

GAVE OFFICIALS STOCK. SAYS RATES IMPROVED.

Coal Man Tells of Relations with P. R. R.—Favoritism Shown.

Philadelphia, May 16.—Revelations of an unusual character were made to-day in the investigation of the Interstate Commerce Commission into the alleged discrimination by railroad companies in the distribution of coal to coal companies in the bituminous region. Three prominent witnesses were heard—George W. Creighton, general superintendent of the Pennsylvania division of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company; Robert K. Cassatt, son of President Cassatt of the Pennsylvania Railroad and Eastern manager of the Keystone Coal and Coke Company; and John M. Jamison, of Greensburg, Penn., president of the Jamison Coal and Coke Company.

Mr. Creighton said that he held stock in several coal companies and that the stock had been presented to him. Mr. Jamison testified that his company had given Pennsylvania Railroad officials stock in his company with the object of obtaining better treatment and facilities from the corporation. He also said that Robert Pitcairn, now assistant to President Cassatt, had declined a proffer of stock, saying that he preferred the money. Mr. Jamison bought the stock back from him for \$5,000.

R. K. Cassatt told the commission that at a time when the Pennsylvania Railroad Company was suffering from a scarcity of coal cars it had relinquished its claim to 500 cars ordered from the Pressed Steel Car Company and that the cars had been purchased by the Keystone Coal and Coke Company.

Another witness was George W. Clark, Pennsylvania Railroad car distributor at Altoona, who told of having received monthly a check for \$50 from Captain Alfred Hicks, a mine operator, and said that he did not know why the money was sent to him.

Mr. Clark was the first witness, and besides telling of receiving the \$50 checks said that occasionally he had received orders for special assignments of cars to certain companies.

Mr. Cassatt examined. R. K. Cassatt was then called and asked if the Keystone company had ever received any special assignment of cars from the Pennsylvania Railroad. He replied in the negative. The examination continued:

Q.—During 1902 and 1903 were not frequent orders from the Pennsylvania Railroad office to furnish your company with special cars? A.—No. But in 1902 we secured five hundred new cars from the Pressed Steel Car Company.

Q.—Were those cars taken from the equipment of the Pennsylvania Railroad? A.—No, the Pennsylvania Railroad had placed an order with the Pressed Steel Car Company for space for five hundred cars. The Pennsylvania Railroad relinquished the space and we made a contract with the Pressed Steel Car Company for the cars.

Q.—Was there a scarcity of cars at that time? A.—There was.

Q.—Then why did the Pennsylvania Railroad relinquish its claim for those cars in order to give them to you? A.—We are one of the largest coal companies in the Pennsylvania bituminous region. The cars were not taken from the Pennsylvania's equipment. They were not under construction at the time of the contract between the Keystone company and the Pressed Steel Car Company.

Mr. Cassatt was asked to enumerate the various coal companies in which he was interested, and he did so, saying that the management of each company was practically the same. In the case of the S. Latrobe-Connellville company, he said William A. Patten, J. N. Purviance, Robert Pitcairn, Jr., and others, either now or at one time connected with the Pennsylvania Railroad, were interested in the company.

STOCK IN MANY MINES. George W. Creighton, general superintendent of the Pennsylvania division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, was examined about the distribution of cars. He said that for a number of years the ratings and percentages of the various coal companies were regarded as confidential, and a coal company had no way of determining whether it was receiving its proper percentage.

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OLYPHANT TO TESTIFY.

Mutual Official Coming Home at Jerome's Request.

Robert Olyphant, a trustee of the Mutual Life Insurance Company and former chairman of its committee on expenditures, sailed from Europe yesterday, and will be in this city in time to appear as a witness before the special grand jury the latter part of next week. His return is in obedience to a request of District Attorney Jerome conveyed through Bowers & Sands, and is in keeping with a promise he made before his departure that he would come back if Mr. Jerome wanted him.

H. P. Velte, counsel for Andrew C. Fields, yesterday contradicted a report that Fields had been in conference with Mr. Jerome and had made a full confession, agreeing to be a voluntary witness regarding the disposal of a fund of \$100,000 a year at Albany. Fields is still at Ocean Grove, and is said to be too ill to come to this city, but Mr. Velte says he will come as soon as his health permits.

Three witnesses were before the special grand jury in the Mutual investigation. They were Emory McClintock, vice-president of the Mutual; Charles A. Preller, its auditor, and C. Clifford Gretsinger, assistant auditor. Mr. McClintock, who was the company's actuary in the scandal period, never had anything to do with the "yellow dog" transactions. The other two witnesses, it is said, were able to give information as to the passage of the vouchers for "yellow dog" payments through the hands of various officials, but knew nothing about the purposes of the payments.

President Peabody of the Mutual yesterday said it was apparent that the leaders of the "twisting" movement by which Mutual policyholders in Great Britain are going over to the North British and Mercantile were inflating the amount of the policies involved. He added:

The cable messages assert that the Duchess of Marlborough had \$250,000 insurance in our company. As a matter of fact she had only between \$90,000 and \$100,000. W. W. Rutherford, Member of Parliament for the West Derby Division, is represented as having transferred for himself and others \$500,000 of our policies to the North British company. Mr. Rutherford only had between \$9,000 and \$10,000 of insurance in our company. It is true that Lord Wharfedale had \$50,000, and that J. M. Walker had between \$100,000 and \$110,000. These figures only go to show that much of the information which is being sent over here from Great Britain is untrue.

W. A. Day, controller of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, announced that he had appointed Gerald R. Brown, who had been in charge of the real estate operation, as deputy controller. H. R. Winthrop, the Equitable's treasurer, announced that he had appointed Michael Murray, one of the cashiers, an assistant treasurer, and also had reappointed W. B. Bremner as assistant treasurer.

BITTER FEELING ABROAD. Untermeyer Says Foreign Policyholders Doubt Insurance Reform. (By Telegraph to The Tribune.)

Providence, May 16.—Untermeyer, of New York, who was here to-day as counsel for George B. Robinson in relation to the Gorham Company merger, gave an expression of opinion on the recent taking over by the North British and Mercantile Company of \$45,000,000 of policies held by English subjects in the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York. He is counsel for the international policyholders' association, and cabled to London advising the policyholders not to surrender their policies.

Mr. Untermeyer said that there was widespread dissatisfaction throughout Europe with both the Mutual and the New York Life insurance companies, due, he said, to the revelations of corruption that were constantly increasing. The attitude of the present management was regarded as distinctly hostile to the interests of the policyholders. The management's professions of reform were ridiculed, he said, and they were looked upon as mere stalking horses for the discredited and deposed officials. The suits thus far begun were believed to be mere shields to protect the powerful financial interests that should have been protected against.

Foreigners have settled down to the conviction, he believed, that there can be no general reform or restitution until the present regime is expelled.

ARRESTED FOR WEARING ELK PIN. Member of Unrecognized Negro Lodge Accused by Exalted Ruler. (By Telegraph to The Tribune.)

Rochester, May 16.—H. D. Murray, a negro, was arrested this afternoon by Dr. Richard J. Decker, Exalted Ruler of Rochester Lodge, No. 24, B. P. O. E., on a charge of wearing a pin of the order. The charge is under a section of the State Penal Code that prohibits the wearing of the emblem of any order that has been in existence for more than ten years by one not entitled to wear it. The offence is a misdemeanor.

CHICAGO OFFICES FOR STEEL TOWN. (By Telegraph to The Tribune.) Chicago, May 16.—Executive offices for the new town of Gary, Ind., owned by the United States Steel Corporation, will be in the new Commercial National Bank Building, now being finished here.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE. MINATURE ALMANAC. INCOMING STEAMERS.

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Supreme Court, Appellate Division. First Department.—In the matter of the application of the Board of Rapid Transit Railroad Commissioners for the City of New York for the appointment of three commissioners to determine and report whether a rapid transit railway or railways for the conveyance and transportation of persons and property, as determined by the Board, ought to be constructed and operated.

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Proposals. PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING SEAMING MATERIALS.—Office of Assistant Purchasing Agent, Panama Rail Road Company, 24 State Street, New York, May 16, 1906. Sealed proposals will be received at this office until 2 P. M. June 1, 1906, for furnishing 100,000 lbs. of Seaming Material, required by the Panama Rail Road Company for a period of one year from June 1, 1906. Blank and full information may be had at this office. ALFRED ANDERSON, Assistant Purchasing Agent.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.—OFFICE OF THE SUPERVISING ARCHITECT, Washington, D. C. MAY 16, 1906.—SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at this office until 12 o'clock M. Tuesday, June 5, 1906, for the construction of a brick structure and other buildings at the Post Office and Court House building at the United States Courthouse, the specification, copies of which may be obtained at this office at the discretion of the Supervising Architect. JAMES KNOX TAYLOR, Supervising Architect.

WEST POINT, N. Y., MAY 15, 1906.—Sealed proposals in duplicate will be received here until 12 o'clock noon, June 15, 1906, for building 100,000 lbs. of Seaming Material, required by the Panama Rail Road Company for a period of one year from June 1, 1906. Blank and full information may be had at this office. ALFRED ANDERSON, Assistant Purchasing Agent.

OFFICE OF CONSTRUCTING QUARTERMASTER, Fort Terry, N. Y., May 16, 1906.—SEALED PROPOSALS in triplicate will be received at this office until 12 o'clock M. Tuesday, June 5, 1906, for the construction of a brick structure and other buildings at the Post Office and Court House building at the United States Courthouse, the specification, copies of which may be obtained at this office at the discretion of the Supervising Architect. JAMES KNOX TAYLOR, Supervising Architect.

SPRINGFIELD ARMY, MASS., MAY 16, 1906.—Sealed proposals in duplicate will be received here until 2 P. M. June 14, 1906, for furnishing 100,000 lbs. of Seaming Material, required by the Panama Rail Road Company for a period of one year from June 1, 1906. Blank and full information may be had at this office. ALFRED ANDERSON, Assistant Purchasing Agent.

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