

The violence we have seen on the picket lines is appalling. Let the pickets withdraw and there will be no need for hundreds of police. If just six men at each mine picket peaceably, one or two bobbies on the beat would do the job.

So, I say to the militant miners lay down your battering rams, put down your concrete blocks, cast aside your stones. And then the police will not need their riot shields or their horses. For who will then cast the first stone?

There is no compromise between good and evil. Violence is evil. And only this Party and the British people have the courage to condemn it.