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**THOUSANDS OUT OF WORK**

IN THE UNITED STATES OWING TO THE FINANCIAL CRISIS.

**Many Mills and Factories Closing Down—Others Running on Short Time and Reduced Wages—Railways Cutting Down Their Train Service—Scarcity of Currency.**

Topeka, Aug. 4.—The exodus of Colorado miners continues through Kansas. The tramp trains on the several roads carry from 200 to 400 each day going east, and regular trains are besieged by idle and destitute miners determined to get of the country. The crowds are so great in Denver that the first class passenger trains frequently back away from the depot and then run through the station at full speed to prevent the men from jumping on. In some instances trains are accompanied through Kansas by guards of soldiers to avoid any interference with regular travel by these flying laborers. The Kansas farmers are feeding them along the route whenever they are able to do so, and many of the men have accepted work on farms.

Jackson, Ohio, Aug. 4. Huron furnace went out of blast yesterday. With its stoppage the Globe Iron Company ceased operations, and over 200 men were thrown out of employment.

At College Point, L.I., the Enterprise rubber works has notified its employees that the works will be shut down three days each week. The works employ more than 1,000 men and women.

At Kearny, N. J., 300 employees of the Nairn Linoleum Works have been notified that their time has been reduced to 28 hours per week.

At Elizabethport, N. J., the Worthington Pump Company notified its 300 employees that the works would be closed for an indefinite period. The Singer Manufacturing Company has discharged a number of its employees. The Jersey Central Railroad Company has closed its Brills shop, throwing 100 men out of employment. The New Jersey Chemical Works have shut down indefinitely.

New York, Aug. 5.—The financial stringency has had a depressing effect on industries all over the United States. Owing to the scarcity of money thousands of workmen have been laid off and there is apprehension that great suffering will result unless some remedy is soon applied. In Chicago alone more than fifty thousand men are out of work and thousands are being added to the army of unemployed daily. Pittsburg and neighboring towns have fifty thousand men idle, and other western industrial centres report similar discouraging effects.

New York, Aug. 5.—Fully five hundred persons have been thrown out of employment by the closing of the Levy Brothers' silk mill, Paterson, N. J.

Detroit, Aug. 5.—The Michigan Peninsular Car Company, of Detroit, has reduced its working force. No less than 1,500 men have been given vacations at the two plants. It is expected that both works will have to be shut down for a month or six weeks, perhaps longer.

Boston, Aug. 5.—The Lewiston (Me.) mills will be closed to-day for four weeks, the stringency of money making it difficult to handle the pay roll. The Avon mills in Lewiston, employing 120 hands, with orders enough to work them six months, will close for four weeks for the same reason.

Faulkner's mill at Lowell closed last night for an indefinite period. The Lowell company shut down its ingrain weaving department yesterday for one month.

Manchester, N. H., Aug. 5.—The 'Union' states that 1,500 French Canadians, mostly operatives, have left for Canada since the closing of Amoskeag mills and the exodus continues.

New Bedford, Mass., Aug. 5.—A number of mills here have shut down indefinitely.

Fall River, Mass., Aug. 5.—About 700,000 spindles stopped here to-night for an indefinite period. Shortage in currency is the immediate cause of the shut down.

Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 5.—The La Belle Steel works, one of the largest steel works in Alleghany, were closed

down to-day in all but three departments.

The Liggett Spring and Axle Works in Alleghany have closed down indefinitely.

A Johnstown special says nearly all of the Cambria Iron Co.'s mills shut down yesterday, and fully 3,000 men are out. Four hundred of the Gauthier steel workers are idle while the balance are working one-third time. There is no intimation as to when work will resume.

**The Railways Affected.**

Philadelphia, Aug. 5.—Mr. G. B. Roberts, president of the Pennsylvania Railway, has issued orders for extensive reductions of forces over the entire system. He also directed that the number of working days to the week in many of the shops, and also the working hours per day, be reduced.

Despatches from the West state that the Union Pacific and Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railways have made numerous reductions in the general offices, as well as in their operating forces.

Orders were received at the Lehigh Valley Railway shops in Easton, Pa., yesterday, putting every department on short time. Until further notice the shops will be run five days a week. About 400 men are affected. In all the Reading railway shops yesterday orders were posted reducing the time to five days a week.

Denver, Col., Aug. 5.—The Union Pacific has ordered a great reduction in the operating department. The order discontinues eight daily and two bi-weekly trains, all within this state. It is anticipated that all the roads running into this city will within a very short time cut their running forces squarely in two.

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 5.—There are at least 50,000 unemployed men in the city of Chicago now, and the number is being added to every day. Of this number 25,000 are skilled mechanics, and the others are laborers, clerks and employees in various capacities. Men are being laid off by the hundreds every day, and by Nov. 1, unless there is an improvement, the number of idle men will reach 75,000.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Aug. 5.—There are 5,000 unemployed men in Cincinnati, according to the reports at the central office of the Building Trades Council and estimates based thereon. Of these the carpenters are the most numerous, about one-third of the 2,300 enrolled being out of work. Of 1,100 members of the Painters' Union fully one-half are idle. Of 1,000 moulders, union and non-union, fully one-half are unemployed, several mills having shut down and others running on one-half or even one-third time.

Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 5.—More than one-half of the men employed in the mills, mines, glass-houses, and several thousand railway employees of Pittsburg are idle as the result of the business depression. A fair estimate of the number of men out of employment in and around Pittsburg is 50,000. One-half of these are employed in the iron and steel mills, 12,000 are from the glass-houses and 6,000 are miners. The remainder are railway employees and small factory hands.

San Francisco, Aug. 5.—Industrial enterprises are pinched for lack of capital, manufacturers and jobbers lack custom from the interior for the same reason, and in consequence a large number of men are thrown out of employment in this city.

Philadelphia, Pa., Aug. 5.—There has been a wonderful change in trade conditions in this city during the last month. Mills that were running full handed have begun to cut down forces half or more, and others have closed up altogether.

There has been a decrease of seventy per cent in the production of domestic textiles. The depression is not alone confined to textiles, but extends to all branches of trade.

Henry Diston & Son's saw works at Tacoma, the largest concern of its kind in the world, has just dropped 200 men in the rolling and steel smelting departments.

Galveston, Texas, Aug. 5.—There are about twelve hundred unemployed men in this city. This includes about seven hundred and fifty men who find employment on the docks as screwmen, longshoremen, and in the cotton compresses and pickeries during the cotton season, and whose wages per day run

from \$2 to \$6 according to the nature of their work.

Richmond, Va., Aug. 5.—There are not less than five hundred skilled workmen now unemployed in this city and many more working on short time. The principal depression is in the iron industry and the men laid off are from iron works and railway shops.

Buffalo N. Y., Aug. 5.—Labor leaders estimate there are ten thousand men idle in Buffalo.

Houston, Texas, Aug. 10.—The greatest alarm and anxiety are manifested in Texas, which produces such an enormous percentage of the cotton crop of the world. Every industry is dependent upon its movement. Railways are cutting down forces, currency is selling at a premium of \$33 on the thousand, and it is impossible to obtain money to handle the crop.

**PERSONAL.**

A. W. Chester, of Guelph Lodge, Smith's Falls, Ont., was in Ottawa last week and assured us that the brethren of that town were getting along well.

Bro. Ed. Ackroyd, of Derby lodge, returned from England last week. He was heartily welcomed among the brethren.

The members of Stanley Lodge, Ottawa, extend their sympathy to Bro. J. C. and Mrs. Folkes, on the loss they have sustained in the death of their little girl. Bro. Folkes is the efficient secretary of Stanley lodge.

Bro. H. T. Hill, Toronto, a member of Albion Lodge, met with a serious accident recently. While at work on a building, he fell and cut his leg just below the knee. He will be unable to work again for some weeks.

Bro. J. Turner has returned to Toronto, from Pittsburg, Pa. He has been very unfortunate in his sojourn in the United States, and now he intends to remain in Canada and never trouble Uncle Sam again.

Bro. Herbert Sharpe, who was so seriously injured in an accident at the G. T. R. shops, died in the Toronto Hospital on Sunday evening, Aug. 13. He was a member of Albion Lodge, and also of the beneficiary.

A mass meeting of the members of the Ottawa Lodges will be held on Thursday evening, September 13th. P. S. G. P. Bro. W. R. Stroud will preside at the meeting. The principal business will be to discuss the new constitution. It is possible visiting brethren will attend from a distance.

Bro. J. Rose, of Portsmouth Lodge, Toronto, was seriously hurt by falling through a sky-light. He was conveyed to the Hospital, where it was found the spinal column had been injured; it is thought he cannot recover.

A correspondent of the London Times sends this pithy communication to that journal: "The Home Rule Bill, as printed in your columns, contains 1495 lines. Discussed, 331; gagged, 1104. Of those discussed there remains of the original text 176; amended 155." Comment is needless.

Washington, August 5.—The comparative statement of the Treasury receipts and expenditures for the month of July, 1893, shows the receipts from customs and internal revenue were nearly \$3,500,000 less than in July, 1892, and expenditures were \$3,341,912.06 greater than in July a year ago. They were also nearly \$9,000,000 in excess of the income for the month.

**FROM THE S. C. SECRETARY.**

**NEWS NOTES FOR THE ORDER—NEW LODGES OPENED.**

The Beneficiary Claims—B. C. and Manitoba Applying for Lodges.

Four new lodges were opened during July.

There should be at least 50 applications every month for the beneficiary certificate.

The Grand Secretary has received an application for a new lodge at Vernon, B. C., also for Carman, Manitoba. For the half year ending July 31st, 1893, \$4,802.16 was received from funeral levies; from this amount \$3,466.00 was paid out in funeral benefits.

The Supreme Grand Secretary has sent copies of the Grand Lodge Report to every lodge. Any lodge secretary not receiving his parcel should go to the express office and enquire, or notify the Supreme Grand Secretary at once.

The Supreme Secretary would be pleased to receive addresses of members living in the Northwest, where there are no lodges, with a view of opening up correspondence. There should be at least 20 lodges opened in the Northwest during the present year.

There are between 25 and 30 lodges who have not yet sent in their June returns. The delay is caused, as a rule, through the auditors not attending to their duties. This is a very important matter, and should not be neglected.

The Executive have issued a circular to the lodges, advising that the new constitution be taken up and considered immediately after the September meetings. There will be no sessional papers this year, but all amendments to the revised constitution can be presented to Grand Lodge.

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The Lindsay Watchman says:—"Mr. Henry Miller, who for years occupied the position of head clerk for Senator Dobson, left for Ottawa to take charge of the pork shop of Mr. Geo. Matthews. Mr. Miller was one of our most prominent and respected citizens, and by his departure Lindsay loses a good man, but all will join with us in congratulating him on his advancement. During his sojourn here, Mr. Miller, at different periods, was local secretary for the Y. M. C. A., for two years Chaplain L. O. L. 557, secretary Westminster Lodge, No. 20, S. O. E., President of St. Paul's Church Young Men's Association, Color-Sergt. No. 6 Co., 34th Batt., Vice President Lindsay Horticultural Society, and a prominent member of the I. O. O. F."

Bro. Miller is now in full charge of the large establishment of Mr. George Matthews, Windsor Market, Bank st., Ottawa. A representative of the ANGLO-SAXON called on Bro. Miller and found him in full swing of business. He is a man of fine physique and a thorough going Englishman, and will command respect among our business men. Bro. Miller is Ottawa's gain and Lindsay's loss. He will return shortly to Lindsay to bring his family to Ottawa.

When Queen Victoria travels by rail she pays the companies 7s. 6d. per mile for herself, and first-class fare for everyone else in the royal train. This is supposed to make good the loss entailed by the temporary stoppage of traffic.

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