

LABOR STATISTICS.

THE volume of mineral resources of the United States for the calendar year 1901, now in press, United States Geological Survey, presents some interesting statistics of the labor in the coal mines of the country.

From 1838 to 1901, inclusive, the statistics of coal production were as follows: In 1838, the average number of men employed was 401,211, and they averaged 190 working days during the year, producing 219,974,967 short tons of coal; valued at \$208,000,850; in 1839, 410,365 men working 214 days produced 253,739,922 short tons, valued at \$256,977,434; in 1890, 448,581 men working 212 days produced 293,681,827 short tons, valued at \$300,571,394; in 1901, 483,544 men working 216 days produced 293,288,516 short tons, valued at \$348,910,463. In 1838, the average price of coal per ton was 35 cents; in 1839, it was \$1.01; in 1900, it was \$1.14; in 1901, it was \$1.19.

According to the two great divisions in the coal industry, the bituminous and anthracite, the statistics are as follows: In the bituminous coal industry in 1839, 192,204 men working 226 days produced 111,302,322 short tons, valued at \$110,420,801, an average of 2.66 tons per man per day, and of 579 tons per man per year; in 1901, 239,592 men working 194 days produced 133,118,369 short tons, valued at \$115,779,771, an average of 2.90 tons per man per day and of 563 tons per man per year; in 1900, 304,575 men in 234 days produced 212,314,912 short tons, valued at \$229,933,543 or 2.98 tons per day and 677 tons per man per year; in 1901, 340,235 men in 225 days produced 255,726,849 short tons, valued at \$236,406,449, or 2.94 tons per man per day and 694 tons per man per year. The average price of bituminous coal per short ton in 1839 was 35 cents; in 1838, 85 cents; in 1900, \$1.04; in 1901, \$1.06.

In the anthracite mines in 1839, the number of miners was 130,000, who in 200 days produced 46,468,791 short tons valued at \$96,386,712, the average production being 1.32 tons per man per day and 269 tons per man per year; in 1839, 132,000 men produced in 190 days 57,500,357 short tons per man per day and of 406 tons per man per year; in 1900, 144,206 men working 196 days produced 57,367,915 short tons, valued at \$83,757,851, or 2.49 short tons per man per day and 408 tons per year; in 1901, 143,329 men worked 196 days and produced 57,471,967 short tons, valued at \$112,504,023, an average production of 2.36 short tons per man per day and of 464 tons per man per year. The average price per short ton of anthracite coal in 1839 was \$1.42; in 1836 it was \$1.41; in 1900 it was \$1.49, and in 1901 it was \$1.67.

In the last twelve years the number of workers in the anthracite mines has increased from 126,000 in 1890 to 145,329 in 1901, or over 15 per cent. During the same period the number of men in the bituminous mines has increased from 102,204 to 340,235, or a little over 33 per cent.

The statistics of accidents in the calendar year 1901, already published in part, show that 1,467 men were killed, 3,043 men were injured, and that 188,998 tons of coal were mined for each life lost. In the bituminous mines of the country 854 men were killed and 2,400 were injured, in a total of 340,235 men at work; in the anthracite mines 513 men were killed and 1,534 were injured, in a total of 145,329 at work.

The statistics for Pennsylvania alone show 301 men killed, 650 men injured, and an average of 37,288 short tons of coal mined for each life lost in

the bituminous mines; and 513 men killed, 1,243 men injured, and an average of 131,724 short tons of coal mined for each life lost in the anthracite mines. It is interesting to note that in Pennsylvania the number of short tons of bituminous coal mined per life lost was a little more than double the number of short tons of coal mined per life lost in the anthracite mines.

FOREST RESERVE

IN PROFESSIONAL Paper No. 7, United States Geological Survey, now in press, Messrs. Arthur Dodwell and Theodore F. Rixon submit a report on the forest conditions of the Olympic Forest Reserve, Washington. This report gives the complete results of the examination of the reserve, which has been carried on by Messrs. Dodwell and Rixon during the seasons of 1898, 1899 and 1900. During the first season they examined ten townships situated in the eastern part of the reserve. During the second season they examined sixty-one townships, comprising the northern and most of the western parts of the reserve, the total area examined in these two seasons comprising seventy-one townships, several of them being partial or fractional townships. The report of the examinations for these two seasons for these two seasons has already been published in the twenty-first annual report of the Survey. During the season of 1900 they completed the survey of the reserve by the examination of the remaining thirty-six townships. The total area examined during these seasons were made prior to the reduction in the reserve, they include the areas which have since been withdrawn but as matters of information their description of the townships and portions of townships since withdrawn from the reserve are here given. The reserve now comprises an area of 3,080 square miles, or 1,929,200 acres, and includes parts of Clallam, Jefferson, Chehalis and Mason counties.

Detailed descriptions of the townships are given, including forest conditions, statistics of forest trees, agricultural lands, roads and trails, navigation, railroad construction, and logging facilities. The total stand of timber in the reserve is 60,000,000,000 feet B. M.

The republicans of South Dakota made it unanimous. Herried, republican candidate for governor, carried every county in the state, defeating Martin, democrat, by a plurality of over 24,000.

The revision of the tax laws of this state will be one of the questions to be settled by the next legislature. That there is not enough money collected in the way of taxes to conduct the state institutions is patent to anyone who has paid any attention to this matter during the past few years.

Republicans read with amusement the declaration of Judge Howard in the Columbus Telegram that the railroads, "boasted and spurred," are now in possession of the government of Nebraska. The record of the fusion party in this state on the railroad question is one of the things that has brought about its defeat year after year since 1897.—State Journal.

The election of the entire republican ticket in an off year, notwithstanding the opposition of several prominent republicans, who were in a position to do a great deal of harm, the saloon element, which was shown by the circular letters sent out during the last week of the campaign, should prove to all fair-minded men that Nebraska is once more a republican state. Stand up for Nebraska.

Senators Beveridge of Indiana, Nelson of Minnesota, Dillingham of Vermont, Bate of Tennessee, and Heffelford of Idaho, are on a tour through Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona to investigate those territories' claims to statehood. These five senators are members of the senatorial sub-committee on territories and it is likely their report will have much weight in the upper house of congress.

Candidates for the speakership of the next legislature are springing up all over the state, but so far no one has announced who is our choice. It is well known in all the precincts of F. A. Sweeney of New York, a champion of Central City, later announced the 2nd congressional district, but at present Illinois has a candidate for the position in the person of J. H. Decker, Jr. We know of no one in this congressional district who is as strong as Mr. Sweeney and we would respectfully suggest his name to the members of the next house. He is a man of more than the average ability, is thoroughly conversant with parliamentary usages, and is quick in his replies. Push Sweeney.

Luck in Thirteen. By sending 13 cents Wm. Steiner, of Walton Furnace, Va., got a box of Bucklen's Hemic Salve, that whirled and a burning fever sore on his leg, nothing a second. Positively cured rashes, boils, ulcers, eruptions, hemorrhoids, corns and warts. Only 25 cents guaranteed by C. L. Cotting, druggist.

SCISSORISMS

A SMALL boy in one of our district schools was asked by a kind old lady if he studied very hard, said: "Oh, I don't hurt myself at it." "Oh," said the lady, "you must study hard or you will never be president of the United States." "No, ma'am," replied the boy, "I don't expect to be; I'm a democrat."

A clergyman was surprised one day at receiving a basket of potatoes from an old woman in his parish, with a message saying that as he had remarked in his sermon on the previous Sunday that some "common taters" (commentators) did not agree with him, she had sent him some real good ones.

An exchange has discovered that the moon gets full but she goes on shining; the rain drops but it gets up again; the stars shoot, but do not kill; the willows weep but never shed a tear; night falls, but doesn't break; day breaks but doesn't fall; the fly swallows, and the swallows fly; the bees buzz and so do the girls.

A scientist says that "if the earth was flattened the sea would be two miles deep all over the world." After due meditation a Kansas editor gives out the following "If any man is caught flattening out the earth shoot him on the spot, and don't be too blamed particular what spot. There's a whole lot of us in Kansas that can't swim."

A clerical gentleman who wished to assist a young journalistic friend, wired to General Kitchener, during the peace negotiations in Africa, asking him if "Peace, Perfect Peace" would be an appropriate hymn for the coming Sunday services. Kitchener wired back, "Suit yourself, but I think 'Onward Christian Soldiers,' quite as good."

The star boarder at a certain New York "travert," who was reading his paper at breakfast, suddenly gave a low shriek and fell to the floor. The more curious among those present picked up the paper and saw what had shocked him. It was an item reading: "California will ship 60,000,000 pounds of prunes to the eastern markets this year."

Meadville (Mo.) Messenger: The country papers have many faults, they make many blunders and leave undone many good works. Yet when you follow them month after month you are struck with the unanimity with which they stand loyally by their community, and the constancy with which they preach the doctrine of citizenship and fair play in all things.

Every publisher knows that typographical errors are gifts of providence, cunning and malevolence. They remain in darkness and hiding until suspicion has been lulled and then they spring upon their unsuspecting victims. At Minneapolis the other day Governor Riddle tried to say something pleasant in his Messenger about Mr. Porter's grocery. When the paper appeared he found he had paid an uncommonly fine compliment to Mr. Porter's "grocery."

A citizen was overheard to make an ungentle remark on the street the other day. He said his neighbor was speaking to him about the heavy expense connected with keeping a family, and asked: "Don't you find it so?" "No, I use my wife's temper for a furnace, her feet for a refrigerator, her company manners for sugar, and we have tongue all the year round, so you see my expenses are very light."

Mary had a little lamb, that time it passed away. No lamb could follow up the path that Mary goes to-day. For now she rides on air shod wheels in skirts to short by half; no lambkin shares her airy flight but you can see her calf. But who is there that can complain or cry in woe. "Alas!" So long as Mary's calf's all right the lamb can go to grass. So all the men delight to gaze, their joy is not a sham, for while the other crier's out they have no use for lamb.

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THE MAHARA MINSTRELS

A Large Audience Was Given a Splendid Minstrel Performance at Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

One of the big novelties in minstrelry is certainly Mahara's colored minstrels. This company has visited Sioux Falls on several occasions, but they never gave such general satisfaction as last evening. A feature of the first part is the handsomely dressed lady vocalists who add materially to the singing and appearance in general. It cannot be denied that the singing features of this performance will compare favorably with the very best minstrel companies of the country. The Mahara Brothers have always shown a disposition to have fine singers with their company even if they were not as strong in other departments. This season however, they have the fine singers and star performers in other lines combined. Manager Mahara informed the writer that his business this year had been better than ever before and he attributed this to the strong singing combination which he was putting before the public. The company was greeted by a full house last evening and the large audience was highly pleased as was evidenced by the generous applause which was distributed throughout the evening.—Sioux Falls Argus-Leader, September 17.

A Startling Surprise.

Very few could believe in looking at A. T. Hoadley, healthy, robust blacksmith of Tilden, Ind., that for ten years he suffered such tortures from rheumatism as few could endure and live. But a wonderful change follows his taking Electric Bitters. "Two bottles wholly cured me," he writes, "and I have not felt a twinge in over a year." They regulate the kidneys, purify the blood and cure rheumatism, neuralgia, nervousness, improve digestion and give perfect health. Try them. Only 50c at C. L. Cotting's drug store.

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