

not be removed: It is we, that sometimes are not competent for life, we that are lazy, coward, idle; for, when one sets himself to live a useful, and grand life, man cannot interrupt him, and God will not! And let us not forget that the man who hates is the man who has already enslaved himself; and he lies if he says he loves God.

Sometime ago I had a talk with our Editor of the Opinion, Mr. Lake, and I tried to get him to talk about his political career, he was reluctant in doing this, but after a little discussion said to me: "No one save God knows the trials, and failures, and struggles, which I have voluntarily encountered in order to gain my experience; they have no knowledge of the sacrifices I have made; of the undaunted efforts, put forth, of the faith, I have exercised, that I might overcome the apparently insurmountable, and realize the vision of my heart," said he: "I have been driven many times to my knees in prayer by the overwhelming conviction that I had no where else to go; my own wisdom and all that I had about me seemed insufficient for these days. That all our hope and trust is to be put in God alone." - And this is the man they want to kill, but their fugitive thoughts are just faded splendour. They had better pay to have him protected, for as long as he lives so will they, but if so much as a hair is harmed on his body, their lives will be but a walking shadows. I want to leave one fact with you definite, clear and obvious, you whoever you are, will join him there, six may go for one, So taste your bitter fruit, for I am watching the situation rather closely.

Followers and leaders of the W.I.P.P. everytime things seem to get to the limit of human endurance; in all sincerity, you can repeat these words:

"UNDERNEATH ME ARE HIS EVERLASTING ARMS" believe them strongly, and you will sense His presence and His touch.

Here I will stop, but you begin, with: "GOD GRANT ME THE COURAGE TO CHANGE THE THINGS I CAN CHANGE, THE SERENITY TO ACCEPT THOSE I CANNOT CHANGE, AND THE WISDOM TO KNOW THE DIFFERENCE - BUT GOD GRANT ME THE COURAGE NOT TO GIVE UP ON WHAT I THINK IS RIGHT EVEN THOUGH I THINK IT IS HOPELESS."

Dear readers, thanks for your attention.

FELLOW WINDWARD ISLANDERS RESIDING IN ST. MAARTEN AND IN PARTICULAR OUR FELLOW LABOURERS.

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"BLESSED IS HE WHO HAS DEDICATED A DAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE TO WORK, SWEAT AND BLEED TO EARN THEIR BREAD". These are the words that were said by an old man, once a labourer.

We fellow labourers admired this old man who said these words in meditation, for we understood what he meant by saying them.

However, in the days of this old man no one would have ever thought of doing the same. In those days it was sufficient "Earning your bread with sweat and blood," but today as time and everything with it has revolutionized, this also did.

Today everything is different, it is not like the past. We labourers are struggling to maintain our dignity and our rights.

Our constant strive is and will always be, to get higher wages and to improve our standard of living.

This can sometimes be done by "Going on a strike" which is considered a legal act throughout the civilized world.

Once in the Netherlands Antilles it was also considered legal, but now it is a punishable act, just like in those countries behind the "Iron Curtain".

In the countries behind the "Iron Curtain" it has become punishable through Communism and here in the Netherlands Antilles it has become punishable through Dictatorship, and that is the only difference.

This has become punishable to protect monopolists who believe the working man is a modern machine or a slave.

We declare that we will put an end to this.

This year Labour-day has been purposely postponed by us to take measures against Capitalism, since we cannot go on a strike.

Labour-days to come, will mean something special to us. On May the first we sympathized with the fact that the utmost should be done to help our fellow labourers in getting higher wages.

Our real Labour-day will be celebrated on the fourth of June, on the day of the elections, then we will expose