

The Daily Herald

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MEN ARE FOOLS

The miners of Nanaimo will read with keen interest the speech delivered by Farrington at the meeting of the Trades and Labor Council in Vancouver, at which the proposal to call a general forty-eight hour strike as a protest against the sending out of the militia, was discussed. The speech in question was reported in Friday's issue of the Vancouver World, and will be found reproduced in our news columns. Farrington's address is remarkable chiefly for its outspokenness. The men in jail here now under various charges arising out of the recent disturbances he does not regard as martyrs. He very bluntly, brutally under all the circumstances, described them as fools who did not have sense enough to keep their mouths shut. Some of them had sought to get in the line of the strike, but a man behind the bars could not give any help to the cause. This is very plain speaking and the men referred to will not find it very palatable. Neither will the men who have followed Farrington's lead throughout the strike find it either very helpful or even tolerably sustaining. It seems to us that Farrington is really denying the fruits of his own handiwork, and in this blustering manner attempting to shuffle out of his own responsibility. He told the delegates of the Trades and Labor Council that he called the strike and that during its progress he had directed every move that had been made. If this be so then it was Farrington's instructions that the local leaders of the United Mine Workers of America here shouled the men on to picketing. It was Farrington's fault that the picketing could have no other end than disorder and disturbance. It was not picketing the men were asked to do. It does not require a hundred men to picket a single worker. It was not peaceful persuasion that was attempted, but intimidation in the form of rowdy demonstration. The leaders here must have seen the dangers ahead, but still they hounded the men on to take part in these demonstrations in force. Now we learn that the man behind it all, directing the whole business, and, therefore, ordering the continuance of these demonstrations was Farrington. If this be the case, and he himself says it is, then Farrington is the man responsible for the disturbances. It is all very well to turn round after the event and declare the men to be fools. We have time and again asserted that Farrington was fooling the men. Now he himself says the men are fools, because they have got into trouble as a direct consequence of his instructions being carried out. We have been bitterly denounced for daring to venture a criticism of Farrington. It was considered less majestic, and nothing has earned The Herald so much hostility as its frequent exposures of this man's duplicity. Now the miners can judge between us. They have loyally obeyed his orders and stood bravely on the firing line, and now when some of them are in trouble they are brutally dismissed as fools. They would better have consulted their own interests had they long ago dismissed Farrington.

PASTOR WAY OFF TRUTH

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and partly in self defence, the crowd also reached for rocks and windows were broken.
Then at another mine, where several persisted in working a party of strikers had gone out to admonish them. Being warned of the coming of the strikers, the workers were armed. Mr. Crux says supposedly the owners, and the delegation was met by bullets, one of which grazed the neck of one of the party. This angered the men and after returning with guns and finding their enemy flown, they, in anger, burned the mine building.
"Hearing of this, and magnifying the trouble, forces was used by the authorities, and matters went from bad to worse until the militia was called out.
"Most of the soldiers on arriving on the ground, the minister reports, were actually ashamed of themselves, and seeing no trouble wanted to go home.
"In fact," says the reverend gentleman, "the whole thing had to be managed and distorted to the disadvantage of the miners who were put in a bad light by their actions, which primarily were more defensive than offensive."

The above article appeared in the New Westminster News a few days ago and is possibly the most hopelessly distorted review of the mining situation yet brought to the notice

of The Herald. There is none of the conscious animus and bias one finds in such publications as the Federationist and Cotton's Weekly, but if the reverend gentleman really spent two weeks in getting the misinformation he is here credited with then indeed he neglected his congregation to very poor purpose.

There is not a single item of information, not a single incident related by this parson which can have reference to Nanaimo. Indeed few of them belong anywhere. Where and how the reverend gentleman conducted his investigation let angels tell; but it could not have been in Nanaimo and wherever it was he was led badly astray.

The strike was not declared in Nanaimo to secure better and safer working conditions. The dismissal of a fireboss is a new feature, never occurred in Nanaimo, and there is no record of men refusing to enter the shaft, either here or anywhere else on the island. As to the last half-dozen finally reduced to the lone some one, with a finale of broken widows, the reverend gentleman has struck new ground. The incident might just as well be related of the Jews in Egypt. There isn't a man on the island who can identify it as a part of the troubles either at Cumberland, Ladysmith, South Wellington, Extension or Nanaimo.

In the manner of a Mandeville this parson tells of a shooting incident in which one man came pretty near getting it in the neck. The only shooting in all the disturbances took place at Extension, and the parson's account is not even good narrative, while it is a travesty of the actual happenings. There is little to be served by going further with the reverend gentleman in his ramblings. Why a man of the cloth should be seeing notoriety by such devices means is one of those things which like God's grace passes all understanding. No honest man would lend his name to such a story as the above at such a time as this, and if his professional ministrations are on a par with his investigations here then verily are the members of his congregation to be commiserated with.

Newark, O., Sept. 6.—A hasty marriage at Somerset last night, followed by the sudden death of the bridegroom, T. C. Wilson, today ended the romance of Miss Nellie Sheridan, daughter of the late Gen. Phil Sheridan.

Miss Sheridan was postmistress at Somerset for twenty-five years, and she forwarded her resignation to Washington on Monday. The ceremony was performed last night, and the couple expected to leave today for Florida for the benefit of Mr. Wilson's health. Early today he was seized with convulsions, resulting from Bright's disease, and his death occurred five hours later.

It is understood at Somerset that Mrs. Wilson will recall her resignation as postmistress.

BABY RELIANCE III WINS INTERNATIONAL TROPHY

Buffalo, Sept. 6.—In what proved to be one of the best power boat races of the year, the Baby Reliance III, owned by J. Stuart Blackton of New York, won the thirty mile Perry Centennial speed race on the Niagara River this afternoon, thus gaining possession of the \$200 Thomas trophy and the 1913 international championship.
About fifty thousand people witnessed the race, which was the big feature of today's celebration.

Mr. Coburn On The Situation

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the Pacific Coast—the firm who is supplying fire shales to your local tile pipe works. The Union Brewery are also large employers of labor, and many other small industries that employ more or less help, all contribute to make a pay roll that compares very favorably in proportion to any other city on the Coast, even yet.

Neither is he taking into account the distributing centre for the Island that Nanaimo is becoming and is destined to become.
We cannot help but admit that the strike has been a very serious loss to Nanaimo, and if it had not taken place we would have had the most industrious and progressive city in this part of the country at the present time.

I think if Mr. Shoebottom will investigate these remarks he will admit that his duties there have occupied his time so fully that he did not take the time to look very thoroughly into this matter.

JOHN W. COBURN, Ex-President of Nanaimo Board of Trade.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

On this page will be found a letter from Mr. John W. Coburn, a former president of the Nanaimo Board of Trade, in which he deals with conditions in that city. We have rarely had the privilege of publishing a letter which gives us as great pleasure as this one. We are very sure that Mr. Shoebottom had no desire to present things in a more unfavorable light than the facts warrant, and that he will be as much gratified as anyone else that so excellent an authority as Mr. Coburn feels justified in taking such an optimistic view. Mr. Coburn expresses the opinion that, if it had not been for the strike Nanaimo would rank first among our Coast cities in point of prosperity, and while we hardly feel like going so far as that, we freely admit that until the miners went out the prospects of that city were rosy indeed, a fact that was admitted on all sides.

When we express the opinion that if work in the mines could be resumed, the Coal City would enter upon a new lease of prosperity for which its interesting history affords no parallel, we only say what everyone thinks, and in view of this we trust that good sense will speedily assert itself and that the miners who form so important a part in the community, and have permanent interests there will unite with the mine owners in bringing about a renewal of the very satisfactory conditions existing up to only a few months ago.

LOG-SCALING RECORD

A record in the amount of timber scaled in the Coast district is shown in the figures for August last, which have just been compiled at the timber inspector's office. The measurement recorded, totals 66,382,150 feet.

The figures for August of last year would, at first glance, appear to represent a larger measurement, totaling as they do, 67,000,000 feet, but this took in Vancouver Island, which has since been formed into a new district, so that, deducting 9,000,000 feet, representing island timber scaled, the total for August, 1913, will be seen to exceed that for the corresponding month of the previous year by 8,000,000 feet.

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PETTIPIECE MAKES MANY MISSTATEMENTS

The attention of The Herald has been drawn to a speech by Mr. P. Pettipiece at the Labor Day celebration at New Westminster. Mr. Pettipiece is well known in Nanaimo as an advanced and ardent Federationist. He has had a good deal to say already about the strike here, and it would appear that the less he knows the more he talks.

His one guiding principle is that the labor side of a dispute is always the right side. He waits for no evidence; does not want evidence. If there is trouble he is ready and willing to goit blind on the side of the workers. Very naturally this characteristic of Pettipieces is taken advantage of by craftier men than himself. Farrington, for example, got him going by telling him that Crothers had refused to grant the request of the Cumberland men for an investigation. It was a deliberate untruth on the part of Farrington, but it is sufficient to start Pettipiece.

Then he was just as easily lead by the militia question. His information on the situation here was gained from the report sent out over Foster's name and from the speech delivered by Pettigrew in the Vancouver Arena. There isn't a man in Nanaimo who does not know that this report and this speech were a tissue of lies, designed to mislead the workers of the province as to the real sequence of events in Nanaimo and district. Pettipiece, of course, accepted every statement by either Foster or Pettigrew as gospel truth, and has spoken and written accordingly.

In his speech at New Westminster he stumbles into other broken ground. He declared, according to the News report, that the miners were being thrown into jail and treated like criminals before they had been convicted of any offence whatever. The presumption of innocence which the British law prescribed, was absolutely disregarded, he declared, in the proceedings now holding attention on Vancouver Island.
It is hardly necessary to state that all the forms of law have been complied with in the cases of the men arrested here. It was inevitable that some hardships be inflicted upon some few individuals, but there has been no complaint as to the administration of the law so far as the cases have progressed up to the present. Yet this statement by Pettipiece will be accepted as correct by the men to whom it was addressed, and it destroys their faith in the justice of their country.

Continuing Pettipiece said "The miners had looked to the provincial government to enforce the Coal Mines Regulation Act and to bring about a settlement of the difficulties that existed between the coal companies and the men, and it was not until the miners had to protect themselves against all sorts of insults from the strike-breakers and other agents of the coal companies that the government had intervened, and then it was, the speaker said, to send the military forces of the country. The miners may have done some of the things of which they were charged but they had had plenty of provocation."

It would be just as well to leave this aspect of the situation as much alone as possible. So far as Nanaimo is concerned there were no strike-breakers, at South Wellington they were in a very small minority, and they were also greatly outnumbered at Ladysmith. And again let it be said that the militia did not arrive before they were needed, and had they been summoned on Monday it is almost certain that there would have been no disturbances at all.

In the course of his further remarks Pettipiece cites as one of the contributing factors of the trouble the appointment by the government of mine inspectors who did not inspect and the passing of laws which were not enforced. These are the easiest kind of charges to make, especially as the men accused can enter no

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Yours truly,

W. A. V. R.

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Dated at Nanaimo, B. C., this 1st day of August, A. D., 1913.
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(Signed) ROBERT RANKIN, Aug. 25. 25-6t.

NOTICE

During my absence from the 'city, my son Thomas B. Booth holds my power of attorney.

ROBERT BOOTH Nanaimo, Sept. 2.

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(Signed) ROBERT RANKIN, Aug. 25. 25-6t.

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