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SPECIAL PLEA FOR FIREMEN

Commission Asked to Give Them Eight Hours.

Ex-Congressman Brumm Is of the Opinion That Anthracite Strikes Are Ended Forever--Argument Begun

J. F. Mullahy, secretary of the stationary firemen employed at the anthracite mines and in other parts of the state, has sent to the Coal Strike Commission a long appeal in behalf of the firemen in which he asks consideration of the following demands: An eighthour day, the same wages as are now paid for twelve hours; reinstatement of all who were on strike either in the firement of the comments of the comments

all who were on strike either in the fireroom or some other position.
He furnishes altable showing the comparative wages of firemen working in
other industries; shows that antiractive
men get 14-23 cents for twelve hours
and the bituminous 22½ cents for eight
hours, while firemen working twelve
hours in Philadelphia get 31½ cents and
those workir g eight hours in New York
and Chicago get 31½ cents.
He recites at length the conditions of
work, declaring that the firemen work
in a temperature ranging between 100

work, acctaring that the fremen work in a temperature ranging between 100 and 190 degrees; have to stand in a pool of water, and work twenty-four hours every other Sunday, while they bandle from forty to seventy tons of coal each

leable, and that strikes in the authracite region are ended forever.

Said Mr. Brumm: "Both sides now understand each other's position. The decision of the commission will be binding for three years. After that the miners and operators will likely meet each other for future agreements, as is done in the bituminous fields. The increasing prestige and power of the Mine Workers will compel this step. The success of Mitchell's recent negotiations with the soft coal operators may have considerable effect in inducing the commission to recommend recognition of the United Mine Workers."

The concluding sessions of the Coal

ne United Mine Workers."

The concluding sessions of the Coal trike Commission began this morning. The argument was taken up by Lawyers by J. McCarthy, Charles Brumm and enry J. Lloyd, representing the mines. They will be followed by James and John T. Samuel Dickson, George F. aer and others, for the operators, arence Darrow, for the miners, will ose the argument.

INCREASE FOR SOFT COAL MANNE.

Clarence Darrow, for the miners, will close the argument.

INCREASE FOR SOFT COAL MINERS.

The scale committee of the bituminous operators and miners have agreed that advances ranging from 12 to 22 per cent shall be granted the mine workers of the soft coal field. The outcome of this conference was anxiously awaited throughout the anthracite region, as a disagreement among the conferees meant a general strike of the bituminous men on April 1, which would be followed by assessments upon the anthracite members of the union. The announcement made yesterday that the differences have been amicably adjusted was received by local miners with great pleasure.

Inasmuch as the hard coal mine workers now receive from 15 to 30 per cent less in wages than their brethren in

cent less in wages than their brethren in the soft coal sections, the increase con-ceded by the operators on Saturday will

MISCELLANEOUS ADVERTISEMENTS

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PLECTION NOTICE—Notice is hereby
It given that at the election to be held on the
third Tuesday of February, 1803, being the
seventeenth of that month, the following ofneers of the Middle Coal Field Poor District
One person for director, to serve for three
years from first of April, 1843, whose residence
must be in that portion of the district comprising the lower or Mauch Chunk district.
Year from April I, 1803, whose residence
must be in that portion of the district known
as the middle or Weatherly district.
One person for auditor, to serve for three
years from the portion of the district known
as the middle or Weatherly district.

One person for auditor, to serve for three
years from the portion of the district known
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make the difference still greater, and local miners are looking to the Coal Strike Commission to place anthracite wages upon a level with the bituminous men's pay.

Those who fully understand the mining of both kinds of coal concede that the anthracite worker labors harder and incurs greater danger than the bituminous worker. This belog so, he is entitled to at least as much pay for his services, and the Strike Commission will be him injustice if it fails to order an ad-

Simvelle's "Romeo and Juliet."

There are four theatres running every day at Reading, Pa., but the above com-pany played to over 1,000 paid admissions pany played to over 1,000 paid admissions at the matine alone, Thursday, January 22, at the Academy of Music, with correspondingly large business at night at high prices. One of the best posted and conservative managers in the theatrical business manages the above theatre. Read the following signed telegram from him (sent to the managers of the theatres played after the Reading date)

"Simvelies 'Romeo and Juliet Com-pany played to big matinee and night audiences at the Academy of Music to-day. The attraction is O. K."—John A. Mishler, manager Academy of Music, Reading, Pa., January 22, 1903.

Missing Woman Seen Here.

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Mrs. George Seber, a Harwood woman, aged about 35 years, is missing from her home and her husband fears that she has gone to the woods and killed herself. She left the house on Friday morning after preparing breakfast for her husband. It was reported that she had eloped with a countryman, but this theory finds few supporters, because Mrs. Seber and her husband always got along well together. All of the single men of eloping age are still at their accustomed places in the town. The Sebers have six children, all of them of tender age.—Hazleton Plain Speaker.

Mrs. Seber was in Freeland Friday afternoon and spent some time in the stores of town. She acted rather strangely while here.

"Ripper" for Schuylkill.

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The three Schuylkill county poor directors and a hundred local politicians who are holding fat positions would be legislated out of office by a bill to be introduced in the legislature this week. The measure has the endorsoment of the Schuylkill county judges. It is to repeal a law which affects only that county.

Representative Snyder has framed the act, which rips out of office the three Democratic poor directors, who receive \$1.500 per year, and provides in their stead for the appointment of three trustees by the court who are to serve without salary. The object of the bill is to take the almshouse out of politics.

Socialist Ticket Rejected.

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The court on Saturday refused to recognize the Socialist party ticket of Wilkesbarre township on the ground that it was un-American. Objections had been filed to it and Judge Lynch insisted on seeing the constitution of the Socialistic organization. He finally decided that the charter is not in accord with the spirit of the government:

Several hours were spent in hearing other objections against Democratic and Republican candidates and most of them were overruled.

Name Omitted.

The name of Joseph Greshko, who is an applicant for a license at his present place of business, 133 South Centre street, in the Flith ward, was omitted in the official list sent out by Clerk of Courts Lloyd, consequently the name did not appear in the list published in Friday's issue. Attorney John M. Carr represents Mr. Greshko and has taken steps to rectify the error.

This amplication makes a total of 61

Drawn as Jurors.

The following citizens of this vicinity have been drawn to serve as jurors on the dates preceding their names:

March 9.—William J. Boyle, B. F. Davis, Freeland; Adam Sachs, James Dougherty, William Fritzinger, Foster.

March 16.—Thomas Birkbeck, Daniel Shovlin, Victor Oswald, George Sweet, Freeland; George Treible, Foster; Alonzo Rehrig, Butler.

March 23.—Walter L. Richards, Julius Lesser, Frank Smith, Foster.

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ROUND THE REGION.

The flame in the mining lamp worn by Waleow Mawroski, a new employe in the Old Forge mine, Pittston, was accidentally extinguished, and, having no matches to relight it, he lost bis way in the mine. At last he came to a slope and heard care approaching. In the darkness he tried to reach a place of security, but instead stepped directly in the path of the train and was killed. County Detective Jones arrested James

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Gilligan on the charge of padding the
list of registered voters in a Wilkesbarre
ward. Gilligan is a clerk in the county
commissioners' office, where the registry
lists are filed. It is contended that he
inserted forty-six extra names. Other
arrests are expected. Gilligan walved a
hearing and gave bail.

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David Dare, of Larksville, employed as a door boy in a D. & H. mine, was crushed to death under a mule, which fell upon him. Deceased was running before a trip to open his doors, stumbled, and before he could get up the mule pulling the cars was tripped by the boy's body and fell upon him.

Charles J. Duke, of Pittston, national organizer of the American Federation of Labor, has been assigned to organizing work in California, Washington, Nevada, Alaska and New British Columbia. His good work in the Pittston district caused him to be given this important territory.

ant territory.

Mrs. W. M. Geary, of Hudson, this county, ran across the street to show a neighbor an article in a paper. She was gone less than five minutes and returned to find her two-year-old daughter in flames. The child died from her burns.

Eighty-two people of Wilkesbarre and vicinity who claim to be belts to the \$60,000,000 estate of Leonard Case, of Cleveland, O., have sent an attorney to that city to represent them. The case comes up for trial this week.

The American House, Stroudsburg, was entered by thleves last night. Money to the amount of \$300 was taken. Four gold watches were overlooked by the thieves. The authorities suspect local men.

American Mechanics was instituted at Shickshinny Saturday night. The cere-monies were conducted by State Coun-cilor John Bach, of Pittsburg.

Thomas Mossip, aged 16 years, was shot and killed yesterday afternoon at Wilkesbarre by Louis Reil, who declares the shooting was accidental. Reil is under arrest.

After a four-year struggle the Scran-ton Builders' Exchange has granted the union carpenters of that city an eight-hour day.

BASKET BALL.

Before the largest audience of the season the Crescents and Atlantic City played a tie game Friday evening, the score being 9 to 9. The playing was clean and free from roughness and the audience was enthusiastic with excite-The first half opened by Referee Dr

The first half opened by Referee Dr. Cope throwing the ball. After some shuffling the locals scored on a free throw and the visitors captured a basket and missed a goal on a free throw. The locals scored a basket and Atlantic City scored on a free throw. The locals scored on a free throw and the Jerseymen scored a basket. Roth teams missed free throws in succession. The locals scored another basket. Time up the half ended with the score 6 to 5 in the Crescents' favor.

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The second half was opened with a free throw by the locals which missed. The visitors scored a basket. The locals missed a basket and scored a basket on free throws and the visitors missed one also but scored immediately after. The locals captured a basket and brought the score for the half to Crescents, 3; Atlantic City, 4. The final score stood: Crescents, 9; Atlantic City, 9. City, 9.

BASKET BALL NOTES.

It was intended to continue Friday evening's game until one side or the other would score, but the visitors desired the score to remain as it was, being too tired to continue.

Coach Keily played and won much applause by his tricky moves.

Mahanoy City will be the attraction on Wednesday evening, and on Friday evening Ashland will play here. Both teams have good reputations.

The Crescents have received an invitation from Atlantic City club to spend a

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 remains of the late Daniel Shov-lin, who died on Friday in the Miners hospital, were laid at rest this morning at St. Ann's cemetery. The funeral took place at 9 o'clock from his late residence on Washington street and was attended by a large number of people. A requiem mass was celebrated at St. Ann's church.

Ann's church.

A week of special religious services will be held this week at the Park M E. church. Rev. J. B. Poisgrove, of Hazleton, will fill the pulpit this evening, and Rev. E. A. Deavor, D. D., of the same city, tomorrow evening. The pastor, Rev. E. T. Swartz, extends an invitation to all to attend the services.

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The hoisting engine at New York slope, one of the inside mines of No. 2 colliery, Highland, broke down early this morning. The accident caused a suspension of operations, as the affected slope supplies the breaker with a majority of the coal shipped from that colliery.

An invitation hop will be held under the auspices of Mayflower Assembly, No. 15, Daughters of Naomi, at Krell's hall, on Thursday evening. The date is the anniversary of Lincoln's birth and the committee is working energetically to make the event a notable success.

For Rent.—Rooms in Refowich build-

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For Rent.—Rooms in Refowich building, formerly occupied by Good Wills. Apply on premises.

The storm of yesterday did damage to telephone lines and several local patrons are without service today. The injured lines are being repaired as speedily as possible. The storm also gave the Electric Light Company much trouble last evening.

The fourth of the passenger cars ordered by the Wilkesbarre and Hazleton Railway has arrived and will be placed in service this week. It is expected that within a month the road will be operated to the county seat.

William Boyle, of Walnut street, has resigned his position as driver of F. H. McGroarty's milk wagon, to accept a position with Baker John Ripple. His brother, Neal, succeeds him as driver of the milk wagon.

D. B. Briehof, of Hazleton, has been nominated for now, and the contraction of the mention of the position of the milk wagon.

D. B. Briehof, of Hazleton, has been nominated for poor auditor on the Democratic ticket in place of L. G. Lubrecht, who declined to run for the

Carbon county and one of Lansford's most respected citizens, spent a few hours with Freeland friends today.

Ice cream on sale at Merkt's.

An entertainment will be given at the Grand opera house on the evening of February 22, under the auspices of the Leo Columbian Literary Society.

tenings by the wind last evening and smashed against a pole.

Andrew Chekofski and Miss Mary Stekewicz, both of Freeland, will be married at St. Kasimor's Polish Catholic church next Saturday.

John Gallagher, who had been confined for some weeks at the Miners hospital with a broken leg, has returned to his home in Drifton.

John C. Boyle, Frank Wenner and John Fisher, of town, and Jacob Roth and William Eroh, of Butler, are serving as jurors this week.

Edward J. Gaffney, who is attending college in Baltimore, is spending his vacation with his parents on South Centre street.

. BIRTHS.

George.—To Mr. and Mrs. Henry eorge, Walnut street, a daughter.

PLEASURE.

February 15.—Entertainment under auspices of Drifton Base Ball Club at Grand opera house. Tickets, 15 and 25 cents.

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February 17.—Ball of Division 19, A. O. H., at Kreil's hall. Admission, 50. February 22.—Entertainment under the auspices of Leo Columbian Literary desired for the auspices of the Columbian Literary desi

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