

LONDON'S LABOR TROUBLES.

Business Paralyzed Because 75,000 Workmen Strike. A cablegram from London gives the following particulars in regard to the strikes now in progress there:

London is an inland town, and promises to remain such for some time to come. All communication with the rest of the world by water is as completely cut off as though the Thames had dried up. The great ships lying at the docks can neither load nor discharge their cargoes, and the immense traffic of the greatest commercial city of the world lies at the mercy of men commercially rated at \$1.00 a day.

The strike and its consequences touch every man, woman and child in this great city. No meat is arriving in London. The markets in Mark Lane are paralyzed, and maize advanced \$1.25 the quarter for immediate use. The strike which was begun by the dock laborers, and which subsequently spread to the carmen, has now extended to the Thames ironworkers, and the gas stokers threaten to join forces with the strikers. There is also talk of compelling laborers in all the trades to quit work and force matters to an issue at once. The ironworkers' strike adds 7000 to the number of unemployed. The men were orderly.

HIS OWN FUNERAL PYRE.

Paradise, N. J., Excited Over a Horrible Tragedy.

The town of Paradise, near the Blue Mountains, in New Jersey, has been the scene of a dreadful tragedy, which has excited the horror of the country people for many miles around. Philip Heintzke, a well-to-do German farmer, has for some time past made threats that he would burn the town, and his head was paid to him, as it was not believed he would carry out his threat.

The other day he went to his large barn, in which was stored all the summer harvest, so that it was filled with hay, and kindled a fire at the four corners of the barn, and soon blazing and roaring, while the flames and smoke shot high in the air, showing for miles around.

WHEAT GOES UP IN SMOKE.

Ten Thousand Tons Burned at Port Costa, Cal.

One of the McNear wheat warehouses at Port Costa, in California, with about 10,000 tons of wheat, has been destroyed by fire, as well as forty-two cars belonging to the Southern Pacific. The total loss is estimated at \$700,000. The fire was discovered by the night watchman of the warehouse in which the flames broke out. He said the whole end of the building was in flames before he detected anything wrong. An alarm was sent out, but few firemen could be had and no tug was at hand. As the wind was from off shore it was seen at once that the American ship Armenia and the British ship Kenilworth would get clear of the wharf. There were only four men on each, and they could not manage the large vessels in time. Almost in a moment the fire was leaping up the rigging, and by the time the vessels were clear they were floating pillars of fire drifting away across San Pablo Bay and lighting up Mare Island Navy Yard, Vallejo and the surrounding country for miles.

FIVE MEN KILLED.

A Rolling Mill at Towanda, Penn., Blows Up.

The rolling mill and nail factory at Towanda, Bradford County, Penn., operated by Bostley, Godcharles & Co., has been partially wrecked by the explosion of a boiler, the disaster resulting in the instant death of five men, the fatal injury of two others and slight injury of a dozen other workmen.

The force of the explosion was terrific, lifting the entire roof of the southern portion of the mill, tearing away the rafters and girders and blowing the whole mass to crash into the mill and upon the terrified force of workmen, who were scattering in every direction and crouching behind all kinds of obstacles to escape the fury of the burning steam, which was filling the structure from the nest of boilers that were displaced and broken in their steam connections by the exploding boilers, pieces of which were hurled through the mill.

A CLOUDBURST.

Five Dams Carried Away and Miles of Railway Track Torn Up.

A cloudburst over Rockingham and vicinity, in North Carolina, destroyed the dams of the following mills at and near that place: The Fox Doe, the Rober Dee, the Great Falls, the Midway and the Ledbetter. The machinery on the first floors of the Fox Doe and the Great Falls mills were considerably damaged as was also the Midway building. The damage was estimated at \$100,000. Five hundred hands were thrown out of employment.

LATER NEWS.

The Erie Canal franchise including liabilities has been sold at sheriff's sale for \$6000, the purchaser being Colonel Thompson, attorney for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

The Vanderbilts have purchased the Beech Creek Railroad in Pennsylvania, enabling them to form a direct line from Philadelphia to Chicago 150 miles shorter than any now existing.

An explosion of hot metal occurred in the Homestead Steel Works of Carnegie, Phipps & Co., at Pittsburg, instantly killing Andrew Kebbler and another workman and injuring seven others, two, it was thought, fatally.

The Citizens' Bank at Prairie City, Iowa, has failed, liabilities estimated at from \$75,000 to \$100,000.

WILLIAM E. DENNY, the defaulting Postmaster at Bonenville, Indiana, has confessed to the District Attorney that he lost the whole amount, \$6500, at card playing.

The Democratic State Convention of North Dakota has nominated R. M. Roach, of Walsh County, for Governor, and a full State ticket.

WILSON NOCKUM, a colored man, was hanged at Plaquemine, La., in public, over 1000 persons witnessing the execution.

Mrs. W. E. CHRISTIAN, nee Julia Jackson, the only child of Stonewall Jackson, died at Charlotte, N. C., after two weeks' illness of typhoid fever.

The contractors for the gunboat Petrel will not ask for another trial. They will ask the Government to accept the vessel, preferring to suffer the penalty for deficient horse-power rather than try further to reach the contract requirements.

POSTMASTER-GENERAL WANAMAKER offers a reward of \$1000 for the arrest and conviction in the United States Court of any person found guilty of making an armed attack upon any stage coach or railway train having the mails in transit.

PEKIN advises that a number of high Chinese officials have petitioned Prince Chun to have all Americans employed in China expelled from the Empire. It is stated that Prince Chun consents.

The British Parliament has been prodded. The Queen in her speech to the Lords said: "A conference held in Berlin has agreed upon a convention regulating the Government of the Samoan islands. The instrument has been accepted by me and by the German Emperor, and now awaits the assent of the American Senate."

A BRAVE DEED.

Engineer Meern's Perilous Journey in a Flooded Mine.

Forty-five men were at work in the Allegheny mine, thirteen miles from Cumberland, Md., when the wall between it and the adjoining worked-out Boston and Etna mine gave way from pressure of water in the old mine. The water flowed steadily in a strong stream over four feet in depth, and there were grave fears for the men inside. Hours passed before any relief could be given the prisoners, and during that time the sea-eyes around the mouth of the pit were heartrending.

Finally the water subsided so that an entrance could be gained, and H. P. Meern, the mining engineer of the company, started down in search of the imprisoned men, none of the outsiders being willing to make the venture. After wading through water, against a strong current up to his armpits, for the distance of 1500 feet, he came to a group of forty-three men, who told him of a man and boy imprisoned in a distant room. No one would go to their relief, but the engineer started on again, and finding the two, he placed the boy on his shoulder and bidding the man follow, turned back and joined the group. They seemed terrified and without judgment. They declined to go forward, and did so only after Meern had taken the lead with the child on his shoulder. Fortunately all escaped. Meern's courage in entering the mine, the hope and encouragement he gave the entombed employes when he met them, may be justly considered their salvation.

PROMINENT PEOPLE.

PARNELL intends to visit America. The Pope has had his large bed room filled with singing birds. A soft black hat is President Harrison's favorite headgear. ROSE ELIZABETH CLE' ELAND is the publisher of her new novel, "His Honor."

QUEEN VICTORIA has expended nearly \$3,000,000 on memorials to the Prince Consort.

GEORGE ALFRED TOWNSEND ("Gath") is writing a new novel, the central figure of which is Alexander Hamilton.

MILAN OSBERG, ex-King of Serbia, has an income of ninety thousand dollars and is steadily running into debt.

GEORGE W. WILLIAMS (colored), the historian of the colored race in America, is living at Worcester, Mass., engaged at literary work.

The Duke of Portland has been influenced by his wife to devote his future earnings on the turf to the erection of almshouses.

The late S. L. M. Barlow, the great New York corporation lawyer, had received during his lifetime several fees of from \$25,000 to \$100,000.

MISS HUNTINGTON, the daughter of the California millionaire, is betrothed to Prince Hartzfeldt, nephew of the German ambassador to this country.

The greatest honor which Electrician Edison has yet received was the particular attention paid him in Paris by the learned members of the Academy of Sciences.

FIFTEEN Presidents have visited New England as residents, reckoning the two Adamses and Pierce among the number, and four went hither before they became Presidents.

MISS MARY WANAMAKER, daughter of the Postmaster-General, will make her debut in Washington this season. She is not out of her teens yet, but is an accomplished girl of considerable maturity.

REMOVALS risk London as to the health of the Prince of Wales, which is said to be much impaired. It is also said that he seeks to keep the real truth of his condition from the newspaper reading public.

THE NATIONAL GAME.

PITTSBURG was the first to lose a series. EXTRA inning games are now frequent. A FEMALE team is making a tour of Canada.

PITTSBURG has inaugurated a "Ladies' Day." MORRIS, of Pittsburg, is pitching as well as he ever did.

ANSON, of Chicago, was born in Marshalltown, Iowa.

JOE HONNUNG is the best captain Baltimore ever figure.

PITTSBURG is having a hard time of it with the pitching talent.

HARTFORD has had eight ex-major league players this season.

CRANE, the New York's pitcher, kicks the beam at 230 pounds.

In the absence of Faatz, Tabeau always captains the Clevelanders.

CLARKSON, of Boston, leads the pitchers in number of games played.

TYCORN, late of the New Yorks, is being hit hard in the international.

With Williamson back at short the Chicago is harder to beat than ever.

KNOCK, recently of Chicago and Indianapolis, has signed with Milwaukee.

LOUISVILLE has won only one game from Brooklyn and Cincinnati this season.

The Columbus Club has released pitcher George, late of New York, at his request.

ROGER CONNOR has participated in every game played by the New Yorks this season.

St. LOUIS made twelve runs in one inning off Foreman, the pitcher of the Baltimore team.

MORRIS, of Pittsburg, has done the most effective work in the box of any of the League twirlers.

DUKE ESTERBROOK now captains the Hackett, Carhart & Co. commercial nine, of New York city.

BROTHERS, of Boston, has made 150 safe hits. He was the first League batsman to reach the figure.

EWING, of the New Yorks, is ahead so far as the best catcher in the League, closely followed by Zimmer, of the Clevelanders.

CRANE, of the New Yorks, is the only pitcher who has succeeded in striking out Brothers, of the Boston, twice this season.

The Pittsburgs have shown the Eastern teams a better front than any other Western team. They have won more games from them.

GANZEL says that young Daley, the Jersey City (N.J.) player, recently signed by Boston, has the making of one of the best twirlers in the land.

PITCHER TIM KEEFE, of the New Yorks, was married recently to Mrs. Helm, of New York, a sister of Helen Dauray, Short-stop John Ward's wife.

OMAHA, Neb., has the temperance team par excellence of the West. It is claimed that there is not one drinker in the team, which will in all probability win the Western Association pennant.

WARD, of New York, has stolen more bases than any other player in the League. Duffy and Ryan, of the Chicago, have scored the greatest number of runs, each having made over 100.

GUMBERT leads Chicago in home runs, Denny, Indianapolis; Connor, New York; Beckley, Pittsburg; Thompson, Philadelphia; Brothers, Boston; Wilnot, Washington; and Tebeau, Cleveland.

GLASSCOCK, of Indianapolis, has had 100 more chances at fielding than any other player in the League, and yet he is second among the short stops, McKean, of the Cleveland, leading him by a very small percentage.

In common with many other players, John Morrill thinks the pitchers ought to be put back five feet. That is only a question of time. The pitcher's overshadowing importance must be reduced, and an increased pitching distance is the only thing that will do it without giving the batsman undue advantage.

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SABBATH SCHOOL.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON FOR SEPTEMBER 8.

Lesson Text: "David and Jonathan." I Sam. xii, 1-13-Golden Text: Prov. xviii, 24-Commentary.

1. "And David fled from Naloth in Ramah and came and said before Jonathan, What hast thou done? Saul, being constantly troubled with an evil spirit, had sought on two different occasions to slay David (chap. xviii, 10; xii, 10), but David escaped out of his hand, for the Lord was with him, and he and Samuel went and dwelt in Naloth. If we are true children of God the presence of the Lord is ever with us, as a wall of fire round about us, and nothing can reach us without His permission; and whatever He may permit to reach us, nothing can by any means harm us, for our life is hid with Christ in God. Enemies may seem to prosper, but God will make even the wrath of man to praise Him. As to David and Jonathan, we read that their souls were knit together, and that Jonathan, as to his father, was as David's own brother (chap. xviii, 1-3); and in David's lament for Jonathan we hear him saying: "Thou shalt not die." David inquires of Jonathan why Saul, his father, should thus persistently seek his life, and what he had done to merit such ill treatment at the hands of Saul. Jonathan assures him that he shall not die, and that inasmuch as his father will do nothing without telling him, and has given him no hint of such a purpose, therefore it cannot be, but the sequel proved that in this case the mind of Saul was hidden from Jonathan, and that he was really determined to kill David (vs. 30-33), because, as he said, while David lived Jonathan, his own son, could not be established in his kingdom.

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3. "Whatsoever thy soul desireth, I will even do it for thee." Thus said Jonathan to David in his great love for him. Many things which Jonathan was not able to do for David, however, he might be, but Jesus, our Savior and King, will without fail do for us all that our souls desire for His glory, for He is not only willing, but able having all power in heaven and earth. (Matt. xxviii, 18; John xv, 13, 14).

4. "If he say thus: It is well; thy servant shall have peace; but—" By thus saying himself from his accustomed place for three days, David would certainly learn the mind of Saul toward him, and Jonathan would see it and then know for himself his father's thoughts toward David. If any think that they see deception here on the part of David in his speaking of going to Bethlehem, let them remember that God cannot possibly in any way tolerate sin, and never does He excuse it; and if David sinned in this matter it must have brought him chastening. He certainly was not manifesting the faith and courage which he displayed against Goliath; but as to his practicing deception, who knows that he did not go to Bethlehem to the sacrifice!

5. "Therefore thou shalt deal kindly with thy servant, for thou has brought thy servant into a covenant of the Lord with me." David had already the love of Jonathan, and the love of all Israel and Judah (xviii, 1-6), but his one great enemy caused him to fear, and Jonathan was now to be the mediator standing between David and his enemy on behalf of David, and there was a covenant between them which David called a covenant of the Lord. Jesus is our true Jonathan. He has stood against the enemy on our behalf; Jonathan almost lost his life at this time on behalf of David. Let us remember that God laid down His life on our behalf, and has sealed with His own blood the covenant which He has entered into for us.

6. "Would not I tell it thee?" David had asked Jonathan to kill him, if he was guilty, whether he went against Goliath; but as Jonathan's reply is that if he knew evil was determined against David he would surely tell him.

7. "Who shall tell me?" Now David wants to know how the result of the interview between Jonathan and his father. He surely does not honor the love of his friend, nor seem to esteem his friend, or his friend's word very highly by these questions. He seems to be greatly moved, he does not now say: "I will not fear; though the earth be removed" (Ps. xli, 2); he does not talk like valiant David, a man after God's own heart but rather like the spies who saw the giants and walled cities instead of seeing Goliath. Let us learn from him that nothing must ever be allowed to come between us and God lest we too be filled with fears and discomfited.

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16. "Who shall tell me?" Now David wants to know how the result of the interview between Jonathan and his father. He surely does not honor the love of his friend, nor seem to esteem his friend, or his friend's word very highly by these questions. He seems to be greatly moved, he does not now say: "I will not fear; though the earth be removed" (Ps. xli, 2); he does not talk like valiant David, a man after God's own heart but rather like the spies who saw the giants and walled cities instead of seeing Goliath. Let us learn from him that nothing must ever be allowed to come between us and God lest we too be filled with fears and discomfited.

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