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STRIKES AND STRIKERS.

Alex Sweet Accuses Jacob of Some Queer Doings. Indirectly the Patriarch May Have Been Responsible for the Brooklyn Strike and Riots—How to Prevent Trouble in the Future.

[Special New York Letter.] The strike is not a modern invention. It has existed in some shape or other since the beginning of the world, and it will continue to exist until the end of all things, for it is caused by poverty, and we have the very highest authority for the belief that the poor will always be with us.

Leaving out the case of Abel, the first strike on record is that of Jacob against his employer and father-in-law Laban, who was the owner of a stock ranch in the early days. Jacob's grievance is briefly, but succinctly, set forth in the forty-first verse of the thirty-second chapter of Genesis. It reads:

THE HITCHER SEEN THE POINT.

"Thus have I been for twenty years in thy house; I served thee fourteen years for thy cattle, and six years for thy cattle, and thou hast changed my wages ten times."

Then Jacob struck his duplex father-in-law for higher wages, and not getting them, went out. This was one of the few strikes that was a success, for Jacob went into business on his own account, and prospered. It will be noted, however, that had it not been for a bad dream that Laban had he would have brought Jacob to terms. In this, the first of all recorded strikes, the Almighty sided with the oppressed.

Another notable strike was that of the Israelites against the exactions of Pharaoh, he of the indurated heart. Moses was the organizer of this strike. When Pharaoh called out his militia, to bring the strikers to terms, they came to grief in a miraculous manner in the Red sea. However, it is only fair to call attention to the fact that Pharaoh's version of the trouble has never been published. There may have been some mitigating circumstances, for the subsequent conduct of the children of Israel, in putting to the sword those with whom they did not agree, justifies the suspicion that they, themselves, were not entirely devoid of discrepancies. Incidentally, it may be also mentioned that before leaving Egypt Moses struck an Egyptian so hard that he never rallied from the effect of the blow.

I never see that Egyptian obelisk in Central park without thinking about the row between Moses and Pharaoh, for it was one of the obelisks in front of the temple of On, at which institution Moses was a student. There it was that he acquired much of that wisdom for which he was justly celebrated. Strange, isn't it, that there should be in New York an obelisk at which the great law-giver must have gazed every day? But I am digressing.

A strike very much to be commended was that of the ancient Greeks, who, following the advice of their leader, Marco Bozzaris, struck for their altars and their lives.

Strikes are very uncertain as to the ultimate result. They are like runaway horses—more easily prevented than stopped. And, like runaway horses, those engaged in them do not realize when they start out that they themselves may be fished out of the wreck at the finish.

It even happens that the capitalists utilize strikes for their own benefit. It sometimes occurs that a manufacturer, who holds more stock than he can carry, makes fortune out of misfortune by inducing the employees to go out on a strike. Large frequently accommodates capital with the loss of a strike. Strikes generally affect the strikers more disastrously than the employers. Men have stomachs, dollars have not. Again, it is estimated that the amount spent by workmen in strikes during the last two years would have paid the wages of a hundred thousand men during that period.

One of the greatest obstacles to the success of strikes in large cities is to be found in the fact that, as soon as a strike has been started, the ranks of the strikers are swelled by large accessions from the very toughest elements of society, men who never do honest work under any circumstances whatever. It was a man of this type that a soft-minded friend of mine in Brooklyn gave an order for a dinner. The bill came in for nine beers and a cigar. The strikers in Brooklyn were also reinforced by foreign anarchists, men who came to this country in search of freedom—from work. In the future, as in the past, this objectionable element will exert an influence for evil in every strike that takes place in a large city. Much more trouble is caused by men who can get work, but won't work, than by those who want to work. Of course, employers, particularly when they are large corporations, are always violently opposed to labor demonstrations of any kind. In fact, the baseball player is the only one whose right to strike is not only acknowledged but approved by those for whom he works.

The only persons who seem to profit by riots and strikes are the newshy-

RELIGIOUS AND EDUCATIONAL.

A scientific expedition from the University of Pennsylvania has left for Central America.

Lamp posts are set for advertising purposes by the Shroveith vestry in London. The vestry received goes to support a technical school.

Prof. Chas. A. Briggs declares that no religious organization in history has enjoyed such a marvelous growth as the salvation army in so short a time.

Some one has estimated that we have spent nearly \$75,000,000 in building churches in this land and \$200,000,000 in building jails, and that it costs \$50,000,000 a year to run the churches and \$600,000,000 to run the jails.

Judge E. Rockwood Hest made a bequest to the town of Concord, amounting to practically \$14,000, of which \$10,000 is left to Harvard college, with the provision that it be used only for the benefit of Concord boys.

The American Board of Missions established the first efficient printing press in the Turkish empire, from which has issued 500,000,000 pages in the Arabic language, of which many millions have been pages of God's Word.

A note of warning was sent to all the principals in the public schools in New York, at the instance of Superintendent Jasper, forbidding the collection of money by the pupils in schools for the purpose of making presents to any of the teachers or for any other object.

"Rev. —, instructor in religion," is the curious sign in a vest side street. The name is a Hebrew one and the sign bears some Hebrew characters. It is the business of the rabbi to expound the law to all comers. The function is common to all rabbis, but it is seldom announced in English.—N. Y. Sun.

James Anthony Froude did not have a high opinion of English university methods. In a letter written at Oxford last June he said: "The teaching business at Oxford goes on at high pressure—in itself utterly absurd. Education, like so much else in these days, has gone mad, and is turned into a mere examination mill."

Brown university has officially adopted academic gowns for its graduate students and the members of the faculty. The hood for a doctor of divinity is brown, lined with white; that for a doctor of laws is entirely of brown. The exterior of all other hoods is black, and the interior brown, except, as noted, in the case of the D. D. hood.

Next April a succession of religious festivals will take place in Venice to celebrate the 800th anniversary of the consecration of Saint Mark's. According to tradition the church was first built in 828, when the body of St. Mark was sent from Alexandria to Venice; a large part of this church was destroyed by fire in 976, when the present edifice was begun; it was not completed until over a hundred years later.

A leaf of a Gothic Bible of the sixth or seventh century was recently discovered in the archives of the Haute Garonne by an abbe of Toulouse. It contains two chapters of Ecclesiastes, and is valuable, for only a small portion of the Old Testament translated by Bishop Ulfilas has been preserved; the New Testament has fared better. Fragments of the Gothic Bible have been found in many parts of Europe, of all being the Codex Argenteus, written in silver letters on crimson parchment, now in the library at Upsala, in Sweden.

WIT AND WISDOM.

Harry—I always wear a hat to suit my hair, but the style. Dick—Yes, I notice that a soft hat is your favorite.—Boston Globe.

"I don't believe Miss Goslow is from Philadelphia." "Why not? She said she was." "Well, mercy, she knew all about the World's fair being over."—Inter Ocean.

Blinks (meditatively)—What a greedy world this is! the great majority of people always after money. Hardup (sadly)—Yes, and a long way after it, too.—Buffalo Courier.

What He Thought of It.—He—People in love believe everybody else can't see. She (sentimentally)—Just the same, don't you trust too much to that, while papa is around.—Detroit Free Press.

Facultious friend.—Well, have you and your wife settled as to who is to be the speaker of the house? Young husband—Not yet. We usually occupy the chair together.—Pearson's Weekly.

Johnny (who has jammed his finger)—"Plague take it!" Teacher—"Oh, Johnny, you shouldn't say that!" Johnny—"You'd oughter hear my papa when he hurts himself!"—Boston Transcript.

Wittherly—"I forgot my latch-key last night, and when I came home I couldn't get in, so I had to wait until the family got up." Plankington—"How long was it, old man? About half an hour?"—N. Y. World.

His Singing.—Enthusiast—Did you hear Mr. Scherzo sing this evening? Miss Keen—No, how was it? Enthusiast—Oh, you should have heard it. Everybody was moved to tears. Miss K.—Gracious, was it so bad as that?—Detroit Free Press.

"What's this?" asked Li Hung Chang. "It's a photograph, sir, of an American society lady in evening costume." "Poor thing! How deeply in royal disfavor she must be. She appears to have lost almost as much wardrobe as I have."—Washington Star.

"This coffee, my dear," said Kieckles, "reminds me of what my mother used to make." "Does it, really?" exclaimed his wife, a pleased look coming into her face. "Yes. And I used to think she made about the best coffee in our township."—Washington Star.

Married Man.—Why don't you get married, Miss Perkins? You are getting to look like a 'back number'—you will soon be an old maid. Miss Perkins—If I were as easy to please as your wife was, I would have been married long ago.—Boston Home Journal.

The tall girl mused aloud: "What," said she, "can I do to bring the count to his knees at my feet?" The short girl laughed a hollow, wan little laugh, with a dash of bitterness in it. "Suppose," said the short girl, "you drop a dime on the floor."—Cincinnati Tribune.

"Mr. Bluffy," she said, graciously, "you are one of the most original men I have met in a long time. You haven't said a single word about the weather." "No," he replied with a tinge of regret in his voice, "I couldn't in the presence of ladies."—Washington Star.

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