

General Bell Now Explains

Tells Why He Has Deported the
Union Men From Cripple
Creek District.

Cripple Creek, Colo., June 13.—General Bell has given out a statement concerning his action in deporting strikers and the cause leading up to the same. He attributes the recent trouble growing out of the miners' strike and the strike itself, to the socialist element in the Western federation of miners, who, he says, captured the organization two years ago. He declares that the federation has made unionism a secondary consideration, and that the organization, root and branch is being made a vehicle for the promotion of socialism. The leaders, he asserts, have not hesitated to cause

"weak and willing members to commit any crime to strike terror to property owners or workmen who refuse to abide their dictates."

The murder of non-union men by blowing up the Independence station, he charges, was "prepared with the evident advice of federation leaders and by men in their employ." The only hope for peace and security of life and property was "to exterminate the federation from the camp."

As the head of the state militia is responsible only to the governor, the general continues, it becomes his duty to effect this result. The arrest of every man in the district belonging to the federation, was ordered. Unless they were able to show a clean bill of health they were placed in the bullpen and held or deported. The deportation of federation men. General Bell declares, "is a military necessity." They are not being deported because they are union men or to destroy unionism, but because it is believed they are a menace to the peace and welfare of the district.

The Metric System in England.

It may be safely said that England is about to adopt the metrical system of weights and measures. In this she will but follow the example already adopted by all the principal European countries, with the exception of Russia. Very soon Russia will be the solitary great power in Europe that still clings to a superannuated system of weights and measures.

A bill promoted by Lord Bellhaven and Stenton, members of a select committee of the house of lords, proposes that from and after the first of April 1905, the kilogram and the meter shall be the unit standard of weights and measures throughout the British empire. The bill also provides for the compulsory employment of the metrical system between individuals, and renders illegal any contracts made after a certain date where it has not been followed, but legalizing all contracts made under the old system before that date.

The bill has passed its third reading in the house of lords, and to become law will now have to be voted on favorably in the house of commons, of which there is not the least doubt. Thus the terms pounds, ounce, mile yard, foot, rood and many others will become obsolete within the next generation throughout the entire British empire.

Words and Their Uses.

Here are some illuminating definitions from the "Foolish Dictionary":
Baby—From the Greek babai, wonderful. Parents are yet to be heard from who don't think their's a 'wonder.' A nocturnal animal to which everybody in a sleeping car is eager to give a wide berth.
"Bat—Senior partner of Bat, Ball & Co. and never found without the rest of the firm, as it takes several high-balls to make one short bat."
Birthday—Anniversary of one's birth. Observed only by men and children.
"Blubber—The useful product of a dead whale. The useful product of a live baby."

Spoke of Salmon.

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