

Finch & Campbell.

Operative reports, Nov. 25th, that since his last report he has a point made of meeting and roping in with each of the men, who have recently lost their permits at the Standard mine. He has been among them on several of the occasions when they went up to the permit office to try to get their permits returned. In every case where these Union men and objectionable characters have gone up to Mr. Edmunston's office for that purpose, when Mr. Edmunston has charged them with being Union men, they have declared positively that they were not members of that organization; then, when permits were still denied to them, they have openly said that they were Union men and were proud of it. This was the case with Mr. Cleary, and also with Mr. Redcliff, who, besides being a member of the Miners' Union, is also a member of the Western Federation of Labor.

Jas. O'Donnell, who lost his permit a few days ago, is trying very hard to get it back again, and has Dick Adams and Alward talking in his favor to Edmunston. O'Donnell told operative that, if he could get his permit again, he would work about a month and then join the Burke Union, after which they could take his permit away any time they wished. He has been intending for some time to join the Burke Union, but cannot join just now, for want of money to pay the initiation fee.

Jack Cramer, who has been working at the Standard mine for the past year, is now going on a trip east. He made application to join the Burke Union before leaving, but was refused. Mr. Henry, the timberman, who lost his permit through being a Union man, has now secured a position in South America. Operative had a talk with Henry before he left, and Henry told him that he thought Mr. Finlay found his work rather irksome and was thinking of returning to South America.

Mr. Alward is believed by the men at Burke and Mace to be an employee of McDonald or Edmunston, and operative has often heard him boast that he had sufficient influence with Edmunston to get back any permit that he wished.

Operative states that Al Fortiss, who has lost his permit was not to his knowledge a member of the Miners Union. Operative met him in Wallace, and Fortiss said that he was not a union man but that he believed in the Union, and if he got his permit back he intended to join.

Operative reports that Tom Tilden was down at Wallace with some of the boys, on the night of Saturday, Nov. 24th. Operative believes that Tilden is not a member of the Miners Union, but is a member of the Western Federation of Labor. He is an old friend of Nelson, at Mace, and his views about matters in this country are much the same as Nelson's and decidedly opposed to those of his employers.

Jas. O'Donnell, who lost his permit last week, is a great friend of Kyle, the shiftman at the Standard, and he told operative that he did not think Kyle would try to get into the Union in this country, as he thought too much of his job.

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