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GRADE CROSSINGS.

A Reported Favorable Decision of
Commissioners Doesn't
Settle Matter.

HAS TO PASS THROUGH MANY MORE STAGES—IMPERATIVE THAT
SOCIAL DEMOCRATS SHOULD BE
KEPT ON GUARD.

If the report that the grade crossing commission is about to render a favorable decision on abolition in this city is true, the people have won a distinctive victory. One more step has been taken toward securing the removal of this menace to the life, limb and convenience of the working people and the Social Democrats of Haverhill can be congratulated upon the success attending their efforts in that direction.

But even should the decision be rendered as reported, IT DOES NOT SIGNIFY THAT THE QUESTION HAS BEEN SETTLED. On the contrary, it is possible THE WORK OF THE PEOPLE MAY YET BE OVERTHROWN, NECESSITATING A START ALL OVER AGAIN.

According to law, the decision of the court, if rendered, will be referred back to the superior court, for confirmation or rejection. Should the court refuse to confirm the decision, then the movement will be defeated, and THE CITY WILL HAVE TO FILE A PETITION WITH THE COURT FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A NEW COMMISSION.

It will be seen how dangerous it would be for the people to have a mayor and city government opposed to abolition, in case the court should refuse to confirm the decision of the commission, should such a decision be rendered.

It is in order to remind the people that the progress of the movement for abolition to its present stage is due entirely to the efforts of the Social Democratic party. Up to the time that Social Democratic officials were elected to the city government and the state legislature, the grade crossing question had been a political football to be kicked about by one set of politicians to another. Representatives of the old parties had been elected over and over again on this issue, but they either neglected their duty or wilfully violated their pledges to the people. But from the time the Social Democrats became a force in the city the question assumed its real importance, and definite results began to be achieved.

The services rendered by Mayor Chase and the other Social Democratic members of the city government need not be recited here, nor do the people need to be reminded of the work done by Representatives Carey and Seates at the state house in having the question of abolition referred to the people when the republican representatives of the corporations attempted to have Haverhill exempted from the provisions of the law for four years.

One thing is sure—WHATEVER PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE TOWARD ABOLITION HAS BEEN DUE SOLELY AND ABSOLUTELY TO THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY. And if the people ever expect to secure abolition THEY MUST HAVE OFFICIALS IN THE CITY HALL AND AT THE STATE HOUSE THAT ARE IN FAVOR OF ABOLITION. One step aside from the course that means abolition, and abolition may not be gained for years and years.

THE PEOPLE CANNOT AFFORD TO TRUST THE ABOLITION MOVEMENT TO THE MERCIES OF ITS ENEMIES.

The republican machine of Haverhill has always fought abolition and done everything in its power to carry out of the will of the people. The election of the republican ticket will be equivalent to saying that THE PEOPLE WILL NO LONGER WISH ABOLITION, AND ITS ENEMIES CAN ACT ACCORDINGLY.

Working people of Haverhill, do you wish to take chances on this matter? Mayor Chase and all the other Social Democrats have always favored and worked for grade crossing abolition.

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"DIVIDING UP"

Is What Social Democrats
Wish to Abolish.

HOW THE PRESENT SYSTEM IM-
POVERISHES THE PRODUC-
ERS—SOCIALISM WILL PRO-
VIDE EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES
FOR ALL.

The Social Democrats are frequently accused of wanting to "divide up." This is another favorite "argument" against Socialism presented by those who either do not know, or do not care to learn, what Socialism is. More often it is the readiest catch-phrase that occurs to the person who wants to create prejudice against Socialism in the minds of his hearers.

Now, instead of the Social Democrats wishing to "divide up," the exact opposite is the case. We want to stop the dividing up which is the main-spring of the present system, and which leaves the workers only a small share of the products of their labor, while the larger share is retained by the capitalist class. The system of private ownership of the mills, factories, railroads, and other branches of industry permits the employment of labor to divide up the wealth of the nation in unequal portions, the large class of workers, both mental and manual, being compelled to accept the share allotted them by the non-producers, the capitalist class. This division is arbitrary, there is no resort for the workers, unless they organize into trades unions and by combination, put as high a price upon their labor as circumstances and opportunities will permit. And the division of the product of labor always results in the capitalist class, the smaller portion of the population, retaining the larger share of the product, and the working class, the many who produced the wealth, receiving the smaller share.

Today the working class sell their labor power (human energy of hand and brain) to the owners of private capital. This labor power is used in operating privately-owned mills, mines, factories, etc. The product of the labor power of the working class, from the time it is transformed from the raw material to the finished product, is in the control of the capitalist class. They, the capitalist class, as a class, extract their pound of flesh in the shape of rent, interest and profits, and return the remainder of the product to the working class in the form of wages. And the working class are compelled to accept whatever wages are given to them, unless they are organized, and protect themselves, or lose their jobs and join the unemployed.

How can we prove this? Easily enough. Here are some figures from an authority which cannot be disputed. The United States census report for 1899, in the part devoted to the manufacturing statistics of Massachusetts, show that there were 26,422 establishments in the state, with capital invested to the sum of \$690,032,811. There were 1,113,296 employees in these establishments, people skilled, unskilled and piece-workers to the number of 447,270. These workers received in wages \$206,644,327. The value of the raw material used was \$473,199,124. Total value of the finished product, factory price, was \$888,160,401. If we add all the wages paid to the cost of raw material, and 10 per cent for wear and tear and incidental expenses, we have a total of \$742,047,905. By subtracting this sum from the total factory price we find that \$146,112,496 were retained by the factory owners. To make it plainer, each of the workers received about \$462 in return for the labor expended, while each factory retained \$423 as its share.

How is that for dividing up?

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The Anti-Socialists' Charges Refuted by
the Gazette's Figures.

SHIPMENTS INCREASE UNDER CHASE'S ADMINISTRATION.—HAV-
ERHILL'S STANDING AS LEADING SHOE CITY UNIMPAIRED.

There is no need of the Social Democrats seeking far for answers to the "arguments" of their adversaries. When the anti-Socialists do not convict themselves by their own inconsistent utterances, facts are to be found in abundance within easy reaching distance and where the observant citizen can draw conclusions for himself. Eloquent testimony of the downright maliciousness and absurdity of the charge that "Socialism is driving business out of the city" was published in the Haverhill Gazette of Friday, Nov. 23, in the weekly article dealing with the condition of the local shoe trade. The heading of the article is in itself an argument against the anti-Socialist calumny howling which no amount of sophistry can overcome. The stranger to our city who has heard all sorts of wild rumors about "Haverhill's loss of prestige in the commercial world" must receive a shock when, in glancing over the local daily paper, his eye is greeted with the following announcement "Increases. Activity continues to mark shoe trade. Shoe shipments show a large volume of business." Could he be blamed for believing that somebody had been lying?

A week ago we pointed out that, according to the reports published in the Gazette, the shipments of shoes from Haverhill during the two years of Mayor Chase's administration had been larger than ever before in the history of the city. In the article in Friday's Gazette appears the local shipments for the week ending November 22, which are reported as being 6,396 cases of shoes, the largest number shipped in any corresponding week for the past ten years, with the exception of last year, 1899. This statement makes the assertions of the anti-Socialists that orders are not coming to Haverhill sound very queerly. It must be discouraging to the faithful workers to drive business out of Haverhill and give the city a bad name in the commercial world to have their own figures refute them so promptly and mercilessly.

The article in question also presents another refutation of the charge that "Socialism drives business out of Haverhill" in the following comment upon the shoe trade: "Seasons of depression have always marked the progress of this business. Of late years, since the introduction of machinery into the factories, these seasons appear to come oftener than formerly. This is not to be wondered at, when the rapidly by which shoes can be made by the aid of machinery is taken into account. The law of supply and demand holds as good in the manufacture of footwear as in any other department of industry."

Just what the Social Democrats have been contending all the time. Shoes are produced in such great quantities in these days of machinery that the people are unable to consume them, not that the people could not consume them if they had a chance, but because the chance is denied them. If the working class received their full earnings they would not have to go without shoes when they needed them. Instead, the demand for shoes would be steady and there would be no short or dull seasons. It has been computed that enough shoes can be turned out by modern machinery in four months to supply the market for a year. And the market is restricted within the ability of the working people to consume. Does anyone believe that a surplus of shoes accumulates upon the market because everybody who wants shoes have them? Not at all. There are thousands and thousands of working people all over the land who want shoes, but who cannot buy them because they are compelled to work for less wages than their labor is worth or are unemployed.

The modern machine has not benefited the working class, but only the owners of the machine have derived benefit therefrom. As more and more improved machinery is introduced more shoes can be produced in a shorter length of time than ever before. Improved machinery does away with the necessity for labor, and the more shoes that are turned out by the machines in the factory the more men there are turned out into the streets. The capitalist owner of the machine has more shoes and decreased demand on the part of the people for shoes.

These facts are known to none more fully than the anti-Socialists. They know why the seasons are short, why there are more shoes on the market than the people have opportunity to consume and why thousands of workers who need shoes can get none to wear. They know all this, but in order to continue the present system they seek to blind the people by raising false cries of "Socialism driving business out of the city." The shorter the seasons grow, the more men thrown out of work by the machines, the harder it is for the small property holder to keep his home. The small property holder is in constant dread of losing his home because of the uncertainty of employment. The more unemployed men on the streets the lower falls the wages of the men at work. The small merchant is in the same terrible position. With less men at work there is less money to spend and the small merchant finds his trade harder to hold or diminishing rapidly. He is haunted constantly with the fear of losing the small capital he has invested in his business. Times are hard with the small property holder and the small merchant, and they live in constant dread of anything that savors of a change. So the anti-Socialist politician takes advantage of their necessities and tells them the Social Democrats are plotting to steal the homes of the small property holders and want to "divide up" the homes of the thrifty and industrious. This deliberate falsehood frightens the small property holder, the man who has had to work for years to save enough to call a house his own, and the anti-Socialist chuckles as he continues to wring profits out of the small property holder in the factory who votes to perpetuate the present system.

The workers who own homes, and the small merchant who depends upon the trade of the workers for a livelihood, need not fear Socialism, but they have every reason to oppose a continuance of capitalism, the present system. It is capitalism that breaks up the homes of the workers, that swallows up the savings of years and lays the working class subject to poverty, dependence and loss of employment. It is capitalism that frees the small retailer and merchant into bankruptcy and sends him into the ranks of the working class. Only the capitalists benefit by capitalism, but Socialism will benefit all the people. Socialism will preserve the right of the worker in his home and, more than that, give him full opportunity to enjoy it. Under Socialism the people collectively would own the machines, not only in the shoe industry but in all others. Then as labor saving machines were introduced the hours of labor would be reduced in proportion to the increased productivity of the machines. This would permit everyone to get work, there would be no unemployed, and when everybody had work the consumption of shoes would increase, for a natural demand would be created. Then a few capitalists would not be able to grow rich upon the labor of others, for shoes and all the necessities of life would be produced for use, not for profits, and want and the fear of want would be banished forever.

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and Herbert M. Thompson; Ward 7,
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NOTICE.

Communication can be had with the
Social Democratic party in Haverhill
on the night of municipal election,
Tuesday, Dec. 4, by New England Tele-
phone 54-4, Gilman block, or by
telegram to the same address.

William Mailly.

A COMBINE THAT DEFEATS
ITSELF.

"When he (Mr. Sheldon) was ques-
tioned concerning his withdrawal, he
said that the only reason that he did
so was because he feared he would
injure the candidacy of Mr. Poor. 'I
do not,' said he, 'wish to do so, and
as the people want the issue clearly
defined against Socialism, I believe that
I have acted wisely, though there are
also personal reasons for my action. I
would be blamed if I ran and Mr. Poor
was defeated, and for this reason I de-
cided not to run.'"

These words are taken from an in-
terview with ex-Mayor Sheldon pub-
lished in the Gazette of Nov. 24. The
whole purpose of Mr. Sheldon's can-
didacy is here revealed. Mr. Sheldon
did not accept the nomination because
it was given to him by a democratic
convention and he was a democrat. He
accepted it so that he could withdraw
in favor of the republican candidate
and thus throw the democratic vote to
the capitalist class candidate. We said
this last week and Mr. Sheldon now
comes forward and substantiates our
statements.

There are two conclusions to be
drawn from this withdrawal of Mr.
Sheldon. First, the politicians of the
coalition ring must believe the rank
and file of the respective parties to be
mere sheep to be swapped shamelessly
whichever way the leaders desire. The
ring leaders believe they can dicker
and barter and swap as they please,
and as their own selfish interests in-
spire them, and the voters will meekly
accept the bargain and vote the ring-
leaders into power again. The politi-
cians that make up the machine in
this city are as barefaced a crowd of
vote traders as ever luxuriated at the
expense of the people.

Second, that the situation must be
desperate indeed when the republican
leaders, with all their boasts, are com-
pelled to again combine with the dem-
ocratic leaders, in an attempt to de-
feat the Social Democrats. We have before
pointed out that as between those who
control the machinery and guide the
destinies of the two capitalist parties
there is no distinction as to interests.
These leaders are either capitalists or
the paid servants of capitalists, and
their purpose in politics is to use the
machinery of government to advance
and protect capitalist interests. When-
ever the domination of these leaders is
threatened, ways and means are de-
vised to sustain and perpetuate their
domination. In the case of Haverhill,
the republican leaders have boasted of
the decline of Socialism as represented
by the Social Democratic party, and
yet they are compelled to again throw
off the mask and unite with their
owning enemy—the democratic lead-
ers. This is not for the purpose of

benefiting the rank and file of the
party, but to perpetuate leaders in
office.

The party that can thus force
schemes into the open where the light
of honest day can expose their rotten-
ness needs the support of every man
who believes in purity in politics and
the administration of government in
the interest of the many, not the few.
Nay, more, the party that can force
every element in politics that has ben-
efitted by capitalist misrule, to com-
bine in an unholy alliance to defeat it
is a party that shall live, and that will
achieve victory, not only next Tuesday
but upon every election thereafter.

A FINAL WORD TO SOCIAL
DEMOCRATS.

Social Democrats of Haverhill, we
have a few words to say to you before
the present campaign closes.

You have worked hard during the
three years past, since the party won
its first victory in this city. That victory
was the culmination of years of
agitation and education and with it
came fresh responsibilities to you. Since
the day that Comrade Carey took his
seat in the common council you have
had to fight the enemy of the work-
ing class, not only on the hustings
but in the city government. You have
had an experience without its parallel
in the history of the country. During
those three years you have acquired
yourself nobly and well. In the face
of many difficulties you have directed
the Social Democratic party until today
it stands without a blemish or a scar.
The forces of capitalism combined
against you have not been sufficient
to defeat your cause or daunt your
courage. In the next few days you will
be called upon to work as you have
never worked before. You know full
well, without our remunerating them,
what forces you have met before and
you conquered them. You can conquer
them again if you will but will it.

Everyone who has kept note of the
situation knows that in the past week
the feeling for the Social Democratic
candidates has been growing stronger
and stronger every day. The work
of education is telling and from all
sides comes the word that portends
victory. The working people of Ha-
verhill are aroused. They are with
the Social Democratic party because
they recognize its candidates are the
candidates of the working class, not
the candidates of the capitalist ring
of politicians that have dominated Ha-
verhill for years. This they know and
they are ready to vote for the candi-
dates of their class.

Social Democrats of Haverhill—
everyone of you—do your duty! Give
every minute of your time during the
next few days to marshalling every
vote for our party and to getting out
every vote. Redouble your efforts at
placing our literature before the peo-
ple. At the last moment the enemy
will probably attempt to discredit us
in some way or another. They have
done this before, they will do it again.
Be prepared for this and be ready for
any emergency. You owe to your-
selves, to your families, to the work-
ing class of the world to make the
Social Democratic party victorious on
election day.

Work—work—work, and your labors
will bring their own reward!

BACKING DOWN.

The republican city committee in
Brookline is trying to equal out of the
debate between Representative Carey
and A. H. Washburn, but the Brook-
line comrades are holding the commit-
tee to its pledge. In accepting
Carey's challenge Washburn ridiculed
Anti-Socialism, but now the Anti-
Socialists are afraid to give Carey
a chance at Washburn and to defend
Socialism.

The date for the debate was set for
next Saturday evening, Dec. 1, but the
republican committee want it post-
poned until Monday, so that the effect
of the affair will not have time to
reach the people, or a report be pub-
lished before election day.

It is reported that Washburn has
declared he would prefer to meet Rep-
resentative MacCartney rather than
Carey. The latter will go to Brookline
on Saturday anyway to fill his end of
the contract. The attempted with-
drawal of the republicans from the
debate has created a ferment in
Brookline, and the people are demand-
ing that the debate be held as at first
agreed upon.

This accident illustrates exactly the
character of Socialism. Ever since
Representative Carey met Senator
Lodge in joint debate several years
ago, and worsted him, the Social
Democrats of Haverhill have been
trying to get their opponents to meet
our speakers in joint discussion upon
principles before the public, but every
effort has failed. The anti-Socialists
have an habit of abusing and ridiculing
the speakers for Socialism in their
papers and on the platforms, but they
are too cowardly, and their cause too
venal for them to meet the Social
speakers, where the public could judge
both sides.

POLITICS AND BUSINESS.

The Gazette quotes with approval an
editorial from the Springfield Republi-
can, bearing on the city elections. The
matter deserves a little more thought
than the Gazette seems to have bestow-
ed upon it.

"The community," says our Spring-
field contemporary, "is now to deal
with its own interests in the municipal
election, and this is indisputably a
business matter, to be considered and
acted upon as such. Nothing could be
clearer than this. Everybody admits
it when politics is not at the front."

Now this is clearly true or clearly
false, according to what is meant by
it. Certainly "the community" is to
deal with its own interests in the mu-
nicipal election. But so, we under-
stand, did the larger communities of
state and nation deal with their own
interests in the last general election.
Again, we agree that the city election
"is indisputably a business matter,"
providing the right business is at-
tached to the word "business." And
the same is equally true of the state
and national elections.
When we Social Democrats admit
that an election is "a business matter,"

we consider "business" to mean the
common welfare and its purpose to be
"the greatest good to the greatest
number." And politics is just as
plain in a city election as in a gen-
eral election, for political parties, if
they are honest, represent different
views as to how the "business" of the
people should be arranged, so as to
subserve the general welfare.

We leave it to the Republican and
the Gazette to say whether the old
parties are honestly organized for this
purpose, whether they mean what they
say in their platforms, or whether they
exist only for the purpose of capturing
lucrative offices and distributing fat
plums. But as far as the Social
Democratic party is concerned, we
know (and the Republican has in the
past admitted) that this party at least
means what it says, knows what it
wants, and considers the election of
public officers only as a means to an
end—the welfare of the working class,
who constitute the majority of the
population and are the producers of
all wealth.

The Social Democratic party has
clearly defined and consistent views as
to how the "business" of the commu-
nity—city, state or nation—should be
managed. It nominates men who are
known to hold those views as dear as
life and honor. And it holds its
elected representatives to strict re-
sponsibility for their action.

When our opponents say they want
the city's affairs managed on "business
principles," they mean that they want
business men—that is, capitalists—
elected to office and left free to run the
city government in the interest of their
own class. We frankly declare that
we want workingmen elected to office
to run the city government in the in-
terests of the working class.

The "Republican" concludes with the
words: "It is in this matter as in the
affairs of any other corporation, public
or private. The aim is to get the
best administration available, to retain
faithful and experienced servants, and
to select men officials so as to care
for the interests they are to care
for." Very well. Let every man
consider himself a stockholder, with
an equal share in this public corpora-
tion. Let him vote for the men who,
in his belief, will best administer its
affairs to serve his interests and the
common interests of his class. If all
will vote intelligently on that basis,
we have no fear of the result. John
C. Chase will be the next mayor of
Haverhill and he will have a board of
aldermen and a council to support him.

CAPITALIST CLASS CONSCIOUS-
NESS.

The most recent example of the cap-
italist control of our educational in-
stitutions is the enforced resignation
of Prof. E. A. Ross from the chair of
sociology at Stanford university, Cal-
ifornia. Prof. Ross was not a So-
cialist, but he was a radical and his
most heinous offense seems to have
been his recent advocacy of public
ownership of municipal franchises. It
happens that the street railways of
San Francisco are controlled by the
Southern Pacific railway company, in
which the Stanford millions are in-
vested. Mrs. Stanford, who controls
the university, showed her class con-
sciousness, and Ross's resignation is
the result.

President Jordan of the university
testifies that Prof. Ross is the "most
brilliant and effective worker in the
country and most unblemished in per-
sonal character." But he dared at-
tack an outpost of capitalism, and he
has paid the penalty of his boldness.
His name is now on the roll of honor
already adorned by the names of Profs.
Bemis, Herron, Commons, Barnes
Griggs and others less widely known.

If capitalism is a good thing for the
capitalist class, Workingmen, why
wouldn't it be a good thing for you?

The working people of Florida are
getting ready to drive business out of
the state. At the national election, the
vote for Debs and Harriman was such
as to attract special attention from the
daily press, the size and significance
of the vote being too striking to be
ignored. The official returns reported
on Nov. 14 showed that in one county,
out of 407 votes, Debs received 69, run-
ning second and ahead of McKinley,
Baker and Woolley. The same thing
occurred in Madison county, Debs run-
ning second, with 83 votes out of a
total of 672, and polling more than
McKinley, Barker and Woolley com-
bined. But St. Petersburg precinct in
Hillsborough county was the record
breaker. In this precinct out of 229
votes the Social Democrats polled 45.
It is probable that no where else in
the United States did Debs and Har-
riman poll as large a vote in proportion
to the total vote as in this Florida
precinct, excepting in precinct three
and five in this city. Here Debs ran
ahead of McKinley and Bryan, which
was only to be expected from that
staunch Socialist precinct anyway. We
can see a rocky time ahead for poor
old "business." Fairhaven, Washing-
ton gave 17 per cent of the total vote
to the Social Democrats and the cap-
italist politicians are getting badly
scared. In every state of the union
the Socialist vote increased, even
Oklahoma Territory giving 780 votes.
What is going to become of "business"
if this sort of thing continues?

The twentieth annual convention of
the American Federation of Labor
meets in Louisville, Ky., on Thursday,
Dec. 6. The convention will be the
largest ever held and increases in im-
portance with its numbers. There will
be several Socialists in attendance,
probably more than ever before, and
they should have a marked influence
upon the proceedings of the conven-
tion. Among these will be that
staunch trade unionist, Max S. Hayes,
who will again represent the Cleve-
land Central Labor Union, having re-
ceived 93 votes out of a total of 118
cast at the C. L. U. meeting, a testi-
monial richly deserved. Henry John
Nelson of Philadelphia is another So-
cialist delegate, a bright young news-
paper man, and besides these there
will be the regular Socialist delegates
from the various unions. It is prob-
able that some of the delegates will be
elected members, with the old or-
ganizations, and with the American
Federation of Labor shows up 23 na-
tional and international unions, 18

state branches, 300 city central bodies
and 1061 local trade and federal labor
unions.

We have received a copy of the
speech for Socialist unity delivered by
Prof. George D. Herron at Chicago, on
Nov. 13, which we are unable to pub-
lish this week but which will appear
in our next issue. It is a magnificent
and eloquent argument for the unif-
ication of the Socialist forces in America
and comes at a most opportune time
in the history of the movement. It
should be read by every Socialist and
the lesson teaches taken to heart.

It's pretty tough on the fellows
who have been yelling that "Socialism
is driving business out of the city" to
have their own figures, showing that
shipments are larger under Chase's
administration than ever before, rise
up and confront them.

Representative Carey was reported
in the Gazette last week as saying:
"We are in favor of the private own-
ership of production." Then we are
called "soreheads" when we object to
being misrepresented.

The Gazette concedes that business
is good in Brookline, where there is a
Social Democratic mayor and a Social
Democratic party that preaches the
same kind of Socialism preached in
Haverhill.

Miners in Alabama had their wages
reduced 2 1/2 cents per ton, commencing
Nov. 1. The miners at Tracy City,
Tenn., suffered to the extent of 2
per cent. Socialism did it.

It is much easier to moralize over
crime than to do something that would
abolish the causes of crime.

The people need not expect grade
crossings to be abolished by those who
are opposed to abolition.

Give Mayor Chase a government to
help him out.

Socialism, now and forever.

"DIVIDING UP."

(Continued from Page One.)

Need we wonder why the capitalist
class objects to the Social Democratic
party interfering with their present
"good thing."

The power to decide how much the
workers shall receive for their labor
is vested in the capitalist class by
reason of their ownership of the means
by which society lives. As profits in-
crease, the power of the capitalists in-
creases until their growing power ex-
tends everywhere, and those who
would stand in its way go down to
ruin. The working class not only
suffer, but the small tradesman, the
small capitalist, is confronted by a
power greater than himself, and un-
able to grapple with that power in open
competition, in both productive and
distributive enterprises, they are
crushed out of commercial existence
and their small capital is swept away
forever. The more the capitalist ap-
propriates of the wealth produced, the
less remains for the working class to
consume. The market for the small
trader is destroyed, the workers being
compelled to spend their wages where
they can secure goods the cheapest.
The large capitalist can always buy
and sell cheaper than his smaller com-
petitor, and he is able to monopolize
and control industry. The unequal
division, therefore, injures not only
the worker in the factory, but the
small manufacturer and retailer who
depends upon the wages of the work-
ing class for his existence, and whose
place in the commercial world is thus
wiped out.

Could a more cold-blooded system
of dividing up be devised than this?
This division enables the owners of
property to grow enormously rich while
the lot of the working class grows
harder and harder every day. We
know that it is said the workers are
receiving more wages now than they
ever did, but this is a relative truth.
In proportion to the amount of
wealth produced, the workers are re-
ceiving less. What were once luxu-
ries for the working class are now
necessaries because with increased in-
telligence and education comes an in-
creased demand for the best in life.
And what is the labor of the work-
ing class that creates everything in
civilization, they remain content with
crumbs while the non-producers take
the loaf.

The evil of the present capitalist
system lies in this unequal distribution
of the world's wealth. It gives rise
to poverty on one side and pauper-
ism on the other. It compels the pro-
ducers of wealth to live precarious
arduous lives and permits the non-
producers to riot in luxury; it forces
the woman and the child out of the
home and school and playground into
the shop and factory, blights their
health and makes them the helpless
victims of the greed of the non-pro-
ducers. It is a profit-producing instru-
ment for the capitalist class.

Do the Social Democrats propose
in place of this? Their platform
declares for the collective ownership
of the means of production, so that the
wealth produced is shared by the
creators of it, exact proportion as each
has contributed to its production. Un-
der Socialism there will be equal op-
portunity to work and develop the
genius of every man and woman and
child; there will be no "dividing up,"
but all will be equal participants in the
wealth which so far as their individ-
ual energies have contributed to its
production. There will be managers
and superintendents as now, but there
will be no opportunity for any man or
set of men to accumulate surplus
wealth at the expense of others. Then
and not till then, will the producers
of wealth be able to acquire private
property and be secure in its owner-
ship. We wish to abolish private
ownership of capital, the means by
which wealth is produced, because
capital being operated socially, should
be owned socially.

When the people, in their collective
capacity, own and operate the fac-
tories, mills, roads, mines and all the
means of production and distribution,
as they now own and operate the post-
office, fire department, public schools,
and the people will be able to
enjoy the fruits of the production of
labor. No class, large or small, will
have the power to appropriate for
their own selfish ends, the wealth cre-
ated by the labor of the producers,
and all will have opportunity to enjoy
the full blessings of civilization.

"Dividing up" will cease for all time.
Impossible? Ask yourself if the
present system of dividing up is
practicable.

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PROSPERITY

WHAT SOCIALISM HAS TO DO

WITH IT. BAD BUSINESS METH-
ODS HURT BUSINESS. A FEW
FACTS FOR VOTERS TO CON-
SIDER.

For some time the accusation has
been made against the Social Demo-
cratic party that the advocacy of its
principles has had a demoralizing ef-
fect upon this community and tended
to drive "business out of the city." The
astounding statement has been made
that because Haverhill has been sen-
sible enough to elect a Socialist mayor
for two years, and although the ma-
jority of the city government was com-
posed of republicans and democrats,
then Haverhill is boycotted by the
world at large and is taboed by busi-
ness men throughout the country. It
would seem strange to the observer
that an inoffensive person like Mayor
Chase, and the equally inoffensive So-
cial Democratic members of the city
council should be able to withhold from
Haverhill the full blessings of a
"prosperity" so lavishly (and un-
equally) bestowed by a republican ad-
ministration. More strange indeed
when it is considered that the Social
Democrats are working people who are
more interested in present and future
prosperity than any other class.

This cry of the Social Democrats
driving business out of Haverhill would
have more weight and more reason for
existence if it were consistent with the
facts. For the facts show that during
the years that Haverhill has had a
Socialist mayor, the shipments of shoes
from Haverhill have been larger than
any previous years. According to fig-
ures published in the Gazette there
were more pairs of shoes shipped out
of Haverhill during 1899 than any year
previous. And the year 1899 was the
first year of Mayor Chase's incumbency.
Taking the figures published for this
year it is shown that so far
there have been more shoes shipped
out of Haverhill than any previous
year except 1898.

How does this bear out with the
statements made that the manufac-
turers cannot get orders because Ha-
verhill is known as a Socialist city?
Would these facts rather not warrant
the assumption that shipments in-
creased because the city had a Socialist
mayor? The Social Democrats would
be warranted in making that assertion
but it is difficult to see wherein the
opposition base their claims that this
city is not enjoying the prosperity
some people evidently believe to be
prevalent throughout the country.

If it is true that the prosperity of a
place can be gauged by the increase
in population, then it will be well for
the opponents to Socialism to explain
why it is so many of cities and towns
in Essex county fell off in population
during the past few years. The new
census of 1900 shows that Amesbury,
Boxford, Essex, Georgetown, Marble-
head, Merrimack, Middleton, Wenham
and West Newbury decreased materi-
ally in population since 1890, and we
haven't heard that Socialism was to
blame for that.

Returning to the matter of driving
business away, an excellent illustration
of the falsity of the argument is shown
in Brookline, where there is also a So-
cialist mayor, and where the same
kind of Socialism is advocated as in
Haverhill. In Brookline business has
never been so good as this year since
Mayor Coulier was inaugurated, and
Brookline has evidently been widely ad-
vertised as a Socialist city. The manu-
facturers there are making no com-
plaints of not receiving orders. But
the manufacturers are not engaged in
date, progressive business men, fully
alive to the necessity of meeting every
emergency in the proper spirit.

The reason for the business revival
activity is found in the fact that the
manufacturers are not engaged in
futile efforts to break up the trades
unions of the city, but are recog-
nized that the trades unions are here
to stay just so long as this capitalist
system exists and the laborer has to
sell his labor power for a mere wage.
The manufacturers of Brookline have
adopted the union stamp of the Boot
and Shoe Workers union, they pay the
union price list, and the result is that
the factories are flooded with orders.
The unions are well organized and all
disputes are submitted to arbitration.
The shoe workers have learned the
value of a union and keep abreast of
the times, and instead of blaming the
Social Democrats for whatever diffi-
culties they may encounter, they
should accommodate themselves to the
changing conditions and adopt modern
methods of doing business.

Perhaps the opponents of Socialism
could explain why it is that Lynn, un-
der a republican administration, has
been complaining of a lack of pros-
perity. And what is it that in Law-
rence several of the largest mills have
only worked two or three days a
week for several months? Is Socialism
to blame for that?

Complaints are made that property
has fallen in value in Haverhill. If
this be true, it is true also of small
cities everywhere. The only places
where property is rising in value are
the large cities, and this is due to the
concentration in the ownership of
industry, which comes with the con-
centration of population. And if prop-
erty has fallen in value, what is the re-
sult in proportion? Let any work-
ingman try and secure a tenement and
he will find that while his wages have
been falling for years, yet rents remain
as they were ten years ago. Nothing
could act more as a detriment to activ-
ity in a city than a policy of this kind.
In fact, the landlords and manufac-
turers seem determined to do all they
can to keep business out of Haverhill.

The movement for better conditions
for the working class of Haverhill
should be opposed least of all by the
retail dealers. When the workingman's
wages are reduced his consuming
power is reduced also. Two or three
dollars from his wages weekly means
less money to spend in the stores. The
manufacturers are the ones who ben-
efit by reducing labor's remuneration,
and this explains why the retail de-
clares that the small middle
class are being wiped out.

The anti-Socialists have had control
of the city government for years, and
yet they cannot point to one single ac-
t performed for the benefit of the city.
On the other hand, every move made
toward a progressive and modern ad-
ministration has originated from the
Social Democrats, whose influence has
been amply proven to be for the good
of Haverhill.

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THE EFFECTS OF CAPITALISM UPON THE HUMAN RACE.

"All wealth is life," so John Ruskin said. By this he meant that that country is the richest which contains the greatest number of men most fully developed in every way, physically, mentally and morally. He was right. The true wealth of a nation is not to be looked for in its safes and bank vaults, but in the views and brains of its living human beings. That system of society is the best, then, which produces the best men and women.

From this point of view we are often told that competition makes for progress; that in the fierce strife of our present industrial and business life those who are weak or lacking in any way—physically, mentally or morally—are crushed out, and only the strongest and most perfect succeed and are able to beget and raise children; and that in this way under competition the human race is constantly improving and coming nearer and nearer to perfection. In other words we are told that "competition is the mother of progress," and that to do away with competition by adopting Socialism would bring human progress to a standstill.

Let us examine this. Do the best sort of men and women succeed now under competition? Competition undoubtedly does sift the human race and select certain sorts of men to succeed, and survive, and dooms other sorts to fail and perish. It is a species of selection, but a perverted selection which selects the strong, the honest, the independent, the sturdy and the useful to destroy, and rewards with its richest prizes the weak, the submissive, the servile, the cruel and the selfish.

Under competition in a capitalist society the workers' wages are never sufficient to enable them to buy their own product. This forces these societies into a fierce scramble for foreign markets and thus precipitates endless wars. On the continent of Europe the soldiers thus made necessary all of the healthiest and most vigorous of young men, at the very age when they ought to marry and become fathers of a virile offspring, are taken from their homes and forced to perform several years of military service. Those who are left at home to marry and beget children are the weak and the unfit. The soldiers who went forth from their homes in the vigor of robust youth return—if they are lucky enough to return at all—broken in health and constitution either by the hardships endured or by the dissipation and immorality incident to army life. They are only permitted to marry after they have become unfit to do so. The effects of this perverted military selection of the weak and the shattered has had most pernicious effects in France. In England this evil is on the increase. Here this evil has fortunately been far less, but will any one say that our sturdy American boys who served in Cuba and the Philippines returned as robust and sound in constitution as they went out? But with our new colonial policy, which has just been endorsed by the voters, and with the continued increase of our standing army which is sure to follow, military selection will become more and more a larger part in deteriorating American manhood and womanhood.

In the manufacturing and business world where the golden rule is "Do or die" let them do you," honesty, frankness and consideration for others are handicaps. The cruel and the unscrupulous are unerringly selected to succeed and survive and become "captains of industry" and "Napoleons of finance"—pillars of the church and the state. Even breadth of mind, largeness of view, is a handicap. The man who is able to see enough but the dollar is best fitted to become a "model business man."

Among the wage workers the man who is the most submissive slave has the best chance of success. Let a wage worker venture to think and show symptoms of inconvenient manliness and independence and he will soon find his name upon the dreaded "black list." From there to the slums is but a short step. The more nearly the wage slave approaches the condition of a brainless mechanical automaton, the better are his chances of success under the competition system.

In literature, journalism, art, law, medicine and the pulpit we find the same perverted selection relentlessly at work choosing the base and the servile to succeed and dooming the broad-minded and noble hearted to failure, poverty and oblivion. Look at everywhere competition is the mother, not of progress, but of degradation. Competition has had its day. Until it is overthrown further improvement of the human race is impossible.

The Social Democratic party is the one party of progress in the United States today. When it triumphs—and its triumph is sure—it will usher in a society in which every child that is borne will have the freest and fullest opportunity to develop the best that is in him. Today many a child suffers from insufficient nutrition, even before birth while he stunts in his half-starved mother's womb. Under Socialism every human being throughout his life or her existence will be fully and amply fed with nutritious food. Every man will have to work and thus all will have that exercise which is essential to physical and mental health. Try to think what a change this will make in three or four generations. As William Morris has said, "It is impossible for the ill-fed, stunted man of today to conceive of the physical perfection and beauty of the men and women of the days that are to be."

Continued competition means human degradation. Socialism means progress, means bringing the human race to a state of perfection that is today inconceivable. On which side are you?

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HISTORY

Repeating Itself in the Methods of the Anti-Socialists.

WERE USED BY TORIES IN '76 BUT FAILED—THE RIGHTOUS CAUSE CANNOT BE DEFEATED.

The Social Democrats of Haverhill do not expect that the principles they advocate will become understood of all men within an hour, a day or a year. It is always difficult to popularize new doctrines, no matter to what they relate, be it politics, religion, medicine, or what else. The principles of modern Socialism are comparatively new, and they have reference particularly to present industrial conditions. Just as the question of political freedom became paramount through political conditions affecting this country preceding the birth of the union, so the question of industrial liberty has become paramount through the industrial conditions existing today. And just as political freedom was resented of 1776, so is industrial liberty resented today. The principles of Socialism are not opposed by the mass of the people, but by the few who benefit by the present system, through the medium of the press and the platform, inculcate distrust and suspicion. They do this because they know that by arousing these prejudices they can make the task of the Social Democrats so much harder. This is peculiarly the case here in Haverhill. The anti-Socialists do not attempt to argue their present doctrine on Dec. 4, and to ensure that they do not hesitate to misquote and misrepresent the speakers and writers of the Social Democratic party. It speaks poorly for any cause that needs to resort to such tactics in order to be successful, even if that success be only temporary. It shows a desperation and despair that augurs well for the Social Democratic party.

The Social Democrats are ready and willing at all times to discuss the issues of direct interest to the people of the city. We have not hesitated to state our position on all questions so that there needs no welcome discussion and we invite criticism, for it is only by these methods that the truth can be made known. The records of our officials are open for inspection. If there be any violations of trust, any neglect of duty on the part of any one of the Social Democratic officials in the city government, then they should be pointed out. But so far none have been discovered, nor will there be because there are none to disclose. And so the anti-Socialists, the people, announces its principles and its purposes and challenges full and free discussion with its adversaries.

Compare this with the tactics of the anti-Socialists. What principles have they? What position do they occupy on public questions? Nobody seems to know. Nobody, not even the anti-Socialists themselves, seem able to frame suitable answers to these questions. Is it true that they talk of a "business administration," but what do they mean by that? Do they state their policy definitely on any subject whatsoever? Not at all. There seems to be but one desire animating them—to defeat the Social Democrats. What means do they use to accomplish this? So far, the only weapons they choose to employ are misrepresentation and wilful distortion of the written and spoken statements of our speakers and writers. When we express our ideas, as clearly as in our power, they proceed to distort them, to twist them, and they put a totally different construction upon our words than could possibly have been intended.

For instance, we have repeatedly denied that we were opposed to private property and that we intended to take away the homes of those luckily in possession of it. We state that we wish to abolish private ownership of capital, the means by which wealth is produced, because private ownership of capital wrecks and injures upon the working class by depriving them of the fruits of their toil, and enriches a few at the expense of society. The man who owns a house exploits no one, the man who is more than exploited by himself, but the class that owns and operates the things that produce the necessities of life have in their power the destinies of all the people. We should think this is clear enough for everybody who wishes to understand, but this is not sufficient for our opponents. They continue reiterating the same falsehood just the same. More than that, one of our speakers, Representative Carey, is charged with saying that private property had no rights and which should be confiscated, which is no true. We are charged with having changed our position; that we are not preaching the same Socialism we were preaching months and years ago, which is untrue. We have not altered our position one particle, and those who have read our papers and listened to our speakers know it. Again we are charged with wanting to "divide up," and when we deny this also, we are only saluted with a repetition of the charge. When we state that we want to stop the present system of dividing up that gives a small class the larger share of wealth produced, and leaves the masses barely sufficient to live on from day to day, we are told that we are "envious" and that we have "malice and hatred in our hearts." Our arguments, reasons, are not refuted. Our opponents do not call us liars, though they might as well be done with it. We suppose they are so generally for the same reason. Whenever our speakers or writers discuss the official records of the anti-Socialist candidates then the public is notified that we are "envious" and "indulging in personalities." When we point out wherein the anti-Socialists have failed in their duty to the city, then the criticized officials are accused of "good citizens" who are above the attacks of sundry individuals. "When we discuss principles we are called 'anarchists'; when we criticize officials and official acts then our opponents shriek 'personalities' and 'abuse'."

We are accused of "driving business out of the city." We show that it is these very anti-Socialists, with their small business methods, their opposition to progress, their high rents, etc., who are keeping the city poor, and who are the city, they do not attempt to refute our assertions. They continue repeating the same statements over and over again. They give no reason why their candidates should be elected to office; they carefully refrain from discussing any local issues; they profess no principles and have no platform. Apparently they are depending upon frightening the people into a bugbear, coupled with misrepresentation of the aims and objects of our party and principles, to carry their ticket through.

Now and again, in the midst of their denunciations of the Social Democrats, they concede that the Socialists are honest. This must be done for effect, for in the next breath we are denounced as "anarchists" who are "opposed to law and order" and who want to break up the homes of the thrifty and industrious. Just how we can be honest

and sincere and yet be possessed of such evil motives is a deep problem which only the anti-Socialists themselves can solve—that is, if they can. The purpose of the attitude of the anti-Socialists toward the Socialists is to discuss any past records or future policies of their candidates. That would be dangerous for them and their cause. But they hope, by fostering prejudice, instilling distrust and misrepresenting the truth and the meaning of the truth, to regain control of the executive chair and to continue their career of maladministration in the city hall. They evidently do not know that the rank and file, the voters, are tired of the machine that can manufacture coalition tickets, if not openly then secretly; that the people are learning more about the truths of Socialism every day, and when the people learn the whole truth, nothing on earth will stop the people from punishing those who attempted to deceive and delude them.

Denunciation, ridicule, misrepresentation, abuse and falsehood did not prevent our forefathers from establishing self-government, nor did these methods prevail against the people to free the chattel slaves, and they will not succeed in obstructing or defeating the movement to abolish industrial slavery. Socialism is inevitable. Progress guaranteed it; the needs of humanity demand it.

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