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THE REAL CAUSE OF THE COAL STRIKE.

The frantic efforts of the Bryanite and demagogic press to make capital out of the coal miners' strike would amuse all well-informed people if it were not such a dauntless attempt to confuse and mislead the minds of ignorant and unthinking people, by a deliberate perversion of the real facts in the case.

Any laboring man will take the pains to investigate the matter for himself if he will find that the reason why the strike was brought about is the very opposite of that alleged by these newspapers for it.

They represent that times have grown worse instead of better since McKinley's election, and that the strike is due to the discouragement of the miners over the continued low wages they are receiving. Now, the fact is, the strike was ordered at this particular date for the express reason that time are growing better, and that the strike is due to the official order calling the strike.

The rate which the miners are now demanding was fixed upon at the last annual convention of the United Mine Workers, held at Columbus, Ohio, in January. It was provided at that time that the scale decided on was not to go into effect immediately, but the proper time was left to be fixed by the national executive board and the district presidents.

These officials have decided that this is the proper time to enforce the scale, and the reasons for the strike is given in their order as follows: "The signs of the times are that business is reviving, that an upward tendency in prices of all products is apparent. In the general business revival and industrial improvement we ought to share, and if we do not attempt to share we shall be 'false to ourselves and those dependent upon us'."

If this is the language of the order under which nearly a quarter of a million men abandoned their work a few days ago—and any interested person may verify the truth of it by a letter of inquiry to any assembly of the United Mine Workers—what are the readers of populist papers to think of the intelligence or sincerity of the men who run and have run these papers? Nor is this all that may be learned with profit by those who are disposed to accept Bryan's statements and the fulminations of populist organs as law and gospel.

Secretary Ryan, who signs the strike order for the United Mine Workers, says the miners under the old scale can make but 75 cents a day when working all day, and that many of them average but half time every day. That gives the miner and his family but 37 1/2 cents a day for support. But what is the reason the wage rate is so low? Mr. Ryan says it is the intense competition among the mine-owners. He declares that "the intense competition inaugurated by the coal operators has brought about a condition of suffering and destitution which was never equaled."

In other words, the coal companies are running such a close rivalry that they have cheapened coal below profitable production. In order to undersell each other. The strike, then, reasoning from Mr. Ryan's statements, must be intended to stop competition, and raise the price of coal to consumers. This is interesting information, when one remembers that the workingmen are supposed to be bitterly opposed to all combinations or trusts which restrict trade and destroy competition. Yet here are 250,000 men striking to prevent competition, and for no other purpose than to put up the price of a necessary article to the consuming public. There could be no better illustration of the difference between the theoretical and practical sides of an economical question. The truth is, in this or any other case, that any product can be too cheap. Coal or anything else is too cheap when either the labor or capital required to produce it does not receive fair returns. This is a plain, common-sense fact, and no amount of sophistry or demagogic argument can re-

late it. The mine-workers evidently understand the truth of this proposition, and so do the mine-owners, who are said to be secretly instigating and supporting the strike by every means in their power.

The McKinley administration was elected for four years' term, and yet there are people who are dissatisfied because it has not done in four months what was set down for its task for four years. No administration ever made such good time in carrying out its pledges in the opening months of its term, and it is very small and contemptible in statement of the Bryan school to keep harping on the lack of general prosperity before the republicans have had a chance to complete legislation of any sort. It required four years' of manipulation on the part of the democrats to produce the conditions in which McKinley found the country when he took charge, and it surely ought not to be expected that he can undo all the mischief of those four years in the four months that he has had control.

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Sundry colored slips give the unobscured idea that a woman's wardrobe is very large, when in reality one diaphanous frock can in this way be palmed off as several.

"Last summer one of our grand-children was sick with a severe bowel trouble," says Mrs. E. O. Gregory, of Fredericktown, Mo. "Our doctor's remedy failed; then we tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, which gave very speedy relief." For sale by Estes-Conn Drug Co.

Letters from Paris announce that gloves and silk petticoats are the only things selling at moderate prices in that Mecca of the fashionable world.

Some for ten, some for twenty and some for thirty years have suffered from piles and then have been quickly and permanently cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the great remedy for piles and all forms of skin diseases. Charles Rogers.

From the slow way in which some people pay bills they apparently think that others do not have to live in the summer months.

Don't neglect a cough because the weather is pleasant; before the next storm rolls around it may develop into a serious difficulty beyond repair. (One Minute Cough Cure is easy to take and will do what its name implies. Charles Rogers.

Such pretty hats have come under the sweeping summer reduction that it makes one veritably millinery mad.

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Don't thin your blood with sassafras or poison it with blue-mass; but aid Nature by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for constipation, biliousness and stomach and liver troubles. They are purely vegetable. Charles Rogers.

Quality rather than quantity is the word that governs the housewives marketing in sultry weather.

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No matter how expensive it may be, the hat with feathers is not a thing of beauty at the seashore.

MARINE NEWS.

Table with columns: DATE, HIGH WATER, LOW WATER. Rows for Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday.

VESSELS ON THE WAY TO THE COLUMBIA RIVER FROM BASTON.

Table with columns: Vessel, Tons, Rate, Dis. Rows for George S. Clark, Am Sh, 1700, 25.11, ANSWER, Cumbrion, Br sh, 1000, 100.1, 1.00, Euphrosyne, Br sh, 1700, 100.1, 1.00, Monday, Br sh, 1000, 100.1, 1.00, Laithy, white, Br sh, 1000, 100.1, 1.00.

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The steamer Harrison sailed yesterday for Tillamook.

The schooner J. B. Leeds arrived yesterday, 24 days from Boston. She will load lumber in Portland.

It was reported yesterday that the steamer Grady, just before leaving Portland for San Francisco, was also held by the engineers for wages due them.

The American barkentine Addenda, now lying at Knappa, sailed from Tion-Tsin, China, May 22 in ballast. She is manned by Captain F. A. Perry and a crew of 21 men.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.—It is a terrible accident to be burned or scalded; but the pain and agony and frightful disfigurements can be quickly overcome without leaving a scar by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Charles Rogers.

The active ice cream freezer is about the only thing working over-time in this weather.

W. B. Johnson, Newark, O., says, "One Minute Cough Cure saved my only child from dying by croup." It has averted thousands of others suffering from croup, pneumonia, bronchitis and other serious throat and lung troubles. Charles Rogers.

An alarm of fire hasn't half the terror for the insured that it has for the uninsured.

Stick headache can be quickly and completely overcome by using those famous little pills known as "DeWitt's Little Early Risers." Charles Rogers.

THE OBJECTION NOT GOOD. There are people who have objections to advertising matter in the columns of a newspaper. The ground of objection is that they do not want to read advertisements. Now this objection is not good, for oftentimes these advertisements convey valuable information. For instance, how else would the traveling public learn of the excellent dining car service of the Wisconsin Central lines between St. Paul and Chicago, or the general comfort of traveling over this popular line. For particulars call on the nearest ticket agent or address J. C. Pond, G. P. A., Milwaukee; or Geo. S. Batty, General Agent, 246 Stark street, Portland, Or.

Economy is something that everybody tries to practice, and yet just a little oversight will sometimes rob the most frugal and thrifty family of a year's savings. You want to do as J. P. Hickmann, of Monticello, Ga., did. He writes: "For six years I have kept Simmons' Liver Regulator in my house, and used it in my family, and have had no need for a doctor. I have five as healthy children as you can find."

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