

### **THE CHIEF WAS RIGHT.**

The action of Chief Speers in refusing asylum to the trainload of vagrants sent here from the West cannot be too highly commended. There should be no disposition on the part of any community or any good citizen to refuse sympathy and aid to honest victims of misfortune, but Kansas City cannot afford to become an asylum for the evicted vagrants of half the continent. In the emergency of Wednesday it was most fortunate for the city that its chief of police could not be imposed upon. He long ago learned to know a miner when he saw one, and his long experience in his present office has taught him to know a common tramp from an honest laborer. It will be well for all concerned to bear in mind that this cannot be made a dumping ground for the unwelcome elements of the distressed communities of the mountain country. Kansas City will do its part in the direction of deserved charity, but it will not be imposed upon.

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