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MR. POWDERLY

IS QUESTIONED AT LENGTH BY THE LABOR COMMITTEE.

He Answers Frankly all the Interrogatories and Furnishes Much More Information.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 20.—The special committee of the House of Representatives to inquire into the labor difficulties in the Southwest held its first public session today.

Mr. Powderly is very far from filling, at least in outward appearance, the typical idea of a "horny-handed son of toil."

Mr. Powderly: When your message came to me I did not understand it and I came here without papers and without any knowledge of what would be required of me.

The Chairman: What, in your judgment and opinion, is the cause of the disturbances now existing in the localities referred to in the resolution?

Mr. Powderly: The men who are now engaged in the difficulties in the West have drawn up a bill of grievances and have presented it to the manager of the Missouri Pacific road at St. Louis.

What knowledge have you as to the truth of the facts stated in that paper, other than the statement itself?

Mr. Powderly: I have never given the matter my personal attention. When it was first brought to my notice I was engaged with the general executive board at Philadelphia, where we were holding a session.

see us and asked if we could not do something to end the strike.

The Chairman: Can you give the names of those bondholders who came to see you?

Mr. Powderly: I have the name of their lawyer, Dickson. We asked of Gov. Brown, one of the receivers of the Texas & Pacific railroad, whether he would consent to meet with a committee appointed by our executive board.

The Chairman: Will you state the purposes of the organization of the Knights of Labor; whether its purposes are protection of the interests of labor, and whether it is peaceful in all its actions.

Mr. Powderly: The aim of the organization of Knights of Labor is to benefit the laborer and to secure a better feeling between him and his employer.

Mr. Powderly: We attempt to do that. Our association is intended to be an educational one. We aim at having our members study the conditions by which they are surrounded.

Mr. Powderly: Yes, sir. I have claimed that it is no more than right for both to meet on equal terms and to have a thorough understanding of the wants of each other and it seems to me that until they do that they cannot properly fix up their differences.

Mr. Powderly: I do not know whether they wreck it or not.

Mr. Powderly: Yes, sir. There are a great many persons who express the opinion that if the United States government can run a railroad after its being wrecked, it should certainly be able to run a good railroad.

mittee and the chairman replied that the committee would require all papers that throw light upon the subject under investigation.

The Chairman: The object of the society are to protect the labor of the country so far as possible against the exactions of incorporated capital.

Mr. Buchanan: Your public utterances have shown that.

Mr. Powderly: They are entirely peaceful, but they are liable, of course, to be misunderstood, even by members of the Knights of Labor.

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CONGRESSIONAL.

A PROPOSITION TO CONSIDER SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS

By Investigating Their Effects, Etc.—The Very Great Importance of Petitions.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—SENATE.—In introducing a bill providing for the retirement of disabled officers of the army, Mr. Butler impressed on the military committee, to which the bill was referred, the urgent need of some legislation to relieve the active list of the army by retiring officers who are disabled and eligible for retirement, but who cannot be retired under the present laws, because the retired list is full.

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propriations for harbors in North Carolina, but without success. The committee rose and the House at 5:15 adjourned.

The Great Cranberry Iron Ore Quarry, H. R. C., in the Iron Age.

It is hardly a proper term to call the present workings on the large deposit of magnetic iron ore at Cranberry, North Carolina, a mine.

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The furnace at Cranberry uses charcoal, partly made in pits and partly in conical kilns, and is run by water-power. It is calculated to average seven tons and has made as high as ten tons and as low as three tons per day.

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