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Girard, Kansas, U. S. A., January 16, 1904.

THE CHICAGO CAPITALIST CATASTROPHE.

The killing and injuring of nearly a thousand people, largely children, in the burning of the Iroquois theatre, Chicago, is a direct result of the internal capitalist system.

SOCIALISM IN CANADIAN ELECTION.

At the election in Toronto January 1st, the Socialists put up four candidates for the school board.

NEVER TOUCHED HIM.

That good republican, U. S. Senator Dietrich, of Nebraska, has escaped his evident deserts by what is politely termed in legal phraseology a "technicality."

The recent statement of the N. Y. Life Insurance Co. shows a very remarkable condition of power.

There is many a white family that would exchange their condition for that of the chattel slaves before the war.

To vote that corporations may legally own and operate industries, and strike against the conditions is hardly reasonable.

C. A. Selzer, of Carson, S. C., burned his competitor's store "because it was getting all the trade."

At the special election in Boonville, Ia., for alderman, the Socialist received 71 votes, republican 59, democrat 48.

THE WEALTH OF KANSAS.

The Kansas State Board of Agriculture has just issued a report which shows that the agricultural products of the state last year amounted to \$250 for each man, woman and child in the state!

SOME QUESTIONS ANSWERED.

How will Socialism settle race equality, social and political? And establish equality between intellectual and ignorant people? And sustain individual ambition?

There will be mighty little politics in the Socialist republic. All matters will be industrial. If a majority should decide that the races should not live together, the nation would have to provide cities and factories and farms for the colored people just as good as the whites have.

The only way to establish equality between the wise and the ignorant is to teach the ignorant. There would be no more occasion for the social intercourse of them than now.

Individual ambition for what? To skin one's fellows? If that, there would be no incentive. But there would be greater incentive to do good works then.

SELFISHNESS AND INCENTIVE.

Will Socialism decrease crime and selfishness? Will not the people have the same qualities then as now?

The qualities of man will be the same under any conditions. They are inherent. Selfishness is as much a part of man as any other attribute.

The development of machinery for making the things that mankind desires for its physical well-being will produce the world's needs in less than four hours labor per day.

When the railroad employes of Australia struck for higher wages the government used the troops and courts against them.

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Martial Law at Telluride.

Special Dispatch to Appeal to Reason. Telluride, Colo., January 4.—Martial law proclaimed. Thirty-one men shipped out. Strikers peaceable and orderly.

Wholesale Deportation of Miners.

Special Dispatch to Appeal to Reason. Telluride, Colo., January 5.—The miners shipped from here yesterday set free at Ridgeway, 45 miles from here.

ARRESTED FOR LESE MAJESTY.

Associated Press Dispatch. Cripple Creek, Colo., Jan. 4.—Thomas Evans and his wife and young daughter, who lived in Antonida, have been arrested and placed in the bull pen by the military authorities for jeering at soldiers and non-union miners.

Associated Press Dispatch. Telluride, Colo., Jan. 4.—Twenty-six men, arrested here by the military authorities, including former Attorney General Eugene Nengley, counsel for the Telluride Miners' Union; Guy E. Miller, president of the union, and J. C. Williams, vice president of the Western Federation of Miners, were placed on board a north bound train today.

THROWN IN THE BULL PEN BECAUSE HE HIRED UNION MEN.

Associated Press Dispatch. Cripple Creek, Colo., Jan. 6.—C. H. Reimer, business associate of James F. Burns, president of the Portland Mining Company, was arrested by a military squad today and lodged in the bull pen.

The den of thieves at Washington...

The den of thieves at Washington are vying with those of New Jersey in turning out robber corporations. By sneaking a bill through the last congress to "Establish a code of laws for the District of Columbia," which not half a dozen members of congress read, a law was enacted to charter corporations perpetually at a total fee of organization of not over \$200, to do any and all things.

The Chicago city "authorities" have...

The Chicago city "authorities" have decided that members of the fire department shall not belong to any labor organization! And that in the face of the fact that the state has a law, approved June 17, 1903, that makes it "Unlawful for any individual, firm, agent or officer to prevent or try to prevent any employes from forming, joining or belonging to any lawful organization."

From private letters I am informed...

From private letters I am informed that great gobs of prosperity have struck the working class in Pennsylvania who at the last election voted the old party tickets with such unanimity.

Pedro Alvarado was a Mexican peon...

Pedro Alvarado was a Mexican peon or wage slave. He found a mine so rich that he does not know its value. He offered to pay off the Mexican national debt, but the government refused to accept it as the debt is a good thing for those who hold it to steal from the nation.

Four subs for a \$1. Send the money.

The supreme court of Oregon has...

The supreme court of Oregon has reversed the decision of the lower courts that declared the Direct Legislation amendment to the constitution void. The people of Oregon now have a republican form of government if they have wit enough to use it.

For his share of the spoils Young...

For his share of the spoils Young Carbet received \$100 a minute for his exertion in a prize fight with Hanlon at San Francisco! Think of a society organized so that a brutal slugger gets \$100 a minute while honest and necessary labor gets 25 cents an hour!

The railroads divided \$194,000,000...

The railroads divided \$194,000,000 in loot taken from the industry of the nation last year in the way of dividends. At the average cost of \$21,000 a mile to build and equip a railroad, this represents 9,000 miles of railroads given to them in excess of the cost of transportation, besides paying an interest on bonds that represent more than twice the cost of the railroads of the nation.

At Jersey City, N. J., two men and...

At Jersey City, N. J., two men and six girl strikers in the silk industry were fined \$720, and an appeal refused, for trying to urge non-unionists from working. The girls' appeal for money were given the stony stare.

The cut in wages east, west, north...

The cut in wages east, west, north and south indicate a well understood program of the capitalist class. In the steel and coal industries in Pennsylvania a laborer writes me the cuts run as high as 60 per cent of the former wages and is much more than the daily press has printed.

There are cities where the majority...

There are cities where the majority are members of organized labor—and in every contest with their masters the city government is against the unions. Don't you think the men are foolish to elect friends of capitalists to break their heads?

The working class seem determined...

The working class seem determined to elect men to office who will be against them in every contest for better conditions of life. They don't know the power of their ballots—and give it to their master at every election.

AH THERE! STAY THERE!

Comrade T. B. Smith, of Los Angeles, writes the Appeal to warn working people to stay away from there: that the rigors of a northern winter are better than walking the streets looking for work, because there are ten men for each job, notwithstanding the fact that the old party papers are howling profanity.

He is a gay bird, is this working-man!

He is a gay bird, is this working-man! How the rich must laugh at his stupidity when they are laying their plans to fool him. The average American can see all these things are true, when they refer to the Russians or the Turks or the Chinese—but he can't see that the same game is being played here on him—and that "statesmanship" is the ability to best fool and skin him.

Capitalists control the nation and...

Capitalists control the nation and all laws are made in the interest of the capitalist class. That is logical and nothing else could be expected. When the working class gets wise enough and elects itself to office, the government will make all laws in the interest of the working class.

"My wife is frail with four small...

"My wife is frail with four small children around her without a servant or a dollar at hand. I have done." And with these words J. H. Thibadeau, out of work, blew his brains out in a Washington City hotel.

If the Russian despotism could keep...

If the Russian despotism could keep all the people from reading or hearing anything except that which they have for generations read and heard, its continued reign would be insured.

The more the activities of life are...

The more the activities of life are monopolized the more will crime increase. Do you vote the same tickets as the monopolists?

HOW THE THING WORKS.

The harvester trust has given notice of a reduction in wages. It discharged 8,500 employes when the consolidation took place, making a saving of \$500,000 a month in wages, while producing as much machinery as formerly.

GIRLS SOLD FOR \$10.00.

"Women today sell for from \$21 up, and children at varying rates," says a writer in Harper's Magazine. He is writing from Morocco, and grows quite indignant over the deplorable state of affairs.

"Appalling increase in the degeneracy...

"Appalling increase in the degeneracy of children," is the headline in the Toledo Bee. I wonder why? Why is there more degeneracy now than years ago? There must be some cause.

The Boston Traveler, looking over...

The Boston Traveler, looking over the field of human activity, says that "Crime reigns throughout the city." What is the matter with your capitalist system that it produces crime instead of peace and good will?

When the working class begins to...

When the working class begins to vote for a party of its own, it will see the capitalists making lots of laws to favor it, hoping to win them back into the old parties again.

The laws uphold the capitalists in...

The laws uphold the capitalists in putting any price they please on the products made in their industries, and the people are forced to pay or starve.

A million Socialist votes in this...

A million Socialist votes in this country will do the working class more good, will command more respect from their masters than a hundred big strikes.

Wonder how the working class of...

Wonder how the working class of Colorado like to pay the taxes to support the militia that is used to jail them?

Eighteen thousand firms and individ...

Eighteen thousand firms and individuals own all the real estate in Greater New York with its three million people.

It's the vote and not the strike that...

It's the vote and not the strike that will free labor from being ruled by the capitalists.

America is becoming a nation of slaves, just like Europe.

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SOCIALISM'S ANSWER TO THE SINGLE TAXER

BY WILLIAM HOFFMAN

E. B. Swinney, secretary of the Brooklyn Single Tax League, recently issued a small pamphlet entitled, "The Weakness of Socialism." Several single tax newspapers in the country published its substance...

thousands of agents and salesmen who do only unnecessary work, would also increase to draw on the productive labor of society. All systems and organizations would be discouraged. A blind, unequal struggle for the products of the earth would result.

Capital a Blessing Under Socialism. Socialists do not attribute social evils to capital. It is true, as Mr. Swinney states, that capital, being wealth used in the production of mere wealth, has no element of evil in it.

That competition is destructive and not productive is clearly and forcibly demonstrated by the growth and development of the trust. The secret of the power of the trust lies, not so much in the special privileges it enjoys (as maintained by the single taxers), as in the thorough plan of co-operation and unity on which it is operated.

With inventions it could do nothing. Interest would be left in the hands of the capitalist schemer under the single tax system. Houses, etc., even though they, unlike inventions and interest, are the product of land, would, under the single tax, yield the capitalist a rent which would support him in idleness.

In speaking of wages, the third factor which, according to Swinney, Socialists would abolish, he says: "If the wages were high, Socialists would not demand the abolition of the wage system."

Swiney then discusses the second point of the present social order to which Socialists object, namely, competition. He says: "Competition is a natural law. It is nature's leveler. The so-called competition deplored by Socialists is not real competition at all. It is unequal competition in which the advantage is all on the side of the employers."

Swiney's next objection shows that he either desires to work on public prejudice or knows very little about Socialist principles. He cannot understand why Socialists want public control and operation of industries for the benefit of all the people rather than to allow private capitalists to operate them and exploit the people.

Today Competition is Destructive. It is certainly true that the "competition" deplored by Socialists is not real competition at all, but would we have real competition under the single tax system? The single tax would stimulate the waste and suicide of false competition. It would preserve the capitalist, and the capitalist must inevitably reap a profit from labor without giving any return.

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ing the mails that amounts to as much in a year as the cars could be bought for, the public owned and operated its own means of transportation; and if, instead of giving private capitalists the graft of supplying the government with mail bags, straps, order slips, etc., at ridiculously high prices, the department would itself supply these wants, the postoffice would not find itself in debt at the end of the year.

Mr. Swinney measures the character of the man under the Socialist state by the criterion of the greedy, selfish product of capitalism. He does not believe that each worker should receive the same compensation. If Mr. Swinney had two horses and one could run faster than the other, or perhaps haul a heavier load than the other, would he give the weaker one poorer feed or less of it than he would the other?

Laziness a Product of Capitalism. Laziness under such circumstances is stimulated and promoted. But Socialism would revolutionize these conditions. Even believing that some men would be mean enough, knowing that society insures them the full product of their labor to cheat their fellows, laziness would be impossible.

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would be given the wilderness and a spade and left to work out their own salvation. If they would prefer that to becoming a part of organized society. Government Functions Would Decrease. Another objection to the establishment of Socialism entertained by Mr. Swinney is that:

Such an undertaking would involve a vast increase in the machinery of government, necessitating many thousands of office-holders—generals, colonels, captains, lieutenants of industry—the incentive to corruption would be enormous and everybody would want to be an office-holder and pandemonium would result.

The statement that "the incentive to corruption would be enormous and everybody would want to be an office holder" is made by Swinney on the assumption that Socialism means capitalistic graft and money getting. Socialism would award the office holder the same recompense as the humblest laborer in the field, and no more.

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son has a right to perfect liberty as long as he does not interfere with the same right of anyone else to liberty, is one of the fundamentals of Socialism. It is the protection of this one right in every individual of the nation that Socialism would insure to all society by making it impossible for any to encroach on the liberties of the others.

In a dying condition for weeks, Mabel Meckel, a phone girl at Evansville, Ind., driven by want of the meagre pay, died sitting at her task. The St. Louis Chronicle, plutocratic sheet, refers to her as a heroine. I should refer to her as an unhappy, oppressed slave that she was.

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Edited by E. N. Richardson. Bro. Agitators.—While my name appears at the top of this column as editor, I am fully aware of the fact that the real editor of this department is the "Appeal Army."

The Appeal bull dog and the Coming Nation office goat are introduced. They have a little argument over the Appeal's red-headed girl and the Coming Nation's blue-eyed fairy.

They finally conclude that their interests are identical with the rest of the working class. SODDY, Tenn., has a new local with ten charter members.

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THE BLACK HOLE OF CHICAGO

Ernest Untermyer

A stray spark, a burst of flame, and the new Iroquois Theatre in Chicago is transformed from a temple of merriment into a chamber of horrors.

The "Black Hole of Calcutta" is eclipsed by the "Black Hole of Chicago." The old year, before passing out, sends a thrill of horror around the globe.

The Black Hole of Chicago is only one of the innumerable horrid skeletons that escape periodically from the secret closet of the capitalist Moloch.

And now the frenzied throng clamors hoarsely for a few scape-goats. The Shylock of public opinion, better called public ignorance, demands its pound of flesh.

The main criminal? Yes! The owners of the theatre, who, for their own private profit exploited the public desire for amusement; the city authorities, who, for obvious reasons, closed their eyes against the reckless violations of city ordinances; the architect, who, for private gain, devised the enormous death-trap—they are but the offspring of the main criminal.

The responsibility for this wanton destruction of human life rests on every member of the human family who supports the capitalist system, directly or indirectly.

Were it not for this counterfeit public opinion, the Iroquois Theatre would never again open its doors to any merry crowd. It would stand silent forever, a giant warning to the coming generations of the awful sins of a perverted social system.

It is an eruption of capitalism, but alas! not the last. Every circumstance that has come to light reveals but the grinning features of monstrous greed.

The theatre was built and operated for profit. Therefore the stage accessories were made of inflammable material instead of metal, as the law provides, the drop curtain, fire proof according to law, was made of asbestos.

PROFIT DECIDED THAT THEY SHOULD BE OF WOOD IN THE IROQUOIS THEATRE.

PROFIT KEPT THEM OUT OF THE IROQUOIS THEATRE.

PROFIT ORDERED THAT THE IROQUOIS THEATRE SHOULD FACE UPON ONE OPEN SPACE ONLY.

PROFIT DEFIED THE LAW, BUILT MORE SEATS THAN THE BUILDING PERMIT ALLOWED AND CROWDED HUNDREDS OF PERSONS INTO THE STANDING ROOM OF THE AISLES.

PROFIT, PROFIT, and again PROFIT, was the consideration most dear to the hearts of the builders, of the proprietors, of the building inspectors and of the fire department authorities.

Every incident connected with this house, even to the ghouls who crowded into the smoking ruins and into the morgues to cut off the jeweled ears and fingers of the victims, bore the degenerate influence of a system that knows but one life's purpose: PROFIT.

The wonder is that so much generous and heroic work was done, in spite of the debasing influence of capitalism. I do not speak of those business men who donated vehicles, clothing, medicine and shelter.

The yellow press has found its sensation and makes hay while the sun shines. As to the victims of Mount Pelee, so death came to hundreds in the Iroquois Theatre before they fairly realized the situation.

Skulls and bones are the basis of capitalist society. And the rulers wave the starry banner over this vast cemetery and call it "Glorious prosperity!"

True to its instincts, the Hearst press is fashioning a political lever for its owner out of this incident. While millions mourn, Hearst is trying to ride to the summit of personal triumph on a delusively generated presidential wave.

The Socialists alone can lift up hands not steeped in this blood. They have cried out, as does now the Black Hole of Chicago: "CAPITALISM IS GUILTY!"

The working class is the jury. At the ballot box they will execute the greatest criminal in the world's history: KING CAPITAL.

"CROPS OF CHILDREN."

The President of Roosevelt's action, on August 3, 1903, in sending a \$300 check to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Siguet, of Pittsburg, Pa., on the occasion of the birth of their twentieth child, taken in connection with his recent California reference to "crops of children," his action of March 3, 1903, in congratulating Mr. George Cunningham, of Gloucester City, N. J., on the birth of triplets, and his previous letter to Mrs. Van Vorst, of New York City, advocating large families, affords cumulative evidence of a coarseness in the President's character which is calculated to create general disgust and abhorrence.

The President is wedded to a fallacy whose prevalence is equalled only by its capacity for evil, namely, that large families are desirable PER SE—a fundamental social fallacy about which both education and religion are strangely and culpably silent.

One of our capitalistic papers says: "If the people are honest with themselves and keep a stiff upper lip and thrifflily saw wood all the year, nothing may happen in the field of politics which will much hurt them."

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THOU SHALT NOT KILL

By COUNT LEO TOLSTOI

Count Tolstoi, the Russian writer and humanitarian, has written a pamphlet entitled "Thou Shalt Not Kill." It was translated into German and by order of Emperor William it was seized and suppressed. At the trial it was decided that all the pamphlets should be destroyed. It is well to remember that Emperor William is highly admired by President Roosevelt and President Elliot of Harvard, who conferred an honorary degree upon the emperor. We reprint the pamphlet in full as we consider it a most excellent sermon, worthy the study of all. We would like the privilege to send it to Roosevelt and the rest of the mad imperialists. Brother Tolstoi is calling things by the right names.

"Thou shalt not do murder."—Ex. 11. 13.

"The disciple is not above the master; but every one when he is perfected shall be as his master."—Luke vi, 40.

"For all they that take up the sword shall perish with the sword."—Matt. xxvi, 52.

"All things therefore whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, even so do ye unto them."—Matt. vii, 12.

When kings are tried and executed like Charles I, Louis XVI, Maximilian of Mexico, or killed in a palace conspiracy like Peter III, Paul, and all kinds of Sultans, Shahs and Khans, the event is generally passed over in silence. But when one of them is killed without a trial, and not by a palace conspiracy, like Henry IV, Alexander II, Carnot, the empress of Austria, the Shah of Persia, and just now King Humbert, then such murders cause great surprise and indignation among kings and emperors, and those attached to them, as if these persons were the great enemies of murder, as if they had never profited by murder, never took part in it, and never gave orders to commit it. And yet the kindest of these murdered kings, such as Alexander II, or Humbert, were guilty of the murder of tens of thousands of persons killed on the battlefield, not to mention those executed at home; while hundreds of thousands, even millions of people, have been killed, hanged, beaten to death or shot by the more cruel kings and emperors.

Christ's teaching cancels the law of "an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth," but those men who have kept to that law and still kept to it, act upon it by punishing and carrying on wars; and not only "an eye for an eye," but give orders to kill thousands without any provocation, by declaring war. They have no right to be indignant when the same law is applied to themselves in so infinitesimal measure that hardly one king or emperor gets killed to a hundred thousand, perhaps a million ordinary people killed by the order or with the consent of kings and emperors.

Kings and emperors should not be indignant when such murders as that of Alexander II. or Humbert occur, but should, on the contrary, be surprised that such murders are so rare, considering the continual and universal example of committing murders they themselves set the people.

Kings and emperors are surprised and horrified when one of themselves is murdered, and yet the whole of their activity consists in managing murder and preparing for murder. The keeping up, the teaching and exercising of armies with which kings and emperors are always so much occupied, and of which they are the organizers, what is it but preparation for murder?

The masses are so hypnotized that, though they see what is continually going on around them, they do not understand what it means. They see the ceasing care kings, emperors and presidents bestow on disciplined armies, see the parades, reviews and manoeuvres they hold, and of which they boast to one another, and the people eagerly crowd to see how their own brothers,

dressed up in bright-colored, glittering clothes, are turned into machines to the sound of drums and trumpets, and who, obedient to the shouting of one man, all make the same movements; and they do not understand the meaning of it all.

Yet the meaning of such drilling is very clear and simple. It is preparing for murder. It means the stupefying of men in order to convert them into instruments for murdering.

And it is just kings and emperors and presidents who do it, and organize it, and pride themselves on it. And it is these same people whose special employment is murder-organizing, who have made murder their profession, who dress in military uniforms, carry weapons (swords at their sides), who are horror-struck and indignant when one of themselves is killed.

It is not because such murders as the recent murder of Humbert are exceptionally cruel that they are so terrible. Things done by the order of kings and emperors, not only in the days of old, such as the massacre of St. Bartholomew, persecutions for faith, terrible ways of putting down peasant riots, but also the present executions, the torture of solitary confinements and disciplinary battalions, hanging, decapitation, shooting and slaughter at the wars, are incomparably more cruel than the murders committed by anarchists.

It is not on account of their injustice that these murders are terrible. If Alexander and Humbert did not deserve death, the thousands of Russians who perished at Plevna, and of Italians who perished in Abyssinia, deserved it even less. No, it is not because of their cruelty and injustice that these murders are terrible, but because of the want of reason in those who perpetrate them.

If the regicides commit murder under the influence of their feelings of indignation evoked by witnessing the sufferings of the enslaved people, for which sufferings they hold Alexander II, Carnot or Humbert responsible, or by the personal feelings of desire for revenge, however immoral such person's conduct may be, still it is comprehensible; but how can an organized body of anarchists by whom, as it is now reported, Bresci was sent out, and by whom another emperor was threatened, how can it, quietly considering means of improvement of the condition of the people, find nothing better to do than to murder people, the killing of whom is as useful as cutting off one of the Hyksa's heads?

Kings and emperors have long established a system resembling the arrangement of the magazine rifle, i. e., as soon as one bullet flies out another takes its place. "Le roi est mort—vive le roi!" Then what is the use of killing them? It is only from a most superficial point of view that the murder of such persons can seem a means of saving the people from oppression and wars, which destroy their lives.

We need only remember that the same kind of oppression and war went on quite independent of those who stood at the head of the government, whether it was Nicholas or Alexander, Louis or Napoleon, Frederick or William, Palmerstone or Gladstone, McKinley or anyone else, to see that it is not some definite person who causes the oppression and the wars from which the people suffer.

The misery of the people is not caused by individuals, but by an order of society by which they are bound together in a way that puts them in the power of a few, or more often one man; a man so depraved by his unnatural position of having the fate and lives of millions of people in his possession that he is always in an unhealthy state, and suffering more or less from a mania of self-aggrandizement, which is not noticed in him only because of his exceptional position.

Apart from the fact that such men are surrounded from the cradle to the grave by the most insane luxury and its usual accompaniment of flattery and servility, the whole of their education, all their occupations, are centered on the one object of murder, the study of murder in the past, the best means of murdering in the present, the best way of preparing for murder. From their earliest days they learn the art of murder in all possible forms, always carry about with them instruments of murder, dress in different uniforms, attend parades, manoeuvres and reviews, visit each other, present orders and commands of regiments to each other. And yet not only does nobody tell them the real name of their actions, not only does nobody tell them that preparing for murder is revolting and criminal, but they hear nothing except praise and words of admiration from all around them for their actions.

The part of the press which alone reaches them, and which seems to them to be the expression of the feelings of the best of the people or their best representatives, exalts all their words and deeds, however silly and wicked they may be, in the most servile manner. All who surround them, men and women, whether cleric or laymen, all these people who do not value human dignity, vie with each other in flattering them in the most refined manner, agree with them in everything, and deceive them continually, making it impossible for them to know life as it is. These men might live to be a hundred and never see a real, free man, and never bear the truth.

We are sometimes appalled by the words and deeds of these men, but if we only consider their state we cannot but see that any man would act in the same way in such a position. A reasonable man can do but one thing in such a position, i. e., leave it. Everyone who remains in such a position will act in the same manner.

What must indeed be going on in the head of some William of Germany, a man of limited understanding, little education, and with a great deal of ambition, whose ideals are like those of a German "junkier," when any silly or horrid thing he may say is always met with an enthusiastic "Hoch!" and commented on as if it were something very important by the press of the whole world? He says that the soldiers should be prepared to kill their own fathers in obedience to his command. They answer "Hurray!" He says the gospels must be introduced with a fist of iron. "Hurray!" He says that the army must not take any prisoners in China, but kill all, and he is not placed in a lunatic asylum, but they cry "Hurray!" and set sail for China to execute the orders.

Or Nicholas, who though naturally modest, begins his reign by declaring to venerable old men, in answer to the desire they express of being allowed to discuss their own affairs, that their hope for self-government is a senseless dream, and the organs of the press that reach him, and the people whom he meets, praise him for it. He proposes a childish, silly and untruthful project of universal peace at the same time that he is ordering an increase of the army, and even then there are no limits to the laudations of his wisdom and his virtue. Without any reason, he senselessly and piteously offends the whole of the Finnish nation, and again hears nothing but praise. At last he starts the Chinese slaughter, terrible by its injustice, cruelty, and its contrast with his project of peace; and he gets simultaneously applauded from all sides, both for his own conquests and for his adherence to his father's policy of peace. What must indeed be going on in the heads and hearts of such men?

So that it is not Alexanders and Humberts, Williams, Nicholases and Chamberlains who are the cause

of oppression and war, even though they do organize them, but those who have placed them and support them in a position in which they have power over the life and death of men.

Therefore it is not necessary to kill Alexanders and Nicholases, Williams and Humberts, but only to leave off supporting the social condition of which they are the product. It is the selfishness and stupefied state of the people who sell their freedom and their honor for insignificant material advantages, which supports the present state of society.

Those who stand on the lowest rung of the ladder, partly as a consequence of being stupefied by a patriotic and falsely religious education, partly for the sake of personal advantages, give up their freedom and their feeling of human dignity to those who stand higher, and who offer them material advantages. In a like position are those standing a little higher. They, too, through being stupefied, and especially for material advantages, give up their freedom and sense of human dignity. The same is true of those standing still higher; and so it continues up to the highest rungs, up to the person or persons who, standing on the very summit of the social cone, have no one to submit to, nor anywhere to rise to, and have no motive for action except ambition and love of power. These are generally so depraved and stupefied by their insane power over life and death, and by the flattery and servility from those around them, which is connected with such power, that while doing evil they feel convinced they are the benefactors of the human race. It is the people themselves who, by sacrificing their human dignity for material profits, produce these men, and afterwards angry with them for their stupid and cruel acts, murdering such people as like spoiling children and then whipping them.

Very little seems needed to stop oppression and useless war, and to prevent anyone from being indignant with those who seem to be the cause of such oppression and war.

Only that things should be called by their right names and seen as they are; that it should be understood that an army is an instrument of murder, that the recruiting and drilling of armies which kings, emperors and presidents carry on with so much self-assurance are preparations for murder.

If only every king, emperor and president would understand that his work of organizing armies is not an honorable and important duty, as his flatterers persuade him it is, but a most abominable business, i. e., the preparing for and managing of murder. If only every private individual understood that the payment of taxes which helps to equip soldiers, and above all military service, are not immaterial but highly immoral actions, by which he not only permits murder, but takes part in it himself—then this power of the kings and emperors which arouses an indignation, and for which they now get killed, would of itself come to an end.

And so the Alexanders, Carnots, Humberts and others must not be killed, but it ought to be proved to them that they are murderers; and above all, they should not be allowed to kill men; their orders to murder should not be obeyed.

If men do not yet act in this manner, it is only because of the hypnotic influence governments have for self-preservation. Diligently exercise on them, therefore we can contribute towards stopping people killing kings and each other, not by murder, murders only strengthen this hypnotic state, but by awakening men from it.

And it is this that I have tried to do in these remarks.

The above article, printed in neat pamphlet form, may be obtained from the Appeal to Reason, Girard, Kansas, at 50-cents a hundred.

PA TEACHES YOUNG AMERICA The Difference Between a CAPITALIST AND A PARASITE

By G. H. LOCKWOOD.



and make a place for him to live when he wasn't on the horse's back; and if the horseback rider didn't do anything for the horse at all, then would the horseback rider be a parasite, pa?"

"Well, er—er, why I suppose he would, or practically the same thing." "Are capitalists parasites, pa?"

"Pa indignantly, 'why no! you nunny, what put that fool idea in your head?'" "Well, pa, didn't I hear you tell ma that the capitalist who owns the shop where you work is making a fat living off of the workmen?"

"Well, er—er, so he is, dod gast him! but that—"

"If he ain't a parasite what is he, pa?"

"Well, er—er, why he's a—a well he's a d— labor skinner, that's what he is; but, of course all capitalists are not like him. Most of them are very honorable men, indeed." "Say, pa, why did you leave your last job?"

"Well, er—er, I that I could do better for myself and family." "Was your last boss a good man, pa?"

"Well, er, er, he was a church member."

"And did he treat the workmen nice, pa?"

"Well, er—er, no, to tell the truth, he was the hardest man I ever worked for."

"Did you ever work for any other capitalists?"

"Oh yes, I've worked for capitalists all my life."

"And were all the others good men, pa?"

"Well, er—er—they—they—were most of 'em church members."

"But pa what I mean is, were they good and kind to the workmen?"

"Why er—er—come to think about it, I don't remember any or 'em who ever hurt themselves in that way—"

"How do they treat their men, pa?"

"Well, er—er you see, its like this; the capitalist hires the workmen to work, not to play Sunday school with him, and the more products he can

squeeze out of the workmen the better he likes it."

"Then all the capitalists want of the workmen is the products he can squeeze out of them, is it?"

"Well, er—er, I guess that's about it."

"And what does he do for the workmen, pa?"

"Oh, he—he why he feeds them and clothes them and houses them while they work."

"But, pa, he doesn't raise the food or make the clothes or build the houses. The workmen do all that themselves."

"Well, er—er, no, of course he don't, but he makes the conditions so that the workmen can do these things."

"And wouldn't there be any food or clothing or houses if there wasn't any capitalists, pa?"

"Well, er—er, well I suppose there would, people lived a long time in this old world before the capitalists came on deck."

"Well, pa, I'd like to know what good they do, when the workers build all the factories and make all the machines and raise all food and make all the clothes and build all the houses, and do ALL the work. I want to know what the capitalists do for the workmen to pay for the clothes they wear and the food they eat and the houses they live in. It seems to me they are living off of the workers just like the bedbugs and that they are a lot of par—"

"See here, kid, didn't I tell you the capitalists were NOT parasites, but honorable and useful men?"

"Well, pa, what do they do?"

"But, pa, what I mean is, were they good and kind to the workmen?"

THE WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT By JOSEPHINE CONGER

ONLY.

Only a mother with wistful eyes
Watching unexpressed her baby's face;
Only a glimpse of distant surprise,
Only a lovely child of the race,
As the gods have no joy so rare
As that of the mother! What power to lift
Her that tress of hair from her teeth and
hair—
Only the token of love's ripe gift.

Only a prayer for a little bread,
Only a mother in anguish wild,
Only a poor little-drooping head—
Only a little-drooping head!
Only a question hard and stern—
"Where's your ring? Not got one? Go!"
Only the fierce gasping burns
That only cast out women know.

Only a narrow piece of the Lord,
Only an outraged glance of hate,
Only a word-damning word,
Only a warning that comes too late,
Only a glance at the sky above,
Only a cry from a mother torn—
"Why, O God, was I made to love?"
Why, O God, was my baby born?

Only a leap in the water dark,
Only a surge, only a rise;
Only the tress the spot to mark,
Only the withering star-strewn skies,
Only the river's patient song,
Only a throbbing resting place,
Only, only a nation's wrong,
Only, only a world's disgrace!
—VICTOR H. NEUBERG.

HEARING YOU WRONG.

Do you talk Socialism to your friends, your neighbors, those you love, those in whom you are interested and whose approval you want, and is the end of it all that they have heard you wrong? Do you tell them the beauties of the movement? Of the goodness it contains? Do you speak of the joy and the comfort and peace that will accrue from its practices if all people will unite in them? Do you tell all these things wistfully, hopefully, joyfully, tearfully, and when you have done find that they have heard you wrong, that they do not understand, do not believe, do not see as you see? Do they meet your arguments with skepticism, with sarcasm, with bitter denunciation? Are they like people of old, who, having ears to hear will not hear? Are you confounded, dumfounded, crushed and dejected when they hear you wrong? Do you feel that you want nothing to do with the world but to go away back and sit down? To give up the

blood. If you allow the world to lead you astray—to make you hear whispering great truths to you, you are worse than the world and your life must be full of ignominy.

Let the people hear you wrong. Let them misconstrue your meaning, let them question your sincerity, but don't let them cause YOU to be misled. Don't let them push you from your pedestal of Truth. Don't let them cause you to lose your ropes. DON'T LET THEM MAKE YOU HEAR YOURSELF WRONG. If you do, you have failed, utterly, hopelessly, miserably. Be true to yourself.

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APPEAL TO REASON.

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Join the Blue Pencil Brigade!

Strange as it may seem, no working-man has been accused of looting the postoffice department at Washington. The men officially branded as thieves are all highly respected members of the republican and democratic parties.

Under the guise of disfranchising the negro, the latest move of the manufacturers' Association is to disfranchise many working men, by enacting laws placing a property qualification on voters.

An ex-congressman from Missouri, now practicing law at Cripple Creek, defied the state militia, and made an attempt to stand upon his constitutional rights.

Eighteen thousand railroad men have been laid off by the roads centering in Chicago. The wages of 100,000 cotton mill operatives in New England have been reduced.

"The Colorado strike is over. Wages are lower than they were before, but the great principle of personal independence has been vigorously maintained."—Globe Democrat.

IT IS A CRIME TO THINK.

John Turner of England was arrested by the federal authorities in New York and is now confined at Ellis Island. He is charged with "thinking" thoughts contrary to the existing order.

luxury is the kind that has been "vigorously maintained" at the point of the bayonet in Colorado. But the strike there is not over. That statement is false, and the republican paper, owned by millionaires, knew it was false.

When we shall have established the industrial republic, and its great blessings become known to the world, would not the millions of other nations pour into this country to escape their hard lives until we would scarce find standing room, and the languages would create a perfect babel?

Socialism will come slowly—not in a day or a month or a year, even after Socialists shall have become the majority. To systematize the industries of this great nation will require time.

A man whose cardinal goal in life is to make money will steal. To such a man stealing is a fine art, upon the possession of which talent, he congratulates himself.

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Labor is finally commencing to "see things." A few more bull pens and militia bills and Mr. Capitalist will get a jar that will land him in the beginning of a new industrial system.

A RESULT OF THE SYSTEM.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 6.—Carrying a 4-year-old child who had been burned while playing with a gas stove, Alphonse Torre was ejected from an eight street car because he could not get his blistered fingers into his pocket for the fare.

The Italian explained that he was hurrying to the Pennsylvania hospital with the suffering infant, and pleaded with the conductor to reach into his pocket for the money, but was hustled to the platform and compelled to quit the car.

Torre ran with his suffering burden to the station house at Seventh and Carpenter streets, where a patrol wagon was put at his disposal. The burned child, Catherine Maturro, whose home was at Seventh and Catharine streets, died. Torre's hands suffered when he beat out the flames on the girl's clothing.

THE POLITICAL GRAFTER

Of the Perry Heath stripe will not relish the contents of No. 426—the great propaganda issue of the Appeal, dated January 30th.

CATCHING THE LARGER FISH.

The number of failures for the year 1903 are 2% less than for 1902, but the liabilities are 45% greater, so you see that the program of concentration goes merrily on just the same, and the squeezing process is reaching higher up in the business world.

New York, Jan. 5.—There were 9,788 failures reported to Bradstreet's in the calendar year 1903, with liabilities of \$154,277,093, and assets of \$84,050,475. This marked a decrease in number of 2% from 1902 and of 8% from 1901.

Capitalism follows capitalism's flag—the workers haven't any flag to follow.

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Foreign Notes

By AGNES WAREFIELD, Boston, Mass.

GERMANY.

Socialists have elected the mayor of Aue, Baden; a majority of the council of Hagsfeld and the church parish council; four councilmen at Constance—all in Baden.

The Socialists have gained control of the council of Waltershausen; have won four new seats in Wald; have won five new seats in Berlin; have won the control of Penig.

In the Cologne court of trades elections, the candidates of the non-sectarian trade unions with 9,566 votes defeated the Catholic Center Party's so-called Christian trade union ticket, which had 5,112 votes.—Berlin Vorwaerts.

At the Court of trades election in Speyer, the Catholic and Protestant labor unions united on a "Christian ticket" against the non-sectarian trade unions. With energetic agitation, the Christian ticket got 71 votes out of 581.—Berlin Vorwaerts.

SWITZERLAND.

Two German officers have been sentenced to short terms in prison—one for 1520 and 698 cases of cruelty to common soldiers. The Socialists elected six councilmen in Berne, Switzerland. The Socialists have a co-operative bakery which gives them good bread at low prices; part of the profits go to Socialist propaganda.

St. Gallen has provided for life insurance and old age pensions for ALL citizens.

ITALY.

"Avanti," the Socialist daily of Rome, has a circulation of 55,000 copies as against 10,000 one year ago.

In Milan the Socialist city council are preparing to municipalize the light plant, which so disgusted the mayor and other profit lovers that they resigned.

HOLLAND.

The government has prepared a bill to prohibit public ownership except banking. The private graft is too sweet to lose.

NORWAY.

The prohibition society of Norway has joined the Socialists.

ENGLAND.

London Justice says that the unemployed are suffering great privations and the unions and societies are overburdened by unemployed members, and that there has never been such idleness for ten years.

The Socialist Sunday school movement in England is taking great strides and recently held a great convention.

JAPAN.

A second Socialist paper will soon be issued.

A WORD TO VAN CONTESTANTS.

The question has been raised that perhaps the comrade who gets the Van would not care to come to Girard to start out with it but would prefer to have it shipped to his home town. The proposition is: To the comrade sending the largest number of subs between January 1 and May 1, 1904, the Appeal will give a Van equipped with a good team, graphophone, sleeping and cooking outfit, \$100 worth of literature or cards, and will pay the comrades railroad fare to Girard. Or if you prefer the van and outfit, except team, will be shipped to you by freight, charges prepaid, and balance sent in cash.

There has necessarily been some delay in transferring the Coming Nation list of subscribers to Girard, which has made your papers come a little late. After next week the new conditions will have been met and you will receive your copy of the Appeal promptly and on time.

A SOCIALIST VACATION.

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The way to do things is to do them. If you want this van there is but one thing for you to do—get busy.

...THE APPEAL... ...AGITATION LEAGUE...

Co-operate, concentrate and conquer—that's the line along which the Appeal proposes to work. Following out this policy the Coming Nation Educational League and the Appeal's Dixie fund will be consolidated and given the name of Appeal Agitation League.

The League should have at least 5,000 members pledged to pay ten cents a week for a year. Next week plans will be presented for Co-operative educational work for the 1904 campaign.

Wholly Different.

There is only one thing I think that can be said with certainty today about the approaching revolution. It will be wholly different from any of its predecessors. It is one of the greatest mistakes that revolutionists as well as their opponents frequently commit to present the coming revolution according to the model of past ones for there is nothing easier than to prove that such revolutions are no longer possible.—Karl Kautsky.

SONS OF THE RICH.

PORTLAND, Dec. 14.—In the municipal court today Allen Bishop and F. W. Mien, both sons of wealthy San Francisco parents, agreed in lieu of going to prison to show as common sailors before the mast for a cruise of two years on the high seas. The young men were arrested two weeks ago in Seattle for stealing a watch from a Portland man and were held on the charge of larceny. Judge Hogue was the magistrate who pronounced the unique sentence this morning.

Did you ever hear of such treatment of poor criminals? Can't you see that the courts look at the financial end of the gun? What are you poor suckers voting for a system of rule for the rich for? Haven't they stuck you deep enough?

THE POWER OF A SUGGESTION



Few people, who have not studied hypnotism, are aware of the wonderful power that can be exercised by merely suggestive methods. There is certainly no argument in a sign that says "Vote for Dan Smith" but it causes many people to vote for him just the same.