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fore the public.

The word-its meaning-its aim-is being discussed by the millions. The fires of hope are being kindled in the breast of the human race; the prospect is bringing to the eye of the tired wife a new light, and men, who heretofore could see nothing in life but a meaningless routine (with a full dinner pail as the pinnacle of success) are inspired by its message of cheer.

Filled with that measure of enthusiasm Army is moving irresistibly to victory-and the establishment of the Co-operative Commonwealth.

The Army, never satisfied, is continually prodding the poor old Appeal to KEEP SOME-THING GOING ON. This time, it's the railroad gang, and in order to keep peace in the family, No. 297 will be a special railroad edition, containing matter which will appeal particularly to railroad men who as yet are not familiar with the advantages Socialism will bring to them.

Bear in mind that while No. 297 will conmen, it will be of more than ordinary interest to the general public, and will be without doubt one of the best for propaganda work ever issued by the Appeal.

There are 929,000 railroad men in the United lished in Dublin States. What a feather in the Socialist cap cause he said of King Edward that he is it would be to give to every one of this vast army of men, whose votes we not only need, in English society for forty years, including BUT MUST HAVE, before the Co-operative the Linglish gen-Commonwealth can be established, a copy of theman perjurer of a historic divorce case, the this special railroad edition of the Appeal! polluted You realize the importance of this-hence you are expected to see that your town is thor-oughly covered and every railroad man sup-old and worn out descendant of a race of plied with a copy. Per 100, 40c; per 1,000, \$4.

So long as men and women will sell them-selves for wages, they will be slaves of cap-ital and will be poor.

What difference does it make to you whether you pay rent to a lord, duke or king, or to a plain American property owner?

The Indians claim that the government has robbed them of the lands it is making a great lottery of. No doubt of that:

In what different way did the masters of form masters of this country get it?

Labor unions must use Socialist literature

One day's news: Seventy-five thousand steel workers on strike; iron moulders out at to Chicago; firemen out at Wilkesbarre; and the pu country gloriously prosperousl

English capitalists own the railroads, coal great trusts and bodies of land in the United States. We pay fribute to them every hour. But we are a free people!

property.

All the crowned heads of Europe own the

Judge Kohlsaat, of Chicago, has decided in favor of the railroads, giving them the power to refuse to carry mixed cars of freight. Of course he did. Did you ever hear of a judge deciding anything in favor of the public? If so, when, what and where? Whose country in this, anyway? Don't the millionaires own the millionaires own the did haven't they a right to do with the fact that over 100,000 men are out in the did haven't they a right to do with the did haven't they a right to do with the did haven't they a right to do with the did haven't they a right to do with the did haven't they a right to do with the did haven't they a right to do with the did haven't they a right to do with the did haven't they a right to do with the did haven't they a right to do with the did haven't they a right to do with the did haven't they are the government, as the officers are there to serve their interests, nothing else to serve their interests, nothing else they are the government, as the officers are there to serve their interests, nothing else they are the government, as the officers are there to serve their interests, nothing else to serve their interests, nothing else they are the government, as the officers are there to serve their interests, nothing else they are the government, as the officers are there to serve their interests, nothing else they are the government, as the officers are there to serve their interests, nothing else they are the government, as the officers are the power they are the government, as the officers are the power the are they are the government, as the of

"The democratic platform of Ohlo is inter-esting as an index to the position which the democratis party will occupy during the next presidential campaign. The plank in refer-ence to trusts is peculiarly significant. The cance to trusts is peculiarly significant. The platform makers register their "hostility to the monopolization of industry, with its tendency on one hand to crush out individual enterprise and on the other to promote a Socialistic spirit among the people as the ONLY refuge from oppression." See the point? These bright platform operated by politicians for the benefit of the framers are opposed to trusts because the framers are opposed to trus's because the railroad and express companies. The remsontinued existence of them will open the eyes edy—Have the public own the railroads and of the people to the ONLY refuge from their express companies and there will be no corpopression—namely, the Socialist way—the public ownership of them. The democrats in their platform make no suggestion as to a remedy for the trusts because the fellows who made it are in the trust business themselves. The action of the democrats in Ohio indicate that Bryan and the Kansas City platform will that Bryan and the Kansas City platform will but a slave pen—which it is.

Ask your doctor for a subscription, now cut but a sorry figure in the next campaign. This means that the next national democratic convention will be dominated by the same element which controls the republican party. This will leave the great bulk of the demo-

motto, and the boys while these poor little orphans are flounder-live up to it, too. It is this intense perSocialist. In fact, there will be no place for sistence on the part them to go except the Socialist party. But them to go except the Socialist party. But before they can be admitted to fellowship, ing band of Socialists which is making they must be educated and shorn of their antiquated democratic ideas. This, however, can be accomplished easily—and when it is, Socialism the most the balance of the democratic party, talked of theme be-trolled by men of the McLean, Hill, stripe, will be forced into the republican camp. Then will Mr. Hanna's forecast that "the fight of the future will be between the republican party and the Socialists" be realized. And it is to prepare for that great day, that every Socialist should direct all his efforts.

The Appeal would like to see the Indianap olis conference of Socialists adopt the name Socialist Party, abolish the "party organ" business and not make it obligatory on a which certain success inspires, the Appeal person to pay dues to have a voice in the party. Enough money will be forthcoming without that method of having to buy a mem bership, making money a qualification for as sociation. 'the platform should be short enough to use as a paster, that it may be stuck up in every public place in the nation A dozen lines will cover the matter. Each state should be given its autonomy in the propaganda. Then let us push the organization into every precinct in the nation. The Appeal is willing and has always been, to astain matter of especial interest to railroad sist in the organization, and its Army can and will put in thousands of branches in the next few months, if given a chance,

> "The Irish People," O'Brien's paper, pubold and baid-headed roue, a lover of every woman of fair features who has appeared polluted hero of one of the malodorous scenes in Zola's rotten novel—Nana—the censcoundrels and practical professors of hideous morality."

There is no effort to disprove or even make O'Brien prove these things—they are facts of common knowledge. But that is neither was this: Would the ministers who have excommunicated Herron and would Bishop Pot-ter and others who have refused to appear on the platform with him, refuse to appear on the platform with the king of England or the sultan of Turkey, with his hundreds of our life. They would be other to get on the plat Yet, these things have never been said erron. The king represents the system, and is therefore immune! He could com on the non-union men if they would have them out of the society of men whose immaculate stand with the union against the capitalists. purity prevents them being on the same platform with Professor Herron. But of such Forty-five bank wreckers and embezzlers ever has been the creeds and their upholders. have been pardoned by President McKinley so Christ did not so with the Magdalene. The far. Did you hear of him pardoning any workgalleries.

The postmaster-general has made an orde to carry into effect the exclusion of certain publications from the mails at second-class The last congress killed a bill to do this, but the department does what congress refused to do! This will have the effect of increasing the postage about eight times on serial publications and pamphlets, and will put a great sum of money into the hands of ed. This will seriously affect the book business of the Appeal and will make literature cost a great deal more than formerly. The finest rent-paying properties in American express companies which are now anxious to cities. You have been taught to look upon their exactions for rent in Europe as tyranny. Why is it not tyranny to pay them rent
here?

carry these books at the rate which the govmaster-general says loses money to the government, will of course at once raise their
rates. The whole thing is a scheme to profit
nere? the railroads and express companies. But as squeeze they are the government, as the officers are ership.

it, and haven't they a right to do with the steel and other trades on a strike, that their own as they please? What silly people to expect a court to decide against railroad into expect a court to expect a court and expect a court

The steel trust is resorting to the old game of arming ignorant foreigners in its eff. to beat the American citizens who belong to the unions. The trust is a foreign-owned public

The postal system is publicly owned, but operated by politicians for the benefit of the railroad and express companies. The rem-

Ask your doctor for a subscription, now that he has had a sample copy of the Appeal. The boys who have tried are pleased with re-

James J. Van Allen sails for England tomorrow to receive from King Edward the Cross of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem. The decoration consists of a black iron maltese cross, with a reproduc-tion of the lion and the unicorn placed singly between the arms of the cross. is worn suspended from a black and white ribbon.—Associated Press dispatch.

anis shows how childish for baubles are the alleged "prominent and respectable" izens of this "great republic." How dote on a piece of iron with two strings attached, if given them by a KING. Will make a trip across the ocean to get it! How they hate monarchies! How they hate democratic simplicities and equalities! Such parasites are furnished great incomes by interest, rent and profit paid by American donkeys, so they may hobnob with KINGS. How much better honors from the KING now than in the time when Benedict Arnold accepted them? country favor a monarchy in preference to the present pseudo-republic? Can you not see that the wealthy classes have married into and have interests with European nobility and royalty more than in this country? That have interests you working people are being used as so cattle to provide the wealth which these keep you slaves? What is your brain for? daye you eyes that see not and ears that hear not? The rich would today take sides keep you slaves? with a foreign invasion of this country rather than submit to a control of this counthe working people, which are a ma-They did in Cuba, they did in the Philippines, they have in all countries. Rich men do not love their country—they love their property, and will make peace with any tyrant lots and political influence they will be if their property is preserved to them. An doomed to eternal industrial slavery. The I their property is preserved to them. American citizen who would accept f who would accept favors from a king should be treated as a public enemy, which he is, though pretending like Arnold to be patriot :.

The Irish World, of New York, had its Fo eth of July edition suppressed by the po-lic cause it had a flag bearing this inscrip-

This flag stands for Liberty, Equality, dependence, Justice and Fraternity-if the congress or president so will." And then a picture of three children labeled Cuba, Porto Rico and Philippines, and then below this quotation:

"O, say, does the star spangled banner yet was O'er the land of the free and the home of the

The Constitution says no law shall be made "abridging the freedom or speech of the press," but what is the Constitution to the people whom the working people elect to office? That is the reason the troops are used against the strikers and judges issue injunctions against the rights of the work ers to speak to the non-union men. Tyranny creeps in slowly, but surely. No people t their liberty who became negligent of When the people elect Socialists, working people will come into their own.

Frank Kennedy, of Cincinnati, writes in the Post of that city July 10, that he with his wife and three children lived on \$6.35 a week for a year. He lost no time by sickness, used their rule! And you are a voter! in debt at the end of the year. In the list of item appears for overcoat, wrap, amusements, holidays, bighday, literature, music or art. Such is the life of thousands of workers. It the democratic and republican tickets so this, condition will continue. Not liquor nor laziness, but a debauched, unchristian industrial system is the cause. Public ownership of capital is the remedy.

The ice companies of Chicago have raised The income of the royalty of Europe comes from owning the property. That is just the way the income of our masters is gotten. Why is it tyranny there and freedom here?

The judges of this country are its greatest menace. They are the servants of the property.

The judges and property judges always uphold property.

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The income of the royalty of Europe comes in the express companies that now goes into the postal revenues. As the railroads have their pay adjusted for the next four years, the cost of transportations will be just as great to the property into the property into the hands of the property.

The judges of this country are its greatest to the government, while the revenue will be just as great to the property into the property into the hands of the property into the pay into the property.

The judges of this country are its greatest to the government, while the revenue as great to to the government, while the revenue to the price is "just because they want the money." Well, that's honest, at least if it is brutal. Now suppose the popel, because they have the power, should say they will be decreased. The promise held out they will pay nothing for its, it is the price is "just because they have the money." Well, that's honest, at the price is "just because they have the money." Well, that's honest, at the price is "just because they have the power, should say the raise of the property in the price is "just because they have the power, should say the raise of the property in the price is "just because they have the power, should say the power and the price is "just because they have the personal inconvenience, perhaps adorning lamp posts? Would the people not be acting just as are the members of the ke combine? Sauce for the geese ought to be good sauce for the ganders. I wish the ice trusts would raise the price 100% every week. People who are such fools as to permit private interests. to control their necessities ought to be skin-ned. If I had the cinch on them, I would squeeze them until they installed public own-

The government has just completed one gun that cost over a half million dollars. That was spent for means to kill and main human-ity. What an awful thing it would be to spend half a million in building and furnishing a factory to employ 500 men and thus enable them to own homes and enjoy life! Governto expect a court to decide against railroad interests. Minority rule is the thing. A few press that scarcely a thing is said about it in the daily papers! Just a few words thrown together the millions, can have nothing. If they make a law it is declared unconstitutional by the courts, whoop-lal

The democratic platform of Ohio is interesting as an index to the position which the design as an index to the position which the pose of spreading commerce to make more profits is a murderous thing. Put to developing industry and making useful employment it would be a blessing to mankind. Kings and

is \$30 per car more than has been the rate ever since I have been in Girard. But no mat-ter. I wish the rates would be raised twice as high on everything. If fools will have transportation in the hands of monopolies rather than in their own, they ought to be robbed. Give it to them. I will suffer patiently if it will raise the standard of re-

Is the profit that the English "subjects" pay to Lord Lytton on tea any less tribute than what you pay to the fellows over here whose names you do not know.

Both Bradstreet and Dun report a rease in the number of failures both in this country and Canada during the past week. The panic is traveling from Europe rapidly.

High prices produce prosperity. Here in Kansas hay is \$20 a ton and corn 55 cents a bushel, and the farmers are buying at that price to keep their stock from starving. Give thanks to McKinley.

There are only two reasons possible why a congressman or senator will rote to pay an appropriation to railroads of 200% a year for he use of mail cars-one is that he is bribed, the other is that he is a fool. The U. S. government pays foreign stock

holders of American railroads for the right to carry the mails and pay them ten times as much as a fair charge. They evidently know how to bribe officials. Great, free Americal It will be a crime in this country for a mar steel trust wins out in its fight against its men. It was a crime in England once. Are

we going back to feudalism and open tyranny? There is no tyranny, no oppression, no tribute-taking in Europe that is not present in this country. Each and all consist in taking profit—something for nothing—out of the a mathe hide and tallow of stupid people. What are the trusts doing to you?

> If the labor unions will not use their baltrusts have no more conscience than the trad ers who kidnaped the blacks from Africa

English capitalists own the control of ev ery ship building yard in this country. When Uncle Sam wants ships he must ask English-men! The English use traitor Americans as men! dummies to cover up their ownership. We are great and wise people!

The boys are taking right hold of Comrade Dewey's "Real Criminal" pamphlet. It's a scorcher—hotter even than the atmosphere at present. Per 100, \$1. Bear in mind that you get your order will also send in addition 100 copies of the

Reports. They are published monthly by the government, and you can have your name put on the subscription list free, by making the request of the sccretary of state, Washington, D. C. Much valuable matter is given in them that Socialists can use, because it is official. Every household in America will now be

robbed before it can use oil-cloth, a conspiracy of capitalists having succeeded in forming a trust on this article. Glorious, free country! Are you not glad you live where freedom shricks? The old parties tell us they are against the trusts! And this is done under

What will the next generation do for public There will be no Kiowas to rob and lottery them off. If poverty stalks the land today when all these rich gifts of nature have been divided among the population have been divided among the population in the last century, what will be the condition for the next century when there will be no well lands sold for a song? Landlordism in Eu-noth- rope will be a very tame affair to the landlordism that will crush the workers here.

> The Salvation Army has established a fresh dr camp on the outskirts of Kansas City. According to the Daily Times they are having difficulty in getting rid of the daily pressure from "women and children who beg to remain in the camp because they have no home." Let the eagle scream over the great prosperous republic, where plenty and happiness are abundant-and poverty and want and oppression are unknown. The latter conditions are only in Europe! This country is owned by the trusts, and those not in them or serving them are not in it.

The steel trust don't believe in labor unions trusts, either. The sympacity will be with the labor unions against thieves, robbers, bribers and worse, who compose the trusts of the country. If the workmen will put "public ownership of the trusts" on their banners, they will have the nation at their back, and if they will go after the corrupt politicians with blood in their eyes they will have them doing their duty instead of working for the trusts.

A hundred thousand iron workers striking for a miserable wage, just enough to keep them from dying out, and Carnegie giving away hundreds of millions that he has skinned them and the public of! What a glorious industrial system! The steal trust can't afford to pay wages enough for an American live on! The Appeal has always oplabor The public does not believe in steel and other trusts, either. The sympathy of the public will be with the labor unions against the

The Socialists of France control the city governments of Marseilles, Lille, Roubaix, Dijon, Montlucon, Ivry, Lyons, St. Etienne, St. Quentin, Bourges, Limoges and Montecaules-Mine —cities ranging from 200,000 down, besides hundreds of smaller places. The Socialist vote in Paris was 126,000, and they hold twenty seats in the city government. In Beltwenty seats in the city government. In Bel-gium the Socialists increased their vote 140,-000 over the vote of four years ago. It is such things in this country that the Appeal will be recording from now on.

At a special election to fill a vacancy for mayor of Sedailia, Mo., the republicans and democrats have united on the same man for the position, because the Socialists at the last election cast a heavy vote, and have nominated Comrade John O. Fisher for the place. The old parties are for the capitalists everywhere, and when they cannot divide the workers to control them, they will combine to beat them. Working people should vote for Socialists, because the Socialists want to give the working people ALL their labor produces. In the recent railroad consolidations in this section, it was done "not to raise rates, but to sare expenses." This is what the public consumption. They have put double work on the employes, and I notice that the last freight bill for paper is \$30 per car more than has been the rate.

The following incident occurred at a farmers' picnic near Elberton, Wash., a few days
ago. C. H. Vail was present, and made a
rousing speech for Secialism. The picnic managers had a speaker, Chas. H. Dodd, from
Portland, to attempt to answer Vail. He
made a bitter attack on Vail, denouncing him
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made a bitter attack on Vail, denouncing him
the made of sedition and a traitor to his A doctor announces that he has discovered a method of diet to control the sex of unborn infants. How wonderful is man! The honey bees have known that for thousands of years, and yet man thinks that he is the wisest thing that ever happened. Man could learn from the bees a great deal more than he now knows, especially about social and industrial affairs.

Mr. Joseph Gould, of Christchurch, Zealand, is traveling to England. He himself interviewed in Toronto, and he that he is a landlord who went to the away country and bought land when i cheap, and got large quantities of it, a proved it, and now the people are tay and driving capital out of the country! they would drive capitalists out of the co y they would be better off than they are would like to know how much capital is leaving that country? Are they shipping the houses, machinery and cattle back to Europe? The fact is, that such leeches as Gould imagine they are the capital, when they bear the same relation to capital that grasshop pers do to a crop of corn in Kansas. According to this fellow, it is a bad thing for he government down there to do the insur It enables the people to get it for less the government has a surplus of money which it lends to the people This interest goes into the public treasury and competes with the capitalist who cannot get more! It looks like capital was increasng when the people have so much money they do not need to borrow other than of selves. When all the useless, non-producing capitalists and leeches are driven out of New Zealand, because they cannot get something for nothing, that country will begin to realize a heaven on earth.

All the adult males of a town helping to put in a temporary water plant was the feature of a story E. Lake, a Detroit traveling man told at the Savoy last night. He had just returned from a trip through Kansas. Parsons was the only town in which he did no business for two days. Every business man in that town," said take, "had his place of business closed, and was helping lay pipe from the town to the river three miles away. The town's water supply had become exhausted. Sufficient laborers could not be obtained to lay and the mayor issued a proclamation ask-ing that the citizens turn out and help. hey did. Hardly a person in the town but did something, and with one day's work the town had a new water plant."

—Kansas City Times, July 16.
Many people assume that under Socialism there would be no one to do the hard, dirty work. But this instance shows that whatev is necessary, plenty of people will be found to do it. These business and professional men did not lose any social caste in doing menial labor—in fact, they, enhance their social standing by going out in the extreme hot sun and digging trenches for the water mains. They would have lost caste if they had re-fused to do it. And what is more, I believe fused to do it. And what is more, I believe they enjoyed it, and will talk of it. AND THEY GOT NO PAY FOR IT: Water was the incentive for the effort-not money.

Cincinnati built the railroad from that city to Chattanooga, Tenn. Then the railroad lob-by went to work on the legislature and got the city to lease it to capitalists who have skinned the people out of all the benefit that should have accrued to the ownership. The capitalists now point to this as evidence that the public cannot run a railroad! Sev-eral men have made millions out of the road that should have gone into the city treasury and would have, had not the voters been too ignorant to elect men who BELIEVE in public ownership. No set of men who oppose a principle will operate anything under that principle so as to prove it a success. Never has there been a railroad owned by the public. lic that the capitalists permitted to be operated at cost. It would astonish the peo ple at the robbery they have been committing or years. They will pay out millions to to prevent this showing.

Judge Stewart, at York, Pa., fined two g men \$250 each and thirty days in jail for trying to induce other workingmen from working for a fifm against which there was a oycott. Judge stewart is an owner in the country is a more tyrannous condition? Nov publican and democratic parties are their en emies? Will they ever find out that such con ther ditions could not be under Socialism? Will they listen to the siren seng of the hirelings of capitalism and give their votes to their

industrial system! The steal trust can't af-ford to pay wages enough for an American citizen to live on! The Appeal has always op-posed strikes, because it is not the way out, but if strikes are made, then every labor union man in every trade should lay down his tools and refuse to do another day's work until the wage matter is settled. Capitalists support each other—laboring men fight each other. When will they learn better?

If the labor unions would strike the trusts

Japan is going to "retaliate" on America and Russia by raising the tariff on oil! That will make the Japanese pay a higher price for oil, which will be a great protection! Then the rulers will take the money squeezed out of the people and revel in the luxury of "protection." If the Japa are caught by such tricks they will be as stupid as the American voting kings who support the same kind of protection.

When Kansas farmers had corn they got 25 cents a bushel for it; now they have none, they have to pay 55 cents for it. Prosperity. Under Socialism it would not be thus, but the public would have the corn, and would have saved enough of last year's crop to carry them until this year's was assured.

## Uncle Sam's Domain

The servant girls of Chicago-notice the rord "servant"- have organized a union, and propose to demand shorter hours and more

Twelve of the big theatres between Chisage and the Pacific coast have formed a com-bination to "do" the public and the pertormers.

The heroes of history are revolutionists. Will the historian who writes the annals of the first quarter of the new century include your name?

The sheep shearers in parts of Idaho are enjoying their share of the prevailing pros-perity by a reduction in the price of shear-ing sheep from seven to six cents.

If, as Mr. Abram S. Hewitt asserts, wealth that Mr. Morgan possesses is joint product of the capitalist and labor, capital absorb so big a slice?

Kings, potentates, and the men of wealth In the just, are useful to the historian only as a background to bring out the giant figure of the man who protested against conditions

New York City is the owner of the iron pier at Coney Island. It came in possession of the property by reason of the foreclosure of a mortgage it held on the property, given to

The gross carnings of all the railroads in the United States for the past year are estimated at \$1.628,600,000—an increase of nearly \$150,000,000 over the year previous. The shows prosperity for the railroads at least. This

From the east comes a story of a gigantic combination of telegraph and telephone com-panies, headed by the Western Union Tele-graph company, which is to absorb the Pos-tal Telegraph company, American Bell Tele-phone and all its dependencies.

The Santa Fe railway has decided to use oil fuel in its locomotives as fast as possi-The Beaument product will be given a A number of locomotives were turne but of the shops at Topeka hast week which will run on the main line of the road and burn oil. The Santa Fe has 135 oil burning en on its lines in Southern California.

The financial columns of the metropolitan failes furnish some interesting reading mat-ter these days. The account of charges, counter charges, sorties and flank movements, engineered by the captains of industry, make interesting reading as do the historical vels. You are missing a good thing, if you fail to keep up with each chapter as it is is-

The Steel Corporation has decided by cote of its directors to place upon the list of paying securities, its common shares of stock. This means that dividends will be paid stock. This means that dividends will be paid on one half billion dollars worth of water. And all it required was a vote of the directors, the change of a few figures in the price of the steel products, and the trick was turned and sixty millions of dollars will be filched from the pockets of the consuming public ev-

not violate them.

Uncle Sam is preparing to erect a building to be used as a "Hyrenic Laboratory." The purpose of this institution is to cultivate discase germs and make their acquaintance in a scientific manner, and thus enable communities to better fight disease. Funny business Uncle Sam is getting into. If it keeps up a precedent will be established, which will enable the people to demand that Uncle Sam minufacture clothing under conditions which will preclude the possibility of spreading dis-ease contracted in the sweat shops of the

A dispatch from New York says that Bro. Morgan again came to the rescue of the panic stricken brothers of Wall street and prevented a panic. Mr. Morgan was on the wrong side to allow a panic to come at this time, evidently. Wait till he gets on the other side and desires to depress the price of stocks and bonds in order to force the little fathers and bonds in order to force the little fathers and bonds in order to force the little fathers and bonds in order to force the little fathers and bonds in order to force the little fathers and bonds in order to force the little fathers and bonds in order to force the little fathers and bonds in order to force the little fathers and bonds in order to force the little fathers and bonds in order to force the little fathers and bonds in order to force the little fathers and bonds in order to force the little fathers and bonds in order to force the little fathers and bonds in order to force the little fathers and bonds in order to force the little fathers and stage coach. Controlling the means of the older fathers and stage of the Coal Octopus has a british father and stronger peace of the little fathers. fellows out, and he will use the same power to cause a panic as he did to prevent one. It's real kind in Mr. Morgan, anyway, to look after

the financial welfare of the millions of people of this country.

The city of Allegheny, Pa., must give up a section of its city park to the Pennsylvania railroad, or the railroad will carry out its threat to stop its passenger service in the town. The council has decided to give the road what it wants—even to the detriment of its only public park. The octopus must be placated, you know. But the railroad will demand too much of the dear people some day, other affairs; always basing the degree and that if it (the public) must provide all the blind can also see the strength of the pull rights-of-way, put up the cash to maintain the roads and furnish all the labor, it will go into the railroad business on its own hook.

But it is neither the shippers nor the public that the first provide all the labor, it will go into the railroad business on its own hook.

It was stated in Wall street yesterday, says a New York paper, regarding the report of a coal deal arranged by the United States Steel corporation, that important financial interests have recently secured control of large tracts of coal lands in West Virginia, Ohio and tracts of coal lands in West Virginia, Chio and Pennsylvania, Including the Flat Top Coal Land Association holdings. The latter, it is said, was purchased for \$17,000,000. These properties are to be consolidated into one company, to be known as the Pocahontas and the Pocahontas are to be known as the Pocahontas and the Pocahontas are to be known as the Pocahontas and the Pocahontas are to be known as the Pocahontas and the Pocahontas and the Pocahontas are to be known as the Pocahontas and the Pocahontas and the Pocahontas are to be known as the Pocahontas are to be known as the Pocahontas and the Pocahontas are to be known as the Pocahontas and the Pocahontas are to be known as the Pocahontas are to be known as the Pocahontas are to be to properties are to be consolidated into one company, to be known as the Pocahontas (Coal company, to be expitulized, it is said, at \$16,000,000. It is reported that the United States Steel corporation has no interest in and is not consected in any way with the new company, except that important individual interests will be stockholders in the new or-

our beneficent system families are not sep-arated. The child's condition was no doubt in proved by the transaction as the nother was poor and unable to support it, but no doubt her mother's love protect assistant the outrage as you, if you are doubt her mother's love prot-outrage as you, if you are a have protested. Under Social dillen could not exist bea-trannes of the child would be close, the mother if plades provided with sociable and and the comforts and the gould has to provide for go-

### EORROWED THOUGHTS.

The future belongs to the purified Social-

On the irresistible momentum of these two On the irresistible momentum of these two inevitable and ever-growing forces—the concentration of industry and the growth of the new democracy—Socialism depends for the realization of its schemes of transformation.— Encyclopedia Britannica, art. "Socialism."

"There is," said a New York supreme judge to Henry George, "a large class-I was about to say a majority-of the population of New York and Brooklyn who just live, and to whom the rearing of two more children means inevitably a boy for the penitentiary and a girl for the brothel."

The greatest act of chartly that one can do for others at the present time, is to learn them that the injury of one is injurious to all, that the true happiness of all depends upon the prosperity of all; that universal liberty depends upon universal equality.—R. A. Raver.

Mrs. Jones-"Are you aware, Mrs. Skinbone, your dog has just bitten my little e. Mrs. Skinbone-"What, your Willie who has only just gotten over scarlet fever? Oh, Mrs. Jones, if anything should happen to Fido, I'd never forgive you."—Glasgow Even-

Philanthropists should take to heart the words of Toistoi, who says: "If I wish to help the poor I must not be the cause of their Men cannot ride to wealth the backs of their fellow men and make atonement by supporting soup houses and mission Sunday schools or building colleges and hospitals.

It is anosing as it is common to be people who can hardly conceal their impatience at the mention of Socialism, yet heart-tience at the mention of socialism, yet heart-tience at the mention of its principles. This ily approve every one of its principles. This prejudice, however, is rapidly disappearing as is evident from the friendly attitude of thoughtful minds toward the new order.—

With one sudden gulp the billion dollar oc-topus swallowed the Shelby Tube Co., a com-bine of ten mills and \$15,000,000, and by the act has secured a pretty good grip on the bicycle trust. The modern Jabberwood is also corraling various independent coal interests, and the little operators are said to be trembling in their boots.- Cleveland Cit-

-Says Rev. Sprague in his book, "Socialism from Genesis to Revelations:" A competent witness testified nearly six years ago before an immigration committee in re were \$50,000,000 Socialists in Europe. 1592 Germany contained not less than 8,000,000 avowed Socialists more than one-sixth of the entire population. It is fair to presume that 3,000,000 who have not openly avowed themselves Socialists are in sympathy with the movement. Already, says DeLaveleye there are among the laborers alone 6,000,000 Socialists in France.

One of the most notable items in the celebration of Independence Day was the arrival of J. Pierpont Morgan and a brace of million-"There seems to have been some violation of the national banking laws," says the Railway World, a fluancial newspaper, printed in New York, in speaking of the failure of the Seventh National-Bank, recently. But will the right. It was eminently fitted that the only representatives of what now constitutes men responsible for this crime be punished? Nary a bit. Let some hungry New Yorker steal a loaf of bread and see how quick the officers of the law get in their work. But tuted, and America will celebrate the independence, the men who make the laws cannot violate them. aires on the steamer Deutschland. Wealth is pendence of all men, instead of a farcial dis-play of liberty and justice.—Flaming Sword

## Meat for the Octopus.

"The trust is planning to force the retailers out of business," said a local coal dealer.

Most assuredly. The retailers make a profit out of the consumers. The Coal Octopus

When the people get well acquainted with it they will discover that the Coal Octopus is are of the most promising beasts that ever was bern. Possibly, they will discover that there is nothing so huge as it on earth, save

the Standard Oil octopus, which is a much older, fatter and stronger beast up to date.
But, while not yet so old and big as the Standard, the Coal Octopus has a brilliant future before it. With some of its tentacles transportation the Coal Octopus is still to die tate as to what coal dealer, or lumber dealer

placated, you know. But the railroad will de-inand too much of the dear people some day, and the people will get wearf of 'making' quantity of these things on the urgency of concessions," and come to the conclusion

this direction.

But it is neither the shippers nor the refuers that the Coal Octopus is after. The cou-

sumer is the real proy.

With the mining and transporting powers
in its control, why should the Coal Octopus
permit such an inconsiderable matter at the
business of retailers to stand between it and

and is not consected in any way the individual ingreen that important individual interests will be stockholders in the new organization.

Says a dispatch from Enssonville, N. Y.:
"A poor widow here sold here a year-old child to Jacob Scheleswing a wealthy former, and trated capital stilles competition. To be sure, the coal resilier squeals. He doesn't have assigned to him all right, title and costedly of the child." And we are trid that slavery does not exist in this country, and that under does not exist in this country, and that under does not exist in this country, and that under does not exist in this country, and that under does not exist in this country, and that under does not exist in this country, and that under does not exist in this country, and that under lock of goods to sell to the Octopus. In most lock of the Appeal Army—and there are instances, he has seted only as middle-man, he has seted only o doubt instances, he has setted only as middle carther and has on hard little save a regulation but no fair and square dealing, built up by that the work. There is nothing that the Octop maily, more quickly and have \* 3000307

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Rapping the Trusts

Anderson, Ind., maintains its street lights at a cost of \$30 per per year. South Bend. Ind., thinks it is better to pay a private company \$70 for the same service.

The Portland, Ind., municipal lighting plant enables the city to maintain lights at a yearly cost of \$23.40. Under the dear old departed past, a private corporation collect-

In Anderson, Ind., the city owns the water To use the water for one year to heep your lawn cool and green costs \$2.50; In Rich Hill, Mo., where St. Louis capitalists

New Foundland has again become owner of the telegraph system of that country. The system was originally built and operated by the government, but through the chicanery of the politicians it was turned over to a private syndicate.

Pullman, Wash., will ered an electric light ant in connection with the city water works ation. The people of Pullman think it a better plan to do their own lighting than to pay a private concern a big bonus every year to do it for them.

The people of Anderson, Ind., think it better to keep the \$6,000 at home-which repdifference between the cost perating and the receipts of the city water ther city to swell the coffers of a bond

The printers of Montana are urging the passage by the legislature of a bill to provide for a state printing plant. The Canadian government does its own printing, and does it both cheaply and well. Those who are employed in the printing bureau get good pay and have decent hours.—Citizen and Country,

Treats are the logical outcome of the present competitive system—they are necessary to bridge over the chasm which yawns between the ruins of private property and the cooperative Commonwealth. Municipal own-Co-operative Commonwealth. ership is simply one phase of the trust ques-tion, and as such should be encouraged, as the Socialist encourages the trust.

The Tacoma Trades Council has mously passed resolutions asking the United States to assume charge and ownership of the telegraph systems of the country. When the boys get tired of demanding that which they see is right, from old party representa-tives, they will be forced to the conclusion only through the Socialist party can hope to secure relief from the ills of only private enterprises-run for the sole pur-

The Greenwich, Mass., water company owned by William Rockefeller. It was organized a few years ago with a capital stock \$60,000. By the injection of a few barrels water the stock was pu hed up to half a million or more, and now pays a dividend of 50%. This is one of Mr. R's pet investments, and the public is so designted with his success that they cheerfully put up the price. For who, pray, would furnish water, if Mr. Rockefeller should decide to go out of business?

Workingmen's tickets on the Prussian state railways cost on fifth cent per mile; on the German imperial roads, one-fourth cent a mile; in France (private ownership) one cent per mile; in Telgium (state ownership) one-half cent a mile; on Belgian street railways a two-cent fare. The London Claracter of these 25 is authority for these states ion of June 29, is authority for these statements. To have such a condition here would be to enslave American workingmen. Nothing but paying three cents a mile railroad fare will keep the American voting kings free and untrammeled! What fools the European untrammeled! What fools the European working people are to have the slavery of only one-fourth of a cent a mile rail

Dyersburg, Tenu., has voted 207 to 140 in favor of a public electric plant, but as a majority rule is not favored in Tennessee, requiring five-eights, majority, it failed. The Mamphia Appeal says this is a setback to Socialism! To have a bi; majority favor public ownership is a failure! The rich men of he ownership is a failure! The rich men of Dyershing favored a private plant because they could skin the balance of the people, and he 149 votes was composed of the uch as wanted the franchise, toget franchise, together the negroes that they employed. The cify is at present being skinned by a private comat present being thinned by a private com-pany that is giving poor service at an ex-tortionate rate, compared to what other Ten-nessee towns have to pay where the plants are publicly owned.

## The Three Classes.

A local railroad man, says the Cleveland Press, while discussing the various classes of people who patronize the care in the morning, referred to them as "workers, clerkers and shirkers."
"What do you mean?" the Press man

That's a common term applied to them by railroad men throughout the country, and I don't believe I ever saw it in print. The workers are the men and women who crowd the properties at their daily toll. Then be ween 7 and 9 o'clock come what we call the clerkers. These are composed of men and women who have more privileges at their places of employment, who begin to work later than the workers, and who are not hauled over the coals if they happen to be Girl stenographers make up a large part take the ear any time between 8:30 and 10, this class is made up of bankers, proprietors of satores and offices, who haven't anybody of stores and offices, who haven't anybody over them, and can do just as they please." "How about the return journey in the evening?"

Figure thing, except the SHIRKERS COME PHRST. They are followed by the clerke and the workers are the last on the list."

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become railway employes in this country would be for the cause of Socialism if their attention was, directed properly. their attention was, directed proper Bear in mind that it was a stray copy me Socialist paper or paraphlet which aw it's your turn to give r reallow an opportunity. Sond your

### IN FOREIGN CLIMES.

Montreal is the headquarters of a syndicate which proposes to control all the tranways, interior navigation companies and lighting and motive plants in the Dominion of Canada. It obtained a charter at the last session of the provincial legislature of Quebec, authorlzing it to amalgamate with any existing heat, light or power companies, without any limit being set to its capital .

According to a Valparaiso, Chili, dispatch, J. Pierpont Morgan has bought the Clarke transaudine railway company's line for \$450, 000. The Chilian government had arranged to purchase the railroad on certain conditions, but failed to meet these conditions when the time to complete the purchase arown the water works, it costs \$12 for the rived. The sellers of the line are three banks, season.

New Foundland has again become the road as creditors. Only one railroad line is completed across the Andes. This is set dow in recent maps as the Buenos Ayres & Val-paraiso transaudine railway. It is the con-necting link between the railway systems of Chili and Argentine. The last section, which has been recently built, makes the journey across the Andes possible in twenty-nine The official report of the minister of the

interior of Austria, says a dispatch from Vienna, just issued, on the button making Moravia, has created somewhat of a sensation. The report is in part as follows: "Average hours of work for men, 19 hours: average hours of labor for women, 17; for children over ten years of age, 12, and for children under 10 years, 8 hours. The average carnings of a man are 30 cents weekly; average earnings of a woman, 20 cents weekly and of a child 8 cents weekly. The average earnings of a whole family varies from \$22 to \$30 yearly. The maximum sum which a fullgrown man can possibly earn is 50 cents weekly, but this requires superhuman efforts and is rarely accomplished. The children have to begin when 3 years of age and work day and night when they are 5.

John W. Bookwalter, once democratic candidate for governor of Ohio, says a cablegram from London, made a 2,000 mile bicycle trip from London, made a 2,000 mile bicycle trip through Southern Europe. He traversed Italy almost from end to end, crossed the Appennines, went over the St. Gethard range and wheeled over the mountainous roads of Switzerland. Mr. Bookwalter spent the greater part of his time closely studying the peasantry, and he is thoroughly convinced that a crists is imminent between the urban and the rural populations of the world. In the rise in the price of grain he sees the beginning of a strangele of the agricultural elements on the price of the agricultural elements. wheeled over the St. Gethard range and wheeled over the mountainous roads of Switzerland. Mr. Bookwalter spent the greater part of his time closely studying the peasantry, and he is thoroughly convinced that a crists is imminent between the urban and the rural populations of the world. In the rise in the price of grain he sees the begin-ning of a struggle of the agricultural elements against the concentration of capital in cities This movement, he believes, will commence in ditions are inferior to those of Germany and France, especially the latter, which he main tains is the soundest country in the world owing to the distribution of wealth between the agrarian and metropolitan classes.

A London society paper discussing the so-cial question, says that it was possible a few years ago for a man and his family to live in respectability on an income of \$50,000, but that alast those good old days are gone, and given the utmost scope. Don't you see how now one must have at least an income of evdent it is that the development of individ-\$100,000 per year to even be recognized in polite society. Comrade John Smith, of the ism, is bound to be encouraged by it as an es-rural districts, who puts up the price to support the gentry, however, is managing to eke out an existence on about the same old income that his grandfather enjoyed. It's funny, isn't it, to see the young dudeling and the young duckling, riding around in rubber tired carriages, lollying beside the mountain brooks, or dipping in the cool waves of the ocean, while poor old John and his wife and children toil all day in the hot blistering sun. I wonder how much longer the blockhead Smith will continue it—because the Smiths, being so numerous, could by superior numbers demand what is theirs by right of numbers demand what is theirs by right of creation, if they were not such sticklers for custom—the custom which makes it seem

## The Trust at Work.

The Cleveland, Ohio, Press relates the fol-lowing incident which illustrates one phase of the trust question: "Here is the blank form of the option. We'd

like to have you sign it and make us an of-

fer."

\*But I don't want to sell my business."

"You'd Better sell it while you have a chance. If you don't YOU'LL BE FROZEN OUT, AND THAT WILL BE THE LAST OF YOU. I CAN PROMISE YOU THAT YOU WON'T BE IN THE COAL BUSINESS THE NEXT WINTER."

This sort of dialogue is now an everyday of them. The complaint against Socialism for its alleged tendency to discourage individuality is indeed one of the most age individuality is indeed one of the most age individuality is indeed one of forgetting the beam

the city. Two attempts have been made to consolidate the retail dealers and both failed. The third attempt was begun about a

ago.

Mrs. T. J. Higgins told a Press reporter
Thursday that the above conversation took

At the office of the Schafer, Suhr Coal Co. it the rector in his pulpit to the street sweeper, was learned that Schafer had been at work we all depend for our maintenance upon the two days trying to learn who is back of the new trust, but so far without satisfaction, although he did discover that agents are trying to get options. Thus far the Schäfer, Suhr Co. has not been approached for any options.

dealers holding for exerbitant prices."

"I don't believe the combine will reduce

"I don't believe the combine will reduce P. S.—You have the advantage of me on prices. Its method will be to reduce expenses that argument. I suppose you know it was by so as to make more money. A large number professing the wrong politics that I lost my of the small offices uptown can be abolished, for there are too many of them, and another Smith—I did not know that, but it is pretty

Look Cut for the Weather.

London, July c. Enclish financiers see in Russian and German industrial depression and bank failures the beginning of a period of hard times which, sooner or later, will affect the whole world. The buying capacity of Germany and bussia, they say, is already of Germany and bussia, they say, is already of Germany and Funsia, they say, is already of Germany and Funsia, they say, is already to faceted, and eventually this well react on Vigland and America. Financiers project that Engineed will feel the depression in year or eighteen months, and America perhaps in two or three years.

## Talks on Socialism

Mr. Smith, who has just joined the Socialists, meets a Public Speaker, who has just delivered a locture entitled "Socialism va-louividuality."

No. II.

P. S.—How are you Smith? By the way, did you see the account of my lecture in the papers this morning?

Smith—Yes, I read it.
Davis—What did you think of it? Of course, don't suppose you liked it.

Smith-To tell the truth, I was very much

surprised by it.

P. S.—Why surprised? You didn't suppose I was a Socialist, did you?
Smith—No, it wasn't that; what surprised me was that you should pick out the point of the Socialist system to attack which you oid. I was surprised in very much the same way a general might be to see an adversary select the strongest point of his position to assault.

P. S .- It seems to me the weakest, and at least you'll admit that I am not alone in my epinion. It is the criticism most commonly passed upon Socialism that it would tend to destroy individuality. Smith—Yes, I know it. The fact is not diffi-

Smith—Yes, I know it. The fact is not diffi-cult to account for, however. Socialism has come so suddenly to the front that it caught the political economists unprepared. All the ammunition they had available consisted of the forty-year-old arguments against Fourier-ism and Cabetism, which were none too ap-plicable even to those systems, and afterly fail to hit Socialism at all. After a while they will no doubt discover that they have not got the range, and then it is possible they may think it worth their while to manufacture some relevant arguments.

some relevant arguments.

P. S.—Then it is your opinion that Socialism is not opposed to individuality?

Smith—It is not a matter of opinion, but of examination.

of examination.

P. S.—Which means, I suppose, that I have not examined the subject. Well, perhaps I have not. Perhaps I am attacking the strongest point of Socialism. If so, it ought

out of him. Does a wise farmer hitch thor-oughbreds to the plow or put the plough-horse into the sulky? That is the way the present industrial system misuses men and wastes their forces, because in it there is no idea of a commonwealth or any general econ-omy of forces for the behoof of all; but Soomy of forces for the behoof of all; but So-cialism being expressly a plan for economiz-ing the forces of all the people for the great-est possible result, in which all are to share, is pledged by its very principle to see that every one's special faculties and aptitudes are cultivated, and when ascertained are given the utmost scope. Don't you see how

ibility.

Smith—Plausibility! Why, man, there isn't any other view that anybody but a blind man can take. In the first place, to the end of enabling people to find out what is in them, what their individuality really is, everybody, instead of a small minority of the people as now, will receive the best possible education. It will next be the care of the nation to see that every man and woman has that except that every man and woman has that career opened to him or her, out of the whole range of arts, trades and professions, which they choose and show themselves best fitted for. right that the non-producer should have all it will not be then, as now, a matter of luck, the good things while Mrs. Smith and the chance or influential friends and wealthy chitdren do without. life-work one longs for, but it will be the policy of the nation in the people's common interest, to see that merit alone commands precedence, and that the tools go always to the hands that best can use them. Where did you pick up your notions about Socialism, anyhow? Certainly, you can never have read

NEXT WINTER."

This sort of dialogue is now an everyday cialism for its alleged tendency to disagrain between agents of the Cleveland Consolidated Coal Co. and retail dealers all over solidated Coal Co. and retail dealers all over striking illustrations of forgetting the striking illustrations of forgetting the does the present system deprive all but a present few, in the first place, of education to find out what the can do, and then interpose Thursday that the above conversation took place between her and one of the agents of the trust. Her coal office is in St. Clair and Willson. Mrs. Higgins is in sore distress, for the business is a paying investment.

An effort was made by a Press man Thursday to discover whether any of the large down-town retailers had been approached. At the office of the Schafer, Suhr Coal Co. it was learned that Schafer had been at work we all depend for our maintenance. tain politics it is well for us to profess, a cer-J. W. Hamby, of the Magnolla Coal Co., has tain church it is prudent to attend, and cer-J. W. Hamby, of the Magnolia Coal Co., has been approached for an option, and he is now considering the proposition.

"I think they have been successful in getting options," he said. "I believe the men back of the combine are Clèvelanders, but the greatest, and only brave men dare show any individuality. Under Socialism, nobody, I am not positive. The trust will pay the dealers in cash, stock or both. I think the scheme will succeed this time. The only thing that stands in the way is the possibility of declars holding for exerbitant prices."

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P. S.—You have the advantage of me on

for there are too many of them, and another object is to do away entirely with credit business.

"It will be able to control practically all of the coal that is brought to Cleveland."

Look Out for the Weather.

Smith—I did not know that, out it is pretay safe to assume that the argument is one which will touch a sore spet in the history of nine out of any ten men you may meet, I should think, I must say, that your experience would make you think favorably of Socialism, Instead of setting you to lecturing

P. S.—well, I'm going to revise that lecture on one or two points before I deliver it again. —From Edward Bellamy's New Nation.

Appeal Bundle Rates per week, 1 year, to one year, 7 week, 1 year, to one per week, 1 year, to one year week, 1 year, to one year week, 1 year, to one

## UNDER THE REIGN

### PRIVATE PROPERTY.

It is useless for the ministers of the gos- From Zola's new book, "Labor," describing pel, "liberal" and "orthodox," to waste any the new iron works run and operated by the more of their valuable time and strength dis- community: enssing the existence or non-existence of The battery of ten furnaces extended in

knows how many men.

many others were badly burned, but the open air. "powers that he" out there decline to inform the public as to the full extent of the

they were told that there was no admis for them, and that the "company would look after the killed and wounded."

works the authority of the state ceases. Beyond that gate the company has everything its own way. Beyond that gate and through-

When the great juggernaut kills a laborer the victim is instantly photographed by the company's photographer, in case, for any pur-pose, the picture should be needed; the dead taken out and given to his friends if he happens to have any, and affairs drop the normal again until somebody else is sacrificed to the mighty Moloch.

The victims of this terrible Moloch are not all known to the public. Many are burned to erisp or beaten into unrecognizable pulp, and the outside world hears nothing of it.

#### HUMAN LIFE IS CHEAP.

Human life is cheap up at the Illinois Steel works! The machinery is valuable, some parts of it being so valuable that it is hourly

When one of them is killed another can be

Work goes uninterruptedly on! the button of the rolling platform.
What business is it to the public that this "what have you got to say ab

And so day after day the hell burns on; Juggernaut crushes, Moloch reaches out its. The old master-founder gazed earnestly at

breath at its feet, but occasionally some one of them will tremblingly venture to depict, in his humbler way, the horrors of that South Chicago inferno.

discomfort Rev. Thos. P. Gregory, in the Chicago Amer-

## · How It's Done

Some of our renders took the Appeal to tack for repeating the statement of the United States Labor Commissioner that wheat could be planted, harvested and threshed at a intor cost of 3½ cents per bushel. Comrade Duan, of Glendora, Cal., sends the Appeal acme extracts from the Pomona, (Cal.) have a center of the shows how the work is done in California, and which illustrates the method by which wheat is handled on the big of the work is called a "Napoleon of Finance," while the rudimentary, undeveloped aggressor or peculative survival of more primitive times who steals a bag of flour instead of a grain aza ranches of the Pacific slope. Here is the first extract:

'A large combined harvester which cuts, threshes and sacks the grain, with the assistance of three men, has been purchased by Kerr Bros., of Chino, who have over 3,000 acres of their own, besides a good many hundred acres to harvest for other ways have been purchased to be seen to be a good many hundred acres to harvest for other ways and the seen have to be seen to be a seen for the seen to be seen to be a good to be seen to be a good to be seen to be a good to be seen to be see ers. The machine is run by steam generated with crude oil fuel, the engine has two drive wheels over a yard wide and eight feet high, a cutting sickle which takes, a twenty-four foot swath, and the capacity of the separator is 600 sacks per day, or about 100 acres of grain. It is, to say the least, quite a departure from the days of the old hand cradle and Maud Maller. The machine cost \$5,000, which is the old days would have been a fair sized fortune. It is estimated that these three men with the aid of this machine accomplish in one day what in the crude old days of hand labor of fifty years ago required 120 persons the same time to ac-

weeks later the same paper prints an

other item, as follows:
"I. J. Kerr is 'cutting a wide swath' litcrafty in the grain fields of this valle. The big steam harvesting and threshi mechine is at work stendily, and operates like a charm. He is cutting an average of 125 acres per day. In some places where the grain was thin and the flowers flack and rank there is danger of the mass of julcy pulp spolling the former, but the machine does its work just the

where the grain was thin and the flowers thick and rank there is dancer of the mass of julcy pulp spoiling the former, but the machine does its work just the same."

Now you fellows do a little figuring.

As It Was and as It Is.

Stavery and serfdom have been abolished. Pracy is dead. The pressignant has vanished and thievery is trying to hide itself. Our principal robbers do not club their victims on the highways, but carry them in street cars are milway trains, or capture their money politicly with stocks and trasts. Nothing has improved more than robbery. Instead of a dispresse encounter with pairois, to get the special and such that two or three trains of the control the bit sincers and such that two or three trains of a dispresse encounter with pairois, to get the special and such that two or three trains of a dispresse and such that two or three trains of a dispresse and such that two or three trains of a dispresse and such that two or three trains of a dispresse and such that two or three trains of a dispression and such that two or three trains of a dispression and such that two or three trains of a dispression and such that two or three trains of a dispression and such that two or three trains of a dispression and such that two or three trains of a dispression and such that two or three trains of a dispression and such that two or three trains of a dispression and such that two or three trains of a dispression and such that two or three trains of a dispression and such that two or three trains of a dispression and such that two or three trains of a dispression and such that two or three trains of a dispression and such that two or three trains of the following telegram from Philadelphia is self-explanatory. It simply means that the great hig over-confident public is to be held up by the transportation kings and confident public is to be held up by the transportation kings and confident public is self-explanatory. It simply means that the great hig over-confident public is to be held up by the transport

## PUBLIC CO-OPERATION.

consing the existence or non-existence of hell. There is a hell, and its location is in South Chicago, within the wails of the Illinois Steel works.

In that veritable hell tragedies as fearful, thick cylinders of carbon to which were atas any that can possibly take place in the tached the cables that conducted electricity. as any that can possibly take place in the tached the called the condition was very simple. An endless supposed abode of the dammed are of daily. The operation was very simple. An endless screw which was controlled by a button did duty for the ten furnaces, and conveyed the ore and emptied it into each of them. Aninfernal character of the South Chicago hell, other button established a current, the arc Only yesterday an immense ladfe filled with formed by which, of the extraordinary tem-Only yesterday an immense ladle filled with formed by which, of the extraordinary temperature of two thousand degrees, was capastrom of cold water produced an explosion metal in five minutes. All that was necesthat shook the great plant like an earth-sary was to turn a third button, when the quake, and burned the life out of—no one door of platinum closing each furnace would open, and then a sort of rolling platform covered with sand began to start with ten is known that poor John Kabo's life pigs, each two hundred kilogrammes in went out in the fire, and it is also known that weight, which were carried off to cool in the

"Well, my good Morfain," said Jordan, with the delight of a happy child, "what have you got to say about that?"

Two hours after the explosion the South "playthings" younder smelted two hundred kilogrammes every five minutes, say two hundred and forty tons a day, when run for

sion but ten hours.

look This was a prodigious rendering, especially after the killed and wounded."

Captain Shippy was allowed to take charge if Kabo's body, which he caused to be taken to the morgue, but the captain was not allowed to enter the grounds, nor could he get hold of anything beyond the barest outlines of the disaster.

At the gate of the Illinois Steel Company's works the authority of the state ceases. Beyond that gate the company has everything its own way. Beyond that gate and through the state can be a company has everything its own way. Beyond that gate and through the fact was taken into consideration that the old blast-furnace, burning day and night, never yielded one-third of such a product. For this reason the electric furnaces were rarely operated more than three or four hours; and then there was the advantage that they could be extinguished and relighted, according to requirements, in order to obtain from them the desired quantity of raw may be company has everything its own way. Beyond that gate and through. its own way. Beyond that gate and throughout the winding, blinding, sizzling labyriath
of perdition the company can say what the
fourteenth Louis is reported to have said;
"The State? I am the State!"

Like a labyriath
of the carbon necessary for the carbonished the carbon necessary for the carbonished the carbon necessary for the carboncaped, but there was so little slag that it was easily got rid of by daily cleaning. There was no longer any barbarous colossus, whose digestion occasioned so much disquietude; no longer any of those members with which it had been necessary to surround it, such as purifiers, heaters and blast-engine; and no longer any continual current of water. The belly was no longer threatened with clogging or cooling. When a tayere was operating hadly, there was no longer any talk of demolishing everything in order to empty of demolishing everything in order to empty the monster while in full blast. A small army, consisting of feeders, watched at the mouth and founders ramming the clay plug ard roasting themselves in the flames of the trappings, was no longer on the alert to divide itself into day and night shifts. The inspected and cared for by experts, but the inspected and cared for by experts, but the men—the sooty fellows who move about in length by five in width, with its rolling the living hell, who handle the great caldrons platform, stood at ease in the great glazed of molten metal, who steel and drive home the bolts—are of but little consequence.

The length of the first into day and hight shifts. The battery of ten electric furnaces, fifteen metres in length by five in width, with its rolling that the little consequence.

The large transfer into day and hight shifts. The When one of them is killed another can be the buttons of the endless screw, another at immediately found to take his place, and the the buttons of the electrodes, and a third at

daily holocoust goes on within the high walls of this Blineis Gehema?

And so day after day the hell burns on;

ps on repeating itself!

The did haster founds a word what was before him. He spoke not a word what was before him. He spoke not a word has on repeating itself!

The did haster founds in the spoke not a word what was before him. He spoke not a word what was before him. He spoke not a word has on repeating itself and the operation of the shed was becoming dark, and the operation of the shed was becoming dark, and the operation of the shed was becoming dark, and the operation of the shed was becoming dark. the Colossus breeds fear in the minds of the men who cringe and sweat and gasp for breath at its feet, but occasionally some one them will tremblingly venture to depict, in the humbler way, the horrors of that South thick working in ferno.

Like Working In A Furnace.

The average going Chicagoan-complains has days of the heat, of the difficulty that part is a subsection, and of the general and spikes of gold, were carried away upon the confert of these summer days, but try think, if you can, of the conditions under the colling platform with a slow motion. To any one who stood watching it the spectacle was extraordinary when the shed was lighted are. Thos. P. Gregory, in the Chicago Amerup at regular intervals by those sudden brilliant ilumination.

> man builds a railroad with other people's money, or a gas or electric plant, or railway, or secures a telegraph or telephone franchise, or waters some stock, or gets a rebate on oil, beef or wheat, or forms a giant trust and robe the possible. erop; or takes a few nundreds instead of a million, has to put up with the old-time, un-civilized name of "thief." Imprisonment for debt has been abolished, and also imprisonment for theft—if it is committed according to the law and by methods approved by the particular variety of "Napoleon" having con-trol of the government.—Prof. Frank Parsons.

## Civilization Note.

A Chicago daily paper has established a sanitarium where babies of the slums and tenement house districts can be cared for during the hot weather, while the employers of the baby's parents spend the hot, sultry days cruising among the shady islands of the northern lakes. In speaking of the little and almost lifeless babies, the paper says:

"Babies received at the sanitarium show the merciless punishment inflicted upon them by tenement heat. Even in s home of com-

by tenement heat. Even in a home of com-fort, with abundance of air and light, the sick baby has a battle for life during torrid weather; to describe all that must be in dured by the tenement baby is beyond the power of words. At the sanitarium the little sufferers are made comfortable through the most advanced methods of life-saving, and their poor mothers are revived and given courage to keep up "for baby's sake."

## A Division of the Spoils.

The following telegram from Philadelphia

### THE TRAMPLING GODS.

THEMS.

Hall to the day that heralds in the tree,
And ushers out the enemies of good;
Hall to the advent of a liberty
As yet by man but dimly understood.

REFLECTIONS. REFLECTIONS.

How have the ages wrought their painful way
Through eras drenched in blood, surcharg
crimes,
And brought us to confront a noble day.
Itself the harbinger of nobler times?

Has man looked up with sad, beseeching eyes, With clear-browed, starry vision, west and prayed While angels smilled in gratified surprise, As slowly darkness lessened shade by shade.

Has God come down in veiled omnific power, And armed with super-energizing might, The mortal forces that have urged this hour. Upon the world, and given us such light?

Or think ye 'tis the work of mindless chance, A mere result of life's wild, wayvard trend, The outcome of an unbid circumstance, Which by an accident became our friend?

How grand, how wise, how golden seems our time, And ch, how God-like look the congring hosts, As on they march, with faith in self sublime. Convulsive shouts and brazen counter-boasts

Yet answer me: How many are the slaves
Who writing, watch this arregast array.
Whose hopes He trembling on the brink of graves,
Who wait in vain Emancipation Day?

To these poor, frenzied sons of lew catate,
At whom success in bold deristen nods,
For whom disaster is precipitate:
How sound the clam'rous tongres of trampling
Gods?

Not music in their ears, the babel die.

That issues from the throats of giant ghouls,
Whose fixils creeds enable them to pin
Less faith in heaven than in trusts and pools.

Not music-no! but gratings of harsh strength, Which rend their souls and torture to the be Which rend their souls and torture to the Which make them feel the time has come at To mutiny! and trampling Gods dethrone

The trampling Gods! Ave, such are min today, Who selve the aceptored privileges of wealth, And hire adept conspirators to sway Whole governments by villary and stealth.

The trampling Gods! Usurping human rights, Forcestailing justice at the assize. Previding for the rich man's parasites A garb to pass them—devils in degriss.

The trampling Gods! Has woman not a voice Wherevith to all the world her wrongs proclaim? Or has she only reasons to rejoice That trampling Gods have never caused her shame:

The trampling Gods! How do the children fare,
For whom are mills instead of merry homes?
Did Destiny, unsought for them, prepare
A life within industrial catacomba?

Beyond yon great, eternal, keyless arch,
Which by no trampling gods was spanned,
Lives one for whom events must humbly learch,
Who gricous to see that wonder—Man unmaned. To Him the sobs and groans of millions rise,

Twill come. His prime decree that man must shak.
The fetters of all sordid instincts of his soul,
That to his nobler passions he must wate.
And from his mind the mists of greed must roll

The freedom that has bred another race
Of weeping playes, with faces white and charte,
Must to a grander liberty give place.
And trampling Gods to their destruction haste.
Chicago, Ill., April, 1991.

- Yal Ormond.

## "THROUGH SMOKE."

(Can be sung to music of "The Bridge of Sighs.") (Can be sung to music of "The Springs of The smoke rising o'er the city, Shows sigms of ne'er ceasing toil; And through the dim stretch of vapor, As if rises coil on coil.

I can see faint views of labor, Of men who keep at the wheel Of industry e'er and ever With tireless act and geal.

Through the vapor as it rises
Prom the blackened chinney top,
I can see the toller telling
All his years without a stop;
Never massing up a fortune,
Never living spleadidly,
Only making rich his master
Who from toll is ever free

Like a slave he serves him always,
Gaining mere his sustenance,
Just a common, hard, hand-worker,
Never making an advance.
But ahead there is a future,
Though far distant it may be,
When the worker will be master
Ruler of his dealiny.

Next I see an ugly picture,
Down, far down beneath the earth,
Is a crowd of baggard miners,
Working for a benny's worth;
Risking life just for a living,
Striving hard, with all their might,
They are but the tools of besses,
Who live in serene delight.

Now I see the toller starving.
Out of work, he draws no pay,
And his wife and children hungry,
Weep when he says "naught to-day,"
On the hill the boas is living.
He has money, fortunes trand;
Yet the worker, he who made it,
Is the pauper of the land.

Tell me now, is this true justice? Can a system thus remain?
Shall the toller always labor
Only for the rich man's main?
God is watching all from heaven,
He is great, yes He is gread;
And as all is growing better,
Such a system cannot stank.

Ah, I see another picture.

Fairer, brighter than the rest,
For a pretty homestead's standing,
And the worker's at his hest.

There about him are his children,
He is happy as can be.
For the picture's in the future,
And the laborer is free.

All things change extremely clowly;
Time must walk his graded way;
It took years for civilization.
"Twill take more till labor's day.
"Course, men; take courage, workers,
To not fall, yet in despair!"
Thus I cried out at the picture
On the wapers in the all.
Toledo, Ohio.

-D. Booth Eppstein.

## WHAT WE'RE COMING TO.

I came to a mill by the riveraide,
A half mile long and nearly as wide,
With a forcet of stacks and an army of men,
Tolling at furnaces and shovel and pen,
Wint a most magnifect plant, I cried,
And a man with a smudge on his face replied,
It's Morgan's.

I entered a train and rode all day
On a regal coach and a right of way,
Which reached its arms all byer the land
In a system too large to understand.
A splendid property, this! I cried,
And the man with a plate on his hat replied,
It's Morgan's

I sailed on a great ship, trini and true, Frein pennon and heer and cabin and crew, And the shop was one of a mouster feet; A first-class navy could scarce compete. What a beautiful craft she is! I cried, And a man with skimbe legs replied, It's Morgan's.

I dwelt in a nation filled with pride;
Her people were many; her larids were wide;
Her record in war and science and art
Frowed greatness of muscle, mind and heart.
What a grand old country it is! I cried,
And a man with his chest in the air replied,

"It's Morgan's.

And a line it's Morgan a.

I went to haven. The jurper gates
Towered high plate, and the golden walls
Chans bright beyond. but a strange new mark
Way over she gate, viz. Private Park.
Why, what is the meaning of this. I cried,
And a raffit with a livery on replied;
It's Morgan's.

rement to the only place left. I'll take
A change in the boat on the brivatine lake,
Or he take I may be allowed to it
it is abled Boar of the hericarders pit;
it is being lout with home on his floor
Grind out, as he forked me off the plane,
It's Morgan's.
—Edmund Vante Cooks.

## \* No Cause (?) for Striking.

Scranton, Pa.—"Men, you all know me around here. You know the truth of what I say. I repeat it to you to remind you of the common lot of our misery and suffering which has made us combine to ery out for a better order of things.

which has made us combine to cry out for a better order of things.

"When I was six years and four mouths old I went to work in the breakers of the
Pancoast Coal company. I have worked nineteen, years, every day that I could get.
I have never been on an excursion in my life. I have never been to a theatre but twice
in my life. I have not drank a drop of beer or liquor for five years, and for two years
I have not smoked. I have practiced the closest economy in food. But I have never
been able to accumulate \$100 in my life.

"Men, I have lived in the hamlet of Throop all my life. You and I knew this has
always been a company store town. We know in our hearts what that means, what-

ever the operators may say.

"Eleven years I worked for the Pancoast Coal company, and during those eleven

years I swear here before the Omnipotent I never handled one cent of money.
"I also have due bills of other members of our family to show they handled no

money either in all that period."

This is the astounding story told today before a vast audience by Stephan MeDonald, a Threop miner, but it was declared to be one of almost ordinary occurs,
rence. The voice of the young man rang with earnestness, his eye was fearless and
flashed as he told it.—Associated Press Dispatch.

## "Driving Us to Socialism."

The Portland Oregonian is alarmed at the tendency toward Socialism. In a recent issue its editor says: "Combinations of capital and greed of

trusts are carrying a constant stream of reinforcements into the ranks of state Socialism. Such growths as Socialism is making in the United States-and it is alarmingly rapid-is due chiffy to the Carnegies, Reckefeller's, Morgans and others of their description. It is becoming increasingly difficult for those who oppose the Socialistic spirit and its demands to maintain a stand against its progress, while the great monopolists, whose com-binations are rapidly getting control of the main industries of the country, are so busy and so successful in supply guments to those who insist that the only remedy lies in their proposal that the state shall take over the instruments of production and distribution. For there are indreasing numbers who believe this the only remedy, and under the operation of the syndies and monopolisis they are

ing an effort to apply this remedy, if the greed of the monopolists shall be conthreed and no other remedy that promises anything shall appear." might be added by way of comment to the Portland editor's views of the results of Socialism, that the Tory element during and before the Ecvolution viewed the movement oward political independence in the same ight-namely, that it meant the ruin of the country—and it did, from a British stand-point. Under Socialism, the country would no doubt be ruised from the standpoint of the private capitalist, whose sole labor in life consists in clipping coupons, while the other

multiplying year by year on geometrical ratios. That the attempt to apply this remedy would be a disaster, not only to the country, but to civilization, the Ore-gonian does not entertain a doubt. But

nothing can prevent the people from mak-

fellow does the work.

## . Definitions Compared.

"Socialism, the great day dream of lazy men and men born tired, briefly defined, means robbery of the few by the many, an equal division of all property except your own or the art of gatting something for nothing."—Investigator.

Socialism is: "A theory of society that advocates a more precise, orderly and harmon-lous arrangement of the social relations of manked than that which has hitherto pre--Webster's Dictionary.

It not only appeals to selfish materialism but justice to all. The ignorant, the valgar, the base in spirit, may denounce it as a dauger-bur thing, but in the social and industrial evolution Socialism shall show to all the world that its principles are elercal, its laws imcolution Socialism shall show to all the world that its principles are eternal, its laws immutable and its construction inevitable. It is an actual dream of the future paradise, and see in the present only a hideous night-mare. It is can actual dream of the future paradise, and see in the present only a hideous night-mare. It is can actual dream of the future paradise, and see in the present only a hideous night-mare. It is considered from slavery to equality, from tyranny to justice, from base and ignotic degradation to common happiness and contentment. It is noble, it is sublime—the perfection of human endeavor, that recognizing the nutuality of all true human interests, quickens the culse of the statesman, nerves the pen of the scholar, invigorettes the value of the orator and doubles the energy of the toller.

I put "Investigator's" definition of Socialism by the side of those given by several other great artherities on the subject, and will allow the exiters of this paper to make the comparison and choose the one they like best.

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best.

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The other 8% had robbed the 97% of all they a social system and economic condition that allows, yes compels, every one to take advantage of every one else, when it is possible to do so ble to do so.

ble to do so.

The Socialist party is the only political organization in the United States today that advocates a system of government that will stop the practice of the "art of getting something for nothing," and at the same time forever the present dividing up pro-t proposes to do this, by nationalizing cess. It proposes to do this, by nationalizing all the means of production and distribution, and giving every person all the work he or she may wish, and paying them the full pro-duct of their toil, less their share of maintaining the government.

"Investigator" is undoubtedly a Socialist in some ways himself, although he may not be willing to own it. He is willing for his gov-ernment to carry his messages, educate his children, own, operate and keep in repair the public roads, protect his so-called rights and his person. He allows his government the power of protecting his health and putting him away when he is dead if he has not saved sufficient money to hire his brothers to do it for him. If his government can do that much for him satisfactory and with less expense that he could do it for himself, wherein is t detrimental to his interest for it to do other

things for him?

If "Investigator" does not believe in departing from the customs of the fathers, who does he not follow the customs of his ancestors now?

He ought to know that all men have de-

parted a long way from the customs of their My critic claims we cannot obtain control

of the public utilities except by confiscation. There have been many plans devised, such as building rival industries and ruining the monopolists by competition. Labor created all the capitalists have now, but the capitalists own it because of the wage system they were enabled to pay the workers only a portion of the value created by them, and pocket the bal-ance, and if we want those utilities, why waste all the necessary time and labor to erect

Opinion differs among Socialists regaring this matter. Personally, I favor reclaiming the utilities. When the capitalists crush a rival in business they do not compensate him. But the point is this: With the edvent of Socialism, all exploitation ceases. Our mo-tive is one of justice, giving an equal oppor-tunity to all; their's is selfishness, hogging all they can, and magnanimously (?) allowing their victims to fill alms houses, jails, insane wailed."—Webster's Dictionary.

"A science of reconstructing society on an entirely new basis, by substituting the principle of association for that of competition in every branch of industry."—Worcester's Dictionary.

"A theory of civil policy that aims to secure the reconstruction of seciety, increase of wealth, and a more equal-distribution of the products of laber, through the public collective ownership of know and capitals as distinguished from property, and the public collective management of all industries."—Standard Dictionary.

"The ethics of Coristianity,"—Eacyclopedia Britannica.

"Socialism is simply applied Christianity; the Golden Rule applied to every day life. The present need is growth in that direction."

Frof. R. T. Ely.

Socialism is a system not to be appalled, cor-

Prof. R. T. Ely.

Socialism is a system not to be appalled, corrupted or compromised. It knows no business, it cowers to no danger, it oppresses no weakness. Fearlest, penerous and humane, it rebules the arrogant, cherishes honor and sympathizes with the humble. It asks nothing but what it concedes; it concedes nothing but what it demands. Destructive only of despotism, it is the sole conservator of liberty, labor and justice. It is the ripe fruit of democracy, the law of nature prevading the land. It droppeth like the gentic rain from haven usen the place beneath, equalizing opportunity, affapelling inequality, and restoring to every person his natural manhood. It breathes into the soul of labor the new life of ing to every person his natural manhood. It because of production, distribution and extended in the soul of labor the new life of the world and raises it from the level of the beast. It restores to the producer his stolen implements of production, equitably distributes his products and transforms the lowly share into ripe and beautoous manhood. It not only appeals to selfish materialism but cure the end sought. The colony is the col-It not only appears to sellish materialism but cure the end sought. The colony is the collective to the highest meral and intellectual attributes, known to our natures, yielding bread in abundance to the starving, moral food for the means of production and distribution, without economic power to hold its own and the idealistic and the highest conception of without economic power to enforce its dewithout economic power to hold its own and without political power to enforce its decrees.

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Under Socialism will the money or time performed be transferable, or only be receivable by the government? REMSHAW.

It will be as a majority will decide, after ranvasing the matter what is best. It may be one way, and later changed. What we need to understand is the new relation which such TIME values attached to articles will produce. The government will have all the artleles for sale, because it has employed all the people and has all the capital. Articles will be as stable in price as postage stamps. No one will pay more, because they can get them for the price; no one can sell them for less, because they would lose by the transaction. This will stop buying and selling between cit-If a friend wanted some of your cred-nat would he do with them? He could what would he do with not speculate on them. If he wanted them because he would not work, he could never pay you back; if he would work, he could have them as freely as you do. You certainly freely as you do. would not loan to a good-for-nothing fellow because you would not only lose, but you would be encouraging worthlessness. I think would make little or no difference whether public credits were transferable or not, I am inclined to the opinion that they would not be, that when one dies, whatever they have not used should be returned to soricty. This would cause all to use their credits as fast as they made them, for under that con-dition which provided for the future of the nation as a whole, an individual would be foolish ing today would produce all the manent and consumable, that COULD be used tomorrow, why should an individual hoard? If the individual wanted for nothing it would because he had produced and had purchas the power as much as he wanted and he would to work more until he needed some For if people produced more than they ould consume they would have great quan ities of wealth, mostly perishable, that would rot, and their work would avail naught. It was this condition the Christ saw when he said "take no thought of tomorrow."

When a friend pointed out to Agassiz, the reat scientist, that he was poor, and might s well make millions out of his knowledge. that great man replied: "I have enough. have no time to waste in making money. I is not sufficiently long to enable a man to rich and do his duty to his fellow men at the

The anti-Christ, Mammon-worshippers, say the successful men are only those who accumulate money; that without the incentive of money there would be no progress; that withmen would not care to exert themselves y line of useful calling in fie; that the trial system, to get more than it will would resolve back to barbarism; that honest, useful labor. I have always such incentive has been the cause of all de-reiopment, and much other such tommy-rot. critics do not know that all the really t workers and minds of the earth have just as did Agassiz-for the love of the work and of humanity. All bad work, such as writing vile books, making vile paintings, mean houses, shoddy goods and adulterated food, false ideas of God and social ethics-sil to se have been done for money. That was e inecutive. Eu these ignorant critics do it know what Agassiz was. I have had men whose curning had put them in possession of much money, tell me that education made men tranks and lop-sided! That men who studied theories and science were never practical men! That they who had not studied had just as much right to their opinions as the men who had studied subjects! It is such donkeys who oppose socialism, who oppose the thinkers in every field of thought and progress. The every field of thought and progress. The more ignorant a man is the more certain he knows just as much as Agassiz, though be may never have heard of him or of the sub-jects that occupied his wonderful life. One Agassiz is worth more to the world than ten millions of the maggots who believe life is made for the purpose of seeing who can abandoned lands, paid tax on them, and impather the most money, and that the one proved and made the land worth \$100 an acre who gets the most of what he cannot use, is in many instances, lose it, and it goes to a the most successful.

macrupulous as the men who control the property, there would soon be a "dividing-up" of the wealth of the nation. The sich men will meet and premeditately plan to ruin the smaller men in their lines of business so they can monopolize the whole trade and dictate They have no compunction of conlaws made that will legalize any process for the ruin of the other fellows. They plan to use any power to win. Now suppose that prevailed among the millions who have e physical power to ene their wish? Where would be the skin-of laber and the public? But these men tell you that the working people are s, rioters and dangerous! Some day the orking people are going to APPLY POWER to their demands against their oppressors. They will elect men who hate private monopoly; they will then control the army, the navy, the legislative and judicial branches of the nation. The rich think they won't—BUT IIII. WILL. The strikes you read about ev-erywhere are only the little skirmishes be-fore the great battle which may burst any proment. Every strike teaches great number of working people that they have been fools to vote the LAW POWER into the hands of men who believe in the sacredness of private capital. There are some millions now who do not believe in the theory of private capital. When they get to moving together there will

In a given district you will always find dif-erent kinds of labor and positions to fill, in cluding the highest and most decent, as well as the most laborious and filthy. There will be cleraships, offices, etc., to fill, the duties of which can be performed with comparative case and without exposure to extreme heat or cold, permitting the occupants to wear de-eent clothes with little danger of soiling, while there must be those to perform all kinds of labor down the scale to and including the scavenger. The question: How under Socialism will the different positions be filled, and supposing men should refuse to accept those less desirable, laborious and filthy po-sitions, at the same time being able and will ing to accept and perform some other kinds of accessary labor, how will men and women be found and induced to labor in these most desirable positions? Suppose all should re-ise, how is the work to be done? Downey, Cal. L. P. PHILLIPS.

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Mr. Bellamy gives one view of this phase by making it obligatory on all citizens from their 21st to 24th years to do such work. After that, they could choose as far as may be their calling for life. That is very much like we do today when we enter any vocation—we have to take the meanest work in that department while we are "learning the trade." I am surprised that men will do this work to day, when the doing of it not only is the day, when the doing of it not only is the day, when the people lose in the social have a fine time.

The wife of a St. Clair, (Mo.,) county judge who is in prison because he will not levy a tax to pay some fraudulent railroad bonds, is dying. The judge who sent him to prison there is justice that ought to make you feel proud of being an American citizen. The people who serve the trusts and money interests have a fine time. am surprised that men will do this work toty, when the doing of it not only is the
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the full to mankind is lower than any other.

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pacity than many of the officers, they get poor pay, have to submit to a hundred indignities, and yet the rulers find plenty of men to fill the runks. And it is not true that poyners are not of the runks and it is not true that poyners. erty always forces men into the ranks. go into service from a sense of public duty. I know there are many in the armies of the world who are merely brutal, ignorant hire-lings, who for a few pennics will enlist to kill and main their fellows, but that is not true as a rule. It is a sense of public duty, a love of the approbation of their fellows, which will bring, that induces them to enlist. And the desire will induc them to volunteer to do any useful labor, and men who will shirk it will be ostracised under a just system, where useful labor is not con

idered a disgrace as it is today. Besides, if nobedy would do such work, no body would have the enjoyment or safety the effects of such work. If nobody would plow, there would be no bread—and I guess there would be too many people wanting be too many people wanting bread to have such a condition. Do you find a surgeon today, though not in need, refuse to do the dirty and disagreeable work at-tached to many of the cases? I would not dame men today if they refused to do the dirty work-for the miserable pay and social degradation which it brings them. Under Socialism, nearly all the dirty work will be done by the machines. Today human labor is cheaper than the skilled labor that make machines, and men are used instead. But when men are considered the most valuable, regardiess of their vocation, it will be cheap er-less labor-to have machines do al he dirty work and hard work as far as pos ble. Engineering and firing on a railroad both dirty and hard, as well as hazardous but there are thousands of mrn who prefe to do that to any clerkship. It is totally un ust that a few men who do the least useful least onerous work should have the The many have the power and they are foolish not to apply that power, and they will apply it just A great, strong, brawny man, which can come from some solid exercise that s of work, is the noblest work of nature women have great admiration for such When no disgrace attaches labor the women will give the cold shoulder to little, pale, dudish office men. It will be more difficult to get men to accept the indoor. Personally, I would prefer the outdoor work, but if I did it I could not get enough for it to live decently—hence my life has been spent in using the rules of the insane indus honest, useful labor. I have always been on the backs of the workers. They have paid me many times as much to skin them as they would have paid me to help them bear would have paid me to help them bear the burdens of the world's work.

A family in Cincinnati has brought suit ecover thousands of neres of land in the oil helt of Texas. The grandfather of these peo want something for nothing,' this land sixty years ago, never paid any tax on it since, and now that others have paid the tax, and made it valuable, they come and want all the benefits. This is caused by the crudes devised for the use of land—the American land laws. There is neither sense nor justice in them. But they make good fees for lawyers, speculators, swindlers and bribers. Another case like it was decided last week when Russell Sage was awarded by the supreme court about 20,000 acres of the finest improved lands in Minnesota. These lands had been granted to a railroad, but the franchise had been forfeited for not complying with the charter. But the lands that had been granted under condition of the charter were held to be valid! Thus, several thousand families who took up the in many instances, lose it, and it goes to a Wall street speculator who never did a lick of work for it, never even saw it, perhaps.
And this is not confiscation, oh, no! This is
the American idea of justice. Why, the Russian tyranny has no more injustice in it.
But then the American farmers there have been voting for officers who upheld such in-justice." They are afraid to have the lands owned and operated by themselves (the pub-lic) for fear they would have no home, would not be secure in their possessions and improvements! They are so secure now. Touthousands instances of this kind could be pointed out, and yet the fools cannot see how rying out their ideas of private ownership.
I'll venture the assertion that not one farmer out of fifty ever read a work on the philosophy of land, and not one legislator out of five numbered ever did. But they are wise. So

It is not a lack of energy that is crushing out the spirit of labor and making this fair land a hell on earth; it is a lack of INTELLI-GENTLY DIRECTED energy. It was well directed energy that gave birth to the Declara-tion of Independence; it was well directed tion of Independence; it was well directed energy that abolished negro slavery, and the same force will free America's millions of industrial slaves. A body of ten brave and determined men in every town and every ward in all the large cities of the United States will furnish the directing power needed to rouse the smouldering energy of these slaves and turn it into channels that will result in the overthrow of the control to the control the overthrow of the capitalistic tyrants.

Eugene V. Debs in his Fourth of July speech in Chicago voiced a sentiment that should lie at the heart of every Socialisti "What is wanted is not a reform of the capitalistic system, but its entire abolition." Long suf-fering labor is sick and tired of all this twaddle about reform. Capitalism cannot be re-formed; it must be abolished. The same ma-terials used to construct a hell on earth cannot be used to construct a heaven. Abolish the hell and a heaven will arise from its

Is our Heavenly Father more cruel than an oriental prince? Was there a divine purpose in this arrangement that gives the few the good things of earth while the many bear all the burdens and whose cries for justice are unheeded as were the cries of Israel unto Pharoah? "Has the Creature usurped the pre-

ring the hot bilatering days of July a good both in the akt" will prepare your old party friend for the hot has a that are doe in a short time—industrially and has aking—if we are to accept the predictions of the re-mestres. Anyway it's wall to be prepared, so of the lart of gastier white you there of a

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DON'T FORGET TO FLAG THE "HUMMER.

Did you order the "Madden" yet? Club of eight from Comrade Nelson, of Em-

Ten scalps from Comrade Sowers, of Mur-

physboro, Ill. Comrade Smith, of Terrace, Utah, gets in

with a club of ten. Comrade Lochaby, of Los Angeles, sends in a club of twenty-barber shops.

Comrade Willis, of Riverside, Cal., sends five more patients for Wayland's sanitarium.

Comrade Mason, of Bellaire, Ohio, sends a club of six "just to keep the bulldog good natured."

Comrade McClain, of Argyle, Wash, sends in a list of eighteen, and says the Appeal is a red hot number.

Comrade Kiser of Reading, Kan., hits us with a club of sixteen, and says if it fains there will be many more to follow. Comrade Murphy, of Atchison, Kan., sends

n six new subscribers for what he ter the only paper that hits the right spot." The "Hummer" new has fifty passengers. The conductor reports plenty of room in the

If the Socialists don't carry the next election at Fort Wayne, it won't be Comrade Wefel's fault. Another club of thirteen from him.

chair car. Get out your flag and take a ride

Comrade Hassinger, of Brodhead, Wis., gets in with five scalps, and says he'll keep on com-ing "until the frost is on the pumpkih and the fodder's in the shock."

Troutdale, Ore. There is no let up with the Oregon gang—they are getting everything ready to put the plutes to flight next June.

The Appeal has started on its mission of educating the employes of the Billion Dollar Steel Trust. Comrade Williams, of South Chicago, hands in the names of five of them for a start. a start.

Comrade Winter, of Pine Bluff, hands in ten Says he has been in the ranks since 878, but not on active duty for several years out from now on he proposes to stay on the firing line.

About two months ago Comrade Smith. of Bellevue, Ohio, sent the following query to the "Commoner:" What is Socialism?" It is almost unnecessary to state that he has received no reply.

Comrade Half, of Terre Haute, sends a club of five, and says it was the best he could do because "the people have so much prosperity, you know, they cannot afford twenty-five cents for a paper."

The gang can't relinquish its affection for that "Biggest and Best" combination. T dered those 700 pamphlets, and report that it's the best thing yet.

There is nothing wrong with the Clarinda Iowa, gang. They got in with a list of forty one yearlies. Another case of co-operation Get together, comrades, get together! In union there is strength.

It was Josh Billings who said that one hornet when he felt right well and lively, could stir up a whole neighborhood. One Socialist after he has read the "Madden" the "Madden combination of books, can do the same thing.

A good many people read; all think; a good many merely think other men's thoughts; a few think for themselves; it is the few that own the earth; it is the few that rule the earth. To think for themselves is the lesson that workingmen must learn

Comrade L. W. Allingham captured a \$10 premium in our "once-a-week" contest, but we have been unable to get the money to him. If he or some other comrade will us his address we will gladly forward him the money.

Comrade Baker, of Livingston, Mont. "Here are the ten names for the new Declaration of Independence. I could get 1,000 rames if they had the money and then some place to lay their heads at night." Some more McKinley prosperity that comes C. O. D.

No. 207 is going to give the railroad gr a chance to show how strong it is for Socialism. Don't be afraid of overworking the of-fice force—the bulldog will see that they give your orders prompt attention. Let 'em come; the Army editor will stand at the switch and head 'em in all right.

A special effort should be made to get the Appeal into new towns. Even if you can only break in with two or three new copies. opens up the way for future work. Com-rade Woodard, of Colton, Cal., sends in a club of five names for Newport Beach, a town where the Appeal has hitherto been a stranger.

"Keep something going on." That's the slogan of the Army boys. To help the gang live up to its chosen motto the Appeal will make No. 297 a special railroad editior. And the Army editor wants to say to the gang that she's going to be a "hummer," with a patent electric headlight that will dispel the economic darkness on every line she is scheduled to go over.

Comrade Andresen, of Rosburg, Wash, evidently don't believe in taking any chances lie orders 100 "Water Tanks" and contributes \$4.73 to the auto fund. He writes: "I send today, for I may be dead tomorrow." That's right. Do your good deeds today. Your right. Do your good deeds today. Your money won't do you any good ofter you're dead; you can't take a cent with you. You won't need it when you get Socialism, anyway.

A number of comrades have written the Ap A number of comrades have written the Appeal regretting that they are too old to see the principles of Socialism translated into practice. The Army editor believes that not a man living today is too old to see "the beginning of the end" of the present ownership of the world by the few, provided every person who really wants Socialism will put his or her shoulder to the wheel with a determination to beautiful there. tion to keep it there.

"Well, by Jacks!" mused the subscription and meat, and as he was leaving the ditor, "I know we have names on our list from South Africa, South America, China and Alaska, but this is the first list of subscribers I was a rested. Judge Kimball listen to his plea for mercy.

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there," remarked the Army editor, "but from all reports we should have a nice list of inter-ested readers next door." The cause of the above was a list of ten from Comrade heaven, of Benton Harbor, Mich.

Comrades who sent in "Independence Day" clubs may think it strange that their names do not appear in this column, but the fact is there were so many of them that it would take a page to mention them all. However, the number up in the box in No. 294 told the whole story. It was a royal battle, and when the scalps were all hung up in the Appeal office there were about 10,000 of them. For once, the bulldog didn't know what action to take, so he just blinked both eyes and looked

The Army editor was mad. He hadn't beer o mad since he was a kid and got licked by the "new boy" the first day of school. The bulldog had been down to the butcher shop and met his old enemy. The result was a torn ear and a broken tail. "Look at yourself!" angrily exclaimed the Army editor. "You, the most famous dog in the known world, and looking like that! Suppose Comrade Bassett, of Fargo, N. D., did send in a list of twenty earlies all at one time, is that any reason for letting that onery cur chew you up in this manner?" With bowed head the bulldog took one well-merited rebuke, and then wearily bit a chunk out of the Fiji boy and lay down be hind a pile of "Hummer" combinations.

"Say," said the Army editor to the sport editor, "I've got the best thing on Stella you ever heard of. Don't you give it away, though. You know, on the quiet, I've, been teaching the buildog the Morse code, and he's got so he can rattle off dots and dashes with the best of them. Well, this morning, when Stella was opening the mail, I bet her the ice cream that she could pick out any letter or club and show it to the pup; then I'd look into his eyes and tell her who it was She showed him that order for a bun-He of ten from Comrade Clark, of Mt. Picasant, Iowa, and that dog just tapped the floor with his tail a minute, and gave it to me in the prettiest Morse you ever heard. Oh, he's a great pup." The sporting editor agreed that

Comrade Bush says: "I believe that any man who reads the Appeal for one year will forever afterwards be a Socialist." He backs up his opinion with a club of ten.

Here's a pretty good thing from Hudson, N. Hi: "The 'Water Tank' makes the plutes show their teeth. An art club of fourteen members disbanded the other night after the vice-president of the company of th Socialists and will vote next presidential elec-tion. The lady in whose house they had held their meeting 'showed her teeth,'

> M. has completed his magnificent chain of transportation around the globe. We take after we get our grain all cut and threshed and pay him his tribute that there will be enough left to fairly feed us." And of course, at higher prices, but the salt monopoly would not need or be helped by a tariff." transportation around the That's what they vote for, and that's what they get.

Keep your eye on Massachusetts. Club of ten from Comrade Hutton, Nor fold Downs, Mass. Club of twelve from Comrade Webber,

Leominster, Mass. Club of five from Comrade McDonald, of Campbell, Mass. Club of five from Comrade Stevenson, of Springfield, Mass.

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## They Didn't Know It Was Loaded.

The group of Socialists at the Buffalo olitical conference, consisting of Comrades Mills, Brown, Steadman, Wilshire and Simons had a good deal of fun at the expense of the other delegates. The boys introduced the fol-lowing resolutions which the conference, after having adopted them separately by large majorities, laid on the table by a final vote on the resolutions as a whole of 35 to 30: Resolved, First, That the producer should have his producer. have his product. Second, That the only guarantee of this re-

sult is the ownership by the producer him-self of the land and machinery necessary to production;

Third, That inasmuch as it is an ed law that industry operated on the largest scale is the most economical and therefore, the most desirable, the people such a scale; and operate all industry upon such a scale; most desirable, the people should own

Fourth, That inasmuch as the people al-ready have at hand, in their various city, state and national governmental organizations, the necessary framework for the construction of an organization for the operation of industry, construction of an organization for the operation of industry, the people through these various governments, take over all the land and machinery for their own joint ownership and democratic management in order that they may be able to distribute to themselves what they

Fifth, That to attain this result we declare necessary the success of the political party representing the class which desire these

## Russianizing America.

Washington, July, 10.—(S.-M. T.)—Because he asked for bread, John Connors, an old man who has worked hard all his life, was sent who has worked hard all his life, was sent to the work house yesterday for sixty days. Connors recently lost his job of timber cutting in Virginia, and was in destitute circumstances. Hunger drove him to ask a housekeeper in South Washington for something to set. She gare him a nackage of pread housekeeper in South Washington for some-thing to eat. She gave him a package of bread and meat, and as he was leaving the house he was arrested. Judge Kimball refused to listen to his plea for mercy.

The Pull of the Almighty Dollar.

Washington, D. C., July 5 .- In response to the appeal of the commission merchants of Kansas City and St. Louis who have large sums of money loaned on cattle now being pastured in the Klowa and Wichita reservations in Oklahoma, Secretary Hitchcock is preparing to afford the cattlemen having herds in the two Indian countries at least temporary relief. The 200,000-acre pasture located on the banks of the Red river is to be turned over temporarily to the cattlemen for grazing purposes until their stock is ready for market.

Now some of you fellows when you get in a tight pinch can go to the governement have elected and secure assistance—I think. The capitalist can because it is his gov ernment-he elects men, or rather sees that you elect men, who will do his bidding. And the capitalist is visible to the naked eye:

Des Moines, Iowa, July 5.-I. R. Dawson, who has served five years of a ten-year penitentiary sentence, has been paroled by Governor Shaw. "Damascus" Dawson, as he is known, claims to have recovered the art of making Damascus steel and of hardening copper. Capitalists who are interested in a company to develop Dawson's processes secured the evidence upon which he was paroled, as he had asserted that he would die with secrets rather than reveal them while in prison.

#### Another Idol Smashed.

The literary Digest, speaking of the Inter-national Salt trust, says: "Some alarm is expressed at the latest industrial combina an international salt trust, solidation, which aims at a control of on of the necessities of existence, includes the Salt Union of England, (the British Salt trust) the National Salt company of this country, the Canadian Salt company trust that controls the Spanish and Italian output. If this great combination is suc-cessful, remarks the New York Evening Post, 'it would seem that a universal salt tax might be laid on the human race, whether the laws of particular nations ordained it or forbade and adds that such a thing is 'disquieting.' It continues:

'It is disquieting, because we have become used to relying, theoretically at least, on for-eign competition as a remedy for domestic oppression. After all, we have thought, if worst comes to worst, we can abolish our protective duties, and then our trusts will have to meet the competition of the world, and will sell us their goods at fair prices. he mere talk of an international cambina-tion dispels this cheerful delusion. Such a combination can laugh at tariffs, and, in spite

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