

## CONDITIONS IN MINE DISTRICT REVEALED BY MOTHER JONES

Washington, May 16.—Waiting for the Senate to take action on the Kern resolution for a federal investigation of alleged violation of the law by mine owners and atrocities in the Paint and Cabin creeks coal districts of West Virginia, Mother Jones, the aged woman leader of the miners who were on strike for a year,



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further revealed conditions at which the probe is aimed.

"The miners and their families have been subjected to inhuman treatment—that is a disgrace to any civilization and inconceivable in a Christian country," said the "angel of the miners."

She told of an attack made by Baldwin guards one night in 1904 upon the cabins on Stanford mountain, where a band of striking miners were asleep. With raising an alarm,

the attacking party, she alleged, fired a volley into the cabins, killing seven and wounding 21.

The miners had refused, a day or two before, to allow a deputy to arrest one of their number who had walked on the highway past a mine, in violation of an injunction.

"None of that band of murderers was ever arrested," said Mother Jones. "When I was back there a week afterward I found the widow of one of those poor boys crying over his grave on the hillside. Her little child, 8 years old, was digging in the clay at the head of the mound, and calling, 'Papa, please come back.'"

"On Paint creek last summer a good girl, not 17 years old, was going on an errand of mercy when she was stopped on the railroad track by a mine guard. He swore at her and told her to get off the right of way. He made her wade into the creek with water up to her arms. He kept yelling, 'pull your clothes higher.'"

"Ninety per cent of these people are natives of the district. It is an American problem, with feudal greed and feudal savagery in control in West Virginia."

## THINK ANTI-SUFFRAGETS ARE HAVING THE FUN

London, May 15.—Three more harmless suffraget bombs that could not possibly have exploded were found today, and Scotland is at a loss to determine whether the suffragets themselves are having fun or if it is the work of the anti's.

The fire in St. Anne's church, East Bourne, supposed to have been set by militants, was put out before it did much damage except to the organ, but the women were indignant because the perpetrators of the outrage plastered "votes for women" on a picture of Christ being entombed.

A cannister of gunpowder with an unlighted fuse attached, was found today beneath a pew in Holy Trinity Church at Hastings.