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THE CAUSE OF THE CONFLICT.

The root of the trouble between emplayers of labor and the organizations called unions, is in the arbitrary endeavor on the part of the latter to prevent non-union workers from gaining a liying by labor. In other words to compel every workman to join a union, pay the dues therein demanded and place themselves under its domination. To effect this, the unions assume to dictate to contractors whom they shall city. or shall not employ. They use the ferce embodied in a "strike," if a nonunion man receives employment on any erticular piece of work, and they ose the most critical times to do this when the act is likely to cause the greatest damage to the contractor who is not willing to submit to their tyrau-

Is not such a course open to the strongest condemnation? Should it terest of humanity. receive the support or countenance of the public press? Yet we find a morning contemporary apologizing for it in the following fashion: Stating that there are two points to the dispute it

"The first is the claim that notice was given to the contractors in ample time that after May ist of this year, the rule against working with non-union men would be strictly enforced.

Second, that there is plenty of union men here to do all the work required.

If the first statement is true, then the contractors should be estopped from urging their claim that they don't know what the trouble is about; for if they received that notice, and employed non-union men after the date named, they could not fail to know that such act would make discontent and

Speaking of the claim of the contractors that they had to employ non-union men because there was not union men enough to do the work, that paper

"It is not easy to see, therefore, why there should be any prolonged or trou-blesome strike here. If the unions can supply all the labor needed, why not let them do so? If they can't, they ought not to retard operations by insisting on a point where the very conditions of the problem show that they have

have no legal or moral right to dictate to the contractors in any way whatever. And there will be a prolongation of trouble in the land, just as long as the attempts to use this kind of coercion continue. To encourage them is ploy union or non-union labor is inherent in every person or company that that an employer shall workmen as suit him best, or that no its most obnoxious form, and it ought

istence. to have been served on contractors turn away non-union workmen in their employ is simply monstrous. And the notion that employers must engage only union workmen if there is a sufficlent number of them to do the work | ing heat, our country is gorely tried! required, and must not take on a nonunion man no matter how suitable he may be, is as vile and vicious as it is absurd. Yet these are the ideas contended for in the quotations we have

ment among workmen to maintain the by employers everywhere. And the perpetuation of those libertles to secure which this government was founded, by advocating the right of every workman to obtain employment where engage such help as he needs and quoted as follows: chooses, without dictation from any man or association on the face of the

Let workmen combine as closely as they please for mutual benefit and improvement, let them agree if they wish not to work more than so many hours a day, or for less than a given scale of wages; but let them stop there and refrain from using compulsion in any form, upon their fellowmen who do not of their own free will choose to join their societies or submit to their rules.

The cause of the conflict now on, here and elsewhere, is in the wrong we have indicated. If it is not corrected, the liberty of labor will exist only in name. And the coercion against which we protest, unless overcome will increase in the world, until the time spoken of in the Appenlypse will arrive when no man can either "buy or sell," employ or be employed, do any manner of bus ness or engage in any pursuit, unless he bears "the mark or the name of the beast," or the union brand, or some sign by which he may be known as one of the privileged. Let men unite as much as they please for their own benefit and restriction, but let the line be drawn at the limit of law and of ight-where it infringes upon the rights of other people.

INTERESTING VISITORS.

It is a good thing for Utah to re ceive friendly visits from companies of excursionists, that take sufficient time among us to learn something of confillons in this State, and to find out that the "Mormons," about whom they have heard such terrible tales, are n many respects like other folks; that they are human beings; that they beleve in God and in Christ, and that they are practical people in favor of every modern invention, for the improvement of public affairs and the welfare of the state and the nation. It is particularly gratifying and benefichal to have members of the eastern

press here, when they come on pleasure bent and are ready to investigate and are not employed in gathering pabulum o feed the unwholesome appetites for sensation, with which so many newspa per readers are afflicted. We ask noth ing more of our journalistic visitors, than that they will speak of our peo ple as they find them and of our faith

s we hold and proclaim it. The members of the Editorial assolation who have made this city a call on their way to the Yellowstone, are inelligent gentlemen and ladles, and nost of them appear to be desirous of btaining information concerning Utah

and her people and her institutions. they are pleasant to look upon and associate with, and are more courteous and notite than the common run of tourists, who certainly do not usually afford object lessons in deportment or striking patterns in manuers. The ladies and gentlemen of the editorial asociation whom we have men are evi dently of a superior class to that of the usual sounds of cheap-trip travelers that frequently drap down upon our We hope our editorial visitors will

carry away with them good impossions and pleasant memories of their brief sojourn in the "City of the Saints." and that these will be reflected in the jour nals which they represent. People of their kind are always welcome in Zion, and we wish them a merry trip to the end of their tour, and a safe return to home and friends and labors in the in-

POLITICS AND RACE WAR.

It is worth while noticing that students of the conditions that are responsible for the race war that is flaming in many parts of the country, ascribe the primary cause not to batred of race exactly, nor to a burning desire for justice, but rather to politics. Concerning the outrage in Delaware, it was said that it was the result of the gothering there of a low set of negroes, attracted by certain political schemers. Substantially the same is said of the conditions in Evansville. The Courier of that place says:

"The cause of the present reign of terror in this city can be directly traced to the vitiation of the negro for politi-cal purposes. Before election time the advertisements are sent up and down the river among the shiftless negroes stating that they can get noney for their votes at Evansyille. The idle, ig-norant, and vicious flock here; they are norant, and victous nock here they are colonized in saloons; they are gathered in herds the night before election, even in the custom house and the temple of justice, debauched with free beer and corrupted with free dollars, when they are properly ready to be used on election day.

other papers. Southern newspapers also hold that the outrages are due to The answer to all that is, the unions | political causes, and they rejoice in the fact that the North can no longer point the finger of scorn at the South.

There is, in all this, the lesson that if the crime of lynching had been suphave been, it would in all probability to aid in the wrong. The right to em- not have spread as it has been doing. And this lesson must be amplified. For unless it is put an end to now, it will has need of such work. To infest the entire body politic, and cause death. Already soldiers have not be permitted to engage such been stricken with the lynching mania In one place a mob was raised to mur man shall be permitted to work unless | der a drunken sot who had thrown a he joins a certain society, is tyranny in | beer glass at another fellow, cutting his nose. Where will it end, if the manie to be resisted and stamped out of exfor murder is permitted to go on with out restriction? If the respective states The idea that because notice is said | will not, or cannot, adequately punish the mobs that quench their brutal they were bound to act upon it, and thirst in blood, the general government should be empowered to take the matter in hand in earnest. Between trust tyranny, labor troubles, murderous mobs, destructive accidents, and burn

WALKING DELEGATE TROUBLE.

views of one prominent labor leader are worthy of consideration. Mr. George P. Sullivan of Derby, Conn. was formerly president of the Derby freedom of labor. This should be aided | Labor Union, and prominent in politice. He speaks as a friend of union press of the country will help in the labor, and not as an enemy, and his words should have weight accordingly. He believes the walking delegate is the puse of much trouble, and that these gentlemen foment strikes for their own he is wanted, and of every employer to personal advantage. Mr. Sullivan is

"Recent startling revelations have shown that the walking delegate is a detriment not a benefit. There are cases where he has received compensaone position where this can be done These union agents are fast giving labor a black eye and the best thing that trade unions can do is to banish the whole lot of them. The individual unions know best what they want what is fair for them to have, and what their employers are able to grant I never have believed in high-salaried officials. The unions cannot afford to pay big salaries to any one. They need all the money they can raise for their treasuries. In time of strikes they then have it for strike benefits and it is not all in the pock-ets of out-of-town officials. Commit-

the same wages that they are able to If unions would abolish big salaries, raliroad mileage, hotel bills, and innumerable other miscellaneous expenses attendant on a general head

tees from the locals should deal

individual strikes or grievances. These should either serve without pay for the good of the cause, or receive only

quarters a vast sum could quickly be The so-called recognition of the union amounts to nothing. In my opinion it is chiefly for the benefit of the walking delegate. He uses it as a lever to widen the breach between capital and labor, foment trouble, and incidentally hold his job. When the employe asks union wages and hours city to prohibit them.

and the employer grants them, that I recognition enough.
"It is not necessary that a clause be inserted in the labor contract call ing specifically for recognition of the union. Wages and hours constitute the fullest extent to which in justice it can be pressed. The cry of recognition is simply the tool of the walking delegate with which to ply his

"I believe that all unions must be run on business principles. Let us rid ourselves of the 'grafters,' the walking delegates, and the high-sal-

NOT PREEDOM.

It pow turns out that the ukase of iberty recently issued in Russia, was not intended to entarge the rights of Russians, but to still further enfo co their bondage. That at least, is the view taken of the matter, by a writer in the Fortnightly Review. He says: "The phrase 'freedom of greed,' in fact

id not occur at all, and the passage a its negations is the most precise and

ministakable in the manifesto. The emperor, if he drew it ill, drew it in this form, is mprobable; a more jesuitical intellect vas needed to compile a paragraph which, without visible inconsistency, at tce speaks of tolerance as a virtue and declares that intolerance as a virtue, and declares that intolerance is the future policy of the state... The meaning of the paragraph is perfectly plain to every one familiar with the machinery by which the Russian Church, under M. Pobledonostzeff, persecutes the few. its foes. It means that the present law is good enough for everyone, and that the reports circulated last year in Rus-sia, that M. Pobledonostzeff was to be dismissed and the reign of therance in augurated, are untrue. Undeviating observance of existing laws may mean anything: it may mean that dissenters will be persecuted only according to it may even mean that the laws will be more rigorously enforced against them. The essence of religious persecution in Russia is its perfect gality. If perzecution was carried on mainly by administrative acts in deli-ance of the law, the law's undeviating observance would imply relief. But so far from its being so, the law itself is the worst instrument of persecution Trials of dissenters and converts go or in open court; they are reported in the newspapers; the accused are acquitted or sent to prison with a scrupulous obor sent to prison with a scrupulous ob-servance of the law, and even in most cases, it must be assumed, a fair trial, for acquittals are numerous. To hint, therefore, at greater freedom, and to state specifically that the law will re-main unchanged, is one of those contradictions which only a dozen min's ters, each with his own amendment could be capable of."

The weather now leads people to look on the bright side of life.

The Prince of Wales looked upon the Kenrsarge and saw that it was good, Every fisherman who goes to Snake river tells how he fust snaked the trout

Sir Thomas Lipton says he is "looking for three straight." Solar plexus

The postoffice desprement is confinually in receipt of letters urging that it issue a mourning stamp.

A serum to cure opium pelson is said to have been discovered. The rumor probaly is nothing but poppycock.

To drink jeed tea may be suicide. It

so, It is the pleasantest and most popular method known of committing that Regular army officers who inspected

the Utah National Guard report that it lacks discipline. Possibly: but just see how full of fight it is.

King Peter has just celebrated his birthday. He was justified in this, tothe return of royal birthdays in Servia is an uncertain thing. "Athletics supports morals," says Dr.

W. T. Harris. The public supports athletics, so that in the end it is the people who support morals. The latest racing automobiles resemble burial caskets on wheels in ap-

pearance. It is appropriate, for death often follows in their wake. 'Politics don't make a living for anyone," says Senator Hanna. The senaor should tell this to the marines; the

"boys" won't believe it. If any man asks you: "Is it hot enough for you?" remember what Dix said about any man who attempted to haul down the American flag.

Kansas was never so free from tramps as now. The demand for harvest hands is so great that they are carefully avoiding the state until the pidemic is over.

Aditional legislation on the subject of pure food will be sought at the oming session of Congress. But no one ever beseeches Congress for additional legislature on the subject of pure politics.

A conspiracy to avenge the death of Alexander and Draga has been discovered in Belgrade. Of course the conspirators will be executed and then will come more conspiracies. It is a beautiful illustration of the too strenuous

"Every man who participates in the lynching or burning of a negro is a nurderer pure and simple," says Mr. Justice Brewer of the U. S. Supreme Court. Then he added: "There s going to be a reaction against the atrocious crimes with which the papers have been filled. I expect that it will come soon. I cannot say what form it will take, but there will be an uprising of popular feeling against lynchings which will result in legislation, or a remedy of some other kind." Those are the right kind of sentiments, and coming from such high source, they cannot tall to have great weight.

Less than a fortnight ago an alleged "prize-fight" was "pulled off" (such we understand to be the proper term to indicate that one took place), at the baseball grounds. It was first class in at least one particular-as a fake and a "graft," Now it is proposed to "pull off" another at the same place or at the blovele track. It is to be under the same management and presumably of the same order, "Prize-fights" are in direct violation of the state statutes. but when to them is added a "graft" they become even worse. The thing to do is to stop them. This is the plain duty of the police and the sheriff, and we call upon them in the name of the law and the law abiding people of this

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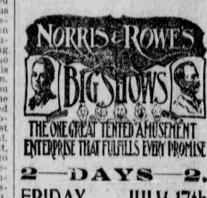
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