SUMMING UP FOR MINERS

George F. Baer Listens to Addresses of Strikers' Attorneys.

HAS LIVELY TILT WITH BRUMM

A Scathing Denunciation of John Markle-Demands of Strikers Explained at Length to Commission by Three Attorneys.

Philadelphia, Feb. 10.-George F Baer, president of the Reading Railway and leader of the operators during the last strike of the anthracite miners, attended yesterday's session of the strike arbitration commissioners. This was Mr. Baer's first appearance before the commission, and he attracted much attention.

He wished to hear the beginning of the closing argument for the miners in order to reply in his speech on Thursday to any points that might be raised. Mr. Baer sat with folded arms throughout the long address of D. J. McCarthy. Shortly before Mr. McCarthy began his speech C. S. Darrow, chief counsel for the miners, was introduced to the leader of the operators by Former Senator Wolverton. For five minutes Mr. Baer and Mr. Darrow kept their heads close together and whispered, while every pair of eyes in the court room was turned

Mr. McCarthy traced the history of unionism from the first practical miners' organization in the anthracite region at St. Clair, in 1868, to the organization of the United Mine Workers, in 1900, with a complete organization of the entire region. Since the advent of the union the miners claim that the men are now independent, "This is absolutely true, and is as it should be," he said.

Mitchell the Miners' Moses.

"Mr. Markle, in his public utterances, has taken great pains to hold up Mr. Mitchell as being something infamous, as something criminal and Indirectly holding Mr. Mitchell ro sponsible for all the disorder that existed during the strike. The advent of Mr. Mitchell into the anthracite coal regions was like unto a Moses unto the people of Israel. Mitchellism stands for humanity, for justice, for patriotism. It stands for all that is good and noble in man, while in Markleism we find the antithesis of Mitchellism, Injustice, oppression, tyranny and character be smirching.

"The evictions at Jeddo are dealt with flippantly by Mr. Markle in his statement to the public. He argues with great force that he was within his legal rights, that it was no concern of his whether those 13 helpless families had a place of shelter or not. It was no concern of his whether Man Coll was dying or who and blind mother mad a ple

He was clearly within his legal right therefore, none should say him This may be true, but if it is to a, it is also true of Shylock. Hamanity shudders even at this late day at the mention of the name of Shylock, and the name of Markle will be synonymous for generation to come, for he, too, demanded his pound of flesh. He could well cry out with Cain: 'Am I my brother's keeper?'

l'o grant an eight-hour not in any manner restrict the output per year, nor in any manner interfere with the public rights, as it would still leave on the highest time worked in the period of five years last mentioned, which was in 1895, 182 days, 72 days of unnecessary idleness. Especially do we ask the eighthour day in the interest of the little children who are employed around the mines and breakers. Many of these little children have to support widowed mothers and little orphan brothers and sisters, and with the long hours now in vogue have no time to acquire education of any kind. Educate the children, and you have better citizens and better workmen, as education increases the efficiency of a workman.

"On the weighing of coal we ask that a ten be fixed at 2240 pounds. This we think is but just to the miner with a minimum of 60 cents per ton, and differentiate as now on account of softness or hardness of the vein or impurities; that docking shall be recognized with the right of the miners to employ a check-docking boss. That in all mines where coal is loaded out as it is mined, coal shall be paid for by the ton, and in all mines or parts of mines where chambers are worked as what is known in mining as full, where manways are carried and the coal allowed to remain in the breast until finished, shall be paid for by the

"The weighing of coal would de away with the question of topping. size of car and docking for light weight. In collieries where the coal is now weighed there is no difficulty. and no complaint is made, so far as the evidence shows, by either the mimers of the operators. The miners are unanimous for the weighing of coal wherever it can be done."

"More Than Recognition," says Lloyd. The argument by Henry Demarest Lloyd for the fourth demand of the mine workers, that for the recogn? tion of the union and the trade agree

ment, was in part: "The miners want more than the mere recognition of the union. They want an agreement for the negotiation of contracts and a settlement of grievances, with provision for arbitration, if necessary. Arrangements of this kind are every year becoming more common in Europe and this country. The most precious power of all for the pacification of industry, the

power to prevent disputes from beginning, will be absent unless the com mission exercises the power it has to provide a 'permanent' remedy. Unless questions as they arise long after this commission has ceased to exist can be found, the country may find itself at any moment threatened again with the WERE COMPLETELY INUNDATED agony from which it thought it had escaped through the intervention of the

president. "In the bituminous coal industry the annual joint interstate conference of operators and miners has just for the sixth year in succession settled all the differences between labor and capital. During the year 1901 there were 200 disputes settled in Illinois; 80 per cent. of these were against the workingmen, but were all obeyed.

"There has been no mine strike of any importance since these relations of negotiation and arbitration were established where the arrangement prevailed: but there have been very serious strikes elsewhere. Wages have been increased, hours reduced, the number of children in the mines lessened, better mining laws enacted and the existing laws better enforced.

"The strike of last summer was the Waterloo of capitalistic absolution in this country. Its failure was complete. It broke down as merchant, miner, dipiomatist, profit maker. Organized labor never did civilization greater service than when it whipped this master to a finish and settled-let it be hoped for the third and last time in America—that the only business in which there is one master is slavery, and that in free business there are as many masters as there are parties. Each one master of himself and no one

"We are not asking for favor, but for justice. We acknowledge the superb sense of justice in the American people which gave us this arbitration, this extraordinary effort of industrial justice. We acknowledge it, but we are not grateful for it. We have won the right to this justice, this representation in our bargains, by sacrifice and struggle, which whitened the faces of a whole people and shortened thousands of lives. Justice is not denied to those strong enough to get it. It is something that our civilization has advanced so far as that."

Brumm Has Tilt With Baer.

the union. He said that organization fer with the men represented the surplus capital of the Morgans, the Drexels and ...ch men as they, while Mr. the and the lite coal region.

am was directing many of his remarks at Mr. Baer, who was sit- persons as could swim to her sides, 3 ting case to him. The Reading's resident gave him close attention. and when Mr. Brumm in an flight said that Mr. Baer denic

eleventh hour that he had ever said 21 murders were committed in the coal regions that he did not deny it until the statement was permitted to go over the country and receive full effect, Mr. Baer jumped up nd exclaimed:

"Wasn't it a lie? Did I ever say it?" swer that

Mr. Baer was not satisfied, and he said with great earnestness:

"You said I did not deny it until the eleventh hour. What do you mean?" quite recently," to which Mr. Baer replied: "Oh."

Brumm, "you would not have asked the question.' "What is it you want to make out-

that I did say it?" persisted Mr. Baer. Mr. Brumm-"No; I said you didn't

"That's different," remarked Mr. Baer as Chairman Gray wrapped for order and requested Mr. Brumm to proceed with his address.

Mr. Brumm, however, took a parting shot and retorted to Mr. Baer's remarks: "I do not criticise you for not denying at the time what appeared in the newspapers."

Received by Senator Burrows Against Seating of Mormon Apostle.

Washington, Feb. 10.-Senator Burrows, chairman of the committee on privileges and elections, has received a protest against the seating of Hon. Reed Smoot as a senator from Utab. on the ground that he is an apostle of the Mormon Church, and that as such he should not represent the people of Utah in the senate. The document is very voluminous, and quotes liberally from the sermons, speeches and other Mormon utterances, showing the power of the priesthood of the Mormon Church over all matters spiritual and temporal.

of the senate, received a copy of the roof lifted from a box freight car durprotest. It was decided by Senators ing a violent wind storm, was the Burrows and Frye not to present the thrilling experience which Joseph privileges and elections.

Policeman Shoots Fellow Officer. Roanoke, Va., Feb. 9.—Officer Houston Childress, of the Bristol, Va., police force, was shot and killed on the streets of that city Saturday night by Policeman Gratt Walk. There had for some time. They met on the ed by fire yesterday. There were street, and after some words it is al- many explosions of chemicals and this leged that Walk fired two shots from greatly retarded the firemen, who were under his overcoat, one of which driven back repeatedly while fighting passed through Childress' head. Walk the fire. The loss is estimated at about

permanent methods of adjusting such Tidal Wave Swept Over Eighty of the South Sea Islands.

Natives Were Compelled to Take to Cocoanut Trees When Water Covered the Land-Survivors Destitute of Food, Shelter and Clothing.

San Francisco, Feb. 9.—News of a fearful loss of life in a destructive storm that swept over the South Sea Islands last month reached here yesterday by the steamer Mariposa direct from Tahiti. The loss of life is estimated at 1,000 persons. On January 13 last a huge tidal wave, accompanied by a terrific hurricane, attacked the Society Islands and the Tuomotu group with fearful force, causing death and devastation never before equalled in a land of dreaded storms.

The storm raged several days, reaching its maximum strength between January 14 and January 16. From the meager details received at Tahiti up to the time the vessel sailed it is estimated that 1,000 of the Islanders lost their lives. It is feared that later advices will increase this

The first news of the disaster reached Papeeta, Tahiti, January 26 by the schooner Eimeo. The captain of the schooner placed the fatalities at 500. The steamer Excelsior arrived at Papeeta the following day with 400 destitute survivors. The captain of the Excelsior estimated the total loss of life to be 800. On Hikuera Island, where 1,000 inhabitants were engaged in pearl diving, nearly one-half were drowned. On an adjacent island 109 more were washed out to sea.

The number of islands visited by the tidal wave is placed at 80. The surviving inhabitants are left destitute of food, shelter and clothing, all having been swept away by the storm.

As the islands were barely 20 feet above sea level and were not surrounded by coral reefs, it was necessary for all the inhabitants to take to the cocoanut trees when the tidal wave began to cover the land. These Mr. Lloyd was followed by Former trees grow to an immense height, many Congressman Charles M. Brumm. His reaching an altitude of 100 feet. All argument was principally in support of the lower trees were covered by the of the demand for the recognition of raging seas which swept with pitiless in the New York legislature yesterforce about and over them. The nais the essence of government. He paid tives in the taller trees were safe una tribute to Mr. Mitchell and said that til the cocoanut roots gave way, and the coal presidents who refuse to con- then they too were swept out into the

The 400 survivors brought by the Excelsior to Papeeta gained the ship's Mitchell represents every dollar of side by swimming three and four miles capital of the 147,000 men employed in from the tops of the cocoanut trees. The Eimeo, though badly damaged by the storm, also brought off as many she, like the Excelsior, being unable to run close to the shores because of Associated pring and My can swells, which the By, you abnormally high for all a Week after the tidal disturbances.

One of the many acts of heroism reported is that of a woman who climbed one of the tall coccanut trees and lashed her babe to the branches, hang- a bill authorizing the erection in Washing to the body of the tree beneath the little one as best she could. There The suddenness of the interruption they remained for 10 hours, suffering evidently did not disturb Mr. Brumm, great torture, until finally rescued. who replied: "One moment; I will an- Thousands of tons of copra and more ment of a commission of 32 to reprethan 200 tons of mother of pearl shells sent Pennsylvania at the St. Louis are known to have been lost. The pearl shells are valued at \$1,800 per ton, and many valuable pearls may now be lost to the world forever, as "I said you did not deny it until these were considered some of the best pearl islands in the world.

The French government, upon re "If you had waited," said Mr. ceipt of the disaster, took prompt measures to relieve the distressed districts and dispatched two warships with fresh water and provisions. The Italian man-of-war Calabria accompanied the French vessels on their errand of mercy. As the supply of fresh water and provisions was totally exhausted by the storm, it is feared that many lives will be lost before the relief ships can arrive. As far as is known, eight white people were among the drowned.

Life Imprisonment for Hooper Young. New York, Feb. 10 .- The trial of William Hooper Young, charged with the PROTEST AGAINST REED SMOOT killing of Mrs. Annie L. Pulitzer in September last, was brought to a sudden termination yesterday, when the prisoner pleaded guilty to murder in the second degree. The plea was accepted by the prosecution, and Justice Herrick immediately sentenced Young to life imprisonment in Sing Sing prison. Justice Herrick, in discharging the jury, said that Young's plea and its acceptance had been suggested by him, because of the report of the doctors, who had informed him that the prisoner was medically, although not legally insane, and that his malady was progressive.

Through the Air on Car's Roof. Pottsville, Pa., Feb. 9.-To be blown Senator Frye, as president pro tem. nearly 100 feet upon the top of the protest to the senate until Mr. Smoot's Wachter, of Pottsville, passed through credentials are presented, when both Saturday. Save for a few contusions will be referred to the committee on he is none the worse for this mest unusual accident. Watchter is a brakeman employed on the Reading. His train was en route from Reading to Pottsville when the terrific gust of wind struck it.

Fire at a Chemical Works. Paterson, N. J., Feb. 10.-The Barnes been bad blood between th two officers Chemical Works were partly destroy-\$30,000, fully covered by insurance.

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Boys Rubbers were 75 now 65c. Boys Rubbers were 55 now 50. Ladies Rubbers were 50 now 40c. Men's Arctics, were \$1.25 now \$1.00. Groceries.—Best A Sugar 5c. Granulated Sugar 54c. Arbuckles Coffee 10c. Lion Coffee, 10c. We sell the celebrated Levi Smith Coal Oil, noted for its brilliant light. Bargain Days to Commence January 19th to January 31st.

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A WEER'S NEWS CONDENSED.

Wednesday, February 4. The international convention of the Epworth League will be held at Detroit, Mich., July 16-19.

Fire destroyed six blocks in the business section of Middlebury, Vt., yesterday. Loss estimated at \$150,000. A bill providing for the abolishment of capital punishment was introduced

By an explosion of nitro-glycerine at Marietta, O., yesterday Mrs. John

Newell was killed and her two sons seriously injured. Charles C. Morris a cook aboard the

new battleship Maine, now lying at League Island Navy Yard, Philadeiphia, fell down an open hatchway and breke his neck.

Thursday, February 5. About 100 men were caught yesterday by the New York police in a raid rembling house in West 31st

Miles yesterday was the General guest of Colonel Cody in London, where the Wild West Show is being Senator Lodge yesterday introduced

ington of a monument to John Paul Jones, at a cost of \$50,000. The Pennsylvania legislature yester-

day passed a resolution for the appoint-Fair and appropriating \$300,000 for the erection of a building. Friday, February 6.

Former United States Senator Henry

L. Dawes died yesterday at Pittsfield, Mass. The French cruiser Tage, Admiral

Rivet, has arrived at New Orleans and will remain 15 days. Twelve houses at Norristown, Pa.,

were unroofed by the violent wind storm of Wednesday night. No one was injured. The annual convention of the Repub-

lican State Editorial Associations in the United States will be held at Washington February 26 and 27. A resolution was introduced in the

U. S. senate yesterday to appoint Senator Quay a member of the board of managers of the National Soldiers' Home to fill a vacancy. Saturday, February 7.

Secretary Moody yesterday accepted Captain R. P. Hobson's resignation from the navy.

Hardie Henderson, formerly a wellknown base ball player, was struck and killed by a trolley car at Philadelphia yesterday.

Burglars dynamited the safe in the postoffice at Mainville, Columbia and had two more badly hurt. county, Pa., yesterday morning. They secured about \$60.

The Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company yesterday declared a semi-annual dividend of 2 per cent. on the first preferred stock.

President Woodrow Wilson, of Princeton University, was the guest of honor last night at the 18th annual ing implements and house hold banquet of the Princeton Alumni Association of Maryland at Baltimore. Monday, February 9.

The funeral of the late Congressman

William Jennings Bryan will lecture in Carlisle, Pa., for the benefit of the Y. M. C. A., on February 23. The Kansas has instructed its sen-

ators in congress to vote for the Cuban reciprocity treaty and the Panama Sparks from his pipe fell into a

powder keg and John Gallow was blown to shreds in a quarry at Hellertown, Pa.

A mob took Lee Hall, colored, from the jail at Wrightsville, Ga., Saturday and lynched him, for the murder of Sheriff Crawford.

Tuesday, February 10. Colonal Charles B. Davis, of the Fifth KANTZ.

Constable Keeler of Freeburg in his horse-less carriage passed through a side street of our town Friday.

The members of our Band have elected the following officers for the ensuing term : Pres., E. F. Hosterman; Vice Pres., Wm. A. Erdly; G. Alfred Schoch, Pres. Sec., Clement Shemory; Asst. Sec, C. C. Glace; Financial Sec., A. R. Hoover; Treas., F. E. Holtzapple; Directors, Wm. II. Schambach and Clarence Holtzapple; Wm. A. Erdly, Conductor.

Isaac Arnold and Clyde Hendricks are hauling cord wood for J. N. Thompson, M.M. Henry Walborn.

Corpora! Sprenkle killed two! ce porkers Friday. Heary Romig had business in

Middleburg Friday. Calvin Seebold left for unknown Gentral State Nom parts of the world.

Dr. K. M. Krebs and H. L. Witmer of Dundore passed though here Saturday.

Wilson Mitterling had business at Fremont Tuesday last. It is rumored that he sold his farm in Heister's Valley.

Jno. F. Erdly of Sunbury was seen on our streets early Monday

business trip to our town Monday morning. T. C. Romig was to Sunbury

John Hehn of Schriner made a

Satuday. J. F. Dock left for Sunbury where he has secured employment

as corpenter for the P. R. R. Co. Simon J. Snyder will move on a farm in North'd County in the

Mrs. Cal. Seebold spent a few days at the County Seat the guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. D. Arbogast last week.

Our new merchant T. P. Kuster is quite a jolly fellow to meet.

Caught in a circle saw F. E Holtzapple lost one of his fingers

Geo. A. Inch of near Selensgrove bought the old Daniel Hiembach homestead in Neitz's Valley. Consideration \$355.00.

Ira Swartz will have public sale Mar. 11th, of his live stock, farmgoods. Mr. Swartz has accepted a position in a grain and coal elevator side trips in California, and berth in Nebraska, where he will move meals going on the special train. J. M. Moody was held Saturday at with his family the latter part of hotel expenses in California are in Asheville, N. C.

March.

> Miss Edna Hendricks of the Isle of Que was the welcome guest of erary apply to Ficket Agents, of Miss Florence Kline over Sunday. dress Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant &

Hiram Stahl and daughters, Olive and Katie from Chulasky are spending a few days among their many friends in this vicinity.

Chas. Bergy and wife and Chas. Clapp of Mifflinburg are the guests of Mrs. Zeno Sprenkel.

Miss Flancy Schambach spent Saturday with her cousin, Miss Signature of



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