

INDUSTRIAL, FINANCIAL, COMMERCIAL.

The official statement of anthracite tonnage for August shows a production of 8,089,845 tons, which is a half million tons above the agreed upon output...

to which add the freight which is never less than \$1.00 per ton, then the duty, or \$4.64 per ton delivered here. Coal American leading points on the Atlantic coast...

lincs, Winchester, Mass.; Jerome D. Gillett, Isaac Freese, William D. Judson, Amos Turner, Wayne Griswold, New York; William E. Tutin, William H. Hammond and William J. Hammond, Jr., Pittsburg. The property owned by the new corporation was recently purchased from the old Brady's Band company, which was tied up for so many years by litigation.

Dismissing the same question the Philadelphia Inquirer says: "In view of the deplorable condition of the trade in that month, the utter demoralization of prices and the stagnation of the action of the companies in producing so much coal can only be regarded as an exhibition of incredible folly on the part of those who have the conduct of the trade in their hands."

The United States cruisers on duty in the Bering sea want anthracite coal, it is announced, and it will be probable that next year a supply will be sent them from Philadelphia. Coal that gives no smoke is what they need, because when they are in use the smoke ascends high in the atmosphere, and the poaching vessels are enabled to discern the cruiser's position long before they are sighted by the warships.

Stocks and Bonds. NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—The event of the day in financial and stock circles was the reduction in Rock Island quarterly dividend...

"There has," says Seward, "been considerable interest awakened in regard to the rate charged on anthracite after it has left what might be termed the 'initial lines.' All that the traffic will bear, is the rate. We are told that the Long Island railroad charges \$1 per ton for a distance of ten miles, while the New York Central charges 50 cents to \$1 per ton for the same distance, or nearly so, according to the division of its lines running out of New York city, which the coal passes over."

Here is another economy that robs the steel rail industry to a certain extent: Steel rails wear out pretty evenly in railroad use, and the best of the worn-out rails are selected for the purpose of constructing bridges. The spans of the bridge are made to conform to the length of the rails used, and can be applied if required to be in this way. Many old rails can be utilized in this way, with the effect of retarding very materially the cost of bridge construction, as it is cheaper to use up the old material in this way than to purchase entirely new material, with the price obtained for old rails. Besides which, it is said, the steel rail bridges are very strong and durable.

Scranton Wholesale Market. SCRANTON, Sept. 21.—FRUIT AND PRODUCE.—Dried apples per bushel, 65c; evaporated apples, 115c; per pound, 2c; prunes, 25c; English currants, 25c; layer raisins, \$1.70; muscatels, \$1.00; 1.40 per box; new Valencia, 65c per dozen.

OUR LONDON LETTER. Recent Events of Live Interest in the World's Greatest City. THE SPECULATIVE MARKET BOOMS. English Financial Circles Slowly Recovering from the Baring Crash. Curiosities of the Hopping Season in Picturesque Kent and Surrey. The Vagaries of the Duc D'Orleans—Queen Victoria's Generosity.

THE FAMOUS BRUNNEN FOUNTAIN has much to answer for. A young man has just been fined for selling small leaden images, copied from said statue, in the north of London. Mr. Police Constable said that the images offered for sale were arranged to emit water or scent in an indecent manner.

CYCLING GOSSIP. Zimmerman is 25 years of age and weighs 165 pounds in training. At the Pittsburg Athletic club park, Saturday afternoon, Arthur L. Barker, of the P. A. C. rode a half-mile flying start in one minute flat.

THE MASSACHUSETTS tax assessors are having difficulty in their efforts to assess the tax on bicycles provided for by a recent law of that state. They generally report that they have been able to get hold of hardly half the wheels in use, and in some places could not have made even that showing had it not been for the wheelmen's directories published before the tax was assessed.

SEVERAL GOOD "DONTS". Don't go for very long rides at first. Take them in small doses, like cod-liver oil. Don't have your machine squeaking like a lot of pies under a gate. Oil is cheap today.

My physician said I could not live, my liver was out of order, my complexion greenish yellow, skin yellow, small dry humors on face, stomach could not retain food. Burdock Blood Bitters cured me. Price 25 cents per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

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