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THE COAL STRIKE COMMISSION The Sittings of the Judge Gray Made President of the Commission--Mine Presidents and Representatives of the Miners Present--Adjourned to Meet in Scranton

WASHINGTON, D.; C., Oct. 27.-With Mr. Baer also fell in with the sugges-one or two exceptions the parties to the tion, saying that it would be impossible anthracite controversy have arrived in to do justice to the investigation withthe city to attend the conference with out a complete inspection of the mines the president's commission, which is to and the methods of operating them. be held this afternoon. It is expected Mr. Mitchell thought that not only that all will be present when the conshould there be an inspection of the mines but also of the homes of the Watson, Szontagh, Gray or Luce as to the way or method to be employed in should there be an inspection of the ference opens. The members of the comon are all here. They are hopeful miners. that they will be able to complete the

iminary arrangements at one sitting. So far as the operators and miners have anthracite regions, and it is believed that on will be able to start train at the disposal of the commission, work during the present week.

will require attention is that as to the questions to be taken up by the comssion. Mr. Mitchell, who reached restrict the inquiry. Mr. Baer said that the case of each

coal company would be dealt with separately. He would contend for the sliding scale in the regulation of wages. "I shall urge the adoption of that

profit sharing plan," he said, "which gave us peace formerly in our relation the Hotel Jermyn in Scranton at 9 o'clock to our employes.' Mr. Thomas of the Hillside Iron &

Coal and the Pennsylvania Coal Co., said he noticed the word "arbitration" had been applied to the commission's work, while he wanted it considered as for future determination. an investigation. Judge Gray said the WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 27 .- The

president's instructions settled that as an arbitration. Mr. Thomas also urged that the condi-

day, in the hearing room of the interstate commerce commission, held its rarely of uniform value. tions in each of the mining companies different and could only be considered separately. He thought more progress could be made by an examination of the coal region. He thought as many of the interests involved in the controversy were represented in New York parties were present. The commission cars, on an average of three pounds creditors. The case was that of H. J. of the hearings should be held in that city.

The suggestion that both sides appoint Clark the seats to the right of him in true values. the chairman of the comm

the train.

working day and night compiling data to a discussion of the time and method might have before it a definite issue. for the commission.

his company and the men. His plan was to have expert accountants appointed to audit statements of ages and classifying of miners to be made by the operators for the use of the commission, but no results were reached on this point beyond the announcement by the chairmen of the commission of the Mine Workers of America, but said he had no objection to Mr. Mitchell's but no results were reached on this point beyond the announcement by the chairman of the commission's inten-tion to appearance as a representative of the spearance as a representative of the free to British Columbia teachers, the tion to appoint an accountant in case his services should be found necessary.

Supreme Court NEW SECRETARY FOR IRELAND (Continued From Page Two.) Several pertinent questions were put as to the relative values in Le Roi ore

The cross-examination was begun near the noon hour. He knew that Luce, as interventive values of the coarse and ines. He admitted that the machine smelter representative of the Le Roi in the long run could anything else. The No. 2, had allowed the use of hand samp-ling in certain cases in regard to the ores values in gold in the lots as near as he ntative of the Le Roi in the long run could get more accurat the matter to the mine manager, and samples than could anything else. The values in gold in the lots as near as he could figure—meaning the two lots, 196 and 197—were around \$475. Arguments to eliminate the Le Rol

hand sampling was rarely done without the consent of the mines. The process of sampling by hand, shovel and the auto-matic process were dealt with, Mr. Mac-kenzie showing that he knew from prac-tical experience the various modes and methods amployed by smoltan He has been begun by Attorney C. R. Hamil-ton. After hearing the pros and cons of the matter, Chief Justice Hunter ordered the name of the Le Roi mine dismissed from the action without methods employed by smelters. He had costs. no knowledge of any agreement between Arguments were then opened in the case of the Le Roi No. 2 vs. the North-

port Smelting & Refining company regard to the sampling of Le Roi No. After consulting the members of the commission President Gray announced from the No. 2 company in regards to The entire case and every point adduced during the three day's hearing that it would begin its inspection next the sending of the ore in dispute to the expressed themselves they have indi-cated a willingness to subordinate their desires in the matter of time and place of hearing to the wishes of the com-mission. It is the general understanding that practically all the meetings for the taking of testimony will be held in the anthracite regimes and it is helieved that was gone over thoroughly by C. R. Hamilton. Hamilton spoke for two or three Hours and, was followed by J. A. Macdonald for the plaintiff company. their command to the commission to from which the automatic sampler was make its investigation thorough, ad-ding that they would place a special train at the disposal of the commission. As one of the points involved in the tween the two companies, or rather three, and especially that part of it dealing with the sampling of the ore. He enlarged at length on Luce's con-

Another preliminary question which providing also for the accommodation suit was a question brought up by Luce rection with the case and contended of the representatives of the miners. that if anyone had the permission to when the latter maintained that the rea-The public meeting of the commisissue regarding the sampling of Le son given the smelter was the desire sioners came to a close and the comof Manager Szontagh to utilize the No. Roi No. 2 ore, that person was W. Washington early this morning, accom-Thompson and that such a permission Washington early this morning, accom-panied by District President Fahey, will press for a general inquiry, while it is understood the operators will seek to restrict the inquiry. should have come through him. H wound up his remarks by stating that his company wanted awarded to them the average for the month for the ore poses needed by the smelter. The av-

or the averages obtained for the lots The change of views brought out the erage percentage of copper in the months sent ten days previous and ten days fact that the commissioners expect perpreceding June in the Le Roi ores was: succeeding the disposal of the shipsonally to pay all their expenses, accept-January, 1.58, February, 1.60; March, ments in question. ing no favors and relying on the govern-ment to reimburse them if so disposed. Between the closing arguments iwo chamber motions were submitted be 1.46; April, 1.36, and May, 1.78, enough for the purposes of the smelter at the time. He would, however, not be sur-An agreement was reached to leave fore His Lordship, both cases being prised if Szontagh had expressed himself from Nelson. The first case was that next Thursday morning for the first tour of inspection. There was, however, no agreement as to what mines should future determination. future determination. times by Szontagh, but at others he com-plained of the large per cent of silica contained in them. As to the values of in the action. The chief justice decid-

the ores contained in either the Le Roi ed to dismiss the application. He se anthracite coal strike commission to- or the No. 2, that was a hard matter to the trial of the case to the next sitestimate properly, as the stopes were tings of the supreme court in Nelson

The other case was an application first conference with the parties to the His Lordship Chief Justice Hunter under the Judgments Act, and was for controversy in the anthracite regions. then put a few questions relative to the purposes of securing an order for There was a full representation of the merits of the various forms of sale of a house and lot illegally transboth operators and miners, and mem- sampling. Mr. Mackenzie thought that ferred from the husband to his wife in bers of the press and other interested samples taken from the tops of the order to keep the property from his occupied the elevated seats generally out of every thousand pounds was as made granting the application, but or filled by members of the interstate fair to one side as to the other. The Evans vs. Ernest Miller. Order was ommerce commission, Judge Gray, as sampling, as far as fines were concerndering the sale not to be proceeded experts to examine the books of the president, occupying the centre seat, ed, was not grossly inaccurate, but with for thirty days. The name of the companies was made by Judge Gray, and Messrs. Wright, Watkins and came within five or ten per cent of the Grand Forks Townsite company was ordered discharged out of the suit.

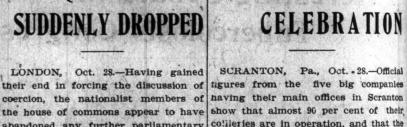
Mr. Baer, after expressing his disin-clination to accept this suggestion, said that his company would submit their payrolls under oath of their accountant. He said they had now seventy clerks working: day and night compiling data school trustees, he explained the provis-ions of Sir William McDonald's really or the commission. President Mitchell said that it would activities the work of the commission decided to be-marks President Mitchell said he had munificent gift for the introduction of **President** Mitchell said that it would facilitate the work of the commission if it would accept a general statement on these issues that affect all the com-panies and the mine workers alike, for instance, the question of shorter hours. Mr. Truesdale said that his company had a plan by which it was hoped would speedily adjust the differences between a proposition made by the commission decided to be-gin work next Thursday morning at 9 o'clock, the first day's investigation to be devoted to an examination of the mines and homes of the miners, start-ing in the vicinity of iscranton. The entre anthracite field will be covered. There was considerable discussion over a proposition made by the commission

Official Announcement of the Appointment of Sir Anthony Patrick Macdonnell--The "Thunderer" Explodes Several Bombs of Disapproval

LONDON, Oct. 28 .- The official an-| but he was overruled in higher quarnouncement of the appointment of Sir ters. The Times explains that the und der secretary for Ireland is always in Anthony Patrick Macdonnell to the close touch with the Irish constabupost of permanent under secretary for iary, and that Sir David was formerly Ireland, in succession to Sir David an officer of this organization. The Harrel, leads the Times this morning journal points out that Sir Anthony to an editorial display of veiled dis- Petrick Macdonnell is an Irishman and a Catholic, and that his brother, Mark content. The paper says the removal of Sir Anthony Macdonnell, is a nationalist David Harrel on pension, while his member of the house of commons, and energy and powers are unabated, reads Sir Anthony a lesson in acting causes surprise, and hints that Sir with absolute neutrality in his new David wanted to have the crimes act position, drawing the line clearly beenforced in Ireland earlier than it was, tween sentiment and the policy.

A FAST STEAMER.	A WOMAN POISONER.
rom Japan to San Francisco in Ten Days.	Said to Have Poisoned Three Women in Five Years.
orea arrived at noon today from	Mr. Akers-Douglas, has ordered the ex- humation of the body of the last wife of George Chapman, who came to Eng-

top land from America in 1893, and was between the coast of Japan and her arraigned in a police court in London home port, and 'came flying through yesterday charged with poisoning the water at the average rate of nearly young woman reputed to be his wife It transpired that this was the third 500 miles a day. The Korea sailed from the Japanese port on October 18 and woman who had died within five years made the passage in ten days, averag- in houses owned by Chapman. Both the ing 470 miles a day. other women were his wives



abandoned any further parliamentary collieries are in operation, and that the campaign pending the return of John outfut is more than three-quarters of Redmond, the Irish leader in the house, what it is normally. Today's output is estimated to be 75,000, the Delaware & from the United States. A large number of Irish members left Hudson company having started up

London today for Ireland. Those remaining did not enter the legislative chamber, but contented themselves with social intercourse in the lobbies and smoking rooms. All Irish questions and motions have been suddenly dropped, and the government has been left to do as it pleased without moles-

THE GREY COUNTY COAL. It Is Nearly If Not Quite Equal to An-

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IRISH QUESTION

thracite.

analysis of the coal recently found in as usual and work the mines if posanalysis of the coal received yesterday at Grey county was received yesterday at the Bureau of Mines from A. G. Bur-rows, provincial assayist, Belleville. The sample assayed was found to contain arranged a "Mitchell Day" celebration.

the Laflan and Boston and all the com panies having put on more men. Fully 80 per cent of the old hands are back at work. The 20 per cent still include those who were employed at the the coke ove 12 places that have not made a start. assured that

ness that will ensue tomorrow by the observance of "Mitchell Day." The companies have not received notice from the men that they will not work tomorrow other than what comes in the newspapers of the parade arrangements. Each company has instructed TORONTO, Oct. 27 .- The result of the its superintendents to blow the whistle

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for the miners to appoint a commission to meet a commission of his company and discuss their grievances, and if there were any such that could not be settled, then those issues should go before the commission for the final arbitration. Mr. Mitchell said he would not be insistent on the subject, and turning to

Mr. Baer, said: we are agreed as to what rates

are paid for the different class of workmen, their monthly and annual earnings, that would form a basis of any argu ments that might be made on their side.

Judge Gray expressed the opinion that t would be a criminal waste of time to dispute over facts that could be veritably and accurately ascertained with dispute. When once ascertained, he said, 'their interpretation is another thing."

Mr. Mitchell declared that it was his desire to facilitate matters, and that of those engaged by the day; third, the ditions there. desire to facilitate matters, and that there should be a mutual agreement on the facts, and that controversies should be eliminated if possible. That is the only object we have in view, said he, asking that the rates of wages as shown asking that the rates of wages as shown on the company's books be verified. President. Baer responded by saying operators, took exception to Mr. Mitch-

ell's appearance before the commission that the men would know whether the company's payrolls were right and no as a representative of the Mine Workissue would arise on that subject. ers Union, but said that he had no ob-"Will your statement give the differ-ent classes of workmen?" inquired Mr.

Mitchell "Undoubtedly," said Mr. Baer.

After further controversy between the members of the commission and the miners and mine representatives, Judge Gray modified his suggestion, this time putthe arbitrators. ting it in the shape of a proposition that only an expert accountant be appointed.

who should analyze the statement made by both sides to the controversy and verify the facts for the consideration of the commission.

Mr. Baer promptly accepted this suggestion and Mr. Mitchell followed suit after a brief explanation on his part. President Gray announced that the commission for the present would proceed without appointing an ex-pert, but that it would rethat statements be presented quire and added, an accountant could be secured in case it was found his services were needed. The question of the examination by the commission into the up. condition into which the mining of anthracite coal is conducted was then entered on, and Mr. Watkins, of the entered on, and Mr. Watkins, of the commission, suggested that a week or ten days' time would be necessary in order to make an adequate examination of the physical conditions about the of the physical conditions about the of the physical conditions about the mines. He appealed to Mr. Thomas for his opinion as to the time necessary,

and that gentleman replied:

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 27.-Dur-ing the progress of the meeting Mr. Mr. Mitchell replied that the object Mitchell, as the representative of the tion as to his status was not involved miners, presented a copy of the origi- in the case. He said that he appeare nal declaration of the miners as formu-lated by the Shamokin convention as coal miners, and distinctly refrained in iated by the Shamokin convention as the basis of the demands of the min-ers. This demand is, first, for an in-Presidents Baer and Thomas suggested crease of 20 per cent in wages of those that the commission proceed at once not engaged by the day; second, a re- to the coal fields in order that it might duction of 20 per cent in working hours be informed at the outset as to the con-

Mr. Baer, on the part of the coal the case.

The representatives of the operators ounced that they would file an an- La Moore, formerly one of the wives swer to this statement of Mr. Mitchell of "Swiftwater Bill" Gates, the Klon on Monday or within three days of that dike millionaire, has another man not

lection to his presence as a representa-It was suggested that each side to the tive of the strikers as such in their incontroversy appoint an expert to go through the books of the coal companies dividual capacity. The commission nade no attempt to settle the controto secure data upon which to work. But Procident Baer and other representatives versy, but it was apparent that the recognition of the miners' union would of the companies immediately objected. be an important and knotty problem for the arbitrators.

This question precipitated a long discussion, in which the coal presiden's for he appears to be busted financially. Preceding the discussion over opening the books to the experts, Mr. Baer and the miners' representatives took However, his financial decrepitude doe said the operators would be prepared part. The commission adjourned to to meet the miners in the region and meet in Scranton next Thursday morn-Many of the individual operators are that the operators shall submit sworn and y of the individual operators are that the operators shall submit sworn not represented, and they were not com-sulted and were not compromised by and that Mr. Mitchell shall have an the letter they had written. The judge opportunity of verifying them through the letter they had written. The judge opportunity of verifying them through suggested that they could be represent-the miners. If discrepancies are found ed. At the meeting next Monday they it was agreed the commission shall would determine which of the compan- appoint an auditor, whose findings shall ies could be taken up first and the govern the commission. While the complace of meeting could be determined mission was in session the mine operaby the location of the company taken

tors proposed to place a special train at the disposal of the commission if it WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 27.-Bewas decided to visit the mines. fore the opening of the proceedings the members of the commission and the rep-After the adjournment the con ion, in executive session, decided to reject this offer of the operators.

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accordance with the immemorial practice "You will certainly need that much time. I should think that 30 days would be none too little. We've grown gray in our study of that question." accordance with the immemorial practice among English-speaking peoples the com-mission would receive the statements or demands of the miners who were to be regarded for the purposes of the case, VICTORIA, B. C., Oct. 27 .- Professor James Robertson, commis riculture and dairying for the Dominion who is in love with Gussie, came down government, who has been in the city forto Spokane and has been here since.

78.22 per cent of fixed carbon and 12.51 The hearing room was crowded with been included in the scheme for the people interested in the case and spec-tators. President Baer objected to the appear-ance of Mr. Mitchell as a representative anthracite coal miners generally. Mr. Baer's objection was to avoid the recognition of the Mine Workers' Union the introduction of nature studies, man-ual training and household studies, the sum of \$125,000 has been set aside to equip the necessary centre for it. After much discussion the point chosen was the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph, Ontario, which has special facilities for the purpose. In a published interview Profess

Robertson expresses himself as looking forward to the day when British Colum-bia would play a more important par

SPOKANE, Wash., Oct. 27.-Gussie

at her feet. The newest victim was

formerly a bank manager in British Columbia. He left the employ of the bank a short time ago on account of Gussie, and is now paying her court cent in wages. here. The charming Miss La Moore is

per cent of ash. It was found to be low in moisture and fairly low in volatile combustible matter. The percentage of carbon, though below the ordinary run of anthracites, along with the low percentage of volatiles, brings the sample nearer the class of anthracite than binous. From the sample the assay ist says he could hardly give a definite opinion of what variety of coal it is, other than it closely resembles the an-thracite. He would judge that if obtainable in any quantity it would be used for fuel. The Bureau of Mines is not aware of the existence of any quantity of this coal, the only knowledge for-warded being that a piece of 150 pounds was found.

ADMIRAL DEWEY'S CLAIMS.

WORKMEN'S COMMISSION. WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 28 .- The United States supreme court heard ar-Eleven Representatives Have Sailed ments in the cases of Admiral for Canada-Others to Follow. Dewey against the United States in-

volving the claim of the admiral and LIVERPOOL, Oct. 28 .- Eleven of the other members of his crew for prize delegates of the British workmen's money on account of freight vessels ission, who are being sent to the captured in connection with the battle United States by Alfred Mosely, sailed in Manila Bay. The total claims today on board the Beaver line steamount to half a million dollars. ship Lake Champlain for Canada. The

other representatives will be passen-gers on the White Star liner Teutonic, ADVANCE IN WAGES. which sails tomorrow, and the Cunar-TORONTO, Oct. 28 .- The employing der Umbria. which sails November printers have agreed to advance the fe-male bookbinders an average of ten per

STEAMER FOUNDERED.

LISBON, Oct. 28 .- News has reached here of the foundering of the Italian steamer Primavera. It is not known whether any lives were lost or not.

A GENERAL SUSPENSION.

"MITCHELL DAY"

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Oct. 28.-In order that "Mitchell Day" may b properly observed tomorrow there will be a general suspension of mining. The operators would rather the men would work, but under the circumstances they are helpless in the matter. The superintendents of many of the collieries were notified that the employes vould not work tomorrow. Many visitors are arriving tonight to

witness the demonstration in the city. There will be a street parade and mass meetings in nearly all the towns in the coal region, but owing to the presence of President Mitchell in Wilkesbarre it is expected the principal demonstration of the day will be held here.

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The case got so serious that he was supposed to be spending time and atten-VICOTRIA, B. C., Oct. 28 .- The seal- suicided by jumping from the vesse tion upon her which he might better ing schooner Ainoka, which returned The Ainoka had 413 skins. The weather today from Behring Sea, brings news was very bad in Behring Sea. have spent in the banking business. Any way, that was the view the high official of the drowning of Harry Aaronson of this city, one of the crew of the schoon-ada and Australia will be completed of the bank took. They warned the you this city, one of the crew of the schoon-out the women, and particularly Miss LaMore. He promised to be good, and for a time there was no trouble. But

Gussie bobbed up again, and the bank manager succumbed. He was given a crew from the schooner Penelope tried complete the line. manager succumbed. He was given a crew from the schooner Penelope tried complete the line. short shift. When his head fell it was to effect a rescue Aaronson was Engineer Dearlow

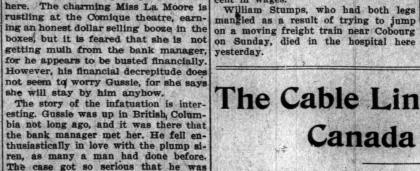
found he had overdrawn \$150. He had drowned. The other two were saved. drawn for that sum upon the Both were exhausted and almost lead manager of the same bank in an- from the privation endured. the Both were exhausted and almost lead stretch with satisfactory results for a The Ainoka also reports that two The German ship Artemis, which was 27.-Professor other town. The second manager, who was his friend, honored the draft. He sioner of ag-got let out too. The bank manager No. 1, The Ainoka also reports that two indians at Cuthbert were lost from the schooner Umbrina. The German ship Artemis, which was chartered to load salmon on the Fras.r. arrived today. 29 days from Santa

On the passage north Norman Cuth- Rosalia, which is one of the fastest on bert, one of the crew of the Ainoka, record,

yesterday.

The Cable Line Between **Canada and Australia**

BOSTON, Ma Engineer Dearlove has been testing the Vancouver Island-Fanning Island Tobin of Boston arrived today, 29 days from Santa



getting muih from the bank manager, not seem to worry Gussie, for she says she will stay by him anyhow. The story of the infatuation is interthusiastically in love with the plump si-