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Bills Introduced to Better Workers' Condition.

FOR MINERS

Schuylkill County Representatives Lead in Presenting Measures of Interest to the Anthracite Region.

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Senator Thomas, of Schuyikill, presented a bill creating a department of mines to take the place of the Bureau of Mines and Mining now presided over by Chief James F. Roderick, of Hazleton, at a salary of \$3.000 a year. The department is to have supervision of the execution of the mining laws and the publication of the annual reports of the mine inspectors, the work now performed by the Bureau of Mines.

A chief of the department is to be appointed by the governor for a term of four years at \$4,000 a year and expenses. He shall have at least ten years' pratical experience in managing, working and

He shall have at least ten years' pratical experience in managing, working and ventilating mines and shall have a theoretical knowledge of all noxious and dangerous gases found in such mines. He shall have authority to inspect all mines and collieries and give advice to mine inspectors to protect the health and promote the safety of employes. He shall take steps to depose any mine inspector against whom charges of incompetency or malfeasance in office is substantiated.

The chief shall issue certificates to mine foremen and assistants in anthracite and bituminous districts and certificates of competency to all miners who have passed a successful examination. He shall have power to appoint an as-

cates of competency to all miners with have passed a successful examination. He shall have power to appoint an as-sistant at \$1,600 a year, two clerks at \$1,400, and a messenger at \$900. Representative Garner, of Schuylkill

introduced three bills in the house. One prohibits the employment in or about a coal mine of any person under twenty-one years of age, for more than eight hours a day, under a penalty of \$5,000 for each offense. The production of an affidavit made by a minor that he was beyond the age limit relieves the employer of responsibility. Another Garner-bill changes the manner of selecting members of the mine inspectors, examining board. It provides for a board of two mining engineers and three miners, in each of the six mining districts, who shall be elected by the people for one year. The governor is empowered to fill vacancies. At present the judges of courts appoint the examining boards.

The other bill presented by Mr. Gar-

Father and Sons Killed.

Joseph Fetterolf and his sons, Joseph John and Michael, of Mt. Carmel, wer to a mine breach ea t of Natalie Wee



H. G. Deppe, Secretary. UZERNE COUNTY, ss. In the Court of Common Pleas. No. 662, May Term, 1902. Libel in Divorce. Hattle May Misner vs.

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L'Onmon Pieas. Nutte May Misner per Libel in Divorce. Hattie May Misner Prank A. Misner. Take notice that the court has granted a final rule against you in the above suit which will be heard in the said court on Monday, February 8, 1998, at 10 octook a. m., on which day you may appear and show cause, if any you have, why such divorce should note the property of the court of the cou

nesday night to mine coal for personal use. After they had been working several hours the top fell and killed the father and Joseph, Jr. Michael was uninjured and ran for assistance. Neighbors gathered and removed the earth and rock and found the two men dead and John so badly injured that he died soon after being taken home.

Michael, the boy who escaped injury, was taken from night school by the others on their way to the mine breach. The opening has been considered dangerous and was enclosed with a fence by the company. Notices had been posted forbidding trespassing.

Coroner George Dreher, after investigating the mine breach accident, decided that the victims had trespassed on

ed that the victims had trespassed on property of the Shamokin Coal Company and were responsible for the disaster.

\$1,000 for Lattimer Monument.

Refusal to indorse a resolution calling for government ownership of mines, railroads, etc.; the voting of \$1,000 to a fund for the erection of a monument to the victims of the Lattimer riot of 1897, railroads, etc.; the voting of \$1.000 to a fund for the erection of a monument to the victims of the Lattimer riot of 1897, and an attack by National Board Member Farley, of Alabama, on the veracity of "Mother Jones" in connection with a criticism she made of the position of the miners of that state on a child labor bill, were the features of yesterday's session of the national convention of United Mine Workers.

Although not a voice was raised in opposition to the sentiments therein contained, a resolution asking for the indorsement of all resolutions that may be presented favoring government ownership was turned down by referring it back to the committee on resolutions for further consideration.

Thomas Haggerty, of Central Pennsylvania, led in the debate that ensued. The anthracite strike and the troubles in West Virginia were used by him and those following as a strong argument for government control of the mines. The operators in both states were charged by Mr. Haggerty with "violations of the law of God and the laws of man."

Delegate Lusk, of West Virginia, asserted that the money paid out by the organization since its inception for strikes and lockouts and to avert them would have been more than sufficient to purchase all the coal mines in the United States, while the dividends earned by the coal companies would have provided every miner in the country with his own home.

The disposition of the resolution was in line with the conservative policy that has been a strong factor in wining public support and public commendation for the organization.

Legislative Committees.

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The senate and house committees have been announced. In the latter there were numerous changes from the last session. The members of the Lucrene county delegation were appointed on committees as follows:

Hartman—Chairman centennial affairs; legislative apportionment; corporations.

Poss. Parkey.

lairs; legislative appointments ations.

Ross—Banks; ways and means.

Flanagan — Judicial apportionment; centennial affairs.

Ferry—Congressional apportionment; counties and townships; education.

Burke—Insurance; law and order; appropriations; city passenger railways; congressional apportionment.

Holcomb—Judiciary general; compare bulls.

On the senate committees Senator Drury is made chairman of the library committee and a member of the new counties and county seats committee.

May Abolish Free Delivery.

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Owing to the pecuniary smallness of farmers in the neighborhood of Shickshinny the residents thereabouts may be deprived of the rural free delivery service. Since the establishment of the service the government has been paying the owners of toils roads for the privilege of traversing the highways. The postoffice authorities believe that free delivery is for the benefit of these communities and are of the opinion that such a great convenience should not be taxed.

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It is understood, says the Wilkesbarre Record, that the posteffice authorities are seriously considering the advisability of abolishing the service in the vicinity of Shickshinny, believing that the action of the owners of the toll roads is a sufficient reason for this course. There are three turnpikes adjacent to Shickshinny where tolls are exacted from the government.

Beautiful Premiums Free!

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Leonard Branz,
Wenner & Sons,
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ROUND THE REGION.

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There was a scramble for the platforms of a coach on the Reading Railway when it was found that Lewis Strausser, a passenger, had the smallpox. Railway officials detected the case and warned the other passengers. The coach was cleared in a few moments. Strausser was locked in the coach, which was cleared in a few moments. Strausser was locked in the coach, which was cleared in a few moments. Strausser was locked in the coach, which was detached from the train Afterward he was taken to Schujkill pesthouse. The entire lower part of Schujkill county is threatened with an epidemic of smallpox, two more cases being found among the office patients of Pottsville physicians.

Robert Packer Linderman, of South Bathlehem, died from blood polsoning, resulting from a hurt to his hand while playing with his little son. He was the eldest son of Dr. Garrett B. Linderman, Sr., and wife Lucy, who was a daughter of Asa Packer. Deceased was born at Mauch Chunk, June 26, 1863. He was a member of the firm of Linderman & Sker, which at one time operated the collieries at Stockton and Humboldt He is survived by his wife, one son and five daughters.

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five daughters.

Judge Marr has decided that the officers of the Tamaqua Board of Health are not entitled to their salaries because they failed to take the oath of office and did not file a bond as required. It developed that Dr. Little, the health officer of Tamaqua, is a member of the board, which it was declared is illegal.

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The Lehigh Valley Railroad employes from all divisions of the system.have been called to meet at Sayre on Sunday to discuss a number of grievances. These apply to all the branches of the service, the men say, and a committee will probably be appointed to place them before the officials of the road.

District Attorney, Long was informed.

District Attorney Jones was informed yesterday that the registry list of voters of the Eighth ward, of Wilkesbarre, had been padded and he at once commenced an investigation. Judge Wheaton granted an order turning over to him all the papers.

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Peter Pugh, one of Pottsville's oldest citizens and an ex-president of the town council, fell dead upon the pavement last evening. His death was due to apoplexy. Mr. Pugh was 65 years old and was a factor in Republican politics for many years.

Peter Stoddell, of Exeter borough, was killed in Exeter mine ten days ago. Yesterday his two-year-old son, while playing about the house, fell into a tub of hot water, receiving scalds from which he died within an hour.

Miss Nellie Gallagher, of Pitston,

Miss Nellie Gallagher, of Pittston, was awarded \$1,240 damages for a broken leg. She was sitting on a porch when she was so frightened by a runaway horse that she fell. She sued the owner of the horse.

owner of the horse.

Ex-Representative Jerry W. Weller fell on the ice and brike a leg while on the way from Mauch Chunk to Nesquehoning Junction, where he is employed as a telegraph operator.

Crescents Defeat Calvary.

The Crescents defeated the Calvary.

A. A., of Wilkesbarre, in a well played game at Krell's hall, Wednesday evening, by a score of 11 to 5. After the first ten minutes of play it was apparent that the visitors could not win, nevertheless they kept the locals hustling until the end. The game was well played and interesting to the large audience throughout.

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The first half opened with the ball in Wilkesbarre territory, where a free throw on a foul was allowed but missed. The Crescents scored on a free threw. Another free throw allowed both teams falled to secure a mark and Wilkesbarre scored on the third attempt. With a point apiece to their credit both sides played cautiously. The visitors played the ball to their goal, shot and captured a basket. The locals took the ball and secured two basketss. Three free throws by Wilkesbarre missed and the half ended with the score 5 to 3 in the Crescents' favor.

The second half started and Wilkesbarre was allowed a free throw. It missed the basket and was secured by the locals and 2 points more were added to the taily. Another miss of a free throw and a successful basket by the locals followed. A free throw by the visitors failed, but they kept the ball within range and secured a basket. On being put in play the ball was passed by the locals and another basket added. Time up the game ended: Crescents, 11; Calvary, 5.

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LOCAL NOTES WRITTEN UP

Short Items of Interest to All Readers.

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

James McClain, who was beaten in Jenkintown by unknown persons last Saturday night, died from his injuries and will be buried tomorrow. He was aged 40 years and for a number of years was engaged in the tea business in Freeland. For the past twelve years he has been in Philadelphia and Jenkintown, where he was engaged in the bottling trade. A wife and a number of children survive him.

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In the distribution of patronage at Harrisburg only two Luzerne county men were remembered—Howell Williams, of Pittston, and C. B. Miller, of Nanticoke. Williams was appointed janitor of the committee rooms of the senate and Miller was re-appointed corporation clerk in the secretary of the commonwealth's department.

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The Democrats and the Republicans of the borough will elect delegates tomorrow evening to nominate the candidates for local offices. In both parties there exists much apathy and but few people are taking an interest in the matter, notwithstanding the fact that several important offices are to be filled at the coming election.

Only four more days remain to take

Only four more days remain to take advantage of the great bankrupt sale as the Philadelphia One-Price Clothing House. Don't delay any longer in securing some of the great bargains that are being offered.

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A sult for \$10,000 damages brought against the Lehigh Traction Company by Peter and William Schmidt, who were struck by a trolley car two years ago while on their way to work at Honeybrook, was dismissed by the court yesterday.

"A Woman's Secret," the comedy drama which will appear tomorrow evening at the Grand opera house, comes well endorsed by the press of the tswns wherein it has been presented. Seats are now on sale.

John Faltz, of Main street, received.

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John Faltz, of Main street, received serious injuries yesterday by being kicked by a mule in No. 2 mine, Highland, where he is employed as a driver. The young man will be confined to his home for some time.

Julian Raiph, the celebrated war correspondent and author, who died in New York on Tuesday night, did special work for some of the metropolitan dailes and magazines in this region during the strike.

Among those who will marry in the near future are the following: Andrew Kanuk, of Jeddo, and Miss Annie Ste-fanko, of Dritton, and Wajek Szekonski and Miss Mary Karvoszki, both of High-land.

The price of Upper Lebigh coal has been advanced as follows: Pea, to 20 cents per 100 pounds; chestnut, stove and egg, to 30 cents per 100 pounds. The above are the prices at the breaker.

George Christian and J. H. Trevaskis bave purchased the ice business conduct-ed for some years past by E. B. Shel-hamer.

Carpenters are making alterations to the building on Main street recently purchased by John Bellezza.

A ball will be held at Kreli's hall by Division 19, A. O. H., on the evening of February 17. John Nowak has accepted a position as clerk in the store of E. J. Curry.

Y. M. C. A.

Ladies and gentlemen are cordially in-vited to attend the services Sunday afternoon at 2.30. Miss M. A. Green, pastor of P. M. church, will address the

pastor of P. M. church, will address the meeting.

Prof. Everhardt is earnestly pushing the rehearsals of the operetta which will be rendered on February 23. Good progress is being made. A treat is in store for the public.

The Saturday afternoon boys' bible class is increasing in numbers and interest.

PLEASURE.

February 7.—Hop of Young Men's C. T. A. B. Corps at Krell's hall. Ad-mission, 25 cents. February 15.—Entertainment under auspices of Drilton Base Ball Club at Grand opera house. Tickets, 15 and 25 cents.

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