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AGAINST FREE COAL

Letter Showing the Fallacy of the Theory.

MANUFACTURERS' WORK

By Putting Coal on the Free List the Wages of American Miners and Coal Handlers Must Necessarily be Reduced. Strong Argument Against the Measure.

Special HERALD correspondent. WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—An open letter on free coal has just been received here and is given wide circulation. While it is written in the interest of the coal fields of Virginia, it embraces many points which are applicable to the arguments of the Pennsylvania coal miners.

Although originally a free trader, says the writer, my association with the Pennsylvania capitalists, who have dug out of the hills of Virginia and West Virginia the coal which had remained buried there for centuries, and of which our Jefferson wrote in his notes more than a hundred years ago, and bringing it down to Virginia's great seaport, distributed it along the Atlantic coast—the larger portion to that section from which we had so long drawn many of our domestic supplies—made me a protectionist.

My contact with these gentlemen taught me that protection by the Federal government of the coal industry was necessary to inspire that confidence in capitalists necessary to obtain the construction of the roads to the mines and the means to market the coal, and wishing to see Virginia have those diversified industries which she had so long needed to keep her children at home, I have done all in my power to make her people feel that we still needed the protection for coal which the fathers of the Constitution put in the first tariff bill, signed by Washington himself while President, to protect the coal pits of Virginia from foreign competition.

I remember reading in an old publication of 1833 a speech of Daniel Webster, delivered in Pittsburg in the summer of that year. He said, among other things, that—

"Soon after the peace of '83 there came a period of distress over the whole Atlantic coast, far exceeding anything that has been felt during the war. Importation in British ships was free; American ships—there were none. The cheaper labor of England supplied the inhabitants of the Atlantic coast with everything, from the crown of the head to the sole of the foot. The merchants of Boston appointed a committee, at the head of which was the name, ever venerable to the mind of all true Americans, John Hancock, by whom strong resolutions were reported, declaring that the inhabitants would not use any articles imported in British ships. The mechanics of Boston met and recommended the inhabitants not to use British articles at all. 'For,' said they, 'with regard to you, Mr. Hancock, what odds does it make whether our shoes, boots, hats, handkerchiefs, or shirts come in British ships or American ships? They take away our bread, come in what ships they may!'"

Mr. Galloway C. Morris, of Philadelphia, says that the mills of Fall River produced in 1891 692,350,000 yards of finished material on a consumption of 177,300 tons of coal. Allowing the full duty of 75 cents per ton to be the increase of the cost of this coal to the mills by reason of the duty, then, the additional cost of producing this amount of goods by reason of the tariff is twenty-two one-thousandths of a cent per yard. This is certainly a very small cost to those mills in Fall River as compared with the benefit derived by them from the prosperity of the miners and laborers in the coal regions and to the railroad hands and the sailors engaged in the transportation of it to their mills. There is no way of ascertaining precisely what the number of yards of material such as these Fall River mills produce is consumed by the various classes of workers in the production and transportation of American coal to the mills of the Eastern states, but unquestionably it is large, so the work is rough and the consequent wear and tear is great. Just in proportion to the reduction of their wages by reason of the abolition of the duty so will their ability to purchase the American goods of the Eastern mills or the produce of the Western farms be curtailed.

Free coal, then, promises to give the thousands employed directly and indirectly in the coal trade, cotton goods at twenty-two one-thousandths of a cent per yard cheaper. It takes about three yards to make a man a shirt and another two and one half yards for his drawers. Think of the liberality of the Democracy in giving these people a shirt and a pair of drawers at one hundred and twenty-one one-thousandths of a cent cheaper than they are getting them now; but at the same time taking away the only means they have of buying a shirt and a pair of drawers. This is a sort of "Sans Culottes" Democracy. It might do far the tropics, but not for the United States.

Free coal means freeships, as far as foreign coal is concerned, and the British tramp, which has driven the American flag from foreign seas, would doubtless hold its own in the transportation of foreign coal—especially Canadian coal, as American vessels cannot carry this coal without paying to the Dominion government a license fee for the privilege. And it is safe to assert that New England would lose the first year as much in freight paid her ship owners and sailors as her manufacturers and other consumers of coal would gain from free coal.

A woolman went into a forest, and, drawing his knife, commenced to cut the saplings down. The saplings cried to the oaks to protect them, but the oaks replied: 'We are in no danger, that is no concern of ours,' but when the woolman had selected a suitable sapling he made it the handle of an axe, and with that axe he commenced to fell the oaks, and then they found out, when it was too late, that the saplings' battle was their own, and that in not defending them they fell before the slayer.

After the hail is over. The stormy weather following upon the heels of the primaries has prevented people from observing the blood on the moon, but it is there, Mr. Democrat.

The result in the Second ward Democratic primary was most peculiar. D. J. Doyle worked hard for Burns' reelection and cheered lustily when they were declared elected, yet Doyle was knocked out on the Councilman's fight.

Whatever good grounds may have existed for the re-nomination of Chief Burgess Burns, it cannot be gainsaid that the Democratic party did not have an able candidate in Mr. Betteridge. He was one of the most indefatigable workers in behalf of the public water works and it was a poor reward for such service to not give him even a conference.

The placing of the Polish candidates on their ticket must be a bitter pill to the local Democrats who worked so assiduously last fall to convince Republicans of what an outrage it was for the Republican county convention to put a Poleander on its ticket.

"What's his name—Ko Ko, or Cuckoo, or what is it?" exclaimed Anthony Flynn at the Democratic borough convention the other night, when it was announced that he had been defeated for the nomination for High Constable by Peter Cupko.

There are just about two dozen Democrats in town who would like to be independent candidates in the approaching election, but as Finney and Sebelly are the only two men of the present generation who have made successes in independent candidacies the angry ones hesitate.

There is many a Democratic shade in which the rapping sound of the whirling grind stone can be distinctly heard and when election day arrives many boots will carry knives with blades as sharp as any ever wielded by a Tammany hall chief.

No Oscar didn't cry. But he winked his other eye, And said he'd await you here day. Though he's in a close hull, And don't feel he's had enough, He cheerfully pursues his mucky way, And the band played "Annie Laurie."

Wait for Mackie, wait for Mackie in "Grimes' Cellar Door" company, two hours and a half of amusement, plenty of singing and dancing, the funniest farce comedy on the road. Be sure and see Grimesy-to-Boy, four years with Hoyt's "Bunch of Keys." At Ferguson's theatre on Tuesday evening, January 30th.

All members of Shenandoah Lodge No. 581, I. O. O. F., are requested to meet in their lodge room, Saturday, 27th inst., at 12 o'clock, to attend the funeral of our late brother, Richard Ellis, of Wm. Penn.

At the Theatre. The scenery carried by Rogers O'Keefe for his new play, "The Wicklow Postman," at Ferguson's theatre, Jan. 29th, is of the most elaborate description and was constructed at Harrigan's theatre, New York city, by Mr. Harrigan's master carpenter and painted by that excellent artist, Frank Dodge.

All persons are forbidden to skate or trespass on the dams of the Shenandoah Water Company under penalty of the law. By order of the company. 1-16-1w S. D. Hess, Supt.

Civil Service Examination. A number of our town people are preparing for the civil service examination of applicants for appointments on the local letter carrier and postal clerkship force, which is to be held on February 10th, next.

Fried oysters a specialty at McElheny's 9-12-1f

The Coal Bids. The coal bids advertised for by Controller Seven have been opened. They called for prices on 100 tons of egg coal and 50 tons of chestnut. The bids were: Richard W. H. \$3.35 per ton all through, total, \$330.50. E. Nagle, \$3.14 for egg and \$3.34 for chestnut, total, \$481. Daniel Slattery, \$3.39 egg, \$3.35 chestnut, total, \$497.50. Joseph Marburger, \$3.15 all through, total, \$472.50. W. Slattery, \$3.15 egg, \$3.30 chestnut, total, \$480. W. C. Wilson, \$3.30 all through, total, \$485. Samuel Gibbs, \$3.30 all through, total, \$495. James Gibbs, \$3.20 egg, \$3.09 chestnut, total, \$483.50.

First Ward Ticket. Messrs. John Thurlby, F. C. Reese, John Kendrick, David Rennie, James Major, Alexander Morris and Edward Doherty, the committee of seven appointed to name a Citizens' ticket for the First ward, met at the Kendrick House last night and made the following nominations: Council, Joseph Kopschinski; School Board, John Campbell; Justice of the Peace, M. J. Lawlor; Judge of Election, Michael Graham; Inspector, John Thurlby; Constable, Martin Phalen.

GRAND SOCIAL EVENT.

Second Annual reception of the Columbus Club.

MANY COUPLES PRESENT

People From All Parts of the County and Distant Points Partake in the Festivities and Enjoy a Splendid Banquet—Some of the Guests.

The Columbus Social Club, which is composed of many of the most prominent and influential young men of Shenandoah, held its second annual reception in Robbins' opera house last night under most auspicious circumstances, despite the very disagreeable weather.

There were over sixty couples present, representing prominent families in all parts of the county and many fair representatives of the Quaker City were in attendance. It was a full dress affair and many of the dresses were magnificent. The ladies succeeded so well in vying with each other that it was difficult to decide who was the belle of the ball.

The ball was splendidly decorated for the occasion. From the balcony and walls hung American flags, streamers of brilliant tinting and branches of bright, green spruce and the scenery on the stage was very tastefully arranged. At each end of the footlights was a large spruce tree, from which were suspended over the stage a pretty assortment of flags and bunting, which made an attractive canopy for the orchestra.

The music was furnished by the Kelly orchestra and it compared favorably with the other arrangements of the evening. It was bright, new and refreshing and was the subject of many compliments. This orchestra is gaining an enviable reputation.

The floor managers were those veteran kings of social entertainers, Messrs. F. J. Brennan, John J. Kelly and Harry Bradford. They were equal to all emergencies and never seemed to tire in their efforts to provide enjoyment for their guests.

At midnight a splendid supper was served on the stage, behind the scenes. It was prepared by Caterer Meade Peters, who seemed to excel all his previous efforts in that line and presented a table of luxuries fit for a king and his court.

The festivities continued until nearly four o'clock this morning. Among the out-of-town people present were Miss Lizzie Haley, Maggie McGinty, Nellie Miller, Katie Clark; Marie Garrett and Mary Carley, Mahanoy City; Misses O'Neill, Nash and Rosler, Philadelphia; Misses Lottie Haley, Annie McKeire, Maud O'Brien, Mary Scanlan, Emma Devlin and Marie Lavelle, Girardville; Misses Marie McGinty, Ashland; Mary Munley, Mahanoy Place; Ben Kelly, Brownsville, and Julia Cleary, Wm. Penn; Miss Stanton, Schuylkill Haven; Miss McMunnin, Centre; Miss Collins, Potosi; Misses Burke, Brownsville, and Miss Donagan, Girardville. The gentlemen were Messrs. Michael Mellet, George Garrett, Thomas McGinty, Timothy Bronshtam and A. R. Dougherty, Mahanoy City; Phil Coyne, Tanques; Thomas O'Brien, John Lavelle, George Kress, Joseph Kehue and Thomas McDowell, Girardville; J. Edmund Stanton, Schuylkill Haven; William H. and M. J. Jones, Worcester, Mass.; Patrick Mahony, Gilberton; John Coyne, Ashland; Michael and John Carey, Lost Creek; David Kelly, Ellengowan; and Patrick McBride and Stephen Ryan, Brownsville.

JURORS FOR MARCH. Some of the Citizens Who Have Been Drawn for Duty.

The following are among the jurors were drawn for duty at the Fosterville for March term of court, Grand Jurors—James McLaughlin, miner, Gilberton; M. E. McIntire, Miller, Girardville; John Leutensteger, constable, Thomas G. Thomas, clerk, and Harrison Ball, merchant, Mahanoy City. Petit Jurors—John J. Scanlan, laborer, Samuel Davis, miner, James May, agent, and L. J. Wilkinson, merchant, Shenandoah; Frank O'Boyle, laborer, and John F. Ryan, laborer, Gilberton; John Hoffman, laborer, Hills, Mahanoy township; William Loftus, grocer, James F. Quinn, operator, and William Abraham, miner, Girardville; Thomas Whitaker, merchant, Philip McIntyre, constable, James Brennan, carpenter, and Rolly Weber, grocer, Mahanoy City; Harry L. Evans, merchant, and J. Redman, merchant, Frackville.

The Funeral. The funeral of George Lemberg will take place on Friday morning, at 10:30 o'clock from the residence of Mrs. Kate Bismann, 113 West Centre street. Services in the German Lutheran church. Interment at Tanques. Train will leave Shenandoah at 12:24 p. m.

Arm Crushed. While Henry Becker was coupling cars near the Tunnel Ridge breaker, Mahanoy City, he allowed his arm to be caught between the drawheads. The limb was so badly crushed that amputation will be necessary.

Revival Services. Rev. George Lees, of Tanques, will preach in the Primitive Methodist church to-night and to-morrow night, in connection with the revival services.

EXTRA!

GORBETT IS THE VICTOR

"BUT YOU CAN'T LOSE ME, CHAW."

The Injunction Issued Against the Florida Authorities Holds Good and the Fighters Respond to the Call of Time.

By Telegraph to Herald. JACKSONVILLE, Jan. 24, 3:20 p. m.—The great international fight between James Corbett, of California, and Charles Mitchell, of England, for the championship of the world, \$10,000 a side and a purse of \$20,000, put up by the Duval Athletic Club of Jacksonville, Florida, is now on.

As soon as the injunction restraining Sheriff Broward from interfering with the contest was served the club turned over \$20,000 in cash to stakeholder Kelly and all doubts about the check being cashed, whenupon Corbett and Mitchell prepared for the encounter.

At 1:45 o'clock this afternoon time was called in a ring pitched in the original building prepared for the battle by the club.

Both Corbett and Mitchell stepped into the ring promptly and deafening cheers and applause.

Both men were smiling as they appeared and each assured his admirers before entering the ring that he would win.

Four thousand people are present. They gave the fighters a great ovation.

FIRST ROUND. 4 p. m.—In the first round Corbett landed on Mitchell's chin. Mitchell reached Corbett's neck and ribs. The men clinched and the round ended. Honors even.

MITCHELL DOWNED TWICE. Round 2.—The men were a little wild in opening, but succeeded in exchanging blows, followed by a clinch.

Corbett upper cut Mitchell. Mitchell lands hard on Corbett's ribs and as Mitchell came in Corbett caught him and felled him.

Before this round ended Corbett knocked Mitchell down twice again.

MITCHELL KNOCKED OUT. Round 3.—Mitchell appears groggy. Corbett rushed at his man.

Corbett swings his right and left heavy on Mitchell's neck.

Mitchell went down and took the full time to get up.

As soon as Mitchell regained his feet Corbett went at him like a tiger.

Mitchell goes down again.

Great excitement prevails.

The referee counts ten seconds and declares Mitchell knocked out.

Pandemonium reigns.

Mitchell's face was covered with blood. He was carried to his corner in a helpless condition.

The time of the fight was exactly nine minutes.

It was Corbett's battle.

The animosity between the men may be imagined when it is stated that they did not shake hands at the beginning of the battle, although the referee called upon them to do so.

A. P. A.

GO TO GEORGE MARSHALL. Harry B. Froehner, the popular Mahanoy City merchant, who was formerly a resident of this town, will be married at Shamokin this evening to Miss Lizzie Oberon, daughter of a prominent merchant of the latter place. Among the Shenandoah people who have gone to attend the ceremony are Louis Fudberg, Mrs. Max Sawjowitz and daughter, and Ellis Sawjowitz.

Wedding Invitations. Over 500 of the finest and correct style wedding invitations and cards to select from at the HERALD office. Either printed or engraved. We can discount city prices.

Coming Events. Feb. 5.—Fifth grand ball of the Gymnasium Club in Robbins' opera house.

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4 pounds Raisins, large and clean, 25c.	3 cans Maryland Tomatoes, 25c.
3 " French Prunes, 25c.	4 cans Maryland Corn, 25c.
8 " Currants, 25c.	2 cans Alaska Salmon, 25c.

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