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## COAL PRICES GO SKYWARD

Local Consumers Must Pay More for Fuel.

Rates at Surrounding Collieries Advanced This Morning—Production of Anthracite for the Year.

The price of anthracite to local consumers took another jump skyward this morning at the few collieries where coal can be obtained. Coxé Bros. & Co., after a week's refusal to sell at any figure, reopened their shutters today to local drivers. Nothing but pea coal will be sold, and the price of this size leaped from \$1.75 per ton to \$3.25 at Drifton breaker, an advance of \$1.50.

At Upper Lehigh the price of stove and chestnut went up from 20 cents to 22 cents per 100 pounds at the breaker. Markie & Co. continue to refuse coal except to persons employed at their collieries. Employees are served at the old rate of \$3.40 for a two-horse wagon load of about 2,500 pounds. All of this firm's coal is going to the New England states, to relieve the intense suffering in that section.

At other collieries in the Lehigh region, where coal is being sold to local consumers, increases varying from 25 to \$2 a ton are reported.

Throughout the country at large the coal famine is causing consternation and many prominent men are advising drastic measures to obtain relief for the thousands who are suffering.

Agents of the coal-carrying roads are blaming the individual operators for the increase in price and the miners for the shortage, alleging that the latter have not yet finished celebrating the holidays, but this statement is shown to be false by the official reports of the output.

The heavy increase in price at tidewater has not been caused entirely by the individual operators, as they produce only a small percentage of the coal sent to market, and the charge against them for being wholly responsible for the advance falls when it becomes known that with few exceptions the individuals sell their product to the carrying companies.

The production for December was 5,099,431 tons, as against 3,623,453 tons for the same period in 1901. For 1902 the total output was 31,200,830 tons, as against 53,568,601 tons for the previous year. The output for 1902 was the smallest that has been produced for many years.

The output last week was about the maximum, and it is believed the production this month will be fully as large as in December. Whenever the output is above 5,000,000 tons a month the mines have been worked to their full capacity, and the records show that this large production, thanks to the miners, has been maintained since the general resumption took place.

Up to the time of the strike the production exceeded that of the previous year. Since the miners have returned to work all the coal companies have been getting out a large amount.

The following table shows the number of tons taken to market by each carrying company for 1902, as compared with 1901:

Companies.	1902.	1901.
Reading .....	5,909,401	10,971,007
Lehigh Valley .....	4,631,535	8,310,343
Jersey Central .....	3,629,986	6,160,037
D. L. & W. ....	5,152,498	7,531,735
D. & H. ....	3,090,604	5,007,622
Pennsylvania .....	2,610,234	5,647,125
Erie .....	3,814,150	5,841,593
N. Y., O. & W. ....	1,627,478	2,508,377
D. S. & S. ....	735,004	1,590,862
Total .....	31,200,830	53,568,601

CONSPIRACY IS ALLEGED.

It is predicted that a conspiracy between the Coal Trust and the independent operators to keep up prices, in order to recoup strike losses, will be shown by the investigation started in the United States senate and house. Already summonses have been issued by the senate committee to compel the attendance of all the independent operators, together with the representatives of the great railroad companies which control the transportation and output of anthracite.

Congress is satisfied the present deplorable condition existing throughout the eastern part of the United States is due entirely to the Coal Trust or railroads which mine coal. It is asserted positively that the Coal Trust is selling its coal through the independent operators in order that a higher price may be received for it from the consumer. The Coal Trust, while deploring high

prices charged by the independent operators, is in reality furnishing the independent operators the coal and cars with which to get it to market.

It was testified to before the senate investigating committee that to every ten carloads of coal mined by the railroads there arrived from forty to fifty cars of high priced coal sent to Washington by the independent operators.

This testimony alone was so convincing of the existence of the conspiracy among the operators that the senate committee will devote its entire investigation to establishing the fact.

Congress will endeavor to ascertain exactly how the independent operators, who own and produce less than 10 per cent of the anthracite output, can now sell to the highest bidder 90 per cent of the anthracite for daily consumption.

The operators will also be asked why the great railroad mining corporations cannot send more than one car of coal to the coal-famine sections as against forty and fifty cars of independent coal.

## Sentenced for Manslaughter.

Emil Hazir, a Russian, who was found guilty of manslaughter in causing the death of his uncle, John Shigo, of Stockton, by striking the latter over the head with the pick handle, was on Saturday sentenced by Judge Wheaton to be imprisoned in the county jail for a term of three years and six months.

When called for sentence Hazir admitted he struck the fatal blow. He said Shigo was a bigger man than himself and attacked him with a butcher knife. "I was afraid of my life and took the pick handle to defend myself," said Hazir. "I did not want, did not try to kill him. I just struck at him to keep him away and he died."

Judge Wheaton, taking all the circumstances into consideration, and the previous good reputation of the defendant, imposed the sentence above mentioned.

## Death of Mrs. Howey.

The remains of the late Mrs. Thomas Howey, who died at Easton on Friday, arrived here at 12.35 o'clock this afternoon and were taken to St. James' Protestant Episcopal church, where services were conducted by Rev. F. Marshall, after which the funeral cortege proceeded to Freeland cemetery, where the interment was made.

Mrs. Howey, with her husband and family, resided here until after Drifton shop strike, when Mr. Howey secured work at Easton and made his home there. The deceased was a woman who was highly respected and her death was a surprise to her friends.

Besides her husband and her family she is survived by two brothers, Harry and John Wilson, and one sister, Mrs. John Smith, of the Second ward.

## Melville on Retired List.

Rear Admiral George W. Melville, chief of the Bureau of Steam Engineering, whose opinion on the miners and the strike after his lecture here last June was severely condemned by the Central Labor Council of Freeland, was placed on the retired list of the navy on Saturday, having reached the age limit of 62 years. Special authority granted by congress has been invoked to enable Admiral Melville to continue his services at the head of the bureau until his commission expires on August 9, 1903.

Admiral Melville was appointed to the navy from New York in July, 1861.

## To Receive Full Wages.

Orders have been issued from the office of General Superintendent George W. Creighton, of the Pennsylvania Railroad, to pay to all the company's employees who served in the National Guard on strike duty in the coal regions last fall the wages they would have made had they been at home and worked full time. The amount of money to be distributed in this manner will aggregate \$10,000. This is an entirely new departure and is taken to mean that the railroad company intends to encourage its employees to become members of the National Guard.

## Will Teach Housework.

Housewives of Wilkesbarre, tired of the increasing difficulty of obtaining competent domestic help, have organized for the purpose of establishing a school for training girls in household duties, and it will open about April 1. It will be under the direction of Miss R. M. West, matron of the City hospital.

Every detail of housework will be thoroughly taught, and pupils must be able to read and write and be under 20 years of age. The course will be fifteen months, at the end of which time the graduate will be given a certificate stating the branches in which she is competent.

## BIRTHS.

Timney.—To Mr. and Mrs. William J. Timney, North Centre street, a son.

## BASKET BALL.

Crescents Defeat Mauch Chunk Y. M. C. A. Club by a Large Score.

The Crescents won by a score of 17 to 1 from the Mauch Chunk Y. M. C. A. Saturday evening at Krell's hall, before an audience that completely jammed the building. The gallery and the reserved seats on the stage were overflowing with people. On the side lines the crowd was so dense that it was seldom the ball was out of bounds for the very good reason that it could not penetrate the wall of humanity on either side. The game was fast, exciting and scientifically played by both teams. Luck, if there ever was such a thing in athletics, was not with the visitors on their trip.

During the game Mauch Chunk shot for many baskets, some of which the ball circled the ring two or three times and fell outside. They also were awarded six free throws, only one of which was successful, which gave them the only point they secured and saved them from a shut out.

The locals played a gilt-edged game and the fast work of the team both in shooting and passing earned them much applause. Aside from basket throwing the Mauch Chunk team was A. No. 1, although they did play on the defensive.

The game started by the visitors carrying the ball to the vicinity of their basket, where, after three or four unsuccessful shoots, it was secured by the Crescents. The shooting by the locals for two or three attempts was unsuccessful until a pass was made to Centre Welsh, who shot and secured 2 points.

It was followed shortly, after much scuffling, by a quick pass to Nowak, who shot successfully for 2 points more. When the ball was put in play in the scrimmage a foul was committed for which Referee Herbst allowed the visitors a free throw. This throw was unsuccessful and precipitated another bunch of "altogether," which was dispersed by the referee and another free throw allowed the visitors, which was successful and gave them 1 point.

The ball was taken to the centre by the locals and by good passing was secured by Jacquot, who shot for the third successful basket. Time was then up and the half ended with the score 6 to 1 in the Crescents' favor.

After a selection by the Citizens' band the second half began. The ball was kept in the vicinity of the locals' goal until four successful baskets had been scored—two by Nowak and one each by Welsh and Jacquot, which increased their score to 14 points. In rapid succession, for holding and other offenses, Mauch Chunk was allowed four free throws, but failed to make a point. The Crescents secured a free throw on a foul and placed the ball in the basket for another point. On being put in play the ball was kept well in hand and finally passed to Nowak, who shot for and captured a basket. Time up the score stood: Crescents, 17; Mauch Chunk, 1.

The line-up was as follows:  
Crescents. Positions. Mauch Chunk.  
Nowak.....Forward.....Rogers  
O'Donnell.....Forward.....Fogley  
Welsh.....Centre.....Painter  
Davis.....Guard.....Easer  
Jacquot.....Guard.....Moyer  
Goals from field—Welsh, 2; Nowak, 4; Jacquot, 2. Goals from fouls—Welsh, 1; Moyer, 1. Referee—Herbst. Timekeeper—Powell. Time of halves—20 minutes.

## BASKET BALL NOTES.

Many present thought that if Mauch Chunk had been successful in scoring all the baskets for which they threw that it would have given them more points than the locals. This was not true and it must also be remembered that the locals shot for almost as many baskets which were unsuccessful as the visitors. Being done in a scattering way, it was not so noticeable as the unsuccessful attempts of the visitors, who generally repeated shooting three and four times in succession.

Many strangers were present at the game Saturday evening and everybody was enthusiastic. Old as well as young have taken to the game and it is safe to predict that so long as it is conducted along the present lines it will have no trouble to retain its patrons.

Announcement was made at the game Saturday evening that the Crescent Athletic Club is about to place "circus seats" on the side lines. This will be welcomed by the patrons of the game and will afford all a better opportunity to see the playing.

The Plymouth team which plays here Friday evening defeated Pittston Y. M. C. A. Saturday evening by a score of 15 to 1. Pottsville Business college defeated the Athletics, of Pottsville, Saturday by a score of 55 to 10.

The Good Will Athletic Association will receive a ball and other equipment this evening. Practice will immediately begin but for the present no exhibition games will be played.

On Saturday evening the Crescents donned their new bath robes of black and white stripes. The equipment of the team is now complete.

## 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.

Owing to the furnace being unable to heat the building, the Eckley B. Coxé school on South Ridge street was closed this morning. Principal Farrar, assisted by M. M. O'Boyle, worked from 5 to 9 a. m., but could not raise the temperature of the rooms above 32 degrees. School was resumed this afternoon.

Rev. Carl Houser and Max Geisel, of town, testified before the Strike Commission on Friday. The former related his experience while conducting services at a non-union worker's funeral at Lansford and the latter told of the assault committed on him while on his way to work at Drifton.

In order to facilitate the movement of coal traffic, the Lehigh Valley Railroad has decided to temporarily suspend the operation of the Black Diamond express, west of Wilkesbarre. It is the intention to make this change effective about Monday next.

Advices from Harrisburg confirm the report that James E. Roderick, chief of the Bureau of Mines and Mining, will be reappointed to the position by Governor-elect Pennypacker. Roderick is backed by Major Brown, the new secretary of internal affairs.

Andrew Chipple, the Jeddo breaker boy whose testimony before the Strike Commission aroused much interest, has received a letter from President John Mitchell, requesting him to take the agency for a new labor paper, and has accepted.

Representatives of the International Correspondence Schools, of Scranton, are displaying specimens of students' work at Faltz's barber shop. The institution has a number of students enrolled in this vicinity.

Conrad Hoch, who lost his wife by death at Allentown a few weeks ago, has returned to Freeland and will make his home here again. He will reside with his daughter, Mrs. Frank Hontz, on Birkbeck street.

The Luzerne grand jury has ignored all the strike cases that came before it during last week. The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western presented 121 cases of violence of various kind, together with libel.

Otto Kobner was killed by a fall of rock in No. 1 slope, Upper Lehigh, this morning. The unfortunate man resided at Upper Lehigh. He was aged 30 years and is survived by a wife and three children.

George Davis, of Drifton, has been appointed to the clerkship in the Lehigh Valley Railroad freight office, made vacant by the resignation of Richard Brobst, who has accepted a clerkship in Drifton.

B. C. Laubach and A. Goepfert, Freeland; Philip Brior, Drifton; Thomas Malloy, Coxé addition, and Harvey Young and George Knoll, Butler, are serving as jurors this week.

A defective flue caused a blaze in the Osborne hotel yesterday morning. The fire was extinguished before much damage resulted. No alarm was sounded.

John Quigley, assistant foreman at No. 4 colliery, Oakdale, has been transferred to Highland, and has removed to the latter town.

Ex-Mayor H. W. Meyers, of Hazleton, died Saturday evening, aged 45 years. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon.

Maurice G. Ferry returned today to Toronto, Canada, to resume his studies at St. Michael's college.

Dr. N. Maloy has presented a fine assortment of books to the Crescent Athletic Club.

Hugh Malloy, Jr., has accepted the local agency for the Philadelphia Inquirer.

Hazle township Republicans will hold their convention at Hazleton this evening.

The engagement of Otto Brauch and Miss Annie Pierson has been announced.

B. C. Laubach is confined to his home with a severe attack of rheumatism.

James J. Maloy is seriously ill at his home on Centre street.

Miss Mame McTague, of Philadelphia, is visiting at Drifton.

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SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR 1903

As the old year closed and the new year opened we felt that an invitation to our friends and patrons to come to our store and look our goods over would prove of mutual benefit, and we therefore beg to extend you a cordial welcome to favor us with a call at your earliest convenience.

We have been selling many goods during the recent past. Right goods and right prices have done it for us this season.

While we have been selling large quantities of goods we did not allow our stocks to run down, but have duplicated our orders and have kept up styles and sizes so that you can now have the same selections as early in the season.

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## PLEASURE.

January 15.—Ball of Freeland Sloveny Club at Krell's hall. Tickets, 25c.

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Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

\$3.00 to New York and Return.

Visa the Lehigh Valley Railroad. Tickets on sale January 14, good for four days returning, exclusive of going date. Fare for children, \$2.25. Consult ticket agents for further particulars.

Employment for Fifty Girls.

Fifty girls can find remunerative employment at the Freeland silk mill. Applicants must be over 15 years of age, and those between the ages of 13 and 16 must comply with factory law in every respect. Apply at mill office on Birkbeck street.

Ice cream on sale at Merk's.