

THE COAL TRUST.

As the exorbitant advances in the prices of meats have centered public attention on the Beef Trust, so has the strike by the anthracite coal miners drawn attention to the Coal Trust and given rise to the demand that the courts come in and call the law on that.

The strongest evidence against the packers' combine that has been secured thus far consists of admissions made by railway men before the Interstate Commerce Commission.

The atrocities committed by the coal roads not only against the summer of coal but against the independent mine owner are endurable only because there has been no escape from them.

Just as the Big Six, which compose the Beef Trust, practically control the meat business of this country, and as the Steel Trust practically controls the steel business, so this Coal Trust practically controls the coal business.

Not satisfied with the absolute control of the anthracite mines the manipulators of this combine have been reaching out with wily octopus grasp and taking in the most valuable of the soft coal mines.

The fight is now on between the anthracite miners and the anthracite combine, which involves 147,000 miners, and if the bituminous miners can be prevailed upon to make common cause with the anthracite strikers there will be about 456,500 men in it.

The aggregate daily earnings of the 456,500 coal miners employed in this country is \$704,095, the yearly earnings (for 230 working days) \$161,941,850.

The President is planning for a Fourth of July speech at Pittsburgh. It is announced that it will be "one of the most important speeches he has yet made."

There was a strike not long ago by the workmen employed by the Steel Trust, which was finally, after a protracted struggle and the loss of millions of dollars by the strikers, settled by mutual concessions.

The Beef Trust, the Steel Trust, and the Coal Trust are all tariff protected institutions. There is no tariff on anthracite coal, because there is no competition on that.

THE TARIFF AND TRUSTS.

High prices for nearly all kinds of food stuffs is the order of the day. No one who has to do any marketing need be told that.

Of course there are all sorts of reasons given for the advance in prices, some of which may have some little foundation and some none at all, pure fakes.

In this grab game and merciless plunder they have the support of the so-called protective tariff which puts a duty of two cents a pound on butter and five cents a dozen on eggs.

The Jacksonville (Florida) Times, Union says Senator Vest was mistaken when he said in the Senate recently that he was "the only survivor of the twenty-six gentlemen who acted as Confederate Senators."

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MONEY, NOT PATRIOTISM.

Andrew Carnegie has the reputation of being a pretty level-headed business man, and no dull observer of passing events.

"I am not in the navigation syndicate, having retired from business and reformed, so I cannot advise you as to the exact character and bearing of the combination.

"No patriotism in trade." We have heard a good deal of nonsense about "trade following the flag"

It is possible that the transcontinental roads know more about the volcanoes of Nicaragua than the scientists.

CURRENT COMMENT.

When Earl Russell, says the Philadelphia Times, introduced a bill into the house of lords adding a clause for divorce.

There is some discussion on the point whether "the flag" shall "stay put" in the Philippines.

QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

Wilmington District—Second Round. Clinton, Kendall, May 17-23

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

Newton Enterprise: The nearer harvest approaches, the worse grow the reports about the wheat crop.

At the stockholders' meeting Wednesday of the Cherokee Falls Manufacturing Company a dividend of 5 per cent was declared.

Concord Standard: Charlotte had a sensation last week that paralleled our Isaac Oruse case.

A LITTLE NONSENSE.

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WINKLINGS.

The poor being always with us, it is fortunate that they are so much more tolerable than the rich.

Another Mystery: "And she married a man named that Waller. How on earth did that come about?"

WOLFBLEND PRICES CURRENT.

Table listing various commodities and their prices, including flour, sugar, and other goods.

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Of the assassin may be more sudden, but it is not more sure than the dire punishment meted out to the man who abuses his stomach.

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NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

New York, May 20.—Spirits turpentine dull at 47 1/2 @ 48.

COTTON MARKETS.

New York, May 20.—The cotton market opened with prices five points higher to one point lower.

MARINE.

ARRIVED. Stmr A P Hurt, Robeson, Fayetteville, James Madden.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of vessels in the port of Wilmington, N. C., May 21.

Just Received.

New line TOILET SETS, Tan Curtains, Curtain Poles, Hair Curling Sticks, Pictures, Decorated Lamps, Hammocks, Clothes Baskets, Water Coolers and Leonard Cleanable Refrigerators.

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