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## Monotony

sylvania Miners Lead a Life of Dull Plodding Work.

hic Description of Existence in the Anthracite Coal Mines.

ontributes an ins World's Work for October He was one of a mul-youngsters of the mines, iners' families are large mparatively small, start perore many of the boys d their primary schooling. time he enters the breaker ule of progress that is almost lowed. Once a miner, and taker-boy, the upward growth breaker. He gets fro or tea hours' work. He the morning, put on his a lways soaked with es, always soaked with reakfast, and by 7 o'clock the dark and dusty staira-room where he works. rough which passes a steady roken coal. From the coal the pieces of slate or rock, hard life but it is confining on worn to the quick from the iron chute. The air he aturated with the coal dust, the breaker is fiercely hot intensely cold in winter modern breakers, to be screen rooms, and fans ed in some breakers to dust. But however favor-tions, the boy's life is a

of every breaker-boy is mes, and at the first opins there as a door-boy years of age and often ork of the door-boy is not that in the breaker, but ight. His duty is to open he darkness and silence when other men and boys his door. Not many of are to read, and if they did mpossible in the dim light of amp. Whittling and whistvages vary from 65 to 75

breaker-boy wants to be a own the shaft in time to of the shaft and hitch him to driver takes the empty cars breaker, where the coal orted and cleaned and made market. There are to driver reaches the age

either a runner or nines, more frequently the runner is a conductor who paded cars and directs the laborer is employed by the et to the approval of the at, to load the cars with ch has been blasted by the rule he is paid so much day's work—the number different mines—averaging seven, equaling from 12 to e difficult by the water and are found in large quantiare 24,000 laborers in the an-

nes of Pennsylvania, each be able to pass an examinathe district board. If he becomes a contractor as well and this involves judgment the ho.e, skill in boring it, i preparing and determining the shot. The number of ay range from four to twelve, the size and character of de is responsible for the prop to sustain the ro e law of the State of Penn-company operating the mine urnish the miner with the and-machines. The miner own machines. The miner own tools and supplies. His per, soap and oil he is from the company ly from the company im. His equipment inng, drill, scraper, needle, crowbar, pick, shovel, c, cartridge pin, oil can, np. As a rule he rises at ers the mine shortly after cases he is obliged to

gers are many. He may be death at any time by the fall-urned to death by the explodor blown to pieces by a prest. So dangerous is his work debarred from all ordinary nee. In no part of the countil find so many cipaled hors. find so many crippled boys ou find so many crippied buyse ledown men. During the last ver 10,000 men and boys have and 25,000 have been injured dustry. Not many old men in the mines. The average age ndless routine of dull plodding nine years until death—a sort y life imprisonment. Few es-ce they begin, they continue to leir commonplace, low-leveled

dred days as the pos

ignoring their daily danger, ol is a good thing to preservings," remarked the Observer of and Things, "but it will not pre

## James Stoddart

Remarkable Impersonation of lan Maclaren's Stern Old

land since I left it nearly fifty years Hydraulic Mining Scores Success

"I am delighted at the manner in which the audiences in the West take up the points of the play. They seem to understand every mood and turn of the Scottish character as audiences would in my own city of Glasgow."

"Dat is not the uttle incident of Lach-

"But is not the nucle incident of Lachlan Campbell kissing his daughter's bonnett put in as a concession to the sympathy of the audience?" Shepherd.

"No, it is exactly true to the character. You have no idea of the bigotry of the Scotch Highlanders, and yet they are good men. I remember when I was a child with my brothers in Scotland my facility with my brothers in Scotland my

Lack of Transportation Facilities Retards Progress of the District.

the infection widespread?"

Prof. Koch declared that only two cases of alleged general infection were known to him, and these were not proved. He did not affirm, he said, that the transmission of tuberculosis from an animal to man was impossible, but that cases of the kind were extremely rare, if they did occur. He had collected 28 cases of apparent transmission of tuberculosis baccilli—a very small number—and in none of these could the source of the infected be stated positively, the data being incomplete. Last year Prof.

Koch received a number of letters from people who had drunk tuberculous milk British Columbia

bannier year in the Yukon for production, and new finds have recently been made which are attracting large numbers of prospectors. The same is true of the Atlin country, lying just on the British Columbia side of the boundary line, and there seems no doubt at all that the whole Northern country, tributary to the julged water routes, of

main, if not a permanent asset, at least one productive for many years to come.

Record Mineral Output For 1902 Is Now An Assured

Linguist

utary to the inland water routes, of which the Yukon is the main avenue, is capable of a much greater development and that its mineral resources will reach that its mineral resources will restant the state of Languages visiting. This City.

Liquid State of Control of Contro