

BUNKER HILL & SULLIVAN M. & C. Co.

Wardner, Idaho. Aug.16, 1900.

Operative finds there are about sixty of the old union men working in the B.H.& S. mines, and there are about 400 old union or W.F. of M. men in and around Wardner. In an interview with Malcom Campbell, president of the mines, operative learned that there are a great many of the old union men working in the 'Last Chance' and B.H.& S. mines. The Union has allowed them to take out permits which authorize them to do as the scabs are doing.

Campbell said they have meetings in the Catholic church every Saturday, thereupon operative showed him his visiting card and was invited to attend the meetings.

Jack Bell, Sec'y of the Miners' Union, told operative that things are looking a little brighter for the Union here, and that the old union men are getting in the mines slowly but surely; further that these companies used to have Pinkertons in the mines, but the miners found them out, and seeing they were not receiving any benefit from their services, the companies let them go. Campbell remarked that the miners were almost sure that the companies had no spotters in the mines at present, therefore the men felt sure of getting back into the mines to work.

Operative finds that the men who unload the ore cars into the ore chute do not weigh the ore when the boss is not around, and he saw them unload 15 cars without having weighed one of them. He also finds that the men working in tunnel No.3 waste a great deal of fuse and caps, as he saw ten pieces of fuse about six feet long with caps attached which had been thrown to one side.

Operative will attend the union meeting next Saturday and report.

Seattle, Wash. Aug.18, 1900.