

THE MORE IMPORTANT STRIKES IN THE UNITED STATES DURING 1886.

[Successful and partially successful strikes (from employees point of view) in italics.]

LOCATION.	No. Employees.	CAUSES.	DURATION.	RESULTS.
JANUARY.				
Monongahela, Pa., coal miners.....	7,000	For higher wages.	4 months.	Failed.
New England, woollen mill workers.....	800	Mill management.	1 week.	Failed.
New York city, cigar makers.....	2,000	For uniform wages scale.	6 weeks.	Failed.
New York city, cigar factory lock-out.....	8,000	Against uniform wages scale.	4 weeks.	Failed.
Johnstown, Pa., steel mill lockout.....	1,700	Against higher wages.	1 week.	Failed.
Connellsville, Pa., cokers, etc.....	7,000	For higher wages.	1 month.	<i>Succeeded.</i>
Gloversville, N. Y., glove factories.....	6,000	For new wages scale.	3 weeks.	<i>Compromised.</i>
Beverly, Mass., shoe shops lockout.....	4,000	K. of L. interference.	2½ months.	<i>Compromised.</i>
New York city, street railway employees.....	2,000	Hours of labor.	10 hours.	<i>Succeeded.</i>
Rhode Island, (various) textile mills.....	1,000	For higher wages.	Av. 2 weeks.	<i>Varying.</i>
Lewiston, Me., Bates' mill.....	1,700	Against mill management.	2 months.	Failed.
Philadelphia, carpet factories.....	2,000	For higher wages.	1 month.	<i>Succeeded.</i>
Wheeling, nail mills (began June 1885).....	4,000	Against steel nails, etc.	13 months.	<i>Compromised.</i>
FEBRUARY.				
Galveston, 'longshoremen.....	100	K. of L. interference.	2 weeks.	Failed.
Troy, N. Y., molders.....	1,900	For higher wages.	5 months.	Failed.
Manchester, N. H., Amoskeag mill.....	5,000	For higher wages.	3 weeks.	Failed.
Paterson silk mills.....	2,000	For higher wages.	Few days.	Failed.
Chicago, McCormick's works.....	1,700	Management of works.	2 weeks.	Failed.
MARCH.				
Wilmington, Del., morocco works.....	2,000	For higher wages.	6 months.	Failed.
Maryland and Pennsylvania, soft coal miners.....	21,500	For higher wages.	11 weeks.	Failed.
Cohoes, N. Y., and other knitting mills.....	7,000	For higher wages.	2 months.	Failed.
Philadelphia textile mills (several).....	1,600	For higher wages.	1 month.	<i>Compromised.</i>
Paterson, rubber works.....	600	For higher wages.	Few days.	<i>Succeeded.</i>
Middletown, Conn., Russel Mfg. Co.....	1,000	For higher wages.	.....	<i>Compromised.</i>
Baltic, Conn., cotton mill.....	1,000	Against fines.	1 month.	<i>Compromised.</i>
Mo. Pac. R'y strike in Ill., Mo., Kan. and Tex.....	4,000	K. of L. interference.	2 months.	Failed.
Pittsburgh, tube makers.....	1,500	For higher wages.	4 days.	<i>Compromised.</i>
New York city, cloak and suit makers.....	10,000	Hours of labor.	2 weeks.	Failure.
APRIL.				
Clinton, Mass., carpet mill.....	700	For higher wages.	6 weeks.	Failed.
New York city, street railway employees.....	12,000	Aid Third avenue strike.	1 day.	<i>Succeeded.</i>
New York city, street railway (3d ave).....	1,000	K. of L. interference.	1 month.	Failed.
New York city, Chelsea Jute Mill.....	400	Mill management.	.....	Failed.
Brooklyn, sugar refineries.....	2,500	For higher wages.	1 month.	Failed.
New York city, painters.....	3,000	Hours of labor.	Short.	<i>Succeeded.</i>
Brooklyn, iron founders.....	500	Foundry management.	Short.	<i>Compromise.</i>
New York city, warehousemen.....	1,500	For higher wages.	Short.	<i>Compromise.</i>
Newark, sewing machine factory.....	1,000	For higher wages.	Short.	<i>Compromise.</i>
MAY.				
*Milwaukee.....	17,000	For shorter hours.	2 weeks.	Failed.
*Chicago.....	60,000	For shorter hours.	3 weeks.	†Some succeeded.
Chicago, seamstresses.....	15,000	For higher wages.	1 week.	Failure.
*New York city.....	35,000	For shorter hours.	3 weeks.	Few succeeded.
*Cincinnati.....	32,000	For shorter hours.	2 weeks.	Few succeeded.
*Baltimore, Md.....	6,000	For shorter hours.	3 weeks.	Few succeeded.
*Boston, Mass.....	4,700	For shorter hours.	3 weeks.	Failed.
*Pittsburgh, Pa.....	4,200	For shorter hours.	3 weeks.	Failed.
*Detroit, Mich.....	3,000	For shorter hours.	3 weeks.	Failed.
*St. Louis, Mo.....	4,000	For shorter hours.	3 weeks.	One-third succeeded.
*Washington, D. C.....	1,500	For shorter hours.	3 weeks.	Many succeeded.
*Scattering.....	1,200	For shorter hours.	3 weeks.	Failed.
*Newark, N. J.....	30,000	For shorter hours.	3 weeks.	Failed.
Newark, tanners.....	2,600	For higher wages.	1 month.	<i>Compromised.</i>
JUNE.				
Troy, N. Y., laundry lockout.....	15,000	Against strike for more wages by 200.	.....	<i>Succeeded.</i>
Louisville, furniture.....	600	For shorter hours.	2 months.	Failed.
Chicago, switchmen.....	65	Trades unionism.	.....	Failed.
Rochester, N. Y., building.....	400	For shorter hours.	.....	Failed.
JULY.				
Cleveland, rolling mill.....	2,500	Against reduction wages.	4 months.	<i>Succeeded.</i>
Philadelphia, ironworkers.....	1,500	For higher wages.	6 weeks.	<i>Succeeded.</i>
Salem and Peabody, Mass., shoe shops.....	4,000	Hours of labor and K. of L. claims.	6 months.	Failed.
New York city, cigarmakers.....	2,000	Trades unionism.	1 month.	<i>Succeeded.</i>
Cambridge, Mass., pork packers lockout.....	700	K. of L. interference.	2 weeks.	Failed.
AUGUST.				
Framingham, Mass., shoe shops.....	1,000	Management of shops.	1 week.	Failed.
Paterson, N. J., foundries, locking out 5,000.....	400	For higher wages.	Short.	Failed.
Brockton, Mass., lockout, 42 shops, (shoes).....	6,000	Right to discharge.	4 weeks.	<i>Compromised.</i>
Augusta (Ga.) cotton mills, lockout.....	4,000	Management of mills.	11 weeks.	<i>Compromised.</i>
Cincinnati bricklayers.....	300	Wages and hours.	1 month.	<i>Succeeded.</i>
New York city street-car employees.....	1,050	Hours and trips.	2 days.	<i>Compromised.</i>
New York & Amboy coal boatmen.....	1,000	For higher rates.	2 weeks.	<i>Succeeded.</i>
SEPTEMBER.				
New York city, pressmen.....	400	For higher wages.	Short.	<i>Partly successful.</i>
Albany, builders' employees.....	3,000	Against non-unionists.	1 week.	Failed.
OCTOBER.				
Philadelphia, textile mills.....	1,500	Mill management.	1 week.	<i>Compromised.</i>
Chicago, pork packers.....	1,600	For shorter hours.	2 weeks.	Failed.
Minneapolis, switchmen.....	.....	For shorter hours.	1 week.	Failed.
Cohoes and Amsterdam, N. Y., knitting mill lockout.....	20,000	Right to discharge.	.....	Practically broken.
Wilkesbarre, Pa., coal miners.....	400	.....	3 months.	Practically broken.
NOVEMBER.				
Chicago, butchers (lockout).....	20,000	Against short-hour day.	3 weeks.	<i>Succeeded.</i>
DECEMBER.				
Cincinnati, coopers, lockout.....	400	For higher wages.	1 month.	<i>Compromised.</i>
Philadelphia, upholstery, etc.....	2,500	For higher wages.	2 weeks.	Failed.
Brooklyn, street-car lines.....	1,900	Trades union recognition.	1 day.	<i>Succeeded.</i>
Philadelphia & Reading, switchmen.....	2,500	Against various grievances.	Short.	<i>Compromised.</i>
Philadelphia, breweries.....	2,000	Against reduction of wages.	.....	.....
Pensacola, Fla., stevedores.....	700	Methods of unloading.	.....	.....

†Mostly packers. Of the short-hour strikes about one-fourth striking succeeded for the time.

*By trades: Building, 25,000; pattern, 30,000; furniture, 15,000; cabinet, 3,000; pianos, 3,000; laborers, 3,000; packers and butchers, 35,000; lumber, 10,000; machinists, 14,000, and miscellaneous 15,000. Others unreported.