

MITCHELL PLAYS HANDS OFF.

Former President of the Mine Workers Will Trade His Time to the Interest of Trade Agreements and Take No Part in the Presidential Race—Declines to Say Whether or Not He is in Sympathy With the Stand Taken by Mr. Gompers.

New York, July 31.—Secretary Ralph M. Esley, of the National Mine Workers' Federation, today announced that John Mitchell, former president of the United Mine Workers of America, would begin to-morrow to devote his entire time to the interest of the trade agreement department of the federation.

As a member of the executive council of the federation Mr. Mitchell has been chairman of the trade agreement committee, but far more aggressive work than hitherto has been possible because of this.

The offer to Mr. Mitchell to assume charge of the trade agreement department of the federation was made by Seth Low, president of the federation. Under date of July 17th Mr. Mitchell accepted Mr. Low's offer.

"I desire to thank you for the opportunity this opened to me to develop so far as lies in my power, a relationship between employers and workmen which will conduce to the mutual interest of the same time protecting the public welfare by the promotion of industrial peace.

The trade agreement is not a speculative, untried theory, on the contrary, it is the result of an established method through which wages and conditions of employment are regulated between employer and employees in many of the most important industries of this and other countries.

"I will not say whether or not I am in sympathy with the stand taken by Mr. Gompers. He said 'I will not say what side I am on, but I will remain a member of the national executive council of the American Federation of Labor, and I did not attend the conference of mine labor organizations, called to agree on a political programme.'"

MINIATURE "W. H. TAFTS."

Proud Parents Name Their Boys After the Republican Nominee—One of the "William Howards" Weighs 25 1-4 Pounds at Birth and Another is Credited With the Word "Taft Smiles."

Hot Springs, Va., July 21.—Although he kept his secretary and three stenographers exceedingly busy all day and into the night handling replies to his heavy mail, Candidate Taft had comparatively a quiet day. He devoted his work with a game of golf in the morning and a ride with General Corbin as companion in the afternoon.

Three miniature "William Howards" have made their political and domestic horizon in New York, Indiana and Illinois, respectively, according to letters from the proud parents to the candidate and each of the three children.

Mr. Taft has not yet indicated whether a reply will be made to Mr. Bryan's comments on the Cincinnati speech of acceptance.

KERN ADDRESSES EDITORS.

Democratic Nominee For Vice President Delivers Address to the Indiana Editorial Association—Confidence in the Press Ought to Be Restored.

Indianapolis, Ind., July 31.—John W. Kern, Democratic candidate for Vice President, and Thomas R. Marshall, candidate for Governor of Indiana on the Democratic ticket, today addressed the members of the Indiana Editorial Association at Fairview Park.

Mr. Kern's remarks were brief. "The work of the editor is highly important," he said, "and I wish to emphasize that confidence of the people in this press of this country ought to be restored and if it is restored it will have to be done by the course of the Democratic editors of this country."

Mr. Kern today received a letter from Theodore A. Ball of California, who is chairman of the committee to notify Mr. Kern of his nomination, asking that date be set for the affair. Mr. Kern will reply shortly.

REVIEW AT CAMP TAFT.

Four Thousand Troops Pass in Review Before Generals Potts and Vaughn at Chattanooga.

Chattanooga, Tenn., July 31.—At Camp William H. Taft today 4,000 troops passed in review before Brigadier General R. H. Potts, commander of Camp Taft, and Brigadier General C. C. Vaughn, of the Virginia national guard. The Seventh and Seventeenth Regiments of the Virginia National Guard, commanded by Colonel Robert F. Leedy. Following these were ten companies of the Twelfth Cavalry, Colonel George Dodd commanding. Then came the artillery, which passed the reviewing stand at a wild gallop.

The Alabama troops did not participate in the movements at the camp. They are expecting a call at any moment to return to the strike region and may leave camp any time.

Ketchell Wins in the Third Round. San Francisco, July 31.—Stanley Ketchell got the decision over Hugh Kelly in the third round of their battle for the middleweight championship at the Coliseum here tonight. In introducing the men Referee Welch stated that they had agreed to fight with an arm free and to protect themselves in the clinches. Ketchell scored the ring favorite at odds of 10 to 4 and even money was offered that he would win inside of fifteen rounds. There was not much Kelly money in evidence. The men weighed in the neighborhood of 154 pounds.

FARMAN MAKES FLIGHT.

Former Inventor Makes Two Successful Flights With His Aeroplane at Brighton Beach—Plays a Joke on the Newspaper Photographers—Public Flights Begin To-Day.

New York, July 31.—Rising from the ground like a giant bird and darting through the air at express train speed, Henri Farman's aeroplane, the interesting heavier-than-air flying machine he brought here from France to demonstrate his ability to fly, made its initial flight in this country to-day at Brighton Beach. It rose from an especially prepared runway at the will of the inventor and after attaining a height of twenty-five feet flew straight ahead on a direct line, finally alighting with exquisite grace when the noted air pilot diminished the motor power.

The few hundred spectators, most of whom were friends of the inventor or enthusiasts, watched the flight with breathless interest. The instant the trim looking machine landed cheers rent the air and Farman was surrounded and hugged by the jubilant aeronauts. There were skeptics in the crowd who would not believe until they watched the "tuning up" of the aeroplane in doubting silence. Newspaper photographers crowded around the aeroplane to get a picture of its first flight in America and it was at this moment that Farman decided to make another test of the motor before flying. He instructed his French mechanics in their native tongue to turn on the power, instantly the propeller began to revolve at the rate of 1,400 revolutions to the minute and a breeze equal to a small cyclone was created. This photographing was done on the aeroplane while he was on the ground until the power was turned off. So great was the violence of the breeze that several willow trees were bent double. Farman laughingly said he guessed the machinery was working all right. Then he gave the order "let go" and away sped the aeroplane over the plank runway.

It ran swiftly along on its wheels for 250 yards and then Farman turned it into the air like magic and away it flew. Only 250 yards were covered in the air on this flight, but a few minutes later Farman made another try and traveled 250 yards. He could have gone much further, he said, but feared striking a pile of lumber.

These flights are preliminary to Farman's public flights which begin to-morrow.

FISH WHARVES BURNED.

Explosion on a Motor Barge Sets Fire to Fish Wharves at Philadelphia—Loss Will Probably Reach \$100,000.

Philadelphia, July 31.—Fire, which it is thought originated with a gasoline explosion on board a motor barge, destroyed the fish wharves of the Philadelphia Fish Merchants' Association at Spruce street on the Delaware river to-day, causing a loss estimated at from \$75,000 to \$100,000. Twenty-five fish dealers and commission merchants occupied stalls or offices on the wharves and all were burned out. The steamer "Fidelity," owned by the Merchants' Transportation Company, which arrived in port to-day from Savannah, was damaged and had to be pulled out into the Delaware river. The steamer caught fire on the starboard side aft amidship. The Merchants' and Miners' pier adjoins the fish wharves on one side and a Pennsylvania Railroad pier on the other. Besides the Parthian, several smaller vessels, barges and tallied road floats had to be towed out into midstream to save them from destruction.

CHARGES OF GAMBLING.

Grand Jury Calls Governor Hughes' Attention to Conditions Existing at Brighton Beach, Charging Violations of the Anti-Gambling Law.

New York, July 31.—Recommending that the attention of Governor Hughes be called to the condition existing at the recent meetings of the Brighton Beach and Sheepshead Bay clubs, and charging that there have been open, systematic and flagrant violations of the new anti-gambling law are made in a presentment handed down by the Kings county grand jury to-day. The presentment declares that while for a short period after the law went into effect the police had been quite active in suppressing and preventing violations of the law, at a certain point their activity ceased.

Bearing an official copy of the grand jury's presentment, Acting District Attorney Robert H. Elder left to-day for Sheepshead Bay, where he will confer with Governor Hughes on the race track situation.

"Gas Pipe Thugs" Hanged.

San Quentin Prison, Cal., July 31.—John Siemen and Louis Dalner, known as the "gas pipe thugs," who were hanged for a series of daring crimes in San Francisco following the earthquake and fire in 1906, were executed here in the penitentiary at 10:04 o'clock this morning.

Three Labor Leaders Arrested in Paris. Paris, July 31.—As the result of his investigations into the disorders at Vigneux yesterday the public prosecutor issued a number of warrants late in the night against the leaders of the revolutionary labor party, three of whom, Bousquet, Yvrot and Merheim were arrested on their way to a midnight meeting of the central committee of the general labor confederation, where they were to discuss the arrest of the government. Manifestos to this effect will be placarded to-morrow morning.

First Sentence to Execution in Virginia.

Roanoke, Va., July 31.—John Finney, the negro who two weeks ago beat 11-year-old Mary Jamison almost to death in Franklin county in an attempt to criminally assault her, was today convicted in court at Rocky Mount. The jury was out five minutes. Finney is the first criminal sentenced to be executed in Virginia.

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SOME EXPENSES IN 1851.

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The woman who kept this account book paid, to be sure, \$3.25 to go from Westfield, Mass., and \$3 more to go from New York to Philadelphia, but she paid only 28 cents a dozen for her washing—beautifully ironed and brought to her door—and \$10 a month for her board, and says that it was good, too.

She had her daguer-type taken, a single picture, and paid \$1.50 for it. (We can improve on that price. She bought a pair of shoes for \$1.25 and had a dress cut for 37 1-2 cents. The accounts bristle with half and quarter cents. Things cost sometimes a "dime," sometimes a "levy." The former was 6 1-4 cents, the latter 12 1-2 cents. She bought a pair of rubbers for \$7 1-2 cents, and wrote them down as "gums." For her pewter set at church she paid 64 2-3 cents a quarter. Her gowns were made of "debaige," "deleine" and "mull," and she paid \$1.75 for the fitting and making of one. She wore congress gaiters, and paid the sexton a price of \$2.25 for a pair. She bought a copy of Agnes's Key to Her Coffin, a book which many of us remember to have seen lying on parlor tables even in the seventies. It was considered a wonderful work in its time, and most comforting to those in affliction. For teaching school 11 weeks this woman received \$82.

She paid 30 cents to go from Westfield to Springfield, and \$1 from Springfield to Hartford with carriage hire. She usually went from Hartford to New York by boat, but she made one entry, "Hartford to New York across the land," and then neglects to record the price. She has a tooth drawn and pays 25 cents. We reflect that this was before the days of anesthetics.

She burned in her lamp "fluid"—highly inflammable oil which preceded the safer kerosene.

Those seem primitive and homely days to some who read these lines. It is true that life was simple then, but in New England and eastern New York and the vicinity there may have been higher living in many respects than now.

TRUTH AND FICTION.

How Certain Novelists Have Mixed the Two in Their Portraits. Manchester Guardian.

The method of certain novelists seems to be to take a single fact of the character of some one they know, group round it other traits collected elsewhere, and then substantiate and personify the whole. They give it legs to stand on and a mouth to talk with; they put a hat on its head and a pair of hands in its hands, and then—who shall say it?—Harold Skimpole is Leigh Hunt? Others, again, transfer the character bodily. That was James Payn's practice. In one of those delightful volumes which are called "novels," his literary workshop he tells us that he found most of his characters among his acquaintances. The person represented, he assures us, never recognizes his own portrait. But then his friends do, so sundry acquaintances to a people of the scene have to be adopted. If the original is tall, he is pictured as short; if dark, as fair. Indeed, Payn recommends the keeping of a list of dramatic personae with the real names placed opposite the fictitious ones, to keep the novelist in mind as he works.

Sometimes, when the original is a public person, a writer of fiction will transfer him to his page without much disguise, and much to the gratification of the reader. Who is not charmed to meet, in Meredith, Leslie Stephen in the "Egoist," Mrs. Norton in "Diana," La Salle in the "Tragic Comedians," and Robert Louis Stevenson in "The Amazing Marriage"? Another novelist's practice in such cases was less genial. It was a constant and growing tendency," says Saltusbury, speaking in a recent book of Daudet, "to drag in royal persons, and especially royal persons in scandalous aspects. More himself and other not too illustrious members of the imperial entourage appeared in 'Le Nabab,' the characters of 'Le Roi en Exil' were as obviously diversifications of the public in 1872, and have never found one instance where a cure was not speedily effected by its use. I have been a commercial traveler for eighteen years, and never start out on a trip without this, my faithful friend," says H. S. Nichols, of Oakland, Ind. Ter. When a man has used a remedy for thirty-five years he knows its value and is competent to speak of it. For sale by R. H. Jordan & Co.

Two Killed While Repairing Cars.

Scranton, Pa., July 31.—Two men were killed and six seriously injured, two of them probably fatally, in the Ontario and Western yard at Mayfield to-day. The men were repairing cars on a siding when another train crashed into them.

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SENATOR BROCK ON STAND.

Former Camp Physician Resigns From Committee Tells of the Conditions Prevailing at Georgia Convict Camp.

Atlanta, Ga., July 31.—Senator J. R. Brock, member of the legislative committee investigating the Georgia convict lease system, to-day resigned from the committee and this afternoon took the stand in his own behalf. He said he took this course, not to defend himself from any charges made against him, but in the effort to throw further light upon the working of the system.

Dr. Brock formerly served as camp physician at the Durham coal mines of the Georgia Coal and Iron Company. His testimony dealt chiefly with the conditions prevailing in the camps, and took up most of the time of to-day's session of the committee.

B. G. Maddox, of Rome, Ga., who declared that he represented former Chief Warden Moore, asked permission to cross-examine witnesses. He was advised by Chairman Felder that he might submit questions in writing, which will then be propounded to the witnesses.

Twenty-Three Miners Entombed.

Fernie, B. C., July 31.—Twenty-three miners were entombed in a mine at Coal Creek. Six hundred feet of rock is between them and freedom.

Twenty Are Rescued.

Fernie, B. C., July 31.—Twenty-three men were buried this morning by a cave in No. 2 mine at Coal Creek, owned by the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company. The work of rescue was made difficult by gas, but rescuing parties had taken out twenty men alive at 3 o'clock this afternoon and the other three will probably be rescued. Three men were killed in this mine two months ago.

Big Elephant Dies in Philadelphia Zoo.

Philadelphia, July 31.—Bollivar, said to be the biggest elephant ever in captivity, died in his prison house at the Zoological Gardens here tonight. The big fellow had but one rival in captivity, Jumbo. The latter was taller, but Bollivar was much heavier, weighing six tons. For twenty years he had been confined in a small enclosure at the Zoo, Bollivar is supposed to have been 17 or 18 years of age. He was purchased by Adam Forepaugh about thirty years ago.

A SAD CASE.

S. E. Kiser, in Chicago Record-Herald.

"You" said the optimist, "possess a wife who loves you and is true. Therefore, why should not happiness be ever bravely claimed by you? The pessimist turned with a sigh. And answered: "Sadness fills my life; There's many an older man than I; Who has a younger, father wife."

"You have a son who bears your name; His limbs are strong, his face is bright; He may some day, by winning fame, Add to your pride and your delight." The gloomy pessimist replied: "The gloomy pessimist replied: 'But who can tell? I may be dead ere he does what would bring me pride.'"

"You're out of jail and free from care, Your arms are strong, your health is good; Upon your head a wealth of hair Still lingers where a top-knot should." The pessimist replied: "Alas, I have to earn all that I get; The people have not learned to pass Things up on plates to me as yet."

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RICHMOND'S PROBATION LAW.

Eight Chronic Drunks Reformed Since It Went Into Effect. Richmond News Leader. Probation Officer Portiaux reported to Justice Crutchfield this morning that in his opinion the scheme instituted by the new ordinance in regard to chronic drunks was proving most successful. Since the ordinance went into effect no less than eight incorrigibles had been reformed to the extent of letting whiskey alone at least temporarily. These eight have been released from probation and are all doing well. Since the law went into effect fifty men have been put under the care of the officer. A great many of these have left the city and some have returned to their old ways, but twenty-two who are still on probation are getting along without whiskey for the time, and eight have been released.

Alderman Ellett, the father of the ordinance, and Mr. Portiaux were walking along the street together a few days ago when one of the probationers was met with who had slipped into the way of the ungodly and was of the consistency of a blued owl. "Well, well, Joe," said the alderman in a grievous tone of voice, "drunk again?" "Whoo!" yelled Joe in a paroxysm of joy, "so am I."

A Noiseless Room.

London Globe. For many physical researchers a perfectly noiseless room is a desideratum. If such could be devised it would open out new possibilities of research. At the University of Utrecht the problem has been apparently successfully solved by the room designed by Zwaardemaker. The walls and ceiling of the room are eleven inches thick, and are formed of six separate layers. The first consists of a felt-like material of horse-hair, known as trichopile, this is followed by a layer of porous stone isolated from the floor by sheet lead. An air space of about an inch is followed by wood, and then a course of ground cork and sand. The final layer is of specially prepared ground cork, known as korkstein.

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