The Negro and Socialism

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It has before been elucidated, but will probably bear repetition, how socialism will act on the race question. Under socialism personal service would be replaced by collective service, such as the letter carriers give. Every child will have the same advantages of education, food, clothing, shelter, and entertainment as will every other child. Each would be trained in some useful calling and when it arrives at the state of man or womanhood, would enter some industry.

This condition would result in having cities and sections where the colored race would be supreme. They would have as good homes and factories and surroundings as the white race, because the whole nation would be interested in them having such conditions. All of this would be the result of their own labor, just the same as what the white population enjoyed would be the result of their labor.

The white population would not like to have the black work side by side with it, as it does today, nor would the black like to work where it felt a difference between them. There would be no jealousy nor injustice. The blacks would have the same ability to travel and enjoy life as the whites and the race would soon taken on a new development, just as the white race would. Socialism will solve the race question.