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FIRING LINE

Theodore Tynisk, of Dawson, Y. T., subscribes for two years.

The Workingman's Club of Fernie, B. C., cannot do without Cotton's. So the club subscribes for a year.

Neil MacKenzie, of Gow Ganda, Ont., sends along his sub for a year. Is in a hurry to get his paper.

J. H. Wood, of Point St. Charles, Montreal, sends in a yearly sub for a neighbor and remarks, "this is one more to help."

R. Mack of Cape Breton sends along a trial for an enquiring neighbor. It does not take long to turn such enquirers into comrades.

Wilfrid Gribble sends in from McAdam Junction, N. B., a yearly and a dollar bill and tells me to hold the other half till he can find a new victim.

Com. Karley of Chesly, Ont., has captured a yearly and sends it along. The capture has made him keen for the chase and he is out looking for more.

Bert Savage, of Steelton, Ont., comes to the front again this week with a yearly and two halves. The Steelton sub list is growing quite extensive.

John Parsons of Hochelaga sends in four trials from Montreal. Every trial helps break down the prejudices that workingmen have against their own party.

Just before going to press Wm. Watts of Manitoba lands with another list of ten trials. This makes twenty trials that have arrived through the efforts of Comrade Watts this week.

M. W. Stechishin, of Brandon, Man., sends along his sub and becomes a reader of Cotton's. Says he would have subscribed weeks ago if he had a permanent address.

John Riggan, of Kincardine, Ont., drops in with four trials all for his town. During the three months we will try to clear their trains of capitalist misconceptions.

F. F. Brignall, of Woodstock, Ont., Finnish Section, sends along a yearly and two halves. There are a lot of people who want to read Cotton's and there are a lot of socialists who are giving them an opportunity to subscribe.

Chas. Kernick, of Sydney Mines, N. S., lands with a yearly and two trials and a bundle order for himself of twenty-five for two weeks. Comrade Kernick is evidently going fishing for subs and wants a good supply of good bait on hand.

William Watts has struck out for new hunting grounds and rounds up ten trials from Bredenbury, Sask. Also renews his own sub. The way this revolutionary camps on the trail of the capitalists and garners in the stragglers is encouraging.

The receipts last week were \$32.40. The disbursements last week were \$159.88. Deficit \$115.28. There has not been a week in Cotton's when the weekly receipts were sufficient to pay actual cost of production for the week. I am trying a four page paper this week to see how it goes.

The Jungle Club of Hespeler, Ont., have been out into the capitalist woods hunting for the brain weary grown up babies who are lost in the tall timber of capitalism. As a result the Jungle Club have sent along seven men to be taken care of by Cotton's and taught the true economic gospel.

J. Booth, of Painswick, Ont., sends along three trials. Is out for more. It is quite a trick to capture a trial. The plute thinker will bluster and Cain round and sneer at socialism and will be tremendously wise in his own con-

OLD PEOPLE SUFFER TORTURES with their BACKS

Here is a Case in Point.

Of course you know a dull ache or sharp pains in the back come from sick Kidneys. Old age exacts its penalty. The kidneys become weak or strained through the hard work of a lifetime. Plasters, ointments and liniments only ease the pain—they can't reach the Kidneys. As soon as the effects of such remedies wear off the pain returns worse than ever because the Kidneys are worse. West Fort William, Nov. 7th, 1908. "I have been troubled with a lame Back for the past twenty years and have used plasters and ointment without effect. At last I tried Gin Pills, which proved just the thing, and I would highly recommend them to anyone who has Strained or Lame Back."

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cent. The way sub hustlers are capturing trials shows that they are on their job.

John McInnis, Phoenix, B. C., sends along twenty trials and declares he will send along a lot more if the rate is satisfactory. The rate is satisfactory as I want to get people awakened to the horrors of capitalism and to help point out the way of escape. Comrade McInnis expects the Provincial elections soon and considers that Cotton's is a splendid propaganda paper.

Okotoks Local sends along four half-yearlies and wants Cotton's sub list to keep tabs on the subscribers. This is a good idea. Last week about three hundred names were removed from Cotton's sub list. Cotton's stops when the sub expires and it is quite a problem to find a way to get renewals from the less active readers. There are many men who will renew if they did not have the bother of writing and of enclosing a postal note.

Harry Peters and Geo. Penfold, both of Guelph, Ont., are still on the war-path. Comrade Peters captures five trials and a half while Comrade Penfold staggers into the sache's wigwag with ten trials and four halves. I like to see the trials coming in. It means that many men who never knew what socialism was are going to get a chance to read about it for three months. After three months' reading of Cotton's I am sure that the new readers will have come to the conclusion that socialism does not mean dividing up, that it does not mean bloodshed and mob fury, that it does not mean handing over the reigns of government to the lazy and unfit.

Is This You?

To the Editor of Social Democratic Herald:

"I am only a factory hand. I go to work in the morning when half the people are asleep; work ten hours a day and go home at night more dead than alive, so tired that I cannot take any interest in life.

"I have no friends, because I cannot get time to fulfill any social obligations. I get no time for recreation.

"I can earn only a bare living. I can save nothing for old age and I have tried hard. In the morning I see only laborers like myself, with bitter, hard faces caused by the struggle for life—the great majority foreigners.

"I feel like a prisoner." "At night it is somewhat different. I see autos filled with laughing, jubilant people who are persons of leisure. They lead a life of pleasure because such as I must toil.

"I am a graduate of our public schools. I am not an animal and yet I am treated like a dog. No kindly word ever reaches me, and I am cursed and urged on to greater toil. My goal is the poorhouse, while the corporations are expanding with blood-money.

"A LABORER."

PARTY NOTES

A new local has been formed at Westmount with a good list of charter members.

Com. Rev. Stitt Wilson, M. A., will be in Montreal about November 12th, and will speak on dates to be announced later. He is on his way home after a propaganda campaign in England.

It is rumored that Comrade Eugene V. Debs of The Appeal will be in Montreal some time in November. Comrade Debs, as is well known, was the socialist candidate for president at the last U. S. election.

Maritime Provinces Organization Fund

Following are further contributors to the Maritime Provinces Organization Fund:

Balance acknowledged Oct. 6th to 9th \$28.22
Com. Jas. Simpson 1.00
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FROM SPRINGHILL

Written for the Boys in the West

Springhill N. S.

To Editor Cotton's Weekly:

Dear Sir—Almost every person is looking for new developments in the strike situation in our town.

The latest is a new streak of cowardice on the part of the Company. Evidently they were afraid the statements prepared by the press committee on behalf of the men, would give the reading public an insight into the mismanagement of the Cumberland R'y, and Coal Co., from the men's point of view, and have taken the trouble, and gone to one more unnecessary expense (which no doubt will be charged up to running expense of the mine) by furnishing in book form, an argument which they would have the public believe was edited by a miner. They must think the public "easy."

I am led to believe that they were prepared by the bosom friend of the Company—a lawyer in Halifax, who does not work for fun.

He has taken great pains to prepare this wonderful little booklet, which contains more argument than sense, and some special questions for Terris to answer, which if you will kindly grant me space, I will endeavor to do.

So deeply interested in the company's affairs is he, that he has forgotten, and on several occasions used the word "we" which gives the whole deceptive scheme away. For instance, on page 16 we read, "Twenty years ago 'we' sold 439,000 tons of coal. 'We' only sold 375,000 last year" (Let me say just here that last year they did not have any Union to bother them.)

Every one knows that the miners did not sell the coal. I know of only one miner who sold any coal, in that case he sold a part of a load to a neighbour and was discharged for ever. On the same page he says, "We have the coal alright—lots of it—we have the mine and equipment—there is no coal better in Nova Scotia," and on page nine he says, "Whatever else is said about Springhill, the public looks upon it as a model mine with equipment and workings in advance of any mine we know of." The above statement of facts should be sufficient to guarantee to the world at large that Springhill yet has a permanent future, if we are fortunate enough to get a manager with sound judgement and tact, that can operate a model mine without the dictation of a lawyer.

Another question is asked—"Do they (the men) think the statement re the Co. going behind, untrue?" I understand that the mining and loading the coal has averaged less than 74c per ton, and that the model mine has gone behind \$300,000 in three years. In the name of common sense, I ask, what would the miner get per ton, with the present management, in order to make the mine pay? Another thing I know, that when this statement came before the Longley Board, the Officials of the Co. on cross examination, refused to father it, and in the midst of the predicament and shame, Hector McInnis, the Co.'s lawyer, with a smiling blush on his face arose and said: "I prepared those statements."

My opinion is still the same—that men of the legal profession are about as capable to judge the miners affairs, as a miner is to argue a case before the supreme court.

On page 11 he asks "Can the miner get along without the Company?" Well, if money makes money, as most capitalists say, suppose the Co. tries it while the men stay out of their way. Since labour creates capital, I must admit that the Co. is more depending upon the men than the men upon the Co.

On page 6 we read: "Before the mines were opened Springhill did not amount to a hill of beans." May I gracefully add—neither did the Company. The Bank furnished the money. We furnished the labour and Mr. Cowans did the teaming, and if he had been a competent driver he would not have learned them to balk, and now when the U.M.W. are feeding the team, he is so afraid they might kick, that he wants the soldiers brought in to protect him.

I heartily agree with Mr. Archibald, who has a practical mining knowledge, and who represented the Company at the Longley Board, when in his address he said, "With us the whole thing is foreign, but with you men it is a reality (speaking to both men and officials) and understand things as they really are," and he strongly urged that the

men and officials get together and settle matters peaceably and fairly to all concerned. But the great "I am" thought he could not recognize his men as human workman, and forced on a strike.

Another question he asks—"Are strikes a good thing to increase business?" Since the Co. have experienced 23 strikes in 22 years, I would suggest, to try the next 22 years, with no strikes, and I have no doubt the result will be satisfactory.

On page 5 we read "Terris says the Company wants to provide 5c per ton for a sinking fund, and he is not willing for them to do it at our expense." I say in lieu of there being no miners compensation act in force in Nova Scotia (and there is no reason why there should not be) to guarantee the protection of the miners widow and orphans, that human rights should be considered before a sinking fund.

Some day the workmen of Nova Scotia will perform their duty and remove from the Legislature men who have made laws to protect coal corporations, as they have done—Chap. 146 N. S. Statutes, re mortgage and deed trusts.

I would like to ask my learned friend:

1st.—With all the advantages mentioned in the above, and with 70% of the best miners in the world, as has been admitted by Mr. Cowans, could not some other manager who is succeeding with a much inferior mine, make this one pay?

2nd.—If it is impossible for Mr. Cowans to continue this mine under present conditions, why not step to one side and allow some other company to relieve him of the burden?

3rd.—Can you name a mine in the world with as much pit timber laying rotting in its timber yard?

4th.—Has the worker a right to protect against extravagance and mismanagement, when his wages are affected by the same?

In closing I would say—why not get down to business—deal with men as though they were human—do the square thing—and you will find the men ready and willing to do their part, and assist in making the mine pay. His present tactics remind me of two old women quarrelling over a high board fence, and unless he changes his method of dealing with men he never will have anything but trouble.

Thanking you, I am yours sincerely,

SEAMAN TERRIS

TALE OF A TOUR

NINETEENTH INSTALLMENT

Still stationed at Albert, which I leave tomorrow for Moncton en route to Newcastle and Chatham, having just received the good news that there is a possibility of forming a Local at the latter place.

Since last writing, Fillmore and I have been to Harvey, where we had "a small but appreciative audience." The rest of my time has been put in talking to the few that dared venture to visit the headquarters of Albert and in plotting with the stalwarts of Albert Local, Davidson, Tingley and Fillmore, for the downfall of Capitalism.

Davidson is a "free and independent farmer" who is on to the game of where and how he is robbed and is consequently a revolutionist through and through. He is a S. A. veteran! Then there is ex-Sergeant Fillmore, and Tingley, he also knows a good deal more than the butt from the muzzle. A useful trio, anyway you look at them! Last week I received a letter from comrade Haywood, who is likely to make a tour of the Maritime. All Locals have been communicated with and replies received from Springhill, New Glasgow, St. John and Moncton.

The first three places with dates. Comrade Haywood's letter was delayed as it was sent to Toronto and I received it on the night he was at Cobalt. I replied to him there, but do not know where to catch him now.

Will some Comrade reading this direct Comrade Haywood's attention to this request that he communicate with Roscoe A. Fillmore, Albert, N. B., giving full particulars as to the date he is free for the Maritime etc. If a favorable reply is received from McAdam Junction, Haywood will speak first at that place, otherwise St. John will be the first place at which he will speak. Locals are requested to reply as soon as possible, if business meeting is too far off, a special meeting should be called.

I should like to correct a printers error in my sixteenth installment on date of 30th Sept., the middle of the fourteenth paragraph should read like this: "I hope and believe the new Maritime Executive will put and keep an organizer in the field. On a no or



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