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No fresh development of situation has occurred in any part of country. Arrangements for distribution of milk, food and petrol were more successful than on any other day of strike and there is every sign they will continue to improve. In many quarters loading and transportation of commodities is approaching normality. In particular situation at London docks and at other leading ports is well in hand. Supplies of light and power continue completely satisfactory while railway services show progressive improvement. One fifth of regular staffs of railway companies are at work and there is abundant supply of volunteers so that nearly 4,000 trains were running today. Government has practically completed vast substantial machinery capable of maintaining essential services of community, railways, transport and food supply. Meetings of strikers passed off without incident and situation in London and provinces generally quiet. Where few disturbances have occurred they have been successfully dealt with. While many men are returning to work in different occupations there is no indications of any general movement in this direction. Reports from various parts of country however show that there are signs of increasing anxiety amongst sections of strikers on constitutional issue and that many workmen came out before realising that their action might reasonably be interpreted as challenge to constitution. Summing up of reports would appear to indicate general desire to re-establish dispute on purely industrial base.

Omnibus services in London show progressive improvement. Transport difficulties in many provincial towns are also being considerably reduced. There is normal tram service in Liverpool and efficient omnibus and tram service in Edinburgh. Tramwaymen have returned to work at Huddersfield, Dewsbury, Leeds, Bath and other places where tram services are now running. At Bath it is noteworthy that men signed on as non-unionists. In south Midland area road transport workers have remained at work to considerable extent. Omnibus systems in all counties south of Thames are running punctually and public are able by catching connections to make journeys of some length.

Twenty six ships docked and undocked in Liverpool during the week-end and thirty today. Passengers arriving at this and other Ports are being conveyed to their destinations without any delay unless they are bound to remote places. For instance, liners Caronia and Baltic arrived at Liverpool to day from New York. Motor Coaches were waiting to convey passengers. Ballarat arrived at Plymouth from Australia and South Africa and her 460 passengers left immediately for London by special train.

Statements issued by two of main railway systems illustrate to what extent strike has been counteracted in regards to railway transport. L.N.E.Ry., announces that 1000 trains are now working on their systems as compared with 760 on Saturday. During the week-end 94 goods trains were worked carrying Milk, Vegetables, Fish, Cattle, Meat and General Merchandise. L.M.S.Ry., announced they are running about 1000 passenger trains and this number will be increased tomorrow. They have been able to make such progress with reinstatements of passenger trains so as to cover essential sections of railway with service sufficient to meet requirements. They have indeed surplus of passenger train staff for present requirements and are turning their attention to freight train services as situation permits.

While Stock Exchange remained extremely quiet today favourable tendency prevails and whatever changes took place were in higher directions. Industrials were harder.

Great Milk Depot which Government has established in Hyde Park is now being supplied so freely by railway that supplies by road are being dispensed with and lorries hitherto used for this purpose are being diverted for transport of flour, bacon etc. from docks and other services.

Two hundred vessels bringing two thousand tons of fish arrived at different ports today. Very reasonable prices are being maintained for fish.

Three slight railway accidents occurred. At Bishops Stortford one man was killed, at Edinburgh three men were killed and at Newcastle one man was injured.

EXCHANGES.

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| PARIS. 1557/8 | NEW YORK 4.854 | BRUSSELS 157 5/8 |
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