

## MEN FOR THE MILLS.

### THE CARNEGIE COMPANY WILL START ITS WORKS TODAY.

**Fires, Are Already Going, and Laborers, Provisions, and Bedding Will Be Put Into Fort Frick at Once—Bishop Fallows Goes to Homestead and Addresses a Large Meeting of the Locked-Out Men—He Is Cordially Received—Effect of the Strikes at Pittsburg—The Situation.**

HOMESTEAD, Pa., July 15.—[Special.]—It is evident the Carnegie company expects to land a boat load of men at the mill yards some time during the night. Otis H. Childs, Vice-President and Treasurer of the Carnegie mills, called upon Gen. Snowden at his headquarters shortly after noon today and in the presence of a correspondent for THE TRIBUNE said:

"The fires have been started and we will bring the men up the river in boats tonight. I thought I would tell you this that you might be prepared in case there should be any attempt on the part of the strikers to prevent us from carrying out our plans."

Gen. Snowden said "Very well," and then Mr. Childs continued:

"Supt. Potter has all the foremen ready and I think we may be able to do something tomorrow."

When he had said this he took the General to one side and a short consultation was held. As Mr. Childs was leaving he was asked by the correspondent when he expected to start the mills.

"I don't care to talk for publication just now," he replied, "but if you will stay up here with Gen. Snowden you may learn something which you want to know before daylight tomorrow." With this he departed.

Gen. Snowden said he did not care to discuss the subject. His position was to aid the Sheriff of Allegheny County in preserving order. Officially the strikers and mill-owners were the same to him. He did not know when the mills were to be started, but, from the fact that the firemen were firing up the furnaces, would naturally suppose it would be within a day or two.

#### How the Men Came In.

At 3 o'clock this morning fifty men were unloaded at a point near Swissvale and escorted overland one mile by a guard of the militia to the Monongahela River, opposite the Homestead works. There they boarded the steamer Little Bill and were transported across the river to the company's property.

This morning when the strikers gathered on the streets, as has been their wont since the beginning of the trouble, and looked toward the mills they saw steam issuing from the engines in the armor-plate mill and press shops. They were surprised, they believed it meant business, but were totally unable to account for the presence of a sufficient number of men to keep the machinery in motion.

The facts were discovered when a correspondent of THE TRIBUNE made a tour of the country between the river and Swissvale, a suburban village of Pittsburg on the Pennsylvania railroad. From a resident of this village and from an officer of Col. Hawkins' command it was learned that the workers arrived near Swissvale early in the morning and were taken to the works in the manner indicated above. Even the strikers' pickets, who are still on duty on both sides of the river, knew of the occurrence. About the same time cots, provisions, and other supplies in great quantity were taken into the mill property. There was enough stuff in the consignment to accommodate at least 400 men.

The future policy of the company was outlined by Secretary Lovejoy, who was seen at his office in Pittsburg and said:

"We are now ready to run our mills, men are going into the property in squads, the machinery in the armor-plate, press, and machine shops is started, and a furnace in No. 2 open hearth department has been fired. The mills will be in operation in a few days, possibly by Monday next two-thirds of our old men will be ready for work. We believe this to be true. If, however, they are not, we will run just the same, for we now have a large force in reserve."

From another source it was learned that the old workers, such as are desired, were tonight given to understand that they could have their old places back if they reported by Monday.

#### Plenty of Men Tomorrow.

All night long men were sent across the river on the Little Bill, and by tomorrow morning there will be between 300 and 500 men in the company's property.

The strikers are dismayed, and it was observed that not since the trouble commenced has there been so few strikers on the streets as tonight. It was a night of sadness for them, for they saw or heard before retiring that the mills are about to be put in operation. Even the women are becoming anxious. They are nothing if not loyal, but they now ask: "Is it right to lose a fight and be compelled to leave house and home, or continue at work?" a question which some of the strikers are considering with the hardest kind of philosophy. Much was the quiet discussion among them as to what could be done. Even the practicability of offering resistance was considered, but they realized that nothing but failure and possibly death could result from such an undertaking, and it was decided that nothing could be done.

Supt. Potter instituted a complete search today of every portion of the mills for dynamite or other explosives. If any was found the discovery was not made known. It seems now that it is only a question of time till the mills are placed in operation.