

PRINCIPLE AT STAKE.

A Long and Bitter Contest Being Waged at the Elba Iron Works

NOT FOR MONEY BUT FOR BELIEF.

A Heavy Rise in the River Clears the Harbor of All Loaded Coal.

HAPPENINGS IN LOCAL LABOR CIRCLES

The strikers at the Elba Iron Works have maintained a stubborn contest for almost six months. They have stood out firmly to a man; none of them having applied for a position in the mill. The management still refuses to recognize a labor union. The strikers have gradually scattered and secured work at other mills until now only about two dozen of the original 300 men are left about the place. These receive weekly benefits from the Amalgamated Association and the leaders say they are in a position to stand out until next summer, if necessary. They are doing nothing, but keeping a close watch on what is going on about the mill.

The strike has been a peculiar one in that it is not a question of wages but of principle that the men are contending for; but they have been none the less determined in the long contest that is apparently not nearer its close than when it began.

Neither Side Admits Defeat.

The management claims the mill to be in successful operation. As soon after the strike was declared non-union men were brought in and the mill has been running since. The strikers say there is more or less difficulty in running the plant.

John Collett, a leader of the strikers, in discussing the contest, said: "Nearly all our men have gone away from here and are working in other mills. I do not think any circumstances. Many of them have changed their work, and while this is a pipe mill, they are now in all kinds of mills. We know what goes on in the mill every day, and from what information we receive the mill cannot be turning out the amount of material it should. The only thing between the company and us is the coal being struck. The company must surely be losing money, as the non-union men brought here are leaving from time to time, so that the crews have to be constantly changed."

Still Hoping for Victory.

"I believe there will be a change soon, and that a scale will be signed about the first of the year. For my own part, the strikers here now are doing very well and can live as they are until next summer. We were given the choice of returning to work or belonging to a union. We chose the latter and intend to be recognized or never go to work at this place."

When the Homestead strike was declared off it was thought the men at these mills would return to work, since it was assumed there was no chance for the men to win. They all decided to never give in, and as the new men could not do the work as satisfactorily as the old men, they thought the company would be greatly hampered or finally sign the scale and then settle all the differences between the contesting parties. The Elba strike has been the quietest, but most bitterly contested strikes in Pittsburgh for a long time, when it is considered that there it is a matter of money but of principle that is at stake.

COALBOAT STAGE.

The Water is High Enough to Take Out All the Loaded Coal in the Pools.—The Coal Exchange Receives Word Concerning the Logstown Dike.

The river rose rapidly yesterday and by evening the marks at the Smithfield bridge showed 11 feet in the channel. About 12 feet is expected at the Davis Dam by this morning as heavy water is still reported from the headwaters of both the Monongahela and Allegheny rivers.

The rivermen were actively engaged yesterday in getting tows ready, as there was enough water to take the heaviest tows out. Everybody will be pressed into service, as the operators are making every effort to get all the coal now loaded to the lower market. Estimates as to the amount of coal to go out vary, but it is generally estimated that there will be about the same amount as last week. Some of the towsboats got out yesterday afternoon, and all will be out this morning. Many of the small harbor boats will likely be sent out with light tows.

Secretary Tilly, of the Coal Exchange, received a letter from General Casey yesterday stating that he had ordered Major Stickney to stop work on the Logstown dike. He said that only a small amount of stone had been removed from the old dike, and that things would remain as they are until spring. As the dike now is no interference will be experienced by the towsboats as the dangerous points will be marked by lights.

The rivermen hardly know how to take this new turn of affairs. Some think it is a practical concession on the part of the Government, but others say work cannot be done at this time on account of the high water, as further work would be impossible under any conditions at this season. They think that with the beginning of work next spring the dike will be built in accordance with the wishes of Major Stickney, and that no matter what may be done the plans of the Coal Exchange will be disregarded. There was no change reported from the miners' strike.

RELIEF AT HOMESTEAD.

Many Anxious Applications Being Made to the Committee.

The cases of destitution are reported to be increasing at Homestead. Yesterday morning when the secretary of the relief committee arrived at his office, he found 16 women waiting for relief. The contribution from the First Methodist Episcopal Church, of Braddock, was received yesterday. The Homestead cash contributions to date amount to \$424 50, and the cash from abroad \$22. A contribution of groceries was yesterday received from Johnston, Eager, Earle Company. The officials of the borough will give a ball January 2 for the benefit of the sufferers. Applications are still being received at the mill from the old men, but only a few are getting positions.

TO STRENGTHEN THE ORDER.

President Garland Will Spend Two Weeks Among Western Lodges.

President Garland, of the Amalgamated Association, left yesterday for a tour of the West. He will be absent two weeks, and while away will visit all the subordinate lodges in Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois and Indiana. He will make an investigation of the order in that section and collect such data as will be of use to the work of the association. These lodges had been urging him to go among them for some time. He will likely institute a number of new lodges while en route.

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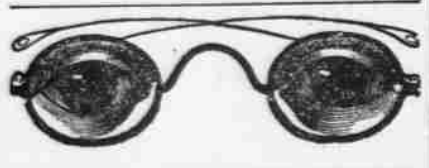
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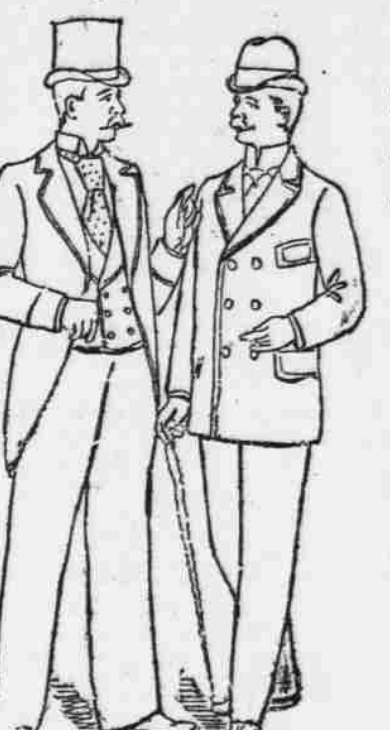
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