

AN ACTIVE MARKET. The Different Grades of Raw and Manufactured Iron Are More In Demand, and PRICES RISE VERY MUCH HIGHER.

The Shut-Down in the Valleys and the Coke Strike Will Continue to Cause an Increased Demand. A LARGE AMOUNT OF COAL CONSUMED.

The local iron and steel market is in somewhat better condition now than at the opening of the month. The demand for all grades of raw and finished iron has improved considerably, and prices in consequence are firmer and higher, especially for pig iron.

There has been a rush of consumers to purchase supplies for future use, which has resulted in a temporary increased demand and a consequent rise in prices. It is probable that the demand for iron will continue brisk, so long as the shutdown lasts, though it is a question if prices will continue to advance.

Comparisons Tell the Tale. An evidence of the inactivity that everywhere prevails the coke regions is seen from a comparison of the shipment of coke from the region during a period of ordinary activity and the present time.

What the Strike Cost. The amount of the restriction of coal mined by this strike is estimated at 15,000,000 bushels. This at 3 cents per bushel, shows a loss to the men resulting from the strike amounting to \$450,000.

Nothing Done Toward a Change. At the last convention a committee was appointed to investigate and report upon the possibility of such a change. Some lodges wanted the wage changed to \$1.50 per ton, but the arguments in favor of the \$1.00 were so strong that nothing was done in the matter.

SAFETY FROM FIRE Being Carefully Considered by Chief Brown, Who Advocates the PURCHASE OF A WATER TOWER.

Chief Brown will again request Councils to authorize the purchase of a water tower for the purpose of fighting fire in the downtown portion of the city. The exclusive publication in THE DISPATCH of the action of the Board of Ordinance writers...

RESULTS at End of Tontine Period in 1891: Cash Surrender Value, \$8,449.45. A Paid-up Life Policy for \$19,470. A Life Annuity of \$633.55.

Money for a Good Cause. The interest on the Endowment Fund donated by Mrs. Thaw to the Peabody Museum will be spent for Indian researches. An interesting study.

A DEARTH OF SUGAR. It will be ended April 1 by Provision of the McKinley Bill. CHICAGO, March 13.—Dealers in sugar in this city are taking advantage of the provision of the McKinley bill...

LOWEST ON RECORD. We have 300 pieces Pure Silk Two-Toned Satin Ribbons, No. 12 or two inches wide, which we will dispose of quickly at the unheard-of price of 14c per yard...

ABOUT KID GLOVES. We show an immense assortment of Kid Gloves at prices that are lower than you can buy them elsewhere. A few of the special offerings are as follows:

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. GRAND OPENING of Spring Novelties in CONFIRMATION SUITS!

Home Clothiers, Hatters and Furnishers, Cor. Smithfield and Diamond Sts. AMUSEMENTS. FRANZ RUMMEL'S Two Piano Recitals at Old City Hall.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE. THIS EVENING, Matinee Saturday, DENMAN THOMPSON'S Celebrated Play, THE OLD HOMESTEAD.

WOLF'S ACME Blacking on his shoes, and yet he says it is the finest Dressing to the world for his horses.

OH MY HEAD, MY HEAD. TERRIBLE SUFFERING CAUSED BY CATARRH NEURALGIC DISORDERED BY MR. E. BURMAN. RELIEVED ALMOST INSTANTANEOUSLY BY DR. BYERS' IMPROVED CATARRHIC TREATMENT.

DESKS, CHAIRS, Filing Cabinets, TYPEWRITERS, Office Specialty Co., 105 Third St.

McMUNN'S ELIXIR OF OPIUM. Is a preparation of the Drug by which its opiate effects are removed, while the valuable medicinal properties are retained.

ROSENBAUM & CO. Moving time is coming and you don't want to be bothered hauling and making the iron and steel trade in any extraordinary changes will be requested in the settlement of the scale, and the opinion prevails among those well informed that no trouble of any importance will result from the attempts at settlement.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. ESTABLISHED 1864. OPTICAL and MATHEMATICAL Establishment in Western Pennsylvania.

McNAUGHER & CO., Contractors for Paving Sidewalks, Concrete, Brick and Fire Brick, Contracting Cellars.

IRELAND & HUGHES, FORGE AND MACHINE SHOP. Oil and Artesian Well Drilling and Fishing Tools.

Oil City Boiler Works. The best Oil Well Machinery in the world. All sizes of Engines and Boilers.

W. S. WATSON, Agent. Office, 108 Fourth St. PITTSBURGH, PA.

RAILROADS. B. & O. Schedule in effect January 4, 1901. For Washington, D. C., Baltimore, Philadelphia, etc.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA DIVISION. From FEDERAL STREET STATION, Allegheny City.

MONONGAHELA DIVISION. For Monongahela City, West Monongahela City and Uniontown 10.40 a. m. and 1.00 p. m.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. MAY BE LOOKED FOR. By patrons of our Boys' Clothing Department to-day. All the new Spring Styles in Kilt, Short and Long-Pant Suits, Reefers, etc.

GIVE FREE. The following costly and very amusing presents: Consisting of Camera, rapid wide angle lens, plate-holder, carrying case, 6 lightning dry plates, a japanned iron tray, 2 bottles developer, one package hyposulphite soda, one printing frame, 6 sheets each silvered and blue print paper, one bottle of gold or toning solution, one plate-lifter, one sheet ruby paper, and full directions for making ruby lamp.

A Complete Photographic Outfit. Will be Given Gratis TO-DAY With Every Purchase (of \$10 or More) in the Boys' Department.

Another Present! A Ring Toss! To-day with every purchase of not less than \$3 in the Boy's Department. This Ring Toss affords no end of fun and amusement.

KAUFMANN'S. Fifth Ave. and Smithfield St.

WENNYSVILLE LINES. TRAINS WILL LEAVE UNION STATION, PITTSBURGH, AS FOLLOWS (Eastern Standard Time):

PAID UP LIFE POLICY FOR \$19,470. A LIFE ANNUITY OF \$633.55.

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