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UNWINDING THE TANGLED SKEIN.

McPartland Openly Boasts of Sending Innocent Men, Whom He Incited to Crime, to the Gallows—Expects to Repeat the Performance in Colorado and Idaho.

President Mover, Secretary Haywood and Gen. A. Pettibone, members of the executive committee of the Western Federation of Miners, are confined in the penitentiary at Boise, Idaho, on a charge of complicity in the murder of ex-governor Steunenberg in Caldwell, Idaho, on December 30, 1906.

THE common impression left on the public mind by the contemporary newspaper accounts of the 'Molly Maguires' is that they were a band of highwaymen and robbers. The truth is that this was a nickname given to a little labor organization of iron and coal miners...

McPartland Makes His Appearance. REMEMBER well his coming," said my informant. "He walked into the place with a little bundle on his back dressed like a tramp."

organization against the coal, iron and railroad companies, and in bursts of terrible passion fired their blood to deeds of violence. Under his tutelage what had started as a labor organization demanding better pay and conditions, became a band of outlaws, stopping at no crime. It is believed by nearly all the older citizens of that Pennsylvania community that by his own hand McPartland took the lives of no less than half a dozen shift bosses and other men objectionable to the organization which he pretended to lead and whose cause he pretended to espouse.

I. SINCE the inauguration of the sheep and cattle industry in the state of Idaho there has been a bitter and bloody war extant between the sheep men and the cattle men. Hired murderers, employed by the cattle men, have killed scores of sheep herders during the last dozen years.

II. AGAIN, most of the cattle men are republicans, while many of them are mine owners and members of the Mine Owners' association. On the other hand, the sheep men are democrats, and many of them are Mormons.

III. ACCORDINGLY, when the conference between the Mine Owners' associations of the two states was called, there were present a number of Idaho cattle men who bore a personal grievance against their former governor.

IV. WILL the infamous conspiracy work? Are the people really believing the lying reports published in the capitalist press? Is public sentiment being aroused against the miners' organization? Will a subsidized jury convict Mover, Haywood, Pettibone and St. John for complicity in the assassination?

see, completely smothered, and no miner dared protest for fear of losing his job and having his wife and children driven forth to starvation. While there was evidence to clear the accused men and to convict the detectives of the outrages perpetrated, the people were not organized and were afraid to come into the court and testify.

He can go and come with alacrity, give directions to his aids with promptitude and command, as though he were twenty years younger than he really is. He looks upon his comely and studies his physical and facial features it may be limited that he is really a r. He has a low brow, a cunning eye. It requires a sharp eye in the depths of those eyes. His jaw is square and his back head is enormous. As a brute he is splendidly developed, and there is no questioning his will power.

A Few Incidents Taken from the Criminal Annals of James McPartland, the Leader of the Mine Owners' Association in Colorado and Idaho. The following account of the operations of James McPartland in Kansas, twenty-five years ago is not only vouched for by prominent men in Parsons and Oswego, who are alive today, and who personally know the circumstances, but is proved by court records now on file in the court houses of Labette and Nowata counties.

McPartland is a Napoleon in crime. It is said that he has run the entire gamut from petty larceny to murder and abortion. After viewing him at length one involuntarily places him in the same catalogue with Shakespeare's characterization of King Henry Third. It is instinctively felt that here is a man who would not hesitate before the commission of any crime, no matter how bloody or far-reaching it might be, if by the crime an end could be gained or a point established.

PARSONS, Kans., March 10.— Twenty years ago James McPartland lived at Parsons, Kansas, in a notorious resort for criminals called "The Grand Central Hotel." Here he joined in the operations of as dangerous a band as ever haunted southern Kansas and the Indian Territory. McPartland's principal business was to shield the proprietor of the place, Jake McLaughlin, from punishment for innumerable crimes and misdemeanors ranging in import from gambling, counterfeiting and violation of the state liquor laws to wholesale robbery and cold-blooded murders.









