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vania, and, broadly speaking, is bound-ed on the west by the Susquehanna articles. It is claimed that in railroad



commissioners were good listeners,

any feature of the mining business. It

In the party were the seven commis-

oners, the recorders and stenograph-s, General Superintendent R. A.

Phillips of the Delaware, Lackawanna

& Western company; General Superin-tendent E. Rose of the Delaware & Hudson; General Manager W. A. May

estern, and General Manager G.

Thorne of the Temple Iron company.

but poor talkers when it came down settling the difference between the an-

to getting an expression from them on thracite coal operators and the mine

is certain they have agreed not to say a word about the investigations at workers decided today, while on their tour of the Wyoming valley, to ad-

CUMINISSION SCRANTON, Pa., Oct. 30.—The animized and saw every step taken in the production of coal from the time it is hasted from the ground up to the point

where it is sent to market ready for where it is sent to market ready for the arbitrators returned tonight docked by the docking boss for the am-docked by the do

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The Whole Globe

ful and full of interest in the great show called Life.

Beside the crystal Klondike, on the

Before we started the old man told ne a story-a story that I had heard in

Seattle, which is part of the forgotten history of the West that was, but is no more, and this is the story I set out to tell

use. The arbitrators returned tonight srimy from coal dust and tired after eight hours of observation and investi-station. The commissioners displayed the greatest interest in every feature of coal mining, although they had to much foreign matter in the car of coal much foreign matter in t The Forty-niner tells it with pride to show that the rough men and heroje women who blazed the trails from the of the collector of rags, bottles, old my companion waved back. The man iron and rubber. Galt seems to be the in the boat held up a brown bag filled Missouri to the Pacific had big hearts that were always in the proper place. with dust-his harvest of the yellow Many years ago, in a mining camp The old miner pulled his white beard far out in the wide, wild West, there lived a man and a woman-both good

Think of the trade that is now car-ried on in the gathering up of old rub-ber shoes and rubber scraps that used to go to waste. The growing scarcity stained the lower fringe of his musfellows. Without benefit of clergy they abode together for many moons, fell ted to some in- tache, and remarked that Dawson out and finally separated Now, for the first time, the woman

his friends what was to be, and they

realized how much she loved the man, It was all very well, he said, to talk and the man became aware that the purposes. Within the past three years nearly \$43,000 worth of rubber scrap has been shipped from Hamilton alone, and Brantford has added nearly \$4000 the free, wholesome atmosphere of other and all the while love grew

ped to a factory in Connecticut, where Early Days, that man would go back stronger. It is worked over inte all kinds of rub-ber goods. People now save their old rubbers instead of throwing them into the garbage barrel, and they, with the

the garbage barrel, and they, with the "I have made money in every money in the second area in the rag merchants who camp that I have seen," said he, "I Finally, the man gave in, called on the woman and proposed marriage. She have traveled abroad for pleasure, the woman and proposed marriage. She consented, of course, and named the prospected and found gold. In South among them in less than three years about \$43,000. Now that old shoes and Africa and Siberia, wherever I struck next day. old harness and the scraps of leather made in shoe and harness shops have a market value people will begin to save "It's the simplest thing in the world That night in the hotel the man told

corn of the Klondike.

to follow this girdle of gold that belts all clicked glasses and wished him joy. the earth. We know it best where it That night the woman sat at her crosses our own country, so wide that it covers the whole west, from Colo-cloud that came out of the west and heard the low wind come sobbing and

"Then it sweeps up through British crying up the canyon. The moan of the columbia, spreads out over Alaska and wind saddened her and the sight of the Columbia, spreads out over Alaska and black cloud caused her to weep. The kind woman with whom she livthe Yukon down to the Behring Sea. ed heard her sob through the canvas Cross this cold pond and you pick up the pay streak again and follow it wall, and went in to see her. The woman hid her brown head on the across Siberia, and so around the earth. knee of her friend, and told her that "And all along this trail you find the prospector-on the sands of Africa, on she was to be married on the morrow the snows of Siberia-hunting, hoping, and the good woman kissed her and cheered her and told her that she must iving in a dream that can never be realized, because if he find a fortune, not weep on the eve of her wedding he will have exhausted the anticipation to such an extent that the realization Then the bride-to-be wiped her eyes

and tried to be glad, but will only sadden him. alone she looked out on the black cloud "There will be a momentary thrill, and then will come the realization that and heard the wind sob, and moaned When her friend peeped in again the woman, with her glorious hair let loose his dream is over. Having become sud-denly rich and discontented, he strives denly rich and discontented, he strives for pleasure in the things that money over her white gown, was kneeling be-side her narrow bed.

"He will travel around the world, as I That night the sleeping camp was have done, panning the streams and startled by the cry of fire. searching the faces of the frowning cliffs. When he hears of a new field he that had come crying out of the west in the mad rush in the hope, not hours ago, had begun to howl. Wind of finding a fortune, but the old camp and fire seem always to go togethe The wooden camp burned like ricks of dry straw. Hundreds of people es-

GREENWOOI mation received evening gives sensation in the lowing quickly of It appears that cash to the am stolen from the which is locate Love, druggist, master. Beyon the provincial H. Dorman, of postoffices on coast, of the oc was at the tim being feared tha fere with the en to discover the ed. too. that a receipt had been \$400, and this r Suspicion fell Clusky, describ for a time in the Co., in their stores, and later Upon the arriva that official clu Clusky, who fina stolen the mone ceipt. The depo den, and this n

THURSDAY.

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(Special CAMP McKIN

Oct. 29.-A fire the cabin of W in a part of the Hill, and it is perished in the to have gone to fore, not in a so then all efforts fruitless. The ca and the roof wa The debris has no trace of the r knowing his hab seen to leave the to his cabin ther inds of reside

Edwards was familiarly known

in the cabin.

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(Special GREENWOOD,

terday news was C. Copper comp mine, Deadwood that a shoot of or had been quarries, known ore quarries, from cient sulphur in and silica to fac along the street had stopped and helpe of its copper val clency of iron in is one of the chie smelters have to terday's news w C. Copper comp much satisfactio shoot of "irony"

Today's tour consisted of an inspec-tion of No. 2 mine of the Hillside Coal & Iron company, operated by the Erie company and the Coal Brook breaker of the Delaware & Hudson compuny. On the run up the Lackawanna valley towns from Hazelton south to the end the commissioners had a good view of of the hard coal fields, all of this ter-

> commissio MINING ANTHRACITE.

tration commission which is engaged in

workers decided today, while on their

journ next Thursday until Friday, No-

A Brief Account of How Hard Coal Is Taken Out and Prepared for Use.

of the Erie; General Superintendent J. R. Bryden of the New York, Ontario The process of mining anthracite coal consists of two methods stripping and closed work. Stripping is the process -stripping and The officials represented the companies and the miners were represented by Thomas D. Nicholls, president of this district of the United Mine Workers of America; Henry Collins, national or- or at the bottom of a shaft. Owing to

At each of the stations a small group of persons was gathered who curiously watched the train run slowly by. When the coal below is reached by inside or the coal below is reached by inside or blind shafts or inside slopes. These trowd gathered, including some mine workers, but there was no demonstra-tion of any kind. A abort drive was the party arrived at Forest City a crowd gathered, including some mine workers, but there was no demonstra-tion of any kind. A short drive was taken through the town to give the commissioners an opportunity to view Soon the entire party were bundled into three small cars. A small loco-blind shafts by means of small cars.

Soon the entire party were bundled into three small cars. A small loco-into three small cars, a mile distant down the valley. Here the commissioners had a little fun with one another. As the mine was wet and dirty the company officials provided rubber overshoes, entire party. Judge Gray and by Spaulding were the first to den overalls, jumpers and miners' caps for Bishop Spaulding were the first to don the uniform of the miner, and good maturedly took the remarks thrust at them by their companions as to wheth-er or not they belonged to the union. After the next head theory fraged out After the party had been rigged out law requires that each miner shall be and provided with miners' lamps, which they either carried in their hands or fastened to their caps, the descent of the 160-foot shaft was made. At the foot or bottom of the shaft the president and other members of the ganization, who are employed in the mine, joined the party. a mile and a half underground. Ac-accompanied by Superintendent May, President Nicholls and a few others, the commissioners went down a place the commissioners went down a plane to what is known as a thin vein of coal, down as a thin vein of coal, ed as to size before the anthracite in ready for the market, since the eco-nomic use of anthracite requires that where they saw the miners fire a blast. The thin vein runs into the Clifford mine, adjoining the No. 2. In the Cliff-the lumps must be of as near uniform ford, a few hours before the commis-sioners arrived, a Hungarian was kill-greater demand for the intermediate sioners arrived, a Hungarian was kill-ed almost instantly by the falling of a portion of the roof of the mine. He was doubled up and his lamp set fire to his clothing, almost roasting him, but the commissioners did not know of this. From there they returned to the main gangway and inspected an aver-age vein, a vein about six or eight feet thick. greater demand for the intermediate sizes the larger lumps must be broken down to smaller sizes. This elaborate preparation greatly increases the cost of the coal. Anthracite is prepared for market in what is known as the coal breaker, a large building usually built of timber, but sometimes of steel and iron. The coal is broken up by machinery, conon the return journey to the foot sisting of toothed rolls, after which it thick. On the return journey to the foot of the shaft Bishop Spaulding came across a Lithunian boy, who was em-ployed as a door tender. His face was black from coal dirt, but in the dim light of the lamp on his cap the bishop noticed the boy's handsome features. He asked the boy many questions as to his age. the boy's handsome features. He asked the boy many questions as to his age, the charcter of his work and the wages he received. The other commissioners also plied the boy with questions. Near the shaft on the return journey the car in which Judge Gray, General Wilson and Messrs. Clark and Parker were seated, jumped the track and the four occupants were slightly shaken. Minoccupants were slightly shaken. Min-ers quickly placed the car on the track and started them off with a hearty good-bye. The party reached the surface at arated into the various sizes by screens. The capacity of the average breaker is from two to three thousand 2:10 o'clock, after having been under-ground two hours and ten minutes. A hurried inspection of the outside build-ings of the colliery and the commission

the commissioners had a good view of the mining towns situated along the Delaware & Hudson railroad. The start was made from this city at 10 o'clock in the morning. In the nard coar heads, an of the first to a so of the hard coar heads, and the the ritory being in districts No. 7 and 9 of the United Mine Workers of America, and is under the jurisdiction of Presi-dent Thomas Duffy and John Fahey of the the united mine workers of the seven commis-*********************** the union, who will accompany

Hamilton district, printed in this number, we find that leather scrap is given as one of the exports, and \$3983.43

makers used the scraps for fuel in win-America; Henry Collins, hattoual of ganizer for this district; the Rev. Peter Roberts of Mahoney City, and James Marwick of New York.

almost crawl along some of the gang-ways in the workings and pass through clouds of dust in the breakers. It may be unfair to say that one commissioner displayed more interest than another, but it can be truly said that Bishop Spaulding asked more questions than any one of the others. He usually was in the centre of a group of commissioners, and asked many questions of those who are em-ployed in and about the mines. All the commissioners were good listeners, of crude rubber suggested to some in-tache, and remarked that Dawson ventive mind that if old scrap could be would never be taken by a miner for a worked over and mixed with crude rubber it could be made to answer all is estimated to be 67,000,000, while the market will take less than 550,000,000 and Brantford has added nearly \$4000 more to the stock. This scrap is ship-the free, wholesome atmosphere of cons. It is estimated that there is \$700 .-000,000 invested in the anthracite in-dustry, with an annual profit of from \$85,000,000 to \$100,000,000, added to by freight traffic net earnings of \$40,000,000

NOWADAYS

that, a few years ago, would be cast think there was value enough in the crosses our own country, so wide that into the fire and burned or be allowed hulls of oats to make them a market-

worth was shipped from Galt alone during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1902. Whoever dreamed that leather merce? The cobblers and the harness

Canada that exports oat hulls.

Anthracite is mined with hand rotary which has not heretofore been consid- \$5495 ered of any value, although there is a United States.

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People traffic in everything nowa-

lays, and nothing is allowed to go to waste. Even the most trivial thing

to rot, is now transformed into some-

miller extracted all the nutriment from oats that the hulls, which they use

It is not many years ago that the

of his boyhood days.

white whiskers, "if it were as easy to find happiness as it is to find gold, I in. When the fire died down and the "Ah," he mused, stroking his snow-

them up for the ragman. None but a canny Scotchman would

able commodity. From, Galt there is rado to the Coast. thing useful and valuable. In looking reported one shipment, during the past over the table of exports from the year, to the United States, of \$1154.

only town hereabouts where leather

crap is saved and turned into cash. Think of the trade that is now car-

One would think that after a Scotch the Hudson's Bay country and follows

tons of coal a day. The tendency of recent years has been to use none of the smaller sizes of an-thracite, and consequently the breaking has been done with this end in view. were driven in carriages to their special Many estimates are given as to the

cost of mining and marketing anthra-cite. Here is one from the Anthracita Coal Operators' association letter which refers particularly to the smaller The arbitrators had an interesting time at the Coal Brook Breaker at Carbon-dale. They went to the top of the great black building and inspected all the ma-chinery down to the ground. Then they were escorted to the chute, where the to New York 1125 per ton; transporta

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train



chinery down to the ground. Then they were escorted to the chute, where the coal, fresh from the mine, is sent to the breaker by means of a conveyer, an endiess chain arrangement of Scrantor's scrapers. It is here that one of the principal bones of contention between the em-

"For there is the other prospector, the one who fails, forgets his name, wanders out into the dunes or drifts, dies and is forgotten."

him carry his wife and children from More of this talk there was, from More of this talk there was, from which I gathered that this hoary pros-pector was wifeless, childless, rich and unhappy, and there was a helpful les-ran back. The ceiling fell and he pertheir burning home. When they we on in his life. ished in the flames.

son in his life. There we sat, side by side like a stack of red and a stack of white chips on a green cloth, just the same height —six feet of earth would do either of Five blocks away they found the charred form of a once beautifu woman. They made two graves, side -six feet of earth would do either of us-both independent; one indepen-by side, and all the people went to pay denty rich, so that he could pay his debts, the other independently poor, so that the sheriff, if he came, could sreat marble monument and upon the face they chiselled:

find nothing. 1 Yet, in spite of that fact, one was sad, disappointed and tired, the other cheer-Both Good Fellows.

The country is the great "ski" cou GOLD HILL COUNTRY. try of Washington, men traveling over unknown depths of snow by the aid of the contrivance, and the men acquire Busy Miners in the Cascade Mountains of Washington. such proficiency they cross the rang back and forth, while all hunting an

\$63 ACROSS ASIA.

TACOMA, Oct. 30 .- William Johnson, trapping is done by their aid. of the firm of Johnson Bros., Easton, was in the city yesterday making extensive purchases for the firm. He re-

LONDON, Oct. 30 .- The tariff con ports the drawing to a close of the busiest mining season in that promis-ing region. A steamboat has been es-tablished on Katchees lake, four miles from Easton, and all summer has been kept busy early and late carrying peo-ple and their outfits. Ketchelas lake, Manchuria on the Russia-Manchuria ports the drawing to a close of the mittee of the railroad and the Russian minister of finance have decided on the rates for a journey through Russia o the Siberian railroad from any frontie station on the west to any station in

the key to the Gold Hill situation, has frontier. also been equipped with a power craft The first class fare, inclusive of also been equipped with a power craft extra charge on express trains, and a including a charge for bedding, sleepin in the form of a gasoline launch, be-sides which the Cascade Copper com-pany has built a tramway eight miles &c., will be 154 rubles, or about \$63. Th nd class fare will be about \$5]

pany has built a trainway eight miles long the past summer. The Gold Hill country has created quite a stir in mining circles the past season. Being a lake country, in a nest formed by the Cascade mountains, the snowfall in the winter time, is phenomenal, fifty feet of it being noth-ing uncommon. Because of it, little develpment work can be done except-ing in summer, and a hundred have re-turned from the hills to await the re-turn of King Sol in all the slory of turned from the hills to await the re-furn of King Sol in all the glory of March and April. Ten men only will remain in the hills to guard the plant of the common and will DIDN'T LIFE "ALL MEN."

of the company and continue a tunnel CHICAGO, Oct. 31.-A waistcoat bu metrating one of the leads at a great depth. After this season, it is declar-ed, the work will have reached such a stage the men can be employed all "a-men"—these are some of the re-"a-men"—these are some of the rewinter, and the product brought over the completed tramway to Martin, on the Northern Pacific, at the eastern of the Berwyn Methodist church. On



GRAND FORK work of extendin Cascade Power the Granby smel day. The plant cally in readiness ity to Grand Fo Phoenix, but the at the Granby sn

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GRAND FORK Twelve carloads are now in trans ley line, to the shipment compris from the Black Poil mines respe Quilp ore reach The finishing with the instal generators and power house of Light & Power B. C., were com thousand horsepo ed, and this may

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Public Meeting With to Celebra

(Special VICTORIA, B. lic meeting will morrow in the th