

CONFERENCE WAS BLOCKED

Operators and Strikers Could Not Agree on Terms of Arbitration.

THE MATTER IS HANGING FIRE

A Notable Gathering of Miners and Owners in Altoona to Settle the Present Strained Condition of Affairs, but Prospects for an Amicable Agreement Are Not Bright.

ALTOONA, June 9.—The conference of operators and miners of the central Pennsylvania region, began this morning, struck a deadlock at the outset.

District President Thomas A. Bradley had an informal talk with the operators this morning. The latter expressed a willingness to confer with the miners as individuals, but not as an organization.

District President Bradley told the operators that the result of the conference would have to be referred to National President McBride.

The operators said that the miners in this district were authorized to act for themselves. Hence the deadlock. The miners went to a hall which had been engaged for the conference, and at noon were waiting patiently for the operators to put in an appearance.

The following named operators are here: John O. Scott, Alfred Tucker, W. D. Kelly, Philadelphia; Thomas Barnes, George McGuffey, Philadelphia; E. J. and Harry Berwind, New York; J. L. Spangler, William Grammer, Bellefonte; Thomas Fisher, Harrisburg; J. L. Mitchell, Tyrone; Rembrandt Peale, Philadelphia; John Densmore, A. L. Whitman, Glen Ridge; John Langdon, Huntingdon; George E. Scott, Philadelphia; Joseph Kelly, Philadelphia; R. A. Shillingford, Peoria, Pa.; and David E. Williams, W. L. Lingie, Philadelphia.

They have appointed the following committee to confer with the miners: John E. Scott, Alfred Tucker, W. D. Kelly, George McGuffey, J. L. Mitchell, Harry A. Berwind, and P. Peale.

The miners' delegates have with District President Thomas A. Bradley are T. H. Davis, Horatio Thomas, W. Allison and Lindsay P. O'Kellagher, Walton; T. W. Young, Adrian; James Sweeney and J. J. Blair, Arnot; Richard Fenderick, Morris Run; Thomas Lloyd and E. Hilliard, Gallatin; Hugh Higgins, Dubois; John Shaunessey, Delaney; William Corbett, Heavitts; Con Dickinson, Broad Top; John K. Waldman, Pennsylvania; William C. Brown, Carbon; William Cochran, Elk Lick; Frank Richardson, Hastings; Joseph Easton, Houshield; and George Bassett, South Fork.

Harry Berwind, president of the operators, says they came to meet the miners. The operators would not consent to what is done in other districts or what may be determined by President McBride. He says they are willing to do anything that is reasonable and to end the strike. The price of mining has been raised, and the operators say that they will not be asked to do anything that is unreasonable. It is hardly probable that any conference will be held.

MINERS ARE RESTLESS. Only a Spark Needed to Set the Compressed Violence Aflame.

PENNSYLVANIA, Pa., June 9.—The week end in this section by leaving the strike situation critical in the extreme. As was expected by the miners and operators in this region the Altoona conference to-day resulted in leaving the parties to the contention wider apart than ever.

The arrival of nearly 200 Hunzarians and Slovaks this morning led to the employment of additional guards and the construction of another barracks. To-night thousands of miners are gathered in the vicinity of the coal fields and the operators are keeping the men moving along the public road.

One shot would result in a bloody battle. Everything is in readiness to start the mines on Monday morning, when a new difficulty threatens, it having been said to-night that the freight crews would refuse to haul the coal.

A United States government officer visited the men to see if there had been any violation of the laws of the country. The officers have been advised that the Chertoff operators were importing new men from Europe.

A FRIENDLY DEBATE. Miners and Operators at Swords' Points Meet to Discuss Conditions.

COLUMBUS, June 9.—The joint meeting of operators and representatives of the miners was called to order by H. L. Chapman, an operator of the Jackson (Ohio) district, residing at Columbus.

J. D. Zerbe, of Cleveland, an operator, was made chairman, and William Warner, a miner, secretary, with Frank S. Brooks, of the operators, as assistant. The joint committee then appointed, as a committee on scale of wages, F. L. Robbins, of William Taylor, Pennsylvania; A. L. Sweet and E. T. Bent, northern Illinois, and W. S. Bogel and J. S. Talley, of Indiana.

In the part of the miners the scale committee is composed of John McBride, Ohio; P. H. Penna, Indiana; Joshua Dinkler, Pennsylvania; James H. Murray, Illinois; Cameron Miller, Ohio; A. Adams, Ohio, and John H. Kovars, Indiana.

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THE DIVISION IN DARKNESS

A Strange Transformation in the District Where the Magdalen Reside.

MAY BE A PARKHURST CRUSADE

The Orders for the Suppression of Lights and Beverly Came from the Police, but All Persons Interested Maintain an Air of Profound Ignorance.

Rarely in the history of that isolated district of the city has a darkness (technically as the "Division") had such a state of affairs as was characteristic of that locality last night. The change was sudden and emphatic. That the residents of the parish portion of the city received some warning, and that in no uncertain tones, no person who witnessed the great metamorphosis will care to deny.

Neither those to whom the sudden admonition came, or the persons who issued the mandatory order, can be brought to talk about the matter. It is plainly evident that there is some tangible understanding between the residents of the changed quarters and the authorities who are empowered to control or suppress such characters.

Heretofore no section of the city has been gayer than the Division. When other portions of the city have become quiet, and the residents have retired for the night the Division has just begun to get in full swing. Houses are brilliantly lighted, carriages dash up and down the streets, the corners are alive with vendors of midnight lunches, and from curtained windows and latched doors float out on the still night, strains of music, the shouts and laughter of revelers, and the boisterous noises characteristic of such a locality.

To a person acquainted with this section and the manner of its enjoyment, the transition of last night was, to say the least, startling. The houses stood dark, and for a few minutes the windows were lit up, and burned brightly with electric lights, and a few of the regular habitués of the district made their way to their favorite haunts. When the bell was rung the door was opened softly, the visitor passed inside, and all was silent and dark again. Many an old ronee in making the rounds of his district, his hands in holy horror, and shook his head as he muttered to himself, "What does it all mean."

Despite the deserted and cheerless outward appearance, these houses were humming with life. In the back rooms the inmates gathered in grave council, pondering over the strange condition of things. It was not long that had wrought the great transformation scene. None of these could tell coherently what had caused the change, and, indeed, no person, save the officers on duty, could claim any knowledge of the affair. In fact every attempt to verify the report proved futile. That there is some truth in the rumor is evident by the events of yesterday.

For some days past there have been vague rumors that a Parkhurst society had been organized in this city and that members had gained sufficient numbers to be in a place to make open war on the social evil. These rumors could not be traced to any authentic source and persons who were said to be identified with the movement were direct touch with the movement, could tell where it originated, and even they would be at a loss to say where it would end.

The Second and Seventh regiments and batteries of the army were ordered to move to the second notice. The three regiments aggregate about 2,000 men, and all have gatling guns.

SOAPED THE TRACK

The Way in Which Miners Stopped a Coal Train. SALLENVILLE, Ohio, June 9.—The striking miners soaped the track on the Cleveland and Pittsburg road on an up grade last night and stopped a freight train in which were two cars of coal. They unloaded the coal, broke the train into small sections, and ran it on a siding, being not too particular about the matter. The consequence was seven cars loaded with four were derailed.

The railroad officials called upon the sheriff of Columbiana county, who responded by sending a posse of about 50 men to assist the trainmen, the coal was reloaded and the train dispatched to its destination without further delay.

HEROIC MEASURES IMPERATIVE

Hazleton Strikers May Break the Bounds at Any Hour. HAZLETON, Pa., June 9.—Unless heroic measures be taken immediately there will be bloodshed at the Silver Brook colliery, near this city. The striking Huns and Italians began rioting this morning, and it is required the united effort of Chiefs Hamblin and Naught and seventy-five men to quell the riot.

An effort was made to work Nos. 1 and 3 collieries in this city, the largest concern of the district, but the strikers drove the new men from the works and then attacked the coal and iron police. It was a desperate battle for about half an hour, when the rioters were driven back.

Fourteen of their number were badly wounded and had to be carried off the field of battle. Some of them it is believed will die. It is necessary to leave the extent of their injuries, as they were quickly removed to their homes.

Several wagon loads of Winchester have been placed in the hands of the police. The strikers are still boisterous, and it is feared they will resort to dynamite.

TO PROTECT THEIR LABORERS

PEKIN, Ill., June 9.—The board of supervisors of Tazewell county had a special meeting to-day and directed the sheriff to notify the mine operators to resume work and they would be protected by force of arms if necessary. A gatling gun was ordered from Chicago. The sheriff, with a posse of twenty armed men and a company of militia, proceeded to Bartonville to arrest more miners.

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A RICH STRIKE

Fortunate Prospectors Find a Paying Lead in Dutch Tom Gulch.

SARASOTA, Wyo., June 9.—The richest gold strike that has been made for many years is that made by Harry Burke in Dutch Tom Gulch. Some of the dirt was as high as \$27 to the ton. There is a great excitement over the find.

MURDERED HIS WIFE

When Arrested He Was Calmly Hagging His Own Throat. CLARKSVILLE, Tenn., June 9.—Rufus Ray, a farmer living near Erin, Tenn., brutally murdered his wife with an iron crowbar. The man then sent his children to one of the neighbors to inform them of his crime.

When arrested he was attempting to cut his throat with a razor. Ray seems totally indifferent about the affair.

OUT OF HARM'S WAY

Authorities Take Steps to Protect Negroes from Mob Violence. BALTIMORE, June 9.—The eleven negroes who participated in the Somerset county murder, for which crime Isaac Kemp was yesterday lynched at Princess Anne, will today be lodged in the Baltimore jail for safekeeping.

\$18,000 FOR AN ARM

Heavy Damages Awarded to a Young Man in Lancaster. LANCASTER, Pa., June 9.—A jury to-day awarded Frank Musser, a young man, \$18,000 for the loss of an arm, the defendant being the Lancaster Traction Company.

In 1892 Musser was walking near the defendant's line, when a wire cable used by the latter as a safeguard in descending a steep hill broke. The free end of the broken cable wrapped around Musser's arm and tore it off. Musser recovered for \$25,000.

A RYDOLONY

A Peculiar Settlement Being Organized in South Dakota. SIOUX FALLS, S. D., June 9.—Rev. A. B. Smart has contracted for 20,000 acres of farm land in Hamlin county for a temperance colony. No land will be sold except to professing Christians, and each deed will contain a provision which voids it in case any liquor is sold.

Mr. Smart once organized a similar colony at Washington Springs, and it was made Jerand county a prohibition county. He intimates that this is only the beginning of such colonies to create prohibition sentiment.

YOUNG CYRUS FIELD DEAD

The Famous Son of a Famous Father Passes Quietly Away. NEW YORK, June 9.—Cyrus W. Field died to-day at his home, 102 West Sixty-fifth street, at 85. His wife, brother and other relatives were at bedside at the time of his death.

Justice Stephen J. Field, of the United States Supreme Court, and Rev. Henry M. Baker, of the Episcopal Church, were in the house shortly after his death. The funeral will take place on Tuesday morning. Services will be held at the Church of the Incarnation, Thirty street and Madison avenue, at 9:30 a. m.

COXEYTES WERE DROWNED

The Dead Wreckers Are Mostly Identified as Yet. DENVER, Colo., June 9.—The number of Coxeyites who lost their lives in trying to navigate the Platte river will never be known. Coroner Martin says five bodies have been recovered.

The only one identified as Charles D. Baker, of the Denver and Colorado Springs, Utah. The coroner believes, after the stories he has heard, that at least sixteen were drowned. The Coxeyites now at Alkali Lake were the last to be rescued. The bodies of the drowned were found in the river, and the bodies of the drowned were found in the river, and the bodies of the drowned were found in the river.

WOULD DETER TRAFFIC

Opinion of a Railroad Official on Congressional Action. OMAHA, Neb., June 9.—Joseph H. Millard, president of the Omaha National Bank and one of the directors of the Union Pacific, talking to-day on the merits of the proposed reorganization scheme for the "overland" system, said:

"While the scheme is an excellent one for the government, it leaves the stockholders a somewhat ambiguous position. Something must be given up in order to satisfy all interests, and I presume Mr. Bolles has endeavored to suggest a blanket mortgage for the bondholders. Congress should act upon the plan with alacrity that the system may be put in operation as soon as possible."

Under existing conditions a switch cannot be put in nor an employee discharged without the action of the judiciary, which necessarily brings about a long and expensive litigation and leaves the road with powers greatly abridged.

BRITANNIA WINS AGAIN

LONDON, June 9.—The regatta of the Thames Yacht Club took place to-day. First prize was £30. There were only two contestants, the Prince of Wales' Britannia and Mr. H. B. Clark's Satalina. Under the revised rating for extra sails the Satalina had to allow the Britannia two minutes and thirty seconds.

The Britannia won the race handsomely, covering the course in 5h. 45m. and 16s. The Satalina lost ten minutes by the spilling of a topsail.

A Fatal Landslide

LEAVITT, Colo., June 9.—A Midland freight train encountered a landslide west of here this morning and the trainmen assisted the section hands in clearing the track. While this work was going on another slide came down, killing two men and seriously injuring two others. The killed are: D. S. Elsworth, brakeman; H. Montague, cook. The injured are: Gus Anderson, John Riley, and two section hands.

Killed by a Train

BERKELEY SPRINGS, W. Va., July 9.—Miss Jenny Dickey, 29 years old, residing at Waterburg, Pa., was killed by a Baltimore and Ohio railroad train about three miles north of this place at 4 o'clock this afternoon. The train was carrying a heavy load of coal. The train was carrying a heavy load of coal. The train was carrying a heavy load of coal.

Miss Decca Loses

HARRISBURG, Pa., June 9.—In the case of Miss Decca, the prima donna, to recover possession of Villa Decca, the family mansion, from her husband, Francis Leon Chrusman, a newspaper man, the master to-day decided that Chrusman is entitled to the property, and the costs are divided.

Crimes and Casualties

Uxbridge, Ontario, June 9.—The private banking house of J. Gould & Bro. here was entered by burglars last night and securities to the value of \$10,000 were lost. It is suspected that the thieves are making for the United States.

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GREAT FIRE AT DUBUQUE

Lumber Mills and Factories Laid Waste by the Flames.

It Starts in the Lumber District and Soon Levels Many Large Establishments to the Ground—Firemen Have a Hard and Desperate Struggle with Heat and Smoke.

DUBUQUE, Iowa, June 9.—The most destructive fire that ever visited Dubuque was started about 5 o'clock to-night, it is supposed by a locomotive spark in the Leure's lumber yards. Within half an hour the fire had gained such headway that it swept through the lumber district with resistless force and the fire department was helpless to stay its progress.

Starting at Sixth street, the fire turned through to Eleventh street on the north and a width of three squares, immense piles of lumber going down like houses of cards before the fierce fire, and mills, factories, warehouses and barns reduced to ashes, leaving fully twelve acres of ruins. The fire had burned several acres of lumber yards when Leure's mill was caught, and in ten minutes a \$75,000 plant was wiped out. Barnes and workhouses of the lumber companies followed quickly. The fire was now beyond control, and other cities were asked for aid.

Continuing its destructive course north the fire next destroyed Gies's vinegar factory, and wiping out several million feet of lumber in the way attacked and gutted the old paper mill. This was a brick structure and the walls served as a barrier, but the building there. In the meantime firemen from East Dubuque and Galena arrived, and the Dubuque fire department thus strengthened got control of the fire and kept it from the mill's outside. The buggy top factory, a large structure that stood the test up to this time finally caught fire, and for a time the city was again threatened, but the building melted away. The department was again master, and firemen on their way from La Crosse, Prescott, Manchester and Waterloo were stopped.

Fully 10,000,000 feet of lumber were burned, besides the mills, warehouses, and factories. The material loss is estimated at \$600,000, and which there is an insurance aggregating \$330,000.

The principals loser are: Knapp, Stout & Co., \$500,000; Leure's Lumber Company, \$200,000; Standard Lumber Company, \$30,000; Buggy Top Company, \$10,000; paper mills, \$7,500; vinegar factory, \$6,000. Stout's insurance is about \$200,000. Leure's \$150,000; other insurances range from \$3,000 to \$7,500 in each case. It is impossible to get names and amounts of individual companies, but probable the best of them are the Hartford, \$12,000; London, Liverpool and Globe, \$10,000, and Phoenix of Brooklyn, \$10,000. Several men were seriously injured, but there was no fatal case. The firemen are thrown out of employment by the fire.

A WOMAN'S MYSTERY

A Body Covered with Jewelry Found Floating with the Tide. QUARANTINE, S. I., June 9.—This afternoon William Standfield, a quarantine boatman, while picking up driftwood along the Staten Island shore, observed a dead body floating down close to the shore with the ebb tide. On a close inspection he found it to be the body of a woman.

He made fast a line to the body and towed it to Staten Island shore. It proved to be the remains of a woman badly decomposed and apparently a long time in the water, as the clothing had become stiff and brittle. On the left wrist was a large gold chain bracelet, and on the fingers of the same hand were four rings as follows:

One emerald with 26 diamonds and several emeralds; one ornamented wire ring with a ring, one small solitaire diamond ring and a broad wedding ring with "J. N. L. to M. M. M. April 2, '82" engraved on the inside. The body was apparently that of a well developed woman of about 30 years. The features were entirely unrecognizable.

CUT WITH A HATCHET

Two Men Quarrel Over a Woman, and One Is Badly Wounded. Peter H. Alvey was chopped in the head with a hatchet, and perhaps fatally wounded, at 11 o'clock last night by Charles Tibbett in a candy store owned by Tibbett, on street, between New Jersey avenue and Third street southeast.

Alvey is a carpenter. He is 40 years of age and lives at No. 1113 New Jersey avenue southeast. Tibbett employs Alvey as a clerk in his store, and she works there during the day while Tibbett is absent engaged in driving a cab.

Alvey has been friendly with his wife. She also appears, so it is said, to care more for Tibbett than for her husband. Tibbett and Alvey have often quarreled over the matter, and last night Alvey came to Tibbett's store to get his wife. Alvey was laid in a room of liquor, and the two quarreled again.

Words led to blows, and Tibbett, being lame and evidently the weaker of the two, took to the flight, but Tibbett followed him with a terrible blow on the left side of the forehead. Policeman McKie arrested Tibbett and took him to the Fifth precinct station. He was locked up on the charge of assault with intent to kill. Alvey was carried to the Emergency hospital in an ambulance and his wound dressed by Dr. Johnson.

The peculiarity of the wound is that the skull is badly fractured, but no signs of paralysis are yet apparent. Tibbett admits his deed but claims self-defense.

Tried to Commit a Murder

NEW YORK, June 9.—An attempt was made to-night to murder "Chiero," a palmist, who claims to be an Egyptian. Chiero holds forth in elegantly-furnished apartments on Fifth avenue, this city, and among his clients are many of the country's wealthy prominent in New York society. A stranger called after "office hours" to-night and asked for a sitting, agreeing to an extra remuneration. "Chiero" consented, and the stranger, on being admitted, rushed at him with a dirk. The palmist drew his knife, but the man made a lunge at him. The weapon entered the palmist's breast over the heart, making a serious but not dangerous wound. The man made another lunge, but the high-captain, in contact with a silver cigarette case in the fortune-teller's vest pocket. Grasping a revolver from an open desk, Chiero fired three shots at his assailant, who turned and fled. The would-be murderer, whose identity is not known, escaped.

Herriman's Land Company

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., June 9.—United States District Judge D. M. Key to-day appointed ex-Postmaster General Thomas T. James and Boyd Ewing of Chattanooga, receivers of the East Tennessee Land Company, in place of A. A. Hopkins and W. H. Russell, removed at the request of certain stockholders. The company is largely interested in the manufacturing city of Harrison, Tenn.

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