

BELLEVILLE, PA., THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 1906.

## In America's Black Country

Present Conditions Among the Coal Miners--The Child Labor Problem--Demands of Men

**T**HE situation in the coal mining regions is now a subject of acute interest in view of the possibility that there may be hostilities between the forces of capital and labor a few weeks hence. The great strike of 1902 affected only the anthracite region, but it is expected that the bituminous as well as anthracite coal miners will be called out in case of a strike this spring. While they are not organized to the extent that the anthracite miners are, it is said that a large majority of them are now affiliated with organized labor. Since the settlement of the strike in the anthracite regions through the efforts of the commission appointed by President Roosevelt the trade has been brought to a state of high prosperity. Production has increased, prices have advanced, and the profits of the mine operators have multiplied, so say the representatives of the miners. On the other hand, the latter claim that their share in this prosperity has been small. They wish a general eight hour day, increase in the wage scale and an agreement preventing employment of boys.

The anthracite mines are located chiefly in Pennsylvania, and the Keystone State has been the scene of the big strikes in this industry in the past. President John Mitchell of the United Mine Workers of America declared in a recent address that the condition of the miners today shows a marked advance over the past, and this progress he attributes largely to the work of his order for them. It is a mistake to suppose that the hundreds of thousands of men employed in mining coal in this country all constitute about the same class of laborers and citizens. Some



A BREAKER BOY.

are intelligent, some otherwise; some sober, others intemperate; some law abiding, others disposed to fighting and lawlessness and quick to resort to violence in case of a strike unless firmly restrained by their leaders. Some are of Welsh, Scotch and English birth or parentage, and these miners are in general a very good class of workmen and citizens. Others have come but recently from Italy, Poland, Hungary, Russia and the Ural regions and have not yet had time to absorb the true American spirit. With a heritage of ignorance and oppression, they are handicapped in the struggle for existence, and the depressing effects of their ancestry and former environment are seen in the conditions amid which they live. On the other hand, there are many miners who own their own homes, take pride in having them neat and attractive, are graduates of grammar schools and in general class alongside the best type of skilled workmen in other communities.

Child labor is one of the evils connected with mining which the representatives of the miners wish to bring to an end. A typical character of the mines is the breaker boy. He toils from daylight to sunset far up in the top of the big breakers, where the huge lumps of coal are broken by machinery into different sizes for convenience in consumption. The conditions of their employment are very much against their advancement. Many a breaker boy has begun work in the mines at eight years of age and until old enough to shoulder a pick and go down into the mines to dig coal has had to sit day in and day out at the top of a chute and pick out slate as the steady avalanche of coal flowed mo-

notonously through the heavy breaking machines. The only sunlight such a boy gets comes to him through a thick cloud of coal dust, and the air the youth takes into his lungs is permeated with the fine particles of coal. Under such depressing conditions his growth, physically, mentally and morally, is stunted. The miners' representatives hope to obtain conditions under which these boys may get a better start in the world.

### STILL A HAPPY PAIR.

**German Crown Prince and Princess Are Earning Popularity.**  
Crown Prince Frederick William of Germany and the Grand Duchess Cecilia of Mecklenburg-Schwerin were married last June, and an interesting contrast is presented between their wedding and the Roosevelt-Longworth nuptials. The German event had an official character which was lacking in the nuptials of Miss Roosevelt and Mr. Longworth. The crown prince will in the natural course of events be the ruler of Germany some day, and the young woman he took as his bride will in that case be queen. Mr. Longworth is a congressman, and there are 355 others who hold the same title that he does, while the young woman he took in marriage, though the daughter of the president, has no official status whatever. The Roosevelt-Longworth



CROWN PRINCE AND PRINCESS ON RETURN FROM A HUNT.

nuptials involved no expense to the government, the cost of practically everything connected with the marital ceremonies at the White House being defrayed by Mr. Roosevelt out of his own income. The wedding of the Crown Prince Frederick William and the Grand Duchess Cecilia is said to have cost the German people over \$1,000,000. On the marriage ceremony alone, which was celebrated in the palace chapel in Berlin, some \$50,000 was expended. The wedding presents from various municipalities and corporations cost over \$350,000. Mrs. Longworth got a great many beautiful and costly presents, but the gifts received by the German royal couple were valued at millions of dollars. The crown princess was eighteen at the time of her marriage. She was put under a great strain by the wedding festivities, which lasted four days, but bore herself well and won all hearts. She has increased her popularity in the months intervening since the wedding. The crown prince is of rather democratic tastes, is a sportsman and an excellent shot. A picture recently taken shows him and the crown princess surveying the game bagged after a day's hunt.

### That Old Wicker Chair.

To renovate a shabby wicker chair first cleanse the wicker thoroughly, using a scrubbing brush and plenty of soap and water. When dry the chair will be greatly improved with a coating of two or three coats of green stain. For the seat make a cushion of green linen or a pretty greenish cretonne. Another cushion for the back may be liked, and it is easily made. Make it of the same material as the seat cushion and of bag shape, longer than wide. It may be fastened to the chair by means of tapes sewed at the top and bottom. If a loose cushion be preferred a pretty yellow linen would look nice and contrast well with the green. Make the case slip fashion, so that it may easily be washed. An unbleached calico bag will be good enough for the vegetable down with which the cushions are filled.

### Ideal Womanhood.

Above all other things, a woman who would be charming must possess a true and noble heart, full of love and sympathy for her fellow beings, and an intelligent mind capable of seeing matters from more than one standpoint. Any fair one thus endowed by nature undeniably has within herself the possibilities for ideal womanhood, for from these characteristics spring the many little virtues which make a woman loved, admired and needed by those around her. Such a one is aptly described by Milton's famous lines:  
Grace was in her steps, heav'n in her eyes,  
In every gesture dignity and love.

## Niagara Falls Now In Danger

Treaty With Great Britain May Be Necessary to Save the Grand Old Cataract

**T**HE widespread agitation in behalf of preserving the scenic beauty of Niagara falls has culminated in a movement for the negotiation of a treaty between the United States and Great Britain concerning it. At first petitions were addressed to the New York legislature and the government of the Canadian province of Ontario, but these bodies have been very liberal in granting franchises for development of the water power of Niagara for industrial purposes. Study of the question showed that the matter was one coming under the jurisdiction of the sovereign authorities on each side of the international boundary line. In order to prevent the great corporations which have been formed for the purpose of harnessing the cataract and generating electricity from drawing off all the water of the Niagara river at this point it was seen that the government of the United States and the government of Great Britain, acting with the advice and consent of the Dominion government, would have to take action. A few days ago delegations from the American Civic association and from the New York Merchants' association called on President Roosevelt and presented a petition praying for the negotiation of a treaty for the preservation of Niagara from destruction by electrical power generation companies. The president said he would do all in his power to preserve the grandeur of the falls and directed Secretary Root of the state department to take up the matter with the British and Canadian authorities.

When the task of harnessing Niagara and furnishing electricity generated by its power was first essayed the cry was raised that this would result in destroying the natural beauties which for so many years have drawn tourists thither from all over the world. But the cry was quieted then by the statements of experts that it would be many, many years before enough power houses could be installed and elec-



CANADIAN LABORER GOING TO WORK IN FRONT OF HORSESHOE FALLS.

tricity generated to affect visibly the amount of water going over the falls. Several hundred thousand horsepower of electricity could be developed, it was said, before there would be the remotest danger of detracting from the grandeur of the cataract by a diminution of the water supply. But the electrical development on the Niagara frontier has progressed so amazingly that in a short time, if all existing franchises are employed, the falls will be supplying for industrial use nearly a million horsepower of electricity, and such an increase in power development would soon mean a perceptible decrease in the majesty of the cataract.

The Niagara Falls Power company was the first to develop electricity from the water power of the falls on a large scale. At first this power was delivered only in the city of Niagara Falls. Then it was carried to Buffalo, twenty-two miles away. The Pan-American exposition of 1901 advertised the advantages of Buffalo and Niagara Falls for manufacturing on account of their possession of Niagara power, and in the two years following that exposition about 100 new industries located on the Niagara river between the famous cataract and the western limits of Buffalo. New companies were organized for developing power, and new power plants were erected on the brink of the falls or just below them. Those who desire to preserve the natural beauties of the region urge that no more water should be drawn from the river for power purposes and that no more franchises for that object should be granted. This might mean arresting the marvelous industrial development that has taken place in that vicinity in the past few years, but it is held that, if necessary, such a sacrifice should be made rather than imperil the preservation of one of nature's greatest wonders.

One of the most interesting of the engineering feats in connection with the construction of the plant of the Ontario Power company, which has a power house on the Canadian side of

the river just below the Horseshoe fall. The engineers and workmen employed upon this undertaking had many adventures in the course of the construction work. A short time ago a party of engineers visited the plant and were served with dinner cooked entirely by electricity generated from the falls. It is this concern which expects to deliver electric power from the falls in Rochester and Syracuse, the latter city being 100 miles from the source of the supply.

### TAWNEY OF PUNXSUTAWNEY

#### A Title Which Might Have Been Borne by a Noted Legislator.

By his colleagues in the house of representatives Congressman James A. Tawney of Minnesota, the new chairman of the appropriations committee, is known as "the village blacksmith." This appellation is in allusion to the fact that as a boy of fifteen he began swinging a sledge hammer in his father's blacksmith shop in Pennsylvania and for some years thereafter followed the blacksmith's vocation, which was that of both his father and grandfather before him. If he had stayed in Pennsylvania he might now be known as "Tawney of Punxsutawney," for he lived in Punxsutawney for some years, though his birth, in the year 1855, took place in Mount Pleasant township, in



REPRESENTATIVE JAMES A. TAWNEY.

Adams county. It was in 1882 that Mr. Tawney was first elected to congress, and about ten years later, when the editor of the Punxsutawney Spirit, William Orlando Smith, arrived in Washington as a member of the Fifty-eighth congress, he approached the black haired, youthful appearing member from Minnesota one day and said: "Isn't your name Jim Tawney?"

"Yes, that is my name," responded Tawney, looking inquiringly at his interrogator.

"Didn't you live in Punxsutawney, Pa., at one time?" continued Mr. Smith.

"Yes, I was an inhabitant of that town for some time," responded Mr. Tawney.

"I thought I knew you," said the editor. "You were the leader of our band away back in the seventies. Don't you remember me?"

"By Jove, I know you now," exclaimed Mr. Tawney, a smile breaking over his face. "You are Smith, who used to play the alto horn while I played the B flat cornet. My, but I am glad to see you. That was a great band, and we had great times in the old days."

Mr. Tawney removed from Pennsylvania to Minnesota in 1877, where he worked as blacksmith and machinist, graduating from that employment into the profession of the law. He now holds the most influential position in the house of representatives except that of the speaker.

### CULINARY CONCEITS.

Outer leaves of lettuce which are not attractive for salad can be boiled or steamed and served as greens.

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If too much salt has been added to soup, slice a raw potato and boil it in the soup for a few moments. The potato will absorb much of the salt.

Meat baked in the oven and never basted is often like tough leather throughout. In baking a very hot oven is wanted for five minutes, then the heat should be reduced for gentle cooking.

Good meat should be firm and not too dark nor too pale in color. There should be no burst veins nor blood marks. If so, these places will decay early in the kept meat and will spread an area of infection around them.

Joseph Chamberlain's re-election to the English parliament in a canvass where nearly all of his powerful party colleagues were defeated at the polls was owing largely to the splendid campaign work of his American wife. American brains are quite as valuable as American cash in the equipment of European homes.

### SALE REGISTER.

It is well for those persons who will have large draft horses, weight 2200 pounds; 1 pair of 3 year old colts, weight 2000 pounds; 2 good all purpose horses; 12 head of milk cows, 6 of which will be fresh about time of sale; 1 large Holstein bull; 10 head of young cattle; 1 Chester White boar, 24 shoats; 3 brood sows, Chester white boar, 24 shoats, and a complete line of farm machinery, wagons, implements, harness, etc. Wm. Goheen, auct.

### Thurs. March 15: Wm. Martz

Will sell at his residence, 1/2 mile east of Pine Grove Mills:  
**LIVE STOCK**--4 head of horses, 1 pair of large draft horses, weight 2200 pounds; 1 pair of 3 year old colts, weight 2000 pounds; 2 good all purpose horses; 12 head of milk cows, 6 of which will be fresh about time of sale; 1 large Holstein bull; 10 head of young cattle; 1 Chester White boar, 24 shoats; 3 brood sows, Chester white boar, 24 shoats, and a complete line of farm machinery, wagons, implements, harness, etc. Wm. Goheen, auct.

**FRIDAY MARCH 16**--in Boggs township 3 miles north of Milesburg, Fleming Poorman will sell: 3 horses 3 colts 5 cows, 12 young cattle, hogs and farm implements. Sale at 1 p. m. David Wessel, auct.

**FRIDAY MARCH 16**--at Salona, Harry Eicker will sell: 4 horses, 10 cows, 12 young cattle, 75 hogs and shoats, 60 head of fine ewes, c. leekus, turkeys, and full line of new farm implements. Sale at 10 a. m. Hays Schenck, auct.

**SATURDAY MARCH 17**--at Widgeo, Herman Aik-y will sell: 2 p. m. 2 houses and 10 a. m. 10 stables, etc. conveniently located and are desirable homes.

**SATURDAY MARCH 17**--at Unionville, F. A. Smith will sell: fine driving mare with foal, buggy cutter, harness young fresh cow, 2 Plymouth rock hens and other useful articles. Sale at 1 p. m. S. K. Emerick, auct.

**TUESDAY MARCH 18**--DR. ARTHUR, JERRY DONOVAN, will sell farm stock and implements at 10 a. m. Wm. Goheen, auct.

**TUESDAY MARCH 18**--1 1/2 miles west of Woodward, D. S. Glasgow administrator for David Glasgow: 7 head of horses, 2 with foal one span of mules, weight 3725 pounds, 8 milk cows, 7 head of young cattle, 2 yearling bulls, 2 br. od. sows, Chester white 1 boar, 12 shoats and a complete line of farm machinery, wagons and household goods. Sale at 10 a. m. Harvey Miller, auct.

**THURSDAY MARCH 19**--one mile east of Unionville, J. H. Stever, will sell: 2 cows, 5 head young cattle and farm implements. S. A. Emerick auct., sale at 12 noon.

**FRIDAY MARCH 19**--one mile west of Pleasant Gap on the L. O. REARICK farm, Luther Lansberg, will sell: dark bay stallion 7 years old 180 lbs., brood mare and colt 4 months old, 1 mare with foal 7 cows, 10 head of young cattle and full line of farm implements. Wm. Goheen, auct.

**MONDAY MARCH 19**--on the Adam Yearick farm 1/2 mile south of Jacksonville, Mrs. ELLEN SMITH and J. C. GARRETT will sell: live stock and farm implements, at 12 o'clock. A. C. McClintock, auct.

**TUESDAY MARCH 19**--1 mile north of Penn Hall, W. A. KATZ, will sell: horses, cattle and hogs and full line of farm implements.

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 14**--Live stock, horses, cattle, etc. and farm implements NATHAN GROVE, 2 1/2 miles north of Lemont. Wm. Goheen, auct. Sale at 10 a. m.

**THURSDAY MARCH 15**--One mile east of Madisonburg, Mrs. Wm. L. ROYER, will sell: 5 horses, lot of milk cows, young cattle and shoats; also a complete line of farm machinery, most of which is new.

**THURSDAY MARCH 15**--1 1/2 miles east of Pine Grove Mills W. H. MARTZ will sell: 6 horses, one pair draft horses 2200 pounds, pair 3 year colts 2000 pounds, 12 milk cows, large Holstein Bull, 1 brood sow, 2 sheep, 2 sheep, 2 sheep, 3 brood sows, Chester white boar, 24 shoats, and a complete line of farm machinery, wagons, implements, harness, etc. Wm. Goheen, auct.

**THURSDAY MARCH 15**--1 1/2 miles south of Fillmore, G. M. WAGNER, living on the John Muffer farm will sell farm stock and implements. Wm. Ishler, auct.

**FRIDAY MARCH 16**--one mile north of Zion, EMANUEL GARBRICK, will sell farm stock and implements. A. C. McClintock, auct.

**SATURDAY MARCH 17**--One mile north of Spring Mills Mrs. REBECCA HOGAN, will sell: horses, cattle and farm implements.

**SATURDAY MARCH 17**--on the Harshbarger farm, 1 mile east of Milesburg, Michael Miller will sell: Team of white horses, 6 year old, black stallion, 1500 lbs., 2 cows, 1 bull, 2 helters, 4 hogs, and full line of farm implements. Sale at 1 p. m. Jos. L. Neff, auct.

**SATURDAY MARCH 17**--at the home of J. Z. Hatley, in Aaronburg, a lot of Household Goods will be sold by F. H. Herman.

**MONDAY MARCH 19**--GEO. W. MILLER, will sell: live stock, farm implements and household goods, 1 mile north of Linden Hill. Sale at 12 o'clock noon. Wm. Goheen, auct.

**TUESDAY MARCH 20**--at the late residence of W. H. BLOOM, in Ferguson, Pa., will sell: 4 horses, 5 cows, 8 cattle, 10 hogs, farm implements and household goods, also lot of lumber, etc. Wm. Goheen, auct.

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 21**--One mile east of Pleasant Gap, H. N. KELLER, will sell live stock and full line of farm implements. Wm. F. Smith, auct.

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 21**--1 mile northwest of Unionville, R. T. COMLEY will sell farm stock and implements. S. K. Emerick, auct.

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 21**--D. C. GRUBER will sell on his farm in Porter township, near Lamar, live stock, farming implements, household goods etc. Sale begins at 10 o'clock. A. C. McClintock, auct.

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 21**--at the late residence of Henry Lytle, dec'd, 1/2 mile south of Stormtown at 1 o'clock, horses, fresh cows, sow and pig, wagons, sleds, farm machinery and implements, and household and other goods of all kinds. W. H. Lytle, ex'or. C. W. Hunter, auct.

**THURSDAY MARCH 22**--one and one-half mile west of Tusseyville, James Runkle will sell live stock and full line of farm implements. Sale at one o'clock p. m.

**THURSDAY MARCH 22**--At Rebersburg, J. C. HENRY and N. O. WEBER, will sell live stock and farm implements.

**THURSDAY MARCH 22**--1 mile west of Fillmore, on the Brockerhoff farm, 6 horses, 25 head of cattle, 25 head of hogs 12 sheep, and a full line of farm machinery and implements. Sale at 10 a. m. by J. B. ROCKEY. Wm. Goheen, auct.

**FRIDAY MARCH 23**--1 1/2 miles north east of Penn Hall, at 9 a. m. Samuel Gobell will sell: horses, cattle, swine, implements and household goods etc.

**FRIDAY MARCH 23**--2 1/2 miles south of Bellefonte, H. K. HOT, will sell: horses, cattle, hogs, farm machinery and household goods. Sale at 10 o'clock sharp. W. A. Ishler, auct.

**FRIDAY MARCH 23**--at 10 a. m. CHAS. STROUSE, on the Glenn farm, 2 miles west of Fillmore, horses, cows, cattle, sheep, hogs, and all kinds of farm machinery and implements.

**FRIDAY MARCH 23**--1 1/2 mile west of Booneville, C. R. SNOOK, will sell: 2 horses, 5 cows, 5 head young cattle, 25 head of shoats, 4 brood sows, and one boar, 12 months old, and all Berkshire stock; also full line of farm implements. Harvey Miller, auct.

**SATURDAY MARCH 24**--2 miles west of Tusseyville, C. S. FORTNEY will sell: 7 brood sows with foal, 4 cows--2 fresh at time of sale, short horns, 10, 2 helters, 10 fine South-down ewes, 3 shoats and full line of farm implements and household goods. Sale at 1 p. m. Wm. Goheen, auct.

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 25**--2 miles west of Fillmore, Charles Marshall will sell: 3 horses, 4 colts, 8 cows, 10 young cattle, 3 pigs, 3 hogs, and large line of farm implements. Sale at 10 a. m. W. Ishler, auct.

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 25**--one-half mile north of Romola at Quary school house, W. L. QUAY will sell: 2 horses, 2 cows and 4 head of young cattle, and full line of farm implements, sale at 1 p. m. Hays Schenck, auct.

**THURSDAY MARCH 29**--F. H. CLEMSON will sell horses, cattle, hogs and farming implements on the Green Gray farm at Buffalo Run.

**FRIDAY MARCH 30**--I. J. DRESSE, at Lemont, will sell: 2071-gg harness, household goods, etc. at 12 o'clock. Wm. Goheen, auct.

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