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London Saturday, Oct. 4.

### The Coal Conference.

The coal conference ended yesterday without immediate results, but the President is not to be easily balked in his purpose, and his next move will be eagerly awaited. The operators, contrary to expectations, maintained a stiff neck, but they will bend discreetly to the rising gale when they think the danger point has been reached. Undoubtedly their strongest argument is the present lawlessness in the coal region, but even if this could be suppressed, as it ought to be at all costs, and absolute security afforded all who wished to work, there would not be enough labor available to operate the collieries to anything like their full capacity, and famine prices for fuel would still prevail. The outrages which have been committed are a reproach to the miners' union, but a certain amount of violence is not to be wondered at, considering that a large proportion of the strikers are ignorant foreigners, chiefly Poles and Hungarians, who have been reared in degraded conditions, and have elementary notions of law and order. The American miners have struggled for years to organize this element, so as to raise the standard of wages and comfort. While rebuking the outrages perpetrated by a class who have been depressed almost to the brute level, the mine owners themselves are openly defying the law of Pennsylvania, which forbids railroad companies owning coal mines. As to the recognition of the miners' union, it is a little late in the day for capital, which is organizing and consolidating its forces as never before, to deny labor the right to do the same and act as a unit. The people of the United States, however, are no longer concerned about the merits of the present dispute. They know they are exposed to suffering because the two parties are at war. They know their own interests transcend those of the owners or the miners, and they would sacrifice either side or both if by so doing they could get the coal mined. They are now looking for a plan.

### Sir Michael's Attack.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach is giving an apt illustration of the principle of cabinet unity. Since his retirement from the Government he has made a sensational attack on the British War Office, and on the methods of the Treasury. As a member of the cabinet he could not consistently criticize any public department, as he was jointly responsible with his fellow ministers for the policy and the actions of the Government, whatever his personal views may have been. Without this practice the British parliamentary system would be unworkable. As a private member of Parliament, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach is free to express his own opinion. In this particular case, he has made a profound impression, because he speaks as a recent member of the Government knowing the inner workings of the department which he assails. He is a powerful recruit to the ranks of the War Office reformers, and his action will add to the troubles which thickly beset the Balfour Government. Sir Michael claims there can be no reform until army officers pay some attention to the duties of their profession, as the men in the navy do, and until outside influences in the matter of appointments and promotions, such as would not be tolerated in the civil service, should cease to be effective. This is precisely the charge that has been leveled by the Radicals and it will become irresistible if high Tories like Sir Michael join in the cry.

### A Public Responsibility.

The coal and wood dealers of the city are in a position of great public and moral responsibility at this time. A good name is rather to be chosen than riches and the gentlemen who deal in fuel are just now called upon to make the choice. If they look upon the coal famine as a business opportunity to be made the most of, those who are well stocked can make a pretty penny, because people will buy fuel if it takes the last dollar. But if they are good citizens and men of honor, as we believe them to be, they can prevent much misery and suffering. No doubt they could dispose of their whole stocks at once to well-to-do citizens who would gladly pay fancy prices in order to be assured of their winter's supply. However, the coal and wood merchants owe it to the community and to their own sense of justice to limit individual purchasers by doing out only what is sufficient for the immediate need of customers. They cannot be blamed if they give their own customers the preference, but they will not be acting fairly if they discriminate against the poor, either by selling in large quantities or charging unreasonable prices. The coal dealers of this city, or the majority of them are acting conscientiously and could probably have sold out at much higher figures than they are asking, if they had put scruples aside. It is the best policy, too, even from a money standpoint, because if the people got the

idea that extortion is being practised, the regular dealers might soon have to face municipal competition. Already more than one Canadian municipality is moving in that direction.

The City of Ottawa is going into the coal and wood business and the local dealers in that line are very warm over it.

The Canadian lobster is no object for derision. An immense lobster canning industry is being built up in the lower provinces and the Minister of Marine and Fisheries has ordered three new hatcheries on the St. Lawrence.

Two Conservatives were returned in bye-elections for the Quebec Legislature yesterday. The Tory press in Ontario would have less to say about French domination if the trick were repeated a little oftener.

It is to be hoped no enemy of this country is sending President Roosevelt copies of Mr. Tarte's speeches. According to the Free Press the President might shut off our supply of fuel to spite Tarte.

When the facts are known the Canadian Government may be applauded for moving slowly in the matter of the fast Atlantic line. We have now one Conservative paper, the Toronto Telegram, declaring that steamships of more than 20 knots are out of the question.

Alphonse Daudet, who is a novelist himself, has come to the conclusion that novels have a very disastrous effect on the female half of the population. "The morbid appetite for fiction," he says, "is responsible for most of the unhappiness and dissatisfaction, which in turn breed crime." He asserts that his contention is supported by every scientist who has been consulted on the point. The sale of novels to women and children, should, therefore, be held, be interdicted on the same principle on which in some countries the sale of morphine and cigarettes is interdicted.

The Real Difficulty. [The Commoner.] President Roosevelt pleads for government supervision of the trusts, but fails to point out a method of doing away with trust supervision of the Government.

Some Human Peculiarities. [Washington Star.] Forth fares a man on pleasure bent; The air is crisp, the sky is blue; Some creature comes with strength half spent.

And lingers feebly in his view. He smiles and kills it with a gun. For that's his way of having fun.

He has enough and some to spare. To gain another's scanty store; He toils with unremitting care. And when 'tis won, looks round for more.

He cannot say just why 'tis done, But that's his way of having fun.

Love Not. Lady Stirling-Maxwell. Lady Stirling-Maxwell was a daughter of Thomas Sheridan, and grand-daughter of Richard Brinsley Sheridan, and she was the author of several successful novels and many poems of merit.

Love not, love not; ye hapless sons of day! Hope's gayest wreaths are made of earthly flowers.

Things that are made to fade and fall away. Ere they have blossomed for a few short hours.

Love not! The thing ye love may change; The rose may cease to smile on you.

The kindly gleam may grow cold and strange. The heart still warmly beat, yet not be true.

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## ..Poems the World Has Read..

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Free from cotton or jute. Remember that this Carpet has always been guaranteed pure wool. We have sold you over one hundred thousand yards. So you know what satisfaction you have had. You have paid us eighty-five cents per yard, and we cannot tell you any more than experience has taught you about the wear and coloring.

Today the price is, per yard, 60c

## The Best English Brussels Carpets,

Full five frame, pure wool spun into a hard wearing surface yarn. Same quality as our best goods, which we have supplied you with for years, and for which you have paid us one dollar and twenty-five cents. 5-8 borders to match every Carpet.

Today the price is, per yard, \$1.00

The most durable Carpet made for hard wear. Our best quality—

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cent, the working expenses increased 8.1. The train mileage decreased 7.9 per cent.

## GUNARDERS WILL BE LEVIATHANS

New Boats Will Probably Be 750 Long.

SIZE INCREASES WITH SPEED

The Construction of 24-Knot Ocean Greyhounds Requires Outlay of a Vast Sum of Money.

New York, Oct. 4.—Designs for the two new Gunarders, which are to be built on the Clyde have not been completed, cables the London correspondent of the Tribune, but the tentative plans and drawings have been inspected by the admiralty officials and directors of the company. The tonnage, length and engine power depend upon the speed which will be attempted, and until this is determined neither of these designs can be prepared nor tenders offered. The gain in speed since 1890 has been about 2 1/2 knots each decade, but every additional knot represents an enormous increase in the cost of construction and the consumption of coal. Engineers estimate that the new steamers, if designed for a speed of 24 knots, will need to be 750 feet long, and will cost about \$3,375,000 each. The fast German liners now afloat have averaged about \$2,000,000, but the Kaiser Wilhelm II, now under construction, will be still faster, and will cost considerably more than \$3,000,000. If the designers are required to produce 25 knot ships they will be forced to increase the length of the vessels and run up the cost above \$4,500,000.

### Unlucky 13 Again.

Lynn, Mass., Oct. 3.—Two persons were killed and seven others more or less seriously injured in an accident to a passenger elevator at the shoe factory of A. E. Little & Co. here today. A cable parted, and the car, which contained thirteen persons, fell four stories. A 600 pound weight descending upon it, breaking through it and crushing to death Benjamin O. Crane, foreman in the factory, and injuring Miss Frances Herlihy, assistant forewoman of the stitching room. She died in a short time. The most seriously injured number six. They suffered mainly from cuts and bruises. Five others suffered less severely. It is thought that all the injured will recover.

### Brantford's Assessment.

Brantford, Oct. 2.—The population of Brantford, according to the figures returned by the assessors for 1903, has increased since the last assessment by 836, and there are now 17,021 persons resident in this city. In every ward in the city, with the exception of ward 1, an increase is shown, the most noticeable gain being made in ward 5, where 154 were added. The value of real property has increased from \$6,254,854 to \$9,548,595, personal property, from \$650,175 to \$781,900, and taxable income from \$134,580 to \$149,057, making the total value of real and personal property and taxable in come this year \$7,490,440, as compared with \$7,095,550 last year, an increase of \$394,890.

treaty between the United States and Canada, has made up its mind to adopt a new policy."

### Grand Trunk Returns.

Oshawa, Oct. 4.—The returns of the Grand Trunk Railway for the year ending June 30, received at the railway department, show that during the year 9,903,194 passengers were carried, compared with 9,097,872 in 1901. The receipts from passengers were \$6,661,644, compared with \$7,692,190 the previous year. The freight returns show 12,655,568 tons carried, compared with 11,746,898 last year. The receipts from freight were \$19,093,138, or an average of \$1.58 per ton, compared with \$18,665,244 last year. During the same period the Canada Atlantic has carried 383,571 passengers, producing a revenue of \$316,030.89, compared with 339,640 passengers carried during the previous year, with a revenue of \$283,822.22, showing an increase in the number of passengers carried of 28,931, and an increase in the revenue of \$32,208.67. The number of tons of freight carried during 1902 was 1,545,240, producing a revenue of \$1,404,842.68, compared with 1,592,987 tons carried in 1901, and a revenue of \$1,390,197.10.

### An Official Denial.

Cologne, Oct. 3.—A dispatch to the Cologne Gazette from Johannesburg says that the retirement of Lord Milner as Governor of the Transvaal is assured. The Colonial Office denies the statement of the Cologne Gazette that Lord Milner is to retire as Governor of the Transvaal.

### Grand Trunk Report.

London, Oct. 2.—The Grand Trunk Railway report, issued today, is a cheerful document. The directors congratulated the shareholders on the steady progress continued to be made in the improvement of the property in every direction, and increased dividends are available. Additions to the capital have been maintained within the most reasonable limits. The detailed statement shows that the gross receipts for the half year increased 4.90 per

## PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT TO THE OPERATORS AND STRIKERS:

"I wish to emphasize the character of the situation, and to say that its gravity is such that I am constrained to insist that each one of you realize the heavy burden of responsibility upon him. We are upon the threshold of winter with an already existing coal famine, the future terrors of which we can hardly yet appreciate. The evil possibilities are so far reaching, so appalling, that it seems to me that you are not only justified in striking, but required to strike for the time being, any tenacity as to your respective claims in the matter of issue between you. In my judgment the situation imperatively requires that you meet upon the common plane of the necessities of the public."

### To Utilize Winter Sunshine.

[Toronto Globe.]

Another matter to which attention ought to be paid is the construction of houses with a view to economizing fuel. Solidity, good workmanship and compactness are obvious means of protection against cold weather. The suggestion has been made that the winter sunshine might be utilized more extensively than it is at present. The verandas, which are now becoming encased in glass during the winter months, and so converted into sun parlors. Even here there is no scarcity of fuel, it is pleasant and healthful to bask in the winter sun, and it is customary to advertise the sun parlor as one of the attractions of winter resort hotels. There is no reason why this luxury should not be more generally enjoyed; the cost of the glass would be soon paid for in the saving in coal, and a pleasant room would be added to the house.

### The Engineer.

[J. H. K. Adkin, in London Spectator.] "Mild Maxin's click and rattle, 'Quick-draw!' crack and scream. Dazed with the lust of battle, Half blind with smoke and steam, Men face the flying shrapnel, And dare the bursting shell. When every gun's a stambele, I stand and grip the lever, I stand and watch the die." But bent and caged, unknowing Which way the fight incline, I keep my engines going. No praise or blame to spur me In this my hour of trial, I stand and grip the lever, I stand and watch the die. I know not battle passion To set my blood aglow, I work in sober fashion, But if we fall I know That boiled, or flayed, or stifled, Or mashed amongst the gear, I die a "mere non-combatant." An unknown engineer.

### The Deadly Naval Habit.

[Montreal Star.]

The son of a great novelist, the late

### An Old, Old Story Again.

[Toronto Star.]

Already this season a hunter near Burk's Falls has shot at a movement in the bush and killed his brother. Will people never be sufficiently warned against such gun work as this?

## PIPE DREAM FROM BOSTON

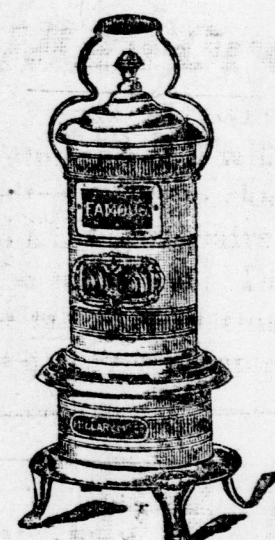
Newspaper Says Canada Plans Tariff War.

In League With Europe to Ruin United States.

Boston, Oct. 4.—The Boston Advertiser said yesterday that Canada and certain European nations have entered into a big tariff league to destroy American trade. The paper says: "The Canadian Government's chief supporters are pledged to support a protective tariff bill, chiefly directed against New England. Leading cabinet ministers are expected to support such a measure, and that they expected Premier Laurier to support it."

Israel Tarte, of the cabinet, admits publicly that he has made up such a measure to lay before the next session of the Canadian Parliament. A special dispatch from Ottawa says: "A statement can be made positively to-night on the best possible authority, that Sir Wilfrid Laurier has made definite arrangements with France and Italy looking toward a special tariff arrangement which will take the place of the treaties which Canada, France and Italy tried to arrange with the United States on a 'reciprocity' basis. "It can be stated by authority that the Canadian Government, discouraged by the refusal of the United States Senate committee on foreign affairs to even consider the idea of a reciprocity

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