

# MINERS RETURN TO WORK

## Dominion Coal Men Agree on Alien Enemy Question

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Halifax, N.S., August 23.—For some time the men at the Springhill Coal Mines have been on strike because of the presence of Austrian and German miners. The miners refused to work alongside the foreigners, giving as a reason that it was not safe. The Dominion Coal Company, however, requires all the men they can obtain and more to get the output that is demanded and they held there was no danger. The company are short in labor. As an outcome of negotiations the men have agreed to return to work and operations will be resumed tomorrow. Hitherto aliens had been reporting to the town police, but the Dominion Coal Company held that they should report to the company's police. This made confusion and the upshot was the strike. To bring about a settlement, Mayor Wilson, of Springhill, representing the town, and Alexander Wilson, representing the men, and E. N. Rhodes, went to Glace Bay as a delegation to the Dominion Coal Company, where General Manager D. H. McDougall, of the Dominion Coal Company, was interviewed. They returned and reported to a mass meeting, with the result that work will be resumed, an arrangement having been reached which, it is believed, safeguards the men while still allowing the aliens to work.