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Many Firemen May Strike.

The crisis in the troubles of stationary firemen in the Wyoming and Lackawanna regions will come on July 15, when a refusal of the demands of the men may cause a general strike. The firemen demand an eight-hour day, without a decrease in wages. At their state convention a few weeks ago it was decided to go out in the event of the officials of the coal producing companies, railroads and mills refusing to consider their grievances. As yet there has been no answer received from either the coal corporations of the anthracite region or from the other sections of the state. Labor leaders say that a strike will practically tie up the entire anthracite region. Coal companies would be unable to fill the places of the striking firemen, and, without proper attention, the mines would soon be flooded and the result be disastrous.

Included in the purchase is the coal in the Twin shaft, the scene of the disaster of 1896. The bodies of fifty-eight victims are still encased, the superstitious miners refusing to enter that section of the workings. The new purchasers, however, intend to open up the gangway and secure the coal.

Pan-American Exposition.
Low fares via the Lehigh Valley Railroad to the Pan-American Exposition. Five-day tickets, good only in day coaches, will be sold on Tuesdays and Saturdays, May 1 to October 31, from Freeland at the rate of \$7 for the round trip.
Ten-day tickets will be sold from Freeland every day, May 1 to October 31, good on any train, except the Black Diamond express, at the rate of \$10 for the round trip.

"I wish to truthfully state to you and the readers of these few lines that your Kodol Dyspepsia Cure is without question, the best and only cure for dyspepsia that I have ever come in contact with and I have used many other preparations." John Beam, West Middlesex, Pa. No preparation equals Kodol Dyspepsia Cure as it contains all the natural digestants. It will digest all kinds of food and can't help but do you good. Grover's City drug store.

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A bad complexion generally results from inactive liver and bowels. In all such cases, DeWitt's Early Risers produce gratifying results. Grover's City drug store.

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It artificially digests the food and aids Nature in strengthening and reconstructing the exhausted digestive organs. It is the latest discovered digestant and tonic. No other preparation can approach it in efficiency. It instantly relieves and permanently cures Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Heartburn, Flatulence, Sour Stomach, Nausea, Sick Headache, Gastralgia, Cramps and all other results of imperfect digestion. Price 50c. and \$1. Large size contains 2½ times small size. Book all about dyspepsia mailed free. Prepared by E. C. DeWitt & Co., Chicago.
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A PLEASING EXCEPTION.

A Firm Institutes a Nine Hour Day Before It Is Requested.

[Special Correspondence.]
The L. S. Starrett company of Athol, Mass., seem to have got ahead of their employees in the knowledge of economics and surprised them April 21 with the following circular:

"The present agitation for a reduction in hours of labor, of which you have of course read in the papers, has not been passed over without attention by us. In fact, we have been giving the matter serious and careful consideration for a number of months. This matter has been taken up by us not on account of any demand from our employees, for we have received none; moreover, we have not received even a request from you in regard to the matter, nor has any employee mentioned the subject to us in any way whatever, but because we believe that reducing the number of work hours per day from ten to nine will be beneficial to workmen in general, and nowhere should it be more so than with intelligent and progressive employees such as ours are."

Stephen Blackpool said long ago that things were "a' in a muddle" to him. But he intimated that it was the business of the fortunate one to look up the cause and cure of evil, because they have the time.
We are glad to see a firm demand shorter hours and get what it wants right away. It may be a little irregular and an unorthodox way of proceeding, but it is the quickest way and hence ought to be the American way. The circumlocution office, with its "how not to do it," is a foreign importation.

The employees of the Starrett company celebrated with a big procession such as Athol never saw before. Transparencies gave information to this effect: "Some workmen have to strike, but the L. S. S. strikes us all right."

It should never be forgotten, however, that the unions, descended from the old labor guilds, hated, misunderstood, outlawed through dark ages, have kept alive something of the ideal. But for the struggles of united workmen in the past conditions would have remained so undemocratic as to be incapable of improvement. As the more fortunate workmen owe everything which makes life worth living to the struggles of the past, do not they also owe something to their less fortunate brothers?

ELLA ORMSBY.
New Salem, Mass.

OLD AGE PENSIONS.

Another Step of the Civilization That Creeps Along Slowly.

In Germany a system of pensions for old workmen is in practical operation. In France the system is discussed by the legislators, and it will undoubtedly be adopted. The idea is to compel every workman to pay 1 or 2 cents per day, according to his wages, the employer and the state each contributing the same amount. This amount will be invested and kept as a fund for the payment of pensions to workmen more than 65 years of age, their pension being proportioned to the number of days of labor during which they have contributed to the fund.

It is really pathetic to learn that this feeble attempt to meet the problem of poverty stricken old age is opposed as socialistic even in France, where smug plutocracy has received so many hard knocks.

The assessment of a few cents per day on very small wages and a very small pension, just enough to buy bread, at the age of 65 is certainly not a deliriously cheerful outlook for the pampered workman.

But even the admission that something ought to be done to protect the old age of a man who has worked hard for 50 years is a step forward. Here and there governments are gradually feeling that they ought to do for their old workmen what the average kind hearted man will do for his old horse, give him a chance to die peacefully on a slim diet.

This attempt to organize pensions for old workmen is one of the little wriggings of society. It is one in a million of the millions of efforts which are destined ultimately to bring about society decently organized.

In time the destiny of the workman will be very different from that just now discussed by those who advocate a small pension for men who are about to die, worn out with hard work. When a few more centuries shall have rolled around, all men will be workmen, and all work will be honored and attractive.

Men will do their work willingly and cheerfully and thoroughly, because they will take an interest in it and because they will work under pleasant conditions.

They will be well provided for while they are working and perfectly provided for when their working days are done.

The class which accumulates and absorbs what it does not need and delights in grinding the unfortunate will have disappeared.
We shall then have reached the beginning of genuine civilization.—New York Evening Journal.

Agreement With 45,000 Molders.
The annual agreement between the iron molders and their associated employers has been renewed for another year. The agreement throughout the United States affecting 45,000 molders has been signed between the Iron Molders' Union of North America and the National Foundrymen's association.

The Union Won.
After a fight lasting 15 months the Morley Bros. Saddlery company of New York and the Brotherhood of Leather Workers have settled their differences to the satisfaction, it is said, of all concerned. Union men will be employed and the recognized scale of wages paid.

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The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.

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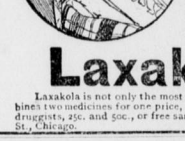
It is a dangerous thing to give little babies violent cathartics that rack and rend their little bodies. DON'T DO IT—give them Laxakola. For constipation, coated tongue, simple colds and fevers it is invaluable.



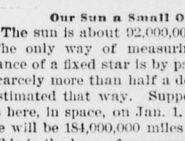
Laxakola for Young Girls.—On the threshold of womanhood, has been found invaluable. When they become pale and languid, the eyes dull, aching head, feet and hands cold, appetite gone or abnormal, and their systems generally run down, they need building up, and their blood needs cleansing. Give them Laxakola, its gentle bowel action to cleanse and its tonic properties to build up the system, will show immediate and most beneficial results.



Laxakola for Mothers.—It is particularly valuable and useful to women, especially mothers, as it is a gentle and safe remedy to use during all conditions of health whenever their peculiar and delicate constitutions require a mild and efficient laxative and tonic, while to nursing mothers, worn out with the care of infants and whose systems therefore are particularly susceptible to disease Laxakola particularly appeals.



It clears the complexion, brightens the eye, sharpens the appetite, removes muddy and blotched condition of the skin and cures sick headache to a certainty by removing the cause. To women suffering from chronic constipation, headaches, biliousness, dizziness, sallowness of the skin and dyspepsia, Laxakola will invariably bring relief.



Laxakola for Old Folks.—In the Autumn and Winter of Life, when the various organs through long years of action have become more or less sluggish, it becomes necessary to stimulate them by some remedy best adapted to that purpose. That Laxakola is such, has been proved beyond all question. Its gentle warming, soothing action on the bowels, liver and kidneys, stimulates them to increased activity, cleanses the blood, quickens the circulation, and puts the whole system in a condition of health and enables it to ward off disease, while its tonic properties tone up the system and keep it healthy.

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Our Sun a Small One.
The sun is about 92,000,000 miles off. The only way of measuring the distance of a fixed star is by parallax, and scarcely more than half a dozen can be estimated that way. Suppose the sun is here, in space, on Jan. 1. On July 1 he will be 184,000,000 miles over there. This is the base of measurement. The observer who wants to estimate the distance of, say, the star A Centauri notes its position with regard to the next star. In six months he notes again, and if they are separated by a different distance a so called parallax is established, and some calculation can be made of the distance of the nearest one. In the most favorable cases this parallax is extremely slight.

What is the sun made of? The lines of the spectrum give an idea of his chemical properties, but beyond that all is hypothesis. His substance, as a whole, is of much lighter material than the earth, but yet there may be a hard and heavy fiery pudding inside, for there is a light and thick outer coating, named the photosphere. Outside this, refining away to an unknown distance, is the chromosphere, of hot air, so to speak. The spots are rifts through the photosphere, coming and going, and some are so large that our whole earth could be shot right through, with a thousand miles to spare all around.

When a total eclipse covers the sun, flames to the height of thousands of miles are seen out of the photosphere. The sun is a hundred times larger than the earth, an easy thing to say, and yet our sun is believed to be a rather small one. For instance, Sirius is at least nine times as big.—Imperial.

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RAILROAD TIMETABLES
LEHIGH VALLEY RAILROAD.
June 2, 1901.
ARRANGEMENT OF PASSENGER TRAINS.
LEAVE FREELAND.

6 12 a m	for Weatherly, Mauch Chunk, Allentown, Bethlehem, Easton, Philadelphia and New York.
7 34 a m	for Sandy Run, White Haven, Wilkes-Barre, Pittston and Scranton.
8 15 a m	for Hazleton, Weatherly, Mauch Chunk, Allentown, Bethlehem, Easton, Philadelphia, New York, Delano and Pottsville.
9 30 a m	for Hazleton, Delano, Mahanoy City, Shandwich and St. Carmel.
11 42 a m	for Weatherly, Mauch Chunk, Allentown, Bethlehem, Easton, Philadelphia, New York, Hazleton, Delano, Mahanoy City, Shandwich and St. Carmel.
11 5 a m	for White Haven, Wilkes-Barre, Scranton and the West.
4 44 p m	for Weatherly, Mauch Chunk, Allentown, Bethlehem, Easton, Philadelphia, New York, Hazleton, Delano, Mahanoy City, Shandwich, Mt. Carmel and Pottsville.
6 35 p m	for Sandy Run, White Haven, Wilkes-Barre, Scranton and all points West.
7 29 p m	for Hazleton.

ARRIVE AT FREELAND.

7 34 a m	from Pottsville, Delano and Hazleton.
9 12 a m	from New York, Philadelphia, Easton, Bethlehem, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, Weatherly, Hazleton, Mahanoy City, Shandwich and St. Carmel.
9 30 a m	from Scranton, Wilkes-Barre and White Haven.
11 51 a m	from Pottsville, Mt. Carmel, Shandwich, Mahanoy City, Delano and Hazleton.
12 48 p m	from New York, Philadelphia, Easton, Bethlehem, Allentown, Mauch Chunk and Weatherly.
4 44 p m	from Scranton, Wilkes-Barre and White Haven.
6 35 p m	from New York, Philadelphia, Easton, Bethlehem, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, Weatherly, Mt. Carmel, Shandwich, Mahanoy City, Delano and Hazleton.
7 29 p m	from Scranton, Wilkes-Barre and White Haven.

For further information inquire of Ticket Agents.
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THE DELAWARE, SUSQUEHANNA AND SCHUYLKILL RAILROAD.
Time table in effect March 10, 1901.
Trains leave Drifton for Jeddo, Eckley, Hazle Brook, Stockton, Beaver Meadow Road, Roon and Hazleton Junction at 6 00 a m, daily except Sunday; and 7 07 a m, 2 38 p m, Sunday.
Trains leave Drifton for Harwood, Cranberry, Tomhicken and Drifter at 6 00 a m, daily except Sunday; and 7 07 a m, 2 38 p m, Sunday.
Trains leave Drifton for Onedia Junction, Harwood Road, Humboldt Road, Onedia and Shepton at 6 00 a m, daily except Sunday; and 7 07 a m, 2 38 p m, 8 11 a m, 3 11 p m, Sunday.
Trains leave Drifter for Tomhicken, Cranberry, Harwood, Hazleton Junction and Roon at 5 00 p m, daily except Sunday; and 3 37 a m, 6 07 p m, Sunday.
Trains leave Shepton for Onedia, Humboldt Road, Harwood Road, Onedia Junction, Hazleton Junction and Roon at 7 11 a m, 12 40, 5 38 p m, daily except Sunday; and 8 11 a m, 3 44 p m, Sunday.
Trains leave Shepton for Beaver Meadow Road, Stockton, Hazle Brook, Eckley, Jeddo and Drifton at 5 40 p m, daily, except Sunday; and 10 10 a m, 5 40 p m, Sunday.
All trains connect at Hazleton Junction with electric cars for Hazleton, Jeannsville, Audenried and other points on the Traction Company's line.
Train leaving Drifton at 6 00 a m makes connections at Drifter with P. R. R. trains for Wilkes-Barre, Susabury, Harrisburg and points west.
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