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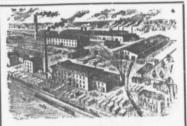
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********** ON MID-SUMMER HOLIDAY.

A SCOTTISH SABBATH.

(By the Editor.)

What grand fun American, and other long distance visitors, used to have over the manner in which the genuine Scot kept the Sabbath. These people, accustomed to noise, and to pleasure seeking on the day of rest could not get away with the orderly, staid and decorous behaviour and the somewhat severe and solemn look of the Scot on the Sabbath. They altered the proverb and besides man made it read 'the Sabbath was made for man and end' outing. the Scot for the Sabbath. I must admit, after ab, how many years sojourning in a strange land, that erally at the canonical hour of eleven a. m., and Scots were too austere in the keeping of the Sabbath, that they too much observed the letter and service is not now the rule, but the exception. Of too little the spirit of the law, And yet, were I to course we cannot miss a Scots sermon. compare the Sabbath of a quarter of a century ago in Scotland with that of the Sabbath of to-day Free. The church is filled. The service is con-in, say, the United States. the comparison with dutted much as are services in Canada. One out doubt, would be in favor of the former. compare the Sabbath of to-day as 'kept' in Scot- is congregational signing. It does good to hear land and America the comparison is wholly and it, and take part in it, to one with half an ear for most emphatically in favor of the former. Time music. Of course there was an organ and a choir, has mollified the former strictness of the Scottish but their places were subordinate. Sabbath, while, on the other hand, in America it lead the congregation, it was the other way rather. has seen liberty outgrow itself into looseness and rlaving got the pitch from the organ and the pace Scotland heneficial; while in the U.S. the change hands and did it splendidly, dreaming the sound has been for the worse. Of course in the big cit- of the organ and the vices of one coor, not by ies like Glasgow and Edinburgh there is more and mere noise, but by music from the heart, fittingly more an approach to the continental Sabbath, but expressed by the lips, the few big cities and towns are not the Leart of

ence, one is very apt to take liberties which he would not dream of taking at home and, therefore the decorum, orderliness, and general unimpeachable behavior of the crowds was the more noticeable. The two score and more steamers un-loading and loading passengers on week days had diminished in number to two. On week days there are an innumerable number of row boats and motor boats continually on the move. These, all of them, are riding quietly at anchor. There is no castle building, nor paddling in the water. Hard on the children do you say? Not a bit of it. Childish happiness consists in large part in 'looking forward', and with the Sunday break they look gladly forward to a resumption of their castle building and paddling on the Monday, and they resume their work and their pleasure with an added zest. There is not even a tram car running. That part of the fourth Commandment which says 'in it thou shalt not do any work' is being observed so far as it is possible to do so. And where are the crowds? Promenading. Sniffing the salt sea breezes or inhaling the exquisite indefinable perfume from the hills. There are crowds at this corner, and at that. What are they doing? Listening to the S. A. or some layman of this or that denomination. And besides the mission schooner Albatross is in the offing. Members of her crew land and conduct services. The crowds look happy. Many of them are shop girls and shopmen and many tradesmen and their wives, besides many 'well to do', who are here on a 'week

Services in the churches in Scotland are genthe non canonical hour of 7 p. m. The mid-day to the nearest church, which turns out to be a Ud. If I thing they can beat us all to pieces in, in Scotland, The change has been in some parts of from the choir, the people took the matter in their

Organs and cooirs are a necessary evil in some Scotland. I have spent not a few Sabbaths in the places, these days. As between organ and choir, States, a few in England, and one or two on the and hear yeongregational singing g ve methe lat Continent, and yet I prefer the Sabbath as I saw ter all the time. Even in these advanced days, it kept in Rothsay this year. Rothsay is a large when ritual has become fashionable it is possible coast town, a watering place, where the influx of to have high class congregational singing withvisitors in the summer nearly doubles the popul. out the adjuncts of an organ or a sporty choir. visitors in the state of the st who were regular attendants in church in Nova goodness it is not yet the custom in Scotland to Scotia after crossing the line become lax at first sing and praise God with ones mouth shut, or by and then gradually give the church a wide berth. proxy. They do their own singing in Rothsay at Of course there are many exceptions. When a any rate. They can sing in Scotland in congreway from home and free from observation, for gations, to please even an English elergyman. after all, the tear o hell's a hangmans whip to A Manchester clergyman in his magazine deskeep the wretch in order, which of course means cribes in laudatory terms the singing in a church that the fear of detection has a restraining juffu- in Inverness. Among other things he says:--

"Those who cannot conceive of church music did not go where drunken people are," without an organ should attend the Free High ply was, I saw drunkenness on a former occasion Church at Inverness. They will have their eyes without looking for it. I saw little or none on opened and their ears delighted, and will gain a this occasion." I have frequently read of clergysinging. And so it might, as it has done in some crowds. The representation of the Scots. Some people, among them the organist, lifted from off the Scots. forget that the organ and the choir are, or at opinion in Scotland. least should be, only aids.

'bioscope' or rather vaudeville shows. The pecularity of these is that the performance is visible them-we boldly took a front seat, on one occas with a catchy refrain, that caught the audience was about the sufferagists. The chorus ran:
"Oh put me on an Island where the girls

are few.

But for pity sake DONT put me near a

where and active. They carry on their propo- When caught in this manner it can be swallowed ganda even in coast towns. In answer to the at a gulp. If caught in the middle the catcher ganda even in coast towns. In answer to the at a guip. It caught in the induite the catcher question, 'What is the matter with the women,' never gets the chance to swallow; a competitor a pawky Scotsman said, "O, they are hadly in comes along, takes in the situation, seizes the fish a paway scotsinian said. O, they are only in comes along, datas it away from the other and need of a man. What did he mean? Ah, that by the head, draws it away from the other and is too intricate a subject to discuss. For further drops it down its own throat. There is as much information readers are referred to any duly sport to the onlookers as to the fishermen or the qualified practitioner. They are terrors, these gulls.

One would expect from what they have read themselves with Islay or Campbelton. That may have been the case twenty five years ago, but certainly it is not the case to day. Thirty years ago when a particular trade or craft went on an excursion, if they went all out sober they came back nearly all drunk. It is quite different now. Of the thousands upon thousands of excursionists I saw and sailed with, I do not think I saw a single drunk man. The sobriety of the pleasure seekers was as pleasing as it was surprising. A temperance wave must have swept over Scotland and carried with it much of the former alleged besetting sin of its people The remark was made in a railway carriage, as to the absence of drunken. N. S. mine operators. On no! they are here to squeeze ness in the streets of Glasgow, as compared with them, and all, as some allege, in the interests of the former years, Said a passenger, But perhaps you American operators.

new view of the possibilities of psalmody. The men and others from this side declaring they had gallery behind the pulpit is occupied by a choir seen more drunkenness in Scotland in a day than with an average attendance of sixty five. The on this side in a year. Its a bold thing to do but leading of the conductor is efficient, and—mark I'm equal to it. I'll put my experience this year athis—unostentations; with such a lead we sang, gainst theirs and declare in honesty and sincerity, We did indeed, and what is more we could hear that I saw more drunk men in Quebec, one afterourselves. The congregation has no objections to noon and evening than I did in the six weeks I ourseives. The congregation has no objections to noon and evening than I did in the six weeks a an organ, but fears it might put an end to their spent in Scotland, on occasions among vast singing." And so it might, as it has done in some crowds. The reproach of drunkenness is being That is the general

If one wanted a days shooting in Scotland he Let me change the subject. There are in the sum- could not well get it unless at a very great price, mer time many forms of amusement. There are He might come across a game keeper with an Among the former are two itching palm, or a soft hearted estate owner, but I doubt it. To secure a days fishing-salmon fishularity of these is that the performance is visible ing excepted—is a comparitively easy matter, by the strollers. A number of seats are provided This can be done in several ways. He can fish off immediately in front of the platform. For these the pier head, or in a boat in a bay, or risk being 2d, 3d, or 4d, is characteristic. 2d, 3d, or 4d, is charged, according to position, caught whipping a well nigh depleted burn, or by Behind these chairs is the general admission open tipping the gamey. The latter is more accessible to the public, free, if they refuse to contribute, to such a request than to one to practice with his The space for the general admission is crowded fowling piece. He can either shut his eyes or go to excess, even though there are vacant chairs, to the opposite side of the estate. At Rothsay The Scots you know are canny. Having no fear boys and men are during daylight busy fishing off of Stellarton elders before our eyes, the sea divid- the pier. They do it for the pure delight of the ing us-in their presence we might tremble-for thing, for the fish are not allowed to be eaten. ion at least. There is no occasion to give the fish, like pigs, are not dainty in their diet, the ed-The sewerage empties at the pier, and as some whole show away. And we were rewarded. It ict has gone forth that the fish are foul, and unfit was a really good and amusing affair One song, for food. Yet the fishermen fish away, and the catch is thrown to the gulls, which affords additional fun. The gulls are gluttons, some are good for a half dozen half pound fish. Where they stow them is the mystery. When a fish is thrown Put me with the ferocious an'mals in the zoo, into the water there is a swoop after it. The rule Put me on an Island and I'll never never fret of the game is that the fish must be caught as the gull flies, If the first misses, the next gull on the look out tries the trick. Talking of the suffragettes, they are every- failures for the fish must be caught by the head. There are numerous

and been told that when Scots people are out for letter is that it was ever written. If one thing is em-The amazing thing about the local president's open phasized in the letter it is that American officials would not interfere in local interests, that is, that the C. B. miners would dance and the American officials would look on, hand in purse pocket, ready to pay the piper. Well, McCullough, the Vice-Pres. of the American order claims the honor of having ordered out the pumpmen, firemen, etc. at Springhill, Pres. Lewis would not have called them out for it is against the "policy and principles of the United Mine Workers to order out pumpmen and such others as are necessary to protect property." A good policy; and one perhaps followed by the U. M. W. in the U. S, A good policy; and one that is then the U. M. W's, are not here to play fair with the

SHOULD THE U. M. W'S BE EXCLUDED.

On hearing such a question a number of fanciful reformers may, likely, hold up their hands aghast. There are, possibly, a number of men of uncertain mind who will denounce such a suggestion as outrageous. The propounder of such a question, we know, exposes himself to the charge of being a narrow sonl, and an ignorant bigot. And yet, notwithstanding, we take the full responsibility of sending forth the query

We have been told, by no less an one than the Premier of the Province—reiterated by the press - that the workingmen of this or any other province have a right to join any society they please.

We concede they have the right, unquestioable in some cases, while to a limited extent in others,

A man has a right to belong to any religious or fraternal society, wherever its home, because his membership in no way affects the trade, the commerce, or the industries of his native country. We are told a Canadian has a right to belong to the friendly societies whose headquarters are in the United States. We concede the right on the ground that such societies, being purely benevolent and fraternal, will never interfere with his politics, with his business, with the manner in which he shall earn his living, the amount he shall earn ers would be more or less benefited by such a stopiety will never in any way tend to disarrange the business of his native land. He is willing to be under the jurisdiction of the Sovereign Lodge, though its executive may be chiefly American, for the one privilege of being able to give and receive the glad hand in his travels near or far,

A man we admit has a right to join the Mormon church if he pleases. His right is not so full as that of the provincial Oddfellow or Forester. He may join the Mormons but he is brought immediately to task, is seized by the law, if he attempts to put a certain doctrine of that church into prac-

His right is prescribed. He may hold the Mormon faith; he must forego Mormon practices. Why is his right limited

Because it is considered a 'practice' of that church, if tolerated in Canada, would have an evil effect upon the morals of the community.

We are right in this decharation, are we not? Assuming we are we will make it the basis for

an argument.

One born and brought up in the Christian belief has a right, if he chooses, to embrace the Jewish faith and attach himself to a syragogue. His rights however are limited. He may refrain from bloody meats; he may close his store or his factory or his foundry on a Saturday, but about there his rights end. He durst not open the store, unless it be an ice cream factory, or work the foundry, on a Sunday Several reasons are urged why he may not do so, which it is not necessary here to

The objects of government are to promote the moral, and the mental welfare, and the material prosperity of the people. The former it leaves very largely to the churches; it assists the people, in the second, by grants of money and organ-present the cost of labor. In a word it is all labing the third that it claims the making and re-

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Protection is futile, is a farce, if, while preventing the introduction of foreign goods from stopping the wheels of industry, it does not prevent them being stopped by other means, and methods.

page. Is it thinkable that American mine operators should be permitted to compel the Canadian Finance Minister to frame a tariff policy to their liking. No. Why, then, should agitators, acting on behalf of American operatives, be permitted to come in and make worthless that policy, as applied to the coal mines

'Monstreus, that is far fetched.' Not so far, after all, if we are going to allow foreign organizers and agitators to come and say when our collieries shall work and when they shall not. 'This is more nonsense' Is it indeed? Members of a lodge are nonsense' bound by its rules, lodges are bound by the Grand Lodge, and the Grand Lodge by the Constitution. Let us then appeal to Caesar. What does the Constitution of the U. M. W. say? It says any lodge, which implies all lodges, may be ordered out if the so doing is in the interests of-the miners of Nova Scotia? Oh no. Not by any means, but in the interests of the Mine Workers of America. It is said, we are aware, that the Grand Lodge, or whatever it is, of the U. M. W. will never interfere in local disputes. We, for our part, cannot trust them. In their pride they will do anything, as witness the strikes at Inverness, Springhill and Glace Bay. "They wil" . : do it'. hill and Glace Bay. They we will they not? The Constitution gives them the will they not and the old saying has it. The means to do ill deeds make ill deeds done.

If there are any industries in Canada that need protection the two most deserving are, certainly, coal and iron. And on these two industries, Nova Scotia's future prosperity undoubtedly hangs. In 'protecting' coal and iron, labor receives more benefit than in any other industry. Take an ingotof steel. Place its value at twenty dollars. Deduct twenty-five cents as the cost of the ore, and the

modelling of them as its prerogative. It uses this it in their power to do numerise injury to so imauthority to the extent of declaring to outsiders : portant an industry, from the labor stand point? Here is a ton of coal, taken from a Pictou mine. the United States. The work of building may be

In the interest of the government, who are benefited by the industry; in the interest of the people generally, who share in the money distributed in the province, by and through this industry, and in the interest of the laborers themselves, we hold that the government will be justified in passing a measure which will prevent our chief industry being jeopardized by outsiders, even though they come calling us brothers. Yes, even though they say they come to do us good, and show us the way to bigger and better things.

The fact that there has never been a voice raised against Canadians joining fraternal societies, whose headquarters are in a foreign land, has been put forth as an argument why workingmen should have the right accorded them to join a foreign trades union. There is no restraint, we are told, put upon Canadians joining the Masons or Oddfellows, Knights of Columbus or Foresters whose head centres may be in the United States. the times he shall not work, so long as he is not a refusal implies 'strike' receiving benefits, The Masons is a benevolent society without any schedule of rates of aliment. Men do not join it for pecuniary benefit in sickness but rather because that in visiting strange places they may be sure of making acquaintances and forming companionships to add zest to their journeyings. If the member of a secret society wishes to secure the greatest privilege, that of resubmissive. Most of us, for instance, think we ship, the supreme or grand lodge cannot secure it have the right to sell in the dearest marker, and for him. . He must obtain it by his own individual exertion and action. We might elaborate this in the first instance, says "No you don't, unless point but consider it unnecessary. With a trades you pay sweetly for the privilege", and, in the latunion like the U. M. W. it is different. The head ter instance the Canadian government says also: body dietates to the 'district' and the district con- "No you don't unless you pay sweetly for the privtrols the individual lodge, and the lodge orders ilege. about the individual member. The head centre, or the district, may order a lodge, whose members have no grievance, to strike, In short, the head centre, controlled by foreigners, can stop the wheels of industry in any locality, if it gets the but the good of the people of the province at large. some other locality, even though that other is in far away Pennsylvania.

It is urged as a reason why there should be no interference with Nova Scotian miners joining an American miners union that already American unions of many trades have branches in Canada. We are told that the masons, bricklayers, carpenters, railwaymen, stevedores, etc. have international unions, What of that? The harm such connection-Canadian with American unions—can do is but limited. The American head centres or executive of such uninns may only sanction and sustain strikes. The members of American unions are not individually or collectively benefitted by such strikes. If the bricklayers in montreal strike, the contractors there are not dispuieted by the thought that brick houses will be bodily imported from

The average selling price, slack included, is less stopped, but not to the advantage of American buildthan two dollars and fifty: "Of that amount two ers, and so with the product of the labor of the other thirds is claimed by labor, at and in the colliery trades. A strike of Canadian railwaymen, or stevealone. The yast quantities of timber, used in the dores, carries with it no direct benealt to men of these cla ses over the line. It is entirely different with miners. A stoppage at the collieries in Nova Scotia means a direct benefit to the American operators and the American operatives. It means more trade and more profits for the former, and more days labor and bigger wages for the latter. It building is stopped, in a Canadian city for a time owing to a strike, it means brisker work when operations are resumed. A stoppage of work at our collieries may mean on the other hand less brisk work after resumption, for our operators have lost customers, to the American operators, who they may not soon win back again. Further, a strike of masons in Montreal or Toronto means no loss of revenue to the government, or restricted grants to education or roads. A strike of miners in Nova Scotia means loss to the government and injury to the province at large. But why, it may be asked, this frequent re-ference to strikes; are the U. M. W.s. strike breaders? We imagine so. They tell us in one breath they come as missionaries of peace; in the next they tell us that We answer, there is little if any analogy between a their coming and reception means two dollars where fraternal society and a trades union. The Odd- now \$1,50 is paid pit laborers, and \$1,75 where \$1,25 fellows, for instance, have no control over a mans is paid pit boys. If the first be true the second is a actions, or of his outgoings or of his incomings, or lie; if the second be true the first is in that category. of the times he shall go to work and quit and of Any such demand could only be met by a refusal, and

We will probably be met with the cry, "To prevent workingmen from joining any trades union would be an unjustifiable interference with their rights and liberties." But, then, we are interfereing, with what some people hold to be their rights, every day and at every turn. Our individual and collective-in a sense-rights are interfered with-as we think-yet as patriots we are buy in the cheapest. The American government, you pay sweetly for the privilege", and, in the lat-

A duty on exports. or their prohibition as in the case of pulp wood in Quebec, -and prohibition is talked there-would be infringing on the liberty of certain subjects. Yet these are not considered,

New Zealand, another country much lauded, interferes with the rights of workingmen-in the interests of the whole community. Its government says to workingmen: 'We have taken from you what you in the past have considered your best weapon, a weapon which, while it has hurt the employers, has also inflicted injury on the whole community, and we are substituting therefore an instrument that will protect the community while doing justice to you and your employers."

This is already a long story, though we have but touched the fringe of the subject. Some one may ask us to sum up and say how we would exclude the U. M. W. Our answer is in one or in org of two ways. First. Make it imperative that every trades union in Canada be incorporated, that the incorporators be Canadian, that its head office be in the province, granting incorporation, and, as

in the case of the P. W. A. a provincial society, weeks. that its rules and laws be subject to the governor You in council; and or, second, make abritration in trades disputes compulsory, and the findings binding, uning your local president says the strike is not over der large penalty. After that give the workingmen the privilege to join a union in any part of the world. The P. W. A. is incorporated and its rules are subject to the approval of the Governor in Council. some sixty four thousand tons of American slack Why should an irresponsible foreign horde be perand round were brought into the maritime promitted a footing in this country, who have no rule and whose history proves they despise order.

Under 'protection' Nova Scotia expects that her coal and iron industries will be fostered and exship would be benefited by their curtailment, workers. erippling, or utter destruction. No other country would tolerate the interference of foreigners with their industries and the men employed therein. lieries in N. S. should be curtailed, We are almost sick tired of hearing of the greatness of Germans and their country, yet let us take a lesson from them. A foreign trades union would not be tolerated for an instant please. in Germany. Foreigners are not allowed to interfere with German workmen. A year or two ago terfere with German workmen. A year or two ago
Oh, you won't answer, well I'll answer for you,
a Nova Scotia coal company sent an agent to GerI believe in the rights of individuals, but every many in an effort to secure men. Government officials got wind of it and the agent, on advice of the hotel keeper, made a hasty departure, leaving his baggage behind. Germany at that time needed all its own miners. If, then, in so little a matter as that, Germany would not tolerate any interference, why should Canada tolerate an interference which may result in the entire stoppage of output at our collieries, and in the closing down of the iron and steel works.

ing into Canada, mainly because the people of British Columbia thought it would be inimical to be denied to another batch of men, and so on. the prosperity of their province. If Nova Scotia has any recognized rights at Ottawa, its people, on their part, have surely a right to demand the ex. We are told on the best authority that no man clusion of the U M. W. on the self same plea, that can serve two masters. And it is equally true the province.

A FEW QUESTIONS FOR N. S. MINERS.

Is there truth in the suggestion that many of do so would land it, surely, in the ditch. you are merely catspaws in the hands of artful American U. M. W. officials;

Are you aware that within five days over eleven thousand tons of American coal were landed in Sydney:

And that this coal was the product of members of the U. M. W. in America ;-

And that their gain is your loss.

Have you thought of the fact that you are supplying these American U. M. W. men with work at two dollars A DAY, or more, while in return, in the shape of alimony, they are supplying you with store orders at two dollars a WEEK.

Have you thought of your losses and their gains.

In the four months, ending Oct., you will have lost on an average, fifty dollars a month, or a total of two hundred dollars. During that time

You have lost \$135,00 a man.

wages, but wholly over reception by the company of a committee.

The official figures for September show that vinces. For each man employed in the Nova Scotia mines a ton and three quarters of coal are produced. The American importations mean the But protection will be valueless if and days—or the labor of two thousand men for loss of labor to Nova Scotians of ferty four thousthese industries, are to be wholly at the mercy of a good average month, that is a month of twenty a foreign organization, whose foreign member- two day, and that is a big average for N. S. pit

Do you see where it is to the advantage of the American miners that the production of the col-

You say you are fighting for a principle.

What principle?

The right to belong to any organization you

Do you claim that as an individual right? single individual cannot form a trades union of his own, so I will concede the right of the workers at the twelve collieries of the Dominion Coal Co. to form a union on any lines they choose

You cannot deny to others a right you claim for yourselves. Now, how will the principle-the liberty to join any union you like-you are fighting for, work out.

iron and steel works.

Yellow labor is all but prohibited from comwill end in disjunction and not union. The right you claim cannot be denied to the P. W. A. men, It will be confusion worse confounded, and and the same right you and they claim cannot

Where are you now? Is the company wrong that no master can please two servants, rivals for preference or preeminence.

The company grants the right of its employ-ees to belong to a trades union, but it wisely draws the line at recognizing two rival unions, to

Don't you honestly think so?

THE HUMILIATION OF HALIFAX.

The information laid by James McLaughlan against the coal mine operators for conspiracy was not taken by the redoubtable Irish Scotsman at his own instance, nor at the instance of the Free Coal League or of any resident of Halifax or reputable Nova Scotian. The RECORD is in a position to state that it was taken out at the instance of the American officials of the U. M. W. of A., in face of the disclaimer which was trumpeted in the Herald that the American officials would not interfere in local affairs. Is the price of coal not a local affair? What is it to the people of the United States or to the mine workers of America what the price of you have had store orders to the value, on a lib. coal is 'in Halifax and other parts of the Province?' eral average, of sixty five dollars for the thirteen is it any of their business? Have the American offic-

ials become puffed up with the idea that not only do the miners of Springhill and Glace Bay need their assistance, but also the people generally of Nova Scotia. How proud the members of the Mining Scciety living in Halifax and Truro must be, how proud also the merchants and tradesmen of Halifax, and how proud, too, the whole of the people-coal mine operators and officials excepted-in the province must be, to know that that which they were too feeble, or dispirited, or disinclined or helpless to do for themselves, valiant foreigners have rushed in to do for them. The Herald may glory in this impertinent interference; every true Briton will hang his head in shame. Strangers, without a habitation or a name here, or, to be more correct, American fillibusters daring to come in to this fair province to fight for its citizens their battles! brazenness of the act is as astounding as it is humiliating. People in other parts of this fair Dominion if no protest is entered may be justified if they look on us as spiritless cravens.

COMPULSORY ARBITRATION

The Eastern Chronicle advocates strongly a compulsory arbitration act. We have always held that a so called voluntary arbitration act is an impossibility. As we perhaps stated before no arbitration is voluntary, or If two persons mutually refer a dispute to arbitration each is compelled by honor to abide by the An arbitration act must be compulsory to might be called compulsory. good as in its first amended form. We would suggest These, be they clerics, lawyers, or editors, cannot say to the East-rn Chronicle to look over this act-it was propose an amendment or two, which is all that is needed to make it a wholly compulsory act. It is a much easier matter at times to amend an old act than introduce and have passed an entirely new one. The Nova Scotia Act has never had a proper test. We admit that in its amended form it is unsatisfactory. There is only the nominal penalty of one dollar in the case of each man who fails to comply with the award or the findings of the arbitrators. This amendment made the Act a farce. What would be the good of adjudging a man guilty of theft if there was no penalty attached to the finding? And, so, an arbitration act in order to be effective must For years the New Zealand Act was have a penalty. defective, and there are still defects and attempts to remedy them. A very little amending will make the Nova Scotia Act every whit as good as that of New Zea- a stranger.

To a Truro paper representative Peter Patterson, one of the U. M. W. officials, expressed surprise that the U. M. W's. had laid information against certain coal operators for conspiracy in keeping up prices. Peter has often been credited with having charge of the Glace Bay strike, and no wonder he was surprised that other of the bigger officials, like McLaughlan and McCulloch had taken the matter of laying an information into their own hands and never hinted such action to him. However Peter has his consolation.

- Rubs by Rambler.

It is a great pity that the Sydney Post did not give utterance six to nine months ago to a sentiment it gave expression to in commenting on the district president's 'plain,' 'clear,' letter. In a sane moment the Post deliberately and with much wisdom said, "There is no doubt the company can defeat the strikers by pursuing the policy (i e of importing men) because of their enormous resources." This is the first admission, from a champion of the U. M. W's, that there was even a remote possibility that the company can defeat the strikers. Said American official McCullough in the Alexandra Rink, Glace Bay, "Now that we are here, we are here to stay and win, and, by the way, we will. We have come to Nova Scotia to bring about better conditions, and to gain the desired end are spending between thirty and forty thousand dollars weekly. McCullough spoke without his host. "There is no doubt the company can defeat the strikers," says the Post, two months after. It is a great pity that the Post's aftersight had not been foresight. an event there would not rest upon its shoulders a terrible responsibilty. If there will be suffering the coming winter among the families of the strikers, if children go about ill fed and ill clad, if mothers look into make it effective. This was recognized years ago by the empty larders in a vain search to appease the hunger legislature of Nova Scotia. The editor of the Chronicle of her children crying for bread ; if fathers look upon is in favor of an act after the pattern of the New Zealand vanished provision for the future, and on accumulat-Act. Has the editor of the Eastern Chronicle, who is ing bills of landlords and shopkeepers. those who in an old parliamentarian, over-looked the fact that we any way urged the colliery workers to strike or enhave on our N. S. statute books an act that almost couraged them to continue it, have assumed a respon-The act is not to-day so sibility which for ever may fill them with remorse. passed between the years 1885 and 1888 we think—and be upon your own heads." No plea of non particeps when the day of distress and defeat comes, 'Your blood criminis will be admissable.

Let us go back to the time of the U. M W, agitation, before the strike. What was the chief reason assigned for the revolt against the P. W. A., and the chief reason put forward in favor of joining the U. M. W. The voluminous correspondence in the papers furnishes a ready answer. Those champions, of the U. M. W's said, and said many times, that the P. W A was not strong enough to cope with the company, but in the U. M. W they had a society with an overflowing treasury, which was more than a match for the big company, 'Because it is strong' and 'because it is wealthy,' were the two main reasons given why the P. W. A. men should leave their father and cleave to

The glamour of a big society blinded the eyes of more than the workmen. A clergyman of Glace Bay had this to say to his congregation "You are backed by an organization whose membership runs into the hundreds of thousands and whose funds number millions of dollars." There can be not the slightest doubt that those who broke away from the P. W. A. were lured by the great size of the American society and the alleged great length of its purse. The point must be emphasized so it is repeated, these two, numbers and wealth, were the great allurments, the bait, that caught the unwary, and it has now come to this that the min-

ers of Cape Breton have been leaning on a broken read, but one course open to them, namely, to repud-In saying this we quote again 'The company must win late it as on organ of the party. This is not written on account of their great resources.' It is to be hoped in the interests of the Liberal party; it is indited in that the Post's repentance has not come, that the re- pain, without a scuse of the passing pleasure of the pentance of those who were misled will not come, too political prophet. been down on the agitators, and from the beginning of ers, their day of grace has gone-the RECORD makes appeal to return to work while yet there may be vacant places. There will be no vacant places for long. In four weeks time St. Lawrence shipments will have ceased and there will be no rush for coal. To use the classic language of a C. B. author, "Entrance to the castle gates leading to the collieries" may still be had. In a few weeks these gates will be closed against all strikthey seek it with tears. The bowels of compassion of the company have not yet closed against the thought sent into the world to see that the coal companies did less and deluded. Any day from this out we look for nothing of the kind. The president—at least the is concerned is off, and that no striker in the future For their own sake let the men review matters seriously.

The Halifax Herald complains over the Liberal party being in power, in the province, for some forty years. The probability, from the way things look at the Conservative party will have to thank the Herald in particular, and its press generally, for what, from In giving expression to this opinion the writer does so ends due bond holders. in all candor and honesty. Some perfervid tories may smile and say 'Another instance of the wish being father to the thought'. Not at all. look upon polities as something to be entered into seriously, and not a thing merely to afford a pastime for gamesters and shufflers, the RECORD believes that a in Nova Scotia should be directed from Indianapolis. Very good. From the beginning of the strike up mind, had hope to see the opposition in the House of was given before the Post knew the demands of the Assembly about doubled, that is that the government strikers were "so" simple. majority would be reduced from say thirty two to majority would be reduced from say thirty two to the rost beneved that recognition, oroad and full twenty-two. The unimaginably unpatrictic, erratic, if was demanded. 'Recognition' included dictation to the not wholly idiotic course pursued by the Herald, par- U, M. Ws. in C. B. from Indianapolis. It will scarcebut its realization impossible. Conservatives who have feet would be tantamout to an acknowledgement of utstuck loyally to their party through days of stress and ter imbecility. We credit the Post with the knowlstorm are now disheartened if not disgusted, and in no edge that the policy of any society is not dictated by a softened tones declare they cannot longer uphold a lodge or district but by the Grand Lodge A lodge has party which has the Herald as its exponent of principa a lodge's powers and privileges, nothing more, A suples and will not vote with it until the Herald and other of erintendent of a particular colliery supervises the work hes and will not vote with it until the free are to-day many men or that colliery, subject to the directions of and the its organs are repudiated. Increase to day many ment or that collecty, subject to the directions of and the office. And so servative side heartily, men who have no selfish ends with the U.M. W. The policy to be adopted in Nova to serve in their support of it, who declare that not in Scotia is approved of or rejected—if not determined twenty years will the part played by certain of the upon-by the head executive and not by a lodge or dis-Conservative organs, of late, be forgotten. The better triet executive. Knowing all this how did the Post element in the Conservative party,—this is no secret— champion so heartily the side of the strikers? time they recognized it is uncontrollable, and therefore apolis would be repulsive, intolerable strike it.

the strike not on the strikers but on the cause they plain people have coddled and protected the coal people The Sydney Post does not then belong to the plain people for for the past couple of years it has done anything but coddle them. And then the C. B. paper aids, "The plain people have protected the coal psper args, 'In plain people into protected the con-industry not merely that companies may amass riches, but for other USEFUL purposes.' Good! The Post is one of the organs of the U. M. W. The members of that society from President Daniel down to Mcers, and what then. Ah then it may be like Esau of old clare that it is a shame and an unforgiveable sin for coal companies to amass riches, and they have come treasurer-thinks it is a sin not to be forgiven in this world or the next, for a coal company to amass riches, Their patron, the Post, thinks it no sin, but that it-the amassing-is a wise purpose. It is pleasing to have the admission, from so influential a source, that one of the wise purposes for which we have protection in Conada is to enable the coal companies to amass riches. present, is that they shall be in power for at least ot- its wise purposes. Leaving out three of the companies-two on the Island and one on the mainlandnone of the companies are 'amassing' more than salt their viewpoint, will be nothing short of a ca'amity, thing some of them are amassing are the back divid-

of the wish being The Post says, it only understood what the de-With many who mands of the U. M. W. really are, after a perusal of

the people. Until a few weeks ago, many of this whole souled support to the strikers. That support

ticularly in reference to the chief industry of the pro- ly dare to acknowledge that it was in utter ignorance vince, not only makes such a hope no longer tenable, of what recognition implied; any confession to that ef-

When did the idea that interference from Indian-

Post did believe that recognition was demanded and That won't do. that recognition included American officials interference and yet it was pleased with the proceedings.

What has opened its eyes to that it now pronounces recognition with what it involves intolerable.

Has the Post's calculations miscarried? Is that which it thought would help a particular political party proving to be a boomerang?

Is the Post realizing it put its foot into it?

Why else the loud shrieks 'Mercy, enough, enough,'

If there is any one in Fictou County who is jealous for the prosperity of the County, and at the same time escape its terribly large share of responsibility. approves of the attempt being made in the Police Court in Halifax to convict the operators of conspiracy in keeping up prices, I would like to put to him a plain question or two:

Is not the County as prosperous within the past nine years as in any previous period within the past fifty years ?, of its history ?

Was the County less prosperous in the ten years preceding 1900 than in the years since?

Which would you rather have, a continuance of good times and good wages with the advanced price of coal, or cheaper coal and a return to dull times and low

lowered and the present rate of wages sought to be profitable pursuit?

restriction of output or sto, page of collieries. I answer 'it could not.' ern Chronicle to wait upon the Assistant Manager of with labor to his credit, went to the company's store the possibilities of a r. duction in the price of coal, or repeated thrice the same day. Another foolish and the consequences that might follow a reduction, and, if very dry man got a pair of boots and bartered them he disagrees with my conclusion, I will admit, reluctantly, that I have not got the hang of this hanged sub-

The Glace Bay Gazette's bosom friend the Post when it takes to nodding lets fall 'all beknowns' to it great chunks of wisdom. For instance, talking of the trouble in C. B. it says "The plain people have a right for which it is given. The man and the boots is simto seek the removal of the offending cause." Surely. That's a lact. Here the Post speaks by the book. We both barterers were unmarried. endorse the Post's endorsement of the powers and privileges of the plain people, 'Remove the cause.' Thats it. Who or what is the cause? The U. M. W. agitators. Then remove them by all means. Any efforts the Gazette's friend the Post, may make towards the removal of the cause will have the hearty help of the RECORD.

The Halifax Herald, which frequently, now a days, contains column upon column of overproof cant, says that John Moffatt is responsible for the strike, and that the responsibility. has attained terrible proportions,

The people of the province have already judged,-and their judgement is just-where the responsibility lies, and they do not place it on the shoulders of John Moffatt, but on those of the Herald and other papers, and certain selfish individuals, who in the false hope of being gainers by it, encouraged the men to strike, and are still encouraging them to continue it. The Herald may be too dull to realize its responsibility; that will not save it. If there is sorrowing and suffering, pangs and pains among the strikers and their families the coming winter, the Herald, neither by specious pleadings, or special prayers, can

In reference to the Springhill stoppage, two quest-ns may be asked; First—"Why should the Cumb. Railway and Coal Co. be expected to continue working its pits without profit if not at an actual loss; and second, Why is it to be expected that the men should work, so long as they are getting paid by foreign friends for remaining idle." Why, indeed, unless they soon realize that the U. M. W's are not serving—in seeming-the cause of Nova Scotia miners for nought. I have been told that a number of wives of Springhill workers have declared that they could wish the strike to continue indefinitely, as they never were better off Have you considered that if the price of coal was than now. They get something to live on now, whereas previously what they ought to have got went maintained, that the only alternative left the operators in another direction, in short it went towards the way of the County would be to cease coal mining as an un- of the grog shop. But the number who are better off must be few in comparison with those who are worse I think I know what the answer will be to each off. Though orders are given for goods, instead of question, but, some one may ask, 'why is coal sold in cash in hand, it is not to be thought that the drouthy Montreal as cheaply as in Stellarton.' Admit that it is, chap is minus the means of 'raising the wind.' There it is sold at little in some cases no profit in order to are instances, it is positively stated, in C B., where an keep down the price to local consumers. Some others order for goods to the extent of three dollars was acmay say, the price of coal could be lowered without cepted by a storekeeper, not for goods of equal value, but for carh. The discount charged only amounted to My unsupported ipse dixit may 33 per cent. Strikers are not the only ones who not be considered sufficient. Well, then, suppose, to resort to expensive ways of 'raising the wind.' A settle the point, we agree to ask the editor of the East- drouthy chap, scarce of cash between pay days, but the Acadia Coal Co, with whom he is on excellent and bought a pound of tobacco. This he bartered for terms, and ask him as to the profits made of late, and a very small bottle of whiskey. The operation was for a big bottle of whisky. No matter how big the bottle, the other fellow had by far the best of the bargain. Of course the striker who pawns his store order and doesn't wait for a 'coupon,' is more to be censured than the man who merely discounts his next fortnightly pay. The store order is a gift, not to call it an alms, and should only be applied to the purpose ply an instance of extreme folly. It is assumed that

> In order to draw the sympathy of the public, and lessen the repugnance to a foreign order, the local president asserts that the 'American' officials will have nothing to do with local interests. Ah but what will the American officials look upon as merely a 'local' interest. Everything will be looked at as affecting the American union. But the president of the local union is wrong if the organ of the U. M. W. states the facts. Here is what the organ said immediately before the inauguration of the Springhill strike : "The local union of Springhill will not strike on its own account leaving the re

sponsibility of this with McCullough" Well who is there cannot the gentleman named. He is one of the American offi-themselves. cials, and though he took all to do with the strike, he he had, according to the local president, no businees to interfere. It was a local matter. Notwithstanding the

Hark! "To watch the struggle of a great industrial warfare, where one breathing the same prayers to a common God clutches each other by the throat in the fierce struggle for bread and gold." If Sir Frederick's star witness were asked to comment on the foregoing the reply would likely be "tommy rot". In our opinion it is so sublime that it covers half the space said to divide the sublime from the ridiculous. Any one who can spin it out in that fashion should no longer waste his fragrance in the C. B. desert air. Dan's criticism might be; "bosh the fight is not for gold but for that above it, 'recognition.'

Poor local president Daniel is being driven from pillar to Post. He is now saying 'Just you wait till the Spring.' He never, no never, expected that the company would give in before next Spring. The winter is to be the trying and the testing time, company on account of the continuance of the strike blind Danny. As the company from the 20th. Nov. will be getting all the coal it wants the strike will then was so weak as to send for a 'committee of its employees' in the form of U. M. W. officials and, as a result, the wages of all day laborers, the strike was declared off. Would'nt this be a cruel not overlooked, victory for Daniel and his men. It is to be feared ing, is in a class all by himself,—the first infant class.

The U. M. W's. have been asserting around the C. colliery workers can be improved. B. collieries that the Dominion Coal Co. will force a Had any of his hearers interrupted and said, 'Oh reduction at the termination of the present contract. you are miseaken, let us force the operators to put tion they are trying to compel the operators to reduce U. M. W. president would have called the interrupter the price of coal. Knowing that they will have no an idiot. part in drawing up the next contract they are trying to make it as hard as possible for the P. W. A. to sec- not have been calling the man other than he actually ure favorable terms. And in all this they are showing was how great is their love for the C. B. workmen.

-:they ever asked for-and in order to qualify themselves as employees, all that is necessary is for them individoath of allegiance. Quite a simple matter.

differs from another 'clear and plain' statement in the anls of those who would force down coal prices? fact that it is a restatement of Mr. Ross' position from the beginning. The sooner the idle men at Glace Bay

Well who is there cannot possibly be any other, the better for

The Free Coal League was in attendance in a body interfere. It was a local matter. Notwithstanding the at the coal prices conspiracy hearing in the Halifax president's statement, the American officials will want Police Court last Tuesday. Though the League made to poke their noses into all U. M. W. business in Nova an imposing appearance none of the operators were strongly enough impressed to offer the League other and less precarious means of earning a livelihood.

> Why is it that the U. M. W. have not sent a photo of the strike leader in Glace Bay, Peter Patterson, to the Halifax Herald for reproduction. Even a short glance would instantly convert every beholder into an acute sympathizer with the members of that order, in Peters jurisdiction.

The Halifax Herald may know all about a road race; it knows nothing about a strike

The U. M. W's, in Cape Breton having been beaten out their boots in a stand up fight, have taken to guerilla warfare. Sniping commenced in Halifax last

THE POSITION OF THE U. M. W.

In their efforts to induce the miners of Cape Breton will be upable to make contracts for next year. Poor and of the other mining counties to take shelter under the wing of the U.M.W., the organizers and other officials of that body, asserted and reasserted that by the be declared off. But let us take the local president at aid of the foreign union the miners would be exalted his word and say the company will be unable next to a state of affluence in comparison with the miserable Spring to make the necessary contracts. What follows? conditions which existed under the P. W. A. Miners No work for anybody even though the Coal company were told they would receive greatly increased rates, while about twenty-five per cent. would be added to The boys, even, were

President Lewis, the head of the order, speaking that the local president, in the matter of sound reason- not in Nova Scotia, but in the United States, openly and emphatically, declared that coal prices must not only be maintained but increased before the wages of

Realizing now that the company have no such intendown the price of coal, and the rates of wages up', the

And in employing such a term Pres. Lewis would

The U. M. W. officials in Nova Scotia must therefore be what Pres. Lewis would have called the inter-In order that the men who ieft the Dominion Coal rupter, for they are actually, while declaring that they Co. may be in a position to become members of a com- come to increase mining rates, trying to make criminmittee of employees,-all that the Americans now say als of the operators for putting and keeping up coal

Can there be a mine worker in the province dull ually to apply to any of the superintendents of collier- and dense enough not to see the utter inconsistency of ies having places open, for work, and to renew their the position of the U.M.W. officials. If ever there are to be increased rates of mining in Nova Scotia, then there must be an increase in the price of coal. The one and the only way to settle the strike at B We put this plain question to the miners of Cape C. B. collieries says Pres. Ross is for the men to yreton: Can the U. M. W., or any other union assist the C. B. collieries says Pres. Ross 'is for the men to yreton: Can the U. M. W., or any other union assist come back'. This statement is clear and plain, and hou to better rates and at the same time play into the

There has been a little better supply of coal cars of realize that this is the one and the only way and that late though complaints were heard last week as to shortage.

The small coal mine operators are in the middle of the best harvest they have had for years. They cannot garner it all in.

The demand for Pictou coal for domestic use is very active at the present time One of the companies is at a loss how to meet all the orders coming in. This rush of business is due to the closing of the Springhill mines.

So that it may not be forgotten in the future when the leaders of the U.M.W.may seek to deny it, it should be noted down that the first and principal of the four demands of the Springhill strikers is for recognition of the U.M.W.

It is reported from Glace Bay that a number of former prominent strikers have recently gone to work. These men are wise. They recognized that it was no use holding out and that at times discretion is the better part of valor, really.

Things are going ahead fairly well at the mines of the Maritime Coal Co. Development work is being pushed. The pit rolling stock is being added to. The company received two hundred pit cars from J. W. Cumming and Son, New Glargow, lately, and have lately duplicated the order. This looks like business,

In order not to disoblige certain people in Halifax who are anxious as to the welfare of the coal operators, the leading men in the business went to Halifax last week, and held a reception in Stipendiary Fieldings well known rooms. The coal men were able to go to the court in full regalia, as they had courted the invitation.

Last week we referred to the good work being done at Sydney No. 5 colliery. The output had reached 500 tons. The writer happened to be in the general office when Superin.endent Brown called in Manager Robertson to thank him for his good work, for Tom Brown knows that the keeping of his staff in good humor is attended with good results. Manager Robertson did not say 'thank you', he said 'I think I'll be able to go 600 some of these days.' He has been as good as his implied promise. He sent the output of No. 5 up to 630 tons lately. This is nigh marvellous work for a mine which the experts of forty years ago considered played out. The outputs of all the N. S. & Coal Co's collieries show good improvements the total daily output at Sydney Mines has reached, as we expected, 3,500 tons. By and bye 4,000 tons daily may be looked for.

The strike at Glace Bay must have an unsatisfactoride effect upon the output of the Dominion Iron & Steel Co, it is therefore curious that a Sydney paper should have shown such sympathy and given strong support to the strikers. Though the coal being imported by the Steel Company is slack it is costing nearly twice the price of run o mine, under the contract with the Dominion Coal Co.

A company, subsidiary to the Sydney Cement Co. has commenced construction at Sydney upon a plant for the manufacture of brick from blast furnace slag cement, and this industry will be producing by the first of the year, or possibly at an earlier date.

One of the chief features of the Halifax Exhibition was J. W. Cummings & Son splendid display of mining tools. These included several kinds of couplings, light and heavy, various kinds of augurs, and boring machines, for rock or coal tamping rods, needles, picks, etc. The display was well and tastefully arranged. Young Cummings is keeping up the reputation for excellent workmanship and material, established by his father, The works are busy with orders, in spite of the strikes, Twenty-five men are given steady employment, A longer notice of the exhibit is unnecessary, as in all mining localities from the Atlantic to the Pacific the tools of the firm are in daily use, The firm, by the way, secured a gold medal for the excellence of its exhibit.

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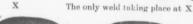
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