

# COMMISSION WAS DOWN IN A MINE

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tives who would happen to catch up or drop back, and occasionally when some prominent feature of mining was encountered all would gather around, while some one would explain about it.

### Explained Things.

Mr. Watkins generally did the explaining. Whenever he was not exactly sure of his facts he would appeal to Mr. May, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Collins or some other who corroborate or correct him. Occasionally there would be a brief discussion, in which representatives of the opposing sides would participate, but at no time was there what might be called an argument. All seemed desirous of settling matters clearly and fairly before the commissioners, and the latter evinced a keen desire to find out everything there was to be found out.

The companies' representatives and the miners' representatives were not only civil, but very courteous to one another. There was no effusiveness on either side, but neither side gave indication by word, deed or omission that the other was recently, and is yet, a determined, aggressive and it might be said desperate opponent in one of the greatest industrial conflicts the world has ever known.

The coming of the commissioners having been heralded in all the papers, the miners were expecting them, and from a study of their pictures in the papers were generally able to identify them. At the depot a small crowd was gathered as the party alighted. As they passed through the town, people came to their doorways to watch them. At the mines they were the objects of especial interest to the men whose momentous case is now in their hands, and on whose findings depends so much that will work for their good or ill. Occasionally the commissioners talked with a miner who would be encountered on their travels, and one time the whole party gathered around a handsome-looking little Lithuanian doorboy and plied him with questions. His answers were given with little hesitancy and great intelligence. He proved an object of much interest to the commissioners who are from outside the coal belt.

### Car Left Track.

The trip through the mines was made with only one slight mishap. The car in which General Wilson, Judge Gray, Mr. Clark, Mr. Parker and their guides were riding jumped the track and bounded along the ties for a short distance.

Nearly a score of miners hurried to the spot and insisted on lifting the car back to the rails without allowing the distinguished visitors to go to the trouble of climbing out and in again. They did the job with comparative ease.

At 3 o'clock the party boarded the train and proceeded to Coalbrook breaker at Carbondale, eating luncheon in the club car en route.

The commissioners had an interesting time at the Coalbrook breaker at Carbondale. They went to the top of the great black building and inspected all the machinery down to the ground. They were much interested in the men and boys who are employed in picking slate and honey from the coal. From the breaker, the now tired commissioners were escorted to the chute where the coal, fresh out of the mine, is sent to the breaker by means of a "conveyor." It is here where one of the principal bones of contention between the employer and employee is found. The miners maintain they are often unjustly docked by the docking bosses for the amount of slate, honey or other refuse found in the coal. The commissioners watched the work of the boys closely and saw him dock several miners because, in his judgment, there was too much foreign matter in the car of coal.

A few feet away is the place where the cars of coal are weighed. After the seven commissioners had watched the weighing of coal for a while, Mr. Clark inquired how many pounds constituted a ton at this colliery. Superintendent Bryden of the Ontario and Western thought it was about 2,800 pounds, but District President Nichols said it was a little over 3,100 pounds. The two began to discuss the question, each maintaining he was right.

### Question of a Ton.

Mr. Nichols said that granting that 2,800 was correct those figures are too high. He said when the companies fixed 2,800 pounds to constitute a ton so as to get out of it 2,240 pounds of pure coal, the operators did not sell pea coal in the market. Now they have a market for pea coal and about three other sizes below it, and the miners' ton of 2,800 pounds has not been decreased.

Judge Gray was an interested listener to the discussion. He stood by with his hands deep in his overcoat pockets and never uttered a word. It was quite evident that both Mr. Nichols and Mr. Bryden tried to make a good impression with the commissioner, but what he thought he did not even express in his actions.

While the discussion was on, the colliery whistle blew the signal for quitting, and then the Judge broke in with "Well, gentlemen, it is 5 o'clock and I guess we will have to stop work." This interruption broke up what might have grown into a heated discussion as to how many pounds should constitute a



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## THE MARKETS.

### Wall Street Review.

New York, Oct. 30.—The stock market was again dull and narrow today, though account of the latest news indicated a somewhat better feeling. Opening quotations were generally a fraction better than the previous day's close. The strong features in the early trading included St. Paul, Baltimore and Ohio, Southern Railway, and Amalgamated Copper. Among the stocks that registered declines at the same time were Reading, Louisville and Nashville, and United States Steel. A further tendency toward better prices was noted toward the close of the day, and the market closed with a slight advance. The general improvement, other than traders seemed to think the market had been overdone. The gold stocks as a group developed increased strength under the lead of Missouri and there was a moderate demand for Texas and Pacific. The trading in Pennsylvania, Baltimore and Ohio, Canadian Pacific, Illinois Central and Hudson, New York Central and Wabash seemed to have some foundation. Northwest was sensitive and declined on gold dealings, but later made partial recovery. In the special class American Cotton Oil made a fair gain, but Colorado Fuel and Iron was distinctly heavy. United States Realty shares were weak in the first time, the preferred making a point advance. Speculation became rather irregular and reactionary toward noon. The business dwindled to the slimmest proportions. While hostile support was not altogether lacking, it was clear that any attempts in the direction of activity and a higher level were met with offerings of long stock. The market closed with a net loss of 1/8 point. Total sales today, 234,100 shares. The remainder of the day very dull but prices were well maintained. Total sales, per value, \$1,500,000. United States Realty advanced 1/8 cent on the last call.

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Table listing various banks and their stock prices, including County Sav. Bank & Trust Co, First Nat. Bank, Third National Bank, etc.

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