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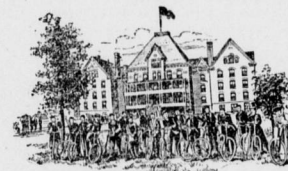
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Then a thought struck him. His face brightened, like a Cripple Creek conflagration. Rapidly running over his supply of collars, which had just come from the laundry, he selected one fitted to his purpose.
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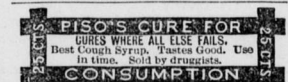
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STRIKE IS ON A BALANCE

Powder Question May Postpone Settlement.

Operators Insist on Its Reduction Being Considered a Part of the 10 Per Cent Increase to Miners.

Just as the miners, business people and the public in general were congratulating themselves that the end of the strike is in sight, the operators have seen fit to disturb the prospects of settlement and another convention of the mine workers may have to be called before the struggle is over. This possibility developed yesterday, when representatives of all the big operators of the Lackawanna and Wyoming valleys met in Scranton and decided to insist that a decrease in the price of powder be computed as part of the increase in wages to miners.

President Nichols, of District No. 1, which includes the upper end sections, on learning of the decision of the operators, gave it as his opinion that this new complication would serve to prolong the fight and that, to his mind, the settlement could only be accomplished after another convention of the miners. He declares that the resolutions of the Scranton convention contemplated a straight advance for all workers in the entire anthracite region and that any modification or the introduction of side issues will never be accepted. President Mitchell, too, is said to concur in this opinion.

WEDNESDAY'S CONFERENCE.

Wednesday's conference of coal carrying railroad officials and individual operators in Philadelphia resulted in an agreement to submit to the demands of the miners' convention held in Scranton. The result of the conference was made known shortly after the adjournment on Wednesday afternoon by the posting of the following notice by the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company:

"The Philadelphia and Reading Coal Company hereby withdraws the notice posted October 3, 1900, and, to bring about practical uniformity in the advance of wages in the several coal regions, gives notice that it will suspend the operation of the sliding scale, will pay 10 per cent advance on September wages till April 1, 1901, and thereafter until further notice, and will take up with its mine employes any grievances which they may have."

Similar notices were sent out by the Lehigh Valley Company to its collieries in the Schuylkill region, while in line with this action Calvin Pardee & Co., operators of the Harwood and Latting collieries, sent out the following notice: "We hereby withdraw our offer of October 6, 1900, and make the following announcement to our mine employes: "The sliding scale under which we have been working is hereby suspended, and we will adjust the rates of wages so as to pay to our mine employes from October 1, 1900, to April 1, 1901, and thereafter until further notice, a net increase of 10 per cent on the wages paid for September, 1900."

"Note.—It is understood in the foregoing that powder will be sold to miners for \$1.50 per keg, and that the difference between this rate and the old rate of \$2.75 shall be taken into account in figuring the net advance of 10 per cent noted above for this class of labor."

THE POWDER QUESTION.

In the note that is tacked on to the end of the above notice may lie the snag that will prevent immediate resumption of work. The miners desire the question of the price of powder to be considered separately from the advance of wages. This desire has not been met by those operators who have been charging the high price for powder.

The Reading collieries did not have to take the powder question into consideration. The corporation operates its mines within the strict limits of the law of Pennsylvania. It pays semi-monthly wages and runs no company stores. Its miners can buy their powder when and where they please and at the prevailing market price.

In the Lehigh region the only operators posting the new notices are the following: Lehigh Valley Company, A. Pardee & Co., Calvin Pardee & Co. and VanWickle & Co.

THE SLIDING SCALE.

To the miners of the Lehigh and Schuylkill regions the operations of the sliding scale have been unsatisfactory for years past. It is a wage scale based

entirely on the market price of coal. With the Reading's miners when coal brings \$2.50 at Port Carbon miners are paid a fixed wage. For every 3 cents below, 1 per cent is deducted from that rate. For every 3 cents a ton above, 1 per cent is added. Five collieries are drawn monthly to fix the average price of coal, and with that average the percentage is adjusted. Prior to 1875, from 1872, when the sliding scale was first introduced, the mine workers had a representative upon the board to draw the collieries.

After a six months' strike in 1875 the miners' association went to the wall, and consequently no one to represent them has been sent when the monthly drawings took place. Hence the sliding scale became very unpopular with the miners. At present the wages in the Schuylkill region are 6 per cent above the basis. Sometimes the percentage has been below the basis—as much as 12 to 16 per cent.

In the Lehigh region there is no uniformity, each operator basing wages on a scale of his own choice. The scale here was originally based upon figures chosen when coal sold at \$5 a ton on the New York Lehigh Coal Exchange. For some years, however, all semblance of adhering to the agreed standard has disappeared at most of the collieries, and on several occasions the wages of Lehigh region miners have not been increased even when coal went up 50 cents a ton. A decrease in the price of coal was, however, quickly followed by a decrease in wages.

Furthermore, many of the operators are cheating the miners by steadily increasing the size of the mine cars without any increase in the car price, and unless this petty thieving comes to a halt the practice will soon prove as great a grievance as the sliding scale was.

WILL PARADE ON MONDAY.

The United Mine Workers are arranging for a parade to be held in Hazleton on Monday. Several bands have been engaged and the demonstration gives promise of being a big one.

The parade will start at 1 o'clock, and after traversing all the principal streets of the city will proceed to the old base ball park where a mass meeting will be addressed by President Mitchell and other leaders.

STRIKE COMMENTS.

Views of the Leading Newspapers on the Mine Workers' Victory.

That the strikers have won a victory is admitted secretly by the operators themselves. It was the men who asked an advance, not the operators who offered one. The men, of course, do not get all they demanded in their original petition. They did not frame that petition in the notion that they would. But they do get an increase of wages and a concession in the matter of powder which entitles them to claim a victory so far as general results go.

The sliding scale, that long-time bone of contention, will cease to exist. The miner and laborer will hereafter hire out for a fixed consideration as men in other vocations do. They will know the rate, in the Schuylkill region at least, before they hire, and the miners of the other regions may profit by the example of their Schuylkill brethren.

Two things should be said by the impartial critic of this question—the first, that the men have won. What they will do after the victory time alone can tell, but they have won. The other is that the operators have shown the best of judgment in granting the strikers' reasonable demands, if for no other reason than that public sympathy was with the men. The men had a right to strike. The operators had a right to run their mines. But the men proved the stronger, and they proved their strength within the limits of the law.

Considered simply as a demonstration of the power of labor, it was a splendid exhibit. President Mitchell has proved himself a leader of force, intelligence and capacity. Nothing more is to be said except to compliment a commonwealth in which nearly one hundred and fifty thousand men of varying nationality were idle for so long a period without any actual necessity for the presence of the troops. The state administration is not responsible for the call of the various sheriffs.—Phila. Inquirer.

A CAUSE WELL WON.

The anthracite coal miners have won a satisfying victory, and they have won it by deserving it. The strike has been most creditably conducted, but not even good generalship would have availed to enforce demands that were not just. The miners had public sympathy on their side, and they scrupulously abstained from any action that would forfeit it. The justice of their cause, the wise judgment of their leaders and their own good conduct thus combined to command

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OAKDALE CLOSED.

Two Thousand Men Appeared in the Town Early This Morning.

Shortly before 5 o'clock this morning the people of Oakdale, where Markie & Co.'s No. 4 colliery has been working, were visited by 1,200 strikers. The men came from McAdoo, Hazleton, Yorktown, Jeannette and Harwood, and their presence in the village was so unexpected that even the deputies were not prepared to offer them a welcome.

Led by "Mother" Jones, the marchers entered the town, woke up the miners and requested them to abstain from work until the strike is over. It is needless to state that the request was obeyed unanimously.

A few minutes later the Freeland, Upper Lehigh, Drifton, Eckley and Highland delegations, numbering over 800 men, appeared, and the army of 2,000 joined forces.

The colliery was guarded by eight deputies. They took refuge in the supply store, and remained there until 7 o'clock, when Sheriff Harvey arrived.

John Markie, accompanied by General Superintendent W. H. Smith, appeared on the scene at 6 o'clock. Mr. Markie and "Mother" Jones entertained the crowd alternately for some time, and altogether a jolly morning was spent by those who were there.

A few Hazleton men employed at the colliery arrived on a trolley car. They were asked to return home by the strikers, and all but two readily consented. These two got into an altercation with some of the marchers, and, it is said, they were roughly handled. Otherwise, there was no disturbance, and, satisfied that the colliery would not work today, the strikers dispersed.

Died Yesterday.

John Hess, one of the earliest settlers at South Heberton, died yesterday. He had been a sufferer for many years from miners' asthma and stomach trouble. Mr. Hess is survived by a wife and five sons and daughters, as follows: John Hess and Mrs. James Scheidy, Upper Lehigh; Mrs. Henry Stuntz, Henry Hess and Miss Lizzie Hess, Freeland. The funeral will take place on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment in Freeland cemetery.

An infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Jones died at their home on the Hill yesterday.

A year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Mauch died at Upper Lehigh yesterday.

Accused of Murder.

Eleven men have been arrested at Oneida, charged with the murder of Ralph Mills, in the riot at that place on October 10. They were committed to jail to await trial. The names of the men are Stephen Gregoski, George Tomshick, Thomas Harkur, Mike Callahan, Frank Arch, Jacob Keimeyer, John Hoffer, Bertie Horilla, Charles Bovitch, Jacob Feger and Steven Turock. The prisoners were all found at their homes, and no resistance was made when the warrants were served on them.

Broke a Large Window.

John Paysar, of town, while intoxicated last evening, went into August Kellert's saloon on East Main street and wanted a drink, which Mr. Kellert refused to give him. He then walked outside, picked up two large stones and smashed one of the saloon's plate glass windows, 60x91 inches, valued at \$65. Paysar was arrested and given a hearing last evening before Squire Buckley. In default of paying the damages and costs he was committed, and Constable Fletcher took him in hand.

Oyster House Robbed.

The oyster house of Captain Labor Winter on Front street was entered at an early hour this morning. The burglars pried open the shutters on the western side of the building, took out half the window and stole a crock containing 500 opened oysters. They also took salt and pepper boxes, bottles of vinegar and several small articles.

Drawn as Jurors.

The following citizens of this vicinity have been drawn to serve as jurors in the November sessions of criminal court: November 12.—Abram Garis, Foster; Fred Reifenberg, Butler; Warren Reinbold, Hazle.

November 19.—Thomas A. Buckley, Henry Yeager, Edward Tuttle, Freeland.

Soldier's Death Confirmed.

William E. Thomas, of Nanticoke, has received news from Washington confirming the reported death of his son, Arthur, in the Philippines. He was killed while on picket duty. Mr. Thomas had not heard from his son in over a year and becoming alarmed sent to Washington for information.

LOCAL NOTES WRITTEN UP

Short Items of Interest to All Readers.

Happenings of the Past Two Days in and Around Freeland Recorded With- out Waste of Words.

Dauphin county court has decided that there was no Democratic county convention held in Luzerne this year, therefore neither faction of that party will be permitted to use the Democratic column of the official ballot. In the Fifth legislative district M. J. Tighe has been declared the regular nominee and in the Sixth district Peter McCormack.

Mrs. Catherine Wagner, widow of the late Jacob Wagner, died at Hazleton on Wednesday. The funeral took place this afternoon and was attended by several friends from this vicinity. The deceased was the mother of Mrs. Samuel Herring, of Upper Lehigh.

Gentlemen, for hats and caps go to A Oswald's. He has a nice variety.

G. L. Fay, president of the Personal Christian Workers Association, will preach in the old M. E. church, Birkbeck street, at 10.30 a. m. on Sunday. Sunday school at 9.30 a. m. Everybody is invited.

Smoke and chew Kendall, Crock & Co.'s XXXX union-made. Mfd by the Crock Tobacco Co., Scranton, Pa.

An unknown man was shot and killed early Wednesday morning by Postmaster Hughes, of Cambria, near Shick-shinny, while in the act of robbing the postoffice.

On account of the teachers attending county institute next week the public school pupils will enjoy a vacation until the 29th inst.

No other pills can equal DeWitt's Little Early Risers for promptness, certainty and efficiency. Grover's City drug store.

Hoyt L. Canary's lecture on the "Man About Town" at the Grand opera house last evening was well received by a fair-sized audience.

This is the season when mothers are alarmed on account of croup. It is quickly cured by One Minute Cough Cure, which children like to take. Grover's City drug store.

A Long Distance telephone has been placed in the office of the Salmon Iron Works.

Owen McGlynn, of Wilkesbarre, who is known to many people here, being a member of the architect firm of Davey & McGlynn, was married on Wednesday to Miss Lizzie McDermott, of White Haven.

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A daughter has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Adam Sachs on Front street.

The employes of Jeddo, Highland, Oakdale, Sandy Run, Pond Creek, Upper Lehigh and Hazle Brook collieries will receive their September wages tomorrow.

Torturing skin eruptions, burns and sores are soothed at once and promptly healed by applying DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the best known cure for piles. Beware of worthless counterfeits. Grover's City drug store.

John Price, the well known tenor singer of town, took part in a church entertainment at Hazleton Wednesday evening and received great applause for his fine rendition of "Star of Bethlehem."

PERSONAL.

T. W. Donmoyer, of Tremont, Schuylkill county, is spending a few days as the guest of his son, W. R. Donmoyer, of Front street. Mr. Donmoyer made the entire trip by wheel.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Peeler have returned to Philadelphia, where Mr. Peeler will resume his studies at the University of Pennsylvania.
Hugh McMenamin, John Gallagher and Joseph Ferry are viewing the sights in New York city.

Miss Edna Wilmot, of Upper Lehigh, has returned from a visit to friends in the Lehigh valley.

Rev. and Mrs. A. R. King, of White Haven, were the guests of W. R. Donmoyer and family a few days this week.

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