

INDUSTRIAL AND LABOR

COMMENTS ON THE ANTHRACITE STRIKE.

Engineering and Mining Journal Gives Figures on Anthracite Production—Black Diamond Speaks About What the Operators Will Do When the Miners Return to Work. Fuller Syndicate Makes a Voluntary Increase of Ten Per Cent. in the Wages of Transportation Men.

In its review of the anthracite situation, the Engineering and Mining Journal for this week says:

The howling mob that overpowered the sheriff at Shenandoah and the long lists of assaults and outrages are the same as the kind that have occurred with increasing frequency during the past ten days are sure indications that the strike is becoming very unpopular, and the professional agitators who feel their advantage are resorting to desperate methods to keep the men out. There is a widely circulated rumor that some of the strikers, feeling that the strike is hopelessly lost, and realizing that certain men have needlessly caused them to lose nearly three months' wages, are determined to stay out, to claim retribution, and to promise indemnity if not forthcoming, do what they can to wreck the organization.

The operators meantime maintain their position unchanged, saying that the demands of the union really meant the surrender of all discipline at the mines, and that the miners will resume as soon as the men are ready to go to work.

The clean cut and vigorous statement of President Fowler, of the New York, Ontario and Western, is opportune, and should have a little effect on those newspapers that have been printing crazy stuff to the effect that the operators are prolonging the strike with the deliberate intention of advancing prices, and have already made millions of dollars out of vast amounts hoarded at the beginning of the strike.

The total tonnage mined in May has been officially estimated at 1,708,822 tons. No figures of the June or July output have been published, but the output was almost wholly washed coal, the principal exception being the product of the semi-anthracite mines at Bernice, the owners of which, by winning a long strike last year, are now running on non-union men and no doubt getting a nice profit on the output. The total shipments of all mines to June 1 are given as 18,731,879 tons, as against 22,727,056 tons to the corresponding date of last year.

Trade in all consuming territories is light, and supplies are getting low. At the head of the lakes the docks are bare of certain sizes, and the total amount on hand are little over 25,000 tons. In Chicago territory there is little doing. Dealers are not seeking trade, and those consumers who would like to lay in winter supplies receive no encouragement. Stocks are diminishing, and little coal is available for out-of-town shipments.

Along the lower lakes and in Canadian territory coal is scarce. Retail prices are \$5.50 per ton, the highest price for July for many years, and dealers will not sell for forward delivery. Along the Atlantic seaboard supplies are getting pretty low, and dealers are doing out coal in small lots and to regular buyers. Retail dealers at Philadelphia are asking \$7 for egg, stove and chestnut and \$5 for pea.

At Boston retail prices have been advanced \$7 to \$8 per ton. At New York harbor points prices vary. Retail dealers in Brooklyn are asking \$7, the retail price in Manhattan is \$8, but often \$8, and in some cases \$10 is asked. The total stocks in the retail yards of Greater New York are undoubtedly low. The regular wholesale prices for August are: Broken, \$4.15; egg, stove and chestnut, \$4.10; f. o. b. New York harbor shipping ports. Only in a few instances do the companies sell any coal to sell, and that in limited amounts for certain old customers who must have anthracite.

No Retrograde Movement.

"Notwithstanding the much to be regretted fatal riots between miners and police in Shenandoah, Pa., this week," says the Black Diamond, "and the fact that they will probably continue, there should be no hesitancy on the part of the anthracite operators in maintaining the position they have assumed from the first, despite the fact that supplies of hard coal are so greatly reduced in the New England states that there is a growing sentiment among the people that it is about time overtures were made for a settlement of the strike.

While this may be conceded to be true, it is also true, and a fact, that the least sign of weakness on the part of the operators would open the door for the admission of every description of trouble and annoyance. Operators and miners have been playing a waiting game for the twelve weeks of the strike, with sturdy resolution on the one side and some wavering on the other. The presidents of the coal companies and of the carrying railroads cannot now afford to take any chances; the cost of the strike has been too much to have it thrown on one side by any show of faltering on their part, because there would be no end to the demands for this and that concession, with the possible threat of a strike in case of refusal.

It is believed that the operators so thoroughly understand the status quo that they will be satisfied to allow the miners to resume work; after that, if there are any abuses, and there may be, then will be the time to relieve them.

"Much has been said of the promised relief to the men from the bituminous coal miners; this may be a large amount, sufficient to keep the men from the door, but that admits of grave doubt. However, whatever it

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may be, it cannot last long, and in the meantime the miners are making no headway. Opinion prevails that the miners should return to work en masse, as they went out, and then make a proper presentation of grievances which they would like to have redressed. There is little doubt that the tactful judgment of the operators would see its way clear to remedy the trouble, of whatever nature it might be.

"In this, and in no other way can this trouble be overcome, with the exception of the intermediary efforts of mutual friends of both parties who are fully conversant with the situation and conditions."

Tonnage of Anthracite Coal.

The accompanying statistical figures show the production of anthracite coal for six months ending June 30, 1902.

Month	Tons, 1901	Tons, 1902
January	5,182,392	4,538,138
February	4,068,968	3,741,253
March	4,964,329	3,818,767
April	3,985,913	4,231,830
May	4,674,707	1,708,822
June	4,755,748
Totals	27,462,157	22,731,820

D. L. & W. Board for Today.

Following is the make-up of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western board for today:

THURSDAY, AUGUST 7.

Summits West—4 a. m. Fraunfelder. Pushers—7 a. m. Widner; 8 a. m. Houser; 11:45 a. m. Moran; 7:30 p. m. Murphy; 9 p. m. W. Bartholomew.

Helpers—1:30 a. m. Magovern; 7 a. m. Gaffney; 10 a. m. Secor; 3:15 p. m. Stanton.

This and That.

A special meeting of the Sheet Metal Workers' union, No. 85, will be held Thursday night in G. A. R. hall. Business of importance will be transacted. The West Virginia Central railroad, now owned by the Fuller syndicate, granted a voluntary increase of 10 per cent. in the wages of the employees of the transportation department.

The Butler washery, at Pittston, which has a capacity of about 600 tons of coal per day, made a new record on Monday, last, by running 1,616 tons of prepared coal through this plant.

The Kooehoor colliery, at Shenandoah, which employed 600 men and boys before the strike, is to be abandoned by the Philadelphia and Lehigh Coal and Iron company. Carpenters are razing the breaker.

Failures in the United States last week were 193 and in Canada 18; total, 211; against 225 last week, 233 the preceding week, and 218 the corresponding week last year, of which 198 were in the United States and 20 in Canada.

Grand Master F. T. Howley, of the Seichmans' union, who has been in the city several days, left for New York Monday afternoon. He refused to disclose the nature of his business here, and had nothing to say regarding the strike.

The coke plant at Lebanon of the Lackawanna Iron and Steel company is probably the most complete of its kind in Eastern Pennsylvania. The 225 ovens produce 1,300 tons of coke daily. The cost approximated a million dollars.—Engineering and Mining Journal.

The Journal of Commerce computes the incorporations of companies of \$1,000,000 capital or over in five eastern states for July at \$468,856,400, against \$196,182,800 in June. The figures include the \$150,000,000 Rock Island company. Three-fourths of the total are New Jersey corporations.

The Wyoming and Pon Creek Coal company's property, near White Haven, has been sold by H. L. Beach, receiver, to the C. R. Bachman Coal company. It is said to be worth about \$300,000 and consists of certain anthracite leases and a breaker equipped with machinery.

The Delaware and Hudson company is erecting a neat office on the old canal basin, near the Vulcan Iron works, in South Wilkes-Barre. The lot has for a number of years been leased by Denney & Buckley as a brickyard and coal yard. The Delaware and Hudson company purpose erecting chutes and will open a coal yard for the sale of coal after the strike is over. The company's construction gang from Carbondale is doing the work.

ACTION AGAINST THE CITY.

Case Heard by City Solicitor Watson Yesterday Afternoon.

City Solicitor George M. Watson yesterday conducted a hearing in the case of Randolph Crippen, of North Scranton, against the city. Mr. Crippen is the owner of the Bristol house, located at North Main avenue and Market street, and he is bringing action to recover the possession of the street overlooking his property.

The city claims that while this is really individual property, it has been used as a public thoroughfare for sixty years. Two witnesses, Dr. Henry Roberts and Aaron McDonald, testified yesterday afternoon to the effect that considered open to the public. There will be another hearing Friday, August 12.

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THE MARKETS

Wall Street Review.

New York, Aug. 6.—Today's stock market continued to demonstrate in a negative way the underlying strength of the financial and business situation in the country. Trading was mostly idle. The few stocks which were strong enough to make any impressive showing and did not alter the listless tone of the market in general. But it is clear that there is no eagerness to sell stocks. With no buyers on a large scale in view, holders show themselves content to carry stocks and wait for a more active demand. The very idleness of the market is a reassuring fact. Over extension of credit in speculative ventures is the one factor that threatened bad consequences. Now there seems to be a common agreement to await the satisfaction of the coming requirements of the country for moving the market. All authorities are agreed that this requirement will be unusually large this year. Today's small export of gold was obviously a momentary diversion, and it was broadly intimated that something equivalent to a premium was paid by those who are to get it. The poorer approach of the period of safety for the year's crops confirms the confidence in the abundance of the harvest. The heavy buying of Texas and Pacific was by the same brokers who have been active in Missouri Pacific for some time past and the response of other railways to the group was purely sympathetic. The operations of the anthracite trade and it was broadly intimated that something equivalent to a premium was paid by those who are to get it. The poorer approach of the period of safety for the year's crops confirms the confidence in the abundance of the harvest. The heavy buying of Texas and Pacific was by the same brokers who have been active in Missouri Pacific for some time past and the response of other railways to the group was purely sympathetic. The operations of the anthracite trade and it was broadly intimated that something equivalent to a premium was paid by those who are to get it. The poorer approach of the period of safety for the year's crops confirms the confidence in the abundance of the harvest. The heavy buying of Texas and Pacific was by the same brokers who have been active in Missouri Pacific for some time past and the response of other railways to the group was purely sympathetic.

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Cheese—11 1/2c.
Eggs—Newly, 21c; western, 20c.
Marrow Beans—Per bushel, \$2.50-2.40.
Green Peas—Per bushel, \$2.25.
Corn—Per bushel, 20c.
New Potatoes—60c. per bushel.

New York Grain and Produce Market

New York, Aug. 6.—Flour—Market continued dull and easy. Wheat—Spot easy; No. 2 red, 75c; elevator, and No. 1 Northern Duluth, f. o. b. aboat; No. 1 Northern Duluth, f. o. b. aboat. Further liquidation, accompanied by heavy crop news, earlier cables, foreign selling and a liberal interior movement brought lower prices in wheat today, followed by later rallies on covering and export rumors; closed steady at 74 1/2c. May closed 74 1/2c. Corn—Spot easy; No. 2, 63c; elevator and export, 64c. A heavy break in corn forced general liquidation today. It was occasioned by fine crop news, lower cables and the wheat decline, but yielded finally to covering and closed unsteady at 54 1/2c. net loss. May closed 54 1/2c. Sept., 56c; Dec., 57c. Oats—Spot steady; No. 2, 31c; No. 2 white, 31c; No. 3 white, 30c; track mixed western, 30c; track white western, 30c; track white, 30c. Option market was steady to firm all day on small receipts and light offerings. Butter—Factory, 14 1/2c; renovated, 14 1/2c; imitation, 14 1/2c. Cheese—Dull and weak; full cream, small, colored, fancy, 15 1/2c; full cream, small, colored, fancy, 15 1/2c; large, white, 15c; large, colored, 15c; firm, state and Penna., 15 1/2c; western, candied, 15 1/2c; mess, poor, 15 1/2c.

Chicago Grain Market.

Chicago, Aug. 6.—Bulls in the grain pits were generally discouraged today over the growing reports from the harvest fields. Everywhere came in advices of excellent prospects. Corn promised a bumper yield and with splendid weather for harvesting spring wheat prices slipped off. Some good export sales of wheat late in the day steadied wheat, and shorts were afraid to sell more oats. The highest wheat was a shade down. September corn 1 1/2c. lower, and September oats unchanged. Provisions closed unchanged to 1/2c higher. Cash quotations were as follows:

Commodity	Price
No. 2 spring wheat, 70c.	
No. 2 red, 75c.	
No. 2 white, 75c.	
No. 2 yellow, 75c.	
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No. 2 yellow, 75c.	
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Chicago Live Stock Market.

Chicago, Aug. 6.—Cattle—Receipts, 12,500, including 500 Texas, 2,000 westerns; active, steady; good to prime steers, \$8.50; poor medium, \$4.00-7.50; stockers and feeders, \$2.50-5.25; cows, \$1.50-6; heifers, \$2.50-5; calves, \$1.50-4.50; yearlings, \$2.50-5.50; western steers, \$4.50-5.50; western steers, \$4.50-5.50. Hogs—Receipts, 2,400; fairly active, 5c 1/2c. higher on pigs and porkers, others steady; heavy, \$7.50; medium, \$7.00-7.50; rough, \$6.50-7.50; stags, \$5.50-7.50. Sheep—Receipts, 1,000; sheep, steady; lambs, steady; good to choice wethers, \$3.50-4; fair to choice mixed, \$2.50-3.50; native lambs, \$2.50-3.50.

Buffalo Live Stock Market.

East Buffalo, Aug. 6.—Cattle—Receipts, 50; unchanged. Veals, steady; tops, \$7.25-7.50; fair to good, \$5.50-7; common to light, \$4.50; grass, \$5.00-5.50. Hogs—Receipts, 2,400; fairly active, 5c 1/2c. higher on pigs and porkers, others steady; heavy, \$7.50; medium, \$7.00-7.50; rough, \$6.50-7.50; stags, \$5.50-7.50. Sheep—Receipts, 1,000; sheep, steady; lambs, steady; good to choice wethers, \$3.50-4; fair to choice mixed, \$2.50-3.50; native lambs, \$2.50-3.50.

Capuro's Sentence Commuted.

Washington, Aug. 6.—Information has been received at the war department that Pedro Capuro, a native Filipino, was convicted by a military commission at Taunton, Batangas, P. I., of complicity in the murder of Second Lieutenant Paul D. Stockley, Twenty-first infantry, in Batangas province, in January, 1900, and was sentenced to be hanged. It was alleged that Capuro was a member of a party which killed the American officers by stones and pistol shots. General Chaffee commuted the sentence of Capuro to imprisonment at hard labor for thirty years.

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 - 19c for Meat Blocks, worth 25c
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 - 12c for Single Wash Boards, worth 19c

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