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be effective and shall govern the con-ditions of employment between the re-spective companies and their employes for a term of at least three years.

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TARTE A WINNER

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If it comes to a trial of strength beween Mr. Sifton and Mr. Tarte, Mr. Sifton had better slate himself for a comfortable government job. Tarte is not only an abler man than Mr. Sifton, but he has more energy than all the rest of his colleagues put together. Moreover, Mr. Tarte con-trols the Province of Quebec, and it is Quebec that sustains the Laurier government. As long as Mr. Tarte is solid in Quebec Tarte will be boss of the administration.

CHOICE VIANDS AND PROGRAM

Characterized the Anniversary Supper and Entertainment of the First Church.

Splendid Work of the Ladies of the Church-Addresses by the Clergymen.

Anniversary teas are the order of the day in Chatham at present. The First Presbyterian church held a most successful one last evening. This church is one of the most successful in the city and it is doing a noble work. It is especially noted for its enterprising and energetic ladies. It was learned last evening that these ladies have at last succeeded in paying off the floating debt of the church, and for this they deserve to be highly commended.

The tea served last evening was another proof of their energy and ability. One thing must be said, that the ladies of the First church are good cooks and they certainly know how to manage a tea meeting They were awarded for their splendid efforts by having a large crowd of patrons, who did not hesitate to show heir appreciation for the excellent spread which was prepared for them. Eight long tables were arranged n the basement of the church and were presided over by the following: Table No. 1-Mrs. W. Stone, Mrs. A. B. McCoig, Mrs. Ed. Cornhill, Mrs. John McCoig and Miss Mary Robert-

Table No. 2-Mesdames Taylor, Geo. Gray, E. R. Smith, Misses Thomson, Sarah Robertson, Mia Farquharson, and Messrs. R. Griffith and Geo.

Table No. 3-Mesdames Ward, Johnon, Barnes, Clements, Miss L. Paxton, and Messrs. Hall, F. Ward and Chas. Donovan.

Phillimore, Misses McRae, Maggie Walker, Lillie Walker, Belle Smith, Green, Douglas, and Mr. R. Camp-Table No. 5-Mesdames S. Stone.

red. Stone, James Taylor, and Misses Marion and Isabel Douglas, and Mary Table No. 6-Mesdames A. McKay,

Messrs. W. Wheeler and Black. Table No. 7-Mesdames Martin, Laurie, McNabb, Miss Fleming and Mr. Foreman.

Table No. 8-Mesdamies John Mc-Kerrall, W. Wilson, Peace, Ross and Misses Paxton and Robertson. The musical program, which followed the tea, was an excellent one, consisting of solos and speeches. Lieut.-Col. Rankin, K. C., acted as chairman and performed his part of the program with his usual ability. After invocation by Rev. Dr. Batisby the following program was pre-

Anthem, "O Worship the King-Chairman's address. Vocal-Miss Webster Address-Rev. T. Beverley Smith

Vocal-J. W. Wilson. Address-Rev. Mr. Lindsay, Dres-Vocal-Horace Davis. Vocal-Miss Ada Ross.

Address-Rev. Mr. Cobbledick. Vocal-Miss Webster. Address-Rev. W. E. Knowles.

Anthem-Choir.

The meeting closed with the bene ction, which was pronounced by Rev. T. T. George.

SHOES MIGHT FIT

So Think Some Who Would Aspire to Mr. Tarte's Position His Chatham Speech.

Montreal, Quebec, Oct. 13 .- Intimation by Tarte in his Chatham speech that he would resign if Laurier would not approve of his present course has reated movement among his prospective successors. Hon. L. P. Brodeur is favorite as next minister of public works, with R. Lemieux as his successor to Speakership. Mr. Tarte's departure from the cabinet is consid-

Woodstock Sentinel-Review: Among hose who boarded the C. P. R. morn ing train here for Thamesford Friday were Billy Boyd and his three companions, who arrived in the city from the south on the early train. They returned again in the evening, but did not stop off at Woodstock, and it is presumed that Billy was informed of the fact that he was wanted by the Chat-

COAL OPERATORS AT LAST AGREE TO ARBITRATION

Yeld to Proposition That President Roosevelt Shall Appoint | E B Thomas, chairman Pennsylvania Coal Co.; Hillside Coal & Iron Commission of Five-J. P. Morgan Sent as Ambassador to the White House.

Morgan, accompanied by his partner, belong to the Mine Workers' Union. Robert Bacon, had a conference at the was made public on behalf of the coal operators which it is believed opens the way, for a complete and speedy settlement of the strike..

The operators have agreed to the appointment of a commission to be appointed by the President of the United States to whom shall be referred all questions at issue between the commpanies and their own employes whether they belong to a union or not and the decision of the commission shall be accepted by the opera-

army or navy engineer officer, an expert mining engineer not connected with the coal mining properties, one of the judges of the United States courts of the eastern district of Pennsylvania, a man of prominence, eminent as a sociologist, and a man who by active participation in mining and selling coal is familiar with the physical and commercial features of the

The operators also make a part of their proposition that the miners shall return to work as soon as the commission is constituted and cease all ommission to name a date when its indings shall be effective and to govern conditions of employment between he companies and their own employes for at least three years.

MORGAN'S FLYING TRIP.

Mr. Morgan and Mr. Bacon arrived n Washington about ten o'clock tonight after a flying trip from New York over the Baltimore & Ohio railton hotel. They met Secretary Root and the gentlemen walked over to the White house and went at once to the President. They remained with the President until 10 minutes of 12 o'clock and then came down stairs. Secretary Root's face was beaming, and although he would say nothing as' to the details of the conference, he seemed so satisfied that those who saw him were convinced that good progress Sam Glenn, J. B. Rankin, L. A. Wheel- had been made toward a settlement er, Misses McKellar, Mary Smith and of the great question which has been giving the administration so much con-

The proposition of the coal operators was a result of the visit of Secretary Root to New York and his conference with Mr. Morgan on Saturday. Mr. Morgan at that time expressed keen interest in the situation and a desire o bring about an adjustment if possible: Following this talk with Secretary Root there was a conference in New York to-day at which the proposition of the coal operators was agreed to and Mr. Morgan was delegated to bring it to the president, in the belief that such would be the courteous course and the best way of promulgat-

ing the offer of settlement. The next move will be the presentation of the matter to the miners, and it is probable that President Mitchell will be invited to Washington to consult the president. It is believed here that he will at once accept the proposition.

THE STATEMENT.

Secretary Cortelyou by authority of hose present at the White House, made public the following authorized statement concerning the conference. J. Pierpont Morgan came to Washington with his partner, Mr. Bacon at the request of the coal companies, who desired that as a matter of courtesy their statement should be shown to the president before it was made public. Having been laid before the president by Mr. Morgan, it is now given

to the press To the public: The managerrs of the different coal properties comprising the anthracite coal fields, vish their position in the present strike to be understood, and therefore make the following statement

of facts. : There are in the anthracite regions about 75 operating companies and firms, and 147,000 miners and workmen (of which 30,000 are under age), comprising some 20 nationalities and dialects.

Of these workmen, possibly one-half belong to the United Mine Workers' Union, of which John Mitchell is president. That organization was originally formed in the bituminous coal region, and threefourths of its members are miners of bituminous coal and bituminous coal is sold in active competition with anham authorities. The game operat-ed Saturday at the Springfield fair. men in the anthracite fields either be-

Washington, Oct. 13 .- J. Pierpont | long to no union whatever, or do no The present strike was declared by the Mine Workers' Union on the tenth temporary White House to-night with day of May, 1902. Since that time President Roosevelt and Secretary many workmen not belonging or not willing to follow that organization were working in and about the mines. From 17,000 to 20,000 are now at work. Many more have wished to work but have been prevented by a course of violence and intimidation towards those working and towards their families, accompanied by the destruction of properties and the fear of death or bodily harm to every man who wished to exercise his right to work.

> REIGN OF TERROR. A schedule is annexed hereto showing some of the things done to create this reign of terror and every instance stated can be verified by reference to the officers of the lawcivil and military-in the anthracite region. This violence has continued and stendily increased, notwithstanding repeated disavowals by Mr. Mitchedl, and it is clear that either he cannot or will not prevent it, and that the rights of the other workmen cannot be protected under the supre-macy of the Mine Workers' union.

The coal companies believe that the rages paid in the coal regions are fair and all that the business in its normal condition has been able to stand if the capital invested is to have any reasonable return. profits have been small, several com-panies have been bankrupt and been re-organized several times. Several have never paid dividends and the dividends of the others have been a small return for the capital invested. It is not, however, the purpose of this statement to discuss this question. The undersigned are not and never have been unwilling to submit all questions between them and their workmen to any fate tribunal for decision. They are not willing to enter into arbitration with the mine workers' union, an organization chiefly composed of men in a rival and competitive interest, and they are not willing to make any arrangement which will not secure to the men now working, and all now or hereafter wishing to work, whether they omer to the the right and opportunity to work in safety and without personal insult or bodily harm to themselves or families. For these reasons the arbitrations heretofore proposed have been declined.

URGENT PUBLIC NEED

It will be remembered that at the conference in Washington, Oct. 3, we made the following offer: That we would take up at each colliery any alleged grievance, and in the event adjustment, the questions at issue to be submitted to the final decision of the judges of the court of common pleas of the district in which the colliery was located. This offer was lilbaess. made by us in good faith and we

desire here to reaffirm it. The coal companies realize that the pprehension of an inadequate supfor the approaching winter calls for an earnest effort to reach a practical conclusion which will result in an increased supply, and the presidents of the companies desire to make every effort to that end which does not involve the abandonment of the interests committed to their care and of the men who are working and seeking to work in the mines. This responsibility they must bear and meet as best they can.

They therefore restate their position: That they are not discriminating against the United Mine Workers, but they insist that the miners' burg cigar factory, Bowers & Philp, union shall not discriminate against or refuse to work with non-union men; that there shall be no restriction or deterioration in quantity or quality of work and that owing to the various physical conditions of the anthracite mines, each colliery is a problem by itself.

We suggest a commission to be appointed by the president of the United States (if he is willing to perform that public service), to whom shall be referred all questions at issue between the respective companies and their employees, whether they belong to a union or not, and the decision of that commission shall be accepted stituted as follows:

THE COMMISSION. 1. An officer in the engineer corps of either the military or naval ser-

vice of the United States. 2. An expert mining engineer, experienced in the mining of coal and other minerals, and not in any way connected with coal mining properties, either anthracite or bitumino 3. One of the judges of the United states courts of the eastern district of Pennsylvania.

4. A man of prominence, eminent is a sociologist.

5. A man, who by active participation in mining and selling coal, is familiar with the physical and commer-cial features of the business. It being the understanding that immediately upon the constitution of such commission, in order that idletess and non-production may cease in stantly, the miners will return to

work and cease all interference with

and persecution of any non-union men

Iren Co. Co. W. H. Truesdale, president Dela-ware, Lackawanna & Western Rail-T. P. FOWLER, president Scranton Coal Co.; Elk Hill Coal & Iron Co. R. M. Olyphant, president Delaware & Hudson Co.

Alfred Walters, president Lehigh Valiey Coal Co. A note appended to the statement read: The schedule referred to in this statement was not brought from New York, as it had not been com-

MITCHELL WON'T TALK.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Oct. 14. — President Mitchell, when shown a synopsis of the statement issued from the White House early this morning, in which the operators agree to arbitration, he refused to make any comment and immediately retired.

A few moments later a full copy of the statement was brought to strike headquarters but he refused to get up to see it. The correspondents talked with him through the transom of his bedroom and in answer to further questions he said he knew about what the statement contained.

While no information can be had at this time, it is not believed the arbitration plan proposed by the operators will be entirely satisfactory but the miners' officials may waive any objections they may have and ac

The three district presidents are at their homes and cannot be reached from here this morning for an expression of opinion on the new turn of af-

****************** Personal Pointers

******** Peter Blonde left to-day for Mc-

K. R. Cameron, of the Lake Erie, was in the city to-day.

Crown Attorney H. D. Smith was n Wallaceburg to-day. Capt, Asa R bble, mayor of Dresden,

s spending the day in town. Archie Park is in Wallace day on business for Park Bros. William Turnbull, of London, called

on his Chatham friends to-day. L. S. Pell, of Morpeth, spent yesterday with his Chatham friends.

B, Sharp and H. Cartier, of Tilbury, were Chatham visitors yesterday. A. Haskins, of London, is spending the day with his Chatham friends. R. M. Thompson of Blenheim, was in the city yesterday on legal business.

M. Campbell, of Ridgetown, called

called on his Chatham friends yester-Miss Mabel Stone, Raleigh street, is confined to her home to-day through

Mrs. Merritt, of Blenheim, is visiting her mother, Wellington street. Will Shillington, of Wm. Gray &

Sons, is in St. Thomas on business for the firm. Mrs. (Dr.) J. M. Stevens, of Traverse City, Mich., is visiting at the residence of N. H. Stevens.

Bert Riddell is expected home to-day from Yakima, Wash., He will spend a short visit with his parents on Park

Aleck Moffatt, who for the past ight weeks has been at his home on Park street with typhoid fever, has fully recovered and left this morning to resume his duties in the Wallaceproprietors.

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