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MINERS ASK MORE PAY

COAL STRIKE IN COLORADO

Mine Owner Says the Demand Will Not Be Granted—Denver's Supply Involved.

Louisville, Col., Jan. 1.—At a meeting here of representatives from every coal camp in northern Colorado it was decided to demand an increase of 10 cents per ton for loaders.

The mines were idle yesterday, and the men say they will stay out till the advance is granted.

Denver, Col., Jan. 1.—President James J. Canon of the Northern Coal company said the demands of the miners for higher wages would not be granted.

"The miners seem to think the cold weather will bring us to terms right away, but they are mistaken. I know of no real grievances in the district."

The Northern coal fields supply Denver almost entirely with soft coal, and it is understood that not more than enough to last two weeks is in store.

EDUCATIONAL TEST

Bar to the Landing of Orientals in British Columbia.

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 1.—The provincial government has proclaimed the new regulations for carrying out the immigration act which was passed at the last session, prescribing the educational test. A big fight will be made by the companies engaged in bringing in Japanese and Chinese, as the act is an effective bar to their entry.

De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve cures piles and skin diseases. Heals without leaving a scar. Beware of counterfeits.

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CANTEEN A BENEFIT

Archbishop Ireland's Plea Before the Senate Committee.

IT IS FOR THE SOLDIER'S GOOD

Only Satisfactory Way to Eliminate Dangers Is to Reduce Drinking to a Minimum.

Special to The Journal.

Washington, Jan. 1.—Archbishop Ireland's recent plea before the senate committee on military affairs against the proposition to prohibit the sale of beer at the canteens at army posts has been printed with the report of the committee on the army reorganization bill. It has been spoken of as the most forceful argument that has been made before a congressional committee in favor of the canteen, and it has been made a part of the senate committee's report to allow the sale of beer in canteens. Here is the archbishop's plea in part:

So far as the general method of dealing with the liquor question is concerned, it has been my experience that it is useless to try to prohibit absolutely the use of liquor, and the world, made as it is, men having the tastes they have, if we are too severe and try to do away altogether with the use of liquor, men will find it in ways illegal and ways more harmful than they otherwise would do. And, so far as I speak on the question of the army canteen, I have observed myself and have heard it said, that the soldiers at Fort Snelling, Minnesota, go far more seldom to St. Paul to visit saloons in St. Paul, and the saloons immediately bordering on the military reservation, now that the canteen is established, than they did formerly when no canteen was established.

I know some time ago—some years ago—in the vicinity of Fort Snelling, houses of the most infamous kind were established in the name of saloons to attract the soldier. Now there is far less chance for anything of that kind, far less chance for drunkenness, and still farther less opportunity for immoralities of a more serious character. And I think for the soldiers that it would be better if they were allowed a little beer.

Moderate Drinking.

There is no use in thinking that they will become total abstainers. Very few of them will become total abstainers. What those in charge of their morals should do is to eliminate danger and reduce their drinking to moderate temperance. I say this, although all my life I have been a total abstainer, and have worked for the last thirty years in the cause of temperance, and have induced people by moral suasion in many cases to take the total abstinence pledge, and have induced thousands and thousands to do that. But when I am dealing with the people at large I am convinced that the only satisfactory and successful way to eliminate dangers is as far as possible to reduce drinking to a minimum.

I have advocated high license, gentlemen, in St. Paul and in Minneapolis instead of prohibition, and I have succeeded in reducing the consumption of alcoholic liquors by that policy. I am sure the same plan would work better among the soldiers. The trouble with the soldiers has been that there has been no recreation in their camps or in their forts. After drills the soldier is tired and dull, and if he can go into the post exchange and sit down and talk and take a glass of beer it is far better than to have him go out and take it in a place where there is no object in view but to rob him.

Senator Burroughs—Just one question, if you please. Some excellent people make this objection, and I would like you to answer it: That the young man who has not been in the habit of drinking at all is tempted to drink by the canteen and led to the place of drunkenness later on. What do you say about that?

Archbishop Ireland—My answer is that that man in the army is rather a rare article.

Senator Burroughs—I wanted your statement to go to the country.

Archbishop Ireland—And, secondly, if the rare article does turn up, as it may, and he has been able to resist the temptation to visit the saloon in ordinary life, I think he will resist the temptation of the canteen.

Worse Than Drinking.

One thing is overlooked, which I allude to myself, by many people who discuss the canteen question. They only look at the mere drinking; but when a soldier goes outside to drink, outside the fort or reservation, he is generally tempted to go farther. That is the danger.

Senator Warren—And to gamble?

Archbishop Ireland—Yes; also to gamble. You will find soldiers arrested in disreputable places. They are arrested, and then we ask, "How did you get there?" The explanation is that they went outside and got drunk in some of these vile saloons, and they were induced to go to these houses from the saloons. The agents of these houses are there, and they are there particularly for the purpose of inveigling the soldiers into these houses. The houses that I refer to are on the borders of the fort. If a soldier does take too much drink in the fort, he is not exposed, of course, to this other and greater evil. Outside those two evils go together. When the soldier gets drunk outside the fort he is led to something worse. And so I say, even if the drunkenness itself were not diminished, I would rather that a certain degree of drunkenness were to prevail in the fort than to be allowed to the soldier outside.

But, on the other hand, my own conviction is that the dangers are far less for drunkenness in the fort, and, at any rate, the amount there furnished is regulated, and there is a certain esprit de corps among the men that keeps them from abusing their privileges by taking beer. It is regarded as a respectable place to gather, and the men generally would not like to see the canteen become a place for getting drunk. If the man goes there too much, he is somewhat tabooed.

Senator Hawley—And he is restricted in his drinking? He is not allowed to drink too much?

Beer Not a Sin.

Archbishop Ireland—Yes, sir; that is better yet. Of course, if people could do away with all evil it would be better for the world; but my policy is to deal with the world as it is.

Senator Warren—It is a straight proposition of choosing the lesser of two evils?

Archbishop Ireland—Yes, sir. Although a total abstainer myself, I do not think it is a mortal sin for a soldier to take a glass of beer or for an officer to allow a soldier to take a glass of beer. I believe in temperance and in suppressing drinking as much as possible, but I cannot accept the statement that has been made by others before this committee, that it is infamous for the government to allow the canteen; that this is a nefarious traffic, and that we ought not to sanction it in any way. I cannot accept the principle that it is in itself a nefarious traffic. —W. W. Jermane.

SEATTLE GOLD RECEIPTS

7,106 Persons Deposited Over Twenty-two Millions.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 1.—At the close of the nineteenth century and the year 1900, Assayer Wing of the United States assay office at Seattle said that in the past twelve months his receipts have been 46⅛ tons of gold and silver.

The total quantity of gold for the year was 1,345,123.41 troy ounces, with an assayed value of $22,038,755.12, and it represented the individual deposits of 7,100 persons. Over $16,900,000 came from the Klondike, and the remainder from other parts of Alaska, British Columbia, Washington and other states. The highest mark was reached in July last, when over fourteen tons of the yellow metal was deposited in the assay office in twenty-six working days.

Nome's output was $3,723,272.14.

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We will offer for the day only three Alaska Seal Jackets, with fine brocaded silk linings and high storm collar, box front, and sell regularly for $275; we shall offer: One 34 bust, 24 long; one 36 bust, 24 long; one 38 bust, 24 long, for only..... $175

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Taffeta Silks—In solid colors, including white, cream, pinks, light blue, cardinal, wine, light grays, modes, browns, national, navy, green, etc. This is an extra fine heavy taffeta and would be good value at 75c. Inventory sale price 49c

Fancy Silks—5,00 yards in beautiful braided Taffetas, Hemstitched Taffetas, Corded Taffetas, Open Work Taffetas, Plisse Taffeta Stripe, Crystal Cord, Bengalines in evening shades, all $1 qualities. Inventory sale price, yd. 59c

150 pieces Colored Dress Goods in fancy checks, plaids and mixtures, in a big line of choice colors, good heavy weight. Never sold at less than 15c. Inventory price, per yard.. 8c

54-in. ALL WOOL Colored Dress Goods in $1.50 zibaline plaids; $1.50 Scotch mixtures; full 54-in. wide, in the new browns, greys, oxfords, tans, etc. Inventory price, per yard 59c

Black Novelty Dress Goods in 44-inch figured Satin Cloths; also stylish stripe Satin Barbers, regular 75c quality, at, per yard 39c

Bl'k Imported French Crispines in 12 choice designs, very high bright silk luster, splendid heavy quality, worth 90c. Inv. price, per yd 49c

Black Dress Goods in 40-inch Jacquards and black figured Satin Soleils, extra heavy, very bright and lustrous, worth 35c Inventorry price, yard 19c

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Our stock of women's fine silk lined Coats and Jackets, regular prices $7.50, $8.50, $9.50, $10.00, $10.98. Choice..... $3.75

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An assortment of women's swell Coats, Jackets and Capes, high class goods that have retaile up to $25.00. Choice..... $7.50

High class tailor made Coats and Jackets and Capes, in black and all colors; values heretofore have been up to $35.00. Now we offer them at, choice..... $10

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Bedding Dept. *In Arcade Basement.*

Our best grade of Ready-Made Sheets, the Boston Brand, to be closed out at this sale.

1½ yds. x 2½ yds, sold at 52c—sale price, each 33c
1¾ yds. x 2½ yds, sold at 63c—sale price, each..... 35c
2 yds. x 2½ yds, sold at 69c—sale price, each..... 40c
2¼ yds. x 2½ yds, sold at 75c—sale price, each..... 45c
2½ yds. x 2½ yds, sold at 81c—sale price, each..... 50c
Full size colored Bed Spreads, in blue ouly, sold at at $1.35, sale price, pair 98c
11-4 gray Wool Blanket, heavy grade, a $2 value, sale price, each..... $1.19
A special value in Horse Blankets—Brown mixed wool street blanket, weight 5 lbs., size 76 in. x 80 in.—sale price, each.... 69c

Linen Dept.

64 in. wide all linen Unbleached Damask, heavy grade for hotel use, a 75c value. Sale price, yd..... 49c
70 in. wide bleached all linen Satin Damask, fine 85c grade, sale price.. 50c
Turkey red Table cloths, heavy Scotch goods, size 66 in. x 99 in.; a $1.50 value, sale price, each 79c
Heavy bleached fringed Towel, size 19 in. x 40 in., a 10c value, sale price, each 7c

Flannel Dept.

Mill Remnants of Guinea Hen Flannel, in good lengths, heavy fleecy grade, a 10c value, in gray only, sale price, yd..... 5c
All wool brown Shaker and gray twilled Flannel, heavy grades, value, 35c and 45c, sale price, yd..... 22c
Best printed all wool French Flannels, an endless variety of up-to-date styles, values 75c and 85c, sale price, yd.... 49c

Millinery Specials.

25c to 50c Rhinestone and Metal Ornaments, each..... 5c
$1 Black Ostrich Tips, 3 in bunch, Egyptian bl'k, b'nch 35c
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Closing out every piece of **Millinery Ribbons,** all silk and extra fine quality.
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This elegant opportunity happens only once each year. Don't miss it this time. *Millinery Dept., 2d Floor.*

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Women's heavy black woolen and Oxford gray woolen Stockings, full seamless, merino heels and toes; nothing worth less than 25c in the lot. Take your pick for, per pair 19c
Women's fine imported black Cashmere Stockings, double soles, high spliced heels and toes; regular 50c quality. Special, per pair.... 39c
Children's black wool and heavy black cotton, fleece lined Stockings (Ironclad), with double knees and double soles, sizes 6 to 10 in; worth up to 25c. Special, per pair..... 14c

Women's and Children's Underwear.

Women's pure Wool Drawers, the celebrated Dr. Jaeger's brand, worth up to $3.50 per pair. To close, per garment..... $1.00
Women's half wool Combination Suits, Florence make; worth up to $2.00. To close, per garment..... $1.19
Children's pure wool Underwear, odd lots of pants, drawers, nightdresses and vests; worth up to $2.00. These are the Dr. Jaeger's goods. To close, each..... 59c

Wednesday, Shoe Day.

Women's fine selected kid shoes, a large lot of extra good shoes, sizes slightly broken, not a pair worth less than $2.50; Wednesd'y $1.69
Women's kid shoes, with patent tips, style, stock and workmanship right; entire lot priced for one day's selling, Wednesday..... $1.48
Women's first quality 3-buckle Overshoes, for Wednesday..... 98c
Women's Alaskas, small sizes, worth $1.00; priced for Wednesday..... 39c
Men's Felt Shoes with Felt Soles, worth $2.50 at..... $1.75
Boys' Moosehide Moccasins, Wednesday... 69c
Infants' Soft Soled Shoes, with felt tops, warm lined, Wednesday..... 19c

Print Dept.

Fast Black Sateen, fine 20c grade, Sale price, yd..... 11c
Fast Black Satin, fine 25c grade, Sale price, yd..... 15c

Gloves and Mittens

50 dozen Misses' Fancy Golf Gloves, worth 39c, to be closed out at, pair.. 25c
Women's Mocha Mittens, fur top & fleece lined, worth $1.25 pair, pair.. 50c
Misses' and Boys' heavy fleecelined Worsted Mittens, value 35c a pair, for, a pair 19c

Women's Neckwear

Women's Linen Collars, the 10c quality, at, each 2c
Silk and Lace Neckwear Novelties, $1.25 and $1.50 qualities, for, each... 50c
Women's Silk Mufflers, black, white, pink and blue, worth $1.50. Each.. 59c
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About 5,000 yards All-Silk Ribbons, Nos. 12 and 16, worth 15c and 20c, to be closed out at, a yard 5c

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450 Dainty Handy Volume, classics, for young and old—while they last, per volume..... 15c
Teachers' Bibles, sold at $1.25, Wednesday, each..... 89c
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Webster's Dictionary, indexed, (bound in sheep), each $1.49
Eben Holden 98c
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French flannel and rough rider plaids, former prices $3.98 to $5.00. Clearance price $1.98
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All wool Flannel Waists, plain or trimmed, worth $1.75, on sale at 89c

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Women's knitted Skirts of soft zephyr, stripes and stitch, worth $1.50 to $2. Sale price..... 98c
Children's Reefers, sizes to 5 years, all new, worth $3.00. On sale at..... $1.75

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A full line of fine Hair Switches at greatly reduced prices:

18-inch....85c 20-inch....$1.25
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Men's Black Clay Worsteds or Blue Serges, very finest textures, best quality linings, best fitting suits among ready-to-wear clothing and worth $18 to $20 per suit. We offer them now, per suit, at **$10.00**

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Youths' Black Cassimere Suits, in sizes 12 to 19 years, at half price. Now, per suit, **$3.50**

YEAR IN BUSINESS

Dun's Review of the Commercial Situation.

New York, Jan. 1.—Dun's Review, in its summary, reviewing the business of the year just closed, will say regarding the leading markets:

Conditions in iron and steel during 1900 were much more sound than in the preceding year, when speculation was wide and prices inflated far beyond the bounds of reason. Statistics of weekly capacity of furnaces in blast show that the highest point on record was reached Feb. 1, while there was little diminution during the next few months. But, with the collapse of speculation during the spring and realization of the fact that operations had been overdone, there came a steady reduction in optput. From 296 furnaces in blast on Feb. 1, there followed a continual shutting down, until but 201 were in operation on Nov. 1, and the weekly production decreased 82,710 tons. Even at this rapid rate of declining output, stocks accumulated with startling rapidity and on Oct. 1 the top was reached at 670,531 tons. Business conditions were satisfactory, however, and demand expanded, while exports of finished products grew very heavy, when prices reached a level that made competition possible with British and German producers. In two months, ending Dec. 1, furnace stocks of pig iron decreased 113,895 tons and the tone was so much improved that many idle furnaces resumed.

Manufactured articles have moved along similar lines. Quotations of iron and steel products at the beginning of the year were little below the level prevailing thirteen years previous and the fall was almost uninterrupted until October, when the average was but 63.68 per cent of the figure prevailing Jan. 1, 1887. It is difficult to select any one branch of this industry as being pushed harder than another. Railway supplies of all kinds have sold very treely and the market is flooded with urgent orders for freight cars. Structural material, particularly for bridges and ships, has been in much better demand than supply. Steel rails were reduced from last year's price of $35 to $26, but it was an open secret that the former figure had only been nominal for months prior to the official change in September. Contracts for 1,200,000 tons deliverable during 1901, have been placed at $26, and numerous export orders also, showing the probability that the figure would be maintained. Tin bounded up from 25¼ cents at the opening to 35 cents in July, and then gradually eased off.

Copper has done nothing startling, variation remaining within the range of ¾c. Opening at 16½ there were sales as low as 16¼ and the close was at the top at 17 cents. Trade has been very active and domestic production pushed. One authority placed the American yield well in advance of any other country. Lead fell from $4.70 at the start to $3.75 and recovered to $4.37, where it has been maintained by the smelting company for many months.

The year 1900 opened with favorable conditions prevailing in nearly every branch of the dry goods trade. The home demand continued good for the first three months and then fell away until by June the market had lapsed into pronounced dullness, and from a steady upward course in prices began gradually to decline again. The arrest of buying was remarkable. In woolen goods, stocks began to accumulate again and their course up to the close of the year has shown pronounced weakness in both men's wear fabrics and dress goods, with the result that the gain in prices made last year and in the early part of this year has been lost in many directions, and where any is retained at all is of limited extent.

A sudden demand from China for heavy brown cottons in May, the first purchase made for that market in several months, unfortunately was checked by the outbreak of the boxer rising, and since then there has been an entire suspension of buying for that country. In September another stimulus was given to cotton goods by the rapid advance in raw material which followed the Galveston disaster and short crop predictions. Prices resumed their upward course and the market ruled strong again until the end of October, when there was another lull in the demand. Stocks, however, had been well cleaned up, as a rule, and, although some of the staple lines have eased off slightly, a fairly steady tone has prevailed since.

The prosperous condition of the cotton goods trade last year and the early part of this has had a marked effect upon the cotton industry in the south, reviving the boom in mill building, which previous depression had checked. A number of new mills have been added, and many more are in course of erection. It is probable that when the year's statistics are compiled they will show the addition of nearly 1,000,000 spindles to the productive capacity of the south.

After advancing from 18.01 cents as the average of 100 grades of wool, reported by Coates & Brothers on May 1, to 24.70 in December, 1899, it was only natural that the year 1900 should witness severe reaction and return to a more normal level. The decline was gradual and the year closed about 22 per cent below the top point touched twelve months previous.

The closing year of the century was a remarkably satisfactory one for farmers and planters, notwithstanding the fact that some sections harvested smaller crops than in preceding years. While the south produced less cotton than in the two previous record-breaking seasons, prices were the highest in ten years, and the net profits made on plantations were enormous. Spring wheat states lost much grain, but Kansas and other large winter wheat growers had big crops, and the average price was high. In fact, the cereals were all abnormally advanced until there occurred a natural loss in exports, so that Russian ports were able to secure much foreign trade that had belonged to American producers. Corn was put up to within a fraction of 50 cents here, and speculative manipulation forced the Chicago price still higher. These operations had a naturally deleterious affect on exportation, and foreign surplus countries reaped much of the benefit from excessively inflated domestic markets.

IOWA

DUBUQUE—John Anderson, a workman on the custom-house annex, fell from the roof and was instantly killed. His mother survives him.

FORT DODGE—County Atotrney Chantland issued notices to assessors calling upon them to return the names of all cigarette dealers in order that a $300 assessment may be collected, as provided by law.

MINNESOTA

ST. CLOUD—Louis Appel, who lives near this city, is suffering from blood poisoning, the result of a bite from a semidomesticated cat.

ALBANY—George Voit, a lad of 17 years, had his left hand shattered by the explosion of a cartridge.

WELCOME—A. Whaley, station agent, was burned about the hands and face. He poured kerosene on a slumbering fire. An explosion followed, wrecking the stove.

WINONA—The cold storage warehouse of J. Stirneman was entered and 140 pounds of butter belonging to Floyd Barber removed, together with a tank of oysters and two cases of eggs.

BUFFALO—Five men were arrested for breaking into the saloon of Frank Boerner on Christmas. All pleaded guilty to petit larceny and three were fined $5 and costs and two $10 and costs.

DULUTH—The mayor has instructed the chief of police to enforce the curfew ordinance strictly.—A new wholesale firm starts out with the new year, that of Thomson & Glaskin, dealers in and manufacturers of rubber goods, belting, packing, chandlers' supplies and ship goods in general.

WISCONSIN

MARSHFIELD—While hunting rabbits in the town of Milladore, Joseph Haasl, a young man, was shot and killed by the accidental discharge of his gun.

MILWAUKEE—At a meeting of the ministers' association at which nearly all the city churches were represented, a movement towards civic reform was started. An effort will probably be made to stop prize fighting.

WEST SUPERIOR—Captain C. S. Barker, owner of the dredging plant, confirms the statement that he will move his plant to Duluth.—John Hall of the Richelieu Hotel was acquitted of the charge of keeping a place to which immoral women resorted.

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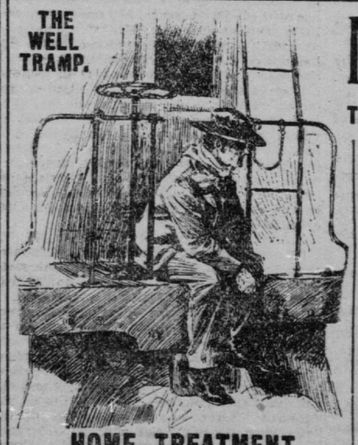

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