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That the coal miners of the country have been very poorly paid for several years past is not questioned by any. In many districts they have not had full employment even at the starvation wages given them, and when working on half time, as was the case in some sections, their compensation fell far below the amount necessary even for the most frugal livelihood for themselves and families. But will the present strike improve the condition of the coal miners? This is a very grave question, and one that should be most soberly considered. If their condition can be improved, the strike is entirely justifiable; but if the stagnation in the coal business of the country shall compel employers to hold out for any considerable period against the demands of the miners, the loss to both employers and miners must be measured by millions. It should be borne in mind that as employers are weakened in their ability to pay by the loss of business for some months, with the possible transfer of their trade to other sections, the likelihood of permanently increased wages is necessarily lessened. It is now estimated that 125,000 coal miners are engaged in a strike. Assuming that their wages averaged $1 per day, the weekly loss to these miners would be $750,000. If the strike shall last ten weeks, the loss to labor alone would be $7,500,000. If the strike shall last ten weeks and the miners then gain the increase of 18 per cent demanded, it would require them to work for 55 weeks at the increased rates to restore the loss they sustain by ten weeks of idleness. This is not theory; it is stubborn facts and figures which should be most carefully and dispassionately considered by those who engage in a strike when there is universal business and industrial paralysis throughout the country.

A report comes from Wisconsin that an edict has gone forth from the National Dairy Union that butterine must be legislated out of the United States. Butter dealers in that state and in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, Kansas, Michigan and the Dakotas—all large butter-producing states—it is said, are forming an organization of more than 500,000 voters who will work unceasingly for legislation that will prevent the coloring of butter substitutes. The plan is to raise a fighting capital of $1,000,000, if necessary, before the legislatures of these dairy states meet again, and enact some state laws that will drive the butterine manufacturers from their strongholds. If this is not successful they will attempt to gain control of congress. The union seems to have unbounded confidence in its ability to protect its own industry, but the squelching of the butterine trade is not going to be as easy as might be imagined, even with the aid of a million of boodle. Of course the crusade is entirely a selfish one, and the butter dealers are not concerning themselves about the healthful or unhealthful effects of the use of butterine. But any legislature that leads itself to the carrying out of this crusade can defend its action only on the ground of the preservation of the public health. It will be interesting to note how much this claim will enter into the contest.

Ohio is going to have more politics to the acre this year than ever in its previous history. The republican and regular democratic tickets are already in the field, and as the chief prize is a United States senatorship, Hanna and McLean are going to knock the bungs out of the barrels, and make what Kilpatrick used to call a campaign with plenty of money in it. Hanna and McLean didn't corral all the Ohio political odds and ends, however, and there are to be a silver republican, a populist, a national democratic and two prohibition tickets in the field. The Ohio voter who can't find a ticket to suit him this fall must be hard to please.

Crop news will be scanned eagerly from this time until, eight or ten weeks hence, corn is sufficiently matured to stand all sorts of alternations of temperature. Thus far crop reports have been favorable. Wheat promises to be an average yield, while the cotton and corn outlook is bright. Good crops, which mean cheap food for the consumer, and at the same time a fair return in the aggregate to the producer, will be an important factor in the restoration of prosperity.

A woman can't sharpen a pencil with a hairpin, and that is about the only thing that baffles her with that instrument in her hands, but then she can't sharpen a pencil anyway, according to masculine estimate.

Economy is something that everyody tries to practice, and yet just a little oversight will sometimes rob the most frugal and thrifty family of a year's savings. You want to do as J. P. Hickmann, of Monticello, Ga., did. He writes: "For six years I have kept Simmons Liver Regulator in my house, and used it in my family, and have had no need for a doctor. I have five as healthy children as you can find."

The foreign trade of the United Kinkdom is just about double that of the United States.

A dose that is always seasonable is a dose of Simmons' Liver Regulator, the "King of Liver Medicines." It keeps the liver active; the bowels regular; prevents biliousness; and promotes digestion. In fact helps keep you well. "I have watched its effects in families where I have practiced and find it admirable; both alterative and tonic in its action."—Dr. T. W. Mason, Macon, Ga.

A woman is ever so much cooler when she keeps her hair well dressed than when she goes about with sundry golden locks hanging down her back.

To prevent pale and delicate children from lapsing into chronic invalids later in life, they should take Ayer's Sarsaparilla together with plenty of wholesome food and out-door exercise. What they need to build up the system is good red blood.

The pope in 1185 prohibited the crossbow as barbarous, and threatened crossbow-men with ex-communication.

Mr. C. L. Hasbrouck, a druggist at Mendon, Mich., says all of the good testimonials that have been published by the manufacturers of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarhoea Remedy could be duplicated in that town. For sale by Estes-Crain Drug Co.

The girl who wears particularly pretty lace-trimmed petticoats is not over prim in the attitudes she assumes.

Not only piles of the very worst kind can be cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, but eczema, scalds, burns, bruises, boils, ulcers and all other skin troubles can be instantly relieved by the same remedy. Charles Rogers.

The Amazon Indians use a blowpipe, with which they throw an arrow 200 yards with wonderful precision.

Sick headache can be quickly and completely overcome by using those famous little pills known as "DeWitt's Little Early Risers." Charles Rogers.

Russia has, outside of the Black sea, a war fleet of 173 vessels.

The adult scalp should be thoroughly washed occasionally to remove the oily particles, then apply Hall's Hair Renewer to give the hair a natural color.

A wheelwoman of infinite resource has adopted a celluloid collar for wear on the bicycle and she is the wonder and admiration of her sisters whose linen neck fixings look as though they had been under the pump.

The pleasure of outdoor life is a little marred when the families whose porches join in friendly intimacy are not on speaking terms.

There is only one thing that will make you more nervous than watching a caterpillar on some one else and that is to have one on yourself.

With linen shirts and shirt waists at such moderate prices there is no excuse for a woman looking other than cool and tidy.

The gondolas of Venice are being gradually displaced by little steamboats.

The first colonial coinage was minted in Massachusetts in 1652.

Only one person in 1000 reaches 100 years of age.

MARINE NEWS.

DATE	HIGH WATER A. M.	HIGH WATER P. M.	LOW WATER A. M.	LOW WATER P. M.
	h.m/ft.	h.m/ft.	h.m/ft.	h.m/ft.
Thursday, 1	0:58/7.8	2:22/7.1	7:30/-0.8	8:18/0.0
Friday..... 2	1:37/7.7	2:50/7.3	8:20/-0.7	8:54/0.3
Saturday.. 3	2:18/7.5	3:29/7.6	8:54/-0.4	9:20/0.7
SUNDAY, 4	3:02/7.1	4:06/7.7	9:28/-0.1	10:00/1.4
Monday ... 5	3:56/6.6	4:46/7.6	10:07/0.7	11:03/1.9
Tuesday ... 6	4:58/6.2	5:30/7.0	11:00/1.5	
Wednesd'y, 7	6:13/5.8	6:25/6.8	0:07/1.9	12:56/2.1
Thursday.. 8	7:32/5.6	7:24/6.9	1:20/2.0	12:58/2.7
Friday..... 9	9:02/5.8	8:20/7.1	2:34/2.4	2:11/3.1
Saturday..10	10:18/5.8	9:20/8.5	3:41/2.3	3:20/3.6
SUNDAY..11	11:20/6.2	10:20/8.8	4:43/2.0	4:41/3.8
Monday ...12	12:12/7.1	11:27/8.9	5:42/1.4	5:44/3.3
Tuesday ...13	12:58/7.4		6:32/0.7	6:40/3.0
Wednesd'y 14	0:20/8.0	1:10/7.6	7:18/0.1	7:31/2.8
Thursday..15	1:10/8.6	2:21/7.8	8:00/-0.5	8:21/2.5
Friday.....16	1:58/8.2	2:58/7.8	8:40/-0.8	9:10/2.2
Saturday..17	2:45/7.6	3:41/7.8	9:17/-0.9	9:48/2.0
SUNDAY..18	3:32/6.9	4:02/7.9	9:50/-0.7	10:33/2.0
Monday...19	4:21/6.4	4:45/7.9	10:25/-0.4	11:25/1.9
Tuesday...20	5:10/5.8	5:26/7.4	11:08/0.1	
Wednesd'y 21	6:23/5.1	6:10/7.2	0:23/1.8	11:55/2.9
Thursday..22	7:39/4.5	7:00/7.1	1:24/3.0	12:48/3.5
Friday.....23	9:00/4.8	7:38/7.1	2:27/3.3	1:38/4.0
Saturday..24	10:12/5.2	8:02/7.2	3:28/3.6	2:19/4.2
SUNDAY..25	11:08/5.5	8:34/7.2	4:21/3.4	4:58/4.2
Monday...26	11:52/5.9	9:14/7.2	5:08/3.0	5:24/4.2
Tuesday...27	12:26/6.0	11:28/7.7	5:50/2.4	6:10/4.4
Wednesd'y 28	1:01/7.0		6:24/2.0	6:48/4.2
Thursday..29	0:08/7.9	1:29/7.2	6:58/-0.7	7:24/3.5
Friday.....30	0:47/8.9	1:51/7.6	7:27/0.0	7:58/2.7
Saturday..31	1:26/7.8	2:24/7.9	7:56/0.5	8:28/2.2

VESSELS ON THE WAY TO THE COLUMBIA RIVER FROM

Vessel.	Tons	Rate	Dys
BALTIMORE.			
George S. Olson, Am sh	1719	32/11	—
ANTWERP.			
Cumbrian, Br sh	2053	100A1	141
Euphrosyne, Br sh	1799	100A1	114
Ocho Rivre, Br bk	1301	100A1	18
Linlithgowshire, Br sh	1337	10 A1	—
CARDIFF.			
Annesley, Br sh	1361	100A1	66
HONGKONG.			
Godiva, Br sh	1912	100A1	2
Carnarvonshire, Br str	1878	100A1	—
LIVERPOOL.			
Blythswood, Br sh	1607	100A1	95
NEWCASTLE, A.			
Craigerne, Br sh	1774	100A1	61
Dunbritton, Br bk	1471	100A1	48
Andrew, Br sh	1635	100A1	43
Philomelo, Br sh	1452	100A1	--
SHANGHAI.			
Eignshire, Br ss	2028	100A1	—
Beacon Rock, Br sh	1729	100A1	--
VLADIVOSTOCK.			
Chehalis, bkt	642	—	—
REDONDO.			
J. B. Leeds, sch	248	—	--
SAN JOSE DE GUAMEMALA.			
Oakland, bk	484	—	25
TIEN SIN			
Addenda, bkt	637	—	39
HONOLULU.			
Lous, sc	820	—	--

The steamer Columbia arrived in yesterday morning and left up river about noon with a large freight and passenger list.

The steamer Harrison arrived in late Tuesday night with a cargo of dairy product from Tillamook. She is expected to leave out again tomorrow.

The pilot schooner Jessie is at the O. R. & N. dock, in her summer garb. She presents a handsome appearance, and is daily visited by interested spectators. She will go to sea on the first of the month.

The British ship Glenelvan, Captain John Kerr, arrived down yesterday with a cargo of 37,338 sacks or 35,832 bushels of wheat, valued at $32,500, and 11,637 barrels of flour, valued at $19,000. She is docked at the O. R. & N. wharf, where she will load 12,000 cases of salmon. The consigners of the salmon are Kinney, the Aberdeen Packing Co., Fishermen's Packing Co., Eureka and Epicure Packing Co., and the Fishermen's Co-operative Co.

The American cents of 1797 bore the motto "Mind your business."

More than 1800 varieties of roses have been cultivated during the present century.