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THE ADVANCE IN WAGES.

ARE THE MINERS BENEFITED BY THE RECENT INCREASE?

A Correspondent Enters Upon a Length Discussion of the Subject and Proves That They Are Not-Good Reasons for the Position He Takes.

That They Are Not-Good Reasons for the Position He Takes. UPTER LEHIGH, November 4, 1892. EDFORT THUEVER.—In these days of monopoly and trusts, when the whole attention of marking is centered on the most scientific method of defrauding and robbing his fellow man, it is worthy of notice that we live in a state in this mag-nificent country where fraud and decep-tion have been practiced on the poor and helpless to such an extent that it is without a parallel in any civilived nation in the world. It would require too much of your valuable space to treat this subject prop-erly, and for that reason we will only take a view of recent events which have transpired in our midst and which con-cern us most, the principle one of which is the latest fraud perpetrated on the laboring man in this region and then generous and charitable, namely, the re-cent advance in wages. Much has been said concerning it, pro-ated on, throughout the region, and, while it is considered a blessing by many, it is not by any means the bene-fit to the laboring men which those who pretend to be so generously inclin-ed, and their supporters, claim it to be. What is known as the Reading com-bine is the point from where this late move originated, and the workmen who imagine that they have not been forgo-ten, and that the combine has been formed for the sole purpose of proteeting them in the future, are not up to the method used nowadays to rob the public and than have it sanctioned by law. The poverty, misery and suffering regions is never taken into consideration by the stock gamblers and railroad swin-diers in their maths to acquire gold, hey stop at nothing. Humanity of every description is trampled beneath ther feet, no matter whether it be orphan or widow, the helpless of friend-less, it is all the same to them, and everything which toomes in their ways must be crushed until their object is attained. Worken who think men of this kind

Not So Much Freedom Allowed. In charging the grand jury last week Judge Rice, after a very clear and plain review of the duties of grand juries, re-ferred to the recent fight between Hun-garians and Italians at Milnesville. He said that the reports of newspapers indicated that there ports of newspapers indicated that there had been a violent disturbance, with the use of deadly weapons, by which some of the partici-pants were fatally and others seriously injured. It was probably a race fued and it may be that those engaged be-lieved, since it was among themselves alone, and since no outsiders were hurt, that it was a matter with which the pub-lic or the court had no legitimate con-cern. Workmen who think men of this kind ould pass sleepless nights for the sole proose of advancing their wages with-it any remuneration to themselves are

purpose of advancing their wages with-out any remuneration to themselves are badly deceived and must surely be the dupes of heresy or the ardent admirers of newspapers controlled by these men of which there are so many. The pretended advance in wages was received with open arms by the miners in this section, and at first it appeared as if the sun of prosperity was about to dawn on the downtrodden workmen of this region. Everybody was pleased, and here and there a cautions work could be heard in praise of the combine.

in this section, and at first it appeared as if the sun of prosperity was about to dawn on the downtrodden workmen of this region. Everybody was pleased, and here and there a cautious word could be heard in praise of the combine. Miners could be seen calculating to what extend it would increase their pay at the end of the month. Merchants wore a pleasant smile and were happy, because it would enable some of their customers to pay up who had become in arrears on their books, and all other men in business were pleased alike, hoping that a stray penny of it might come in their direction. . But it is the same old, old story. The public has been duped again by the crafty tricksters who now control the coal trade and to all thinking men this was to be expected, the only thing lack-sing was a little time to see in what shape it would come. The Reading Company, with all the jugging known in the railroad business could scarcely keep itself afloat, yet it guaranteed to pay the Jersey Central 10 and the Lehigh Yalley 7 yer cent. It was evident from this, that some scheme of villiany was about to be sprung on the public, and as the indi-vidual operators of this region were an important factor, and of no small impor-tance, no matter what their pretentions were, they were not adverse to the scheme. They knew any advance made by the combine at tideware would goal thing when they see it they custer-ation and the combine, for this operators than to the combine, for this disting operators than to the combine, for this disting that the the combine at the seen far more advantageous to the individual operators than to the combine, for this that some

Taking all in all, it has been far more advantageous to the individual operators than to the company store, living in company houses, buying mine supplies, etc., they have been able to beat their employes out of the advance given them, while the combine has scarcely anything to draw the advance back on except the coal it sells.

amounted to about thirty-six cents per week or \$1.44 per month on the average wages paid.

wages paid. Now this looks like an advance, but in reality it is not. To cancel this the company increased the price of coal to their employes fifty cents per ton, and as two tons a month is required for fuel by the average family, it is plain that of the §1.44 advance per month given, the company, by increasing the cost of living, receives §1.00 of it back again. The remaining forty four cents, comes

The remaining forty-four cents comes back to them from the outside men who are obliged to pay \$1.00 more per month for fuel than formerly, and who received

no advance; or in other words, the out-side men have been taxed \$1.00 per month to cover all losses on the advance given the miners. Thus it is that instead of an advance in wages it has been a reduction, if any-thing, caused by increasing the cost of With the Exception of the State Ticket

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On the other hand, let us look in the lirection of the seaboard consumers and emocrats Will Make a Clean from Cleveland to Crockett-On the other hand, let us look in the direction of the scabard consumers and examine the treatment they are receiv-ing since the combine went into effect. The price of coal has been advanced at different times until the consumer pays at least \$1.00 per ton more now than be-fore the new order of things took place. This robbery has been going on unmo-lested since the first advance in the price of coal was made, and last week, at a meeting of the coal sales agents in New York, it was decided the output for this month would be 3,5000,000 tons. The \$1.00 per ton tribute which has been placed on the consumer by this combina-tion of gentle (highway) men will in-crease their wealth for November just \$3,500,000. the De County Candidates Sure Winners.

The outlook for the election of Cleve-land and Stevenson tomorrow is better now than at any period during the cam-paign. Without going into details it is sufficient to say that nothing uncertain was ever more certain than the success of the Democratic national ticket. The solid South will roll up its 159 electoral votes, despite the assaults of the bood-lers in Alabama, Delaware and West Virginia. Connecticut's 6 and New Jersey's 10 votes will be found where they were in

Commerciant's 6 and New Jersey's 10 votes will be found where they were in 1884 and 1888—in the Democratic column, making 175 for Cleveland. Indiana, which was carried for Harrison by 2348, is no longer doubtful. Dudley's blocks-of-five is not in it this year, as the new secret ballot law prevents bribing and intimidation by Republidan manufac-turers. The revolt of Judge Gresham and his followers is alone enough to throw its 15 votes to Grover, sending his total up to 1900. tion of gentle (highway) men will in-crease their wealth for November just \$3,500,000. Certainly, all this does not go to the combine. The individual operators, if they ship 20,000 tons per month, will be that many more dollars wealthier than they would have been had the combine not existed, because the advance they gave their employes they squared it off at home by increasing the cost of living, thus leaving all advances in the price of coal at tidewater clean profit. It is clear, therefore, that this is the most gigantic robbery ever attempted in this cointry. It is also the height of folly to say that the workmen of this section have received any benefit from the recent so-called advance in wages, Their condition is worse. Every day is driving them deeper into poverly and misery, and the men whom we elected two years ago, and who were in this re-gion fawning on the workingmen, when looking for office, are now showing their gratitude by not even entering a word of protest against the insidious methods used at present for robbing the people. Rather they seem to be accomplices.

and his followers is alone enough to throw its 15 votes to Grover, sending his total up to 190. In Michigan, where the electors are chosen by congresional districts, the Democrats claim 8, but the Republicans concede them only 6. Splitting the dif-ference, we can count on 7 in that state, or 197 in all. It requires 223 to be elected president, and for those yet necessary we turn to New York, where we find the Democrati-bound tozether in the most-solid politi-cal organization ever formed in this coun-try. Of the result in the Empire State there is no question. It is simply im-possible for Harrison to carry it by fair means or foul means, and any attempt to win by the latter method would pre-cipitate a revolution. Democrats now are different from what they were in 1876, when they al-lowed Tilden to be cheated out of the presidency. New York's 36 added to 197 makes 233-10 more than is necces-sary.

lowed Tilden to be cheated out of the presidency. New York's 36 added to 197 makes 233-10 more than is neces-sary. The verse allowing that Harrison may get Indiana's 15 and Connecticut's 6, the only two of the above named that he has any possible chance of carrying, he must face the loss which is bound to come through the People's party in the West. Voters here have given but slight attention to Weaver's strength with the larmers and free silver men. Here is how it stands there: In the following states there are no Cleveland electors in the field, or the vote for them will be very small, owing to throw all the vote possible to Weaver: Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana, Colorado, Wyoning, Oregon, Idaho. In Minnesota the Demo-crats have indorsed and will vote for four of the Weaver electors. In several other states such as California and Washington all Democratic votes will be east for Weaver. In Nevada almost the entire vote will be for Weaver; as neither Democrats or Republicans could rake any fight there. Some of these just named may be held in line for Harrison, but with the com-bination of Democratis and Populists against him he is certain to loss some of Island, Illinois, Wisconsin and New Hampshire shaky, and a probability of their votes going for Cleveland, he is only sure of the 75 clevtoral votes of Iowa, Maine, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Vermont, and 7 in Michigan, 35 in all. Conceding that Indiana and Connecti-cut are doubtful it would look this way: Cleveland, 212; Harrison, 85; doubtful between Weaver and Harrison, 67; doubtful between Cleveland and Harrison, 67; doubtful between Cl lic or the court had no legitimate con-cern. This, the judge said, was erroneous. This is a free country. These people are free to come here, but they are not free to take the law into their own hands and thus wreak their private vengeances upon each other. He said the grand jury should inquire carefully into this matter, if it be presented to them, and return true bills against those who are found to have participated, even though there be no private prosecutor in the case.

The Festive Sticker. An idea evidently prevails among many persons who have not seen the re-vised form of ballot that stickers can be used on the ballot to paste over any name printed thereon. This is wrong. None of the officially printed names can be erased, crossed out or pasted over. Stickers may be used, but they can be legally placed only in the blank spaces in the fourth column of the ballot left for that purpose, and not over another name. In these blank spaces the voter may insert any name he pleases either by means of a sticker or by writing or stamping.

The state ticket has no chance of being elected, but every Democrat should vote for the candidates in order to keep down the majority so that we will have an op-portunity to make a strong and hopefal fight next time.

Prominent Wilkes-Barrean Dead Manus McGinty, a well-knowm resi-dent of Wilkes-Barre, died of bronchitis in that city on Thursday after a short illness, He was formerly a resident of Summit Hill, Eckley and Buck Moun-tain, and kept holel at the latter place of a number of years. The deceased was an uncle of John S. McGroarty, county treasurer, and had a number of relatives in this region, where he is highly spoken of by all who were acquainted with him. The futurent took place on Saturday morning, interment being made in the Laurytown cemetery.

Prominent Wilkes-Barrean Dead

The sonatorial contest between Kline and Wright will result in a majority of over 2000 for the latter. The people know there are enough corporation law-yers in the legislature without sending one from this district, and the new county scheme of Kline's, which was uncovered, will cost him hundreds of Republican votes between Freeland and Pittston. company houses, buying mine supplies, etc., they have been able to beat their mployes out of the advance given them, while the combine has searcely anything to draw the advance back on except the coal it sells. The supposition is that every person working in and about the mines had at most of the collieries in this section, it has been confined exclusively to the miners and laborers. Under the present condition of the present. Vote Against Kline. Republican votes between recame any priston. The county chairman and secretary, in a conversation at Wilkes-Barre on Saturday with a TREUNE representative, said they were willing to stake their reputation as prophets on the election of the entire county ticket. A desperate fight is being made against Hines, and it is learned from a reliable source that Foster's boodle is already in this region.

This advance is only a fraud; it is no advance at all, and those who depend on the generosity of the individual operators will sconer or later, to their sorrow, find them to be about as conscienceless the development of the generosity of the individual operators will sconer or later, to their sorrow, find them to be about as conscienceless the development of the generosity of the development o nis region. The Democrats of Drifton are es The Democrats of Drifton are especially warned against allowing any intimidation from certain men who stand high at present in the party ranks. Voters who are unable to prepare their ballots should not place themselves under control of men who were untrue in the last congressional fight. Hines will be elected, but don't let it be said that less than a half-dozen traitors who live in the neighborhood of Freeland had the power to make voters cut him.

PLEASURE CALENDAR.

November 7-"Underground," comedy drama, at Freeland opera house. Ad-

drama, 1 — thereground," comedy drama, 35 and 50 cents. November 12-Ball of Young Men's Slavonian band, at Molinky's hall. Admission, 50 cents. November 18-First annual ball of Free-land Company, No. 29, Military Rank, Knights of the Mystic Chain, at Free-opera house. Admission, 50 cents. November 23-Third annual ball of the Progressive Literary Club, of Jeddo, at Freeland opera house. Ad-mission, 50 cents.

could neither read or write, is a bare faced falsehood. Mr. Walters is one of the best-educated farmers in the county. Another rumor stated that he was to be cut by a well-known social organiza-tion of town. That report, however, was traced to its source immediately by the members, and was found to be with-out any foundation whatever, although it had been used extensively by prenss who wished to frighten the candidate The organization whose name was used is not in politics, and its members are free to vote for whom they chooso. Exception of the State Ticke

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Perhaps the fight most interesting to lower enders is that of Phil Boyle against Michael Russell for recorder. Boyle is making extraordinary efforts to poll a large vote in this section, but as yet he has failed to give any reason why Democrats should desert their candidate and vote for him. Russell is a man of principle. He showed it when he lost a good position by refusing to scab in the strike of 1877, and he showed it again when he refused to enter into an agreement with Boyle to make his own election certain if he would promise the chief deputyship to Boyle.

would promise the chief deputyship to Boyle. One Republican paper denied this for Boyle, but the dates and place of con-versation were promptly produced by Russell, who, on Friday, repeated the terms of the agreement, and says he has proof that the offer was made. Trimmer for coroner and Crockett for surveyor will be carried into office with the tide of victory, and both are men who deserve to be supported and elected.

Sold by Dr. Schilcher.

who deserve to be supported and elected. The contest for the legislature between Reilly and Jeffrey is the most doubtful of all. The district, being Democratic, will probably go for the former on ac-count of the number who will vote straight, but Jeffrey's popularity and the strong fight being made by his friends is liable to upset all calculations. Between the two candidates the Truey & has made no choice in the campaign. One has been charged with intending to vote for Quay for United States senator, and has not denied it. The other is re-garded as a friend of the new county movement, and has said nothing to alter such opinion. The voters of this side will, no doubt, choose whichever they consider the lesser of the two evils. the mines.

John Brown Dead.

John Brown Dead. On Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, John Brown, a well-known and respect-ed resident, died at his home on Centre street, Five Points, after an illness of about three weeks. He was born at Longh Salt, near Dunglow, County Donegal, Ireland, sev-enty-one years ago, and came to America in 1848.

in 1848. He began work here as a railroader, and followed it for five or six years, dur-ing which time he assisted in building the Catawissa Railroad from Tamaqua to Lofty.

Lofty, In 1854 Mr. Brown took up peddling, and continued in this business until 1862, when he opened a hotel at Allentown, and for several years conducted a suc-cessful business. After the war he cast his lot with the people of this section, and was employ-ing the section of the section o

people of this section, and was employ-ed as foreman in Con. D. Herron's cloth-ing store at Walnut and Washington streets until the latter went out of business business. For several years after this he kept a saloon and did a thriving trade until he retired and transferred the business to Francis Brennan, the husband of his poice

Francis Brennan, the husband of his neice. He has since lived in private, and was khown throughout the Lehigh region as being upright and honest in his dealings, of a kind and generous disposition, and a good citizen in every respect. In politics he was a staunch Democrat, and was the candidate of his party for director of the Middle Coal Field Poor District in 1881. He was also an ardent admirer of base ball, and the clubs of town had no more earnest friend than Mr. Brown. The deceased leaves a sister and three brothers, one of whom is in Ireland, to mourn his loss. The funeral takes place to-morrow at 7 A. M. Solemn requien mass will be read at St. Ann's church at so 'clock, after which the remains will be conveyed on the 9.45 train to Allen-town, where the interment will take place.

Building a Parsonage.

Building a Parsonage. The congregation of Trinity M. E. church has made arrangement to crect a handsome parsonage for its pastor at Washington and Chestnut streets, and work upon the foundation was com-menced on Friday. The dimensions of the building will be 22:40 feet. If the weather continues favorable it will be completed between now and next spring. It is also the intention of the congrega-tion to build a church at the same place, opposite St, John's Reformed, but this will not be done until some future time. The present church building on Birkbeck street, South Heberton, is too small for the increasing demands of the members of the congregation, and it is not con-veniently situated. These disadvantages will be overcome in a short while, and the Methodists expect to be soon able to erect a fine building next to the proposed parsonage. Realistic Mine Scenes.

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Realistic Mine Scenes.The Lansford Record said on Saturday:D. L. Hart's play of "Underground"was produced in the Lansford operahouse Thursnay evening to the largestaudience of the season, and gave excellent satisfaction, which proves thathent satisfaction, which proves thatmechanical and scenic effects were correct.a Any exaggerated scenes would nottake in a mining town, but so true weretake in a mining town, but so true werethe gangray and shaft scenes that oldminers could not help applanding.The east is No. 1, and all acquittedthemselves well. Mr. Hart is to be com-graulated upon the success of "Under-graulated upon the success of "Under-ground." A return date would pack thecould not help success of "Under-grane.ground." A return date would pack thecould not help success of "Under-grantaltated upon the success of "Under-grantaltated upo cut him. For sheriff Walters is away ahead of his opponent, Evans. There is a doubt of his election, and he is entitled to every Democratic vote. He is a life-long Democrat, a veteran of the war, and a man who is competent in every respect to fill the office for which he is a candidate. The reports put in circulation by his opponents, one of which was that he



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