

Wrongs of Working Men—Strange Story About the Harlem Court-House Job.

The working men engaged in the construction of the new Harlem Court-house, at the corner of Sixth-avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-eighth-street, have "struck," on account of their employers' refusal to reduce their time of labor to eight hours a day. The men make loud complaints about the injustice with which they have been treated. They say that they were compelled to do overwork without receiving any extra pay, being kept at work ten hours instead of eight, which is the usual time on State and City jobs. The strangest story of their grievances, however, is the assertion by some of them that they have been obliged within the past few months to knock off work on the Court-house by order of Superintendent SCALLON, who has detailed many of them at different times to help erect the new private dwelling now being built for State Senator HENRY G. GENET, who is one of the Court-house Commissioners, at the corner of Fifth avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-sixth-street. The working men aver that the same contractors who furnish material for the Court-house also supply GENET'S building, and that the labor which they have performed on the latter structure was paid for out of the Court-house fund. The impression which the working men's statement is designed to create is, that GENET'S house is being put up, in whole or in part at the expense of the City. The Commissioners for the Court-house, which was commenced in October last, are GENET and Justices McQUADE and PORTER. Those who have struck against the alleged oppressive measures of the "bosses" number about 130 persons, in which are included stonecutters, masons and laborers. They propose to resort to the Courts for redress.