

THE RAILROAD STRIKE.

The Lake Shore Switchmen's Troubles Ended.

CHICAGO, April 24.—At 2:40 p. m. yesterday the switchmen's strike on the Lake Shore railway is at an end. An order has just been issued by Chairman Stahl directing the switchmen to report to the yardmaster in charge of the Forty-third street yard. President John Newell, of the Lake Shore road, has just said to a representative of the Associated Press: "We have allowed the old men to go back at their own request without any stipulations whatever on our part. The eight non-union men return to work along with the union men as formerly in our employ. Men brought here from other cities will be put to work in our yards here." The order for the men to return to work was telegraphed from the general offices of the Lake Shore company and within ten minutes the switch engines began to leave the round-house and the making up of trains was at once begun. The blockade will be completely ended yesterday afternoon.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., April 24.—John W. Hayes, member of the general executive board of the Knights of Labor, returned to this city Thursday evening. He says no progress has been made towards a settlement of the difficulties between the strikers of the Gould system and the railroad officials. The case is now however in a shape from which it is expected that when the congressional committee reaches St. Louis and meets the citizens committee these two bodies may be able to hit on some plan whereby a settlement may be effected. He says the reports sent out by the railroad that they are handling all the freight they wanted to every day are untrue. The roads are all blocked up and what freight is run out goes under the protection of deputy sheriffs and militia. The railroads claim, and Mr. Hayes admits, that they have now all the men to do the work they have to do, which is very little, on account of the blockade. There have been, he says, 1500 loaded cars standing in the yards for four weeks. Mr. Hayes says the uncalled for massacre of innocent people by the deputy sheriffs was instigated by the railroad authorities. They knew they could not get the help of the State militia until an act of violence was committed. They therefore got together a gang of roughs who brought on the trouble and the governor then ordered the militia on the scene.

NEW YORK, April 24.—The strike that has been expected for several days among the employees of the sugar refineries of Williamsburg occurred Thursday night, when the night gangs were to begin their work. The strike affects about 7500 men employed at the refineries of Havemeyer & Elder, Eick & Meyer, the Commercial Company, the Brooklyn Company, the Havemeyer Sugar Refining Company, and De Castro and Danner. The demands of the men are that ten hours shall constitute a day's work, and that the men now receiving \$1 25 a day shall be paid \$1 75; that those getting \$1 60 shall receive \$1 90, and that foremen's wages shall be advanced from \$1 90 to \$2 10 a day.

They want to be paid once in two weeks instead of once a month, and want double pay for over time work. Their demands were presented to Havemeyer & Elder yesterday, but the

firm declined to treat with the union, although willing to grant the advance in wages. The Union committee withdrew, and at a meeting Thursday night decided to order the men out. A great mob collected at Havemeyer & Elder's refinery, on First and South Fourth streets, at mid-night, and traveled from that point to all the other refineries along the river front, ordering the men out. The police reserves of the seventh and fifth precincts were ordered on duty at 1 o'clock this morning, and there was no serious trouble among the strikers, all of whom were sober and reasonably quiet.

STEEL ORE IN THE SOUTH.

Several things combined to bolster the market on this occasion. In the first place, and not withstanding earnest efforts to keep the matter quiet, it has leaked out that important discoveries of Bessemer steel ores have been made in this district. As a matter of fact it was that which started the boom or rather the heavy purchase of leasing operations who were in with the secret. Nothing that could be avoided has yet been said publicly on the matter, but there are very few people here now, who are interested in the local industrial movements, who have not received the "straight tip" on the sly, and the secret, if secret it can be called, is no longer worth keeping. As a consequence, it is now certain that the district including Chattanooga and Birmingham will soon come distinguished for steel plants, as it has for furnaces. The writer has seen analyses of native ores which leave all doubt on this question out of it. Our Eastern friends will no doubt refuse to believe it for a while just as they doubted our ability to compete with Eastern pig iron producers some time ago; but they will come to acknowledge the corn, as they did in the other case, and what wonder? The Alabama ores are geologically and otherwise, identical and Eastern deposits of red hematite that show ores good enough to be classed as Bessemer anywhere, and they are not different to the Spanish ores whose excellence for steel making we have heard so much about from Mr. Hewitt. At any rate the question of Bessemer ores is settled as far as the South is concerned and I am much mistaken if we do not see several Bessemer steel plants in operation at and near Birmingham before long.—*Chattanooga Tradesman*

Cannibalism by Entombed Miners.

Bologne dispatch to the London Times says: Excavations in the Canclade Quarries, where it will be remembered a landslip occurred last October, burying a number of workmen, have been carried on ever since for the purpose of unearthing the bodies. For many days after the slip was believed to have smothered the workers smoke was seen to issue from the ruins. Soldiers and quarrymen, directed by a party of engineers, worked day and night in the hope of talking the men out alive. Ever since the work has proceeded but of late the endeavors were not so vigorously plied.

The diggers have now reached the actual spot where the men were engaged at the time of the accident, and on penetrating into a gallery cut in the stone the explorers discovered the body of a young man lying on the ground. Photographs taken of the position show that a dreadful state of affairs must have come about when the men uncrushed found themselves entombed. It appears undoubted that some of the men tried to prolong their lives by killing and eating their companions in misfortune. A few solitary

arms and limbs have been picked up in their prison, and everything points to the fact that cannibalism was resorted to. The young man whose body was unutilated seems to have survived the others and to have died of hunger.

THE MARKETS.

MONROE MARKET.

[Corrected Daily.]

by Robert J. Nelson, "The Boss Grocer."

Sugar, W. C.	8
" Choice La.	7 1/2
Coffee, choice	11 1/2 to 12 1/2
Syrup new crop	75
Rice, choice	8
" good	6
Corn Meal	2.50 @ 2.75
Flour, Fancy Patent	6.50
" Blanch Fancy	6.00
" Eagle Steam	6.00
" Choice XXX	5.25
Pork, Mess	12 1/2
D. S. Shoulders	5 1/2
D. S. C. Sides	6.25
Bacon, C. Sides	6.70
Lard, tierce	9
Soap	2.00
Starch	5
Nails	3.00
Tobacco	40
Bagging, 2 lb	11 1/2
Arrow ties	1.35
Shot, sack	1.50
Grits	1
Coal Oil, per gal	20
Salt, coarse	1.25
" fine	1.50
Axle Grease, per doz	1.00
Lemons	4.00
Powder	50 c
Corn	65c
Oats	50c
Rust Proof	65
Bran	1.35
Hay	1.00

NEW ORLEANS

April.—24

COTTON.	
QUOTATIONS	
Good Middling	9 1/2c
Middling	8 1/2-16
Low middling	8 1/2-16
Good ordinary	7 1/2-16
Ordinary	7 1/2c

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Flour dull, Choice, \$4.25 Fancy, 4.60c Extra Fancy \$4.90, patents, \$5.50. Corn dull, mixed, 46c, white, 45 @ 50c sacked, 48c. Oats firm choice western 30c. Corn meal lower, \$2.05 firm Hay prime, \$16 @ 17 choice, \$17.50 @ 18.50. Lard quiet, refined tierce, 5 1/4 to 5 1/2c. Bulk meats firmer, shoulders, 4 1/4c, long clear sides, 6 05 clear rib sides, 6 20c. Bacon firm, shoulders, 4 1/2c, long clear sides, 6c clear rib sides, 6 15c. Hams choice sugar cured, 9 @ 9 1/4c. Whisky dull, \$1.00 @ 1.25. Coffee, quiet cargoes common to prime, 6 1/2 @ 9 1/4. Sugar, firm, open kettle, choice, 5 1-16c strictly prime 5 1-16 fully fair, 4 1/2c, good fair 4 11-16, to 4 3/4 good common, 4 5-16; common, 4 1/4 @ 4 3/4, inferior, 2 @ 3 1/2c. centrifugal plantation granulated, 6 1/2c, off clarified 6 3-16 choice white, 6c, off white, 5 1/2c greywhite, 6 1-16c: prime yellow clarified 5 1/2, choice yellow clarified, 5 1/2 off yellow clarified, 5 1/2c, seconds, 4 @ 5 1/2c. Molasses quit, open kettle, choice, 20c; strictly prime, 20 @ 22c good prime, 30 @ 32c prime, 20 @ 22c, good fair, 17 @ 18c, fair, 15 @ 16c, good common, 14, centrifugal, good prime, to choice, 21 @ 24c, common to prime, 16 @ 20c. Rice steady, ordinary to prime, 3 @ 4 1/2c. Bran lower, 75 @ 77 1/2c. Cotton seed oil, lower, crude, new, 21 1/2 @ 22 1/2c, refined, 26 1/2 @ 27 1/2. F. O. B. cake, 19 @ 19 1/2c, meal, 20c. Pork quiet, \$10.50.

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Flour steady, XXX, \$3.00 @ 3.10, family \$3 15 @ 3 25, choice to extra fancy, \$4.45 @ 4.70, patents, \$4.85 @ 5.25. Wheat, quiet, No 2 red Fall, 86c cash. Corn higher, No. 2 mixed, 33 1/2c cash. Oats, quiet; No. 2 mixed, 31 1/2c cash. Hay, quiet; prairie, \$6.00 @ 8.00, timothy, \$11.00 @ 14.00. Bran easy, firm, mill, 6 1/2c; east track, 6 @ 6 1/2c. Corn meal quiet, \$1.80 @ 1.90. Pork, steady, \$10.20 for old, and \$11.25 for new. Lard, steady, 5.80c. Bulk meats, shoulders 3.62c, long clear sides, 5.20c, short rib, 5 30; short clear, 5.50c. Bacon, shoulders 3.00c; long clear, 5.95c; short rib, 5.90 @ 6 05, short clear 5.75 @ 5.80c. Boxed lots; shoulders, 5.75c; long clear sides, 5.70 @ 5.80c; short rib sides, 5.35 @ 5.40c; short clear, 5.475.50c Whisky steady, \$1.10.

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