

S P E C I A L W O R K .

Tuesday, September 8th, 1914. Report of Opr. #115.

FULTON BAG & COTTON MILLS.

I visited camp of tent colony this morning. I find peculiar conditions existing. Miles, instead of trying to induce other persons to locate out there, is really giving them every cause and encouragement to leave, thus laying his plans, as I supposed, and I suppose and expect when he thinks his chance has come, he will tell them that they have deserted him and he will disappear. Nearly every one is thoroughly disheartened, and say that all is over, and a good many are fully expecting Miles and Smith to desert them.

Several people left camp yesterday, and a number of others are preparing to leave.

I was out in company with W. W. Hardeman, a man running a boarding house. He said that he had lost considerable money by boarding strikers, they virtually would not pay him. I met a number of others who complained that they had lost all confidence in strikers and their leaders, and would not trust them in any manner. All agree that it is a pitiful looking sight at tent colony, and are looking for complete dissolution of tent colony and departure of Miles and Smith at any time now.

This afternoon I took man named Chamberlain (formerly in Bleach House) out to get information. He spoke entirely as I expected, that commissary supplies were diminishing, and that he was looking for smash up, any moment. Said that Miles was encouraging any whom he could (in a quiet way) to leave.

Said he was going to leave himself, in a day or two, and that he knew several others who were also preparing to leave. Said everyone was discouraged, and that it was all over. Said he thought that judging from what he heard, camp would be deserted by the end of week.

I talked with a number of others, and it simply is a repetition of what I have written. I predict within one week, the desertion of people by Miles. All signs point to this as his plan for getting clear of the mess he has placed these poor ignorant people in. I note that Miles is back again in Atlanta. He made trip to Macon and Augusta.

Expenses:

Carfare,	\$0.40
Phone	.20
With strikers; cigars etc.	.45
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