The Williamsport, Leader.

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—The miners of Clearfield, Irwin, Garrett, Meyersdale, George's Creek, Elk Garden and Pocohontas held a convention at Cumberland last week and adopted the following scale of per ton for mining coal, the same to go into effect and be binding for one year on Monday, March 8th, 1886: Clearfield, 50 cents; Irwin, 60 cents; Garrett, 40 cents; Meyersdale, 40 cents; George's Creek, 50 cents; Elk Garden, 50 cents and Pocohontas, 45 cents. The miners request the coal operators, who think the scale above not uniform or equal, to meet their executive committee at Cumberland on Monday, March 1, 1886, when matters can be satisfactorily adjusted.

—Hon. George Colton was not re-elected Police Commissioner by the General Assembly. In a statement to a representative of the *Sun*, Mr. Colton attributes his defeat to the fact that he would not enter into a bargain with Gorman and Raisen concerning certain bills now pending before the General Assembly. The promise was made to Mr. Colton that he should be re-elected if he would agree to use his influence in behalf of the passage of the bill providing for an early call for a convention, and the grand jury and police bills for Baltimore city. Mr. Colton says these bills are a mass of abomination, and he would not assist in the enactment. To the contrary of this statement Mr. Gorman says he has no interest in any of these measures, and cares nothing about them; but then Mr. Gorman's reputation for veracity is not first class. He was never known to tell the truth when a lie would suit his purpose.

—Hon. Edward Stake, Representative to the Legislature from this county has offered in the House, bills to "legalize the acts of magistrates of this county; also to amend the charter of Williamsport, giving magistrates the power to try corporation cases." Now the former bill we admit we do not understand. If a magistrate has acted in a legal capacity according to the law laid down in the statutes, we cannot see the necessity in the Legislature passing an act to make their actions legal, and on the other hand if their acts are not legal, we cannot see what right a legislature has to make them legal. And as regards the changing of the charter of this town, so as to give magistrates the power to try corporation cases. This matter was settled at the corporation election last March. A gentleman, popular and well liked by our people was a candidate for Mayor, but because he announced that if elected he would not try the cases, he was defeated, which showed plainly that our people are not in favor of magistrates trying corporation cases. The petition sent from this place to Representative Stake, asking a change in the charter, was gotten up entirely by friends of the measure, and only those who favored it was asked to sign, those opposed not knowing anything about it until they hear of it being offered in the Legislature by Mr. Stake. The majority of our people are opposed to the change and a counter petition has been forwarded to the Legislature.

Labor Agitation in Maryland.

In Baltimore City at this time it would seem as if every branch of trade, every group of workingmen, and every isolated squad of workers for wages, were being organized into harmonious association for some special object. In Western Maryland a movement of the same nature is rapidly taking shape. Delegates representing the mines of a portion of Pennsylvania, West Virginia Virginia and Maryland held a convention in Cumberland last week and organized a new labor district, and adopted a uniform rate of wages which they will ask the operators to put in force after March, 8th. The new schedule calls for an increase of 10 cents per ton for mining coal, and an addition of ten per cent upon the pay of all day laborers. Whether these demands will be acceded to by the coal companies remains to be seen. The course the miners will adopt in case of refusal on the part of the companies is likewise a question of the future. We hope the miners will not rashly precipitate a strike; let there be an appeal for arbitration first. If the companies refuse either to accede or listen, then the question of submission or resistance by strike will be in order. We know enough of the situation in the mining region to convince us that the miners are being pushed into the same plane down which the boatmen were forced to helpless poverty and destitution. One year's work at forty cents per ton has left them in debt; another year will involve them in hopeless ruin. As the demand for an increase is to be general throughout the bituminous region. we do not see why it should not be generally accepted, as in such case the increase must be paid by the consumers and not by the operator.

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The Sale of the Canal.

It looks as if the people of this State were soon to be brought face to face with the question of the sale of the State's interest in the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal. Senator Gorman, whom the people of Maryland have invested with all the powers of a dictator, seems to have conceived the idea that the time has come when he can safely swallow our great water way without any danger to his polltical digestion. If he can force his bill for an early convention through the General Assembly, the canal will be sold within the year. If he cannot do this, the scheme cannot be accomplished until after the meeting of the next Legislature, two years hence. The sale and purchase of the canal will constitute the greatest of all Gorman's achievements. While President of the canal company it will be remembered, he antagonized the B. & O. Railroad Company for a time. This was all a pretense, and was with a view to forcing the B. & O. into a political combination. Through the mediation of John W. Davis, Gorman was successful, and a bargain was arranged by which in the language of Bernard Carter, Gorman became the "generalissimo of the B. & O. lobby," and the B. & O. became the political patron and main support of Mr. Gorman in all his political aspirations. The people are slow to perceive, and they do not seem now to fully realize how effectually the life was squeezed out of the canal by this unntaural and disgraceful alliance, To accommodate Gorman's political necessities the bust of the canal was ruined, its usefulness destroyed, and its dependents impoverished and beggared. Did the people crucify this man who so outrageously betrayed his trust: this man who, while implicitly trusted with the control of a great line of transportation shamelessly paraded himself in the face of the whole State, as the petted instrument and agent of the great and only rival of that line of transportation? No! They applauded his rascality and rewarded his treachery by conferring still greater honors upon him. And now the crisis is rapidly approaching. Gorman has done the B. & O. Company's work so far. The stage scenery is all ready and the scene is about to change. It is shrewdly suspected that our senior Senator is about to follow his natural impulses and betray the B. & O. Company by handing over the canal to a syndicate in whose hands it will be resusitated and made a rival in fact to that great railway. As the saying is "things are happening," and we shall watch the developments with much interest.

The New Militia Law.

The new militia law of Maryland as introduced before the present Legislature provides for the organization and maintainance of the Maryland National Guard. Out of the volunteer uniformed organizations existing a body of active militia, to consist of not more than 30 companies, shall be formed, to contain not more than 1 800 men. This force shall consist of one brigade, including the following organizations: The Fifth Regiment, only in Baltimore City, (or in lieu of that regiment such other organizations as the commander-in-chief may elect, to which may be added a battery of artillery), and in the counties the First and Second battalions as now formed, together with such other county companies as may be selected by the commander-in-chief. The whole however, must not exceed 30 companies.

The brigade headquarters shall be at Baltimore. The men comprising the force shall be sworn in and regularly enlisted as prescribed by the law for three years No person now a member and who has served for three years, shall be compelled to re-enlist. At the expiration of three years a member may, by making application, obtain his discharge, provided that he is not then in active service and there is no charge of misconduct against him. He may also with the approval of the commandant, re-enlist for some other definite period not less than one year. The force thus composed shall be considered in actual military service, and will be liable to fine and imprisonment, as prescribed by the police law, if the members fail to attend drills, parades assemblies and encampments.

The penalties for neglect of duty are definitely fixed. It will cost a member 50 cents for each offence in failing to attend any assembly of the company, regiment or battalion. He will be fined $2 for non-attendance at a public parade and 50 cents for each day that he absents himself from an encampment. Other offences will cost the offender $1. Officers are made subject to twice the amount of fines imposed on the enlisted men. Absence from the city or sickness are sufficient excuses causes for excuse.

Courts-martial are provided for more definitely than heretofore. Fines may be imposed by this body, which shall become at once due and payable. Should the delinquent refuse or neglect or refuse to pay the fine, it may be collected before any justice of the peace. If the offender still refuses the justice shall commit him to jail for one day for each dollar of the aggregate fine and costs. In no case, however, shall the imprisonment exceed 10 days.

At least once a year there shall be an inspection, as also a law parade. At least once every two years there shall be an encampment. Uniforms shall be as nearly like those worn by the regular army as possible, but the change must be gradual and with due regard to economy. While in camp the men will be allowed $1.33 per day, and the officers shall be paid as in the regular army.

—The President has appointed ex Senator James B. Groom, Collector, and I. Freeman Rasin, naval officer of the port of Baltimore.

—The House of Representatives has passed a bill increasing the pensions of soldiers widows to $12 a month. They now get $8 a month, and such of them as have children under 16 years of age get $2 a month additional for each child. It seems to be assumed that this bill will be passed by the Senate and approved by the President. Many inquiries have already been addressed to the Commissioner of Pensions for information as to the manner of applying for the increase. Commissioner Black has given notice through the Associated Press that all that widows, who come within the provisions of the act, have to do, is to refrain from writing letters and asking questions. If the act passes their claims will be adjusted on the new basis without any application or correspondence of any character whatever. Their vouchers will call for $36 each quarter instead of $24 as at present. In the mean time they must turn a deaf ear to everything that the claim agents tell them about this matter, and throw their advertising circulars into the fire without reading them.

—At a meeting of the Council of Zion Evangelical Congregation Williamsport, Md. February 21st 1886, the following action was taken:

Whereas.—Rev. J. B. Keller, who for nearly twelve years ministered to this people has tendered his resignation to accept a call from St. Peters church, Easton, Pa., and believing we best comply with Brother Kellers wishes by accepting the same, therefore,

Resolved.—That we accept Brother Keller's resignation and express our reluctance to sever a connection so pleasant and so profitable and so long duration, that we desire to put on record our high appreciation of his merit as a gentleman and a christian, that we bear testimony of his faithfulness as a Pastor and efficiency as a preacher of the word.

That we most heartily and cordially commend him in confidence and love to the christian sympathy of those among whom he is called to labor, and pray the blessing of the great head of the church to attend his efforts to do good.

That a copy of these resolutions be placed in brother Keller's hands, and that they be published in the town papers and Lutheran Observer.

J. A. FLEMING, P. L. LEMEN,
WM. H. BEARD, CLAYTON KEMP,
JOEL FISHER, J. M. MILLER.

CORRECTION OF VALUATIONS.

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY,

The Board of County Commissioners, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of Sec., 150 of the Code of Public General Laws. entitled "Revenue and Taxes," hereby give notice that they will meet at their office in Hagerstown, for the further correction of valuations of property.

On Monday and Tuesday March 8th and 9th, 1886, and all persons interested from any or all the several districts of the county, are notified to appear on said named days, as no opportunity will be given for this purpose. By order of the Board.

f-20 3t. S. F. CULBERTSON. Clerk.

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