

LARSON & GREENOUGH.

Operative reports, Dec. 25th, that he has now worked 9 1/2 shifts, with one night shift, and is still employed cutting a station for a timber hoist. Most of the men on his level are Swedes and Finlanders, but though they are all Union men there are no agitators amongst them. They are mostly Machinists working 8 hours.

The men on the other levels, working 10 hours, are a mixed lot, some Union and some not. They all seem to feel that the Union has lost its power in the Couer d'Alenes, and they have no confidence in the Secretary. The miners and others appear satisfied and eager to work, but they do not like the present system of hiring men.

Operative has noticed that foreman Carson is around the mine all the time, and has a pleasant word for everyone.

Foreman Roberts is very hard on the new men as he dislikes the system of hiring now used. He was formerly a Union miner and is partial to Union men. Operative has seen Supt. Carson twice going through the mine since he has been at work.

Operative reports that everything about the Company's houses is kept clean and in perfect order. Ben Parker was around there a few days ago and gave his exhibition in the dining room.

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