

Wallace, Idaho, May 13, 1901.

Opr. reports:

That he visited Mullan on the 12th, and as it was Sunday it was rather dull around the town, Opr. spent most of his time in and about the Windsor Hotel, as that seems to be the headquarters for most of the Union men, and Dynamiters.

Opr. engaged Tom Fuller X X X in a conversation, and Fuller said that Sheriff Southerland and his Deputies had better make themselves scarce around there, as the feeling against them in Mullan is very bitter, Opr. had interviews with numerous Union men in and about the Hotel, and found the general feeling against the Sheriff very bitter and would suggest that the Sheriff and his Deputies, take every precaution while visiting Mullan,

Opr. left Mullan at 3:50 P. M. and returned to Wallace, and later observing the Sheriff on the street, shadowed him until he went home, with a view of finding out, whether or not any one was watching him, but did not observe any one.

Opr. is of the opinion, that the people in Wallace are more quiet and are making less threats against the Sheriff, than in the surrounding towns, Opr. met Arthur Wallace at Mullan yesterday, and heard several of the men remark, that they did not know what Wallace was doing around as he knew he could not get any work.

Opr. learned that a good many of the old timers are leaving camp.

Burke, Idaho, May 14, 1901.

Opr. has been visiting in Burke, and renewing old acquaintances since the 11 inst.

Opr. is a personal friend of Cussick X X, Bar-keeper at Murphys place, Cussick is an agitator and a bad one, Cussick told Opr. that most of the old timers had gone away and that a white man couldn't live here now, and that the Deputies and Edminston owned the Coeur D' Alenes.

Opr. had interviews with Chas. Allen X X, a man by the name of Evans X X and Pat Lowney a carpenter, they informed Opr. that quite a number of the Union men were at work in the Mines at Burke, but they would not say that they belonged to the Union, they said that all the men in the Shaft at the Hecla Mine were Union men.

During the afternoon Opr. visited Gem and while there visited Balches and also Dan Harringtons Saloons, Balch told Opr. that Sam Finley killed Fisher and his reason for thinking so was that there was no one else on the street at the time but Finley.

Opr. is quite intimate with Balch and in the conversation, asked Balch about Arthur Wallace making a mistake and thinking that Fisher was Big Sam, Balch said that Wallace was not that kind of a man.

Balch told Opr. that if he could sell his property, he would leave the Coeur D' Alenes.

Opr. finds that the majority of the people in Gem are very bitter against Southerland and his Deputies.