

MR. ECKELS TO LABORING MEN

Important Address Delivered at the Auditorium at Chicago.

THE FINANCIAL SITUATION

The Ex-Comptroller of the Currency Delivers Hot Shot at Bryanism in a Speech Under Auspices of the Sound Money Business League of Chicago—The Evils of the Policy Advocated by the False Prophet of 1896—Silver the Real Issue with Bryan—Position of Banks.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Chicago, Oct. 5.—James H. Eckels, ex-comptroller of the treasury, spoke in the Auditorium tonight to an audience that packed the great hall as tightly as it could be packed, hundreds of people being turned away.

The meeting was under the auspices of the Business Men's Sound Money association and embraced men of all parties who oppose the 16 to 1 plank of the Democratic platform. Mr. Eckels was introduced by William Davis, of Chicago, president of the Amalgamated association of Iron and Steel Workers, who made a short address. The iron and steel industries were strongly represented in the meeting.

Mr. Eckels spoke as follows:

I propose in this campaign, as a Democrat, to support William McKinley, the nominee of the Republican party for reelection to the presidential office, and on that behalf, I am upon this platform.

I appreciate the signal compliment which the Sound Money Business Men's League pay in extending to me an invitation to address, upon the questions now at issue, so representative a body of workmen of this city as has here gathered, and I thank them for the trust that before I am done, if any entertain the logical deduction to be drawn from the expressed views of Mr. Eckels, that bankers in particular, and business men in general, are engaged in a conspiracy to rob and degrade labor, that judgment will undergo a revision and that instead they will believe the interests of capital and labor lie along the same line, and in the advance of the one is wrought out the well being of the other.

The fact, any well challenge the thoughtful attention of every laboring man that where the declaration of principles of the Democratic party as today constituted, or the utterances of the Democratic candidate appeal to business men, it is not in the least small or great. In every section of the country business men, no matter what the calling, repudiate them as violative of all sound rules of business conduct, and in a conspiracy to rob and degrade labor, that judgment will undergo a revision and that instead they will believe the interests of capital and labor lie along the same line, and in the advance of the one is wrought out the well being of the other.

Who Employs Labor?

The question which I submit with confidence to the laboring man is, who has most at stake in this country, the business man whose energy, thrift and venture of capital, has made possible its greatness, or the political demagogue who are going up and down the country preaching a gospel of discontent, arraying class against class and proclaiming doctrine, which if enforced would bring widespread and far-reaching disaster upon every interest which now stands for the use of capital and the employment of labor? Who today are employing the thousands upon thousands of men in mine and mill, in furnace and factory, upon the railroads and the waters, in store and office, are they the business men, the Tillmans, the Algebiers or the Westons, the Townes or the Crokers? I call your attention to the fact that these men and all their associates who write the platform, men out the policies and control the action of the Democratic party as today that party reveals itself, are men who know no calling but politics and contribute nothing to the support of their fellows beyond the emoluments of such political offices as they may by chance secure. If once eliminated from politics they will die like the rest of the human race, and the good of the country is not as well equipped either in word or deed, to so well counsel with labor as are those who are in the daily life of business undertakings. I assert with still greater emphasis that these men are not as well equipped either in word or deed, to so well counsel with labor as are those who are in the daily life of business undertakings.

WAR IN BREWERY TRUST.

Hughes & Glennon Affair May Disrupt the Combination.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Wilkes-Barre, Oct. 5.—The Pennsylvania Central Brewing company, which controls nearly all the breweries in Northeastern Pennsylvania, has brought action against one of its members, which may lead to the disruption of the trust.

The defendants in the case are Hughes & Glennon, at present members of the company, and former owners of the Forest Castle brewery, at Pittston. The company at a general meeting then went into court and asked for an injunction to prevent Hughes and Glennon from collecting any money due to the company and from interfering with the employees. The case will be heard before Judge Woodward in this county on Monday next.

LULA D. HAY'S DENIAL.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Chicago, Oct. 5.—Lula D. Hay, of Jacksonville, Ill., has denied to Senator Jones, chairman of the senate investigating committee, a sworn denial of the story alleging that she knew W. J. Bryan to have been paid \$150,000 to cause a silver plank to be incorporated in the Kansas City platform.

Necessity of Banks.

But there is another phase of this question which we cannot overlook. If Mr. Bryan stands for any one thing more than another, it is his antagonism to all forms of aggregated wealth.

SENATOR QUAY AT TITUSVILLE

Makes a Brief Address Upon the Situation—The Question of United States Senator.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Titusville, Oct. 5.—Colonel M. S. Quay, Attorney General Elkin and party addressed an immense mass meeting here tonight under the auspices of the McKinley and Roosevelt club. Speeches were made by Colonel Quay, Attorney General Elkin, Lincoln J. Byrd, of Philadelphia; Major Alexander McDowell, of Sharon, chief clerk of the house of representatives, and Hon. A. L. Bates, of Meadville, Republican candidate for congress in this district. Previous to the meeting a big parade was held. Mr. Quay was most enthusiastically received, many Republicans from the adjoining counties being present at the meeting which was highly successful. Colonel Quay said:

"As your chairman has informed you, the arrangement among the gentlemen composing this party was that I was not to appear before you tonight. At the urgent request, however, of your chairman, I am here to meet you. I will just say one word bearing upon the present local condition. You all know the Republican state convention placed me in the field as a candidate for United States senator. It matters little to me, and it matters little to the Republican party of Pennsylvania, who is United States senator, that a regular Republican who can be trusted on all issues that may be presented in our congress to always stand true to the Republican party can be sent there to represent the state. This is one of the doubtful districts. It is today represented by a Democrat, and we must recover it."

WAYNE MacVEAGH FOR MCKINLEY

Ex-Ambassador to Italy Gives Reasons for Unwillingness to Trust Government to W. J. Bryan.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Philadelphia, Oct. 5.—In a letter to the Ledger, which will be published in that paper tomorrow, Wayne MacVeagh, who was ambassador to Italy under President Cleveland's administration, in giving his reasons for supporting McKinley, says in part:

For the war with Spain the politicians of both parties were equally responsible. But Democrats, both in congress and in the press, were even more shrill and insistent in demanding war than Republicans, while the president was resisting the importunities of both. If congress had left the matter a few months longer in his hands, I believe he could have persuaded Spain to withdraw her flag from the American continent in peace, as the other European nations, with only one exception, had withdrawn theirs. Then followed the ignominious, hysterical condition into which we all lashed ourselves ever victorious from an enemy whom we outnumbered more than five to one in population and more than 20 to 1 in all the resources we needed in war. It was in that mood the treaty with Spain was negotiated and ratified.

While the treaty was before the senate an amendment was proposed giving the president the same power as Cuba, thus depriving the treaty of its most odious feature—that of a grave and serious departure from the fundamental principle of the republic, which has been at the core of our strength and the glory of the republic in all its splendid history. Senator Vest's amendment would have brought the treaty into complete harmony with the principles of the republic and prevented the war in the Philippines, which we all so much deplored. That amendment was defeated by Mr. Bryan, and nobody could have defeated it, if it were not for the fact that his motives were patriotic, but extended the same charitable construction to President McKinley. When the treaty was ratified without the amendment, it was a violation of the supreme law of the land, the deplorable consequence of which has followed just the same, in my opinion, if Mr. Bryan had been re-elected.

Can I believe anybody with ordinary common sense is in danger of regarding President McKinley's reelection as an endorsement of the Democratic platform on the gold standard, or the tendency of President McKinley's mind to be discerned in the true American policy he is now pursuing in China.

Continuing, Mr. MacVeagh says he finds himself in harmony with the Republican platform on the gold standard. "But the controlling reason with me for supporting McKinley and Roosevelt," he concludes, "is the unwillingness I feel to intrust the government of the country to the men who now represent and control the Democratic organization, standing as they do upon the Chicago platform of 1896."

THE APPEAL OF NATIONAL DEMOCRACY

An Eloquent Address Issued to the Gold Democrats.

DANGERS OF BRYANISM

The Old Line Democrats Are Implored to Stand by Their Patriotic Position of Four Years Ago and Assist in Saving the Country from the Peril of Bryan's Election—A Few of the Dangers Pointed Out.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Indianapolis, Oct. 5.—The executive committee of the national Democracy issued the following address tonight: "To the National Democracy, the gold Democrats of the United States: 'Four years ago your patriotic position saved the country from the peril of Mr. Bryan's election. You were not deceived by the plea of regularity in his nomination. You saw him truly as the nominee of a combination which had your party name to give it principles unknown to Democracy. 'You stood steadfastly by the financial views and political philosophy of Jefferson, Jackson, Tilden and Cleveland. In your national convention at Indianapolis you declared that you 'had assembled to uphold the principles upon which depend the honor and welfare of American people throughout the union that they may unite their patriotic efforts to avert destruction from their country and ruin from their party.' 'That convention said that the Democratic party has survived many defeats, but could not survive victory won out in behalf of the doctrine and policy proclaimed in its name at Chicago.' 'You went firmly to your duty and did it well in the hope that there would be no further attempt to use your party name as a mask to the abhorrent principles advocated by Mr. Bryan. In his defeat his misled supporters were admonished and chastened to an extent which turned them away from the path to which he allured them. The Kansas City convention was averse to re-affirmation of the Chicago platform and the majority of its delegates honestly hoped to purge the party of the vicious heresies which had lost it the respect and confidence of the country, but, through the power of his organization and by the reason of hope of success born in his prior nomination by the Populists, Mr. Bryan prevailed against the better sense of the convention, compelled endorsement of the false doctrines of 1896 and by the votes of Alaska and Hawaii forced the specific reinstatement of his dangerous and destructive financial theory. Now, therefore, for all he advocated in 1896 and, accepting the Populist nomination, has added thereto his declaration in favor of an unlimited issue of greenback currency. He is pledged by his own declarations to destroy the gold standard, to effect the free coinage of silver at the artificial ratio of 16 to 1, to the expulsion of both gold and silver from the country by the resumption of an issue of greenbacks, to the destruction of judicial independence and the revolution in the judicial tenure, to a system of direct legislation with transfer of law-making to the ballot box and destroy our republican institutions and to a change of the veto power from the executive to the ballot box, removing one of the checks provided by the constitution and maintaining the system created by that instrument."

Class Hatred, Envy and Prejudice.

"This assault upon the three coordinate branches of our government, if it succeeds, will revolutionize and destroy the whole system. What will follow is already visible in his appeals to class hatred, envy and prejudice. Since 1896 the national Democratic party has promoted the purposes which they justified its existence. We have urged and accomplished legislation to strengthen the gold standard. The public debt has been reduced to two per cent, and the national credit has been so strengthened that our one per cent bonds are at a premium. Private credit has felt the impulse of this improvement. The producing and wage-paying industries of the country are promoted by the command of abundant capital at the lowest interest known in our history. Cheap capital, represented in economy of production, has opened the world's markets to our surplus and we hold primacy in the world's trade. The gold standard has transformed us from a debtor to a creditor nation and the Democratic United States the clearing house of the commercial world. It has increased the consuming power of the people by industrial restoration and has added value to the farm crops of the country and to the land which produces them. The further effect of the gold standard is the ready employment of American labor and payment of its wages in the best money in the world. The degradation of the public credit, the paralysis of the land which produces them, increased cost of production and descent to a paper basis, are the disasters threatened by the election of Mr. Bryan and he is pledged to inflict them on us as soon as he gets the power. He seeks that power by an appeal to the anti-expansion and anti-trust sentiment of the people. The difficulties of our external policy were unforeseen as their solution is at present unrevealed. The evil of trusts has

no party parentage and will be remedied by the combined intelligence of our parties. Without minimizing the perils of either, we affirm that no greater evil can befall our government than the impairment of its vigor, the destruction of its credit and the ruin of our industries which Mr. Bryan is specifically pledged to effect if he gets the power. Therefore, we appeal to our countrymen to assist in averting disaster from their country by his defeat.

(Signed) The Executive Committee, By Charles Tracey, chairman; L. M. Martin, chairman campaign committee; John P. Frenzel, secretary.

CENTENNIAL AT JOHNSTOWN

The City Overflowing with Visitors. Elaborate Decorations—Governor Stone and Staff Present.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Johnstown, Pa., Oct. 5.—The first day of Johnstown centennial celebration found the city overflowing with visitors and an enthusiasm reigned supreme. The weather was all that could be desired, the sun shining brightly nearly all day. Never before in the history of Johnstown have the decorations been so pretty and so elaborate. Business houses, hotel and private residences, with each other in decorating the city from one end to the other, showing the national and city colors in graceful folds and festoons, while at night electric lights assist the bunting in making the old town a place of beauty. The city is a mass of color, the red, white and blue blending with the black, gold and royal purple adopted as the official colors of the centennial.

The streets were densely packed with people at 9 o'clock this morning, when the festive parade, with each other in decorating the city from one end to the other, showing the national and city colors in graceful folds and festoons, while at night electric lights assist the bunting in making the old town a place of beauty. The city is a mass of color, the red, white and blue blending with the black, gold and royal purple adopted as the official colors of the centennial.

This afternoon Governor Stone, accompanied by his staff, arrived and were met by the mayor, Woodruff, the municipal building, where the governor, who was enthusiastically greeted by the 15,000 people present, made a brief address and laid the corner-stone. Speeches were also delivered by ex-Governor Hastings, Mayor Woodruff, Judge A. V. Barker, of Cambria county, all of which dealt with local and historical matters.

WORLD'S RECORDS ARE LOWERED

Results of the Bremen's Races at New Castle—Butler Victorious.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. New Castle, Pa., Oct. 5.—It fell to the honor of the First Ward Hose company, of Butler, to lower the world's record for the best running team. There were four entries in this race, given by the State Firemen's association, and fully ten thousand people saw the run, which took place on the public square. The world's record was held by the Populists, Mr. Bryan, of Butler, Union City, and the following time was made by the four companies in the race which ended today: Mahanoy City, 42:35; Rescue, of Butler, 40:25; Union City, 35:34. These three teams ran yesterday evening and the first was posted in the morning. The following time was made by the First ward team of Butler, won, the time being 32:35 seconds. At the fair grounds today the following races were disposed of: One hundred yard race, 250 yards, Butler, N. E. Co., 2:30, and Rescue, of Butler, second, 2:35; Union City, third, 2:35. The hook and ladder race, 200 yards, won by Butler, securing 2:55, first; Rescue, of Butler, second, 3:25, with the Friendship company, of Hoyertown, third. The greater part of the delegations and visiting firemen left town today.

TRAGEDY AT INWOOD.

Mrs. Lillian Smith While Insane Shoots Two Children and Commits Suicide by Shooting.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. New York, Oct. 5.—Mrs. Lillian Smith, of Inwood, borough of Manhattan, while insane today, shot her two children, Ethel, aged 12 years and Theodore, aged 8, and then committed suicide by shooting herself. Another child lies in Fordham hospital at the point of death, as the result of carbolic acid burns. Before shooting the children, Mrs. Smith, with the cunning of a maniac, tried to force them to drink carbolic acid. Long brooding under the prospect of death is said to have been the cause of the woman's insanity.

Mrs. Smith was the wife of Walter M. Smith, who has been connected with the grocery house of Austin, Nichols & Co. for twenty-one years. Inwood, the scene of the crime, is a suburban settlement on the banks of the Hudson river just below Spuyten Duyvil. Mrs. Smith has been married for thirteen years.

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. New York, Oct. 5.—Arrived: Auguste Victoria, from Hamburg, Southampton and Cherbourg; Pretoria, Hamburg and Plymouth; Gloria, from Naples, Ethelios, Glasgow; Campania, Liverpool; Rotterdam, Rotterdam via Boulogne; Pennsylvania, Hamburg via Plymouth; Pretoria, Hamburg and Plymouth; New York for Bremen, Sailed: First Bismarck (from Hamburg), New York via Cherbourg; Hamburg-Arrived: Kaiser Wilhelm II, New York for Genoa, Havre-Arrived: La Gasconne, New York. Movable-Sailed: Anchora (from Glasgow), New York. Liverpool-Sailed: Tauris, New York.

PROMINENT ATTORNEY KILLED

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Wheeling, W. Va., Oct. 5.—M. F. Dayton, a prominent attorney, was shot and killed today by Thomas Workman, his father-in-law, in a family quarrel. Workman claims the shooting was done in self-defense.

CONCESSIONS OF OPERATORS

Individual Mining Companies Also Offer 10 Per Cent. Increase.

POWDER PRICE REDUCED

Advances Made by Pardee & Co. Hopes of an Early Settlement of the Difficulties Are Cherished at Hazleton—It Is Announced That the Coal Carriers Have Not Reduced the Rates to Any Individual Company.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Hazleton, Oct. 5.—The belief prevailing here tonight that the anthracite coal strike is approaching an end, is considerably strengthened by the action of the individual operators in following the lead of the big coal carrying and coal mining railroads by offering a net increase of ten per cent in the wages of their employees. The first break among the individual operators in this district was made today when A. Pardee & Co., operating the Pardee and Crystal Ridge collieries, offered its employees a ten per cent net increase in wages and a reduction in the price of powder to \$1.50 a keg. The decrease in the price of powder is to be taken into account in the advance in wages. That four more of the individual mine owners will make the same offer is hardly doubted.

It was learned today that before the advance was made public by the Pardee company, several of the general superintendents of other individual coal companies were invited to the Pardee company's office in this city for the purpose of giving their views on the proposed offer. Those present besides Frank Pardee, manager of the Pardee mines, were E. S. Bullock, of C. M. Dodson & Co., Beaver Brook; T. D. Jones, Brook Mountain Colliery; John Leisenring, Upper Lehigh Colliery, and A. W. Brake, Coxe & Co., Drifton. These representatives did not say what their companies would do, but it was learned that the consensus of opinion was that if the mine owners wish to keep their collieries in operation, they would have to increase the wages of their men. None of the superintendents at the meeting would say anything in regard to the report that the coal carrying roads had made concessions to the individual operators in the matter of freight rates. The representative of the Associated Press was told tonight by a prominent mining official, who would positively know if the railroads had conceded anything, that as far as he knew the railroads had not reduced the rates to any individual company in this region.

President Mitchell of the United Mine Workers, is much interested in the advance made by the individual companies, but would say nothing for publication. There is a strong belief here that Mr. Mitchell is waiting for the coal carrying roads to make a concession to offer the 10 per cent increase before he will call a joint convention to consider the proposition. Mr. Mitchell would say nothing on this particular subject. He has all along advocated unity of action and it is this that strengthens the opinion that he will call the convention after all the companies have made an offer. He continues to say that the strike cannot be settled without a convention and he is waiting on the operators.

In the meantime, the men on strike, said to number 138,000, are not wavering under the proffered increase in wages. In the Lackawanna and Wyoming districts not a mine is working. The conditions remain about the same in the Lehigh Valley region, while in the Schuylkill district more men have laid down their tools and quit.

PARDEE'S NOTICE

Will Grant an Increase of Ten Per Cent. in Wages.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Hazleton, Oct. 5.—A. Pardee & Co., operating the Cranberry and the Crystal Ridge mines and employing about 1,000 men, posted a notice at its colliery this afternoon of an advance of ten per cent in wages. The notice reads: "This company makes the following announcement to its mine employees: It will adjust its rate of wages so as to pay to its mine employees on and after Oct. 1, and until further notice, a net increase of ten per cent on the wages heretofore received.

Note—It is understood in the foregoing that powder will be sold to miners for \$1.50 per keg, and that the difference between this rate and the old rate of \$2.75 shall be taken into account in figuring the net advance of the price noted above for this class of work.

RACES AT LEXINGTON.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Lexington, Ky., Oct. 5.—The track was fast today and game. Charley Heer broke the track record for a race, by going the second heat in the 2:18 trot, purse \$1,000, in 2:07 1/2, which is a new record, also for the little bull-dog trotter. He won the race in straight heats. Gratton Boy was second in each heat and Gayton third. There were only three starters. Time: 2:00 1/2; 2:07; 2:08.

The Wilson purse, \$2,000, for 2:20 pacers, was won by Vesper in straight heats, after Saul had taken the first heat, and the Admiral the second heat. The latter was withdrawn in the fourth heat. Eight starters. Best time—2:09 1/2.

The 2:34 trot, purse \$1,000, had 13 starters. Belle Howard took the first heat and Daily Side well then took the next three straight. Best time—2:13 1/2.

NO FURTHER CONCESSIONS.

Ten Per Cent. Advance the Extent of Companies' Efforts.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. New York, Oct. 5.—The Evening Post says: "President J. Rogers Maxwell, of the Jersey Central, and the president of

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

- Weather indications today, generally fair.
- 1 General—Schuylkill Operators Offer 10 Per Cent. Increase to Miners. Ex-Comptroller Eckels Speaks to Laboring Men. Local Operators Grant Concessions to Their Miners. Appeal of the National Democracy.
 - 2 General—Ex-Comptroller Eckels Speaks to Laboring Men (Continued).
 - 3 General—Northwestern Pennsylvania.
 - 4 Editorial. News and Comment.
 - 5 Local—Social and Personal. One Woman's Views.
 - 6 Local—Second-class City Legislation. Court Proceedings.
 - 7 Local—No Let-up on the Speeches.
 - 8 Local—West-Scranton and Suburban.
 - 9 Round About the County.
 - 10 General—In a Detective's Trap (Story). Sporting News and Comment.
 - 11 Local—Sunday School Lesson for Tomorrow. Religious News of the Week.
 - 12 General—Live News of the Industrial World. Whitney's Weekly News Budget. Financial and Commercial.

NORTH FRANKLIN WILL RESUME

Three Hundred Heavily Armed Deputies and Coal and Iron Policemen.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Shamokin, Oct. 5.—The officials of the North Franklin colliery at Trevorton announced to the inhabitants this afternoon that the whistle of the operation would be blown tomorrow morning in notification to former employees that if they wanted to work the breaker would be started up.

Three hundred heavily armed deputies and coal and iron policemen still surround the colliery, and if the men resume work the company will maintain a strong enough force to give protection to the miners in case strikers from various portions of the region march to Trevorton.

The people of that little town have recovered from the terror they experienced last night, caused by the Mt. Carmel strikers' demonstration. Everything is quiet in this section tonight. President Mitchell speaks at Mt. Carmel, seven miles from here, tomorrow night.

ROOSEVELT AT ROCK ISLAND

Begins to Feel the Effects of His Campaign Work—The Trip Through Iowa Satisfactory.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Rock Island, Ill., Oct. 5.—Governor Roosevelt, who is touring this city and Davenport, Ia., tonight, thus closing another day of hard campaigning, is beginning to feel the effects of the arduous work undertaken by him at the request of the Republican campaign managers. Governor Roosevelt, since he began his itinerary through the northwestern states, has been speaking from ten to twenty times each day, closing the day's labors usually with a night meeting. Many of these meetings have been in the open air, requiring extra exertion on his part. He has now been on this journey for more than thirty days and though strong beyond the powers of most men to endure, he is beginning to show signs of distress and a failing voice. He has been worked unmercifully by the state committee of the different states through which he has passed.

Beyond this he had to endure unlimited hand-shaking, interviews without number and much pulling and hauling by the eager but inconsiderate mob which has swarmed around him in all the cities of Iowa. The size of the crowd which he has visited, if some relief is not afforded, his physical powers, though great, and his courage undaunted, he may be unable to last to the end of the campaign. It has been suggested that all his eastern engagements be postponed for one week. This matter will be determined by the national committee on the arrival of Governor Roosevelt in Chicago on Sunday night.

The trip through Iowa with Senator Dooliver, Governor Shaw and General Curtis Guild, Jr., today, has been very satisfactory, large meetings being held at all points where stops were made.

Two immense meetings were addressed by Governor Roosevelt this evening, one at Davenport, Ia., and the other here at Rock Island.

PROFFER NOW IS GENERAL

Individual Operators Will Join in the Ten Per Cent. Concession.

NO LONGER INSURGENTS

"Kick" Committee Returns from New York and Reports Something to a Conference of the Individual Operators Which Results in Their Agreeing to at Once Post Notices Offering Their Men the Same Inducements as Are Held Out by the Coal Carriers—No Concessions but a Sort of Half Promise—Convention of Mine Workers Now Likely. Reported Misunderstanding Between the Operators and Mitchell.

One of the strikes is settled, or at least on a fair road to settlement. The insurgent individual operators have given over their revolt, and today will find them posting notices similar to those of the Lackawanna, Hillside and Temple companies, offering a ten per cent. increase in wages and agreeing to separate arbitration.

All this was brought about by the visit to New York of R. G. Brooks, Dr. Howe, T. H. Watkins, A. Pardee, and M. S. Kemmerer, the committee of the individual operators appointed after Monday's conference in Wilkes-Barre, to demand concessions that would permit them to join in the ten per cent. offer.

This committee returned yesterday morning and summoned all the individual operators to hear their report. The operators of the Lackawanna and Wyoming valleys met in the office of President T. H. Watkins, of the Temple Iron company, in the board of trade building. The Lehigh valley men met in Hazleton. What the report was could not be learned officially, but whatever it was it had the effect of impelling the individual operators to sign an agreement to join in the posting of the ten per cent. offer.

Those Who Attended.

The Scranton meeting was attended by the following:

T. H. Watkins, of the Temple Iron company. William Connell and J. S. McAmilly, of the Connel Coal company, and William Connell & Company. Reese G. Brooks, T. B. Brooks and T. H. Dale, of the Greenwood, Lang-fine and Lullin Coal companies. Edward J. Matthews, of the Austin Coal company. M. S. and John Kemmerer, of Whitney, Kemmerer & Company. Dr. J. N. Rice and N. E. Rice, of the Riverside Coal company. James McClure, of Elliott, McClure & Company. Charles F. Ford, of the Moistic Mountain Coal company. S. B. Bennett, of the Butler Mining company. M. B. Williams, of the Red Ash Coal company. John and J. J. Jernyn, of Jernyn & Company. W. L. Conwell, of the Enterprise Coal company. J. L. Cole, of the Clear Spring Coal company. M. B. Coker, of the Newston Coal company. Thomas E. Jones and J. J. Williams, of the Forest Mining company. C. E. Bradbury and W. J. Hand, of the Nag Aug Coal company. H. W. Kingsbury, of the Stevens Coal company. William Law, of Robertson & Law. W. G. Robertson, of the Dolph Coal company. C. C. Bowman, of Hollister & Bowman. R. M. Smith, of the Alton Coal company. F. H. Clemens, of the Wyoming Coal and Land company. C. D. Sanderson, of the Panoscutt Coal company.

William Connell presided at the meeting and H. W. Kingsbury acted as secretary. Mr. Watkins reported what had been done in New York, the report was discussed at length and at its conclusion a motion to agree to post notices was passed with practical unanimity.

Have Not Yet Joined.

The Delaware and Hudson and Pennsylvania companies have not as yet stated directly that they will join in the offer, but Superintendent Rowe, of the former, and President Thorne, of the latter, has each said that if the offer is accepted his company will likewise fall in line and grant the concession. George H. Smith, third vice president of the Pennsylvania company and the head of the company's interests in this region, said yesterday that as yet he had heard nothing from New York regarding what the Pennsylvania company would do.

Just what impelled the individual operators to agree to join in the offer was not divulged, but from what could be gathered unofficially, it appears that the committee could not secure any concessions or even assurance that there would be concessions, but was given to understand that their only hope of gaining any concessions would be by joining in the notice-posting and help settle the strike. Something may have been said as a sort of "aside," to the committee, but as far as can be learned the committee only

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