LABOR DAY.

Business Suspended in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 5.—A demonstration of labor organizations took place at Rising Sun Park, and was preceded by a street parade. On account of the legal holiday the public offices generally were closed, the postoffice made few deliveries, the exchanges and banks transacted no business and the suspension of trade was general.

The parade and picnic, under the auspices of the United Labor League, the Federation of Labor and the Amalgamated Building Trades, was taken part in by several thousand enthusiastic workmen. The parade was formed at Franklin Square, and the procession started soon after 10 o'clock in the morning over Marshall street to Montgomery avenue, to Broad street, and thence to the park, where the day was spent with music, dancing and games of all kinds. Among the speakers were Thomas Phillips, once the workingmen's candidate for mayor; Chas. H. Clark, of the Steamfitters' Association, and Wm. H. Barrett, ex-secretary of the Labor League.

The Knights of Labor, although not celebrating as a body, had a big picnic at Menlo Park. The affair was in charge of Assembly 352, composed of iron workers.

Big Parade in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Sept. 5.—Forty thousand workmen paraded the streets. The procession was nearly double the size of any previous one on the day in Chicago. The magnitude of the day's demonstration was largely due to the bridging over of feuds which have divided the conservative elements from those inclined to socialistic ideas. In the past the wrangling between the factions resulted at times in two rival parades and a marked failing off of general interest in the celebration. Bright, bracing weather helped to swell the vast outpouring of marchers and spectators.

Quiet at Homestead.

PITTSBURG, Sept. 5.—The observance was not so general as in previous years. There were no street parades or other special celebrations, and but for the fact that the government offices and banks were closed, there would have been nothing to indicate a holiday. At Homestead everything was quiet, most of the strike leaders having gone away to take part in meetings.

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