## PLUMMER AGAINST LABOR

Miners' Legislative Committee Convicts Him of Duplicity.

He Deliberately Blocked Legislation Favorable to Workingmen, Repeatedly Violated His Pledges, and His Friends Boisterously Applauded the

Epithet, "The Miners Be Damned."

The official report of the legislative ommittee of the United Mine Workers

or the Samuel Mining Report of the United Mine Workers

that could be used to get him to promise fairly, that if his attitude was reported to the committee it would do Plummer again promised Smith that he would have the bill reported out the following week, the house having adjourned for the present week.

Plummer is Unforced."

committee of the United Mine Workers committee of the United Mine Workers for the Second district of this state covering the session of the legislature of 1905, would make exceedingly interesting as well as peculiarly appropriate campaign literature at this time.

OF PASSING.

This Representative Smith, of Indiana, and Boulton, of Clearfield, had refused to do up to this time. Smith, of Indiana, accompanied your committee just before the house convened this afternoon to see Plummer, and endeavor to get the bill out of committee. ate campaign literature at this time. At a convention for the district held in Altoona in 1904 certain legislation of interest and advantage to miners was outlined and endorsed. A committee consisting of Edward Fisher, James Hamilton and George B. Parks was named by the convention to present the proposed legislation and urge its favorable consideration. The report in question is the official account of their labors, experiences and operations in Harrisburg.

The proposed legislation consisted of three measures, the hope of the passage of which has long been cherished by the miners not only of that district but in all parts of the state. Toy were respectively an employers' lability bill, a bill providing for the examination of mine superrintendents, foremen and miners, and a bill for the appointment of a commission to revise the mining laws generally. The miners had been promised all these measures and the committee of the Second district entered upon their dut-les serenely confident of success. They knew exactly what they wanted, precisely how to convey their thoughts to others and had the industry and persistence necessary to achieve re-

Failure of Fond Expectations.

But the gentlemen of the committee soon realized that their fond expectations were destined to be disappointed. The machine managers sitting in the seclusion of the Boas mansion were serving the corporations rather than the people and promptly issued orders for the defeat of all the bills. They were not to be executed in a brutal manner, it is true. On the contrary, the greatest delicacy was to be exercised in the operation and the influential gentlemen of the committee were to be "jollied" along in the most soothing manner. The committee worked night and day and argued incessantly while the legislators listened attentively and professed the deepest interest in the subject. But the interest was not in the passage of the measures. It was in the defeat of them without betraying the purpose words the scheme was to kill the proposed legislation while professing sympathy for the policies expressed in the measures. It was to fool all the miners all the time.

Two of the bills, that for the examination of mine superrintendents and foremen and that for the revision of the mining laws carried appropriations and having been referred to the committee of which J. Lee Plummer was chairman, that gentleman received most of their attention. He was profuse in assurances of friendliness but never reported any progress with the work. Finally the reasons of failure in this respect were revealed in an accidental way. Representative Smith, of Indiana county, had been urgent for the bills at various times and at a meeting of the committe importuned with unusual ferver whereupon Chairman Plummer rebuked him sharply and threatened his legislative interests. This so incensed Smith that he left the room.

Report of the Committee.

The official report of the miners' committee is signed by Messrs. Fisher and Hamilton and is voluminous and explicit. In part it says:

"March 28,—Up to this date none of our bills has been reported from the several committees, but ever since we submitted them to their care we have used every effort and every possible means we could think of in urging their consideration." their consideration in order that they might be presented before the house. "The liability bill had another hearing today. National Secretary Treasurer Wilson spoke in behalf of the bill and showed the necessity for the passage of such a bill. The house hav-

passage of such a bill. The nouse hav-ing an afternoon session all further hearing on the bill was postponed un-til 8 P. M. The committee reconvened at 8 P. M. when the opposition to the liability bill was again given a hear-

When the hearing was finished the which the hearing was missed the committee went into executive session. Many of the committee were not present when the vote was taken to have the bill sent to the house. The motion to present was lost by two wotes. The bill was then referred to a sub-committee for the purpose of consultations.

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"March 29.—Boulton informed your committee that McWhinney had waived a hearing on the other three bills, claiming that the commission bill would cover all. The commission bill is still in the hands of the appropriations committee.

Plummer Suggests a Corrupt Bargain. "March 30.—Your committee received the information from Representatives Boulton and Smith that Plummer, the chairman of the appropriations committee, WOULD GET THE COMMISSION BILL OUT FOR THEM IF THEY AND CERTAIN OTHER LEMBERS FROM THE COUNTRY DISTRICTS WOULD GET IN LINE AND YOUR FOR CERTAIN LINE

At first we could get no satisfaction. Finally Brother Hamilton informed Plummer that he understood that he, Plummer, was aspiring for the nomi-nation, and that if he was successful In securing the nomination and in-tended to run for state treasurer at the next election, that his attitude in conection with our bills would not entitle him to expect any support from the miners of District No. 2 or the work-ers throughout the state. Plummer then promised to give the bill his careful attention at the earliest opportun-

Plummer's Attitude Toward Labor

Interests. The report continues: "In harmony with the statement made at the commencement of our report, we desire to present a more detailed statement in connection with the attitude of Plummer in the treatment of our bills. We stated that one of the reasons we had in view in presenting our report was that the friends of labor and its enemies, both open and concealed, should be unveiled for the future benefit of all concerned, both to those who might be sent in the capacity of leg-islative committees to Harrisburg and to the voter who might inquire for the record of any candidate serving at present as representative, and who might again solicit their suffrage in

ing for the office of state treasurer, one of the most important offices within the gift of the people of this commonwealth. This office should only be filled by men of the most sterling worth and character. He must by all means be clean and honest, pure and open and above board, in all his dealings.

"As Mr. Plummer was the chairman of the appropriations committee, he was the principal member of this committee with whom your committee came in contact in looking after the measures submitted to the care of the

measures submitted to the care of the appropriations committee. Whether Plummer voiced the sentiments of the majority of the committee in the ma-jority of the interviews with us or not we are unable to say, or whether his expressions and attitude were individ-ual and simply his own personal ex-

"His expressions, according to your committee, were not considered as friendly to the legislation submitted by the miners. That he was not open and above board your committee thinks the statement already made in connection with his offer to Representatives Smith and Boulton, offering them to give this bill submitted to his committee consideration if they would support one of the most rotten measmeasure so unfair that it had already been vetoed twice by the governor, who gave as one of his reasons for ve-toing it that it was not necessary, and thus created a means for a useless ex-

in advance of the event. In other | Will Continue to Serve the Machine. TIT IS THE OPINION OF YOUR COMMITTEE THAT A MAN WHO WILL SCHEME AND WORK FOR THE CREATION OF USELESS OF-FICES TO KEEP RING CRONIES IN LUXURY, THUS CAUSING THE EXPENDITURE OF LARGE SUMS OF THE PEOPLE'S MONEY USE-LESSLY, AT ONE TIME, WILL CON-TINUE TO DO SO WITH INCREAS-ED OPPORTUNITIES.

"To substantiate our reasons for stating that we did not believe that his attitude to our bills would entitle him to fill the capacity of a represen-tative of labor, he was a representative but he was not a representative of the people and representing other interests in which the following summary review of our dealings with him while at Harrisburg, and a few citations from the conversations brought out during our interviews will prove:

During one of our conversations af-ter the commission bill had passed the house on second reading and had been house on second reading and had been referred to the committee on appropriations, the failure on the part of this committee in reporting any bills until on or about the 21st of March, your committee, as before stated, realizing the importance of getting the bill out at the earliest possible moment, sought to use every effort to accomplish this purpose. We were informed that our bill would be presented in the order in which it was received, that this was the rule.

Plummer Discriminated Against

Miners. "We did not wish to deviate from any established rule, even if it were possible for us to persuade the com-mittee to do so. If this was their possible for us to persuade the committee to do so. If this was their method of doing business and they followed it out unbiased, we considered their method fair; but FOR SOME REASON UNKNOWN TO US PLUMMER WOULD NOT LET THE COMMISSION BILL COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE. We demanded an explanation from Plummer for his attitude in connection with refusing to allow this bill to come before his committee, and thus blocking it from coming before the house.

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"HE PROMISED TO GIVE IT CONSIDERATION. INSTEAD OF CARRYING OUT THIS PROMISE. HE PROCEEDED TO TURN THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE DOWN WHO WERE FAVORABLE TO THE BILL. EVEN ASKING REPRESENTATIVE SMITH, OF GLEN CAMPBELL, HIS REASONS FOR BEING SOMUCH INTERESTED IN THE BILL. To this Mr. Smith replied that he considered the coal miners needed protection; that it was a craft fraught with great danger, both to health and life of those engaged in this particular industry. The miners demanded this legislation, and in his opinion were in a position, should it become necessary, to take care of themselves and get a position, should it become necessary, to take care of themselves and get their demands enforced in the future. The actions of Plummer were so biased that Mr. Smith left the committee room in disgust with Plummer's attitude. "MR. SMITH CLOSING THE DOOR WAS SUCCEEDED BY BOISTEROUS LAUGHTER BY PLUMMER'S FRIENDS, WHO JEERINGLY REMARKED: "THE MINERS BE DAMNED."

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"Next manning amine went to Plummer and naced from it has attitude of the previous evening was to be considered as an indication of the policy he intended to pursue in connection with the miners' bill; if he, Plummer, intended to stand by his actions of the previous evening. Mr. Smith threat ened to report his action to your committee, coupled also with the threat, which seemed to be the only thing that could be used to get him to promise fairly, that if his attitude was re-

"After the house reconvened and the bill was not reported by Plum-mer's committee, we came to the con-clusion that it was a continuation of his old policy of evasion. We then de-termined to get after some of the Retermined to get after some of the Republican politicians who were considered to be Plummer's superiors in the party. They also elicited a promise from him that he would take action on the bill immediately. He delayed this until the time was too short to get it through the senate.

"PLUMMER'S WHOLE ATTITUDE IN CONNECTION WITH THIS BILL WAS ONE OF EVASION AND UNFULFILLED PROMISES.

"Your committee would be charkable to all men, and in rendering this report it is not our desire to present any charge against any person or persons who did not concede to all our wants and requirements. Every man

wants and requirements. Every man and your committee would honor every man who renders an expression of his individuality. We would not judge and condemn any man as being unfavorable to us and the measures committed to our charge simply because he did not coincide with us in all our methods and measures; but in report-ing to the officials and the executive board of this, the strongest representa-tive organization of labor in Central Pennsylvania we are possing our in tive organization of labor in Central Pennsylvania, we are passing our unbiased opinion on Mr. Plummer's attitude toward the laborer by using his attitude to us and our bill as evidence. WE WOULD SAY TO OUR FELLLOW-CRAFTSMEN IN DISTRICT NO. 2. WHOSE SERVANTS WE WERE DURING OUR ATTEMPT TO SECURE THE PASSAGE OF THE VARIOUS BILLS, THAT MR PLUMMER IS NOT FOR US, AND THAT HE WHO IS NOT FOR US, ACCORDING TO THE EXPERIENCE OF YOUR COMMITTEE, IS AGAINST US. TO THE EXPERIENCE OF Y COMMITTEE, IS AGAINST US.

Plummer Against the Liability Bill Also.

On April 3 the house again reconvened. When the time came for the presentation of resolutions. Representative Schofield presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That house bill known as the general liability bill be taken out of the hands of the judiciary committee and come before the house as a committee of the whole."
"Both Scofield and Garner made

lengthy and very able speeches in favor of the bill and the resolution. Garner named the judiciary commit-tee the 'legislative graveyard.' It is needless to say, with the antagonism shown by those who were antagonistic to the bill and the methods used by those who were representatives of the entire people in the practice of their retarding policy, with the evidence submitted, that the bill was over-whelmingly defeated. The vote stood 14 for placing the bill on the house calendar and 111 against.

Influential Outsiders Appealed To. "On April 4 we interviewed Smith

and Boulton and they interviewed Plummer and secured the promise from Plummer, as previously stated.
"April 5—Still no report from the committee, but we were assured that it would be reported out that night before the house convened Evening before the house convened, Evening again came, with Plummer's promise unfulfilled.

"April 6-Brother Hamilton went to Captain Delaney and asked him if he could not do something to get the bill out. Delaney stated that there was but one chance left. He would see

"April 7—Delaney reported that he had seen Durham and Durham had no-tified Plummer to discontinue his op-position to the bill. This Plummer promised to do stating however, that it was impossible to report before Monday morning.

"Your committee, realizing that the session was too far expended to encourage any possible hope of getting the bill through the senate and to conthe bill through the senate and to continue staying in Harrisburg, when, in the estimation of your committee, the purpose of our mission could not be accomplished at this session, was only a needless expenditure of time and money, left for home."

PLUMMER HAS NO CLAIM

Life-Long Republican Denounces the Republican Candidate For State Treasurer As a Toady of the Gang.

(Robert J. Bolton in Philadelphia Public Ledger.)

The writer has voted the Republican ticket on national questions for 40 years, and for about 25 years has just as conscientiously voted against the various rings and gangs who have steadily robbed this city and state as a corrupt and criminal combination masquerading under the stolen name of the Republican party. The time for which he has long hoped now seems to be coming; a bright ray of light is shining ahead, and to win, all that is needed is individual effort and concentrated energy.

While the City Party is mainly interested in the city offices, still the writer fails to see any reason why any voter who prefers purity in city affairs should vote for corruption in state affairs by supporting for state treasurer that toady of the gang, Plummer, who was forced upon the party by the Penrose gang solely as a reward for his

conduct in the state legislature. Plummer has no more right to the support of any Republican who owns himself than has the stool pigeon ticket concocted by Durham, McNichol, Lane, Martin and the rest of the despicable gang who have brought the once-honored party of Lincoln in Philadelphia down to be a reproach throughout the length and breadth of the United States. Mayor Berry, of Chester, the candidate of all parties who are against the Penrose gang, is the peer of any man on our City Party ticket and just as deserving of election as they are. .



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or too close to the wall; see that it is in a position to receive plenty of

Spend as much time as possible out of doors, and take some little exercise before breakfast.

Eat very little meat but have that well cooked.

Resulutely throw aside all bothers and perplexities before retiringnever go to bid directly after working hard at night. Try to take some little relaxation before the regular bed hour.

Learn the possibilities of and the limitations to your strength, and never do more than can be accomplished without over fatigue. Avoid wrinkling the brows or

screwing up the eyes when thinking or in a glare-such contortions of countenance are unnecessary and extremely unbecoming.

Keep the body in good physical condition, with strict regard for diet, bathing and exercise.

Do not try all the "cures" and fancies suggested by triends until you have found from your physician whether such treatment will benefit your particular case. Few people suffer from exactly the same symptoms.

To Fight San Jone Scale

A Systematic Campaign to be Waged for the Suppression of the Pest

State Zoologist Surface has planned a systematic campaign for the suppression of the San Jose scale. Experts will be sent into every locality in which there is any evidence of the pest with a spraying apparatus to show how to apply the insecticides known to be effective in suppressing scale. The campaign will open on November 1st, on which date there will be meetings in the court houses of the worstinfected centres, at which experts will be present and give talks to truit growers on San Jose scale and kindred pests. At these meetings the experts will examine all twigs, leaves and fruits brought to determine what pests may be present and to learn in what part of the various counties the scale exists. From these meetings the experts -twenty in number-will go at once to the districts in which there is known to be scale and give practical demonstrations of how to fight it. The records of the Zoology Bureau show that the only counties in which there is no evidence of scale are Butler, Clinton, Cameron, Columbia. Clarion, Elk, Forest, Green, Indiana, Jefferson, Law rence, McKean, Monroe, Montour, Pike, Poter, Snyder, Susquehanna, Tioga, Warren, Washington,

Wayne and Sullivan. Zoologist Surface has said that before the bureau began fighting scale in Pennsylvania there were only seven counties in which there was no evidence, and that he was confident it tree growers and others followed the instructions of the experts who are about to be sent among them they will soon get rid of the scale. The experts have been instructed to report at State College on October 16th for two weeks' special instruction in orchard culture, care of trees and the destruction of pests. The expenses of this campaign will roomee Liddicot building, Locust avenue be paid out of the appropriation of \$30,000 made by the last legislature for the suppression of scale.

EXECUTRIX NOTICE.

Estate of W. H. Purman, late of the touth of Bloomsburg, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of W. H. Purnan, late of the town of Bloomsburg, Columbia County, Pa., deceased, have been granted to Wardie Keiler Furman, resident of sair town of Bloomsburg, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay.

WARDIE KELLER PURMAN,
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Attorney, 10-12 ft

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