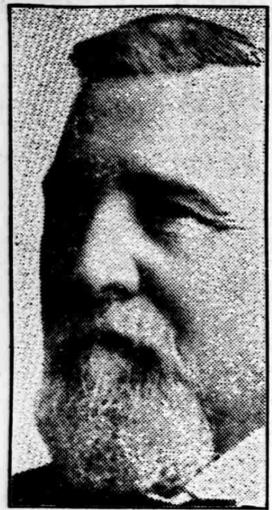


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"If a man is sick he looks anxiously for something which will cure him, and Pe-ru-na will do the work."

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"It is bound to help anyone, if used according to directions."

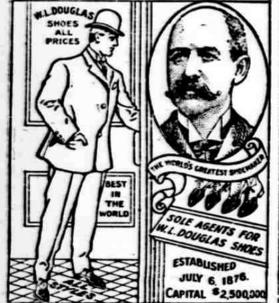
"I also know dozens of men who speak in the highest terms of Pe-ru-na and have had to hear of anyone being disappointed in it."

Mr. Crumbo, in a later letter, dated Aug. 25, 1904, says:

"My health is good, at present, but if I should have to take any more medicine I will fall back on Pe-ru-na."

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**Spoons of Early Days.**

All the earliest spoons have pear-shaped bowls. It was not until the latter part of the seventeenth century that they began to elongate toward the egg-shaped spoon of the present time. Up to the seventeenth century all spoons were large and closely resembled the soup spoon which has been in use for the last five or six years, the bowl being very deep.

**Cure for Bad Temper.**

The best way to cure bad temper is first to convince yourself that you are not really being wronged. Once you have gotten in tune with the world and feel quite certain that the universe is better ordered than you could order it, you will cease expecting to reform the rest of your fellow-men and thus be saved lots of disappointment.

**Conquer Disagreeables.**

If there is a requirement to success in your business for which you have an antipathy, conquer it, or it will be the rock on which your ship will founder. Overcome the idea that certain things are disagreeable, in order that your life may contain no disagreeable duties. Bend before the wind, that you be not broken.

**Too Many "Burns Relics."**

Scotland is becoming alarmed at the increase in the number of "Burns relics." Chairs enough are now known to have furnished a dozen Burns cottages. Even the well known habits of the poet will not account for the arrays of Burns cups and mugs that are scattered around the world.

**Appearances and Animation.**

We are products of things we see and hear and think. Our appearance is able to increase our own animation provided our appearance brightens before us, and we forget ourselves in admiring their brightness.—Earl M. Pratt in "Short Talks."

**Ideleness is Unhappiness.**

The will of Mr. Val Princep, R. A., contained a passage in which he expressed the opinion that a man with nothing to do is necessarily dissatisfied and consequently unhappy.

**Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.**

As mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescription from a reputable physician, as the damage they will do to the head is too great to be paid for by the temporary relief they may give. It is better to buy a bottle of Dr. Williams' Catarrh Cure, manufactured by Dr. J. C. Williams & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. It is a sure cure for Catarrh of the Head, and is sold by all druggists. Testimonials free. Sold by Dr. J. C. Williams & Co., Toledo, Ohio. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

**Important to Mothers.**

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Wm. L. Little* in Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

**REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR.**

While a girl is learning about love she can teach a man more than he ever knew. The only kind of advice that is ever taken is the rich relation's, and only when he is there to see you do it. A good cure for insomnia is to have some babies in the house; then you'll want to sleep, but they won't let you. If women wear different clothes they might be a lot more sensible, but they wouldn't be a millionth part as nice.

When a man happens to make his bank balance agree with the cashier's he goes out and begins to brag how he almost took honors in mathematics when he was in college.—New York Press.

**Fight Tobacco Evil.**

Principal Thomas of the Burlington (Vt.) High School and his teachers, finding that 40 per cent of the boys used tobacco habitually, and desiring to reduce the practice, have agreed that no pupil who uses tobacco can hold a school office or be a member of any organization, including athletic and social clubs.

**Prussian Universities.**

The cost to the Prussian government of its ten universities a year is nearly \$4,000,000.

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**The Government of Canada**

Gives absolutely FREE to every settler one hundred and sixty acres of land in Western Canada.

Land adjoining this can be purchased from railway and land companies at from \$6 to \$10 per acre.

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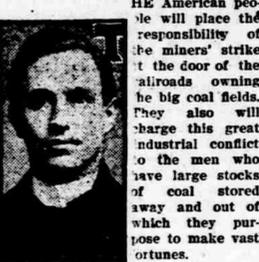
Write for "Twentieth Century Canada" and low railway rates to Superintendent of Immigration, Ottawa, Canada; or to authorized Canadian Government Agent—W. V. Bennett, 801 New York Life Building, Omaha, Nebraska.

(Mention this paper.)

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**Leaders of Coal Mine Strikers and Operators in Recrimination**

BY JOHN MITCHELL. (President of the United Mine Workers of America.)



THE American people will place the responsibility of the miners' strike at the door of the railroads owning the big coal fields. They also will charge this great industrial conflict to the men who have large stocks of coal stored away and out of which they purpose to make vast fortunes.

The mine workers entered into a conference with their employers in a spirit of earnestness and conscientiously endeavored to reach a peaceful settlement of our dispute. The question seemed irreconcilable. I am willing to let the public judge which side is at fault. The miners made concessions. The operators with one exception were willing to make none.

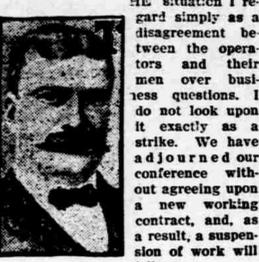
We have no ulterior motives in taking the position that we do. No man has labored more zealously for industrial peace than I, and nobody regrets more than I the failure to attain it. Speaking for my people, I wish to say that there will be no riots or bloodshed in this strike. The miners are as law abiding as the operators of this country.

The great coal strike is on. It began March 31, when more than half a million miners throughout the United States laid down their tools under orders not to resume work until their demands are satisfied.

It is estimated that one-fifth of this number will soon return to their places. They will go back under district contracts wherever operators agree to pay wages on the basis of the 1903 mining scale and conditions.

The first large field to sign the miners' scale was that of western Kentucky. Operators and miners at a conference came to terms and signatures were affixed before adjournment. President Mitchell also received a

BY JOHN H. WINDER. (Chairman of the Litanious coal Operators.)



THE situation I regard simply as a disagreement between the operators and their men over business questions. I do not look upon it exactly as a strike. We have adjourned our conference without agreeing upon a new working contract, and, as a result, a suspension of work will follow.

I do not predict that the shutdown of the mines and collieries will be attended with violence. We and our men still are on friendly terms. They are as anxious as ever to protect our property and mines, the preservation and good condition of which are necessary for their own sustenance and welfare.

No attempt will be made, so far as I know, to operate the mines with nonunion men. What the public is most interested in is the supply of coal. I presume that the bituminous supply now stored away will last, in some cases, only sixty days. In other cases it will last four months. Nobody can estimate accurately how severe the want to fuel may become, provided the shutdown of the mines continues for a long period.

meet Mr. Baer and other anthracite operators I can make no prediction concerning the possible outcome of the meeting. Other members of the anthracite scale committee refused also to discuss the position which they will take. It was learned, however, indirectly that the list of demands which were rejected at the former conference by the operators will be modified. President Mitchell probably will insist upon an open clause providing for recognition of the union at all hazards. If any compromise is offered it will be in the way of wages.

After the meeting in New York with the anthracite operators the result will have to be reported to the



Secretary-Treasurer of the United Mine Workers.

telegram from Iowa announcing the fact that 14,000 miners in that state had obtained their demands from the operators.

"One-third of the tonnage of southern Indiana also is signed," said President Mitchell.

President Mitchell also received reports to the effect that the operators in the nonunion Irwin field of central Pennsylvania have given an advance to their miners and that the big Burwin-White company, a Pennsylvania concern, had taken the same step.

"Do you still cling to your belief more than 50 per cent of the bituminous tonnage is ready to yield to the miners' demands?" Mr. Mitchell was asked.

"I think it will be more than that," was the reply. Regarding the anthracite conference Mr. Mitchell would say nothing except, "Until I arrive in New York and

Pennsylvania Operator Who Fought to the Last to Prevent Strike and Who Favored a Renewal of the 1903 Scale.

convention of the anthracite miners to be held either in Sparanokin, Wilkesbarre or Scranton.

President Mitchell feels confident that a stampede will soon begin among the big operators. The first signs of a break, he declares, will come in Ohio and in western Pennsylvania, where the big mines of the Pittsburg Coal company will be running under a double force by the end of next week.

Illinois is regarded as the field where the chief battle of the great industrial war will be fought. The determination of the big operators in that state is firmer than elsewhere because of special grievances against conditions imposed by the miners' organization. Matched on the other side of the struggle, too, is the strongest branch of the United Mineworkers with nearly a million dollars in its treasury.

**STRIKE OUTLOOK IN FIGURES.**

IMMEDIATELY INVOLVED.	115,000	Fund of United Mineworkers	\$3,000,000
Bituminous miners	100,000	Wage (daily) bituminous	2.50
Anthracite miners	15,000	Daily loss in wages (estimated)	\$1.75
Distribution of Bituminous Miners.		Production 1905 (bituminous), tons	\$650,000
Illinois	23,000	Production 1905 (anthracite), tons	290,562,538
Ohio	30,000	Anthracite, tons	\$6,000,000
WEST VIRGINIA	10,000	Bituminous, tons	20,000,000
MISSOURI	8,000	Daily consumption (bituminous), tons	30,000,000
KANSAS	10,000	Anthracite, tons	1,000,000
TEXAS	7,000	Daily consumption (anthracite), tons	250,000
INDIAN TERRITORY	5,000	Anthracite Strike of 1902.	
SECOND PROBABLE SPREAD—	27,000	Miners and families affected	537,000
Iowa	14,000	Loss to miners in wages	\$3,650,000
West Virginia	10,000	Loss to other workers in mines	6,457,000
Michigan	5,000	Daily consumption (bituminous), tons	25,000,000
Kentucky	2,000	Loss to railroads	26,000,000
ACTION YET UNDETERMINED.		Loss to other business interests	35,525,000
(Will probably join strike.)		Total loss through strike	\$142,372,000
Western Pennsylvania	30,000		
All other bituminous miners	100,000		
Anthracite nonunion	85,000		
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Involved in general strike	550,000		
Dependent on mining for bread	3,000,000		

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**Senator Tillman Defends Senate.**

Senator B. R. Tillman of South Carolina, whose second term in the senate will close next March, is engaged in writing "A Defense of the Senate" for publication. Discussing the task he has assumed, Senator Tillman admitted that his views of the senate had been tempered somewhat by his years of service in that body. He concludes that there is more public usefulness in the senate than he believed it to contain in the early part of his service.

**Power Centered in Few Men.**

Because of unpaid poll taxes only six citizens are qualified to vote at the coming election in Virginia Beach, Va. A mayor and a town council of six are to be chosen, somehow. One of the disqualified voters is the present mayor.

**Oppose Limited Tickets.**

A bill has been introduced by seven members of the British Parliament to abolish time limits on railway passenger tickets.

**Riveting by Machine.**

In riveting with pneumatic hammers two men and one heater averaged 500 rivets in ten hours, whereas by hand 250 rivets is a good day's work for three men and one heater. The cost for each, according to the Engineering Mining Journal, was 1-62 cents by pneumatic hammer, and 3-68 cents by hand.

**In a Pinch, Use ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE.**

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**Wealth in Old Hotel Structure.**

In altering an old hotel in New York city it has been found that the beams, floor boards and woodwork are of solid mahogany. The structure would prove a perfect mine of wealth if it could be razed, but the owner refuses to allow this to be done under any circumstances.

**Worth Knowing**

—That Alcock's are the original and only genuine porous plasters; all other so-called porous plasters are imitations.

**Victoria Cross.**

The Victoria Cross was instituted fifty years ago, Jan. 29. Since then only 520 persons have received it, 517 of them soldiers or sailors and three of them civilians who were acting in a military capacity when they did "in the face of the enemy" the gallant deed which won them the cross.

**Mrs. Winder's Soothing Syrup.**

For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures colic. 25c a bottle.

**Church Trumpet.**

At Braybrooke church, England, is still to be seen a monster trumpet, sixty-six inches long, which was used in the early part of the last century to summon the people to church instead of church bells. It was also formerly used by the choir leader during service.

Lewis' Single Binder straight six cigar. Made of extra quality tobacco. Your dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

**Sixty of Rembrandt's original etched copper plates have been discovered by Mr. Victor Thomas at Valenciennes, and they are believed to have been lost for a century. They are to be distributed among collections in Paris, Brussels and Amsterdam.**

U. S. NAVY enlists young men and mechanics. Permanent Recruiting Station, Postoffice Building, Omaha, Neb. Sub-Stations: Burr Bluff, Lincoln, Neb., and Postoffice Building, Council Bluffs, Ia. Temporary Recruiting Station open at Sioux Falls, S. D., April 9th to 14th; Yankton, S. D., April 16th to 21st; Sioux City, Ia., April 23rd to 28th; Des Moines, Ia., April 30th to May 5th, inclusive. Opportunity for advancement and special mechanical training better than ever before. Pay \$15 to \$70 per month, besides allowances. Apprentices Seamen enlisted between 17 and 25 years are transferred to a Naval Training Station, others to a Navy Yard. Good openings for Machinists, Electricians, Copper-Smiths, Musicians, Carpenters, Stenographers, Firemen, Bakers, etc. Call at or address any of the above Navy Recruiting Stations, for full information as to pay and terms. Enlistments four years. Only citizens of the United States of good character are accepted.

**Women Shylocks in London.**

It appears that there are many female Shylocks in London. They are all old women, and, as usurers, are said to be much more grasping and merciless than their male colleagues.

**Even the microbe may be a lady killer.**

**Women in Our Hospitals**

Appalling increases in the Number of Operations Performed Each Year—How Women May Avoid Them.



Going through the hospitals in our large cities one is surprised to find such a large proportion of the patients lying on those snow-white beds women and girls, who are either awaiting or recovering from serious operations.

Why should this be the case? Simply because they have neglected themselves. Female troubles are certainly on the increase among the women of this country—they creep upon them unawares, but every one of those patients in the hospital beds had plenty of warning in that bearing-down feeling, pain in the left or right of the abdomen, nervous exhaustion, pain in the small of the back, dizziness, flatulency, displacements of the organs or irregularities. All of these symptoms are indications of an unhealthy condition of the female organs, and if not heeded the penalty has to be paid by a dangerous operation. When these symptoms manifest themselves, do not drag along until you are obliged to go to the hospital and submit to an operation—but remember that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has saved thousands of women from surgical operations.

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