rendered. The following are among those who took part:

Misses Mame O'Donnell, Hazleton; Marle and Annie Gallagher, Wilkesbarre; Mary Ellen Carr, Highland; Nelle Quinn, Drifton; Annie and Millie Bonoma and Teress Mechan, Freeland; Daniel Hayes, Weatherly; Daniel Brady, Jeddo; John Price, James Gallagher, Michael Jacobs, Hugh Cunningham and James Gillespie, Freeland.

St. Ann's band rendered a number of selections during the evening.

#### District Attorney's Salary.

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Judge Lynch has handed down an opinion in the case of District Attorney B. R. Jones against Luzerne county, in which the plaintiff sought to collect \$5,000 a year salary, under the act fixing that sum for district attorneys in counties have a population of over 250,000. Judge Lynch decides along the the decisions of the supreme court that the law does not apply in Mr. Jones' case. He, therefore, fixed the latter's salary at \$4,000 a year.

Drawn as Jurors.

The following citizens of this vicinity have been drawn to serve as jurors on the dates preceding their names:
January 26.—J. J. Schaeffer, James VanHorn, Andrew Burns, John F. Boyle, John E. McHugh, Freeland; Patrick Ferry, Foster; E. A. Oberrender, Hazle. February 2.—A. A. Bachman, Freeland; John Burns, Hugh O'Donnell, Foster; John Habel, Hazle. ter; John Habel, Hazle.

Michael O'Brien was captured bur-

# **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.

Visitors to town are telling of the coal famine which exists outside the region. In many of the large Eastern cities the wealthiest families are compelled to depend entirely upon wood for fuel, as coal, anthractie or bituminous, is unable to be had at any price.

Dominic Kelly, one of the school directors representing the Fifth ward, removed his family and household goods today to Trenton, N. J., where he has obtained a situation.

Employes of the silk mill were given Christmas presents on Wednesday evening of from \$1 to \$3 each, according to the number of years they have been employed at the mill.

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the number of years they have been employed at the mill.

The meeting room on the third floor of the Grand opera house building is undergoing extensive improvements, under direction of the Young Men's Corps.

A handsome piano was placed in the home of Peter Magagna this week, as a Christmas present to his children.

William Williams, of Mahanoy City, known as "Billy Boy," who had pursued game through that region when it was all a wilderness, died yesterday.

A new case of smallpox has been discovered in Edwardsville. The victim is Miss Nellie Brennan, aged about 25 years. She was successfully vaccinated about eighteen years ago.

Micholas Heblich, a member of the Schujkill county bar, was stricken with apoplexy and died almost instantly. Mr. Heblich was a Democrat in politics and his name was frequently mentioned for judge.

The three little Scranten silk mill

for judge.

The three little Scranton silk mill girls who were witnesses before the Strike Commission received yesterday a large box of "goodies" and clothing from Miss Elizabeth Morris, private secretary of President John Mitcheil.

Michael Tolan was brandishing a revolver in a Scranton saloon yesterday when it was discharged and Arthur Davis was shot in the lung. The surgeons said that Davis cannot live. Tolan declares he did not know the revolver was loaded.

President Mitchell, of the Inited

President Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers, left Scranton Wednesday for Spring Valley, Ill., where he will remain over Christmas with his family. From there he will go to Philadelphia in time for the next meeting of the Strike Commission.

John N. O'Brien, aged 50 years, Schuylkill Haven, fireman on the Re-Schuykil Haven, fireman on the Reading Rallway, was instantly killed while riding in his cab. The train was running forty miles an hour when the main rod of the engine broke, and, flying upward, struck him in the face, completely cutting off his head.

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Judge Rice has so far recovered from
the effects of the recent operation for
appendictis, to which he submitted in a
Philadelphia hospital, that he was removed from the hospital a few days
ago to his apartments in the Aldine
hotel, Philadelphia. He is still very
week, however, and does not venture
out of doors.

## Y. M. C. A.

Rev. F. Marshal will address the devotional meeting Sunday afternoon at 3.20 o'clock. Ladies as well as gentlemen are invited to be present. A good way to get ready to start a new year. The young men are intensely interested in the two new games placed in the rooms—shuffle board and valley ball.

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The Ladies' Auxiliary will give an entertainment New Year's Eve, the principal feature being an exhibition dipypnotism by Prof. Dane Heck, of Hazleton. A musical program will also accompany this exhibition. All are invited to be present. Children under fitteen years must be accompanied by their parents.

Notice to Mine Workers.

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Men's Furnishings-

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upward.
Xmas Sweaters from 50c upward. Slippers and Shoes-

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prices.

styles.

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Shoes for the boys and girls are here at lowest

Let's show you our 'new

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#### Drawn as Jurors.

Michael O'Brien was captured burglarizing the residence of Squire J. P. Gilboy, of Duryea. He was discovered by a servant girl while he was rifling a bureau in her room. She pluckily caught hold of him and screamed, attracting assistance. O'Brien had plunder from other places.