

GENERAL NEWS OF INDUSTRIES

The Pennsylvania Railroad company made return in the United States circuit court at Philadelphia Monday to the writ of habeas corpus mandamus in the proceedings brought by R. B. Wigton & Son, in which the company was charged with discrimination in carrying rates for bituminous coal. The railroad company contends that the court has no jurisdiction, as the state courts of Pennsylvania and New Jersey should determine the dispute. It denies that the plaintiffs have been charged more than other shippers, or that by means of devices of rebates, drawbacks or allowances such result is attained.

Reports from twenty of the leading industrial plants in the vicinity of Wheeling, W. Va., show that fully 55 per cent of the men employed by them at this time last year are now employed. The percentage of men employed would be very much higher, were it not for the glass and pottery strikes affecting four concerns. Four concerns of the Wheeling Steel and Iron company have resumed work in the past ten days, employing over 1,000 men.

It is announced that the Lehigh Valley Coal company will store in the vicinity of Boston 500,000 tons of anthracite coal, to be shipped from Perth Amboy as speedily as possible. The coal will be shipped in bee-line barges. A fleet of thirty of the barges have been tied up at Perth Amboy, out of commission for four months.

"Holland" says, apropos of Le Grand E. Cannon's departure for Europe, that it may be set down as assured that the proposed \$6,000,000 issue of New Delaware and Hudson stock will be issued at par in exchange for the bonds dollar for dollar. The option grows that before many months the proposition will have been made to the stockholders to lease the Delaware and Hudson system, for so long a term of years as practically to be perpetual, to the New York Central upon a 3 per cent basis, thus again illustrating the inevitable tendency of that corporation to control every interest whose association would provide protection through sympathetic management.

Receiver Paxson and Superintendent Sweigard are making a tour of inspection of the Reading railroad. A deal has been struck between the assignees of Robert H. Coleman and Jacob S. Sheik and Thomas Evans, of Lebanon, by which the anthracite furnaces at Cora-will will be leased to them. Extensive repairs are now in progress and the output of the furnaces will be doubled to insure an output of 100 tons of iron a day. Mr. Coleman will manage the works.

About 1,500 miners in the Lehigh region will return to work on May 1 after an idleness of ten weeks. The work of stripping will be begun by J. W. Crain & Co., Dick & Wentz, and Coyne Bros.

The new bridge across the Lackawanna river at Dorney, just opposite the William A. Collier, is finished and the approaches are now being filled in. The structure will be ready for use in a few days and will be a great convenience for the Central Coal company and its employees.

Reading trains composing the Reading Dispatch will resume their regular service on the Williamsport, thence over the Williamsport and North Branch to a point near Bernice, from which point to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge. It will use the tracks of the Lehigh Valley. The work of the Reading a haul of 20 miles over its own lines, whereas under the old route the distance over its own route, Philadelphia to Bethlehem, was only 18 miles.

The night business of the Schuylkill Valley division of the Pennsylvania road shows signs of improvement. The night shift at Norristown has again been placed in service.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL Stocks and Bonds.

New York, April 17.—There was a falling off in the transactions at the stock exchange today, the volume of stock being amounted to 150,000 shares. Opening figures as a rule were lower. The railway troubles at the west were used by the traders but they did not have much effect. It was generally reported that the employees of the Missouri Pacific would strike and that the men on northwestern roads would go out in order to assist their friends at the Great Northern road. The market made on price was insignificant, however. Toward the close the positive engagement of half a million gold for shipment to Europe by Standard's steamer was announced and the market again developed weakness. St. Paul lost nearly a point, and the other issues fell proportionately. At the close a steady tone prevailed.

The following complete table showing the day's fluctuations in active stocks is supplied and revised daily by Baber & Fuller, stock brokers, 117 Broadway.

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ARTIFICIAL DIGESTION. A Scientific Discovery That is Changing Food to Life.

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If we had only starch we could do without fatty food. We would die if we tried to do without starch food. Many people are dying today because their digestive organs cannot digest starch food. They eat plenty of starch but they can't digest it. They keep eating and keep getting thinner. This is but one hope for them: Paskola. One reason that Paskola will help them is because it is a pure starch food. Another reason is because it is a pre-digested food. Nothing but starch food will ever be long since ceased to believe in it. The fat and oils of the profession are fast following their example. Even if fatty food could make people strong and fat, all the good it would do would be to well people, for it is only well people's stomachs that can stand it. Well people don't need food that will make them fat. They are generally fat already. If they weren't fat, it is just the people who need food that will make them fat. Those whose stomachs can't stand fatty food. Can't fight Nature. Thin sick people have a very general and decided aversion to fats and oils. That ought to be sufficient proof to us that fat is not what we need to make them well. Even the thinnest and sickest people like Paskola. They like our starch food too. Nature allows them to do so. They have no decided aversion to it. This is proof that starch food is a good food.

The reason that the food that thin people don't eat makes them fat is simply that they do not digest it. They are sick, and that is the sickness they suffer from. Most dyspeptics cannot even retain starch food in their stomachs. It ferments and forms a noxious gas. They are in the unhappy state of needing starch food so badly that they are always dying for the want of it, and they cannot digest it. The most delicate stomach can retain Paskola. The great difference between ordinary starch food and Paskola is that Paskola is pre-digested. Paskola would make you fat if you had a stomach. With a stomach, no matter how sick it may be, Paskola makes you fat all the quicker. Paskola is superior to any other starch food because it is pleasant to the taste, and is far more effective in its operation. A pamphlet giving full particulars respecting Paskola will be sent on application to the Pre-Digested Food Co., 30 Reade St., New York City.

trio of sharpers headed by one Scott, of Potsville, consists of the following: Scott, who enters a hotel and, throwing down a \$10 bill in the counter, asks to have it changed. Soon his two confederates enter and are present when the change is handed over. Scott claims that the bartender is \$5 short, and the other two men, who appear to be disinterested, corroborate him. They so confuse the bartender that he gives over another \$5, whereupon the trio depart. The first has been successfully worked several times and the tricksters are still at large.

SNAP SHOTS AT OTHERS' DOINGS: Allentown hasn't as yet furnished recruits for Casey's army. Stroudsburg will this summer have a dog catcher and a dog pound. Fishermen say that the recent snow storm will retard the trout fishing at least one week. The Wilkes-Barre board of trade is endeavoring to have a new silk mill established in that city. Reading ministers will preach special sermons on April 24, the one-hundredth anniversary of the passage of the Sunday laws.

Fifteen cases of smallpox are now under treatment at Lee, in Luzerne county, and the disease has spread to Glen Lyon and Wannantow. Attorney General Howell will institute quo warranto proceedings against Pittsburg's Order of Solon. After an illness of several months, the North Reading foundry resumed operations with 100 men. Farmers in the counties near Philadelphia will plant a great acreage of potatoes this year than ever before.

Criticizing a Young Lady. "She would be a pretty girl for but one thing." "What's that?" asked Charlie. "Geese—her face is always covered with purple and red blotches." "Charlie—Oh, that's easily enough disposed of. Used to be the same way myself. Got rid of it in the couple one day, and got rid of it in no time." "George—What was it?" "Charlie—Simply blood eruptions. Took a course of Dr. P. P. I tell you, it's the best blood corrector. The doctor underbarmism so bad that you could hear him boiler clear across the country every time he moved. He tried it, and cured himself. The only way to cure now. If somebody would give Miss Daisy a pointer, she would thank them after wards. All the drug stores sell it."

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