

# FERNIE MINERS

## VOTE FOR STRIKE

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**Cut in Wages When Hours of  
Production Are Reduced  
Likely to Lead to Tie-  
up of Industry.**

FERNIE, B. C., May 17.—The miners here balloted on a general strike vote today to ascertain the feeling of the miners regarding the order issued by Director of Coal Operations W. H. Armstrong, carrying a reduction in wages proportionate to the reduction in time of the men who formerly worked ten and eleven hours per day and now put in only eight hours.

The result here was 365 for a strike and 167 against. Corbin recorded 22 in favor of a strike to fifteen against, while Blairmore went 289 for a strike to 18 negative votes.