

HELPED BY A STRIKE.

Labor Troubles at Carnegie Mills Make Money for Other Firms.

STRUCTURAL STEEL PRICES JUMP.

Idle Works Started Up to Meet the Demands of Contractors.

NEW AMALGAMATED LODGE ORGANIZED

The old adage that "it's an ill wind blows nobody good" is well illustrated in the condition of the structural steel market as a result of the labor difficulties of the Carnegie Company. Every steel manufacturing company in this part of the country has been largely benefited by the big firm's distress. Mills that practically stood idle for several years prior to August 1 have since that time been gradually getting into line, and all are now working double time on structural steel.

A heavy increase in rates has produced this result. Before the Homestead strike the Carnegie Company practically had a monopoly of the structural steel product of the country. By reason of its wonderful facilities the firm could and did produce the material at prices which other manufacturers could not touch.

Pushed Up the Prices.
The Carnegie prices were 1.80 and 1.75 cents a pound. It is authoritatively stated that their rates were even down to 1.65 on some contracts taken. Other manufacturers could not begin to compete after the rate was cut below 1.90, because even at 2 cents even their profits were hardly large enough to justify them in competing for contracts.

But with the Carnegie troubles there has come a change in prices. Builders and contractors who had taken big jobs at the old rates were compelled to go to other manufacturers to get their material, proceed with their work and avoid the penalty clause of their agreements. The other manufacturers refused to furnish the product at the market prices and held out till an advance was offered. Gradually the price went up and structural steel is now commanding 2.25 cents a pound. At that price any manufacturer who has a plant in which it can be turned out has a good safe profit. All are hustling for orders and all are getting them.

Starting Up a Big Plant.
Several of the largest mills in this section which had been driven to other specialties by the market rates are turning out more structural steel now than anything else. An illustration which applies to a number of other concerns is furnished by the Spang Steel and Iron Works at Sharpsburg. When the boom of 1880 came this works, which had been built before the panic of 1872 and had never been operated on account of it, was started up by the present owners, the late Senator McNeill being the principal stockholder. Structural steel was then the best money-making branch of the business. The company put in a universal mill to make it one of the largest and most complete then in existence. A little over four years ago structural steel had so fallen in price that the firm had to practically abandon that part of their plant and devote their attention to other branches. But after four years of idleness the mill is again in operation night and day, with orders ahead and all departments contributing as far as it is possible in the production of structural steel. In fact a number of important changes have been made in the big plant to facilitate their getting out orders.

DISSATISFIED WORKMEN.

Colored Puddlers Ask That Two White Men Be Discharged.

There is some dissatisfaction among the puddlers at the Twenty-ninth street mills that may result in a strike within a few days. Since the mills were started up non-union a large proportion of the workmen are colored. Two of the furnaces are in charge of white men, and the colored puddlers object to working with them, fearing that in a short time they will be discharged and white men put in their places.

Last week all the colored puddlers went to Manager Dillon and demanded that the white men be discharged. The manager gave them to understand that he intended to run the mills himself and that to him there was no difference between a white or colored puddler. The men are still indignant. They have held several meetings and say they will stop work unless their demands are acceded to.

CONSIDERING RAILROAD QUESTIONS.

Some Important Questions Being Discussed by the Convention.

The Biennial Convention of the Brotherhood of Engineers and the Brotherhood of Firemen in session in this city is considering some questions important to railroad men. The sessions meet at 9 A. M. and 2 P. M. and are secret; the delegates being very guarded in speaking of the work done. The convention will likely last all week.

Two of the most important questions being discussed are those of uniform wages and shorter hours. Efforts will be made to have all divisions work under the same general system of rules and regulations. The executive power of the two orders is vested in a board of adjustment, to which all decisions are referred. Neither Chief Arthur, of the Engineers, nor Chief Sargeant, of the Firemen, will attend this convention.

SEWER PIPE TRUST.

Manufacturers Holding a Meeting to Unite Their Interests.

Representatives of 25 sewer pipe manufacturers met yesterday at Cleveland, O., to form a trust. Several attempts have been made within the past few years to reach some understanding between these companies, so that the prices could be sustained. Several combinations were made, but all were unsuccessful. It is thought a combination will be effected at the present meeting.

The demand for pipe is so good that all the mills are running to their full capacity and then cannot supply the demand. The proposed improvement of sewers in cities and large towns has caused this activity in the trade, and has been a potent factor in driving the companies to unite, as the competition between them has been so sharp that little can be made at the business.

NEW AMALGAMATED LODGE.

The Officials of the Association Receive Many Assurances of Help.

The officials of the Amalgamated Association were in a hopeful mood yesterday. They reported a new lodge organized at Muncie, Ind., Wednesday evening. No report had been received, and they did not know how many members were enrolled. The Midland Steel Company began operations at that place a few days ago, and is now in successful running order. The general outlook for trade was also good.

Contributions are coming in quite freely, and no want has as yet been felt. Assurances of further support are being constantly received.

The Situation at the Elba Works.

The managers at the Elba Iron Works express themselves as satisfied with the present working of the mills and claim the strike is practically over. About all the positions have been filled with capable men. The strikers are as determined as

ever and say the mills are not being run with satisfactory results.

IT WILL BE A TEST CASE.

True Bills Found Against Members of the Builders' Exchange for Conspiracy—Another Case on Trial—The Verdict Awaited With Interest.

The grand jury yesterday returned true bills against H. R. Barnes, John Carr, L. T. Yoder, D. F. McAfee, D. E. Sheuden, H. M. Kerr, E. A. Knox, T. J. Hamilton, and J. W. Beckett for conspiracy. All the indicted are members of the Builders' Exchange, and the plaintiff is Thomas Buchanan, a contractor who claims that in consequence of members of the Builders' Exchange refusing to sell him building materials he had to throw up the contract after it was partially completed. Buchanan claims that it was a preconcerted action on the part of the Builders' exchange, which compelled him to forfeit his contract.

A case growing out of the same circumstances has been going on in Common Pleas Court for the past two days. Judge White will deliver his charge to the jury this morning. The case has been attracting a great deal of attention and throughout the trial the court room has been crowded.

In the spring of 1891 J. C. Dick let a contract to Thomas Buchanan for five brick houses—though Dick says it was only two and the building of some chimneys at \$99 each. Dick had spoken to John Kerr about brick for the work. After securing the contract Buchanan went to Kerr to see about the brick. He was told he could have the brick immediately, but as there was a prospective strike among the building trades he was advised to wait, though Kerr is credited with saying that one story could be put up then, even if the houses could not be completed. Kerr is said to have quit furnishing brick, and Buchanan claims he could get no material to finish the houses, and had to forfeit his contract after a delay of five months. The defendants claim there were several places where Buchanan could have secured the necessary material, outside that controlled by the Builders' Exchange. The suit is for damages for \$10 a day for five months and material spoiled.

An official of the Builders' Exchange said last evening: "A fair decision in this case is worth thousands to exchanges all over the country. It is a test case to find out just what privileges employers have, and to learn whether they can or cannot sell to whom they please. I do not think the decision, either for or against us, will effect the Exchange much. If it goes against us we will appeal the case."

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