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MAKE UP OF THE D., L. & W. BOARD FOR TODAY.

Decision of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company to Retire on Its Pension All Men Who Have Reached the Age of 70 Will Affect 950 Men—They Will Do Their Last Work for the Company on December 23—Better Equipment for the Delaware and Hudson.

Following is the make-up of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western board for today:

Wednesday, Dec. 20, 1899.

SOUTH.

1 a. m.—A. J. McDonnell.
1 a. m.—James Gahagan.
2.20 a. m.—M. Hennigan.
3.20 a. m.—P. Singer.
5 a. m.—E. M. Hallett.
6.30 a. m.—F. F. Stevens, with C. Bartholomew's men.
8 a. m.—F. D. Secor.
8 a. m.—J. Burkhart.
9.15 a. m.—J. Gerrity.
9.15 a. m.—W. F. Mann.
11 a. m.—J. Mosier, with H. T. Fellows' men.
1.30 p. m.—J. Brock.
2.30 p. m.—J. Bush.
2.30 p. m.—J. Swartz.
3 p. m.—T. Murphy, with Moran's men.
4.45 p. m.—G. Wallace.
4.45 p. m.—W. A. Bartholomew.
6 p. m.—A. Gerrity.

SUMMITS.

6 a. m., north—G. Frounfelker.
7.30 a. m., north—McLane, with Warrick's men.
11 a. m., north—S. Carmody.
11 a. m., south—E. McAllister, with Bush's men.
1 p. m., south—M. Madigan.
6.30 p. m.—S. Finerty.
S. Finerty takes John Finerty's men.

PULLER.

10 a. m.—Peckins.

PUSHERS.

6.30 a. m.—Houser.
11.30 a. m.—M. Moran.
7 p. m.—M. Murphy.
10.30 p. m.—F. H. Wall.

PASSENGER ENGINES.

7 a. m.—Widener.
6.30 p. m.—M. McGovern.

NORTH.

5 a. m., 2 engines—J. O'Hara.
9.30 a. m., 2 engines—A. Ketchum.
11 a. m., 2 engines—R. Castner.
11.30 a. m., 2 engines—T. Fitzpatrick.
2.30 p. m., 2 engines—G. Hill.
3 p. m., 2 engines—O. Randolph.
6 p. m., 2 engines—T. Doudican.
7 p. m., 2 engines—A. Mullen.
8 p. m., 2 engines—J. E. Masters.
9 p. m., 2 engines—John Gahagan.

Pennsy's Pension Fund.

The decision of the Pennsylvania Railroad company to pension off old employes will affect 950 men. They will work for the last time on Dec. 31. The pension bureau, by a general agreement, will also include employes of the Northern Central Railway company, the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad company, the West Jersey and Seashore Railroad company and the Philadelphia and Camden Ferry company.

Employes who are between 65 and 69 years old and who have served the company thirty or more years, and physically disqualified for further service, will be pensioned. The organization for conducting the pension department provides that, under the supervision of the president, it shall be in charge of a board of officers, consisting, for the present, of the vice-presidents, the general manager and the assistant comptroller of the Pennsylvania Railroad company, and that said board of officers shall be appointed annually by the boards of directors of the several companies.

Regulations for the government of the pension department have been prepared in book form for the use of the officers. All employes who have reached the age of 70 years are to be relieved from active service on Jan. 1, 1900, and from that date employes reaching that age will be pensioned on the first of the month immediately following. The office of the pension department will be in the Broad Street station.

Pensions will be allowed upon the following basis: For each year of service 1 per cent. of the average regular monthly pay for the ten years preceding retirement. Thus, if an employe has been in the service of the company for forty years and has received on an average for the last ten years $40 per month in regular wages, his pension allowance would be 40 per cent. of $40, or $16 per month. The beneficiary may engage in any other business, but cannot re-enter the service of the company.

In addition to the pension allowance, which is entirely a gratuity from the company, the employes relieved from the service on account of age limit, who are members of the relief fund, will also receive from the income of the surplus fund accumulated during the past fourteen years an additional allowance each month.

Leipe Trespass Suit.

A case of particular interest to railroad men was decided in Wayne county last week. William Leipe, a brakeman on the Erie, was killed by being thrown beneath the train from a foreign car on which was an adjustable brake of a design that Leipe was unacquainted with. It appears that he went to sit on the brakewheel and, it being adjustable, descended with his weight and caused him to lose his balance.

The heirs sued for $15,000 damages, alleging that the brake was of an obsolete pattern and that the company should have instructed Leipe in its use. The company alleged that the brake was of a common pattern and that, at all events, Leipe lost his life in putting the brake to a use for which it was never intended, namely, a seat. Judge Purdy granted a compulsory non-suit.

Kimball & McCarthy represented the plaintiffs. The defendant company's counsel were Major Everett Warren and Hon. C. P. O'Malley, of Willard, Warren & Knapp, and Homer Green, of Honesdale.

This and That.

Second Vice-President Young, of the Delaware and Hudson Canal company, states that the company has placed orders for forty-two locomotives of the latest type, to cost $800,000, and for 4,000 freight cars at cost of $4,000,000.

Next year the Pennsylvania railroad will put more money in improvements than in any previous year in its history. A large number of new cars and locomotives will be purchased and extensive improvements will be made at several terminals.

Cold weather has stopped work on the Great Northern railroad west of Havre, except in a few places where improvements necessary to the operation of the line are being made. Forty miles of new track have been laid between Havre and the Rocky mountains and the amount of money expended in roadbed improvement, ballasting, constructing of new bridges and culverts and general betterment work during the season is imense. On the Cascade division fourteen miles of track is being laid and altered for the purpose of cutting out curves and avoiding bridges.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

[Under this heading short letters of interest will be published when accompanied, for publication, by the writer's name. The Tribune does not assume responsibility for opinions here expressed.]

An Answer to the Trio.

Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: The flat, stale and unprofitable dissertation, supposed to be written by three youthful boys of the high school, printed in Tuesday's Scranton Republican, is certainly a Philippic of juvenile odor, cheap utterance and rank hypocrisy. It was signed by a Frear, a Lidstone, and an Edgar, all prodigies of blasted hopes, childish aspirations and continually defeated selfish purposes. If a person did not know those fellows or wasn't aware of the many petty schemes they hatched, only to be killed, the first thought that would dawn upon one would be to the effect that this unhappy trio were evidently being daily nourished by the strengthening tendencies of "Mehn's infant food," but as we know them from personal contact we are therefore not one bit surprised at their strange antics, blatant bellowings and poor pencilings.

A short account of the trouble that they refer to will now be in order. A meeting of the school was called for the purpose of seeing whether or not the principal should receive a Christmas token of the students' esteem and appreciation. When the object of the meeting was announced, the "Belligerents" immediately started to create trouble. The first severe setback they received was when Hooven was soundly thrashed while seeking the chairmanship. Here is where their personal jealousy got the better of them and here is where they made an irreparable mistake by opposing the motion to give the principal a present. In other words they refused to contribute their humble penny for the purpose.

"Edgar" argued crosswise and sidewise but wasn't aware of the laugh the school enjoyed on him. "Mertin" argued fiercely but unwisely. The veteran "Frear," the apostle of parliamentary practice, failed to see how "Hooven" was defeated for the chairmanship. There was no attention paid to "Lidstone," so history bears no record of his "remarks!" When the "Belligerents" saw that they had brought themselves into disfavor by opposing the principal in vigorous terms, they tried to retrieve themselves, but it was too late. They did it and now they are sorry. They have their pennies, the school has their records. It was the fear of having the rest of the school and faculty think that they were opposed to the principal that prompted the poorly written article in yesterday's paper.

And a word about the "ring" that they claim overthrew organization. For three years not one of the "Belligerents" ever held an official position in school or in any way connected with it. The foot ball team, the champions of the county, was not composed of "Belligerents." The athletic association is not dominated by them. The opera club that gave two highly commendable performances during the past two years was not controlled or influenced in any manner by this crowd of "grumblers."

Successful? Well, you can rest assured that anything the so-called "ring" had in charge in the Scranton high school prospered and flourished and any movement that was not endorsed or handled by this "powerful" ring failed dismally. Every good movement in the school is fostered and promoted industriously by the "ring." For maintaining good order and proper decorum in the school the "ring" bears the palm. Every thing that is antagonistic to good conduct, proper behavior and the enforcement of discipline, can be attributed to those who oppose the "ring."

The "ring" is composed of all the sensible, unselfish and refined male and female students of the school. The "ring" is the majority by over seven hundred. The balance disgruntled "Belligerents." The "ring" obeys the mandates of superior officers. The members of the "ring" do not stamp their feet in the auditorium or hiss when a preceptor arises to speak. The members of the "ring" are in accord with the teachers, obedient and respectful to the principal and loyal to the superintendent and board of control.

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