

STATEMENT
Of the Appeal Publishing Co. for week ending Sept. 12, 1903.

Cash on hand Sept. 12, 1903.	\$214.40
Receipts for week.	12.00
Expenses for week.	23.00
Balance on hand.	193.40
Expenses for week.	23.00
Balance on hand.	170.40

All money above actual operating expenses of the plant will be turned into socialist propaganda fund. No charge for use of capital employed.

The Kind of Men Who Oppose Socialism

Dr. J. D. Hubbard, of Versailles, Mo., ex-republican congressman, one of those "God save the home" kind of politicians, visited Kansas City Sept. 11, according to the dispatch to the Topeka Daily Herald, republican, of Sept. 12. After spending a part of the night with a handsome blonde, Nora Akers, the maiden had him arrested for taking her gold watch. He was arrested near the Union depot where his wife awaited him. The doctor took the detective and the complainant up the railroad track and dug up the watch from a pile of sand. "It slipped into my pocket in some manner unknown," he said. "I spent so much time trying to find the owner I missed my train." His release was affected by Judge Gibson, "an old friend of the family." Two things I desire to call to your attention about this bit of news: First—Do you think the corporations would have any trouble in handling such a man when they wanted laws to rob the public? And second—Do you not see that the judge got him released, while if it had been some poor devil he would have taken grim delight in sending him to prison? Suppose that man had been a Socialist? Wouldn't the whole nation have rung with publicity about the character of Socialists as being co-habiters with fallen women and even low enough to steal from them? Sure. But when it is one of the men whom the republicans have had at Washington making laws for the benefit of the trusts and monopolies, it is different, don't you know!

The cities must be industrial hells, if half what the papers say be true. The contractors say they are terrorized by the unions and the unions are terrorized by the contractors. One law suit following another grows out of the strained relations of the slaves to the masters, and strike after strike has caused inconvenience and heavy loss to both sides. This all grows out of the fact that the contractors and masters refuse to recognize the rights of the men and women who produce their wealth. IT IS TO THE INTEREST OF THE WORKERS TO GET THE HIGHEST PAY FOR THE SHORTEST HOURS AND ON THE OTHER HAND IT IS THE INTEREST OF THE MASTERS TO GET THE LONGEST HOURS FOR THE LOWEST PAY. This condition is the one that makes all the trouble and will continue to make an increasing amount of trouble until the social structure tumbles down in chaos. It can be remedied by no possible means under this system unless human nature can be changed—which is impossible. Do you think that this increasing trouble between the masters and the workers and the public can go on forever? Do you not know that the conditions are getting continuously worse, no matter whether wages are increased or not? Are you so blind that you will refuse to study the fundamental causes and change CONDITIONS and thus possibly avert a revolution? If this strife keeps up a few more years without any change in the laws giving labor added benefits and a VOICE IN THE MANAGEMENT OF THE INDUSTRIES, you are running great risks of a social upheaval that will make you think. You need not hug the delusion that it is a matter that does not and will not concern you—for it does. You know that many in the north and many in the south took no part in the slavery agitation, as being little or nothing to them—but in the wind up they, too, were drawn into it. FORCE will not remedy the conditions. It will require REASON. And no matter what is done it will have to be done over again unless what is done is RIGHT. Maybe not what you consider right today, but what you consider right after having gone through the pain. Socialism offers a remedy that will make strikes impossible. You say the remedy is too radical—the making of all property the common heritage of the race. Yes, it is radical, but unless you help apply it you will find that these strikes will grow into something MORE radical, and after the storm shall have blown over you will then have to apply the Socialist program to prevent its repetition. There was a war between the north and the south growing out of chattel slavery. After the men had been killed and the property destroyed chattel slavery was abolished by an act of LAW. Wage slavery must be abolished. IT WILL BE ABOLISHED. Shall it be done with anger or reason?



The greatest injustice of the capitalistic system is contained in the fact that the children of the poor are born into bondage to the children of the rich. Regardless of natural talent and genius the child of the slums is doomed to a life of drudgery or a life of crime. And the children of the rich are surrounded by an unnatural atmosphere that develops abnormal traits in their character and leaves dormant the material out of which true men and women are made. Socialism is fighting not only for the children of the poor, but also for the children of the rich, that they may all have the proper economic environment to unfold into perfect human beings. G. H. L.

The Coward Suicides; The Brave Will Battle.

The other morning in the city of Atlanta, Ga., a policeman found the dead body of a man in the public park. There was a bullet hole in his head. He had committed suicide. He did not take his life because of physical hunger. His parents were wealthy, and he was PROFITABLY EMPLOYED. On an envelope he left these words: "The other morning in the city of Atlanta, Ga., a policeman found the dead body of a man in the public park. There was a bullet hole in his head. He had committed suicide. He did not take his life because of physical hunger. His parents were wealthy and he was PROFITABLY EMPLOYED. On an envelope he left these words: 'It is the only logical end of my course. On the awful life I have led. Each day wronging somebody, each day, by my perversity, darkening the lives of those nearest and dearest. I have eaten bread not earned, received honors undeserved, appropriated the rights, property and peace of others. My resolutions are not only broken but add to my crime. Weakness: Cowardice! Sin! Selfishness.'"

It is claimed for the competitive system that it develops strong individuals, that in the struggle and tussle for mental and physical mastery, character is moulded, and the strongest and best comes to the surface. In this there is a half truth. Our Morgans, Carnegies and Rockefellers, control the industrial situation today largely because of mental mastery, gained by long training in industrial conflict. Dickens tells a story of a man who dug a hole in his garden, and fell through to a strange and wonderful land where the people had evolved to the point where their dominant faculties had become individualized. Some people were all eyes, some all ears, others had been individualized to stomachs, still others to arms, legs, and so on through the range of physical and mental powers and faculties.

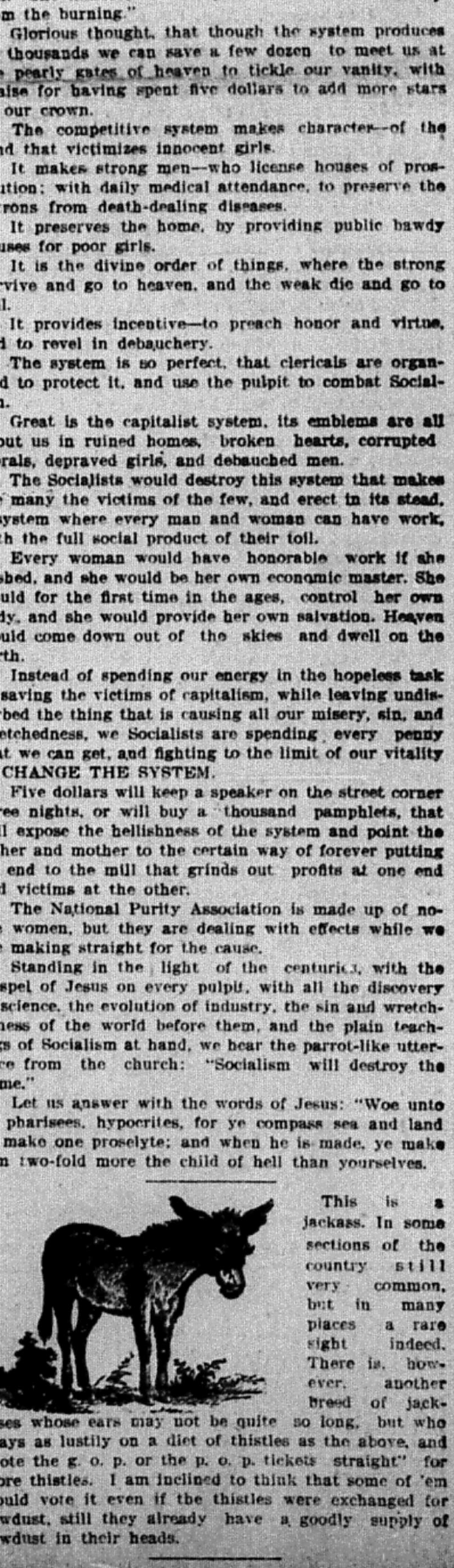
Our industrial giants have become individualized financial minds. All their mental powers focus on the matter of money making. This would work the world no injury, were it not for the fact that money making is purely a matter of traffic in human labor. We could afford to admire these men as colossal structures of genius, but for the fact that in this so-called genius is wrapped up the control of our own food, clothing, and shelter. In other words a millionaire is only the product of what millions of hard-worked hands have produced. Most of us wish to be something else than an individualized financial head, or a workingman's hand. Some of us would like to paint the world's beauties, garner the voices of nature into songs and symphonies, touch the chords of the human heart, and fathom the depths of the soul. Not all of us can find life's joys in the mart, and the stock exchange, nor are we content alone to be hewers of wood and drawers of water. Our lives are cursed by things for which we do not care, and deeds that burden us. In the midst of our dreams we are aroused to create profits for capitalism. The lash of necessity drives us to the field or factory, not alone to satisfy our needs, but that Rockefeller may have 12 cents profit on each gallon of oil that he sells, and that Morgan may declare a dividend of \$50,000,000. The heart of the woman that longs for love is crushed 'neath the Juggernaut wheels of commerce, and the joyous energy of the child is forged into profits for the lords of the market. In a world of plenty, where a just distribution of the products of labor would give to each of us our food, clothing and shelter for a small unit of time expended each day, our children are driven to the factory, the fairest buds on the tree of life, to the consuming furnace of lust, the artist is set to painting signs of malt extracts, the musician is forced to the beer garden, and even love—the divine passion—is measured by the dollar. Every evil passion of human nature has a value in the market, and the whole mass of people are driven to cultivate evil instead of good. The church holds up Jesus as our model in vain. Rockefeller is our God, and capitalism is the

altar before which we are all forced to kneel. In his misery the man had sought a dark place in the park to hold the last communion with his physical self. And now let us see how a blind civilization dealt with the matter in the following quotation from the same paper from which we take the details of one of society's tragedies: "The park commission will take immediate steps to have an electric light placed in Suicide Hollow at Grant Park near the deer inclosure, the scene of three self-inflicted deaths. As one turns up the shaded path, Suicide Hollow, in its little bend of the walk, is wrapped in impenetrable darkness when night has fallen. The pillar-white electric lights on either side are unable to penetrate the thick mantle of shrubbery, and here, in the night, these unhappy spirits have combated with themselves and plunged wildly into the unknown. Society puts more lights in the park to uncover the hideousness of its unfortunates. THAT IS THE BEST SHE CAN DO! Napoleon slaughtered his countrymen like sheep, to the end that the world might have one Imperial master. He made France a graveyard bathed with women's tears. He turned unmated womanhood into prostitution, and made the French home a mockery! To crown one Rockefeller, prince of commercialism, a whole nation toils and groans! To exalt a few princes of industry the best blood and brain of the land must go to the sweat shop, and live in a hell made by human hands. The gambler reigns and the poet suicides! The vicious triumphs, and virtue is buried in oblivion! The Mayor of a great city is drunk amidst the social outcasts of the system of which he is the exponent! Who will save us from our sins? Who will bind up our wounds? The skies are brass and the winds whisper no counsel. The docile ones of the earth must become the world's saviors, for the world's oppressors will never become her redeemers. The man who committed suicide in the park at Atlanta was a coward. He fills a coward's grave. Instead of facing the world and helping to conquer it for the freedom of the race, he surrendered. He should have gone up and down the streets of Atlanta preaching freedom in tones that would have roused the multitude from its sleep of death. Rockefeller is the product of society, even as the tramp, Rockefeller will not free the world, but the tramp may. It is written, that "The first shall be last and the last shall be first." The world's heroes are just coming into view. Do you not hear them on the soap box? Do you know the poor washerwoman who is hoarding her pennies to buy pamphlets and pennies? Capitalism, spite of its injunctions, its gattings, and its militia bills, is DOOMED. "The worm has turned" The wage slave has a new light in his eye, his shrunken veins are beginning to relax. A new courage thrills him, and his whole being is swayed by new emotions. A new word is on his lips with magic power to stir the multitude. The workmen of the world have said to each other, "My Comrade." A new system of industry and a new society, where there shall be no more pitying poverty, no more wretchedness, no more tyranny of the few and slavery of the many, and where "the meek shall inherit the earth," has opened up to their hungry vision. The new society will produce human beings instead of monsters, virtue will supplant vice, happiness will cease to be a mockery, and the suicide no longer seek the dismal death of despair.

Sixty Thousand Lost, One Hundred Forty-five Saved

The following extracts are taken from a circular sent us by the National Purity Association: There are 300,000 "felled" girls in our country, one-half of them from Christian homes or Sunday schools, and three-fourths from country homes. They have been gotten into haunts of shame through the tricky and wiles of those engaged in the "Traffic in Girls" which is caused by the TRAFFIC IN DRINK AND TRAFFIC IN OPIUM CIGARETTES. Their average life is FIVE years. Sixty thousand girls dragged down to this life every year; 5,000 every month; 170 every day, or a young life blasted in our blessed land every eight minutes. Father! Mother! YOUR little girl is not safe. Dear Friend—Please take this as a personal appeal and help us to save some of these million drunkards and three hundred thousand erring girls. The records of our book, "Traffic in Girls and Rescue Missions," show that souls are constantly being saved at a cost of only five dollars apiece. Won't you save ONE or more this year? What more blessed joy than to have many redeemed ones meet you at the pearly gates and welcome you into heaven by the words: "I am home with God because YOU denied yourself some luxury, or maybe, necessity, and gave five dollars to rescue work. YOU SAVED ME FROM HELL." Then Jesus shall say, "Inasmuch as ye have ministered unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have ministered unto me." In the Lucy Charlton Memorial in nineteen months 145 dear ones have found food and shelter, clothing and love human and divine. Most of these are now in self-supporting work and are thanking God for this help to help themselves, and other needy ones are coming. Surely everybody wants a share in helping these sisters and their innocent little ones. Besides sending money, many friends will send boxes of clothing and all kinds of eatables. Many a hungry girl is saved from the procurer by a single meal, as one girl said, "Mrs. Edholm, I'd starve before I'd sell myself, but I can't see my baby starve." Another precious one said, after reading our book, "Traffic in Girls," "Mrs. Edholm, if I'd read your book a year ago, I wouldn't have to be in a rescue home, for I was betrayed by my own betrothed husband with a box of drugged candy. Were it not for the Lucy Charlton Memorial baby and I would both have to go to a house of shame." Aren't you glad she and baby didn't have to go to a house of shame, but were saved because good people sent money, food and clothing. How their hearts will thrill when Jesus says to them, "Inasmuch as ye have ministered unto these my sisters, you have ministered unto me."

Capitalism makes 60,000 sex victims in a single year, and rescues 145 of them by means of charity. Sixty thousand die annually, according to the above facts, and according to orthodox ethics go straight to hell. One hundred and forty-five are "brands snatched from the burning." Glorious thought, that though the system produces its thousands we can save a few dozen to meet us at the pearly gates of heaven to tickle our vanity, with praise for having spent five dollars to add more stars to our crown. The competitive system makes character—of the kind that victimizes innocent girls. It makes strong men—who license houses of prostitution; with daily medical attendance, to preserve the patrons from death-dealing diseases. It preserves the home, by providing public bawdy houses for poor girls. It is the divine order of things, where the strong survive and go to heaven, and the weak die and go to hell. It provides incentive—to preach honor and virtue, and to revel in debauchery. The system is so perfect, that clericals are organized to protect it, and use the pulpit to combat Socialism. Great is the capitalist system, its emblems are all about us in ruined homes, broken hearts, corrupted morals, depraved girls, and debauched men. The Socialists would destroy this system that makes the many the victims of the few, and erect in its stead, a system where every man and woman can have work, with the full social product of their toil. Every woman would have honorable work if she wished, and she would be her own economic master. She would for the first time in the ages, control her own body, and she would provide her own salvation. Heaven would come down out of the skies and dwell on the earth. Instead of spending our energy in the hopeless task of saving the victims of capitalism, while leaving undisturbed the thing that is causing all our misery, sin, and wretchedness, we Socialists are spending every penny that we can get, and fighting to the limit of our vitality to CHANGE THE SYSTEM. Five dollars will keep a speaker on the street corner three nights, or will buy a thousand pamphlets, that will expose the hellishness of the system and point the father and mother to the certain way of forever putting an end to the mill that grinds out profits at one end and victims at the other. The National Purity Association is made up of noble women, but they are dealing with effects while we are making straight for the cause. Standing in the light of the century, with the Gospel of Jesus on every pulpit, with all the discovery of science, the evolution of industry, the sin and wretchedness of the world before them, and the plain teachings of Socialism at hand, we hear the parrot-like utterance from the church: "Socialism will destroy the home." Let us answer with the words of Jesus: "Woe unto ye pharisees, hypocrites, for ye compass sea and land to make one proselyte; and when he is made, ye make him two-fold more the child of hell than yourselves.





Rev. Father T. Lillis, pastor of St. Patrick's church and acting coadjutor bishop of the Kansas City diocese, says "That the man who takes the oath of the International Typographical Union denies himself the right to the sacraments of the Catholic church."

"The Catholic presenting himself for absolution, having taken that oath, has already denied to himself the right to the sacraments of that church. He has promised under oath not to allow any interference with his union, even though the principles of his union might be opposed to the principles of the church."

An officer of the International Typographical Union was shown the foregoing interview with the Rev. Father Lillis. He said: "I cannot speak with authority upon this matter, neither can any other member of the union, because it is a matter for the consideration of the officers of the international union."

The International Typographical Union is a purely economic organization, having but one thought, that of the economic betterment of its members. It stands neither for nor against any religious organization.

In our large industrial centers the membership of the typographical union is quite largely made up of men who are affiliated in some manner with the Catholic church. It is not because of the fact that they love the union more or the church less, but because they are compelled from economic necessity to thus affiliate.

Not many years ago this union was not considered in good standing unless it met in the rear or over a saloon and the price of its rent for quarters was the amount of beer and whisky it should consume during its sessions.

This union maintains for the benefit of its members a splendid home at Colorado Springs, Colo., where the man who is in good standing needs only the evidence of a paid-up card to find entrance thereto.

The International Typographical Union may well be proud of its work in the uplifting of its membership and in teaching them to be men. This union sees something of its great mission and it has no quarrel only with the industrial forces that would keep its membership from enjoying to the full an abundance of food, clothing and shelter.

Can the Catholic member turn his back upon the organization that has done so much for him? It is not a question of loss to the union—it is bread and butter to the Catholic.

Why is the political power in the Catholic church set in array against the organization of its membership into concrete bodies for material advancement? What does it offer in return for that which it would take away?

What does it offer in the stead of economic betterment? A home in heaven and a diadem to wear in all the future ages. Mansions in heaven may be fine in theory but bread and butter are absolutely essential to existence here; and surely none can deny that the better the economic condition here the greater likelihood of proper development and fitness for the hereafter, to which all must go unaccompanied and into which one must plunge as into an unknown sea.

The greatest question of the day is economic liberty! newspaper. A paper with a large circulation and a following built up on pure merit becomes a tremendous power for the cause it represents and the ratio of that power increases diametrically with each increase of circulation.

Grades Unions Demand:

That the workers have some voice in the matter of hours and wages.

Socialism Will Give:

The workers complete control of the industries in which they are employed, in all matters.

the medium that shall join together as one the exploited forces of the country and hasten the day when labor shall come into possession of the powers of government and control the industries of the land in its own interests.

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FEAR THE UNIONS.

J. M. Stiles, of Chicago, in affidavit tells of the fact that the contractors of that city fear the labor unions and how they dare not oppose them by so much as by making an affidavit before the court of the fact that their business is alleged to suffer because of the fear and power of the unions.

DECAYING LABORERS.

Frank O. Lowden, of Chicago, possible republican candidate for governor of Illinois, on Labor Day delivered an address to union men in which he said:

INJUNCTION AGAINST BOYCOTT.

An injunction to prevent strikes and boycotts by labor unions and industrial pools is sought in a bill in the Superior court of Chicago, through the American Anti-Boycott association.

The Owens automatic bottle-making machine at Toledo was examined by 12 members of the Refiners' Union the other day, and they admitted it would throw all the bottle makers out of employment.

F. C. Yentch, a member of the Brotherhood of Carpenters of America, sends to this department a splendid letter giving a review of his life experience and telling that twelve years of hard work on a Dakota farm left him practically bankrupt.

When G. A. Tracey organized a branch of the Typographical Union in Manila, he was forced to resign his position as foreman of the public printing office.

The Farmer and Socialism

Conducted by A. W. Ricker.

Will the capitalist class absorb the land and conduct agriculture on a large scale, as they have the steel, the railroads, and as they will all the manufacturing and mercantile industries, or will they be better able to exploit agricultural production by leaving the soil divided among small farmers?

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The capitalist class reduces the steel industry to a unit because in the centralization of the industry, the product, its price, and the profit is controlled. The reduction of units, into a single and larger one also eliminates the waste always incident to competition.

The Socialist economist and the Socialist party will, when these things are understood, know how to deal with the farmers. We will find that as a class you are ripe for Socialism NOW as you will be for years to come.

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peils the masses to work now, for they (the capitalists) will possess no means of making others work for them. As we will all belong to the working class, so we will all be mutually interested in doing things the easiest and best way. As Teanyew says we will finally have a society where—

The common sense of most shall hold a fretful realm in awe, And the kindly earth shall slumber, lapt in universal law."

The Socialist who is not a missionary is of little value to the movement. There is no personal salvation for any of us. We must rise or fall with the working class to which we belong, therefore we can only be free from economic servitude as our class becomes free.

The farmers of McDonough and Warren counties, Illinois, held a big mass meeting last week to remonstrate against monopoly. The meeting was addressed by three Chicago professional politicians, and an Iowa man engaged in the same business.

Advertisement for 'The Press Combination' priced at \$1, listing various socialist materials and their prices.

Advertisement for 'Clear, Concise and Convincing C. C. C. Combination' priced at \$1, listing various socialist materials.

Advertisement for 'ELECTRIC BELT SENT FREE' from Heidelberg Medical Institute, St. Paul.

Advertisement for 'GOOD AS ANY ELECTRIC BELT IN THE WORLD' from Heidelberg Medical Institute.

Advertisement for 'WEIGH YOUR PRODUCE' featuring a scale and the price '\$29.75'.

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WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT. CONDUCTED BY Miss Josephine Conger. WHAT WOMEN MAY DO. It is a sad fact, and one which should cause this nation to blush whenever recalled, that the women in the land do not have a voice in the making of the laws under which they live; the laws that compel them to abandon home, fireside and love, in order that they may supply their physical needs. Must they work on uncomplainingly and be thankful that man has been "liberal" enough to allow them an opportunity of so living? This is sad, this true, that they can not vote at the coming election; but there is something they can do. There is not a woman on this earth, no matter how low her station, who does not have some influence over some man, some voter, and many a mother may bear the form of the omnibus and those of general sons, who each year cast a ballot. There is scarcely a girl in this broad land, whether of the wealthy or working class, who does not possess some influence over some gentleman friend. Now do you not see that while you are waiting for the time to arrive when you may go and register a protest against the present system, that you may have a voice in the coming election? Place before the voters your situation. Ask those who have declared their love for you if they are willing to help liberate you. Ask them to prove this love. Appeal to your fathers by reasoning upon the inevitable results which a change of the inevitable system and other systems, are sure to bring. Show the men that not only for their lives do you plead, but them as well; for a betterment of your condition will be a betterment of theirs. Place before these voters all over this land, the hopes you have been forced to give up in order to live,—we might say, in order to exist. Show them how dear a home and a fireside is to the heart of every woman. Tell those men who are now situated so they can not have a home, that were you released from your present slavery they would have an opportunity of earning and enjoying home life and happiness. Show them that they are wronging not only the working girls and shop women but the entire working class, the only class the law injures, for the capitalist, with his money, may escape the evil effects of most laws. Each woman has her part to do in bringing about the change in this land, that the teeming millions will so gladly welcome, if each will do her part, each try even if she does fail at first, then try again, making a more earnest trial, she will at last be able to accomplish something. Do you not see that you can not sit idly by because you are not allowed a vote? Do you realize that when the time comes for you to vote, that you will want the men to vote with you? Urge them to vote for you now. Then in a few years you may be able to know that they are voting with you. Time is drawing near for another election. Are you going to see your fathers, husbands and friends go to the polls and cast a vote that is trying you tighter? A vote that will mean years of labor and toil, void of pleasure you long so far? Allow them so only under your protest. Do your part as faithfully now as if you were a voter. Place before your men the pictures seen every day of the teeming girls and women

working far bread alone; talk, reason, ask them to help YOU. Never lose a chance of presenting the truth in its true form, and the you may see no visible results at this election, there will be a struggle in the mind of every conscientious voter to whom some woman he loves has spoken, and it will hasten the glad day when the men, women, children,—the entire class of working slaves will be ransomed. But the women must not shrink their part. THE WOMAN'S INDICTMENT OF PRESENT DAY MARITAL RELATIONS. The question, "Is Marriage a Failure?" has been debated from time immemorial, and has been answered in all kinds of ways. One of the latest and ablest writers to deal with this problem, or one closely akin to it, Mrs. Charlotte Perkins Stetson, is of no opinion that the marital relation is a failure, and is bound to be so, for women at least, so long as it is maintained on its present basis. The reason she thinks, lies in the fact that this relation is one-sided. A woman's husband is expected to be "all the world" to her, whereas the husband, on his side, has his wife and a world as well. Says Mrs. Stetson: "Poets have told us, in varied bursts of rapturous confidences, that Love is enough. Happy lovers, submerged for the time being in this dominant emotion, each fondly assure the other that he or she is all the world to her or him. As a figure of speech, aptly describing the depth of feeling, it is true enough. As a continuing condition it is in his case not true, fortunately; and, in her case, true, most unfortunately. "And why unfortunately?" "Because one man—were he Adonis, Apollo, or Prince Pericles himself—is not the world; and it strains him to be used as such." Mrs. Stetson proceeds to illustrate her point of view as follows: "Here is Mrs. Perline, perfectly happy with her husband, loving him, admiring him, finding no fault with him AS A HUSBAND; but when a husband is expected also to be a world he is open to criticism. "There are, of course, her children, perfectly satisfactory as children, but also subject to this unreasonable demand that they be the world to her. "There is the house, a good house, an extensive house, but only a crippled house or an unenterprising wood stick could make a world of it. Yet husband, house and children taken together, the husband bearing the brunt of it, are expected to meet this extortionate requisition to be the world to her. "She must satisfy through them every want of a highly developed human being, a social being; and she diligently tries to do it. "The house she rapidly and continually traverses, filling and overfilling it with all manner of things; arranging and rearranging them with tireless enthusiasm; soiling them and cleaning them in endless alternation—the systole and diastole of the domestic heart. "To the children she devotes herself with passion, a sleepless vigilance, an unremitting care. All she knows that her status as a mother is measured by the intensity and continuity of her devotion—not at all by its results. "And the husband—the well-beloved husband—if any want remains unsatisfied after the service of the house and the society of the children, he must fill it. "Every uneasy longing, every unquenchable ambition, every craving for companionship, he must satisfy. "She, in spite of a full day of work and care, in spite of being tired is not content. Her occupations, her interests, her

responsibilities are deep, but not wide. They are the first, the closest in life; but life has many more. The woman is satisfied with her husband as the man is satisfied with her children as the father is satisfied with her. They both love and enjoy their home. "But just as the man hovers over well pleased with his family and his home, needs something more, so does the woman, equally well pleased, also need something more. Both are citizens of the world as well as members of the family, both need the larger general relations of life as well as the smaller personal ones. "It is not true that Love is of man's life a thing apart—his woman's whole existence. It's nobody's whole existence. It is a vital part of everybody's existence, beautiful, natural, sweet, indispensable—but not all. Here we have a large common ground of explanation for the unhappiness in marriage so general in our life today; under which women suffer most, and for which men are most blamed. The woman suffers most in an unhappy marriage because she has no other life from which to draw strength and practical consolation. She may try to drown her trouble in religion—and religious mania among home-bound women is painfully common—or she may seek consolation in 'society,' in excitement, and amusement. "But a man has his work to take pleasure in, to take pride in, to gratify ambition, to obtain profit, to fill out the varied wants and impulses of his nature. He has the world as well as the woman and with them both he gets on more comfortably. She—only the man. He is the world to her—she thinks he is; and she makes him miserable as herself in trying to drag out of one never so worthy man the satisfaction which a human creature can only find in full human life. We shall have far happier marriages, happier homes, happier women and happier men when both sexes realize that they are human, and that humanity has far wider duties and desires than those of the domestic relations. "A wise fulfillment of these broader relations will make a far more healthy and reasonable woman, and a healthy, reasonable woman will not expect of any man alive that he be her lover, husband, friend, AND world."—From Literary Digest.

40 lbs. SUGAR \$1.19 BUY \$6.00. THE FARMER'S TRUST. The proposition emanating from some half-brained cranks, to form a farmers' trust, is little short of the ridiculous. It is written in Biblical history, that a long time ago some of our ancestors, conceiving that heaven was located somewhere in the sky, started to build a tower that would reach to the quarters of eternal bliss. They wasted a good deal of energy, but heaven did not materialize. Dollar wheat the year round for the farmers, or 50 cent corn is just about as absurd. It is not possible to control the price of a product under this system till its production is controlled by a capitalist unit, under one management, and in possession of statistical information relative to the demand for the product. The Standard Oil Co. fixes the price of oil, because one trust owns all the refineries, and produces no more oil than 'the public will buy. There are several millions of farmers in the U. S. and Canada who are less than well off, and the idea that they could form an organization that would determine the exact production, and the exact consumption while engaged in competition with each other is too ridiculous for consideration. The soil on our Iowa farm is not well adapted to wheat, but if we were assured of one dollar per bushel for the crop we would go into the wheat business instantly. Who would buy the enormous production of wheat that would follow? Instead of the farmers combining to make dollar wheat it is more probable that in time the big wheat ranches of California, and the northwest, with machinery that reduces cost of production to a minimum, will drive the price of wheat still lower. A capitalist wheat combine is a possibility, but a farmers' combine is an absurdity. When we begin business under the co-operative commonwealth, and the agricultural department of the Socialist government extends to the exact and precise organization of all agriculture, we will undertake under control of this unit such an organization as will seek to regulate production to consumption. When we will have a farmers' trust in which every farmer will be an active member, and all society mutually interested, the problem will not be easy, but it will be worked out under conditions that will force a solution. The farmer is entitled to be paid for his product in proportion to labor time expended in production, and no more. In the same way he is entitled to the purchase of products of the factory, on the basis of labor time. Such an exchange will give him probably as much as five times the things he now gets. There will be no capitalist class to take the cream of everything in profits. Stop chasing butterflies, my Brother farmers, join the Socialist party, and help get the capitalist class out of the seats in the high places.

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Just Stealing.

The state treasurer of Kansas says that the last republican legislature levied taxes of some \$500,000 more than the previous one...

The circulation man said I should write an article urging the army to send in more subscriptions...

The Self Culture and Longevity Club of Guadalupe, Hidalgo, Mexico, has passed resolutions of condemnation against the United States postal department...

A dispatch from Rio Janeiro, Brazil, Sept. 1, says that an American syndicate is purchasing the entire coffee crop of Brazil...

I have been noting the headlines in the daily press for the last three months on the conditions of the markets. Cattle will be up one day and down the next...

handits had been arrested "for conspiring to hold up a train." One set of conspirators are rich and the other poor...

The St. Louis Post-Dispatch of Aug. 31, says that in New England women field hands on the farm are becoming very common...

The Santa Fe is the only great system on the unfair list with the telegraphers. Its profits are enormous and increasing...

When the various legislatures meet at the various state capitols to make laws governing the morals and virtue of the people...

Suppose a foot pad should meet you on the highway and take part of the groceries you had bought and were taking home to your family?

Thaw is the son of one of the iron kings of the dukedom of Pennsylvania, one of the original colonies of the United States...

A company with a million capital has been organized in New York to fit out a train of rolling palaces between New York and San Francisco...

The president of the Slavia Exchange bank of Pittsburg, Pa. has disappeared with all the assets of the bank...

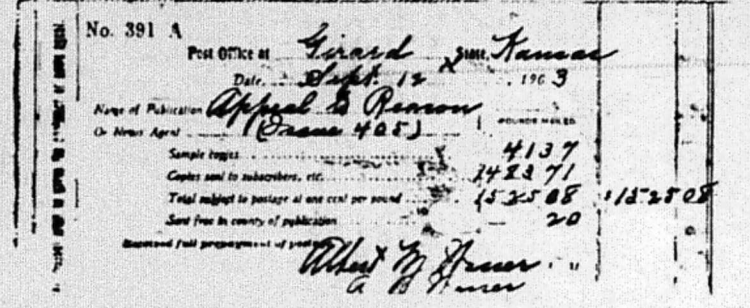
The bank at Willoughby, Ohio, has failed for a quarter of a million. The dupes who think the banks are the safe place for their money are in mourning...

Banks at Lagrange and Topeka, Ind., have failed. Prosperity? Why sure. Don't the politicians tell you there is?

The more Trusts, the harder the monopoly, the more crushing the greed of the rich...

The New York World of August 23, says that labor in the south is so scarce that factories have to shut down, and that in Winchester, Va., house servants are so scarce that the wives had to establish a large boarding house...

The French Mme. Humbert, who is styled the greatest swindler of the age, got the money from bankers on



The above is a reduced fac simile of the postal receipt for \$1528.05 for the Appeal postage for one week. This does not include the stamps used...

the supposition that she had vast wealth locked up in a suit at court, and showed the decree of court sealing the wealth which was placed with a trust company until the contents of the chests should be given by decision to its legal owner...

The American Tobacco Co., (trust) called in its traveling men recently and gave them instructions to annihilate the "Old North State Tobacco Co." and that they would be held responsible for results...

The Turk has slaughtered some sixty thousand people, mostly women and children in the Bulgarian province of Lere alone. If the people had risen and killed a hundred vicious nobles and rulers who order these slaughters...

hardly the cost of production and leaves the raisers no margin to buy goods, on which the merchants can realize a profit. In other words, the trust takes all the profits and the merchants are mad...

Michael Davitt, the great Irishman, whom the N. Y. Journal sent to Russia to write up the horrors of the Jewish massacre, states that the cause of the horrors was that the Jews as a whole are Socialists and opposed to the damnable Russian government of murderers...

The underpaid, poverty-stricken workers in the Pennsylvania iron industry have just given \$2,500,000 to Dummerline, Scotland. The gift was made at the hands of Mr. Carnegie. What an unselfish act—the giving of millions by starving, under-fed, under-clothed American workmen to a city in Scotland!

The courts have held that the workingmen's boycott is illegal and that the capitalists' boycott (blacklist) is legal. What a funny thing the law is! The decisions seem to favor the capitalists no matter which way they turn...

The Des Moines News refers to Morgan's position that "so long as the majority control a little property they will not be willing to pool all property and will therefore outvote the Socialists..."

Like it was in Rome, public office is simply a graft to rob those whom the office is supposed to protect. Dispatches from Washington announce that prominent officials organized companies to swindle the Indians out of

to make less profits? So long as the people are so stupid as to believe in using capital to make profits, I like to see them skinned. When they get their eyes open they will take the railroads and have them operated for the benefit of the people...

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"Who would be free, first must strike the blow." How many times have you read that and yet really do not know what it means.

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An Editor's Prosperity.

The editor of the Lawrenceburg, Ind., Press (republican) has heard of prosperity and wants to see its color by actual contact. He went over his list of 600 subscribers and found 200 of them in arrears...

The Kansas oil fields are producing 2,000,000 barrels a year. The Standard Oil Co. gets the entire product at 75 cents a barrel and sells it at \$7.50 a barrel, less the trifling expense of about a dollar a barrel for refining...

The railroads gave notice to Wichita, Kansas, consumers that rates on coal would be raised about double. Whereat the citizens protest through their city government and will pay some lawyers a fine fee to beg the railroads not to do such an awful thing!

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Just now the capitalist press of this country is telling its readers that the German Socialist party is going to pieces. Last month they told us that the German Socialists demanded only what the American people enjoyed!

One of the Vanderbilt girls made some cake the other day, and a New York paper printed her picture and gave her a big write up about the wonderful event...

Dispatches tell the gaping public that the railroads "can't wait" and want to put the increased cattle rate in operation at once. There is a combination of all the railroads and hence there is no fear that the cattle men will not pay the rate—they will have to pay it.

A Socialist asks no benefit he is not willing to share, so burden he is not willing to bear.

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