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THE WISE FOOL

Any one who has read history can see that all down the stairs of the past there were men who tried to teach the down-trodden truths that would have made them free and great, but the people were too prejudiced, ignorant and superstitious to understand. Instead of heeding such men as teachers, they crucified them as enemies of the human race. The people followed the worst of men, and were led to the slaughter like sheep. The fools worked to produce wealth for the few who worked not; they were drilled to fight for those who wanted power; they believed anything their rulers told them, and the pages of history are dark with crimson because of their ignorance. The people were not to blame, for they could not understand what they could not understand. And after all, are we not much like them? Are we not all the creatures of hypnotic suggestion? The things that you believe are the things that have been told to you in such a way and by such persons as you had confidence in—purely suggestion. The things that the writer believes are of the same source. It is hard to make the savage believe his wooden god is not all powerful, because he has been taught it is, in a suggestive way, from childhood. YOU believe many as absurd things because of the same law. Men and women who read widely get so many suggestions that they begin to compare them, and, as many conflict, they can't believe all, so they get a counter-suggestion and begin to REASON. But the unread person, with only a few hypnotic puffs, has not the condition or power to throw them off or discriminate. It takes a new suggestion to upset any one held. Few men read books, and most of those who do read novels, which do not present any facts. There is nothing too absurd for you to believe if you were taught it from childhood and never heard any one question it. The ruling minds of the earth understand this. That is why the czar of Russia does not want revolutionary literature distributed in his realm; that is why no church desires to have its votaries study the works of another religion; that is why capitalists do not want the people to read Socialist literature. There is a counter suggestion in them, and if they can keep their adherents ignorant of what others see, they can control them. And the CONTROL of the millions of the earth is the aim, and PROFIT is the object. The one who has been raised in ONE thought has nothing with which to compare that is thought, and cannot tell whether it is relatively right or not. A man with one idea is very little advanced above the cattle, which we may say have no ideas at all. A man with a thousand ideas is more powerful, is more developed, is surer of his position than the man of one idea. Usually the one-idea man is surest he is right. He is supremely wise in his ignorance. And yet it is all something like hypnotism in its character. How many different religions do you understand? How many different systems of political economy? Are you wise or otherwise?

Within eighteen months, says the Chicago Tribune of March 5th, 2,601 girls disappeared between New York and Chicago. They were kidnaped and sold into houses of prostitution. And the government and the city officers know who did it and where the girls are—but they are not telling. If they don't know, then they are incompetent to hold positions. That is a good many slaves. Most of all of them were from Europe and unacquainted with the criminal character of our country. They are worth from \$50 to \$500 each. Such is life in America, the land of the pure and the defenders of graft. The church people vote to keep up the system of private ownership, so there is profit in such things as this. All this occurs under the domination of the old parties, and those who vote for them are responsible for the results. Under Socialism there would be no profit in anything—only the full social value of things produced. There could be no income from such work, and hence it would not be followed as a trade. Many the parent who votes the old party tickets has had his girls drugged and sold into prostitution. But they are so ignorant to understand that their votes had anything to do with it.

If the labor unions are defeated in the fights now waging and the courts sustain the judge-made law making members of unions liable for damages to employers by reason of strikes, will Gompers and Mitchell let their followers go into politics? Labor will have to carry its struggle into politics or lay down and let the bosses run over them just as much as they like. And if they should go into politics under such conditions who could they not go in power? Labor could hold the balance of power in congress today were it not for the leadership of these two men, who have kept the men voting the old party tickets.

Chicago List—2,700.

That's growing some. We had but a few over 2,000 subscriptions in that city when the Chicago police put on the lid and sent forth the edict that no copies of the Appeal could be sold on the news stands of the Windy city. And now, the Chicago end of the Army has declared we shall have 5,000 subscribers in that Busse-ridden city. If you have a friend in Chicago put him on the Appeal's list. It'll help.

GROSSCUP MAKES A MOVE

The Scripps-McRae papers recently had a pointed editorial captioned, "It Is Somebody's Move." It had reference to Grosscup and called attention to the scathing indictment of this judicial strumpet by the Appeal to Reason and concluded with the statement that if the Appeal was maligning Grosscup it should be summarily suppressed, and on the other hand if it was telling the truth about him he should not be allowed to disgrace the federal bench another hour. The article called upon Grosscup to proceed against the Appeal if he was innocent, rightly concluding that if he failed to do so and allowed such a terrific impugment of his moral character and judicial integrity to stand unchallenged, he must be presumed to be guilty and in any event, the article concluded, "It is Somebody's Move."

Well, Grosscup took the cue and moved, not against the Appeal however, but for the tall timber with his baggage checked for Egypt. This is how this capitalist judge, covered all over with venal pustules and blotched with judicial leprosy, vindicated himself. Of course Grosscup stands convicted. He dared not, with all the power at his command, lift his finger against the Appeal. Had he dared deny any part of his criminal record, as exposed by the Appeal, it would not only have produced the documentary evidence but it would have sent another broadside crashing into his rotten record, which it still holds in reserve.

CONGRESS STILL BLUFFING.

Here is a sample of the letters, congressman are sending to those who write to them demanding a congressional investigation of the federal judiciary. "Dear Sir—Replying to your card of recent date, I beg to state that I know nothing about what the Appeal to Reason is doing, or about the Pollock and Grosscup case. I am, therefore, not in a position to express an opinion as to what should be done with these officials. If the editor of the Appeal to Reason is in possession of facts which indicate the integrity of these judges, he doubtless knows how to lay these facts before congress and secure their consideration. If congress were to institute impeachment proceedings in any case where a newspaper asserts what is not a public official, it would have no time left for other activities. There is a well known and orderly way of bringing such serious matters to the attention of the government, and when this matter is presented in due form and in well authenticated manner, I have no doubt it will receive full attention. You certainly do not seriously intend to accuse me and spend time and money upon this investigation. Very truly yours, Congressman Eighth district, California."

The absurdity of this position becomes manifest when it is known that proof of every charge made by the Appeal is on file in Washington, accessible to the representatives of the people. The charges against Pollock are in Washington at this very moment. Attorney General Wickham, not more than ten days ago, wrote a letter to a congressman, admitted as much—but refused this officer of the government access to the charges. If there is nothing to the charges, now on file in the department of justice, then why does the attorney general refuse to let congress have them? If congress is really in earnest why purrily the federal judiciary, why does it not demand the charges? You know and every one knows that the above letter is purely a bluff—nothing more. Therefore call it, by writing your congressional representative and ask him to find out for YOU if such charges have been filed with the department of justice. You have a right to know! And it may start something. In the Appeal of January 15th, we printed for the first time, correspondence between Charles H. Aldrich and Roosevelt. Mr. Aldrich was formerly solicitor general of the United States and it is hardly likely that he would offer to lay before the president evidence so damaging a character against Grosscup unless he was able to prove his statements. The president's attitude when confronted by proof—that of cold indifference—is the attitude of congress at the present time.

Congress wants no investigation—that is, Aldrich and Cannon did not, which amounts to the same thing. But in order to test the sincerity of the congressmen who write you of the congressman Smith writes above, just ask them to step over to the department of justice and read the charges against Pollock—and report to you the result of his interview with the department of justice.

CONGRESS TRIES TO BLUFF

Perhaps there has never been an agitation that created the instant consternation that the exposure of corruption in the federal judiciary has done. In addition to causing one judge to resign and another to flee to Africa, it has alarmed congress and caused that body to act, not in a decisive, but in a cowardly way. Congress has had before it, since this agitation began, a house joint resolution, numbered 80, which provides for a constitutional amendment re-forming the federal judiciary and practice. This resolution reads, omitting the preamble: Section 1. That all district attorneys for the district courts of the United States and all judges for the district courts of the United States shall be elected by the people of the states in which their duties are to be performed, and said judges and district attorneys shall be elected in such manner as the legislatures of the states shall provide by law. Sec. 2. That the tenure of office during good behavior is hereby abolished as to all the judges of the United States, both of the supreme court and the inferior courts, and the judges of the supreme court of the United States shall hold their offices for the term of twelve years, and the judges of the circuit courts of appeal of the United States shall hold their offices for the term of eight years; and the judges of the district courts of the United States shall hold their offices for the term of six years, and the offices of those judges now on the bench who have served for the length of time prescribed for their several courts, respectively, by this amendment shall be vacated, and of all the other judges their offices shall expire when they shall have served a period of time dating from the time of their appointment, equal to the length of term prescribed by this amendment for their several courts, respectively.

On the face of it this appears fair enough, but if one will consider the fact that, instead of acting on the resolution, it was referred to the committee on judiciary and merely ordered to be printed, he can see what is behind it. It is an effort on the part of senators and representatives to make it possible to square themselves with their constituents when they appear before them for re-election. The judiciary committee, of course, will not act on the resolution. It was not intended that it should act. But the candidate for congress can tell his constituents that this resolution was presented and that he was very much in favor of its passage, but, unfortunately, it was killed in the committee. The fact that congress has seen fit to make this grand-stand play in considering a constitutional amendment for the reform of the federal judiciary shows that it realizes the soundness of the logic and the truthfulness of the data presented by the Appeal to Reason. It further shows that every member of the house and senate recognizes the deep interest the people have in this agitation; for, without a recognition of this interest, they would not have prepared this line of personal defense when they appear before their constituents asking re-election.

TAFT THE TRUST TOOL.

Taft has just given a state dinner in honor of "Uncle" Joe, the boss of the congressional ranch. It is the first dinner of its kind and a new precedent in white house etiquette. This dinner was meant to serve notice on the trusts that Taft and Joe will stand by each other to the end of the plutocratic administration. Taft, Aldrich and Cannon are the plutocratic trinity. A sweet-scented bunch indeed. The fat Taft has let down all the bars and given the trusts full swing. It is true that they had this under Roosevelt, but now even the appearances of checking them have been discontinued. It is all perfectly consistent. The plutocrats own the country, and why should they not rule it, especially as the working class insist upon voting for wage slavery for themselves and seating a Taft in the white house? When Taft wanted the nomination his brother bought it for him, spreading fifty dollar bills around among labor leaders through an officer of the army. Taft's brother is a plute of plutes, having married untold millions. When Taft was elected Guggenheim and Standard Oil appointed his cabinet, including Wickham and Ballinger, and the Taft administration proceeded to pay off its campaign debt to the trusts by giving the trusts what little there was left of the nation.

THE AWAKENING

If one had been asked to name the most likely industrial center in the United States where an acute struggle between capital and labor would take place in the year 1910, the answer would have been "Philadelphia." This city has been the graveyard of many an able labor organizer's reputation: What organization it has had, has been used as the football of the dominant political party and its various factions. Despite this fact a struggle of a recently organized body of unskilled workers against the master class has resulted in a strike of workers in all lines, skilled and unskilled, organized and unorganized, and the class struggle is focussed with intense vividness in the eyes of the entire country. While all the powers of the government, both municipal and state, have been used against the workers this of itself is no novelty and would attract but little attention if it were not for the manner in which the strike has been applied to labor's back. The first day of the strike of the streets car men the mayor made a statement to the reporters of the capitalist press that "the union must be crushed." While the voice was that of Reburn it was recognized that the words were those of his masters. Reburn is a ridiculous person whom his political nurses permit to play at being mayor. The real chief executive of the city government is Henry Clay, whose title is Director of Public Safety. He is really secretary of war for the Rapid Transit company in its fight against organized labor. It is asserted in the press that not only is his entire fortune invested in Rapid Transit stock, but that utter financial ruin stares him in the face should he be compelled by his creditors to realize upon his stock at its present quotation. He has gone the limit with the police power in his attempt to crush the workers. Clay's chief assistant in this fight is one Timothy O'Leary, better known as "Gum-shoe Tim." This morally misshapen product of the "tenderloin" has a record known in every newspaper office which would have to be expurgated before it would be fit to print, and such expurgation would render the picture of the thing itself of no value. And yet these twins of plunder, the one representing the pickings of the one representing the criminal slums, have done more in two weeks to organize the forces of labor than years of effort on the part of agitators and organizers. The class line has been so clearly and sharply drawn that no one, be their mental vision ever so dull can escape seeing it. On the one side the capitalist class with their immediate retainers in the press, the law, the church and the school, together with that rapidly dwindling organ of the social body, the middle class, whose energies are being dissipated in strident squeals against plutocratic pressure. On the other side is the working class, being rapidly taught by the logic of events, that there is no identity of interests between them and their employers and that the injury of one worker or group of workers skilled or unskilled is the injury of all workers. The time-worn fiction of the Brotherhood of Man which has done such efficient work for the hypocritical master class has been pretty well punctured by the policeman's club, his horses and bullet and the crunch of his hooves. In its place in the mind of the toiler is being sown the seed of the industrial gospel of the brotherhood and sisterhood of the working class. If the present struggle in Philadelphia has no other result than to show even dimly what could be accomplished by the solidarity of labor, skilled and unskilled, on the political as well as the industrial field it has been worth all the sacrifices it has entailed. Even now one can hear, if faintly, the unified tread of the lord lords of life—the working class—marching shoulder to shoulder toward the land prepared by them since the beginning of time, and see them sweeping forward with resistless power and taking possession by the only valid right in the world, the royal right of creation.

James A. Patton, the Chicago gambler in wheat, having made a fortune out of the tallow of the farmer, has become eligible to a place as a literary man and is now giving good advice (?) in a series of syndicate articles. His latest is: "My advice to the young man would be, never buy and own your own home—that is, unless you have a fortune. It is a luxury that ties up many bright and energetic young men. The rich have been long advising the poor to forego luxuries—so the rich may have them all; but it remains for this stock gambler to place a home as a luxury which was intended only for the rich. Talk about Socialism breaking up the home, when is the Socialist who has ever given advice like the above? You see how it is—the poor will go without home, there will be more renters, and the landlord can make more.

GREATNESS OF SOCIALISM

The Socialist movement is not only greater than capitalism realize; it is greater than most Socialists realize. The Socialist spirit is found, not only in every nation under the sun, but it is developing and ripening in almost every movement and every organization under the sun. If we look upon the Socialist movement as confined to party membership, we err. It is true the party and the philosophy are the outposts of the movement, the advance guard, to whose place all must come ere success can be attained, but the ideal is permeating all society and all classes of people, and this ideal will in time develop to the point where it will become effectively conscious of conditions and immensely powerful. Socialism is greater than any man in the movement. It is greater than the founders of the movement themselves. It is the expression of a new aspiration that has taken hold of mankind, and as such is not all in an organization, but is a development of the ages, working in all things. The authorities of Socialism are the people; it looks to an industrial democracy. It is a movement which has for its aim the ending of all exploitation, the freeing of the toilers from robbery. It may be broader than our conception of it. If our conception of it is not broad enough to afford expression for every honest impulse, broad enough to tolerate every shade of human belief; if it is not broad enough to enter in sympathy with all people who are willing to end the dishonesty of the profit system, it has not yet come to a full realization of the meaning and mission of Socialism. Socialism is scientific; but there is room in science for full play for every human sentiment. Socialism is definite and uncompromising in its determination to end and plan for ending exploitation; but it must not cavil over words and opinions. The supreme greatness of Socialism is that it looks beyond party or office. Its mission is to end the robbery of the working class, to establish a system under which it will be possible for men to live as brothers and express themselves as they cannot do now. Its mission is not to place certain men in office, not to enact into law any special legislation, but only to make it so the workers who have as long been oppressed may be freed and enabled to do something for themselves. It looks not to building up a party that shall give perpetual power to the individuals who are building it, but to take power from the masters and give it to the workers; to realize the indefinite longing of the ages, for a world without want or war; to bring about that condition which has been the dream of the seers of all lands and all times, not as an abstraction or an ideal, but as an actual condition. Socialism is, in other words, merely the ripening of the best thought and highest aspiration of the ages, greater than party or creed, and more far-reaching in nature than any mere enactment that man can propose. PHILADELPHIA The gang in control of the "City of Brotherly Love" has stolen the the people stone-blind. Pirates on the high seas in their palmiest days were not in the same class. The Philadelphia gang takes no risks. It has control of everything, robs everything, and clubs and shoots everything that ever chirps in protest. The city hall is the nest of these robbers. City officials, including the mayor, are the dirty tools of the pirates that long ago throttled the city and have been holding it up ever since until its pockets are empty and William Penn, surmounting the robbers' roost, has turned black in the face. And this state of affairs exists with the sanction and approval of the working class. Without that disgraced and shocking debauchery could not last an hour. At this writing the street car strike is on in full blast, re-enforced by the organized labor of the city. In such a nation the working class should act as one and every worker should throw down his tools and paralyze plutocratic Philadelphia. Just twenty-four hours of paralysis would effect a miraculous change. The economic and political solidarity of the workers of Philadelphia is sadly wanting and its lack is woefully in evidence. If ever there was a lesson taught workers it is the lesson of industrial unionism versus craft unionism and the socialist party versus capitalist parties now being taught to the workers of robbed and rotten Philadelphia. Dow, Jones & Co., publishers of the Wall Street Journal, are out in a circular in which they say: "It is contended in some quarters that the announcement of the Rockefeller plan to devote a great many millions to the uplift of mankind would have an important effect in creating a better feeling on the part of the masses toward corporate interests, and might go a long way to check the growth of Socialism. What fools these mortals be! This thing of trying to 'uplift' people while standing on their backs only hurts them the worse. The people would need no 'uplift' if the riders would dismount. They would stand erect of themselves, then; and that is what Socialism not only proposes, but by the Eternal intends to bring about. PHILOSOPHERS have interpreted the world differently. The thing is to change it.—Karl Marx.

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STANDARD OIL MILLIONS ARE TO BE INCORPORATED UNDER A "BENEVOLENT CHARTER"

ON the same page of the New York World announcing that Rockefeller was incorporating his billion for mankind an article told how Mrs. Anderson, a widow, sold her hair to save her children from starving. Yes, this is a great civilization. Would it not be well for you to continue to vote for men who believe in it? STANDARD OIL millions are to be incorporated under a "benevolent charter," which means that they are to be untaxed and can be held together and controlled by young Rockefeller and in a few years will be able to control all the financial institutions of the country. When the people think millions are going to do anything for them, they are silly unto idocy. By this means possibly \$20,000,000 a year in taxes can be saved. And the rest of you will have that much more tax to pay. The employers of today are just as averse to their slaves being freed from their domination as were the chattel slave owners of 1850. And for the same reason—the slaves are profitable: It is the profit of wage slavery that causes it to be defended by the employer. Oh, you wage slaves, can you be so blind as not to prefer a co-operative society in which you would be free from exploitation? Do you like to make the other man's living and your own also? Do you like to keep others up in luxury while you live always at the door of poverty? Call you yourselves men and suffer such a condition, and ignorantly vote for it at every election? Wake up. THERE was a special election in Chicago, for congress a short time ago. One W. J. Moxley was elected. He is an oleo manufacturer. Proofs have come out that he not only has been, but is now, engaged in defrauding the government by illegally coloring the oleo to imitate butter, and that he has managed and now manages to corrupt justice for all the pals who take his oleo to barns and other places where the coloring is done, he furnishing the coloring, the oleo and the government pure food inspection stamps. This is the kind of men who compose congress. If there was any decency left they would expel him—but the trusts need such men in congress for their business. Surely this is a great republic! But if the voters can be hoodwinked by the old party papers to elect such criminals, we have to stand for it. Moxley is a good republican. ACCORDING to Rutledge Rutherford, editor of the National Food Magazine, who has been studying the cost of necessities, and who is now in Germany, the Germans refer to the United States as a nation of thieves and grafters. When he asked students and economists in Germany why commodities were more expensive in America than elsewhere, they uniformly replied, "schmiergeld," (grease money) the nearest metaphor for our word "graft." To such an extent does this idea of America prevail, he states, that our trade in South and Central America decreased \$300,000,000 in a year while Germany increased hers \$137,000,000 in the same time. This shows what our captains of industry are doing. American workmen can make goods as cheap and as good as any other nation, but the captains of industry are such grafters that they will not allow them to do it. They prefer to adulterate and cheapen the quality until they are the world's laughing stock. When our government takes over the industries, no such condition would be tolerated for an instant. But what can be expected of the men who rule the industries for private gain? "THEIR INTERESTS ARE ONE" One of the amusing phases of the Philadelphia traction strike is that the mayor, police director and other city officials are owners of the street car lines, and they were elected by the working people who are being jabbed into jail by these same men. It is amusing, isn't it? that men will vote into office those who own their jobs, so that when the disagreements come the officials will have the police power to break their heads and their strike? Not one of these strikers would have voted for these capitalists or be officers of their unions, but they vote for them to hold positions that more vitally concern their welfare than do the officers of their unions. If Mayor Reburn and Police Director Clay were the right kind of men to elect to city office, why are they not the right kind to be officers of labor unions? You see at once the absurdity of this sort of reasoning. The point we want to emphasize is this: The strikers would be better off today if they had a mayor and city government on their side than to have the city administration against them. "Gee! I don't want to be knocked on the head," the strikers will say. "But that is just what you elected me to office for and I'm going to knock the stuffin' out of you." Virtually the reply of the owners of the street car system, whom the strikers elected to the city offices. Amusing, isn't it? And the strikers—some of them—will do it at the next election. It appears that the workers really like to be pounded on the head and stuck in jail. That is what they are getting for voting the old party tickets, and as they have been doing it for years and years, they must like it. On what other ground can you explain their vote? Socialists would use the police and all other governmental powers to give the workers their demands, but the working class, as a whole, doesn't seem to want Socialists in office. If I'm going to knock the stuffin' out of you, virtually the reply of the working class candidates on the Socialist ticket into office.

The Appeal's Agitation Court

There are many who express the opinion that the plan of field propaganda recently adopted by the Appeal...

The best possible facilities are afforded for working up a large meeting at each point and insuring its success...

For whatever of success has been achieved in this new field Comrade George D. Brewer is entitled to a large share of the credit...

The ten minutes' speech which Comrade Brewer makes as the introduction to the lecture proper is, a happy effort and puts the audience in good humor...

Fully as important as any other feature of these meetings has been the splendid management of the routing conducted by Comrade J. E. Snyder...

The Army workers are, of course, entitled to the bulk of the credit. The rank and file, the common comrades...

REAL CRITICS VS. FAKES.

A certain editor who boasts that he is in a position to know more about Socialism than all the teachers of Socialism in America...

In a recent issue of the Appeal I send the following questions, which I would like to answer:

There are many who express the opinion that the plan of field propaganda recently adopted by the Appeal...

Diast at Work in America

The Denver Express, a capitalist newspaper, contains the following reference to the treatment of Magon, Rivera and Villarreal...

The immigration laws have become a treacherous cobweb which is used by Mexican tyranny to nab its opponents.

The United States government allows to pass unpunished the violation of the neutrality laws, if they are violated in the name of capital.

SEEDS OF DANGER.

The Harrisburg Telegraph in an editorial condemning Debs for telling the truth about the strike at Philadelphia...

It is not by suppressing the truth in the interest of peace based upon civic rottenness and moral degeneracy...

NEGROES CLUBBING WHITES.

It remained for the capitalist system to degrade both whites and blacks to their lowest level.

The emancipated chattel slaves are now used to club and murder the white wage slaves, some of whom wear scars from wounds inflicted upon them while they were fighting to destroy chattel slavery.

Editorials by Appeal Readers

Winning by Savings. Ten years ago today I was married and I had two hundred and fifty dollars in cash.

Now at the time I was married I only lacked five hundred and fifty dollars of having enough to buy the place...

The Purpose of Slavery.

In the early stages of barbarism when the world was very young, indeed, with no tools of production but a few domesticated animals...

Today machinery has almost reached perfection. Production is increased an hundred fold.

Managing the Farm.

The farmers not being organized has enabled the masters to keep down the price of farm products far below the actual cost of production...

Pretty Good "Wages."

As Harriman at his death was possessed of \$149,000,000, had he lived 100 years he would have had to receive \$1.25 per day all that time to gain it.

"American Nobility."

There are English landlords who own enough land in America to give thirty thousand people 160 acres each.

LEND A HAND.

The New York Daily Call is making a desperate fight to win. Comrade W. W. Passage, president of the publishing association...

No More Documents No. 166.

Dear C. H. Breaker, New Salem, Pa. Mr. C. H. Breaker, your letter of the 25th ult. received.

Co-operative Farming.

I cannot understand your idea of co-operative farming. How are a number of first-class farmers to work with a lot of green horns who can't tell a haystack from a potato field?

Debs' "Reasons."

Eugene V. Debs, the Socialists' idol, has been hovering over Western Pennsylvania the last week, and it is reported that his audiences have been up to the capacities of the auditoriums.

Push Philosophy

I pray you, excuse everybody. They are not what they would like to be. They are what they have to be.

The Overworked Wife.

The wife at present has aptly been called the slave of a slave. Her husband is exploited in wages and profits, and she is dependent on him...

A Trip to Europe.

How is a farmer going to take a trip to Europe, under Socialism, if he is not allowed to hire anyone else to do his work while he is gone?

Squandering Money.

Where would the money go, under Socialism, which the rich squander for luxuries? Could anyone under Socialism pay \$25,000 for a painting or a dressmaker \$100.00 for making a single dress...

Equalizing Opportunity.

How can Socialism offer equal opportunity for all, when natural conditions are unequal? The man with ten acres of poor soil will never have the same opportunity as the man with ten acres of the best soil...

The Sacred Courts.

Nick Niles, a farmer, living near Webster City, was disposed to grumble at the law's delays, and, not satisfied with that, he wrote a letter to the judge of the district court...

Your Renewal

For the Appeal should reach us three weeks before date of expiration. For instance, if the number on the yellow label following your name is 749, it means you have just three more papers coming to you.

Questions About Socialism

Are cooks, dressmakers, teachers, nurses, etc., wage slaves, now, and how will their position change under Socialism? Of what will their full product consist?

Slaves and Wage Slaves.

These are all in a sense wage slaves, because none of them get all their services entitle them to receive. The output of the teacher is hard to grade from a material standpoint, but it is certainly a very valuable thing to society.

Use of Timber.

Will the timber, mineral, etc., on land, belong to the man who works a farm? Probably that which he himself uses will be considered as his.

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Ancient Society, by Lewis H. Morgan.

A new and handsome edition of which has just been published, is the greatest scientific work ever written by an American. It proves beyond a reasonable doubt that men and women lived in a state of equality, owning their land and tools in common, for many thousands of years before slavery, serfdom or wage labor began.

FOUNDATIONS.

And now Rockefeller is going to lay a "foundation." Carnegie has already laid one. It consists of the things stolen of the working class and is made the basis of alleged philanthropic activities.

LABOR SPIES AGAIN.

A friend who has received one of the circulars sent the Appeal the following, issued by the American Detective Service company of Chicago, which is signed by J. W. Weccard, general manager.

BILL JONES' GIRL.

A reader from Richland, Neb., writes the Appeal: You ask in a recent paper, "Don't you get the connection between last election returns and the disappearance of Bill Jones' girl?"

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15.00 WORTH FREE PAID FOR... \$5.00 You need the books. Nothing like the right kind of books to build up a Socialist movement that will stick.

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On January 31, 1910, the 7,045 national banks of the United States owed their depositors \$7,208,235,600.91. To pay them they had in gold, silver, paper money, nickles and coppers the sum of \$876,472,715.05.

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ance of the profit system is traceable to the vote at the last election, endorsing that system. If Bill Jones' girl were tired to a respectable house and merchandise, sold as though she were so much profit, the system is responsible for her worse than death.

The general vote resolves itself into specific votes. If you voted for the profit system at the last election, by voting for either of the parties that uphold it, then you are partly responsible for the disappearance of Bill Jones' girl. How is it, brother?

INDICTING GROSSCUP.

Ralph W. Moss, member of congress from the fifth district of Indiana, writes a constituent thus: I am somewhat acquainted with the reputation Judge Grosscup bears in his private life, and of the statements that he has made in the service of private parties for himself and his newspaper articles.

Mr. Moss is a very smooth man. This sounds good, and apparently excuses him for not trying to rid the courts of corruption. But suppose you analyze the statement. Mr. Moss says indictment is an indictment; it is. But what would you think of a grand jury that would refuse to indict a man when it declares that it is familiar with his reputation and of statements that he has been a hoodler?

Our High Society

Argonnet, New York. No less than 1,600 dogs were entered for a recent one-day show in the east, and they were nearly all of the "pet" variety and owned by ladies.

COERCING THE SLAVES.

Many of these autos are driven by their owners, wealthy men, who have volunteered for police duty and have been sworn in. This is what the writer of reports here reads, when a child, about the action of slave owners when slaves misbehaved. The masters rallied from everywhere to coerce the slaves back into submission and service.

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Torturing Women in America.

That white women were hung up on the wall of a cell room as though crucified with extended arms, at Atlanta, Ga., that at least one attempt was made to whip a woman, and that prisoners were used to do work for private citizens was testified to in the city council investigation of the city prison, known as the "stockade."

Socialists Are Wayshowers.

Citizen, Cleveland, Ohio. Socialists seem to point the way for reformers and muckrakers nowadays. Just as the agitation in Socialist papers against the despotism of the Mexican government was followed by articles in the magazines on "Barbarous Mexico," just so is Socialist agitation against the federal courts being followed by articles on the same subject.

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The Agitation League.

The fund to send the Appeal to the editors of republican papers in the United States is growing rapidly, the total to date being \$504.49. Come, comrades, let's get the fund off our hands so that the League can take up other work.

Table with columns: Name, State, Amt., Name, State, Amt. Total: \$504.49

"Comrades of the Air."

The following poem, entitled "Comrades of the Air," was written by Albert Stanton Wright, Cal. The theme was suggested and the poem inspired at a Socialist meeting held across the river from Cincinnati at Ludlow, Ky.

The American Party.

The county convention of the Socialist Party will be held at Blythe, Cal., Wednesday, Feb. 24, at 10 a. m.

The Difference.

Subscriber, Castle, Okla.—There is a vast difference between the Socialists and anarchists. The anarchists proceed upon the theory that all organized government results at last in oppression of the weaker members of the community.

A Reasonable Reply.

Chromatype, Neche, N. D. (Independent Republican). Publicity is very necessary in the conduct of the affairs of any nation, as a safeguard against any malfeasance in office.

Comments a Socialist Mayor.

Grand Junction, Colo.—The many thousands of copies of the Appeal to Reason circulated in this city made it possible to elect Thomas M. Todd mayor.

The Innocent Hookworm.

Prof. C. E. A. Winslow, of the Massachusetts institute of technology said in a recent lecture: "Inconceivable conditions in southern factories are causing more deaths than the hookworms.

THE APPEAL ARMY

"IT NEVER SLEEPS" The Big Ten.

- E. Edwards, Portland, Conn. 28 W. Aubrey, Holyoke, Mass. 28 John Penit, Harnshaw, Va. 24 N. M. Burd, Chester, Neb. 21 J. M. Brown, Delage, Va. 21 Calvin Scott, Hamilton, Ala. 20 Wm. H. Watts, Sandusky, Ohio 20 Anten Huber, Chicago, Ill. 18 H. Bierman, New York, N.Y. 18

Comrade Mills, Kasan, Alaska, is on deck with nineteen yachts from the far north. "Still in the ring," is the word that comes from the head of the Appeal.

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South Dakota dues have not been sufficient to keep the state secretary, and a fund is being raised by voluntary subscription to which all South Dakota comrades are invited to contribute.

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