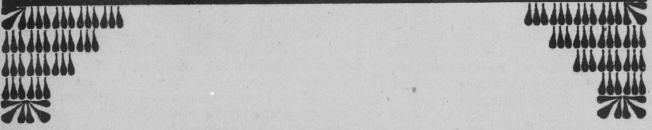


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A GEORGE'S CREEK WHINE.

Editor Clayton Wants to Know Where the Miners Were on Labor Day.

Creek Miners Abused by Labor Organ—A Whine that Shows Weakness of Miners' Union.

Labor Day was celebrated in Frostburg, Sept. 5th, just as it was in other places, but the turnout was not at all satisfactory to the George's Creek Press, the official organ of the United Mine Workers of this district. The organized miners, especially, made a poor showing, but then it must be remembered that the organization is a very weak affair in the Creek region. The miners there have long ago ceased to blindly follow a few worthless jaw-smiths, as the short-sighted men of the Elk Lick region are doing to their own great cost and detriment, while the labor grafters, jawsmiths and walking delegates are living on the fat of the land at the miners' expense.

A great majority of the Creek miners ignore the union and its official organ, but follow the sensible course of providing for their families instead of supporting a lot of worthless organizers that live by labor troubles and on money that should go to the support of hungry wives, mothers and children.

Editor Clayton, of the great (?) official miners' organ, waxed exceedingly wroth over the late Labor Day demonstration in the Creek region, and under the caption of "Where Were the Miners?" he rips the Creek miners up one side and down the other in his issue of last week. Following we reproduce by paragraph what he says, adding our comment:

Editor Clayton—"There was a big parade of organized labor at Frostburg, Monday morning. Bands and banners and the uniformity of serried ranks made a spectacular picture, and the white clothing of many bands from various branches of industry made a picturesque effect."

Comment—Your disappointment, however, must indeed have been great, judging from what follows, and the fact that the Frostburg Herald says there were only 1400 people in the parade, all told, which was indeed a very poor showing for the thickly populated George's Creek mining region, which has a population of about 10,000, of which at least half are miners.

Editor Clayton—"The worst showing, considering their comparative numbers in this county, was made by the miners. With over 5,000 men in that industry in this county alone, they ought to have had at least 1,500 or 2,000 in rank, instead of the beggarly turnout they furnished."

Comment—That's a bitter acknowledgment of weakness for you to make, but it gives a very clear idea of the weakness of the miners' organization in your region. It also speaks volumes for the good sense of the miners of the Creek region, who can see the folly of following the advice of their fool official organ at Lonaconing and a lot of worthless leaders from other states.

Editor Clayton—"As the long line wended its way up the hill, miners could be seen in houses, sitting on fences, leaning against porches, and hundreds walking along the sidewalks, admiring the men in the street, whose courage they did not apparently possess."

Comment—You are getting mean and angry now, but whom the gods would destroy they first make mad. You do not seem able to distinguish between admiration and mere curiosity. Editor Clayton—"Pitiful, wasn't it? But can this region claim any longer, in view of the sort of unionism it is displaying, that it is entitled to boast of its faithfulness?"

Comment—Pitiful only to a lot of grafters that desire to live and thrive by labor troubles. Most of the Creek miners can boast of faithfulness to themselves, their families and their best interests. In this region the union miners, at least many of them, are foolishly sacrificing their manhood and everything of value that they possess in order to be faithful to a lost cause and a few jawsmiths.

Editor Clayton—"Georges Creek is no longer in the heroic class of Illinois and Ohio and Meyersdale. It cannot hold up the head and talk of past bravery, what matters it how noble the sire if the son be not a man?"

Comment—A peach of a heroic class is the one the Meyersdale strikers are in! Most of them haven't got sense enough to walk in out of the rain. What Editor Clayton calls bravery is only rank foolishness.

Editor Clayton—"Why do the miners of Maryland play the moral coward? It is ignorance—stupidity! These regions have been preached of as the abode of wise men, thinking men, advanced men; where is their leadership? They surely have strayed for the path of honor and of right, and owe it to themselves, to their families and to their sacred honor to be true to their own duties and their own interests."

Comment—We have said all along that the great bulk of the George's Creek miners take no stock in the organization that has proven itself a detriment to the miners in every region where it has gained a strong foothold, and in Editor Clayton's tirade we have strong proof that we spoke the truth. The George's Creek miners are doing the proper thing for their own interests by ignoring the would-be official organ and the jawsmiths from abroad. They owe it to themselves, to their families and to their sacred honor to be true to their own duties and interests by continuing in the wise course they are taking, Mr. Clayton and other parasites to the contrary, notwithstanding. The Creek miners are done with labor grafters and parasites that seek to profit by strikes at the expense of the honest miner and his family, but up this way we still have a lot of short-sighted men that are just beginning to cut their wisdom teeth.

THREE JURORS CURED

Of Cholera Morbus with One Small Bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

Mr. G. W. Fowler, of Hightower, Ala., relates an experience he had while serving on a petit jury in a murder case at Edwardsville, county seat of Cleburne county, Alabama. He says: "While there I ate some fresh meat and some souse meat, and it gave me cholera morbus in a very severe form. I was never more sick in my life, and sent to the drug store for a certain cholera mixture, but the druggist sent me a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy instead, saying that he had what I sent for, but that this medicine was so much better he would rather send it to me in the fix I was in. I took one dose of it and was better in five minutes. The second dose cured me entirely. Two fellow jurors were afflicted in the same manner, and one small bottle cured the three of us." For sale by E. H. Miller.

MORE COAL RUN CRIMES.

Torch Twice More Applied to Coal Operator's Property—Rejoicing as Usual Among Strikers.

Last Saturday night a frame house at Coal Run valued at about \$350, which was the property of John Meager, was destroyed by fire, which was undoubtedly of incendiary origin.

On Monday night following, two stacks containing 30 tons of hay, also owned by Mr. Meager, were sent up in the smoke of an incendiary fire.

We presume, of course, that the old anarchistic Meyersdale Commercial will try to make it appear that the strikers were in no way to blame for the fire, but at the same time its editor and everybody else will think differently. There was no insurance on any of the property, so it is not reasonable to suppose that the burning was arranged for by the owner, as some of the strikers and old Lou Smith have been trying to make it appear every time coal company property has been destroyed. As only strikers are gloating and rejoicing over the loss, the general public will lay the blame where

it belongs, and that isn't hard to figure out.

Up to date a block of ten houses have been burned for the Merchants Coal Company; several buildings have been destroyed and the tippie fired at the Galloway & Clayton mine; the Meager tippie has been twice dynamited and once set afire; a house and two haystacks were burned for Mr. Meager, and the bottoms opened on several loaded railroad cars at his mine; his son-in-law and one of his horses have been shot; thirteen mine cars were run down the Big Vein Coal Company's plane, doing damage to the amount of \$1,000; guards have been shot at, strikers have been rejoicing over all these and many other crimes laid at their door, and yet the Meyersdale Commercial absurdly takes the position that the strikers are all innocent of these crimes and actually tries to saddle them onto the operators and guards. Such a depraved editor ought to be tarred, feathered and run out of the region for publishing malicious rot that he does not believe himself, but only intends for the injury of the coal operators, who, if not prosperous, can do little for the welfare of the region and the men who have to depend on mining for a living.

John Meager has worked hard for what he has in this world, and the miners admit that he always faithfully kept his agreements with his employees, but what thanks is he given for paying 65 cents per ton up to April 1st, 1904, as per agreement, while the other companies made a cut of 10 cents per ton several months prior to that date? No thanks whatever, and it's no wonder that public sympathy is so strongly on the operators' side at this time. The lawless element in the miners' union has crippled the miners' cause so badly that it will take it years to recover, and the sad part is that the innocent must suffer with the guilty to some extent.

A POWER FOR GOOD.

The pills that are potent in their action and pleasant in effect are DeWitt's Little Early Risers. W. S. Philpot, of Albany, Ga., says: "During a bilious attack I took one. Small as it was, it did me more good than calomel, blue mass or any other pill I ever took, and at the same time the effect was pleasant. Little Early Risers are certainly an ideal pill." Sold by E. H. Miller.

The American people are slow to repeat calamitous blunders. They remember 1892.

JOHN SHARP WILLIAMS declares that Democrats do not die in office. They are dying, however, to get in.

AMERICANS are proverbially shrewd in a trade, and will hardly take kindly to a proposition to exchange John Hay for Dave Hill.

The country would know what to do if some of the "Anti-Imperialists" would lay hands on the flag instead of just spitting at it.

DEMOCRATIC appeals for the labor vote are based on the hope that the American workman has forgotten what happened in 1893.

In the Philippines the Republicans are showing what they have done with conditions. The Democrats are still wrestling with a theory.

The New York Herald declares that "New York Democrats must wake up." Their chances of success would be improved if some of them would shut up.

AFTER all, the Republican party's chief source of strength lies in the fact that its principles appeal to the rugged common sense of the American people.

COL. BRYAN says that Hamlet is his favorite play. Judge Parker probably fears that the grave-digger is the Colonel's favorite character in the play.

KANSAS banks have \$100,000,000 on deposit, almost as much as the amount of mortgage foreclosures in the state during the last Democratic administration.

CAREFUL perusal of Democratic speeches this year fails to disclose any inspired orator who is claiming that wheat and silver always maintain a parity.

THE Democrats of the West are more interested in again securing control of the party, in 1908, than they are in what will happen to Parker and Belmont in 1904.

THE workman knows that the difference between Republican and Democratic administrations is the difference between good times and bad, between wages and want.

It is all right for Judge Parker to explain where he stands on the money question, but there is nothing in the convention record to show that his party stands with him.

DAVID B. HILL announces his intention to retire from politics and public life on January 1. He is determined, apparently, to stay a couple of months longer than Parker and Davis.

THE Democratic plea that the country needs "a change" might be more effective if the country did not remember the disastrous results that followed the last trial of Democratic theories.

JUDGE PARKER claims that the Republican Senate will watch the Democrats and prevent them from doing any harm, which would be just like a father watching his boy play with a loaded revolver.

NEITHER the gold standard nor national prosperity is irrevocably established. Both are matters of legislation, and both depend upon the supremacy of the Republican party for their permanency.

In making wagers on the election results, the Democrats will not even accept the 16 to 1 ratio. Some of the daring ones express a mild willingness to take the short end of 100 to nothing propositions.

OUR average national income under the Democratic party from 1894 to 1897 was \$321,000,000 a year. The income during the fiscal year 1904 under Roosevelt and the Dingley tariff was \$541,188,745.

SENATOR DAVIS compares present expenditures with those under Buchanan. Would Senator Davis bring about the industrial and financial conditions under which Buchanan wrote his famous message in 1857?

A FAMOUS French chef, visiting in New York, says he can not understand why the American people do not eat more soup. He ought to be told that they had an overdose of it when the Democrats were in power.

JUDGE PARKER's conversion to the gold standard bears a later date, evidently, than when he voted for Bryan in 1900. He allowed the New York Democratic convention, as late as last April, to dodge the issue.

THE Ohio miners' strike is off, the Chicago packers' strike is off, and there's a regiment of strike breeders abroad in the land, leeches on the body of labor, that ought to be plucked off and cast aside.—Connellsville Courier.

In 1893 when the Democrats came into power under Cleveland our savings bank deposits were \$1,785,150,957. They were cut down in 1894 to \$1,747,961,280. To-day under Roosevelt and protection they are over \$3,000,000,000.

AMERICAN workmen are so well employed that it is very difficult to find the recruits necessary for the army and navy. Recruiting officers probably remember the Democratic administration when idle men fought for the opportunity to enlist.

THE trouble with the Democratic candidate for the Presidency seems to be that he is too radical for the conservative Democrats and too conservative for the radicals, and between them there is still a breach which divides them irreconcilably.

THE Western Laborer, Omaha, Neb., which claims to be the oldest labor paper in the West, "will support Theodore Roosevelt with all the power it possesses, and will do its best to show the Bryan men of 1896 and 1900 a way to rebuke his enemies."

By 1892 the Republican party had reduced the interest on the public debt to \$23,000,000 a year. The Democratic party under Cleveland increased it in time of peace to \$38,000,000. The Republican party has reduced it since to \$28,000,000.

UNABLE to point to any act of President Roosevelt's administration that is censurable, the Democrats are expressing the fear that he will prove his "dangerous" character if he is elected. Funny, but that is just what the voters of the nation are thinking about the Democratic party.

A CONVENTION may be trapped to nominate a candidate who does not stand on the platform, but it is a different proposition to induce the voters to support such a candidate at the polls. Democratic managers admit this by giving up hope of carrying any of the Western states which went for Bryan in 1896 and 1900.