

MORE STRIKES IN CHICAGO.

Thousands of Planning Mill and Factory Employes Out for Eight Hours.

MANY MORE EXPECTED TO FOLLOW.

A Restless Feeling in the Ranks of Labor Everywhere - Non-Union Men Joining the Strikers at Louisville.

CHICAGO, May 2.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—The hopes engendered by the peaceful passage of labor's holiday without rumors of any trouble to come were rudely shattered today. The strike fever it would seem was aggravated by the May day demonstration, for today it broke out with alarming force, and as a result a vast body of men of various trades have struck, some for an eight hour day and some for no work at all.

The Black road in the vicinity of McCormick's reaper works had much the same appearance today. The men were seen to strike but strikers could be seen, and they had no pretensions. Every man, boy and girl employed in the millable iron works at Twenty-sixth and Rockwell streets are out. The total number of employes is 1,300. No particular reason was assigned by the men for quitting work. A committee of workmen was appointed to meet the city police officers, but they seemed disinclined to go before their employers.

President Bailey called the strikers about him and exhorted them to hold out without notice and told them that when they found out what they wanted to let him know their demands. The men seemed not to know what to say in reply. The chairman of the millers' committee says they want 8 hours a day's work, 15 cents advance in wages, and 50 per cent extra for overtime.

A large proportion of the employes of the foundries of Barnum & Richards, of the Ajax Forge company and of those concerns are closed. As elsewhere no formal demand was made on the employes. At the Wells-French car company's shops every one of the 1,800 employes went out after the night of the 29th.

The blacksmiths were the only ones who made known their demand, which was for eight hours a day's work, 15 cents advance in wages, and 50 per cent extra for overtime. The men were apparently without warning. The men came to their places as usual this morning and with a few exceptions proceeded to work as they have done in the past.

Everything remained quiet notwithstanding the large number of idle men and the police say they do not anticipate any disturbance.

Four hundred men in Denman's furniture factory and 700 in the Chicago Cottage organ factory struck this afternoon for eight hours. Seventeen thousand men in the city are out.

Arbitration Committee. CHICAGO, May 2.—The arbitration committee having under consideration the differences between the journeymen carpenters and the Builders and Traders' association, adjourned shortly 1 o'clock today without having made any definite conclusion. The only point at issue now is the employing capacity of the non-union men.

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Non-Union Men Join the Strikers. LOUISVILLE, Ky., May 2.—Of 1,362 journeymen carpenters in this city, between nine hundred and one thousand struck today for eight hours and 25 cents an hour as the minimum wages.

At Detroit. DETROIT, Mich., May 2.—The strike situation here is practically unchanged today although it is rumored that several more contractors have accepted the demands of the men.

TIED UP IN A CONFERENCE.

Considerable Trouble Expected Over the Pension Legislation.

WAR DEPARTMENT SCANDAL FEARED.

Walker Blaine's Successor-Senator Plumb and Irrigation-Idaho and Wyoming Statehood Prospects.

WASHINGTON BUREAU THE OMAHA BEE.] WASHINGTON, May 2.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—Pension legislation is to be tied up in a conference committee and a deal of trouble is expected before an adjustment can be reached.

Senator Davis, chairman of the committee on pensions, was in the senate this morning for the first time in a week, having been home for a little rest. The Morrill bill, which had passed the senate during his absence, was brought into the senate as the first piece of business after he entered the chamber. The house had amended the senate bill by what is practically the substitution of another bill.

Senator Sawyer, a member of the pension committee, was asked what the senate would do with the house amendment and said he did not think it would agree to it. It would, however, be discussed at length by a conference committee. It has been suggested that only a possible compromise to which the senate will agree is the modification of the two bills which combines the \$12 a month pension, which was in the senate bill, with a service clause.

Portugal Agrees to Arbitrate. LISBON, May 2.—[New York Herald Cable Special to The Bee.]—The Portuguese minister for foreign affairs has replied to Dr. G. P. Loring, the United States minister here, accepting the principle of arbitration prepared by the United States secretary of state. He suggests that the question as to whether the Delagoa railway is or is not one for international arbitration shall be referred to some impartial friendly nation.

Excitement in Wheat. Heavy Trading in That Cereal and Wild Fluctuations in Prices. CHICAGO, May 2.—Buyers of grain throughout the northwest were among the causes of a weaker opening in wheat this morning. The July option started in at a very wide range, it being quoted at from 93c to 91c. It soon became settled and sales were made at 90c and then up to 90 1/2c, which was the price at the end of the first fifteen minutes of trading.

SIGNED THE SIXTON BILL.

The Measure Finally Mutilated Sufficiently to Obtain Hill's Signature.

ALBANY, N. Y., May 2.—Governor Hill today approved the Sixton bill, in his message accompanying it he says in part: "I have steadily opposed every effort to impose unnecessary and impracticable restrictions upon our elections."

FATAL FIGHT OF LITTLE GIRLS.

A Ten-Year-Old Dies from Injuries Inflicted by a Classmate.

NEW YORK, May 2.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—Annie Ervenstein, a ten-year-old school girl, died at Governor hospital last evening from the result of injuries inflicted by Tillie Brown, a classmate of her own age.

RECEPTION TO STANLEY.

LONDON, May 2.—The Emlin relief committee gave a magnificent dinner at Stanley. The prince of Wales presided. Among the guests were many members of the royalty and other distinguished persons.

JUDGMENTS AGAINST STOCKHOLDERS.

DETROIT, Ia., May 2.—In the United States district court today judgments were entered against the stockholders of the defunct Commercial National bank for amounts equal to the stock they held.

COPYRIGHT BILL DEFEATED.

The House Downs the Measure By a Large Majority.

CUSTOMS ADMINISTRATIVE BILL.

After a Long Debate the Senate Adopts It with Several Amendments—Seventeen Private Pension Bills Passed.

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ARMY OFFICERS' HABITS.

The Secretary of War is Beginning to Receive some Interesting Information in Response to a Circular Sent to the Commanding Officers of Regiments to Furnish the Department with a Report as to the Special Qualifications of their Subordinate Officers.

MISCELLANEOUS.

A Petition was Today Presented in the House from 2,500 Farmers, Representing Sixty-five Counties in South Dakota, in Favor of the Sub-Subsidiary Bill.

Secretary Rusk has written to Representative Pickler that the first installment of seeds which is provided for the benefit of the farmers' alliances of South Dakota has been forwarded to Aurora and BenHonne counties.

The agricultural department sends the following report to the commerce committee in regard to the distribution of the seeds which were distributed to the farmers' alliances of South Dakota.

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WANTONS.

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YANKTON, S. D., May 2.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—Prohibition went into effect in South Dakota Thursday and a Sunday aspect and a moral sadness prevails and pervades the community.

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MINNESOTA FOREST FIRES.

Forest Fires are Raging all Over Wright County.

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PRESIDENTS WILL CONFERENCE.

Those of Western Lines to Hold a Meeting in Chicago Monday.

THE PRESENT LOW BASIS OF RATES.

They Will Consider Means for Advancing Them—The Chicago, St. Paul and Kansas City to Build Feeders.

CHICAGO, May 2.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—A meeting of western railroad presidents will be held here next Monday to consider means for advancing the present low basis of rates.

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