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GAMES OF COMMENT.

FRANK V. DEBS WRITES INCISIVELY OF SOME OF THE "PROBLEMS" OF THE RULING CLASS.

They are having a dreadful time about the servant girl. In New York the women of wealth have started a movement for a servants' guild.

For several months after the coal strike the mines were operated at their extreme capacity and millions of tons of anthracite were rushed to the markets.

For one man to kill another is murder under the law and punishable by death. But for a capitalist to starve a thousand workmen in a city, crime, suicide or death is "business" under the law.

The objection to the Mormon senator from Utah upon "moral ground" is quite funny enough to add to the fame of Artemus Ward as a joker.

Think of Hanna, Quay, Clark, Depew and company being contaminated by an unoffending Mormon elder! The senate, in which seats have a market price limited to plutocracy and its pets, sensitive upon the subject of morals!

The following is going the rounds in the humor columns of the magazines: The visitors were being guided through the big knitter's history.

"Who are those weary-looking girls standing at the window?" "They are the persons who knit the sweaters."

"And that fat individual sitting in the office with a cigar in his mouth?" "He is the gentleman who sweats the knitters!"

There is far more truth and dignity than humor in this incident. Terre Haute, Ind.

ATTENTION! - A CALL TO ACTION!! It is coming faster than even we thought! There is a dogged, determined effort on the part of the plutocracy in this country to absolutely head off, bottle up and stifle all revolt against plutocratic aggression on the people's right to live.

Socialism as a political factor will be investigated by a committee consisting of George R. Sheldon, New York; Myron T. Herrick, Ohio; J. E. Addicks, Texas; J. G. Capers, South Carolina; J. W. Lyons, Georgia.

Socialists of America, this is no small matter. It is like a call to arms at the advent of a terrible war. The time is upon us, it cannot be evaded. Every ounce of determination, every mite of fight that there is in us, every cent of income that we can possibly give to the movement is now demanded.

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WHERE IS THE INCENTIVE TO BE INDUSTRIOUS UNDER CAPITALISM?

New York, Dec. 15.—If there are 100,000 millionaires in the United States, as Senator Depew said at the dinner given by John D. Rockefeller, Jr., to his bible class, an official of a great commercial agency and the president of one of New York's richest banks are decidedly in error.

The above facts are decidedly interesting to the working people of this country. They show that the average individual, man, woman or child, has about 10,700 chances of missing the pleasure of being a millionaire!

Query: At this rate, how long would it take the workers to overtake the capitalists?

Life is full of enough trials already, without forcing the lawyers into politics, as a Milwaukee attorney is now urging.

Here is a specimen of the Christianity of a Spanish cardinal, one of those who met to select the new pope, and who recently died. As a representative of the Man of Peace, he seems to have been rather worldly after all.

London, Dec. 15.—The will of the late Cardinal Herrero y Espinosa contains, according to a special dispatch from Madrid, the extraordinary bequest of \$10,000 to "the first Spanish general landing in the United States territory with an army sufficiently strong to avenge the defeats of Cuba and the Philippines."

John W. Gates, the finance magnate, is a notable specimen of the migratory millionaire! As soon as cold weather came on in earnest, he gave orders and was soon speeding down the Mississippi on his luxuriant private steam yacht, bound for his winter home at Port Arthur, on the Gulf of Mexico.

The new woman factory inspector, appointed by LaFollette in opposition to the known wishes of the labor unions, is a remarkable specimen. In an interview in the Sentinel she says of the Milwaukee sweat shops, "I believe that the wages compare favorably with other occupations."

A young attorney named Churchill, who was employed by the Milwaukee district attorney to carry on an investigation of the county hoodlums, was given \$25 a day for doing the work.

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"A Call to Action," in another column, ought to send the blood tingling through our comrades at a high rate. Socialists are too much in earnest to let a few pot-bellied plutocratic rascals stamp them!

The women are wearing a cloth called near-silk. It is really as near the real article as a certain class of men who may be dubbed near-Socialists.

National Committeeman Floaten of Colorado writes from Telluride (in the miners strike region) under date of Dec. 8th: "We are having a hot time here. Twelve men are in jail bound over to court on a pretended charge of conspiracy and without a particle of proof."

This paper ten weeks for ten cents. Hully Gee! Don't you know a bargain when you see one?

Says William Mitchell Bowack, in his recent economic work, "Industrialism": "In South America, a few years ago, 150 days in the year were regarded as specially religious or holy, on each of which it was regarded as religiously meritorious to abstain from secular pursuits."

Oh no, it wasn't a drain upon the resources of the community, as this capitalistic special pleading professor would have it believed, it was a drain on the resources of the capitalists, which is quite a different thing.

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The Herald office has the names and addresses of about five thousand Wisconsin people, some of them ex-readers, who have failed to renew, others active trade union men, and others recommended by our Socialist and trade union organizers, to whom we should like to send the paper for a ten weeks' trial trip.

In Salem, Massachusetts, the Socialist majority candidate polled 1,113 votes as against 239 for the gubernatorial candidate a month previous. There was no Democratic candidate, the Republicans polling 4,709 votes.

Following a tilt in the Reichstag of Germany between Chancellor von Buelow and the Socialist, August Bebel, in which the former made a colossal donkey of himself much to the amusement of the Socialist members, Baron von Kardoff last Friday undertook to warn the government as to the enormous increase in the Socialist vote and its significance. During his speech he screamed out the following:

"My opinion is that we are on an express train which is rolling with wind velocity into the socialized state of the future. At any rate, something must be done to prevent the growth of the Social Democracy, and the most effective means to this end would be to withdraw the suffrage for five years from Socialists who profess to be revolutionists or republicans."

If they only dared to! The idea of the people themselves having the impudence to demand their own rights politically is something akin to a particularly bitter pill to the titled trash of Europe.

The government must do everything in its power, for if nothing is done a revolution is coming, with certainty."

He pointed out that it would be impossible to suppress Socialism with intellectual weapons, and he urged Catholics and Protestants to conclude a truce in order that they might jointly combat this new danger.

"It will then," said he, "be easy to lead a struggle against Socialism to a victorious end."

The secretary of the bar association of Milwaukee has just issued an annual report in which he dwells upon the need of more lawyers in political life.

Lawyers in public life do not stay poor. Moreover, no one can have confidence in the honesty of their expressed convictions. They are like livery horses, for hire to anyone who has the price.

Let us have the workers in charge of government and administration and legislation, the workers who alone of all men make up the strength of the country, the state and the city.

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SHAFTS WELL DIRECTED.

VICTOR L. BERGER WRITES OF GRAND JURIES, HAGGLERS AND THEIR WORK.

READING the daily papers is rather gloomy business nowadays. A foreigner reading the great American dailies must get a queer idea indeed of our civilization.

And now the attorney general of the state of Wisconsin and the district attorney of Milwaukee have joined forces and have offered immunity to all grafters who will confess and testify against the other hoodlums.

Henry Harnischfeger, member of the Anti-Grafters Committee and originator of the indignation meeting, now admits that he also gave one hundred dollars to an alderman for a "side-spur."

Judge Brazee in his instructions to the present grand jury laid particular stress upon the fact that the district attorney gave sufficient information to the last grand jury to justify action against many grafters, but that has not been done.

The grand jury is made up exclusively of businessmen—i. e. of men who buy and sell—there is not a single workman among them. Now how can it be expected of these hagglers, who have been haggling all their lives, and whose daily occupation is haggling—to condemn other hagglers who haggle with public privileges?

Before all things we may take it for granted that any one of these businessmen would without further scruples bribe an alderman or other official whenever his "business interest" would require it.

This "great fight" of our small capitalists and businessmen against the symptoms of corruption in our public life does not engage the Socialist very much. We know that this is simply a fight against the symptoms, and that the roots of corruption are not touched at all.

Charity in Milwaukee is a wonderful thing! A Jewish Socialist from New York came to Milwaukee recently and happened in at the Jewish Settlement Mission on Sixth street just as it was having a Thanksgiving celebration.

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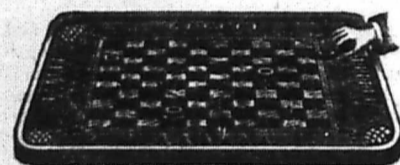
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# CHRONICLES OF THE CLASS STRUGGLE.

## An Important Decision.

The United States supreme court has decided that the eight hour law as provided by the statutes of Kansas is constitutional and, in brief, that the eight hour law for employees on public works is valid. The case came up on appeal from the supreme court of the state of Kansas, which also affirmed the validity of the law.

The case was that of W. W. Atkins, plaintiff in error, against the state of Kansas, and in general terms the constitutionality of the law was contested. Atkins alleged the act violated the fourteenth amendment to the constitution in that it denied him due protection of the law.

An important point in the decision is that the state can prescribe the conditions of work.

Stating the case, the United States court says:

"The complaint in its first count charged that Atkins contracted with the municipal corporation of Kansas City to construct a brick pavement and having hired George Reese to do the work, he unlawfully required him to work ten hours each calendar day upon said labor.

"The second count charged that he unlawfully hired Reese to labor on the basis of ten hours as constituting a day's work by contracting to pay the current wages for said work, which in that locality was \$1.50 per day, and unlawfully exacted and required of him that he work ten hours each calendar day in order to be entitled to the current wages of \$1.50 per day.

"Whatever may have been the motives that controlled the enactment of the statute in question, we can imagine no possible ground to dispute the power of the state to declare that no one undertaking work for it or for one of its municipal agencies shall permit or require an employee on such work to labor in excess of eight hours each day and to inflict punishment upon contractors who disregard such a regulation.

"It cannot be deemed a part of the liberty of any contractor that he be allowed to do public work in any mode he may choose to adopt without regard to the wishes of the state.

"If it be contended to be the right of every one to dispose of his labor upon such terms as he deems best, as undoubtedly it is, and that to make it a criminal offense for a contractor for public work to permit or require his employee to perform labor upon that work in excess of eight hours each day is in derogation of the liberty of em-

ployee and employer it is sufficient answer that no one is entitled of absolute right and as a part of his liberty to perform labor for the state, and no contractor for public work can excuse a violation of his lawful agreement with the state by doing that which the statute of the state under which he proceeds distinctly forbids him to do.

"So also if it be said that a statute like the one before us is mischievous in its tendencies the answer is that the responsibility therefor rests upon legislators, not upon the courts. No evils arising from such legislation could be more far reaching than those that might come to our system of government if the judiciary, abandoning the sphere assigned to it by the fundamental law, should enter the domain of legislation and upon the grounds merely of justice or reason or wisdom annul statutes that had received the sanction of the people's representatives.

"We rest our decision upon the broad ground that, the work being of a public character, absolutely under the control of the state and its municipal agents acting by its authority, it is for the state to prescribe the conditions under which it will permit such work to be done. Its action touching such a matter is final so long as it does not by its regulations infringe the personal rights of others, and that has not been done.

"The judgment of the supreme court of Kansas is affirmed."

## Free Speech Denied!

John Turner, an English labor organizer and social reformer, while addressing a meeting in New York city on Oct. 23 was arrested upon a warrant issued by Secretary of Commerce Cortelyou, taken by federal officers to Ellis Island, tried without counsel or witnesses before a board of inquiry, and upon this board finding that Turner was an "anarchist" who had been here less than three years, Secretary Cortelyou ordered his deportation. Upon habeas corpus proceedings Judge Lacombe sustained the law. Turner has appealed to the supreme court and consents to remain in detention until the case can be tried.

The government rests its case upon so much of section 3 of the Immigration law (amended March 3, 1903) as reads, "That no person who disbelieves in or who is opposed to all organized government or who is a member of or affiliated with any organization entertaining or teaching such disbelief or opposition to all organized government or who shall be permitted to enter the United States."

Turner admitted to the board that he was an "anarchist" (without any definition and will doubtless say that he disbelieves in all organized government.) But what he calls himself is immaterial. He has never been arrested by the English government, though for twenty years a speaker at public meetings and participant in labor agitations.

The only utterance quoted against him by the government counsel is an

extract from his speech of Oct. 23, in which he expressed satisfaction that the workers of Europe were organizing for a general strike by which they would gain their rights.

But the government claims—and this is sustained by the court—the power to deport him for merely disbelieving, regardless of anything he may or may not say or have said.

It is not denied that Turner has criticized the present system of society and advocated some reorganization by which the laboring classes, so called, shall receive the full product of their labor, but the justice of his complaints against the existing order and whether or not the organization of society he proposes does or does not mean the maintenance of a government of some sort are academic questions.

The question at issue is, Shall the federal government have the power to exclude aliens merely because of opinions they may have regarding what would be a proper organization of society? Even though the present "administrative process" be modified to allow of judicial proceedings, shall the federal government be a judge of disbelievers? Judge Lacombe holds that the first amendment to the constitution prohibiting congress from abridging freedom of speech does not apply to the question of admission of aliens. Upon this the supreme court will pass, and if it upholds the law appeal must be made to congress.

The Game on Labor.—Wages have risen, prices have risen, prices more than wages, profits more than either. When the bricklayer gets 86 a day, the plumber \$5, the carpenter 84, who pays the advance? The contractor? The owner? Yes; but he charges it to the tenant, and adds a profit besides. The contractor and owner are middlemen, go-betweens. The wage earner pays the tax. Can you raise yourself by your boot-straps? Are you bettered by raising wages 20 per cent and prices 40 per cent?—International Metal Worker.

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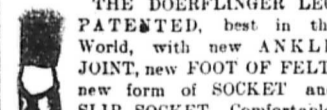


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# What We Social Democrats Are After.

(Adopted by the Socialist Party in National Convention at Indianapolis, Ind., July 31, 1907.)

The Socialist party, in national convention assembled, reaffirms its adherence to the principles of International Socialism, and declares its aim to be the organization of the working class, and those in sympathy with it, into a political party, with the object of conquering the powers of government and using them for the purpose of transforming the present system of private ownership of the means of production and distribution into collective ownership by the entire people.

Formerly the tools of production were simple and owned by the individual worker. Today the machine, which is but an improved and more developed tool of production, is owned by the capitalists and not by the workers. This ownership enables the capitalists to control the product and keep the workers dependent upon them.

Private ownership of the means of production and distribution is responsible for the ever-increasing uncertainty of livelihood and the poverty and misery of the working class, and it divides society into two hostile classes—the capitalists and wage-workers. The once powerful middle class is rapidly disappearing in the mill of competition. The struggle is now between the capitalist class and the working class. The possession of the means of livelihood gives to the capitalist the control of the government, the press, the pulpit and the schools, and enables them to reduce the workingmen to a state of intellectual, physical and social inferiority, political subservience and virtual slavery.

The economic interests of the capitalist class dominate our entire social system; the lives of the working class are recklessly sacrificed for profit, wars are fomented between nations, indiscriminate slaughter is encouraged and the destruction of whole races is sanctioned in order that the capitalists may extend their commercial dominion abroad and enhance their supremacy at home.

But the same economic causes which developed capitalism are leading to Socialism, which will abolish both the capitalist class and the class of wage-workers. And the active force in bringing about this new and higher order of society is the working class. All other classes, despite their apparent or actual conflicts, are alike interested in the upholding of the system of private ownership of the instruments of wealth production. The Democratic, Republican, the bourgeois public ownership parties, and all other parties which do not stand for the complete overthrow of the capitalist system of production, are alike political representatives of the capitalist class.

The workers can most effectively act as a class in their struggle against the collective powers of capitalism by constituting themselves into a political party, distinct from and opposed to all parties formed by the propertied classes.

While we declare that the development of economic conditions tends to the overthrow of the capitalist system, we recognize that the time and manner of the transition to Socialism also depends upon the stage of development reached by the proletariat. We, therefore, consider it of the utmost importance for the Socialist party to support all active efforts of the working class to better its condition and to elect Socialists to political offices, in order to facilitate the attainment of this end.

As such means we advocate:

1. The collective ownership of all means of transportation and communication and all other public utilities as well as of all industries controlled by monopolies, trusts and combines. No part of the revenue of such industries to be applied to the reduction of taxes on property of the capitalist class, but to be applied wholly to the increase of wages and shortening of the hours of labor of the employees, to the improvement of the service and diminishing the rates to the consumers.
2. The progressive reduction of the hours of labor and the increase of wages in order to decrease the share of the capitalist and increase the share of the worker in the product of labor.
3. State or national insurance of working people in case of accidents, lack of employment, sickness and want in old age; the funds for this purpose to be furnished by the government and to be administered under the control of the working class.
4. The inauguration of a system of public industries, public credit to be used for that purpose in order that the workers be secured the full product of their labor.
5. The education of all children up to the age of 18 years, and state and municipal aid for books, clothing and food.
6. Equal civil and political rights for men and women.
7. The initiative and referendum, proportional representation and the right of recall of representatives by their constituents.

But in advocating these measures as steps in the overthrow of capitalism and the establishment of the co-operative commonwealth, we warn the working class against the so-called public ownership movements as an attempt of the capitalist class to secure governmental control of public utilities for the purpose of obtaining greater security in the exploitation of other industries and not for the amelioration of the conditions of the working class.

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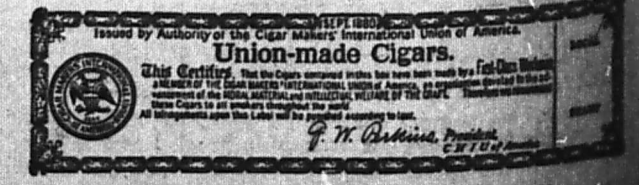
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THE CLEARING OF THE FOG. — Franklin H. Wentworth Writes of the Massachusetts Elections.

Parkman B. Flanders and Charles H. Coulter, Socialists, gentlemen, citizens of the world, have been defeated for re-election to the office of mayor in the cities of Haverhill and Brockton, Massachusetts.

When Republicanism is so hard pressed as to be willing to win its victories with Democratic votes, it is itself letting down the drawbridge that is the strategic defense of the Castle of Plutocracy.

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Many letters of commendation have been received giving unstinted praise of the speakers sent out by the State Lecture Bureau. Since Comrade Hyland reentered the state to speak and organize under the direction of the state committee, we have received many letters which more than justify his selection.

The capitalist system has already forced economic equality and is certainly paving the way for social equality. In going through dark spots in this city lately I came across tenements inhabited by both Italians and Negroes.

Philip Vohdin, a boy, was sentenced to spend one year on Blackwell's Island yesterday. He had tried to kill himself. He had worked in a machine shop—a big room where one had to be careful threading one's way among the big wheels and the moving straps. There had been boys who had lost a foot and an arm.

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was hopelessly its victim. This thought he bore with him for weeks. "If you fellows want to come over and see me kill myself," he said to a crowd of boys last Wednesday evening on the way home from the factory. "Why, come ahead. I am going to do it. I can't bear being a slave. The only way out of it is to kill myself, and I'm going to do it."

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As a Slave.—Boiled down and summed up, all laws which declare it an offense to entice a servant from his master are predicated upon a proprietary right of the employer in the employe. These laws regard the enticement of the master's servant as in the same category as the enticement of the master's horse or his cat. That idea is obsolete in morals. It should not be permitted expression in law.—Coast Seamen's Journal.

A SHOCKING STORY OF BRAVERY!

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There were some men in the factory who, in the noon hour, often discussed this very inequality of things, and Philip, with a great bush of black, tangled hair above his white face, and thoughtful, keen little black eyes, sat listening to all they said.

There was no one he could go to at home and tell of the despair that was weighing on him. His aunt, Mrs. Schoier, with whom he lived at One Hundred and Seventy-ninth street and Southern boulevard, was kind to him in her way. She had cared for him since he was a little boy, when his father and mother died.

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Gleanings from Busy Socialistic Fields!

NOTE: In some states the organization is known as the Socialist Party, in others as the Social Democratic Party. Where the term "local" is used it does not refer to trade union locals, but to the local body.

NOTES FROM YANKEE LAND. The work of building up a fund for a Socialist daily in New York is making headway. Samuel Gompers' Boston convention speech was used by the Republicans in the Haverhill campaign.

ACROSS THE HERRING POND. No Socialists attended the court reception at the opening of the German Reichstag, it is needless to say. Socialist organization is making great headway in Serbia. Several Socialists have been elected to office in the municipalities.

FROM NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS. The following contributions have been made to the National Organizing Fund since last report: J. W. Vincent, Murray, Idaho, \$1.00. Jas. Twogood, Macon, Ga., .25.

NEBRASKA.—New locals have been formed at Laurel and Lexington. Chartres are being held pending investigation, as is the rule of the state organization; a rule of which every Socialist will approve, after reading an account of the Chadron affair in which after a thorough investigation and on the withdrawal of two charter members, a charter was granted.

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HOW IS THIS FOR A DEFEAT!

The later returns from the local elections in Massachusetts are interesting, even if they do bear the tidings of apparent Socialist defeat. On another page the sharp pen of Comrade Franklin H. Wentworth shows that "defeat" really means. Be sure you read what he has written. The political situation in the Bay state is plainly saturated with the desperation of the Republican National Committee, and its efforts to stamp out the alarming spread of Socialism in that historic corner of the nation. And as Comrade Wentworth well shows, the Republican national committee has achieved a victory that really spells defeat. They are welcome to all the gratification they can get out of it!

In Haverhill the Socialist vote rose from 1,201 for governor in last month's elections to 2,901—or, in other words, the Socialists gained 1,700, and MORE THAN DOUBLED THEIR VOTE!

Which means that we got nearly two thousand old party voters to desert capitalism and vote with the working class.

A better endorsement than this at the hands of the citizens of Haverhill, Mayor Flanders and his fellow Socialists in office, could not have well asked. But as the Democrats had refrained from making a nomination in order to defeat the Socialists by throwing their strength to the Republicans, and naturally did this with some measure of success, the Republican candidate came in a winner with 3,273 votes—that is, with 372 votes more than the Socialists.

That it was a desperate move is seen when we consider that in the process the Democrats and Republicans together lost the sympathy of, as we have said, nearly two thousand voters. Haverhill is a factory city, and is made up of plutes and plute sympathizers on the one hand, and a majority of factory slaves on the other. We are not so sanguine as to believe that all those who went over to the Socialist ticket became convinced Socialists thereby, but from the fact that Haverhill is a factory town, it is reasonable to believe that the great bulk of these were wage workers, and it is therefore a healthy and significant sign. The Socialists lost their councilmen in this fusion campaign, but elected an assistant assessor in Ward Five.

Much the same sort of story is told by the returns from Brockton, where the Socialists also "lost." Although making a nomination, the Democrats tried to throw their strength to the Republican candidates, with the result that their mayoralty candidate polled 1,116 votes—a very big falling off. Mayor Coulter polled 3,542 votes as against a Socialist vote of 1,928 in the state election a month ago—showing what the working class of Brockton thought of capitalistic fusion methods. In spite of this big increase, the Republican candidate got enough Democratic votes to win by a plurality of 350. The campaign was a hot one, as campaigns usually are when capitalism feels that it has the working class against it. And the methods used by the capitalist twin-parties were, as usual, disreputable. Their chief methods were slander and falsehood and appeals to every kind of prejudice that could possibly be used to divide the workers, religious, racial and what not! So daring did the thing become that Mayor Coulter had to take legal action against a Haverhill paper that flooded the town with its slanderous screeds, with funds advanced by the Republican national committee. Although Mayor Coulter lacked a small number of votes for a reelection, two Socialist aldermen and three councilors were elected.

And so, while capitalism sees the Socialist candidates defeated in these two Massachusetts cities, it also sees the Socialist vote materially increased! And worse yet: It knows by experience that the Socialists are never disheartened by "defeat." Last year Flanders was defeated on the returns by fourteen votes. But the Socialists went into the courts and proved enough capitalistic fraud to give him the office by a majority of six. In 1901 Coulter was defeated for reelection in Brockton, and the effect of this defeat was to land him in the office of mayor the following year, with a plurality of 1,100. It is this sort of thing that is very trying to capitalism's nerves!

Another referendum is being sent out by Nat'l. Secy. Mally at the request of several locals, providing that "in all conventions, committees, or other deliberations of the Socialist party, one vote for one member present shall be the rule, and proxies shall not be used or permitted, nor plural voting allowed." As cause for such a rule the locals hold that the proxy system is a favorable method of unscrupulous politicians to manipulate parties, and that plural voting is unsocialistic (?), etc.

This referendum is the foxy scheme of someone behind the scenes to defeat the plan to give the comrades throughout the country proportional representation through the national committee, and is manifestly inspired by persons having some personal interest in having the sparse states control the party. The purposes sought by the referendum would be obtained if a majority voted against the referendum recently sent out to change the basis of representation in the national committee. So the question arises, why has the one referendum been forced on the heels of the other, when both are practically of the same nature? The answer is unavoidable: Someone is trying, by a trick, to secure a vote that could not be secured on its merits. It is no credit to Socialism that this sort of work is going on, nor is it creditable that a duplication of referendums should be forced upon the party. The ridiculousness of the proceeding is seen in the fact that if both pending referendums were to carry, one would nullify the other. But no trick of this sort will save the national committee who represent states having scarcely any membership to speak of, and who desire, by hook or crook, to have the same voting strength in the national

committee as those from states having very large memberships.

Time works changes and history at least tries to repeat itself. We cannot help but read with amusement in the last issue of the New York Worker that "a year ago these militants (meaning the "latter-day" "Lugaroos") were casting about for something to unite with, and were greatly insulted because our state committee told them they were welcome to join the same as other class conscious workmen. They wanted to be admitted as an organization; to be received with a beating of drums and tomtoms, instead of quietly taking the place where they could do the best work for the emancipation of their class. They think, if they joined as individuals, they would be losing prestige, and they seem to care more for their prestige than for the welfare of the working class." Pardon our smiles, but this is a scold at the latter-day anti-DeLeonites for wanting to do just what the original anti-DeLeonites did, i. e., refuse to join the Social Democratic party when they had split with the S. L. P. They demanded that the Social Democratic party should not only receive them with tomtoms, but must give up the organization it had built up and join with them in forming a new party. And undismayed by an adverse referendum vote, they set about accomplishing their aims by undermining the discipline of the party and getting those who were not over loyal to desert. The result was a long strife that hurt the movement in this country and simply ended in a result that would have practically been secured in the first place had they followed the course they are now recommending to their latter-day prototypes.

JOY IN THE CAPITALIST CAMP.

MIDST THE CRIES OF WORKERS OUT OF WORK AND IN DISTRESS RISES THE LAUGHTER OF THE LABOR-FOOLERS!



"THE GOOD STORY."

MARK HANNA (to Grover Cleveland)—"But that is not the best of it! Mitchell had no sooner sat down, than up jumped Sammy and he told the convention that Socialism was economically unsound and industrially impossible—ha, ha! ho! ho! I'll bust! And—the best joke of all was, the convention swallowed it—AND ACTUALLY VOTED THEIR OWN INTERESTS DOWN!"

HALF HOURS IN THE HERALD SANCTUM.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 5.—Editor Social Democratic Herald: Thus far but little has appeared in the Socialist press relative to the proposed amendment to our National Constitution. This is of so much importance that I can not refrain from saying a word about it for publication. Under the present constitution, national committee-men, so far as voting is concerned, stand in about the same relation to the party membership as United States senators do to the people, except that there are two of the latter from each state and but one of the former. No matter what the membership in any state, the committee-man's vote balances the vote of any other committee-man—though one may represent ten or twenty times as many members as the other. This works a disfranchisement to a percentage of the voting power of every state with a membership above the average, and on the other hand, states with a membership below the average are enabled to pad their voting power way out of the proportion to the membership of such state. Being opposed to both the principle of disfranchisement and "ballot box stuffing," I want to register my protest against the continuation of a system that is foreign to the spirit of democracy. If the Socialist movement stands for anything in party affairs it stands for democratic management and control—not management and control through a representative system which gives to some states ten or twenty or fifty times more voting power in proportion to party membership than some other states.

I happen to have been one of the Committee on Constitution at the Indianapolis convention and I will remember that this question of state representation and power in the National Committee was one that caused considerable perplexity—to myself at all rates. I realized that to give each state one vote regardless of party membership would be inequitable and unjust. But with the limitations in every direction which then hampered the movement, just what plan to offer as a substitute was the puzzling question. We were launching upon untried seas, and the only thing we could do was to adopt the plan which seemed best at that time, and trust to experience to improve upon it. We have found from experience that the plan then adopted is foreign to the spirit of democracy.

I may be something of a crank on the subject of democracy, but unless I am badly mistaken the first great lesson Socialists must learn is the lesson of democracy. We can never have the Co-operative Commonwealth until we understand how to democratically control party affairs, not to mention industry. If this amendment is adopted, then each national committee-man will vote according to the number of members of the party in good standing in the respective states—which will still be a representative system, but a long step nearer the democratic ideals than the present plan of each state having one vote. Wipe out the state lines, and who for an instant would tolerate the present inequitable distribution of voting power!

National committee-men will continue to vote, under the new system, according to their best judgment, just as they do now—unless individual states take a referendum on any given proposition for the purpose of instructing their committee-men. The proposed change affects only the voting power of the committee-men. It is a step toward democratic control—in the direction of majority rule—and it is a very lame Socialist movement that can't rely upon the principle of majority rule.

The revolutionary press will, I am satisfied, from this time on largely outnumber the papers with an opportunist tendency. Therein lies our greatest safeguard.

I can see no danger ahead from the adoption of the proposed change in the constitution, and it will save us from the rocks and quicksands of opportunism. Let us adopt the amendment "by an unanimous rising vote." F. L. Robinson.

The air is full of hurrying snowflakes, little dark dots against the sky, but purer white as they bury roof and pavement and window-sill. Snowflakes have been aply likened to ballots—and we are reminded of the coming ballot storms which will progressively transform the ugliness of the world of capitalism into the purity of Socialism. From the little indoor snowstorm of letters on our desk, we have only room to print a few this week. First there is a copy of a long open letter Prof. Herron has written to Walter Thos. Mills, which he asks us to give space to. It is substantially as follows:

Mr. Walter Thomas Mills, Kansas City, Mo.—Dear Comrade: In your circular letter of Nov. 10th to the comrades of Kansas, I find a statement which I feel obliged to correct out of justice to others. I refer to the statement that Comrades Westworth, Spargo, Mailly and others are members of a "Fellowship," which is a special organization, and in no way answerable to the Socialist party. Let me state that there is not, and never has been, any organization known as the "Fellowship." The term was merely given to a fund set apart to enable a few young men to give their whole time to the Socialist movement for a certain period of time. The distinct and first condition of this fund was that each recipient should be answerable only and solely to the Socialist party, or the branch of it with which he might be connected. In the second place, I think the implication concerning Comrade Mailly is especially unfortunate, as it suggests that he is receiving a salary from the fund in question and also his salary as National Secretary at the same time. Such a statement might be construed as a reflection upon his integrity. The implication is absolutely incorrect. Mr. Mailly's membership in the so-called "Fellowship" ceased, and his meagre salary from the fund ceased, when he became established as National Secretary. I think this implication is especially to be regretted, for, if there lives a man on the planet of more sensitive or chivalrous integrity than William Mailly, I do not know where to find him. I think the implication is also unfortunate because of the fact that we have troubles enough in the Socialist movement without creating any new personal equations or disputes.

Into the subject matter of your letter in general, I have no desire to enter, and, indeed, my long absence from the country has left me in ignorance of the nature and cause of the various party controversies—an ignorance which I feel inclined to industriously cultivate. George D. Herron. New York, Dec. 8, 1903.

Here is a request from Ontario that we gladly make room for: Dear Comrades: Local St. Thomas has upwards of two hundred members and maintains an up-to-date public reading room. We have decided to engage a paid organizer and are raising a fund for that purpose; the men using the time-honored subscription list, and we women, wishing to assist, have arranged a calendar exhibition the first week in January. We want your help. Please send us some pretty advertising calendars. A few minutes time when you are down town and a postage stamp is all it will cost you, as businessmen will gladly give a calendar and mailing tube, when they know it is for exhibition purposes. Kindly do this for the cause we love so well, and send so as not to arrive later than Jan. 1st.

Mrs. H. M. Anderson. St. Thomas, Ontario, Box 946.

Comrade Terlisner of Memphis, whose interesting article on the negro question appears on another page, in sending in this article says: "I believe I have about the right idea on this question, although I am at present as far as this city is concerned almost alone. But the truth of my position appears more real to me the more I study over the matter. I have worked in Nashville, Memphis, Jackson and Canton, Miss., Atlanta, Ga., and in some minor towns of Louisiana."

The following letter, which we are requested to publish, explains itself: W. T. Mills, Kansas City.—Dear Comrade: In an eight-page leaflet, addressed to the "Dear Comrades in the State of Kansas," you make the following statement about me which I feel it my duty to correct:

"When the 'Appeal to Reason,' with the approval of W. E. Clark, now in the National Secretary's office, and many others, attempted to organize in Kansas and elsewhere a secret society in the interest of the Socialist movement, I actively opposed the proposal and finally succeeded in securing its abandonment, as is known by those who were in the movement, although at that time living in Girard and on the best of terms with the 'Appeal.' After I had secured the abandonment of the Girard proposal at its headquarters, W. E. Clark, now in the National office, continued to maintain his branch of the secret organization in Kansas City for some time, in direct opposition to the known wishes of the Kansas City Local."

Now, I never had anything to do with the organization of any movement or was a member of any organization, in Kansas except the Typographical union. I never knew anything about the secret organization, referred to by you, until I was informed from the Appeal office that you were one of the executive officers.

I did help organize the "Appeal to Reason Club" of Kansas City, Mo., with the knowledge of Comrade George H. Turner, National Committeeman for Missouri in 1901.

I never had anything to do with the secret society, known as the "L. A. V.," in any other place except Kansas City. And the plan had been dropped at Girard before we decided to call our club by that name, which by the way was never put into effect.

Our club in Kansas City was never an organic part of the secret society, of which you were reported to be an executive officer; therefore I could not have maintained a branch in opposition to the known wishes of Local Kansas City.

You have reiterated the fact of my presence in the "National Secretary's office." Why, and by whom, was I sent to the "National office?" I went to St. Louis to attend the last annual meeting of the National committee, a friend and admirer of you. Knowing you had grievous faults, I overlooked them for what I thought to be the good of the movement.

With others, you made me believe the "Eastern comrades" were trying to do something dastardly to the party. Laboring under that impression, I eagerly accepted a temporary position in the national office to assist in moving the office fixtures from St. Louis to Omaha, and to "use the wire, if necessary," to inform National Committeeman and Quorum member Turner, in the event of any attempt on Mailly's part to thwart the will of the National Committee.

When National Secretary Mailly came, he at once took steps to keep the entire party membership informed. And because I had nothing to report, I suppose you have concluded that I too had joined hands with the "Eastern comrades" to get control of the party.

Right here, I want to say that the only National committee-men who have written threatening letters to the national secretary, or attempted to interfere with the work of the office, or TO DICTATE THE POLICY OF THE NATIONAL OFFICE, HAVE BEEN MEN IN SYMPATHY WITH YOU. I am convinced that you had only one object in trying to bring discredit on me, and that was to bring discredit on the "National secretary's office," judging from the way you ignored the national office, as soon as you found out that you could not dominate it. I am convinced that you would attempt to ruin the character of anyone in the party, if by so doing you thought you could elevate yourself.

I say to the comrades in Kansas, and everywhere in the party, do not hitch your wagon to a "star"—no matter how beautifully a self-chosen leader talks, nor how suntuily he looks. If any man wants to serve the party, let him first recognize the fact that he is not greater than the party.

W. E. Clark.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 10.

Comrade F. H. Alexander, who says he was the originator of the Omaha Propaganda Club, writes The Herald to say that organization is not a plot to disrupt the Socialist movement, as charged by the Nebraska quorum, which, he says, is a gag. He calls attention to a statement of the controversy in the last Alliance of the Rockies. We have seen it.

Answer to Correspondents. C. J. Hawley, Belvidere, Ills.—Will appear next week. E. T. E.—The trouble in Sheboygan was not between Socialists. It was between Socialists and pretended Socialists.

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The recent cold weather has brought to light some shocking cases of poverty all over the country, cases the details of which make the heart sick. What retribution could be terrible enough for the class who revel in luxury while thousands are famished and chilled to death and as a class doomed to that sort of thing perpetually. Is it possible those smiling faces we see in the rich churches of a Sunday are wholly unconscious of their guilt!

The Clearing of the Fog.

(Continued from page 3.)

When plutocracy begins to wipe out its stalking-horse to strengthen its own position, it is a confession inexpressibly cheering to the Socialist heart. It is a confession, first, that plutocracy fears that the Socialist movement cannot be successfully corrupted, and second, that the Socialist party is making such headway that plutocracy cannot longer spare votes from its camp with which to galvanize its stalking-horse. It must perforce carry all its eggs in one basket.

In other words it is being forced out into the daylight, out of the shadow of secretiveness, where it can no longer hide behind the bray of its long-eared faithful.

IT MUST AT LAST RECOGNIZE THE CLASS STRUGGLE, WHICH IT HAS LABORED SO CRAFTILY TO OBTAIN. IT MUST AT LAST BE FORCED TO MEET THE ARGUMENTS WHICH IT KNOWS IT CAN NOT MEET WITHOUT COMING INTO THE LIGHT BRANDED WITH ITS AGE-LONG INFAMY.

Once the issue is clearly made, with no long-eared influence to bray the people into apathy, the principles of Socialism will spread like a prairie fire.

There will be work enough and service enough in the future for Parkman B. Flanders and Charles H. Coulter.

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### Federated Trades Council.

Regular Meeting, Federated Trades Council, Milwaukee, Dec. 26, 1904. Delegate Arnold in the chair. Bro. Brockhausen vice chairman. Minutes approved. New delegates were elected from Lumber Handlers, Woodworkers No. 8, Machinists, and Shoe Cutters, and Machine No. 66.

Election of officers. Delegates: Charles Hoffmann, Heurich, Hoffmann and Bubblitz, elected as tellers.

Recording Secretary, one of the nominees, Bro. Raasch, was absent. Moved that secretary cast one ballot for Frederic Heath. Objected by Bro. Neumann. Chair ruled that such procedure was in order, and an appeal was sustained. Corresponding Secy. Reichert cast one ballot for Heath, who was declared elected.

Corresponding secretary the vote stood: Reichert 79, Welch 21, Bro. H. Hoppe 1, Rooney 1, blank ballot 1. Reichert declared elected.

Financial secretary the vote stood: Hoppe, 86, Crowley 22. Bro. Crowley was declared elected.

Candidate Zima was found to be ineligible a delegate, and on motion withdrew and cast one ballot for Bro. Hoffmann.

Executive board the vote stood: Berner 80, Sheehan 80, Kagl 67, Brodke 70, Baumann 67, Hendrickson 64, Nicolaus 50, Hanley 47, Feely 14, Knapp 17, Berman 12, Grass 3.

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capitalism in its crushing of the workers. On motion he was instructed to prepare a counter-statement for the press.

The new officers were obligated. The label section reported that its sub-committee, owing to the big expense that would be involved, had reported adversely on the plan of a label souvenir. A Woman's Label League was projected. Report received, and a motion to refer the souvenir matter to the various label unions was lost.

On motion secretary was instructed to purchase fifteen copies of the A. F. of L. proceedings. A resolution by Bro. Neumann to denounce the building of a marble office building in Washington for the use of members of congress was lost. On motion Bros. Sheehan and Hanley were requested to visit the Pattern-makers to make clear the plan of the metal trades section. The Grievance and Organization committee were ordered to send out the proposed circulars to the affiliated unions on the plan for a central strike fund. The business agent reported that laws and by-laws were being prepared for the building trades section and that a meeting would be held Sunday morning, Dec. 27, at 318 State Street.

Receipts for evening \$38.44. Disbursements \$124.10.

Frederic Heath, Rec. Secy.

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**MILWAUKEE COUNTY COURT,**  
 IN PROBATE.  
 STATE OF WISCONSIN, )  
 MILWAUKEE COUNTY, ) ss.

In the Matter of the Estate of Mary Bruchhauser, Deceased.

On this 22nd day of December A. D. 1904, upon reading and filing the petition of Charles B. Brandt, stating that Mary Bruchhauser, of the County of Milwaukee, died intestate, on the 17th day of June, 1903, and praying that Charles B. Brandt, or some other suitable person be appointed Administrator of the Estate of said deceased.

IT IS ORDERED, That said application be heard before this Court at a regular term thereof, to be held at the Court House in the City of Milwaukee, on the first Tuesday of January A. D. 1905, at 9:00 o'clock A. M., or at such other time and place as may be reached on the calendar.

And it is FURTHER ORDERED, That notice of said application and hearing be given by publishing a copy of this order for three consecutive weeks, once in each week, in the "Social Democratic Herald," a newspaper published said County, prior to said hearing.

By the Court,  
 JOHN C. KAREL,  
 Register of Probate.

RICHARD ELSNER,  
 Attorney of Estate.

**SHERIFF'S SALE.**  
 STATE OF WISCONSIN, 2661  
 SUPERIOR COURT—MILWAUKEE COUNTY.

Carl Zeuge, Plaintiff, Gustav H. Leopold, Elizabeth Kaufmann, Warren A. Mecklejohn, William Bisch, Edgar Bursky, Kate Biggby, his wife, Eleanor Kosch and Frederick Kauerer, Defendants.

Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale.

By virtue of and pursuant to a judgment of said Superior Court, in the above entitled action, which was entered and dated Nov. 15th, 1902, I shall expose for sale and sell at public auction, in the hall of the court house, near the south door fronting on the park, in the Seventh Ward of the City of Milwaukee, in said County, on Monday, the 4th day of January, 1905, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., of that day, all the following described mortgaged premises, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to raise the amount due to the plaintiff for principal, interest and costs, together with the disbursements of the sale and solicitor's fees to-wit: Lot numbered twenty-two (22) in Block numbered nine (9) in Spring Hill, being a subdivision of a part of the Northwest quarter (N. W. 1/4) of Section numbered twenty-three (23) in Township numbered seven (7) north of Range numbered twenty-one (21) East, in the Town of Wauwatosa, in the County of Milwaukee and state of Wisconsin.

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 All the members of the Executive Board of the Wisconsin State Federation of Labor will be present, and good speakers will address the meeting on the burning questions of the day confronting the working people.

The time has come when it is necessary to cast aside petty differences and stand shoulder to shoulder in united opposition to the encroachments of capital, unjustly owned by a few.

The line between the two opposing forces has been very clearly defined, through the efforts of the recently organized National Industrial Association, which is endeavoring to disrupt the unions by inducing wage workers to join that organization.

Under the circumstances it should not be difficult for any intelligent workingman to determine just where he belongs and what his duty is.

The Wisconsin State Federation of Labor is looking after the interests of the workers, and no union man who has the welfare of the Labor movement at heart should fail to line up and attend this meeting.

Don't forget the date, and don't let your fellow-workers forget it—Sunday, Jan. 3, 1904.

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Joseph Roesch was eighty years of age and came to this country in 1849. He was originally a convert of Wilhelm Weitling, the great German agitator, and afterward took up with the clearer Socialism of Marx and Engels, and was always an unfaltering and enthusiastic Social Democrat. No opportunity to help on the great cause ever found him unwilling or apathetic—his faith and conviction in the ultimate triumph of our principles was steady and undying. Although an octogenarian, he made it a point to call at Socialist headquarters each week up to a short time before his death. His trade was that of a patternmaker and he died in fairly good circumstances, owing the modest little home in which he died. The interment, which was at Forest Home, was private. The pall-bearers were Victor L. Berger, A. Rohrdanz, John Doerfler, Frederic Heath, H. W. Bistorius, and A. Heumann.

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Sylvester Night Celebration.

The City Central Committee of Milwaukee at its last meeting decided, in view of the fact that the committee in charge failed to have the Picnic Prizes raffled, that they should be raffled at the New Headquarters, 344 Sixth street, Sylvester night, Dec. 31st, 1903.

Carnival Ticket Receipts.

Table listing names and amounts for Carnival tickets, including J. C. Kleist, Kraus & Wertheim, F. Bloderer, Chas. Pecher, Wenzel Denk, Aug. Uttech, P. L. Devine, G. Weber, Jr., J. Doerfler, Jr., G. Baumann, John Bernges, H. Schreiber, John Trabbold, N. Peterson, North ave.

"The future of the city rests with the grand jury," says the Free Press, in a moment of childish over-sanguineness, "Milwaukee is in dead earnest to get rid of corruption."

Because she would not succumb to the blandishments of the rich Johnnies who make a business of pursuing Pabst theater actresses, those remarkable judges of dramatic merit created a sentiment against an actress named Ruehmkoef, who had hired to play leading roles and drove the management to cast her for parts against which she rebelled.

C. P. Merriam, a small specimen of a "labor" heeler, has been reappointed secretary of the Soldiers' Relief Commission. A worse specimen of a political coffee-cooler than this man Merriam would be hard to find.

BIG CHRISTMAS AT BARRETT'S

Sales for Holiday Season Are Nearly Double Those of Last Year. "This is proving an excellent holiday season for our sales," declared J. P. Miley, of Barrett's store last night, in comparing the purchases with last year's Christmas trade.

"Here in our china department, for instance, are plates that are worth \$150 a dozen and this year is marked \$85. We have one of the finest stocks of porcelain ware in the country. We find that these higher grades are selling well, but the demand for the cheaper articles has by no means fallen off.

"Last year we had 200 clerks; this year we are keeping a force of 300. One thing we have found necessary is the installment of a hurry-up system of waiting on customers, and instead of our old cash carriers, we now have a wrapper at each counter as well as a cashier. In this way we keep our crowds moving, and the time we save is a big addition to our selling space."

New Headquarters Fund. Previously reported \$201.26. Mrs. Mary Thompson .50. J. K. S. .50. Edw. Gietzen .50. John Doerfler, Sr. 1.00. G. Weber .50. Herm. Pracht .50. Total \$204.76

Just a word about this fund. Exclusive of typewriters about \$15.00 is still necessary. The two typewriters cost each \$87.50. Of this amount the Herald and Vorwaerts each donated 45% in advertising, which leaves a balance of about \$110.00 due on the typewriters. Added together masses a total of \$125.00.

THINK OF SACHS' when you have a Christmas Gift in mind. Hundreds of Jewelry Gifts of appropriate nature—appropriate for any relative—your friend or your sweetheart.

A Christmas Gift. Many hundred of novelties to appeal to your judgment. We have enumerated the big list of appropriate articles you can buy here, they range from diamonds to hat pins—embroidery, watches, and silverware. But we invite you to come; if you do, we know you will be pleased with the assortment. Free Art Calendars to all Customers. L. Sachs, JEWELER, 412 National Ave.

STAR THEATER.

Commencing To-morrow Matinee. PRICES: 10, 20, 30c. Weber's Dainty Duchess Company. LADIES MATINEE THURSDAY.



THINGS OF BEAUTY FILL. "A Shop in the Center of the South Side". A few days more and our carefully selected showing will be broken. To those who appreciate truly artistic merchandise of the out-of-the-ordinary kind at ordinary prices, we ask an early call. Make a Dollar by purchasing a set of our \$2.50 Solid Gold Cuff Buttons—a dozen designs—your choice for \$1.50. ARCHIE TEGTMEYER Gold and Silver Smith Cor. National Av. and Grove St.

FAERBER'S BARGAIN STORE

We have bought an Agents Sample Line at 50% Discount and want to dispose of them quick. Full Line of Dry Goods. Notions, Cloaks, Dressing Scaques and Millinery Goods. All go at very low prices, and with every dollars worth of purchase we give a beautiful imported Vase Free.

READERS OF THE "HERALD" & "VORWAERTS," ATTENTION! You all know the "EXPO" has been secured for a Carnival Jan. 30th 1904, putting us under an enormous expense. This affair must be made a magnificent success at all hazards. "Flyers" are now printed, but unless each and every reader distributes his proportionate share, the Carnival will not be properly advertised. We must get out 200,000. Let every reader call at the office, 344 Sixth Street and get a supply.

\$400.00! WHO GIVES MORE? \$400.00! Fifth Annual Brewers' Gala Carnival and Prize Masquerade, GIVEN BY THE Milwaukee Bierbrauer-Arbeiter-Unterst.-Verein, SATURDAY, JAN. 23, 1903, at the EXPOSITION BUILDING.

\$100.00 OF PRIZES GIVEN ON COUPONS. Save your Coupons. They are good for a chance on a Gold Watch, Morris Chair, Gold Ring, One Ton Coal, Three Pair Shoes, Pair Brewers Boots, Rocking Chair, Case, Umbrella, Several Cases Bottle Beer, Cigars, Etc. SAVE YOUR COUPONS! Admission 50 Cents a Person. Franz Mayr's Military Band. Those who wish to participate in Prize Contest must be on the Floor at 9:30 P. M. SAVE YOUR COUPONS!

HOLIDAY SLIPPERS

Fashion's latest favorites in Slippers for Men, Women, and Children are displayed here. Style and comfort are combined in every pair and prices are exceptionally reasonable, as may be seen in the few items that follow.

Table listing various slipper styles and prices: Children's Felt Slippers, Ladies' Felt Slippers, Ladies' Fur Trimmed Romeo, Children's Dark-leather Felt Slippers, Children's Red Felt Romeo, Men's Everet Slippers, Men's Very Neat Tan Slippers, Men's All-solid Leather Dongola Slipper, Children's Storm Rubbers, Misses' Good Quality Rubbers, Boys' Best Quality Rubber Boots.

MEN'S SLIPPERS

Men's Everet Slippers in velvet or black Alligator, sizes 6-11, only 48c. Men's Very Neat Tan Slippers, all sizes and widths, only 85c. Men's All-solid Leather Dongola Slipper in Everet style, only 75c. Men's Very Neat Tan Slippers, all sizes and widths, only 85c. Also very large assortment of Men's Slippers in tan or black Romco-Julet, Everet or Opera cut, ranging in price from 1.00 to \$1.50.

Our Stock is very complete, if it is anything in SHOES, RUBBERS or SLIPPERS you want for the holidays, we have it at prices to suit you and everybody. WE GIVE TRADING STAMPS.

JOHN B. LAKE'S Shoe Store, 332 GROVE ST. TWO DOORS SOUTH OF NATIONAL AVE.

SKATE AT THE SOCIAL HOP FROM 10 to 12 O'CLOCK FRIDAY, DEC. 25th. ADMISSION 25 CENTS. SKATING BEFORE 10 O'CLOCK.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

The magnitude of our new store rendered it necessary for us to carry even a bigger stock than ever of all things pertaining to the jewelry trade. And our buying in such immense quantities, makes it possible for us to sell at figures which no other house in our line could meet. To purchase your Christmas presents of us, means: (1) Largest assortment; (2) Widest selection; (3) Lowest prices.

BUNDE & UPMAYER CO. Corner Wisconsin and East Water Streets, MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN.

Buy Diamonds If You Can

For Christmas Presents, but if this is not possible, you might descend to less expensive, and perhaps more desirable articles of dress, as for instance, SHOES. Lots of people need Shoes at this time of the year, or a pair of rubbers, or warm over-shoes, to cover their feet, and gifts of this kind to the needy will be thoroughly appreciated. Why not turn your attention in this direction and make your selections now.

Specials for Christmas Week.

- Men's Leather Slippers, all Colors, 50c; 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50. Men's Velvet Slippers 39c, 50c, 65c and 75c. Ladies Felt Slippers, with Leather or Felt Soles, 39c, 45c, 50c, 65c, 75c, 85c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50. Children's Felt Slippers 25c, 35c, 45c and 65c. Children's Rubber Boots, Sizes 6 to 10 1/2, \$1.00; Sizes 11 to 2, \$1.25. Boys' Rubber Boots, with Pebble Legs, Sizes 8 to 6, \$1.85. Boys' Pure Gum, Dull Finish, Rubber Boots, Size 8 to 6, \$2.00.

LOUIS RIPPLE, 554 MITCHELL STREET, MILWAUKEE.

A Word to Our Stockholders.

The stockholders of the Milwaukee Social Democratic Publishing Co. will hold their annual meeting at the office, 344 Sixth st., Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 14, 1904, at 8 o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of electing directors and transacting such other business as may properly be brought up. Heretofore the stockholders have been very indifferent and careless and have failed to attend these meetings. As matters of great importance will be discussed it behooves every stockholder to attend. The Herald has improved greatly during the year in all ways, still it is far from what it ought or could be. No matter how faithful your editor, manager and of ficers are, they are only part of the machinery, which will not run without your active co-operation. Unless the response for aid and assistance is liberal and spontaneous in the securing of subscriptions, our growth is not what it should be. We are now in larger quarters and your officers are eager and anxious for greater, more rapid expansion. We are willing to work harder than ever, but it depends almost entirely upon you to keep us busier, by bringing us the subscriptions, the advertising, etc. Do not fail to attend the meeting and in the meantime, hustle! hustle! hustle!!!

Geo. Schlegler, The Popular West Side Men's Furnisher, CORNER 13th & VLIET STREETS, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

NOTHING LIKE Le Roy's German Cough Balsam FOR COUGHS AND COLDS, At BILLING'S PHARMACY, 332 Chestnut Street. Have you seen our Comrade-Herald combination offer? See advertisement elsewhere.

Musical Instruments

Of all kinds and qualities can be had at absolute lowest prices at F. H. HOCHMUTH, 311 Chestnut St. Give me a call and convince yourself! Mention this paper. We prescribe and make glasses for the sight. A. REINHARD, Optician, 206 Grand Avenue, Milwaukee.

JOHN SCHUETZ, The Leading Clothier and Merchant Tailor, 957-959 HOWELL AVE., Cor. Kinnickinnic.

CUSTOM TAILORS UNION LABEL

Our full stock of union-made suits and overcoats is now complete. We carry the largest stock of union-made suits, overcoats and mens' furnishings in the city at popular prices. NOTICE: If you want a first-class custom UNION-MADE suit or overcoat you can get it here as all our tailors are union men and we have adopted the Union Label.

Advertisement for C. Preusser Jewelry Co. featuring an illustration of a woman in a long dress. Text: THE HOLIDAYS. Jewelry is distinctively a holiday gift, if bought at PREUSSER'S it will be found WORTH THE MONEY PAID. BROOCHES, RINGS, LOCKETS, CHAINS, WATCHES AND CLOCKS. all in variety and at lowest consistent prices. SILVER WARES & SILVER PLATED WARES are handled extensively here; we sell well tried makes only. KNIVES, FORKS, SPOONS, singly or in dozens, at close to wholesale rates. We invite all readers of the "Social Democratic Herald" in search of satisfactory gifts to call at our store, Corner Mason and East Water Streets. C. PREUSSER JEWELRY CO.

OPEN EVENINGS. CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

MOST WELCOME TO ALL. Fine Skates for Ladies @ Gen's, 55c to \$2.50. Hockey Skates, 70c to \$3.50. Speed Skates, \$1.50 to \$4.00. Double Runner, Sled Skates, 25c and 40c. Our assortment of Skates, quality and prices are hard to beat. With every pair FREE an admission ticket to the skating rink. Sleighs & Sleds in wood or steel, to suit all, 17c to \$3.25. Steel Express Wagons, 95c. Tricycles and Velocipedes, \$1.35 to \$6.50. And lots of other articles, suitable and desirable. Peter Paulus Hdw. Co., 387 Third Street and 310 Chestnut Street.

TAKE YOUR CHOICE. Watches \$1.00 to \$10.00. Link Buttons 6.00 to 25.00. Watch Cases 1.00 to 5.00. Gold Rings 1.00 to 200.00. Scarf Pins 0.50 to 25.00. Toilet Sets 2.00 to 20.00. Bracelets 1.00 to 75.00. Gold Clocks 1.00 to 150.00. Fountain Pens 1.00 to 6.00. And a lot of other good things. A. J. STOESEL, THIRD & MADLEY STS.

Clemens Bachmann, BARBERSHOP And SALOON, 482 Eleventh St., Cor. Cherry, MILWAUKEE, WIS.