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SOLDIERS AT TELLURIDE

A Peaceful Town Invaded by the Militia, Who Are Once More Hired to Mine Owners---Governor Who Could Not Interfere at Idaho Springs Does So With Alacrity on Demand of the Capitalist Class.

around Telluride have publicly acknowledged their inability to operate their privately owned mines and mills without the aid of the state. The strike for an eight-hour shift in the mills here has been on since September 1, and several unsuccessful attempts have been made to start the work. Even non-union men refused to work.

The mine managers and Citizens' Alliance have been pleading with the governor for soldiers for a month, but a bargain was not struck until the last week, when the governor agreed to lend his strike-breakers (state militia) to the mine managers here, providing the hard-working, wealthproducing (?) members of the mine owners and Citizens' Alliance here would lend the state \$150,000 at 4 per cent interest, wherewith to pay the strike breakers. This was agreed to, providing one of the leading members of the Citizens' Alliance here was given charge of the commissary department. This, we all know, is the biggest graft in the whole thing. The governor, who is a banker, understands these "business deals," and agreed to that part of the program for the sake of a few capitalists and business men who are sighing for div-

The governor's strike-breakers arrived today, about 550 strong, and they are now being divided up into squads and will march to the different mines in the district, and presume they will work them with swords and bayonets, instead of with picks and drills, as formerly.

Unless the soldiers intend to work the mines, they are useless, for there are not enough scabs here to give more than three or four each 100 soldiers to scratch.

But I understand that these strikebreakers of the governor do not intend to work. Then what are they here for? Are they here to quell riots or violence? No! Since the strike was inaugurated, three months ago, the community has been so peaceful that it has really become monotonous. There has scarcely been any saloon quarrels, and the only violence committed has been a few instances of the deputized toughs beating up a few laboring men, and there have been ten or twelve workingmen thrown in jail for carrying guns, which is a common custom here, and

The capitalists who own the earth | a few Socialists arrested for talking, and several men assaulted and searched for weapons by these ruf-

But the workingmen have submitted with better grace than it would seem possible to do.

Are the soldiers here to protect property? No, not at all. There has not been a dollar's worth of property destroyed during the strike, and not one word of threat has been uttered to harm either person or property.

Then what are the governor's strike breakers here for? What is this capitalists' salvation army here for?

Not to protect property, for there is no property threatened. Not to save lives, for there is no life in danger. But the militia of the state is loaned by the governor to the capitalists to protect the dividends and save the profits.

When a score of workingmen were dragged from their homes at night in Idaho Springs and thrown in jail without warrants or complaints; when they were marched out of town and told it would cost their lives to return to their homes, these men appealed to Governor Peabody, asking him for protection in returning to their homes-to protect their lives. One hundred militiamen was all they needed to escort them. But the governor said that he had no constitutional right to use the militia to protect the lives or property of workingmen from the violence or outrages of the mob of members of the Citizens' Alliance.

But when the dividends of the mine owners and the profits of members of the Citizens' Alliance in Cripple Creek, Colorado City and Telluride were about to disappear, because the workers wanted more reasonable hours, then lo! the constitution changed, and the governor was anxious to lend the state militia to the capitalists.

In the first-instance it was the lives of workingmen that needed protection, and in the other three instances it was the dividends and profits of the men who live upon the labor of workingmen that was at stake. If you have any doubt as to which is the most sacred, the dollar or the man, ask Governor Peabody, and your doubt will disappear.

This is a union camp. Whenever

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THE LAST STRAW

Martial Law Is Declared at Cripple Creek, Colo., and All Civil Rights Suspended---Militiaman to be Tried for "Treason" Because He Had a Union Card--The Rights of a People as Nothing Compared With the Privileges of Wealth---Shall the Miners Fight This Battle Alone?

Martial law has been declared in (Cripple Creek, Colo. The town is in the hands of the soldiery. Captain McClellan occupies the mayor's office. A press censor has been sent from Denver, and no news will hereafter be permitted to reach the outside world unless it has the approval of the militia officers. Fred Wakeman, a militiaman, was arrested as a spy, and will be courtmartialed, and may be shot for treason, because he had a union card, in his pocket. At Telluride, Colo., thirty-eight men, members of United Mine Workers and Western Federation of Miners, have been arrested as vagrants, and fined. Sentence was suspended, however, on condition that they go to work. The courts endeavored to force the men to scab.

The women of Cripple Creek have petitioned the president to protect a helpless community against the creature of the mine owners, who occupies the executive chair in that state.

The conditions which now exist in the Centennial state are almost unbelievable to those who hug to their breasts the fond delusion that the government of Washington and Jefferson

The founders of the republic strove to establish, in theory at least, a government of the people. Today in Colorado it is a government of mine own-As was done in the Coeur d'Alenes, so it is proposed to do in Teller county.

The action of the militia authorities in the case of Wakeman shows plainly that they understand the situation, if the working class do not. The possession of a union card, by Wakeman, is to be made the basis of a charge of treason against the government. Who is the government? Inferentially, then, the mine owners are the government.

Was the militia sent to maintain order, or to coerce workingmen? If to maintain order, why is not a peaceable union miner entitled to equal consideration with a peaceable mine owner?

Miners have been dragged from their beds without warrant of law. They have been thrown into jail or. bull pen without trial and held there. in resistance to civil process, and finally the rights of the people of an entire community have been suspended and complete unrestricted power. of life and death, over them has been assumed by a group of persons notoriously in the pay of men whose interest in Colorado is confined to the dividends they get out of it.

Workingmen, we must look the situation squarely in the face. The determined line-up of the western capitalist and against the working cl began in Idaho; precedents are being built up today in Colorado for use in future struggles.

The fight has not yet started in Montana, because of political conditions, but the money powers of this state hate the Western Federation of Miners with the malice of hell, and when conditions permit, they overlook no chance to weaken it.

The miners throughout the land. from the Dominion of Canada to Old Mexico, have stood loyally by the heroes of Cripple Creek. Again and again have they responded with a dollar assessment or a day's pay, and not a complaint, for they realize if Cripple Creek ends in defeat a blow will have been struck which will wipe out western unionism and drag the workingman of the Rocky Mountain states down to the condition of a Mexican

what surported to be an interview with "Mother" Jones, in the Denver Post, a paper which appears to be very fair in the treatment of labor matters. Nothing would give this gies to offer.

The present is no time for rhetorical flights or vain recriminations. Capitalism, by the votes of workingmen has been placed in control of the powers of government, which they are using to crush the unions to which we must look for bread. We must use such power as is still left us to pre vent human rights and privileges from vanishing from the face of the earth.

The conditions which today confront the working class in Colorado must arouse every man who has a drop of red blood in his veins to action. "Is liberty dead?" In the light of recent experiences, the answer must be, yes. It is the duty of the working class to resuscitate it.

Who, when reading of the heroic action of a Hale, who regretted he had but one life to give, or of an Emmet, who went, scornful and unflinching, to the block, or of a Bruno, who gave his life for opinions' sake, has not been fired with a desire to emulate these noble examples? Who, when reading of the heroic struggles of past ages, has not wished that he, too, might have lived at such a time and been enabled to give a proof of his manhood? The struggle now almost upon us calls for a higher devotion to principles, a greater nobility of purpose, than any recorded struggle of the past. It is easy to die in the van of battle, cheered on to action by the cries of the multitude, sustained by the thought that one's name may live in the minds of a grateful people.

To undergo the ignominy of arrest; to suffer the brutalities of bull pen confinement; to be paraded throughout the nation as a criminal; to risk the possibilities of a blacklist; to oppose, unarmed, bare hands, against the bayonet and the bullet of a gang of Hessians, requires a degree of heroism never dreamt of by many of the men we now revere. Yet this the miners of Colorado have done and are doing today.

To deny one's self needed clothing or food; to refuse one's family some of the little luxuries of life; to dig down in the almost empty pocket to find the dollar to maintain the boys who are struggling for "a fair day's wage for a fair day's work," requires a kind of heroism, too, and this the miners of the west have done and are

doing.

Must one portion of the working

Must one portion of the working class bear the burden alone? The Cripple Creek region is one of the citadels of unionism, and there capitalism has massed its powers to do us death. Shall the working people of this nation stand as spectators while our brothers are engaged in a death grapple? It is time for action. The dollars of the capitalists must at the temperature he mot with the dellars of the working class. There is blood on their coin, while ours have been sanctified in sweat and suffering. Readers of the Journal, forward to the breach. Whether you are a native of Nova Scotia or of Florida; of New Jersey or Canfornia, it is your battle the miners are fighting today. Support our champions by every means in your power. With right and justice on our side, the dimes of the working class are more effective than the gold eagles of plutocracy.

Were the Journal in the "Peabody Belt" the editor would land behind the bars for having penned this article. Peabody's sphere of influence may speedily extend until it embraces this paper; when such treatment as was accorded the Victor Record may be served out to us, but until this happens we will continue to sound the call

ON COURT'S DECISION.

Right of Strikers to Reinstatement Depends on Acquittal on Pending Charges of Violence.

The decision of the courts, in cases where Chicago street car strikers have been arrested for acts of violence will determine the right of the acstated in positions previously held.

Under the recently enacted antiboycott law of Alabama the unio are deprived of this weapon in its struggles with capitalism.

THE LUMBER TRUST

A Graphic Description of the Methods of the Employers and the Slavish Condition of Workers of the Woods---Crush the Competitor, Degrade the Worker and Disregard the Law --- Workers Fear to Organize.

A short time ago I was in Comoplix, I a small sawmill town on the Arrowhead Lake, trying to organize a labor union. Mr. Johnson, the manager, who is also one of the owners, after a few commonplace remarks, said: "It would not benefit my employes to have a union. We are like a farmer and his hired help, isolated from the rest of the world." I replied: "Neither you nor the farmer can isolate yourselves from the world. You must go into the world's market to exchange your product. Your place yourself in the same position as your employes so far as isolation goes, yet you be long to one of the best unions in the west. He, very sharply: "What union is that?" I: "The Rocky Mountain Lumbermen's manufacturing association, and you cannot deny be-longing to it." He: "I don't try to deny it." I: "Why should you try to deprive your employes of a privilege you enjoy yourself?" He suddenly discovered that he had business to attend to and walked away.

Through the influence of this company I was deprived of the use of the only public building in town, I asked Mr. Johnson for the use of the bunk house to hold our meeting in. He: "No, nor any other building belonging to the company. We are opposed to the principles of the A. L. U." I: "Do you know anything of the principles of the & L. U.? He: "Yes, I"do." I: Well just to see how much of a man you are I will debate with you in the presence of your employes the principles of the A. L. U." He: "I guess not," and again he had business to do, but you can see how effective his argument would be with the unthinking and especially unorganized working men who usually feel timid in the presence of his employes and thinks the employer knows best, no matter how hair brained he may be.

Mr. Johnson moved about among his men and advised them to keep away from that labor organizer, and I must confess they took his advice, with the exception of about ten or twelve, who, I suppose, would lose their jobs soon after.

The Rocky Mountain Manufacturing association, or what is known as the lumber combine, has kept raising the price of lumber I cannot furnish you with figures I have tried in vain to procure acurate figures have gone to several members of the

combine informing them that I was preparing a letter for the press and that I wanted accurate figures, but I could not get anything definite from any of them; they all had a hard luck story about the prices of horses and how men would not work as hard or be bossed as much now as they did when the combine was formed about two years ago. I learned from one that the price of cedar lumber dressed is \$46 per thousand. While I cannot furnish you with definite figures, the enormous increase in the price of lumber since the formation of the combine is generally known, while wages have kept gradually decreasing It is true that here in the interior of British Columbia during the past summer months wages went up as high as \$35 and \$40 per month and in exceptional cases extra good experienced men would get \$45 per month.

The scarcity of men v the rush to the farming districts, the enormous amount of prospecting, developing of claims and the extra work usually done in the mining districts during the summer months and the British Columbia government, in order to get the voters in line for the October election, had lots of roads, trails, docks, etc, to build, but wages at the present time are from \$22 to \$31 per month extra good experienced men get \$35 and \$40 The combine is adopting that plan

which all organized employers adopt, namely: to give a few skilled experienced men so-called good wages and place them as petty bosses over several unskilled, poorly paid men, and I have it from good authority that it is the intention of the combine to set a maximum wage of \$38 per month; that is to say, no member of the combine shall pay more than \$38 per month and as much less as he can get men for

During the past summer the Canadian Pacific railroad ran a special train from the marintine provinces to the Rocky mountains in the interest of the lumber combine, but they were only successful in landing between 200 and 200 men, as the boom in the farming industry caused numbers to drop off on the prairie

They have their agents in the different parts of both continents trying to induce men to come to the al-

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MITCHELL HAS CHANGED HIS MIND

Erie People.

John Mitchell, 1902.

From Labor Day speech of last year:

"I am free to say that my own views have changed since the strike. I look forward to the time when those who build mansions will not have to live in hovels. I look forward to the time when those whose labor builds the beautiful edifices whose spires point heavenward will not have to walk past them, too ragged to enter. I look forward to the time when the workers of the country will take possession of their own property."

John Mitchell, 1903.

at A. F. of L. Convention, 1903:

"Since wages can never be regarded as the full equivalent for labor's toil, this convention recommends that the workers use their political and economic power along the lines of their class interests to secure for la-

bor the full product of its toil." Extract from Mitchell's speech on the above:

"I wish to say that I regard it as a very great mistake on the part of our Socialist friends to attempt to commit this movement to the principles in which they believe."

the company to pay it." The offer

served the purpose it was made for,

It stilled public clamor against the

inhumanity of the "young man" rule.

It imposed on certain employes and

A NEW SCHEDULE.

Commercial Telegraphers Will Demand Eight Hours on January 1st-Minimum Wage of \$75.

It is rumored that the Order of Commercial Telegraphers will, on January 1st, make a demand for an eight hour day and a minimum wage of \$75 per month. A strike will directly involve 15,000 men, both the Western Union and the Postal Companies being involved. It is expected that the O. R. T. will join hands with them should a fight occur.

ABANDONS PENSION PLAN

Because There is no Law to Compel the Company to Pay It,"
The Union Pacific Railway Company, which adopted a pension system some time since as an excuse for caused them to forget their class interests. Having accomplished this much, and there seeming to be no need for it from the company's standpoint, it is dropped "because there is no law to compel the company to pay The explanation given by Burt explains why corporations do not do some other things. Either there is no law or else the enforcement of the law is left to corporation tools. THOUSANDS DISCHARGED.

Harvester Trust Saves Five Millions a Year by Curtailinf Force. Following its announced policy of

centralization, the International Harvester Company has decided to lay off 7,500 of its 19,000 employes and discharging old men, has abandoned it because, according to Mr. Burt, the thus save \$5,000,000 a year. sponsor, "there is no law to compel

WITH REGARD TO MOTHER JONES I have always looked upon the A. L. | most unnecessary to say, that one

U. Journal as one of the most valuable ialism in the United States, and have always done what I could to extend its circulation. I had hoped and believed that the protestations which the representatives of the A. L. U. had made that there was no intention to repeat the disastrous and disreputable tactics of the S. T. and L. A. was made in good faith. Yet in the issue of the 19th I find an attack upon one whom I have known for several years as by far the most valuable and self-sacrificing worker in the cause of Socialism to be found in America. When on the basis of an alleged quotation, for which no authority whatever is given, and no explanation of the context, providing the entire story is not made out of whole cloth, is used for the basis for an attack upon one who for a generation has endured more, perhaps, than almost any other one individual, then I feel the time has come to protest

It is possible that "Mother" Jones has made mistakes, indeed it is certain that she has, for she is but human, yet when accounts are cast up between the individual workers and the cause of Socialism it would far exceed my wildest dreams to find the balance on my side anything even comparable to that which I know will e credited to "Mother" Jones. has not run from the fakirs, but has boldly fought them in their own ranks and the world will never know what she has endured from those whose

Up to the present time, however, she has received but few attacks from the ranks of Socialists. I do not include that among Socialists it is al-

representative of the reptile press in the working class movement, known as "The People," of New York. I feel sure that the editor of the A. L. U. Journal can know little of the perfidy, that has characterized the scoundrel who edits that sheet, or else he would not pay him the implied compliment which he does in the article to which I reply. Indeed, it is significant that such a compliment is coupled with an attack on "Mother" Jones. It is in a way a compliment to any one who claims to be working for the cause of labor to be abused by a friend of the editor of the Weekly People. I know personally too much of how "Mother" Jones, at the expense of great personal discomfort and scrimping, even in what for the working class would be considered person necessities, has given of her income to the cause of Socialism, to doubt her sincerity. I can only say that I believe, indeed, I know, that I voice the sentiments of many friends of the A. L. U. Journal when I say that the inclusion "Mother" Jones in the list of "fakirs and false friends" has for the first time aroused the suspicion that there might be some persons of this char-

acter within the ranks of the A. L. U. I hope that the attack was only a mistake due to ignorance concerning the person attacked, and that therefore the logical conclusion which fol-lows from such an attack, i. e., that those making it are themselves traitors to the cause of labor, is false and

A. M. SIMONS.

As stated in last week's Journal, the statement criticized appeared in

paper more pleasure than to know that "Mother" Jones was misquoted, and that she did not say that "Gov." ernor Peabody undoubtedly means well in his military policy." If she did not say this, she has been in no wise injured, since our criticism was contingent on the authenticity of the interview. On the other hand, if she did say this, then we have no apolo-

Columbus discovered America, says the Denver Post, but Morgan and Rockefeller gobbled it.

cused men to reinstatement under the trike settlement agreement. Those found guilty will be denied employ-ment; those acquitted will be rein-

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PROPOSED CONSTITUTION REVIEWED CLARENCE SMITH

August 13 commenced a series of weekly contributions by the secretary treasurer, reviewing the newly proposed constitution, which will be voted upon by referending of the membership of the American Labor Union in December, 1903.

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ARTICLE XII.

Interchangeable Cards.

Section 1. Transfer cards issued by national, international or local unions united with the American Labor Union will be accepted by all national, international or local unions united with the American Labor Union, subject to the rule; and qualifications governing membership in such unions. In accepting such transfer cards, the member transferring shall pay the difference in initiation between that of the union from which he comes and that of the union to which he transfers; except in cases where the transferring member has formerly belonged to a union requiring an equal or higher initiation fee, when he will be accepted as if transferring directly from one union to another. This fact shall be esif transferring directly from one union to another. This fact shall be es-tablished by communication between the two unions concerned, ARTICLE XIII.

Section 1. Roberts' Rules of Order shall govern the deliberations of the General Convention and of all local unions of the American Labor

ARTICLE XIV. Section 1. This Constitution and By Laws shall become effective on and after February 1, 1904.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

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ARTICLE I.

Local Unions—Industrial, Federal and Junior.

Section 1. Charters for local unions, industrial, federal and junior, thay be issued upon written application of ten eligible petitioners.

Sec. 2. No.working man or woman shall be excluded from membership in local únions because of creed or color.

Séc. 3. Local unions shall define the eligibility of their membership where not in conflict with the provisions of this Constitution.

Sec. 4. No one shall be initiated into local unions until having filed written application in regular form, and having been recommended by the craft or investigating committee, hereinafter provided for, which committee shall report at me first regular meeting after receiving application.

Sec. 5. Application for membership shall not be considered unless accompanied by at least one-half of the prescribed membership fee. Should application be rejected, the payment shall be returned.

Sec. 6. Candidates for membership who have been proposed in regular form and have been reported on favorably by the investigation committee, shall be balloted on at a regular meeting of the local union. Should there be less than four black balls are found, those casting black balls shall give their reasons in writing to the President of the union. The names of persons casting black balls and giving reasons shall be kept secret. If the evidence is not sufficient to bar the candidate from membership, he may be elected by a majority of those present.

Sec. 7. Each candidate when initiated shall pay the balance of the initiation fee due, pledge himself to support the Constitution of the American Labor Union and to obey all lawful orders of the Executive Board, in addition to obligations required by the local union of which he becomes a member. He shall also fill out blank for American Labor Union Journal.

Sec. 8. Candidates who do not appear or present satisfactory reason

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Sec. 8. Candidates who do not appear or present satisfactory reason within thirty days after being notified of their election to membership shall forfeit the initiation fee, and shall not be admitted without again complying with the foregoing sections of this article.

ARTICLE II.

Local Officers.

Section 1. The officers of the local industrial and federal unions shall comprise the following: (a) President, (b) Vice-President, (c) Recording and Corresponding Secretary, (d) Financial Secretary Treasurer, (e) Guide, (f) Guard, (g) three Trustees, (h) Executive Board, (i) Craft Committees.

All local officers, except Craft Committeemen, shall be nominafed at the two regular meetings immediately preceding the 16th of De-cember and the two regular meetings immediately preceding the 16th of

cember and the two regular meetings immediately preceding the 16th of June.

Sec. 3. The Recording and Corresponding Secretary shall notify absent members of their nomination, and it shall be their duty to signify their acceptance or otherwise at the next regular meeting.

Sec. 4. Nominees must be in good standing, and may be nominated when sheen from meeting.

Sec. 5. Local officers, except Business Agents, if any, shall be elected semi-annually, viz: the last regular meeting in December and June.

Sec. 6. At the semi-annual election it shall be the duty of the Recording and Corresponding Secretary to farnish ballots in sufficient number for the purpose of election, the said ballots to contain the names of all the candidates to be voted on at the election.

Sec. 7. When an election is held for any office, the presiding officer shall act as judge and shall appoint two members to serve as tallers. The Recording and Corresponding Secretary shall keep a register of all votes polled. Only members in good standing may vote.

Sec. 8. Business Agents may be elected for less than six months and may hold other offices in local unions.

Sec. 9. Craft Committees, if any are required, shall be elected at special meetings of the craft held the first week in January and July. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes shall be chairman and the one receiving the highest number shall be associate member of the Craft Committee and doorkeeper for meetings of the craft.

ARTICLE III.

Installation of Officers.

Section 1. The officers-elect, who have been duly qualified, shall be first lied at the first regular meeting in January and July of each year by the President or one of the Past Presidents. If any officer-elect, unless prevented by sickness or unavoidable occurrence, does not comply with the above provisions, such office may be declared vacant.

Sec. 2. After officers are regularly elected, qualified and installed, they shall continue in office until their successors are regularly elected, qualified and installed

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ARTICLE IV.

Duties of Officers—President.

Section 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the local union, preserve order therein and enforce the laws, rules and regulations of the union, decide all questions of order subject to appeal to the local union, act as judge of election and declare the result to the union. He shall appoint a majority of all committees unless otherwise ordered by the local union. He shall also be empowered to make appointments to any committee in case of any vacancy occurring therein. He shall sign all warrants drawn on the local treasury and attest all checks drawn on the bank for such moneys that may be passed by a vote of the local union to be paid. He shall be entitled to vote on the election of officers, and on a tie has the deciding vote. He shall be a member ex-officio of all committees, and shall see that all officers of the local union attend strictly to their duties. The books of any officer shall at any time be open to his inspection; and in case of resignation or intended absence from the city or sickness, or if he has any reason to believe that any irregularity exists, any officer shall, on demand made by the President, turn over to the Trustees any and all bofks, papers or money entrusted to his care. He shall see that all moneys are placed to the credit of the local union. He may for gold reasons call a special meeting at any time. He shall at the expiration of his term of office turn over to his auccessor fill property and effects entrusted to his keeping. He shall commit the ritual to memory and act as chriman of the Executive Board.

Vice.President.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of the Voce.President to assist the President in preserving order at meetings and in the discharge of his duties, preside during his absence and appoint the minority of all committees.

Recording and Corresponding Secretary shall keep accurate record of the uniones of the joint union. He

tary Treasurer. He shall at all times have his books ready for investigation by the Trustees or other authorized person. He shall notify every committee of their appointment and of the subjects referred to them. He shall notify all candidates who have been elected or rejected; keep a record of all members suspended or expelled and note correctly the cause thereof; also of all members reinstated and those who have been rejected.

Financial Secretary-Treasurer.

Sec. 4. The Financial Secretary-Treasurer shall execute to the General Secretary Treasurer of the American Labor Union a bond to be approved by him in such sum or sums as the General Secretary-Treasurer shall designate from time to time. It shall be the duty of the Financial Secretary-Treasurer to keep accurate accounts between the local union and the general office of the American Labor Union, and between the local union and its members. He shall keep a correct account of all benefits paid by the local union, the date of payment, to whom paid, and the union, giving names, dates and amounts. He shall deposit all money belonging to the local union in some bank or other institution designated by the local union. At all times he shall have his books ready for investigation by the Trustees. He shall give a full report monthly to the local union and to the General Secretary-Treasurer of the American Labor Union, upon official forms furnished to him by the General Secretary-Treasurer. At the expiration of his term he shall turn over all books, papers and property belonging to the union to his successor in office. (Continued Next Week.) (Continued Next Week.)

Fraternally vours.

Clarence Amith

General Secretary Treasurer American Labor Union

Last week the Journal published a lettier from M. L. Muller protesting an article bearing on against "Mother" Jones' purported interview, in which she was credited with having said "Peabody undoubtedly means well in his military policy." This week we publish a reply to the same article from the pen of A. M. Simons, who charitably suggests that we manufactured the whole thing. We are also in receipt of a personal letter from 'Gene Debs, who also protests against our criticism, which, he says, came to him as a surprise and a shock. He declares that he has seen "Mother" Jones tried a thousand times, and never found her wanting; that we perpetrated a gross injustice in making a statement in a capitalistic newspaper the basis for "an attack on one of the noblest and most courageous and self-sacrificing friends the working class has ever had." He further expresses his belief that the Journal owes "Mother" Jones an apology, and trusts to our sense of justice to make it. The Journal is not infallible. It makes mistakes just as other people have done, just as Its critics have done, just as they may again do. If we have erred in aught in this matter it will be in having made an interview with a comrade as given in a capitalistic newspaper, the subject for criticism. It will be remembered, however, that the Journal's criticism was contingent on the interview being authentic. It should also be borne in mind that the Denver Post has been eminently fair in recent labor matters. The veneration in which "Mother" Jones is held by the eastern comrades who have known her for

ly shown in the Colorado strike; her denunciation of Peabody and his tools at Cripple Creek is a convincing proof that, as Comrade Muller says, either she was misquoted or that she used the expression in sarcasm.

The Potlatch Lumber Company, of Princeton, Idaho, did not have as good luck with their last batch of scabs as with those mentioned in the last issue of the Journal. Thirty-five were brought in on November 30th, but every one of them yielded to the persussions of the union men and refused to work. They are being maintained by the union. In addition to this, the six scabs who went in last week have been seen and most of them have come out again. "It's a hot time," says Secretary Lenhardt.

The A. F. of L. convention adopted an unfavorable report on a resolution to buy only union made goods. "Think of that," writes a disgusted A. L. U. man. "These fellows won't patronize their own label, yet some of them presume to criticise my organization, which obligates its members to patronize all union labels. They also voted down a resolution requiring their iocal unions to affiliate with their own central bodies." There was not a single change in the policy of the A. F. of L. adopted at the last convention. Every effort to make it more effective was voted down.

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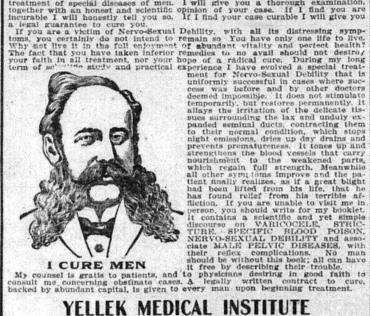
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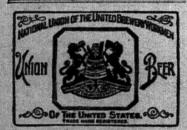
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I would rather trust the machine operator than the machine politician. Hence I am a Socialist Dryden, Mich. G. J. LAMB. THE LUMBER COMBINE.

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ready over-stocked labor markets of the Rocky mountains. Especially have they been taking advantage of the panic and the labor troubles of Sweden and Swedes are being shipped in wholesale. If the working men of the lumbering industry were wellorganized they could have scales of wages established and very few of these newcomers would start for less than the union scale, but when there is no union scale they take anything that is offered them

The time check is contrary to the laws of British Columbia, yet men are paid off with time checks in almost every lumber camp in British. Columbia Organized capital has no respect for the law, yet on October 3. election day, the working men marched to the polls and in many instances cast their votes to elect candidates who were being supported by the lumber combines If the credit of the lumber company is good, some store or hotelkeeper will cash your time check at a discount of from 10 to 20 cents on the dollar If this credit is not good you can go hungry with the time check in your pocket, while you rustle another place to earn a time

Mr. Ross, a prominent lawyer Fernie has lately been elected by the workingmen as their representative in parliament. When asked by a working man to be his attorney in prosecuting a lumber company for issuing a time check, he asked: "Have you money enough to carry the case to high court."

Knowing before he asked that the fellow did not have the money, he then said: "I cannot handle your case as I know the lumber company would take it to high court and even if you had the money your chances are slim to win."

Another workinman who was discharged by a lumber company and presented with a time check for his services, took the case before the government agent, gold commissioners and stepending magistrate, Mr. Armstrong, of Fort Steel. The case was tried in Cranbrook. Mr. Armstrong told him he would have to wait until the company was ready to pay him; he said it would be a useless job for him to give a decision according to the law, as he had given so many of those decisions in the interest of the workingman and in almost every case his decision was reversed by the high court. Yet that district the workingmen elected as their representative to parliament a member of this same lumber company.

The cost of living in gradually increasing as for instance in Nelson, B. C., the cost of living in 1902 was 15 per cent higher than it was in 1897. There is a great boom on in the lumbering industry caused largely by so many people settling in the territroles: these people have been trying to get their buildings up before winter, but I am informed by good authority that scores of them who have the money to pay for lumber cannot get it. Then why are so many of our mills closed down? In Fernie two big mills are closed and talk of a third closing; in Custom, Kaslo and other places the mills are closed also and in the late meetings of the combine it was decided that the lumber production must be still further curtailed. There are three principal reasons. First, to overstock the labor market and enable them to put into effect the \$35 maximum. Second, to make lumber more scarce and to freeze out the small stockholders so as to bring the controling of the industry into the hands of a few.

In most every case where they have closed down the men have been beaten out of their wages. They would give the men a gentle standoff for several months, and then suddenly close down." Just think of the poor, benighted workingman who packs blankets on his back, sleeps in lousy, filthy, crowded bunk houses, lives on cheap and adulterated food (as a rule, the wages are so small that good cooks will not work for them. Just think of the wives and children who depend for the necessaries of life on a part of the above quoted small wages, earned under these damnable conditions, and yet in Fernie the authorities of the law informed the men that there was not much chance for them to get anything, as mortgages came before wages, and the Habilities were much greater than the assets. And still the poor workingmen of the lumbering industry are straid to organize for fear of incurring the

Here in British Columbia a fello chanced to become the owner of a piece of good timber; he had a little money. His personal friends gave him all they had, and with the credit he could get in the business world on he could get in the business world on the strength of him owning this tim-ber he built a sawmill, but he refused to join the combine. They did with what P. Burns and Company does with an opposition butcher; cut the prices so low that he could not afford to nell His creditors closed in on-him. He lost his timber, his own man

his friends' money, and he was forced into the already overcrowded labor market.

You cannot start a lumber yard either in the mountains or on the prairie without the consent of the

combine. The laws of this country are so now that it is almost impossible for a workingman to hold a timber limit, Not satisfied with this, the combine had this committee before the British Columbia legislature last winter trying to have the law still further amended so as to make it impossible for even small capitalists to hold timber limits. This committee is even now lobbying with the newly-elected government

The federal government at Ottawa has appointed a royal commission to investigate the lumber combine. Most royal commissions are a farce. It means that the government will side. track the issues, and some fellows who know something about the government that the public should not know will get a good rat salary at the expense of the people, not the combine; and yet on election day workingmen think that members of their own class are not smart enough to represent them, so they vote for lawyers and doctors and preachers.

Surely, workingmen representatives of your own class, pledged to protect your class interest, and none others, could and would be more apt to represent your interest better than a member of the capitalist class, whose interests are always distinctively opposed to yours. It does not require much brains to appoint a royal commission, yet these lawyers, preachers and doctors have brains enough to tell you not to study Socialism, and you have been slaves so long that you still think it your duty to obey.

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THE DIVIDED WORKING CLASS

cialism, Moyerism and anarchy in Colbrado if it takes every able-bodied man in the state, and some who are disabled," said Sherman Bell. "To hell with the Constitution; I take my orders from the governor," says a militia captain, and fourteen citizens of Cripple Creek were slapped in mil-Itary prison. "To hell with the Constitution," and sixteen citizens of Telluride are placed behind the bars. "To hell with the Constitution," and the Chicago police are ordered to shoot to kill during the street car strike "To hell with the Constitution," and the vaunted liberties of the American people, in defense of which, we are told, the founders of the republic shed their blood, is trampled under foot at the behest of the money power. Sherman Bell has begun the organization of several militia companies to aid in "wiping Socialism, Moyerism and anarchy from the face of the earth.' Of what does "Moyer-ism" consist? Of a demand that the will of the people of Colorado, for the establishment of an eight-hour day in mines and smelters, as expressed by the citizenship at the polls, shall be enforced; of a demand that the men who are slowly destroying themselves in the noxious sulphur fumes for a bare livelihood shall have their lives prolonged a few days. What is the anarchy of which Sherman Bell complains? A blind striving for justice against the force of purchased legislation and " military made laws. Finally, what is the Socialism which is so offensive to this freak in epaulets? It is a demand that the wealth which now goes to make millionaires shall go to make men. That no man shall have the power to deny his brother man the right to eat. That all who are willing to work shall enjoy the full product of their own la-That human life is a sacred thing, and he who would endanger or destroy it, whether by the bullet or by slow processes of starvation, is an enemy of society. It contemplates the good of the whole people, rather than the success of the few at the expense of the many, and is, therefore, repugnant to Sherman Bell

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NEBRASKA NOTES.

A local has been chartered at Chadron.

The Cooks' and Waiters' Union of Lincoln, Neb., has invited Comrade Schiermeyer to deliver an address before that organization.

Local Plattsmouth reports that the lecture by Comrade Simons, on Saturday, November 21st, was an intellectual treat. The same and more can be said of his two lectures under the auspices of local Omaha. His afternoon address on the "Fundamentals of Socialism," showed a grasp of the subject that pleased even the most critical. And at night Comrade Simons handled the farmer question to the entire satisfaction of our best Marxian students, which proves that local Omaha is in perfect accord with the party on this much discussed question. It is a pleasure to hear a man lecture when he appeals to your intelligence as does Comrade Simons, A member of the local said: "Whenever the national secretary can arrange to have Comrade Simons lecture every night for a week at Omaha, we are ready for him, and feel sure that his sound feasoning will clear up every befuddled brain that is strong enough to listen to him."

Secretary L. R. Duke, of North Platte, reports an eloquent address by National Organizer John Brown. The audience was not large, but intelligent and responsive. The people showed that they had become tired of populistic denunciation of the government and that they are getting hungry for intellectual discussions of the real work of the Socialist move.

The Woman's Socialist Union of Omaha has advised its members to buy from only those retail clerks that have paid up union cards, and to walk out of the store where no union clerk can be found.

ROCKEFELLER RESPONSIBLE.

Colorado Labor Commissioner Declares Pious John Is to Blame.

Labor Commissioner W. H. Montgomery, who went to the Trinidad district two days ago, said he now acquiesed in the opinion that Rockefel. ler is responsible for continuing the

"It is too bad," said Mr. Montgomery, "that the laboring people cannot see the hand of Rockefeller in this game. Every day the strike continues Rockefeller is reaping a benefit and the working men are the losers."

He Does Not Imprové.

Unexpected complications have arisen in the case of Emperor Willam, who was recently operated on, to manifest itself in court circles, says a German paper. It is no doubt a matter of keen regret in some circles that William's failure to improve cannot be charged up to the Socialists or the Cripple Creek strikers.

Who were thrown in the bull pen at Cripple Creek? Members of the working class. Who were jailed at Telluride? Members of the working class. Who was it the Chicago police were ordered to shoot to kill? Members of the working class. Who was it that perpetrated these outrages on the toilers? The capitalists?. No. IT WAS MEMBERS OF THE WORKING CLASS, who, at the behest of the goths and vandals of finance, who are trampling our institutions under foot. have flown at the throats of their fel-

Who constitute the army of Sherman Bell? Is it the capitalists? Who made the Coeur d'Alenes a by word? Who shed the blood of helpless foreigners at Latimer? Who maintains the false prophets of labor who are seeking to hang the millstone of antiquated methods around the necks of those who are struggling to be free from a thralldom which in another century of its operation will, if unchecked, reduce the "submerged tenth" to a more debased condition than that of savages? Who makes a quarry of every defender of human rights and liberty and with their masters help to drive him to oblivion or death? Who elevates to high places, by the power of the ballot, the sworn enemies of those who toil? Who attempts to mold public thought through the medium of the daily press, in the interest of injustice and oppression? Who do these things? The capitalists? Oh, no. It is the divided workers themselves who do these things. It is they who are destroying them-The Samson of Labor, actuated by envy, by hate, by jealonsy, by want and by ignorance, is pulling down the temple and destroying himself in the act. Why do they do these things? Why is the ig-norance of material interests so dense? Presumably, because Balaam's ass gave birth to a numerous progeny, the descendants of which are today parading as men.

To a united working class all things are possible. The future of a divided working class is awful to contem-

SOLDIERS IN TELLURIDE, COLO.

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the union menare called out, the non-union men quit, too. -Whenever the miners are called out, the cooks and waiters refuse to serve scabs. When the authorities here requested the restaurants to prepare meals for the incoming soldiers, the cooks and waiters refused to serve them. Then they went and ordered 400 loaves of bread of the bakery, but the bakers refused to bake them. We afterwards noticed that bread was being delivered from the homes of mine man. agers and members of the Citizens

If the union should say so, all the girls at the botel where the officers stop would quit work. How, then does the governor expect to break this strike with his strike-breakers and save the dividends and profits by this capitalist salvation army?

There is only one way the strike can be broken here, and that is by shipping men in from the outside. The soldiers are here for the purpose of encouraging men to come in. Most men, when they contemplate doing an injury to their neighbors, or class, or to a community, become conscience smitten and cowardly, and want something to protect them from the effects of their acts. When a man goes to take the place of another man who is fighting for better conditions for himself and his class, he knows or feels that he is doing someone an injury, and he fears the effect. Scabs can be induced to work under military protection when they would be too cowardly to do so otherwise. But when the governor of the state stands ready to lend the state troops to the capitalists for the purpose of breaking up the unions, then it becomes half respectable to scab.

But this condition is seemingly nec. essary before the workingmen will realize that as long as they put the capitalistic parties in power they will have to contend with strikes and scabs. If Colorado had Socialists in the legislature and governor's chair there would be no strikes in the state today and no man would be out of work, nor would any man be obliged to take another man's job. Oh, workers, why don't you show

your intelligence by voting for the only party that stands for the interest of the workingmen? Why do you strike against this sys.

tem and vote for it? If workingmen would vote against the militia we would never have them breaking strikes, for the workers are in a large majority. Fraternally, A. H. FLOATEN.

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