TWO CENTS.

SCRANTON, PA., THURSDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 18, 1900.

TWO CENTS.

# **GREAT COAL STRIKE** PRACTICALLY ENDED

Philadelphia and Reading and Lehigh Coal Companies Meet the Demands of the Miners.

## THE SLIDING SCALE ABOLISHED

Decision the Result of a Conference Between Representatives of Coal Carrying Railroads and Individual Operators—All Demands of the Miners Acceded to—The This will be the method of procedure in the present instance. Operators Even Grant More Than Has LAST MEETING Been Asked-Nothing Remains for the Men but to Return to Work.

quarters are in Wilkes-Barre."

sued by the Reading company. This

clearly indicates what all the individ-

The Sliding Scale.

Reading, Oct. 17 .- The Reading com-

pany's sliding scale, which is to be

suspended, has been in operation since

when sold to purchasers at Port Car-

bon and Schuylkillhaven, near here.

miners are paid a fixed price for coal.

For every three cents below \$2.50 one

per cent, is deducted from that price.

For every three cents a ton above, one

per cent, is added. Five collingies are

centage is adjusted. For three years

representative upon the board to draw

the collieries. After a six months'

went to the wall and consequently no

one has since been sent to represent

At present the wages are six per cent.

above the basis, the month before they

were neither above or below. Some

below the basis as 12 to 15 per cent.

It Is Confidently Believed That Or-

ders to Go to Work Will Be

Received This Week

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Hazleton, Oct. 17 .- The news from

Philadelphia today that the Philadel-

phia and Reading Coal and Iron com-

set forth in resolutions adopted in con-

should come so soon after the con-

President Mitchell, of the ... United

Mine Workers, when informed of the

Reading company's action by a repre-

sentative of the Associated Press, was

pressed for a statement on this accept-

ance of the miners' proposition. All

he would venture to say, however, was

that he would be glad indeed to know

that the anthracite operators had de-

cided to change the notices previously

posted so as to comply with the pro-

visions of the resolutions adopted at

the Scranton convention. Mr. Mitchell

declined to say whether the union

would let the men return to work at

those collieries where the operators

had accepted the miners' proposition

line. It is generally believed that the

big coal carrying railroads that mine

coal will quickly follow the Reading

company and grant acceptance of the

proposition and that all other opera-

of the Reading company were Calvin

Pardee & Co., operating the Lattimer

collieries, and A. Pardee & Co., owners

of the Cranberry mines, both of them individual concerns. The notices an-

nouncing their acceptance, which will

We hereby withdraw our offer of October 6 and

make the following announcement to our mine

employes

The sliding scale under which we have been

working is hereby suspended and we will adjust the rate of wages so as to pay to our mine em-

ployes from October 1, 1900 to April 1, 101, and

thereafter and until further notice a net increase

of 10 per cent, over the wages paid for Septem-

These companies will reduce

he posted tomorrow morning, are a

tors will do the same.

before all the companies had fallen inte

vention.

BE DECLARED OFF

WHEN STRIKE WILL

drawn monthly to fix the average price

public their purport.

ual operators will do.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. ] arately and we have not de sided defin-Philadelphia, Oct. 17.-The great strike of the anthracite mine workers of Pennsylvania, which began Sept. 17, practically ended today when the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron company and the Lehigh Valley Coal

company agreed to abolish the sliding scale in their respective regions and to grant an increase in wages of 10 per cent. net, the advance to remain in operation until April 1, 1901, or thereafter. This action meets the demands of the Scranton mine: s' convention. The decision was arrived at after a conference between representatives of the individual coal operators and the large coal carrying companies The conference began yesterday. The participants were President Harris and Directors John Lowber Welsh and George F. Baer, of the Philadelphia and Reading company; Vice President John B. Garrett, of the Lehigh Valley Railroad company: Congres sman William Connell, of Scranton, who operates several large collierles; Dr. Herbert M. Howe, representing A. Pardee

& Co.; and M. S. Kemmerer, of Mauch Chunk, senior partner in the firm of Kemmerer & Whitney. Others who participated in an advisory capacity on coal and with that average the were General Manager Henderson, o the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron company, and General Mining Superintendent Lathrop, of the Lehigh Valley company. Today's action was the termination of the recent meeting of the individual operators at Scranton, Nearly all of the collieries in the coal region had previous to the mine workers' convention, posted notices granting en ad-

vance of ten per cent. The mine workers, in considering this, demanded that the sliding scale in the Lehigh-Schuylkill district be abolished, the increase to be guaranteed until April 1, 1901, and all other differences be submitted to arbitration. The individual operators agreed to everything and the appointment of a committee to induce the Reading and the Lehigh companies to abolish the sliding scale and make the wage increase permanent followed.

Victory for the Men.

It is conceded that the result of today's conference is a complete victory for the men. All the demands of their convention are acceded to, and, as one of the individual operators put it after the conference, the operators go a little further in agreeing to maintain the wages advance after April 1. This same operator, who requested his name not to be used, said in speaking of the conference:

"It is all up to the miners now, We have agreed to everything and nothing remains now but for them to return to work as soon as the notices are posted by the colliery managers. The notices will be practically similar to the Reading company's notice, the phraseology

I look for a resumption of operations by Monday at the latest. The conference was entirely harmonious and every phase of the strike situation was

gone over." Just how soon the official order notifying the men that the strike is ended and to return to work will be issued by President Mitchell can only be conectured. It is the belief here that no order to return will be issued until a notice similar to or in line with that of the Reading and Lehigh companies is posted at all mines.

The Reading company's notice reads: This company makes the following an-

It hereby withdraws the notice posted October 3, 1900, and, to bring about practical uniformity in the advance of wages in the several coal regions gives notice that it will suspend the operation of the sliding scale, will pay ten per cent, advance on september wages till April 1, 1901, and there with its mine employes any grievances they

Lehigh Valley's Statement.

No formal announcement has as yet been made by the Lehigh Valley Railroad company regarding its intentions but after the Reading company's statement had been made public Vice-President Garrett, of the Lehigh Valley,

"Concerning our operations in the Schuyikili region you may say that the action of our company will be similar to that of the Healing company, In other districts, however, certain conditions exist, for instance, the price of nowder, which must be treated separriving at a net increase in wages.
The news from Philadelphia spread through the entire region with almost lighting rapidity. Everywhere satisfaction was expressed by the striking miners and others. confidently believed that the strike will be officially declared off this week and that all the men will have a chance to return to work by Man-

A rumor that the strike had been officially declared off spread almost did the Philadelphia news and many telegraph and telephone messages were received at national headquar-ters asking if the rumor was true. President Mitchell informed all inquirers that the strike would be declared off by no one but the United Mine Workers' officials and added that no mine worker should return to the collieries until notified of the concessions made by the companies only through the medium of the notices posted by the operators at their mines. It is not expected that he will receive any communication di-rect from the operators as such ac-tion would be a recognition of the

All local branches of the United Mine Workers have committees whose duty is to report developments to the local presidents. They in turn re-port to the district presidents, who hurry the news to President Mitcheli.

## OF STRIKERS

National Organizer Fred Dilcher Advises the Men to Refrain from Working Until Ordered to Return by Mitchell.

itely with regard to them. These matters are now in the hands of General By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Superintendent Lathrop, whose head-Wilkes-Barre, Oct. 17 .- What was probably the last meeting of striking Superintendent Lathrop, who attend. miners in this region was held at Pittsed the conference, prepared a number ton this afternoon on the river common. of official notices, but refused to make The weather was favorable and a large crowd was in attendance. The princi-Calvin Pardee & Company, extensive pal speaker was National Organizer individual operators in the Hazleton Fred Dilcher. He advised the men to region, late this afternoon announced remain firm, that the struggle could that they will post tomorrow notices not last much longer and that the men at their operations similar to that isvere destined the win the battle.

Mr. Dilcher said: "I have just received a despatch that the operators in conference in Philadelphia have granted the demands of the strikers. I do not know how true the report is, but I request you not to go back until you see a statement 1875. When coal brings \$2.50 a ion igned by John Mitchell. You came out together and you must go back together. There is to be no one discharged because of the part he played in this struggle. If one man is discharged we will issue another order and go out again

While the meeting was in progress

### LACKAWANNA'S POSITION.

prior to 1875 the mine workers had a President Truesdale Says It Is Not Affected by Action of Reading.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press strike in 1875 the miners' association New York, Oct. 17 .- President Truesdale, of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Coal company, wh n them when the monthly drawings took asked about the agreement between place. Hence the sliding scale became the Lehigh and Reading Coal companvery unpopular with the miners and a les and their respective employes, made demand was made for its abolishment. | the following statement:

"The settlement between the Reading and Lehigh companies and their respective employes does not affect us. times the percentage has been as much | The sliding scale of wages which has been in force in those collieries has not been used by us. We stand on the ten per cent. increase basis which we made public in our former netices. the action of the Reading and Lehigh companies will create new conditions in this matter we have as yet not taken any step to meet those. I am not prepared to say what we may do."

### REJOICING AT SHENANDOAH.

Boys Parade the Streets with Banners-Troops Still Remain. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Shenandoah, Pa., Oct. 17.-The one topic of conversation here since pany, after a conference with officials an Associated Press dispatch announced the result of the coal operatof other mining companies had agreed ors' conference at Philadelphia is the to the anthracite miners' proposition as great victory gained by the miners vention last Saturday brought forth union.

The advance of ten per cent. many expressions of surprise that it means an increased disbursement of \$20,000 every month in Shenandoah. To night about 150 breacer boys with miners lamps on their heads and carrying banners bearing triumphant inscriptions paraded the streets shouting and cheering for Mitchell. The governor's troop returned from Oneida this evening and will camp here to-night and leave early in the morning to join the balance of Gen. Gobin's forces at Tamaqua. janies E and K of the Fourth regiment left for Tamaqua at 7 o'clock this evening.

### YOUNG GIRLS ASSAULTED.

Two Negroes at York Are in Danger of Being Lynched.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. York, Pa., Oct. 17.—Norn Hollinger and Mamie Stoner, two young girls while on their way home from York Haven to Falls, this county, were overtaken and brutally assaulted by two last night. The screams of the girls brought help. The negroes fled to this city where they The first company in the Hazleton region to take similar action to that were captured and are oow in the county jail.

of the Reading company were Calvin The girls this afternoon identified their assail-One is Walter Jones, from the Rocks of Perr Creek, and the other George Brown, from Baltimore county, Md. There is talk of lynch-

### DEATHS OF A DAY.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Philadelphia, Oct. 17.-Isaac W. Kahn, for fifty five years manager of German Demokrat, of this city, died today, aged 83 years. He was closely associated with the late Joseph Morwitz, founder of the Demokrat and other German papers and was well known in newspaper circles all over the

country.
Combridge, Mass., Oct. 17.—Charles C. Everett protesor and dean of the Harvard Divinity school.

## price of powder from \$2.75 to \$1.50, which reduction is to be considered in ROOSEVELT

Greatest Demonstration of the Age in His Honor at Gleveland, O. Ablaze with Enthusiasm.

#### **IMMENSE STREET PARADE**

The Governor Rides from Union Station in a Gorgeously Decorated Carriage Drawn by Four White Horses-Along the Course Thousands of Rockets and Flambeaux Flared-The Speeches Made-Presentation of a Full Dinner Pail.

Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Cleveland, O., Oct. 17 .- This has been day of triumph for Governor Roosevelt in Ohio. Tonight the city of any similar demonstration ever made here. There was an immense parade, consisting of half a score of brass bands, dozens of political organizations, including many which had come hither from other places to do honor to the candidate for vice-president. Superior street, the chief thoroughfare through which the parade passed, was ablaze with electric lights suspended in loops crosswise and lengthwise from tall pillars surmounted by flaming globes and decorated with evergreen. Along this brilliant course thousands of rockets and flambeaux flared. The walks were thronged with men, womer and children, who drew so near that the horses of the various mounted sections almost trampled on them.

From the Union station, riding in a corgeously decorated carriage drawn by four white horses, in company with Governor Nash and Senator Foraker, Governor Roosevelt was escorted, while bands played and cannon boomed salutes, along the line of the parade to a large tent on Marcolla avenue. Newburg, the iron working district, where he addressed a large audience on the subject of prosperity. His speech was very brief, consisting of part of that delivered by him an hour later at Central armory, in Bond street. At the tent the governor was followed by Colonel Curtis Guild, Jr., who made an exhaustive address. Senator Foraker opened the meeting at the armory, making a strong appeal in behalf of the Republican national ticket and at the close of his address Governor Roosevelt was introduced. The governor said, in part:

It seems to me that I come here not to try to teach you anything, but rather to bear a good message from you, for I shall go back to New York and tell them that I want New York to try to do as well as Ohio is doing. Onio is going to make the riffle. Now, I come to you to-day to speak to you less as Republicans than as American citizens, for I feel that in this cor test we have the right to ask the support of all good citizens, Republicans or Democrats, to stand with us on more than one ground. In the first place, the ground of material prosperity. 1 want you to look back for yourselves. Six years ago we had Coxey's army and the free soup kitchens. Now if you want free soup of the thin variety you can have it by voting for free silver, They will go together just as sure as fate. (Ap-

charged Senator Jones with interest in the cottor bale trust and Croker with conection with the ice

"No one with common sense," continued the "is so foolish to desire the destruction of capital. Every reasonable man understands and believes that overgrown corporations be subject to rigid supervision and when neces-sary to restriction. Mr. Bryan's declared remedy the evils which exist in such corporations the destruction of the industries concerned, bear ing down in one common ruin employer and em

We are opposed to correcting an evil by the atter destruction of the industry in which that evil exists. If a drain pipe is out of order, it is very poor economy to get rid of the difficulty by burning down the house. (Applause). Our method of dealing with these evils is to correct the corporation laws which permit such evils

to exist. Again on the prosperity issue: You busines men and wage workers of Cleveland just compare conditions four years ago and now. I was speaking with a railroad man this morning. He told that four years ago he was lucky if he could get \$30 a month. Now he can't keep his job un-less he makes \$65. (Applause). A little while ago Mr. Bryan said that he put the man before the dollar and not the dollar before the man the dollar and not the dollar before the man. Four years ago he had the man so far in front of the dollar that he could not get hold of it. (Applause). What we have been doing is to put the man and the dollar together and let the man whether the dollar should be in front or behind. (Applause).

Now, gentlemen, you can compare what Mr. Bryan prophesied four years ago with what has happened since. He said if we did not have silver we would have four years more hard times; the wage worker would stand idle and the business man fail in business; that mort-gages would go up, and the other day when he was asked how he explained our prosperity he was asked now ne expanded our prosperty ne said it was not due to the Republican party but to Providence. Well, gentlemen, I am perfectly willing to admit that there has been a union between Providence and the Republican party. (Applause). The Democracy has fused with about verything else. (Applause). It has not con-sected with Providence because it is not headed that way. (Applause). I don't wonder that now in the days of the Bryanism Democracy that the Democrats who stood for the principles of Jefferson and Jackson should stand with us, for Jef-ferson said that Democracy meant hard money, expansion and the henor of the flag. (Applause). Old Hickory had his failings, but I tell you the man would have had a hard time with him who tried to get him to lie down before Aguinaldo.

(Applause). I appeal to you who sent so many of your tons in the days of the civil war. I appeal to the young men in the name of memories of those who proved their worth in the do not disgrace this record. I call up n you to do your part now at the threshold of the new century, to proclaim once for all in the face of the nations of mankind, that where once the American flag has been hoisted in honor it shall not be hauled down in dishenor. (Cheers).

This was the fourteenth speech which Governor Roosevelt made in Ohio today, beginning at Itelaware, which city, Marion, Upper Sandusky, Carey, Fostoria and Pemberton gave rousing receptions. The first big dem-

#### edo, where the governor addressed a crowd that almost filled the great circus lot. An hour and a half was spent here in parade and speeches. Leaving

Toledo at 2.45 p. m., the train made brief stops at Clyde, Bellevue and Elyria, at all of which places Governor Nash also spoke, as did Colonel Guild. At Clyde the employes of a granite and marble company presented the governor with a bucket filled with sandwiches, pie, cake and coffee, and bearing the legend, "eight hours and a full dinner pail."

onstration, however, was made at To-

Tonight Dr. Curtis, the governor's physician, who will leave the train at Canton tomorrow, said:

"Governor Roosevelt's voice depends upon the avoidance of over-fatigue. If ie exercises a little more care than he has in the past, I think he may be able to fulfill his engagements, but I could not guarantee any voice where twenty-five speeches are made on two consecutive days, with interrupted rest and under great nervous strain. Otherwise Colonel Roosevelt is in superb physical condition."
Since leaving Chicago last Wednes-

morning Governor Roosevelt's train has traveled 1.777 miles and has been handled over twenty separate lines of road.

Cleveland, O., Oct. 17 .- Only one incident marred the evening, notwithstanding reports circulated early in the day that an attempt would be made to break up the proposed meet-Cleveland gave him a reception rivaling ing in Newburg. It was here that a boy standing some distance away, threw a rock at the governor, as the latter was leaving the tent in company with National Committeeman Herrick of Ohio and others. rock struck the governor on the head. Quickly the governor's companions closed around him hustled him to a passing car on which he was borne away. The governor was not hurt by the missile.

#### LUZERNE DEMOCRATS LACK A CANDIDATE

Courts Declare Congressional Nominations Irregular-Other Objections Over-ruled in Cases.

Harrisburg, Oct. 17 .- The Dauphin county court today overruled the objections to the nomination papers of the following candidates and declared

their papers valid: Lewis J. Emery, jr., candidate for congress in the Twenty-seventh district, under the title of Lincoln party. W. W. Crittenden, candidate for sen-ator in the Twenty-Afth disrict, under title of Lincoln party.

R. N. Brush and F. B. Jewett, inde-pendent candidates for the assembly in Susquehanna county. D. W. Hunt, People's candidate for senator in Erie county.

John B. Brooks, People's candidate for assembly in First Eric district. The court also over-r objections to the nomination papers of | 4 o'clock, accompanied by the family, the presidential electors of the Socialist Labor and Socialist parties and declared both papers valid. The objections to the nomination papers of Edwin B. Willis, People's candidate for senator in Erie county, and Timothy J. Quinn, People's candidate for representative in the First Eric district, were sustained and the papers

The court heard argument in the Lebanon county contested election case and reserved its decision.

Judge Weiss filed an opinion tonight sustaining the objections to the certificates of nomination of Judge Stanto Woodward and T. S. Martin, candidates of the rival Democratic factions for judge in Luzerne county, and Congressman Stanley W. Davenport and Asa K. De Witt, rival Democratic candidates for congress in the Twelfth district. This leaves the Democrats without a regular candidate for either of these offices.

Judge Weiss says the conventions which nominated both sets of candidates were irregular.

#### EX-SECRETARY SHERMAN ILL The Former Cabinet Officer in a Critical Condition.

Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press Washington, Oct. 17.-Former Cabinet Officer John Sherman is dangerously ill at his residence in this city. The attack has taken the form of a general collapse, in part due to the general debility incident to old age and to the effects of the serious illness which he suffered while on a trip to the West

Indies two years ago. He never fully recovered from that illness. For the past week, he has been gradually growing weaker and yesterday and today his condition grew worse and relatives in various parts of the country were notified of the change. The ex-secretary is in his seventy-eighth year and has been a hard worker all his life.

### PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Presa Washington, Oct. 17.—The French charge d'affaires, M. Thiebaut, called at the state department today and had a conference with Seretary Hay. It is understood that he presented a memorandum proposing that the peace negotia-tions with China begin immediately in accord-ance with the favorable action of the powers on siderable length. the recent note of the French governm

character of the answers received from the severa governments and pointed out the desirability of having action taken at once to carry out the several points on which the powers have beer brought into agreement.

### FAILED TO BEAT HIS TIME.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press Terre Haute, Ind., Oct. 17.—Cresceus today failed to beat his stallion trotting record of 2.04 on account of light wind blowing down the stretch. The nelle was made in 2.0514. Time by counters. 2051, 1,644, 1,364 quarters, .20%, 1.02%, 1.33%.

### PRICE OF COAL ADVANCED.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Philadelphia, Oct. 17.-The Reading company today announced an advance in the price of line and city coal of 25 cents a ton over the circular of September 18. This makes an increase of 60 cents a ton since the July circular. of 60 cents a ton since the July circular.

#### THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Weather Indications Today,

FAIR; WARMER.

General-Agreement of Mine Owners Is Gen-Strike Practically at an End.

Rosevelt Captures Cleveland General-Northeastern Pennsylvania News.

Local-Republican Rally at Taylor, Scranton Archdeacoury Discusses Home Mis

Editorial. News and Comment.

Local-Second Day of the Grier Bribery Trial

Local-West Scranton and Suburban. Round About the County. 8 Local-Criminal Court Doings.

WILLIAM L. WILSON PASSES AWAY

Author of the Famous Wilson Tariff Bill Dies at Lexington, Va. Funeral Tomorrow.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Lexington, Va., Oct. 17.-William L Wilson, president of Washington and Lee university and formerly postmaster general of the United States, died suddenly at 9.20 o'clock this morning of congestion of the lungs. He had been failing in health since his return from Arizona. His son, Dr. Arthur Wilson, of Lynchburg, visited him on Sunday and left on Monday. Then came the sudden change. Mr. Wilson's attendant physician did not give up hope that his patient would raily until late last night.

Mr. Wilson had been confined to the house since Tuesday week, but it was believed that he was improving when his son left him. He was conscious Mr until the last. By his bedside were his wife, his daughters, Misses Mary and Bettie Wilson, and one son, William

Ex-Postmaster General William Lyne Wilson, author of the Wilson tariff bill and a prominent figure in national politics during the administra-tions of President Cleveland, was born near Charlestown, W. Va., on May 3, 1843. His father was a school-master. He was a pupil at the Charlestown academy and in 1860 was graduated from the Columbian university, in Washington. When the Civil broke out he left the University of Virginia and enlisted as a private in the Confederate army. At the close professor Tatin and Greek at Columbian university, but in 1871 he began the practice of law at Charlestown,

Mr. Wilson's funeral will occur at Friday morning at 10 o'clock. The remains will leave Lexington that morning over the Baltimore and Ohio at and H. P. Willis, a committee of the Services will be held tomorrow afternoon in Lee Memorial chapel at the university, conducted by Rev. T. A. Hall, of the Lexington Baptist church, the university. All duties were suspended today in the university. remains are now lying in state at the president's house.

### HANNA IN DAKOTA.

Special Train Dashes Through the Wheat Districts-Spice in His Speeches.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. train bearing Senators Hanna and Frye travelled up and down through the counties of Central South Dakota to-day, in the districts where the vote as a rule is close and where farmers compose a greater part of the population. Fourteen stops were making speeches at Redfield, Northville, Groton, Andover, Bristol, Bradley, Elrod, Bryant, Lake Preston, Desmet, Iroquois, Huron, Aberd en and Webster. Senator Frye also spoke at some length at the more important places. A good deal of spice was put into the speeches at times by sharp questioning on the part of the audiences, who desired to hear about trusts and imperialism. This was true especially at Aberdeen, where Senator Hanna was constantly interrupted during his speech by questions regarding various phases of the trust issue.

Senator Hanna apparently enjoyed these interruptions and invariably

At Webster he was visited in his car by a delegation of Sloux Indians from the Sisseton reservation. These Indians are all voters. The most important meeting of the day was held -night at Huron, where the train stopped for the night and where both Senators Hanna and Frye and Victor Dolliver made addresses of con-

### STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. New York, Oct. 17.—Arrived: Majestic, from Liverpool. Cleared: La Loraine, Havre; Fuerst Bismarck, Hamburg via Plymouth and Cherbourt, Sailed: St. Paul. Southampton: Germanic, Liverpool; Westernland, Antwerp; Michigan, London, Liverpool-Arrived: Teutonic, New York and Queenstown, Plymouth-Arrived: Pennsylvania, New York for Cherbourg and Hamburg. South amoton-Arrived: New York, New York. Sailed: Kaiser Wilhelm De Grosse (from Bremen, New York via Chertourg), Tory Island—Passed: Ethiopia, New York for Moville and Glasgow.

### EILVER REPUBLICANS.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 17 .- The letter notifying William J. Bryan of his nomination by the Na-ticnal Silver Republican convention has been in

## SAYS IT IS **ALL SETTLED**

Gheering News Brought from Philadelphia Gonference by Gongressman William Gonnell.

#### AGREEMENT IS GENERAL

Representatives of Every Mining Interest in the Region Attended the Meeting and Decided to Amend the Ten Per Cent. Offer So as to Make It Acceptable-Mr. Connell Worked Assiduously to Bring About Peace Though It Cost Him a Great Physical Effort-Some of the Local Operators Express Chagrin at the Failure of the Effort to Get Rid of the Powder Question.

"I know of no reason why the miners should not be at work next Monday morning."

Such was the declaration of Congressman William Connell on his return last night, from the conference of operators in Philadelphia, which he attended as chairman of the committee of independent operators appointed to deal with the strike ques-

Mr. Connell had been actively engaged for four days in trying to bring about a settlement of the strike, and having deserted the care of a physician to undertake the task was, as may be believed, greatly fatigued, but when seen at his home soon after his return, consented to a short interview.

He declined to discuss any part he had taken in the affair further than to say his whole influence had been thrown to bringing about peace. The press dispatches tell of his having had a conference with President Mcof the rebellion he became an assistant | Kinley regarding the strike, but the details of this Mr. Connell did not care to discuss. He centented himself with saying that the president evinced a great desire to see the Charleston, Jefferson county, W. Va., strike speedily settled and stated that he was actuated in this desire solely by humane motives.

Harry St. George Tucker, chairman of Connell says, was attended by repthe faculty of professors; A. L. Nelson resentatives of all the parties confaculty; Hon.William A. Anderson and cerned. The big corporations having A. T. Barclay, of the board of trustees, their headquarters in New York were and a committee of twelve students, represented by President W. H. Truesdale, of the D., L. & W., and President Thomas, of the Eric. General Superintendent Lathrope, of the and Rev. Dr. James A. Quarles, of Lehigh Valley was present to represent the superintendents of the big companies in an advisory capacity. It was agreed by the big companies that the modification of the offer necessary to make it acceptable to their men should be made. The Philadelphia & Reading and Lehigh Valley companies, conceding the abolishment of the sliding scale as a first step towards that end. The other amendment was agreed to and the independent operators, through Huron, S. D., Oct. 17.-The special Mr. Connell's committee, then gave their concurrence in what the big fellows had done.

### Held in Abeyance.

As to whether or not the carrying companies agreed to grant the demade during the day, Senator Hanna mand of the independent operators for a better freight rate, Mr. Connell would not say. He contented himself with "That matter, you can state, is in abeyance."

Mr. Connell further announced that there would be a meeting of the independent operators in this city today, to take up the matter of putting out the notices. They will likely be posted to-morrow.

In this region the only additional action called for by the convention resolutions is the issuing of a guarantee that the 10 per cent, offer will continue till April 1, and that the offer will be a straight one, with no reference to the matter of computing a decrease in the price of powder as a part of the 10 per cent, increase in wages, where contract miners are concerned. The first of these demands is of no importance leaving aside the matter of recognition of the union. The operators, it is safe to say from the general trend of their remarks would be willing to extend the guarantee a year or even longer. But to accede to the miners' demands for a straight 10 per cent, advance is a sore disappointment to the operators of this region. They wanted that the powder question should be once and for all settled and had built confidently on getting rid of it by means of the codicil which so many of the companies attached to the offer. Now, that it is as good as certain, it will bob up again and possibly

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### WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, Oct. 17 .- Forecast for Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair Thursday and Friday; warmer in northern portion Thursday; light to fresh southwesterly