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WEATHER INDICATIONS.
Forecast Until 8 p. m., tomorrow for Eastern Pennsylvania.
Fair tonight and Thursday; partly cloudy; light to fresh easterly winds.

Pittston Gazette.

THE HOME PAPER.
For the People of Pittston and Vicinity.
ALL THE HOME NEWS.

55th YEAR. | WEEKLY ESTABLISHED 1850. DAILY EST. BY THEO. HART 1882. | PITTSTON, PA., WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1904. | TWO CENTS A COPY. FORTY CENTS A MONTH. | 8 PAGES.

A HORRIBLE CALAMITY.

TEN MINE WORKERS HURLED INTO ETERNITY

Disaster Occurred This Morning at Auchincloss Mine, Nanticoke.

HOISTING ENGINEER LOST CONTROL OF HIS ENGINES.

Carriage Containing Men Dropped 1,000 Feet and Sank Into Sump—Victims Not Recovered.

One of the most horrible accidents that ever occurred in an anthracite mine was that by which ten lives were instantly snuffed out this morning at the Auchincloss colliery, near Nanticoke. Auchincloss colliery is owned and operated by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Co., being a companion mine of the Bliss, and is located a short distance north of Nanticoke, being reached by the Lackawanna Line by means of a bridge across the river, which connects the collieries with the Bloomsburg division Not only in the fact of so many lives being lost at one fell swoop, but also in the distressing circumstances that it was impossible to immediately recover the bodies of the victims, is the disaster one that caused a feeling of horror wherever the news spread.

Names of the Victims.

Following are the names of the ten men who met death in the disaster and whose bodies have not yet been recovered:

JOSEPH CARSON.
JOHN COOK.
JOSEPH NOVICK.
WILLIAM ASHTON.
FRANK SHYLOCK.
JOSEPH GOSHEN.
JOHN IGNATOWICZ.
JOHN KONAN.
JOHN KEMPA.
ALEXANDER DOLAMGOWSKI.

All of the men mentioned were employed as miners, laborers, or company hands. As indicated by their names, most of them were men of foreign birth. They lived in Nanticoke and vicinity, and many of them leave wives and children.

Scene of the Disaster.

The disaster occurred in Shaft No 1, of the colliery, which is the principal opening and by means of which the men and boys are lowered to their work and hoisted in the evening. The shaft is sunk to a distance of about 1,000 feet from the surface, but it is used for hoisting purposes only as far down as the Ross vein a distance of about 640 feet. The remainder of the shaft is used as a sump. The water from the mine workings drains into the sump, which is several hundred feet deep, and is thence pumped to the surface. This morning's disaster resulted from the hoisting engines getting beyond control of the engineer, permitting a carriage containing ten men to drop to the bottom of the shaft at a frightful rate of speed.

Jacob W. Fine, of Nanticoke, was the hoisting engineer on duty when the affair happened. He had arrived at the engine house about 6 o'clock and had immediately taken charge of the work of lowering the men and boys to their work in the mine Four carriage loads had been lowered in safety, and at about 6:40 o'clock the fifth carriage was loaded for the descent. The ten men whose names are given in the above list of victims quickly crowded upon the platform of the carriage and an eleventh man was about to step on the platform when the headman announced that the legal limit of ten were aboard, waved the eleventh man back with his hand, and gave the signal for the engineer to lower the cage.

The Engines Ran Away.

Soon after the carriage left the landing, the engineer noticed that the engines were running at a lively rate and made an attempt to shut off steam and slack up. To his amazement he could not operate the throttle valve. He tugged at the lever of the valve with all his might and used every means at his command to stop the speed of the engines and bring the carriage safely to a stop at the Ross vein, whither the men were bound All his efforts were in vain however and the frightful calamity occurred sending the ten men on the carriage into eternity with only a moment's warning.

Fate of the Men.

What happened to the men on the cage and what their feelings were during the awful moment that elapsed between the time they left the surface landing until they were hurled to death at the bottom of the shaft will never be known definitely. It is not hard, however, to conjure the manner of their death. An examination of the shaft after the accident had occurred revealed that the carriage had kept to the guides until the Ross vein or lowest landing was reached. At this landing, there were "dogs" set in the shaft for the carriage to rest upon while the cars were being put on and taken off. As the carriage never descended below the Ross vein, these "dogs" were permanent, but they were not stout enough to withstand the awful force of the runaway carriage. They were torn away from their fastenings in a trice, and the carriage, with its precious human load, continued on its plunge down the abyss, the men dropping into the water that fills the bottom of the shaft. Whether the victims were killed by the great crash of timbers that must have occurred when the carriage was jammed through the landing at the Ross vein or were still alive when they sank into the flood beneath can only be surmised.

Wreck on the Surface.

The engine house is 200 feet from the shaft, nevertheless it was badly wrecked. There were a number of men standing around the head of the shaft, waiting to be lowered to their work. Not until the ascending carriage reached the top of the shaft and began to tear things to pieces did they realize that anything unusual had happened. The ascending carriage dashed up over the sheave wheel, carrying with it part of the iron framework of the tower, and, so great was the power of the engines attached to the carriage that it was dragged over upon the engine house crashing through the brick walls and landing on the rapidly moving engines, which were completely wrecked. Engineer Fine saved his life by jumping from a window. The wreckage injured several men who were standing at the mouth of the shaft ready to descend. They were: John Knochadale, face and head lacerated; Harold Vermot, head cut; David Houstan, arm crushed.

Mine Officials Summoned.

As soon as the accident occurred General Superintendent Phillips, of Scranton, was summoned and came down in a special train. Other mine officials gathered and there was a conference to take steps at rescue should there be any hope that the victims in the shaft were alive.

Supt. Phillips, District Supt. E. J. Evans, Supt. H. G. Davis, Mine Inspector P. M. Boyle and Supt. Thomas, of the Susquehanna Coal Co., held a conference and planned an investigation. Arrangements were made within a short time to lower a bucket into the shaft and search for the men or their bodies.

It was thought that by this means it could be ascertained within a few hours whether any of the men were alive and some of the bodies recovered if they had not fallen into the water and sunk to the bottom.

In the latter event it will take three days to take out the water and reach the bodies.

Work of Rescue.

In the meantime the work of rescue was pushed. Charles Swartz, the footman at the Ross vein, risked his life by climbing down the shaft toward the water and calling to determine if any were alive. There was no sign in answer to his calls, no rapping or noises, all black and silent. He climbed down further and discovered the upper part of the wrecked varriage, which had stuck fast in an obstruction, but the flooring on which the men stood had torn off and gone down into the depths with its human burden. Swartz is confident that all the men are dead.

Ernest Goshen also made an effort to climb down the shaft below the wreckage, but could find no sign of life or trace of the bodies, and believes all are dead at the bottom of the sump, 315 feet below the Ross vein landing.

Gave up Hope.

At 11 o'clock, District Superintendent H. G. Davis, District Superintendent E. J. Evans, Mine Inspector P M. Boyle and John C. Thomas went down the shaft to make a final thorough inspection and to decide on a plan for pumping the water from the shaft.

Colonel Phillips, the general superintendent of the D., L. & W. Coal Co.' said:

"This is indeed a sad and very heartrending affair, and we are at a loss how to account for it. The men who went down in that carriage are undoubtedly dead, as the fact that the bottom of the carriage was torn off, the depth of the shaft and the water means certain death in the fall."

Excitement at Surface.

During the morning intense excitement prevailed about the mouth of the shaft. A large crowd, including many women and children, soon collected and there was the usual heartrending scenes, crying and moaning for those in the mine, no one knowing for a time who was on the ill-fated carriage. There was nearly one hundred miners already in the mine, about to begin their work, and these reached the surface through the No. 2 shaft, and went to comfort their loved ones or else assist in the work of rescue.

Engineer Fine has been employed in that capacity at the Auchincloss shaft for nine years. Supt. Phillips said that there was some complaint that the engine throttle did not work well several months ago but they were repaired six weeks ago.

A Runaway Bicycle.

Terminated with an ugly gash on the leg of J. B. Orner, Franklin Grove, Ill. It developed a stubborn ulcer unyielding to doctors and remedies for four years. Then Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured it. It's just as good for burns, scalds, skin eruptions and piles. 25c at Wm. C. Price, Charles Waters, Pittston, Geo. H. Stroh, West Pittston, druggists.

Mothers Praise It.

Mothers everywhere praise One Minute Cough Cure for the sufferings it has relieved and the lives of their little ones it has saved. A certain cure for coughs, croup and whooping cough. A. L. Spafford, postmaster of Chester, Mich., says: "Our little girl was unconscious from strangulation during a sudden and terrible attack of croup. One Minute Cough Cure quickly relieved and cured her and I cannot praise it too highly." One Minute Cough Cure relieves coughs, makes breathing easy, cuts phlegm, draws out inflammation and removes every cause of a cough and strain on lungs. Sold by Thos. J. Yates.

American Liner Grounded.

Liverpool, Nov. 2.—The American line steamship Haverford grounded this morning at the mouth of the Mersey. Tugs went to her assistance The vessel lies on a sandy bottom and she will probably not suffer any damage.

Pope Suffers From Heart Trouble.

Rome, Nov, 2.—Pope Pius had an attack of heart failure during the night. Dr. Lapponi was called and gave immediate relief.

Stanton's Meat Market

is prepared to promptly fill all orders for fresh meats and specialties.

All the leading varieties in fresh fish every Friday. Luzerne avenue. Both phones.

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If there is the slightest doubt in the minds of any that Dandruff germs do not exist, their belief is compelled by the fact that a rabbit innoculated with the germs became bald in six weeks' time. It must be apparent to any person therefore that the only prevention of baldness is the destruction of the germ—which act is successfully accomplished in one hundred per cent. of cases by the application of Newbro's Herpicide. Dandruff is caused by the same germ which causes baldness and can be prevented with the same remedy—Newbro's Herpicide.

Accept no substitute. "Destroy the cause you remove the effect."

Sold by leading druggists. Send 10c. in stamps for sample to The Herpicide Co., Detroit, Mich.

T. J. Yates, Special Agent.

PROMINENT MEN ARRESTED

William R. and Evan Jones Placed in Jail by Duryea Justice for Alleged Contempt.

What seems to have been a high handed action by a justice of the peace was perpetrated last evening in Duryea, when Squire Frank Savage summarily caused the arrest of two prominent West Pittston men, who were interested in a case in his office last evening. The men were William R. Jones and Evan Jones the former of Exeter street, who were prosecuting some people that had been trespassing on their properties in Duryea, stealing fruit and destroying fruit trees. The hearing was held last evening before Squire Savage and both of the prosecutors were present It seemed to them that the justice in his rulings was partial to the defendants, who were countrymen of his and they remonstrated with him. The squire, it is said, became very angry at what he termed their interference and said summarily that they were under arrest for contempt of court. Both men were almost speechless at the action and before they recovered themselves the squire ordered a constable named Paul Urban to take them to jail and lock them up. Before going they offered to give bail before him or to pay their fines, but he would not hear of it and they were placed in cells. After a few hours, it is alleged, Savage came to the jail and offered to release them if they should pay $3.50 each. They refused at first, but later, in the presence of witnesses, paid the money under protest and were allowed to go. William R. Jones engaged attorney W. H. Gillespie this morning and warrants will be issued this afternoon for the arrest of Savage and Urban, charging them with criminal extortion. They will be given a hearing about 5 o'clock this evening before Squire Gilboy. Evan Jones has not started any prosecutions as yet.

THE NORTH SEA AFFAIR.

Nothing Has Occurred to Raise Fears of a New Crisis.

London, Nov. 2.—The Russian embassy this afternoon issued a statement to the effect that nothing has occurred in the negotiations to raise fears of a new crisis. The two governments are studying and elaborating the details for the international commission of inquiry.

Gibraltar, Nov. 2.—The British cruiser Boomerang and the torpedo boat flotilla have returned to the harbor. The battleships Majestic Magnificent and Hannibal left today, sailing to the east. The battleship Illustrious, from Vigo, and the cruiser Leander, from Malta, arrived later in the day. All of the excitement caused by the mobilization yesterday has abated. The crisis is believed to be over.

London, Nov. 2.—Before the cabinet meeting today, M. Cambon, the French ambassador, called on Lord Lansdowne, secretary for foreign affairs.

Recent Russian Losses.

Rome. Nov. 2.—Dispatches from Manchuria state that the Russians lost 2,000 men and four guns in the fighting on Monday last. The Japanese right and center continue their enveloping movements. The dispatches also state that the Japanese have captured forts 15 and 16 at Port Arthur.

Thousands Cured.

DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve has cured thousands of cases of piles. "I bought a box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve on the recommendation of our druggist," so writes C. H. LaCroix, of Zavalla, Tex., "and used it for a stubborn case of piles. It cured me permanently." Sold by Thomas J. Yates.

MAIN ST. STORE ROBBED

William Giles' Business Place Broken Into and Considerable Goods Taken.

Intruders gained entrance to the grocery store of William Giles on North Main street at Butler street some time last night and made away with considerable goods. Mr. Giles does not know what his loss is as yet. The burglars gained admission by removing some bars and breaking a side window and the deed must have been done early in the evening for at 9 o'clock people passing by noticed that a window was broken. No arrests have been made so far.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

Sold by all Druggists, 75.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

THE ROOT OF THE MATTER.

He Cured Himself of Serious Stomach Trouble by Getting Down to First Principles.

A man of large affairs in one of our prominent eastern cities, by too close attention to business, too little exercise and too many club dinners, finally began to pay nature's tax, levied in the form of chronic stomach trouble; the failure of his digestion brought about a nervous irritability, making it impossible to apply himself to his daily business, and finally deranging the kidneys and heart.

In his own words he says: "I consulted one physician after another and each one seemed to understand my case, but all the same they each failed to bring about the return of my former digestion, appetite and vigor. For two years I went from pillar to post, from one sanitarium to another, I gave up smoking, I quit coffee and even renounced my daily glass or two of beer, but without any marked improvement.

"Friends had often advised me to try a well known proprietary medicine, Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, and I had often perused the newspaper advertisements of the remedy, but never took any stock in advertised medicines nor could believe a fifty-cent patent medicine would touch my case.

"To make a long story short I finally bought a couple of packages at the nearest drug store and took two or three tablets after each meal, and occasionally a tablet between meals, when I felt any feeling of nausea or discomfort.

"I was surprised at the end of the first week to note a marked improvement in my appetite and general health, and before the two packages were gone I was certain that Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets was going to cure completely, and they did not disappoint me. I can eat and sleep and enjoy my coffee and cigar, and no one would suppose I had ever known the horrors of dyspepsia.

"Out of friendly curiosity I wrote to the proprietors of the remedy asking for information as to what the tablets contained, and they replied that the principal ingredients were asceptic pepsin (government test), malt diastase and other natural digestives, which digest food regardless of the condition of the stomach."

The root of the matter is this, the digestive elements contained in Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will digest the food, give the overworked stomach a chance to recuperate and the nerves and whole system receive the nourishment which can only come from food; stimulants and nerve tonics never give real strength, they give fictitious strength, invariably followed by reaction. Every drop of blood, every nerve and tissue is manufactured from our daily food, and if you can insure its prompt action and complete digestion by the regular use of so good and wholesome a remedy as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, you will have no need of nerve tonics and sanitariums.

Although Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets have been in the market only a few years, yet probably every druggist in the United States, Canada and Great Britain now sells them and considers them the most popular and successful of any preparation for stomach trouble.

Grocery Price List.

Canned Corn	10c, 12½c, 15c
3 cans Peas	25c
3 cans Pumpkin	25c
3 large cans Baked Beans	25c
Clam Chowder	10c and 20c
Best Teas	50c
Best Coffee	35c
Old Holland Coffee	25c
Signature Tea, all kinds	50c

Finest line of Brick, Limburger and Sweitzer in town.

Try our Clam Chowder at 10c and 20c can. It is fine.

Campbell, Rozelle & Webster
57 S. Main St.

LEGAL NOTICES.

SEALED PROPOSALS

Sealed proposals will be received by the City Clerk between the hours of 8 o'clock and 8:15 p. m., Thursday evening, November 3rd, 1904, during the joint session of councils for the construction of a lateral sewer on Nafus street from Main to Vine and of house connections from lateral sewer to curb line. Plans, profile and specifications are on file in the city engineer's office.

Proposals shall cover the entire work and shall state the price per lineal foot for doing said work and shall include costs of digging and filling, the laying of pipe and furnishing of labor and material therefor, and shall also state the total cost of the work.

Bidders shall inclose with each proposal the sum of $100 cash or certified check as a guarantee to execute a contract if awarded the same.

Proposals not accompanied by the required deposit and not in accordance with the advertisement and ordinance will not be considered.

The city reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

By order of Councils,
JOHN T. FLANNERY,
City Clerk.

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A PARTY

of traveling men at The Sterling Saturday evening were discussing hotels, towns etc., when one of the group was heard to say: "Well, I always enjoy Wilkes-Barre for the simple reason that nowhere else can I get a Beer so refreshing and delicious as

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"I tell you, boys, after running around all day, you sit down and drink a glass of Stegmaiers' Stock Lager you feel refreshed at once. It is in fact a perfect beer."

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Best Family Flour	6.00
B.-W. Flour, per sack	.75
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Turnips	.50
Rutabagas	.40
3 Cans New Corn	.25
Pride of Rome Corn	.12½
Premier Corn	.12½
3 Cans Early June Peas	.25
Sweet Vernal Peas	.12½
Small Sifted Peas	.12½
Premier Tomatoes	.12½
3 Tid Bit Crackers	.25
Loose Tid Bits	.07½
3 Bottles Catsup	.25
Sniders' Catsup	.20
Heinz's Catsup	.15 & 25
Nabob Pancake	.10
Mattie Mitchell	.10
Self-rising B. W. Flour	.10

William Drury,
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T. A. DURKIN.

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Feed, per 100 lbs	$1.20
Pabst Bottled Famous Milwaukee Beer, 2 doz. cases	$1.20
Potatoes, fancy stock, per pk	.20
Pure Rye Whiskey, full quart bottles	75c to $1.50

Chase & Sanborn's Teas and Coffees at same price you are paying for inferior quality.

Bass's Ale, Guiness's Stout.

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Corner Dock Street.

ESTATE OF BENJAMIN PRICE, LATE OF Pittston, deceased.

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ABRAHAM PRICE,
Pittston, Pa.

H. J. Mahon, Attorney. 4,11,18,25,1,8

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DRESS GOODS

52 inch High Lustre Brilliantine, black, navy, brown, good value at 75c; special price 50c a yard.

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NIGHT GOWNS

Ladies' Flannelette Night Gowns, made from a good heavy cloth, full size and nice variety of patterns, very special, price 50c each.

One case of Children's heavy cream fleece lined Underwear, both vests and pants, all sizes, from 10c up.

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Oats, per bu	42c
Feed, per cwt	$1.25
Buckwheat, 25 lb sack	75c
Nabob Pancake flour, per pkg	10c
Nabob Buckwheat per pkg	10c
Aunt Jemima, 3 pkgs for	25c
One pound box honey	15c
One quart maple syrup	25c
½gal. maple syrup	48c
One gallon maple syrup	85c

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Evans Bros.
44 and 46 South Main St.

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Domette Flannel, light or dark colors, 5c a yard.

Men's Heavy Fleeced lined shirts and drawers, worth 50c; our special price 39c.

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See our line of ladies' and children's furs. We have a large stock and know the quality and price will please you.

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