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TO SOCIAL DEMOCRATS.

Arrangements are being made by which the Haverhill Social Democrat will be able to publish complete weekly reports from the state house of the going of the Social Democratic representatives during the coming session.

"Bryan is confident," says a press despatch. Mr. Bryan's confidence, like his logic, is sublime, all things considered.

They are still nominating Mayor Chase for congress. The amusement is a harmless one, so let them nominate.

Andrew Carnegie says "poverty is a blessing." This is an opinion reserved only for millionaires to hold.

The trusts can never be controlled by legislation while legislation is controlled by the trusts.

A SOCIAL TRAGEDY.

Here is one of the social tragedies enacted somewhere in our free land every day, a tragedy that is only an incident so common have they become.

New York, Jan. 17.—Bella Park r, 16 years of age, committed suicide on East 4th street under peculiarly distressing circumstances.

You who have heart to feel and brain to think can afford to give that clipping a few moments' thought. And when you have done, stop to ask yourself if it is right or just that there be cause for tragedies like these in a world which boasts of its greatness as a wealthy, free and prosperous nation.

"The Parker family at one time was well to do." You know what that means. It means that once upon a time, Bella Parker did not know what it was to go out as a servant, but with the rest of the family had all the heart could wish.

There was a brief struggle for a while, then the weakened spirit and the body gave way before the fierce resistance of others also engaged in the same struggle. And the puny savings disappeared as sickness came, and as a last hope Bella attempted to do that which the mother had failed in.

It is one of many, only it has been the light where others have not. Every day these tragedies are enacted and in New York, Chicago or any other large city, they are forgotten before the next sunrise.

There can and will be a better system—a system under which the Parkers of society will not be driven to suicide or shame; a system which will not mean misery and degradation to the working class nor superfluous ease and luxury for another; a system which will not enable a sacred few, in the name of "liberty," to corner the opportunities to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, but which will provide opportunities to every human being to work and live and rejoice in the living.

Will you aid in bringing a system like that here on earth?

Mr. Henry Faxon appeared before the house judiciary committee and argued against Representative Carey's bill to repeal the Dubuque law.

Three propositions can be laid down from Mr. Faxon's remarks. (1.) If he is rich, labor created his wealth, and remains poor.

To offset the raise of ten per cent in wages recently given their employers, most of the big mills in New England have increased the speed of their engines nearly 20 per cent.

And so while the "prosperity boomers" are flaunting the news abroad that the mill workers of the east have received advances in wages, these same mill workers are paying the penalty by being forced to work faster and at a greater tension.

Duplicity has no depths too deep, nor hypocrisy no territory too vast that cannot be sounded and explored by the capitalist class.

The Haverhill Social Democrat wants to know if the News is quite sure Lowell has not got the social democracy. Yes, quite sure; the old-fashioned democracy is dead to the hearts of Lowellians.

The old-fashioned democracy represents no more the ideas of the social democrats than the old-fashioned republicanism, which was once very dear to the hearts of Haverhillians until they learned better.

The bill for the investigation of the 201 tax law, which has been found to be oppressive, came up before the legislature on Wednesday and was defeated by a vote on roll call of 96 to 92.

THE GAS REDUCTION.

The decision rendered by the state gas commission which gives the citizens of Haverhill 50 cent gas from Feb. 1 was not unexpected.

The chief satisfaction to be derived from a reduction in the price of gas is in the knowledge that it will benefit the working class.

The working people of Haverhill use gas to a great extent and it is only because the price is exorbitant that they do not do so to a still greater extent.

The opinion has already been expressed that the local company will endeavor to make up for the loss in profits by giving a poorer quality of gas.

No one will be cruel enough to say that the Gazette grudges the social democratic party or Mayor Chase the credit for doing what the Gazette never succeeded in doing.

From the standpoint of an outsider, Mayor Chase would not have done so well if he had been nominated by the Haverhill Gazette.

The coalition gang are politicians, or pretend to be, and if they believe the mayor made the nominations he was for political capital, the surest thing to do would be to confirm those appointments.

The cheap wits on the daily press are making fun of the Louisiana, N.Y. city council because that body refused a donation from Andrew Carnegie to build a public library.

The Social Democratic Herald, Chicago, Ill., will send free by mail the "Pocket Library of Socialism" to anyone sending five yearly subscribers to the Herald at 50 cents each.

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The old party leaders in Brockton are preparing to carry on a campaign all the year around to try and offset the rapidly developing strength of the social democrats.

Every day or so a list of casualties is reported from Manila by General Otis, a constant reminder to the American people that the war for the extension of capitalism into the Philippines is calling for the sacrifice of human blood.

The two socialist members of the house, Mass., Carey and MacCartney, have a difference of opinion on the tagging of legislative sessions.

Your're mistaken. The social democratic party is unanimous in the legislature as it is everywhere else.

The Gazette is shrewd enough to see that the coalitionists are underhanding and calls upon them to "divide the responsibility" of the present administration by supporting such measures introduced by social democrats as are deserving of support.

The labor organizations in the Birmingham, Ala., district have organized a political club and propose to participate in city county, and state politics.

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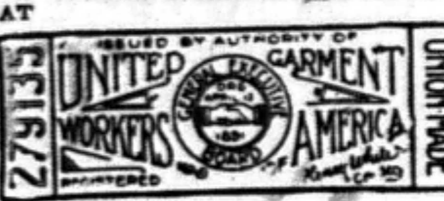
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