

HANNA URGES COMBINATION

Wishes Both Labor and Capital to Form Organizations.

FOREIGN TRADE CAN THUS ALONE BE KEPT

Points to Waste of Present Strike System and Pleads Union Men for Sticking by Contracts Made with Employers.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Oct. 23.—Senator Hanna devoted the day to speech-making in Indiana.

He began the day's work at Evansville and between that city and Indianapolis he made nine stops. At Linton, where the crowd was made up largely of miners, he discussed the recent anthracite strike. Senator Hanna was scheduled to begin speaking in Tompkins hall here at 8:30. Long before 8 the auditorium was literally packed, and the aisles were filled and thousands were turned away from the doors.

After referring to the rapid strides American industries and commerce had made since 1890 he said:

I do not propose to go into the trust question. But I say that in this great era of development, in the evolution which is taking place all over our country, we must contend for our rights to do as others have done when they have made the market and control them by their power and force of aggregated capital.

Of our great corporations some may be bad, but not all; at any rate it is natural evolution, based on the law of the market, to do what others have done, and to control them by their power and force of aggregated capital.

There is no danger in the organization of capital and industry as such, but only when it must control the organization of labor.

I am opposed to wasteful strikes and lockouts. I deprecate the differences between these great powers that bring about a change of things which is wasteful to the last degree. My proposition is that we recognize the right of labor to organize and control their own interests as at stake and consider them from a standpoint, as I say, of the golden rule.

He also spoke of the anthracite strike and of the action of the bituminous miners in refusing to vote for a sympathetic strike. Their action had proved to the world that a labor organization could resist.

He also claimed that the republican party had done more to advance the interests of the workmen than any other political force in the country and that from its foundation on broad lines, with utilitarian ideas, it was the party that laboring people should support.

Senator Hanna nearly broke down at the close of the speech. His strength seemed to fail him and he had to reach for the stand, dragging his body over to it, where he rested his hand. After a moment's hesitation he announced that his physical condition would not allow him to say anything more and was helped to his chair by Senator Fairbanks and Secretary Whitaker of the republican state committee.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Oct. 23.—Senator Mark Hanna began his tour of Indiana today. He appeared in good health, with the exception of his ever-present rheumatism. Beautiful weather greeted him as he crossed over from Kentucky into the Hoosier state. The senator spoke in the open air at Williamsport, where he was greeted by 10,000 people.

In the allotted twenty minutes he spoke on the prosperous condition of the country, the issues of the democratic party, which he declared were nothing, and the coming union of capital and labor as the great factors in the advancement of the country.

He denounced Tom L. Johnson's free trade and single tax platform in Ohio. In conclusion he appealed for a republican congress to uphold President Roosevelt in what he has attempted for the welfare of the country.

He was cheered vociferously at the end of the address.

JOHNSON DENOUNCES M'LEAN

Bitter Fight Develops Within Democratic Ranks in State of Ohio.

CINCINNATI, Oct. 23.—Mayor Tom L. Johnson of Cleveland, who is recognized as the democratic leader in Ohio, today said as the probable opponent of Senator Hanna next year and a candidate for the presidency in 1904, created quite a sensation here tonight by attacking certain elements in his own party, especially John R. McLean, both individuals and the proprietor of the Cincinnati Enquirer, and Lewis G. Bernard, as chairman of the democratic committee of Hamilton county.

Mayor Johnson's large campaign tent, which has a seating capacity of 2,000, had all standing room taken, and many were unable to gain admittance. It was generally expected that Mayor Johnson would devote his time mostly to replying to the address of Senator Hanna here last night, which was largely devoted to Johnson and his issue. William Johnson referred to Senator Hanna's speech in most caustic terms; he devoted his speech mostly to what he termed "the local traitors in the democratic party," and his references to Mr. McLean and Chairman Bernard were as bitter as his fluent language could make them. He not only read them out of the party, but challenged them to meet him in his tent or elsewhere on the charges that he made politically against them. Hon. Charles W. Baker, who was the democratic caucus nominee for senator against Foraker before the legislature last winter, presided and opened the meeting with eulogies on Johnson and Bigelow. Bigelow was the first speaker and made a bitter attack on Chairman Bernard. He said he had nothing personally against Bernard, but "politically I abhor him and denounce everything for which Bernard stands. We cannot ask republicans to vote against the boss in their party when we have a worse boss in our party."

SALVADOR VOLCANO ACTIVE

Country in the Vicinity of Icalco Is Devastated and Inhabitants Flee for Lives.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 23.—Passengers who arrived on the steamer from Puerto Barrios report the volcano of Icalco, in Salvador, in a state of violent eruption.

The eruption began on September 7, when five large openings or craters formed on the north side of the volcano, from which large quantities of lava and burning stones were ejected.

People living in the town of Icalco and the neighboring country, toward which the lava

WISH TO RAISE A MILLION

Episcopal Mission Council Discusses Way to Provide Funds for Its Work.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 23.—The final sessions of the Missionary Council of the Protestant Episcopal church were held today.

Important questions were discussed and the impression prevailed among the delegates that much has been accomplished toward the improvement of the missionary branch of the church.

The bishops who have taken an active interest in the proceedings were absent from the afternoon session, owing to a meeting called to elect a bishop for the diocese of Salina, Kan. At the morning session Bishop Brewster offered a resolution, suggesting that the missionary appropriation be increased to \$1,000,000 annually and recommending certain methods for meeting the appropriation. The council at the afternoon session adopted the paragraph fixing the sum to be raised, but tabled the remainder of the resolution.

The resolution reads:

Resolved, That the appropriation for all missionary work of the church should be made to the amount of \$1,000,000; and that the offerings of Sunday schools and of the diocesan auxiliary societies be adopted in the amount raised by each diocese and missionary district to meet its appropriation; that the ecclesiastical authorities of each diocese and missionary district should be consulted in regard to the amount of its appropriation; that with the consent of the bishop, secretaries or agents be sent into every part of the church to stir up interest in the appropriation plan and to advocate its adoption.

At the afternoon session addresses were made by Rev. David H. Greer of New York and Francis J. McMaster of Missouri on the subject, "What Does the Church Owe to Missionaries?"

The night session took the form of a public meeting at the Academy of Music.

The speakers were Bishop Doane of Albany, Bishop Dudley of Kentucky and Bishop Partridge of Kyoto.

The topic was "The Present Challenge to the Church to Extend Its Missionary Operations, Both at Home and Abroad."

STABLE CURRENCY IS NEEDED

Native Filipino, but Graduate of Oxford, Goes to Washington in Behalf of Islands.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 23.—Raimon Reyes Laia, a native Filipino, graduate of Oxford and naturalized American, has arrived here on his way from Manila to Washington to tell something of the present urgent needs of the Philippines.

"Legislation is much needed for the Philippines," said Laia, when seen at his hotel. "We poor Filipinos need a stable currency. We cannot do business with the states without having a fixed standard of money. In the old days silver was generally worth three-fourths as much as gold and at the worst two for one. But now silver—and it is a silver currency, though the government demands its payments in gold—silver is lower yet, \$2.37 for every dollar in gold.

"To secure \$400 in gold when I was leaving for the states I had to pay something like \$950 in silver. The worst of it is that there is no established ratio. The commission can make it anything they see fit. The islands need railroads. They need more reliable labor for my country, for the laboring class is very uncertain. If they make a few dollars they don't care to work until the money is spent."

NEW SALT RECEIVERS ASKED

Bill Is Filed Alleged Present Men Are Incompetent to Act.

TRENTON, N. J., Oct. 23.—Papers were filed today in a suit brought by the Detroit Salt company and others to have a receiver appointed to take over the National Salt company. Nathan S. Bardeale of Wisconsin, N. Y., and Frank B. McDermott of Jersey City were appointed three weeks ago, but the present bill alleges that Bardeale is not qualified because he is president of the International Salt company and is in a charge of collusion between the National and international companies whereby property was transferred after the former became insolvent.

BATTLESHIP OREGON AFIRE

Blaze Rages in Ship's Coal Bunkers for Three Days and Delays Sailing.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 23.—The Bulletin today says a fire has been burning in the coal bunkers of the battleship Oregon for three days.

A board of survey has been summoned to examine the vessel and it will be some time before it will be able to depart for Manila.

YOUNG WOMAN IS MURDERED

Shot Probably Intended for Escort, Who Had Shot Rival in Quarrel.

MARION, Ky., Oct. 23.—Near Chapel Hill last night Miss Williamson, daughter of a prominent farmer, was shot and killed by an unknown party while she was returning from church, accompanied by a Mr. Brown. As Brown recently had a quarrel with a rival, who he seriously shot, it is thought that the shots were intended for him.

REPRIMANDS COLONEL HUSTON

Court-Martial on Officer Who Failed to Quell Riot Gives Lenient Sentence.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 23.—Lieutenant Colonel Joseph P. Huston, Nineteenth infantry, who was tried here two weeks ago by court-martial for negligence in not quelling the riot of soldiers on September 18, received a reprimand today from Major General R. F. Hughes.

WATER LEADS TO MURDER

Iowa Wife Shoots Husband Who Empty Bottle Over Her.

OTTUMWA, Ia., Oct. 23.—Because her husband threw a bucket of water over her while she was asleep at her home at Jerome this morning, Mrs. John Krebs shot and killed him. She is under arrest.

MEXICAN ROADS TO CONSOLIDATE

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 23.—It is reported that very shortly the Mexican Central railroad company will take over the Mexico, Cuernavaca and Pacific railway, which has a line from this city passing through the states of Morelos and Guerrero to the river Babes.

TO MOVE OUT OF SHANGHAI

France, Great Britain and Germany Finally Reach an Agreement.

SOLDIERS ARE TO EVACUATE THE CITY

Negotiations Also Bring About an Important Extension of the Open Door Policy Urged by Secretary Hay.

PARIS, Oct. 23.—From authoritative sources the correspondent of the Associated Press has learned that France, Great Britain and Germany have concluded an agreement providing for the military evacuation of Shanghai by their forces.

The negotiations have brought about an important extension of the open door policy, as urged by Secretary Hay. The agreement affects not only Shanghai, but the entire Yangtze Kiang valley, which the powers are seeking to develop for commercial purposes.

The date of the evacuation is still open, but a leading official of the foreign office expressed the belief that it will undoubtedly be accomplished by January 1. About 1,200 troops will participate in the evacuation.

The United States is not a direct party to the negotiations, but has been fully advised of the intentions of the powers. Secretary Hay advised M. Delcasse that the United States government was in sympathy with the plan, but would not make any United States share in the benefits of the agreement as to equality of treatment.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—The news of the agreement to fully evacuate Shanghai was gladly received at the State department. The United States government some time ago, at the instance of the Chinese government, began quietly but persistently to bring pressure to bear upon the powers concerned in the occupation of the place to evacuate it in conformity with the stipulations of the treaty of Peking.

Not having participated directly in the occupation, it was necessary for the United States to move discreetly in approaching the other nations on this subject, but the advances were well received and it soon appeared that the only difficulty in bringing about the desired evacuation was the disposition of each of the occupying powers to take the initiative.

The last to hold out was England, and as lately as last week it was stated that it was objecting simply for the purpose of making sure of getting a fair share of certain important trade advantages in the exploitation of the Yangtze valley. It is gathered from the Shanghai advices of today that this object has now been secured and it is believed that the United States does not sign the treaty of evacuation, that we will participate in these advantages.

WALKS IN ROOSEVELT'S STEPS

French Premier Promises to Assist in Ending Coal Strike in that Country.

PARIS, Oct. 23.—The Chamber of Deputies today resumed the discussion of the interpellations of the subject of the French mining strike. M. Jaures, socialist, asked the government to intervene and end the demand for the eight hours' work day. The miners and asked the Chamber to pass laws providing for eight hours' work per day, old age pensions, and to adopt other measures in favor of the miners. M. Jaures said, amid the applause of the Chamber, that the employers and miners furnish an equal part of the pension fund. He said the companies decrease wages when the profits were increasing, and recommended that the owners be compelled to furnish Parliament with a statement of expenses. The delegate said Parliament ought to bring the companies to better agreement. He referred to President Roosevelt's ending the coal strike in the United States, and maintained the coal company could not resist if the chairman gave the moral authority to act.

The premier replied justifying the dispatch of troops to the coal regions and said that except for a few instances of violence order had been maintained. He promised to support the bill dealing with the hours of work now before the Senate and submit to Parliament the question of the old age pensions and insurance against accident to workmen. The question of wages, he added, must be settled between the workmen and their employers.

In conclusion the premier said: "The government will strive to bring about a favorable solution of the labor questions and is willing to intervene in order to urge a more equitable solution of the strike, which is causing great misery, and is perhaps ruining the mining industry, while at the same time rejecting our foreign competitors."

YERKES WINS A VICTORY

Former Chicago Man Upheld Against Morgan by House of Commons Railroad Committee.

LONDON, Oct. 23.—The contention of counsel for Charles T. Yerkes, before the House of Commons railway committee Tuesday, that the bill providing for the construction of a Piccadilly and city road must be withdrawn, as the Morgan "tube" scheme had no legal status, part of the London United States railway company's contention that day through the withdrawal of its bill, was upheld by the committee today.

The chairman, Sir Lewis Melville, announced that the committee was unable to proceed with the consideration of the bill. The Associated press learns that the Morgan does not propose to abandon their underground projects. Despite the decision of the committee, they will have a bill introduced in 1903 giving facilities similar to those of the scheme just knocked out by the defection of the London United, control of which was purchased by Speyer Bros., who are financing Charles T. Yerkes plans. It is doubtful, however, whether Parliament will grant the concessions desired.

IRISH CAUSE ANOTHER SCENE

Dispute Speaker's Ruling and Shout Approval When Redmond Argues.

LONDON, Oct. 23.—Another scene was caused by the Irish nationalists in the House of Commons today on identical lines with those which have almost daily marked the present session. The nationalists bombarded the chief secretary for Ireland, Mr. Wyndham, with all kinds of questions, and finally moved an adjournment of the house in order to discuss something which happened last session.

When the speaker ruled the motion out of order great disorder followed. Nationalist after nationalist sprang to his feet and violently challenged the ruling. William Redmond was specially prominent, insisting on arguing with the speaker said

MONTE CRISTO RECAPTURED

Santo Domingo Troops Are Retaken by Government Forces After Severe Fighting with Rebels.

SAN DOMINGO, Santo Domingo, Oct. 23.—The government troops have recaptured Monte Cristo after a severe fight, during which both sides sustained heavy losses.

General Navarro, the former governor, who revolted and took possession of Monte Cristo, was captured and brought a prisoner here.

Enemy arrests have been made in connection with the revolt. All is now quiet in Santo Domingo.

CAPE HAYTIAN, Hayti, Oct. 23.—The United States cruiser Cincinnati has returned here from Monte Cristo. San Domingo is confirmed the report that the Dominican government troops have recaptured that port. The fighting, which was very severe, lasted two days. The foreign residents of Monte Cristo sought refuge on Cincinnati while the battle was in progress.

Cincinnati left here today for Port de Paix, Hayti, to protect foreign interests there.

BOER GENERALS QUARREL

Botha Wishes to Continue Tour Which Dewet Says Should Be Abandoned.

LONDON, Oct. 23.—Lady Tennessee Cook gave a dinner tonight in honor of the Boer commanders now in London. Generals Dewet, Botha and Delarey were not present, but Lady Cook's guests included General Malan, Commander Fouché and Kitzinger and Sir Hiram Maxim.

The future of general Dewet, Botha and Delarey to attend is supposed to be connected with quarrels which have arisen between them.

They were all sightseeing in London today and up to the last moment they were away from the dinner. It is reported that General Dewet wants the tour of the generals, including the trip to the United States, to be abandoned, and that all three are disappointed at the financial results so far obtained.

General Botha, however, is said to be anxious to make further effort to collect funds. A warm discussion on this point is believed to have occurred between them.

CASTS SLUR ON DENMARK

Premier Says Refusal to Pass Treaty Will Be Deleterious to Country.

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 23.—During a speech in the Folketing today the premier, Dr. Deunster, expressed regret that the action of the Landsting in rejecting the Danish West India treaty made it appear that Denmark was a country which did not keep its word.

A strong public sentiment is developing in favor of the dissolution of the Landsting and an appeal to the people, but the government shows no disposition to adopt that course.

Government aid of the Danish West India will not be forthcoming to any great extent, and there is some talk of an uprising in the islands.

LONDON, Oct. 23.—The Daily Mail says the Danish government has proposed Prince Waldemar as the new governor of the Danish West Indies.

ARCHBISHOP TO MEET POPE

Chappelle to Remain in Rome Until December on Business Connected with Cuba.

ROME, Oct. 23.—Archbishop Chappelle, the apostolic delegate to Cuba and Porto Rico, will remain in Rome until December on business connected with Cuba.

Cardinal Rampoldi, the papal secretary of state, who congratulated him on the work he had accomplished in Cuba and Porto Rico. The archbishop also visited Cardinals Gotti, Satolli, Martinelli and Vives y Tuto and was most cordially received by all. He will have a private audience with the pope in a few days.

The archbishop remains in Rome until December. The Associated Press is reported to announce that his visit is solely connected with the affairs of Cuba, but he is utilizing the occasion to make his visit as archbishop of New Orleans.

CHEER NAME OF ROOSEVELT

Member of French Chamber Calls Attention to President's Way of Dealing with Strikes.

PARIS, Oct. 23.—President Roosevelt's name was enthusiastically cheered in the Chamber of Deputies today, when M. Jaures, socialist, urged the government to follow the example of the American president's conciliatory attitude in dealing with strikes.

GERMANS LAUGH AT CARNEGIE

Say His Scheme for Uniting Europe Is Chimerical and Absurd.

BERLIN, Oct. 23.—Andrew Carnegie's suggestion that Emperor William organize the "United States of Europe" has been received with laughter by the Germans. The Vossische Zeitung calls it a "non-sensical proposition."

Revolutionists Spring a Sensation.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Oct. 23.—A sensational dispatch has just been received from Paris announcing that "a commission representing the Anglo-American syndicate has left New York accompanied by a detachment of the United States army." The purpose of the military force, says the dispatch, is to take possession of the leased area territory.

Cook Wins Shooting Match.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—Private George E. Cook, Company B of the Fourth Infantry, District of Columbia National guard, won the Evening Star match (individual competition) at the National Rifle association meeting at Ordway, Md., today. His score was 91 out of a possible 100. Private Cook holds the individual championship of the United States for 1902, having won the president's match at the recent annual meeting of the Anglo-American syndicate of America at Sagitt, N. J.

Steamship Bents Record.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—The French line steamship Le Lion, which left here last Thursday arrived at Havre at 4 a. m., today beating its own best previous seaward record by one hour and fifty five minutes. This establishes a new record for the line, beating Borel's best eastward passage by five minutes.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. This signature is on every box.

EDUCATE THE BLACK MAN

Dr. Washington Gladden Praises School Work in South.

COLOR DISFRANCHISEMENT INDEFENSIBLE

It May Be Right to Stop Illiterate and Immoral Men Voting, but Rule Must Apply to All Races.

NEW LONDON, Conn., Oct. 23.—The convention of the American Mission association came to an end tonight after Dr. Washington Gladden of Ohio, who was re-elected president, had delivered the annual address.

An address by Rev. H. H. Proctor of Georgia was listened to with particular interest. He said in part:

Any race we negroes form one-tenth of the nation and one-third of the south. There are 7,000,000 negroes in the south, and of these at least 4,000,000 are outside of any church.

There is a real breach between the old church and the new negro. Unless it be filled we shall reap a crop of black tithes. The young negro today is doing an immense amount of thinking. Unless the church can answer the deep questions he is propounding he will turn away from it.

Education is patriotic. Dr. Washington Gladden later referred to the same subject and said:

The men who are seeking to co-operate with the southern people in promoting education are not doing so for a selfish service. Their efforts are not directed toward the education of the negro—it is a common education in the north and south. They have a patriotic purpose, not merely an educational crusade of the north in the south; southern men are in the north and the north is using its influence to the call of the south with the purpose of using its larger resources where they are needed.

Education presented along these lines must result in a more intelligent and better public sentiment toward the negro and in a better estimate of his rights and wrongs.

Those measures by which, in most of the southern states, the negro has been practically disfranchised are an ominous but now permanent tendency. The disfranchisement of ignorance, or of moral worthlessness is not to be deprecated, but the drawing of the line of political privilege between the ignorant white man and the ignorant black man is a wrong that cannot endure. It can only be justified by the selfish purpose to reduce the race to a subject condition. The southern people are essentially a chivalrous people and they cannot build their citizenship on a measure of injustice to the weak. They must preserve the principle that a Christian and a Christian nation, and He who makes the poor and needy among His people no effort was made to start the twenty-eight collieries indicated. Some of them are sure to resume before the end of the week.

The collieries of G. B. Markle & Co., at Jeddo, Highland, Delaware and Elsewhere are in shape for resumption, but only a small number of men made application for their places and gave their verbal assent to abide by the decision of the arbitration commission as required by a notice posted yesterday. John Markle announced that as soon as a sufficient number of men comply with the notice work will be resumed.

None of the seven collieries of Cox Brothers and Company resumed, because the former asked the men to sign an agreement not to interfere with nonunion men under penalty of discharge. The men had been instructed by the union leaders not to sign agreements and all returned home.

Nonunionists Starts Fire. The derringer collieries of Cox Brothers are on fire and the firemen have been sent there to get it under control. The fire originated, it is claimed, through the carelessness of a workman employed during the strike.

Everything was in readiness for resumption at the Cranberry and Crystal Ridge collieries of A. Pardee and Company, but as the men reported for work they were asked to sign an agreement similar to that prepared by Cox Brothers and Company. They refused to do so and the entire union force returned home.

At Silver Brook the mine workers refused to return to work because it is alleged the company will not take back twenty-seven of the former employees. The men were stationed at or near most of the collieries this morning, but no trouble of any kind occurred.

Following is a copy of the agreement which the employees of A. Pardee & Co. were asked to sign:

As a condition precedent to my employment by A. Pardee & Co. I do hereby solemnly promise not to interfere with or molest in any way any nonunion men or any other men now at work or who may be working during the strike, or who may be working hereafter, and who may be working hereafter to work with them as they may choose to do.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—No appreciable effect from the ending of the coal strike has yet been felt in the way of lifting the steamship business on this side out of the extraordinary depression into which it has been thrown, says the Journal of Commerce. The movement to import coal assumed much greater proportions than generally supposed. Nearly 100 steamers have been chartered to load full cargoes of coal this way, only twenty of which have arrived.

One effect of the rush of coal-laden tonnage this way is demoralization in transatlantic shipping on the eastward voyage. The statement is declared by steamship agents to be in no sense an exaggeration that grain can be moved in cargo lots at this time at lower rates than ever before. Large steamers are now available for picked rates in the United Kingdom at 14 3/4 per quarter. Some years ago the regular lines would have carried grain free of charge in order to save the expense of ballast. The steamship of today, however, is equipped with water ballast facilities, so that free transportation of grain or any other product is no longer a probability.

Accident in a Shaft.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., Oct. 23.—In reopening the Alaska shaft, owned by the Philadelphia & Reading Coal and Iron company, this morning, an explosion of gas occurred as Robert Mowbray and Aaron Drehr walked into No. 1 slope. They were blown about twenty feet and were badly burned about the head and face. The gas extended deeper into the mines and while a rescuing party removed the two victims another body of men began working their way into the breasts where five men are thought to be imprisoned. Up to 1 o'clock the distress had not been reached.

Nearly all the collieries in this district were reopened today and the miners began getting out coal. A number of fire bosses, engineers and stables who had been on strike were not reinstated.

The officials at Alaska shaft reported this afternoon that the No. 1 slope had been blown up and a number of men thought to have been caught in the explosion had escaped. There is much gas still in the mine, which was closed down for the day.

READING, Pa., Oct. 23.—The Reading Railway company officials do not expect any coal mined today to be brought down before late tonight or early tomorrow. They do not believe, however, that anthracite will be moving in any great quantities before early next week. About 100,000 tons is looked for the first week, against a normal weekly average of 240,000 tons.

All coal trains are to be given preference. There will be no delay in the unloading of the coal into the yards of the cities and towns and every facility for speedy work is being provided.

During last night 3,000 tons came down the road. No special efforts at large shipments have been made this week.

POTTSVILLE, Pa., Oct. 23.—Much clearing up of gangways is necessary at many of the collieries before normal production will be obtained. Fully 75 per cent of the mine workers are already employed and others will resume as soon as places are ready for them.

The big drag engines have not yet resumed on the Millock branch of the Reading road, because of the bad condition of the tracks. Conditions are favorable at Brookside, Good Spring and Eagle Hill collieries of the Philadelphia & Reading Coal and Iron company and at the St. Clair colliery for large shipments in a day or two.

LAKE AKA, Pa., Oct. 23.—When the Lehigh Valley Coal and Iron company's miners returned for duty in the Panther Creek valley today they were told their services were not needed at present. All the individual operations in this section resumed full-blast as usual.

SCRANTON, Pa., Oct. 23.—Work was resumed quite generally in the upper anthracite district today. Eighty per cent of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western company's miners were given work.

At the same time work resumed at all of the Delaware & Hudson company's collieries in the Upper Lackawanna region except two, which were not ready. About two-thirds of the Ontario & Western collieries resumed operations. All except one of the Erie company's collieries were started. No disturbance was reported.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 23.—The Reading company has issued a circular pointing out that the condition of the mines will not allow it to resume work fully for some time to come. The reading prices in consequence by 50 cents per ton from tomorrow till January 1, 1903.

The management at the same time points out that certain dealers have taken advantage of the shortage caused by the strike to unduly advance prices and instructs its subordinate offices to refuse to deal to such men. Wherever necessary, to meet the legitimate demands of the public, efforts are to be made to sell direct at reasonable prices. Dealers are also requested to refuse to sell more tons to any one consumer than may be reasonably held to meet his present requirements.

C. E. Henderson, general manager of the company, says most of the dealers have already promised to accede to this request and restrict their profits within a reasonable limit.

"The company further refuses to accept orders beyond the present month and will not definitely contract to ship even those orders which may be