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FRIENDS,
There is a great battle on. It is the beginning of the end. On your action hangs the result.

BROTHER SOCIALISTS.
Sitting in my office reading, thinking, and writing produces no influence on the mental world without your assistance.

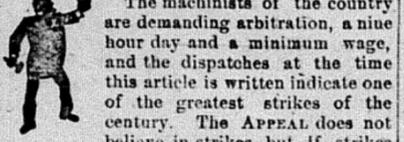
A DEFENDER OF THE G. O. P.
After giving me some data to aid in the work, an editor closes by saying:

Please do not mention my paper or name in connection. You will understand better when I tell you I am at the head of a republican paper...

There are many thousands of such men on old party papers, and in every great corporation office and banking house.

What! And what knowledge of history! Third parties have never been successful! Just as though the republican party was beginning!

THE GREAT STRIKE.



The machinists of the country are demanding arbitration, a nine hour day and a minimum wage, and the dispatches at the time this article is written indicate one of the greatest strikes of the century.

No local fight of labor can win in this country any more. It will require a national struggle. Let capitalists taste that once and they will hesitate before they tempt the battle a second time.

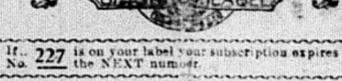
A LAWRENCE LULU.
The Lawrence, Kansas, World, says the movement to have a parcel post at a low rate, is a scheme of the big department stores to ruin the country merchants.

Another one of his objections to the plan is that there is a deficit in the postal receipts and that it would be increased.

To HAVE the economic system of the socialists in practical operation it would be necessary to have an entirely different people to inhabit the universe.

So you admit you have bosses now, eh? Why are bosses necessary? Are you willing to have bosses over you and make no protest?

This Paper is Produced by Union Labor on a Forty-seven Hour Week; Under Socialism the Workers Would Receive About Five Times as Much Pay for a Twenty-four Hour Week.



DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, Washington, D. C., December 8, 1899.
BOLTON HALL, ESO., 111 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

I am somewhat astonished that a man with the reputation for being a thinker, with having every access to the best thought such as the Hon. Carroll D. Wright, should take the position that there is anything but labor in any form of wealth.

Now is your opportunity. See that every headquarters of the strikers are supplied with stacks of Appeals and other socialist literature.

CANADIAN farmers near Brantford are putting up a packing house for caring for their meat. There are already packing houses enough to care for all the meat, and if these farmers had used their votes intelligently the public would have provided facilities long ago.

In order to more cheaply issue such literature as is permanent in character, I will issue 'Wayland's Monthly,' for which I must have a bona fide subscription list.

Are you working for socialism? If not, why not?

A THOUGHT ON LAND.

A READER wants an elucidation of the public ownership of land. Under socialism no one would want to own any land, for there would be nothing in it.

BOODLE WILL WIN.
Chief Signal Service Officer Greely urges congress not to subsidize the Pacific cable, but to make it a government function, thus giving the nation the benefit and protecting government orders from private inspection.

EXPLAINING YOUR SYSTEM.
A Washington dispatch of Feb. 25, says: During the past eight years several hundred thousand dollars have been expended for the purchase of new furniture for the United States senate.

This is the price you pay, with no benefit, for having business conducted for private profit. Had the furniture been made in public work-shops at days' labor, nobody would have made a profit by the change of furniture and there would have been no change except where it was really needed for the convenience of the office.

As an admirer of Bryan writes me that 'of two evils choose the least.' But I will do nothing of the kind. I will have nothing to do with either of the evils, when there is a way to advocate right principles.

You cannot advertise socialism too much. The more it is known the better for it.

RUSSIA is converting the whole petroleum business into a government monopoly. The thoughtless will at once see in this an act of tyranny. But can they not see that monopoly in oil in this country is just as much tyranny?

In great headlines the daily press tells us that the Standard Oil company has been knocked out in Texas, the U. S. supreme court has sustained the decision of the state court barring it from doing business in the state, as an illegal concern.

A POSTAL treaty is being made with England, similar to that with Germany, whereby citizens of England can send packages through our postal system weighing more than four pounds at a less rate than is charged our own people.

My attention has been called to an article on the practicability of socialism from the editor of the Zanesville, Ohio, News. The intention of the man is good, he really wants to see affairs bettered, but such articles do much to confuse the average reader.

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THE JOLLY CAPITALIST.

The U. S. Export Association, of which the coffee monopolist, Mr. Thurber, is president, sends me its circulars. It announces its purpose to "widen the markets for American products and thus keep our labor and capital remuneratively employed."

The New Heroism.

"If I were a young man I should ally myself with some high and at present, unpopular cause, and devote my every effort to accomplish its success.—John G. Whittier.

APPEAL TRAIN HELPERS.

- The bricklayer who treated the boys to such ponderous and half-baked jokes in this column last week climbed to the top of the APPEAL chimney and fell through. He is still alive, but not in a suitable condition to work his great brain. A railroad man has charge of the train now. All aboard.

FOREIGN ITEMS

Socialism is rapidly growing in the large cities of South America. A London paper estimates the socialist strength of Europe at 7,516,000 votes.

MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP.

Cost of Electric Lighting. PRIVATE OWNERSHIP. Racine, Wis., population 27,000, pays \$98.50 annually for each arc lamp.

Here comes Padovus, Ky., with a new S. D. P. branch. Isn't she growing, though?

How Cuts and Raises Tend. If I get \$2 per day and am raised 10 per cent, I receive \$2.20; and then if cut 10 per cent, I get but \$1.98, one per cent. less than at first.

The Union Label. on everything you buy is a guarantee that the producers thereof receive a fair rate of wages for its production. INSIST ON HAVING THE LABEL

