

BRITISH LABOR ON A VACATION.

Miners Try Their Hand at Shutting Down the Output of Coal

TO PRESERVE WAGES.

How Long the Men Will Stay Out Will Be Decided When Their Federation Meets Wednesday

FEDERATION MEETS WEDNESDAY

400,000 Delivers Drop Their Picks, for Two Weeks at Least.

Many Factories Must Shut Down for Lack of Fuel, Throwing as Many More Out of Employment—All Consumers Well Supplied Except the Poor—Two Separate Miners' Unions Working in Harmony—Only Two Communities of Miners Remain at Work—The Federation Aims at the Emancipation of Their Women—The Men Had a Choice of Three Plans of Dodging Wage Reduction.

THEY HANGED THIS TIME.

A MISSOURI MOB STRINGS UP A TRAMP ON A TELEGRAPH POLE.

Two Attempts Were Made Before the Prisoner was Taken From the Sheriff—He Confessed His Guilt—The Failure of a Smuggling Attempt.

CARROLLTON, MO., March 12.—Yesterday afternoon while Mrs. Perret, the wife of John Perret, a farmer living four miles from town, was alone at her home, an unknown tramp found an entrance to the house. With a loup upon the head he killed Mrs. Perret to the ground and drawing a revolver and presenting it at his victim to subdue her. He then escaped to the woods. Mrs. Perret was found in an unconscious condition.

As soon as she recovered she told the story of the assault. A sheriff's posse was formed, and the search was kept up until noon today, when a dispatch was received from Wakenda, stating that a man had been arrested there answering the description of Mrs. Perret's assailant. The prisoner was brought here this evening and was taken immediately to the jail, where he confessed the crime. He declines to give his name. An organized mob attacked the jail with the intention of securing the prisoner and lynching him, but Sheriff Lewis had anticipated this and had posted a strong guard heavily armed in the jail. The mob became discouraged at the resistance shown by the sheriff, and dispersed.

PHILADELPHIA, March 12.—Joseph Mezkowski, the Syrian Hebrew who last Saturday night shot at and wounded the Rev. Dr. Mendez, of New York, because of the latter's refusal to give him \$100, was arrested while begging on the streets here this afternoon. Simon Mezkowski's murderer, Joseph Mezkowski, was arrested in this city and New York have been actively searching for him. Inspector Byrnes' men tracked Mezkowski to the Deobross street house in Mezkowski's police office, but surmising that he had come to this city to attend Superintendent Linden to be on the watch for him.

THE SEARCH WAS REWARDED this afternoon when Detective Lamm and Eckstein saw a man answering the description of Mezkowski begging at Eighth and Arch streets. They arrested him and brought him to the police station. Lamm and Eckstein denied his identity and said his name was Cassaro, and that he was a native of France.

A search of the man speedily disproved his identity. Lamm and Eckstein saw a man answering the description of Mezkowski to charity in the streets as a worthy man. Among the letters was a check for \$100 from a prominent citizen in cities all over the country, and many of them have contained money. Mezkowski, who was arrested, said anything about the shooting, except the officers had made a mistake in arresting him, as he had never injured anyone. A telegram was received at police headquarters to-night from Inspector Byrnes, saying that he would send a man over to take Mezkowski to New York to-morrow.

NOT FOR PITTSBURGH.

An Official Denial That the Beech Creek Road Will Reach Here.

NEW YORK, March 12.—The report that the New York Central or the Vanderbilt interests were contemplating a new connection with Chicago by the route of the Beech Creek Railroad, the Wheeling and Lake Erie, is denied by J. Edgar McCarra, president of the Beech Creek road, who is said to be conducting the extension of the Beech Creek road for that purpose. Mr. Layng said that the road would not be extended to this city, but that it would be extended to the city of West.

TO SEE THE BOILERS SHAKE.

A Youth Ties Down the Safety Valve and Leads Up the Furnaces.

NEW YORK, March 12.—Conrad Studel is a German 20 years old, who for a week has been working for James Rice, who runs the boilers in a five-story building on Grand street. Yesterday morning Engineer Rice went out to get breakfast, leaving Studel in charge. Studel opened the draughts and heaped on the coal. He fastened the safety valves so they would not work. Then he sat down and waited. The steam indicator rose, but Studel sat still. The boilers began to tremble, but he did not move.

NO HOPE FOR EXTENDED MINERS.

Fire Cuts Off All Hope of Rescuing the 240 Belians at Charlevoix.

BRUSSELS, March 12.—The fire caused by the explosion in the colliery at Charlevoix is still burning. Owing to this fact, only 33 bodies of the imprisoned miners have been recovered. It is feared that nearly 240 miners were perished, including a large number of women and children. There were many employed in the mine.

AFTER THE STOCK YARDS TRUST.

Another Suit Filed Against It in a Chicago Court.

CHICAGO, March 12.—Further litigation was commenced in the Circuit Court today concerning the Union Stock Yards here. A lengthy bill was filed by Henry Botaford and Edward H. Noyes, stockholders to the extent of 90 shares in the Union Stock Yards Trust Company, which is styled the Chicago Company and Union Stock Yards Company, known as the New Jersey Company, declared an illegal trust.

THE LEBROUX COOK'S EMPLOYER.

Arrested at Philadelphia, Waives Hearing and Gives Bail for Court.

PHILADELPHIA, March 12.—A warrant was today issued for the arrest of Dr. William Paup, proprietor of the Peabody Hotel, on the charge of employing Charles Wing, a Chinese laborer, to prepare food for the guests and employees of the hotel. The action is taken at the instance of the Health Officer.

Dr. Paup was arrested this afternoon. He waived a hearing and entered bail in the sum of \$1,000 for his appearance at court.

THE PRICE OF COAL

President McLeod, of the Reading Road, Doesn't Think Will Change Much WITH THE MIDDLEMAN OUT

Other Odd Information Gleaned During His Examination.

EQUALIZATION OF PRICES GIVEN AS THE MAIN REASON FOR THE MOVE.

ONE WAY TO SAVE MANY MILLIONS

OFFICIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.

NEW YORK, March 12.—General McMahon's Senate Committee, which is inquiring into the coal deal, met again this morning at the Hotel Metropole. Beside General McMahon, Senators Irwin, Cantor, McCarran and Hogan were present. The members of the Reading and Jersey Central Railroads were the chief witnesses, and gave the committee considerable information.

Archibald A. McLeod, President of the Philadelphia and Reading, faced the legislators first. His face beamed with smiles and he talked freely. He said the contract by which the Reading leased the Lehigh Valley guaranteed the Lehigh Valley stockholders 5 per cent until 7 per cent was earned, and above that figure divided the net income between the two companies. It was for 999 years. Mr. McLeod said the price of coal could not be raised without the cooperation of all the roads. They were making for 1901 a coal deal, but it was as hard to bring about now as before this combination was made," asked General McMahon.

Object of the Combination.

"Possibly not," said McLeod. Then he explained: "The object of this combination is not to raise the price of coal, but to equalize it. Coal has been selling too low in some parts of the country and too high in other parts. Another object is to do away with the middleman. The middleman comes to control the market, and to do control it pretty effectually, and make profits out of proportion to the work they do. The same thing is done in the oil business. A man comes along and takes the control of it, and makes a profit out of it. The object of this combination is to equalize the price of coal, and to do away with the middleman."

Blaine to Go South.

A Trip for His Health Before the Season at Bar Harbor Opens.

WASHINGTON, March 12.—There is more or less mystery surrounding the intentions of Secretary Blaine, and it is difficult for his friends to understand just what he proposes to do, and also what is the true condition of his health. In an afternoon paper two directly opposite propositions are set forth regarding Mr. Blaine. The first statement is that "Secretary Blaine's symptoms continue favorable, and that it is expected that he will be able to direct the affairs of the State Department next week."

DEATH OF R. G. BERFORD.

The Founder of the Pittsburgh Chronicle Dies at a Ripid Old Age—One of New York's Oldest Citizens Reaches His Last.

NEW YORK, March 12.—Richard George Berford, one of New York's oldest citizens, died at his home No. 1011 Park avenue, last evening, from paralysis. Up to the last 12 years of his life Mr. Berford was well-known to the public. In the year 1841 he was the founder of the Pittsburgh Chronicle.

INSURANCE MEN TRAPPED.

United States Officers Catch a Wheeling Concern in Fraudulent Practices.

WHEELING, March 12.—(Special.)—Warrants were issued by United States Commissioner Campbell to-day for T. M. Garvin, President, and E. C. Elderkin, Secretary, of the West Virginia Fire and Marine Insurance Company. This is a new company, and the affidavit on which the warrants were issued charges the officers with using the mails for fraudulent purposes. Elderkin is a Toledo insurance man and Garvin an attorney here.

WONT REPORT TO TECHNICALITIES.

Whisky Trust People Promise They Will Defend Their Case on Its Merits.

BOSTON, March 12.—All of the indicted officers of the Whisky Trust, except Messrs. Nelson and Gibson, appealed before Judge Nelson in the United States District Court to-day, and pleading not guilty, bail was fixed in the sum of \$10,000 for each, which was furnished. It was stated that a motion will be made that the indictments be pushed nothing but the delay until the Reading got out of these properties.

A NEW IRON RANGE.

Interesting News From the Upper Lake Superior Mining Regions.

ASHLAND, WIS., March 12.—A number of prominent mining speculators, who have been dabbling in Menasha stocks at Duluth, arrived here this evening. It is intimated that they have secured options on the Metesberria range and will try to turn the tide to the properties. It is said that they represent a number of Eastern syndicates. The outlook for the Gogebie range for the coming season is that the ore produced will be largely increased. It is stated that the Lake Shore alone will handle over 500,000 tons more than last year at Ashland. An effort is again to be made to consolidate nearly all the properties on the range into one or two companies.

THE WOLF WAS SHOT

By a Humane Agent After a Battle With the Russian Hounds.

MORE THAN 2,500 PEOPLE

Witness the Pursuit and Death of the Miserable Animal.

TREATHS TO DUCK THE OFFICER.

The Question of Making Arrests Has Not Yet Been Decided.

HACKE DISGUSTED WITH THE SPOT

WENTY-FIVE HUNDRED PEOPLE

GOLD MONEY DEBASED.

Double Eagles Stopped of a Dollar's Worth of Metal Each by Electricity—New York Bankers Closely Scanning Each Big Piece They Run Across.

March 12.—[Special.]—It is now a well known fact that the gold pieces of the United States are being debased by the use of electricity. The gold pieces are being debased by the use of electricity, and the result is that the gold pieces are worth less than they were before. The gold pieces are being debased by the use of electricity, and the result is that the gold pieces are worth less than they were before.

NEAR A HUNDRED MILES AN HOUR.

A Compound High Speed Engine Breaks a Record on the Bound Brook Road.

PHILADELPHIA, March 12.—[Special.]—The world's record for fast running, which has been held since last August by the Philadelphia and Reading Road, when one of its engines made a mile in 23 seconds, has been broken by the same road with a big compound high speed passenger locomotive, built for the Central Railroad of New Jersey in Philadelphia.

RUSSELL SAGE'S CAUTION.

He Is Preparing Himself for Buffer Laidlaw's Contempted Suit.

NEW YORK, March 12.—Russell Sage called at the Coroner's office this morning to get a copy of the testimony of William R. Laidlaw, the Norcross inquest, yesterday. He said that he had heard that Laidlaw was about to bring suit, and wanted to prepare himself. While there, he told how Dr. Mary Walker had written him to help her with the trial of the Norcross inquest, and she was to be paid for services during the late war. The letter stated that the writer had communicated with Mrs. Astor, but received no reply.

SUGAR DISSOLVED IN THE TRUST.

The Franklin Sugarery at Philadelphia Came in for \$10,000,000.

PHILADELPHIA, March 12.—The members of the firm of the Franklin Sugar Refinery were seen this evening, but they all declined to talk upon the alleged absorption of their refinery by the American Sugar Company.

CLEVELAND'S SECOND OIL FUTURE.

CLEVELAND, O., March 12.—The Districts Oil Company filed a deed of assignment this morning, which was signed by the company was impaired by the failure of the Merchants Oil Company, on the paper of which it was a considerable indorser. The liabilities are about \$15,000, and the assets about \$27,000, including outstanding accounts very uncertain of collection. There are mortgage preferences aggregating \$7,000.

HORACE GREELY JR. ARRIVES.

WEST CHESTER, N. Y., March 12.—Rev. Frank Montrose Clendinning, rector of the Episcopal Church in this village, became the happy father of a son last Friday morning. Mrs. Clendinning is the daughter of the late Horace Greely, and her son is to be named after Mr. Greely. Mr. Clendinning said that the boy weighed nine pounds, and that the mother and son are doing well.

General Logan's Old Home Burned.

CHICAGO, March 12.—A fire, which caused about \$10,000 damage to a building on Park Row here yesterday, is interesting from the fact that the building, which was nearly destroyed, was built 25 years ago and for many years was occupied by the late General John A. Logan, and at the time of its erection was one of the finest residences in Chicago.

Irish-Americans in the Campaign.

NEW YORK, March 12.—The National Federation of America, at a meeting held this evening, decided to call a mass meeting to arrange for helping Ireland in the approaching general election, to be held in Cooper Union on March 28.

A Labor Leader Critically Hit.

CEDAR RAPIDS, IA., March 12.—E. E. Clark, Grand Chief of the Order of Railway Conductors, is confined to his bed with grip. His case is considered critical.

FAUST IN A PARLOR.

The First Entertainment of the Kind Ever Given in This Country.

MADAME DE BARRIOS' IDEA

Of the Proper Way to Introduce Her Flance to Her Friends.

ALL WAS SPECIALLY DESIGNED

For the Occasion, and the Event Was a Brilliant Success.

A PERFECT THEATER IN MINIATURE

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.

NEW YORK, March 12.—Mme. De Barrios gave a fancy dress ball at her residence, 855 Fifth Avenue, February 6, 1901, which, for its originality and brilliant success created a great stir in society. To-night her much-talked-of operatic performance took place and will probably be referred to for many a day as the most notable event of the season in fashionable circles.

The large house was literally packed with people of the fashionable set. The occasion was a notable one in more ways than one. It was the first time that a private opera by professional artists had ever been attempted in this country. Colonel Henry Mapleson is said to have proposed the idea to Madame De Barrios, and in his assurance of success she decided to attempt it. Only two other entertainments of the kind have ever been given, both under the direction of Mapleson's direction, and both were decidedly successful. The first was given by the late Earl of Dudley, ten years ago, at his residence in England. The other was in Paris a year ago at the house of the Countess of Flandre.

A Flance's Introduction.

To-night's entertainment derived additional interest from the fact that Senor Don Jose Martinez de Roda, of Spain, the flance of Mme. de Barrios, received with her, and in his assurance of success she decided to attempt it. Only two other entertainments of the kind have ever been given, both under the direction of Mapleson's direction, and both were decidedly successful. The first was given by the late Earl of Dudley, ten years ago, at his residence in England. The other was in Paris a year ago at the house of the Countess of Flandre.

Everything for the Occasion.

Everything for the occasion, in accordance with Colonel Mapleson's directions, by Mr. Peck, the stage carpenter, and a corps of assistants who were in full possession of the scene. The stage was lighted by specially constructed footlights and side lights with calcium lights in the wings forming special effects.

The Details Well Looked After.

The whole arrangement, on its miniature scale, was perfect. The effect was dramatic, and the stage above and on the sides, was festooned and decorated in colors to match. The stage, the rooms and the balcony, with a profusion of rare plants and flowers.

All the furniture and ornaments of the drawing room had been removed to make room for the chairs, which were arranged in the hall, with a profusion of rare plants and flowers.

The most noteworthy feature of the performance itself was the appearance of Mme. Laura Schirmer Mapleson as Marguerite. Her performance was a triumph in the opera in this city, and it is her only appearance this season.

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