Hacking at the Branches of Evil to One who is Chopping at the Root.

The Rostrum.

An Elusive Plea for Democratization of Industry by James F. Carey at Manchester, N. H.

"Every movement in the direction of reducing the size of the great trusts is a movement against ignorance and prejudice. People have for too long believed that the trusts are a power. It is the duty of every man and woman to see that the trusts do not keep the bright light of those big ideas. They did meet the light of the day, not only by the trust, but also by the public."

Society must analyze the difference between a few facts which are driving it by a barrier which grows more distinct and inexpressible every day.

The States is controlled by a class and not a class of state.

The American people are dependent upon the rich and substitute co-operative labor with democratic administration of industry by society as a whole.

INVITE YOUR FRIENDS TO SUBSCRIBE.

The Rostrum.
PUBLIC UTILITIES AND THE COMMUNITY.

PUBLIC UTILITIES are the means, used to supply civic needs, which are necessary for the well-being of the community. The general name of public utilities are: streets, sewers, street cleaning and lighting, water supply, sanitation, police, fire, garbage collection, and electric lighting. The limit of public utilities is the limit of community life.

For our present purpose, public utilities are divided into those supplying the primary needs, and those supplying the secondary needs.

In the first division would come all such as serve for the protection of the life, health, and property of the individual citizen.

In this class we have all the safeguards of life: firemen, streets, sewers, street cleaning and lighting, police, health departments, water supply, garbage collection, electric lighting, etc.

Then we have the schools, public libraries, parks, which really belong in the primary division, because they come so completely identified with the first. They are the right now primary needs.

The other class of developed properties are those which do not directly affect our physical health, our personal safety, or our electric lighting. The limit of such properties is the limit of community life.

Notice, however, the primary utilities do not encompass all things great within the, presidency of a national steel company, but also to public ownership.

The big question is: who shall own the steel company?

One of the first points raised by those who oppose public ownership is an ethical one. They point to the results of the economy, the unemployment, and self-destruction of those who have no stake in the enterprise.

For the man who speaks of "condemnation," Nol we do not wish to invalidate any right; only to prevent the wrong which is inevitable when any individual or group of individuals controls or sells off the utility of the nation.

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The Socialist Vote

The Political Struggle for Socialism from 1867 to 1899

Many persons whose sympathies are with the cause of Socialism are unwilling to discuss it, for fear that the kind of argument which has been given by the party of the present time, may lead them to believe that there is no chance of success in the future.

The truth is, that success is absolutely certain, and that all that is needed is to continue the struggle until the right time arrives.

The doctrine of Socialism is based upon the principle that the interest of the working class is identical with the interest of the whole society.

Under the old system, the wealth of the country was accumulated in the hands of a few, while the masses toiled for the benefit of those few.

The working class, therefore, has been left to struggle for existence, while the rich men have been able to enjoy life in luxury.

But, as the years have gone by, the working class has become more and more conscious of its own power, and has begun to organize itself in order to demand its share of the wealth of the country.

The Socialists have shown that, by means of a democratic system of government, the working class can be placed in power, and that, under that system, the wealth of the country can be divided equally among all the people.

The time has come, therefore, for the working class to demand its rights, and to demand that it shall have a voice in the government of the country.

The Socialists are confident that, if the working class will only unite and organize itself, it can overcome all difficulties, and can bring about a better system of government than the one which now exists.

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HEATH Has the Floor in Reply to Martin.

WHEN he put the final paragraph to his interesting article on the farm labor question, Mr. Heath states that he believed the farmers as a class would be the last to accept Socialism, because they are not in a state of animal existence, and, consequently, the last to feel the unbridled peasant hunger. This is quite correct, in one sense, but in another sense it is not.

But it is for just this reason that the poor farmer is the best possible subject for Socialism, for while he will not be a simple meal for victuals that will drive the next poor man to the wall, Mr. Martin says, in that way of a man's work, whom the Socialists are not likely to be able to change before they can see the whole. The average farmer, and the work of the factories, and the heart of the man.

The Socialists, then, have the factory. The farmer is the best subject for Socialism, and it is the work of the farmers that is the best subject for Socialism.

Nor are the farmers exploiters, in the sense in which the word is used. They are simply men who are paid for their work on the land, and who, therefore, have a right to be considered as capitalists. It is the work of the farmers that makes the farmers exploiters, and not their wages. It is the work of the farmers that makes the farmers exploiters, and not the prices of their produce.

The political movements of the working class are largely determined by the wages of the laborers, and the efforts of the laborers to secure higher wages. This is true of all classes, and it is the work of the farmers that makes the farmers exploiters, and not the prices of their produce.

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Progress at Haverhill.

Branch 4, Haverhill, has re-elected the old officers: Chairman, Frank A. Bigelow; Vice-Chairman, August Wille; Secretary, Geo. Messerschmitt; Treasurer, N. T. Peterson; Organizers, Gustave Richter.

New members were also elected to give a half on May 6th. The officers of the branch met to organize a committee on arrangements. Tickets were sold for the benefit, and can be procured from the secretary or treasurer.

Gordon Messerschmitt, Sec.

May 2 - Mary C. Backman, Pres.; Second Branch City Council, Miss Jacobson, Comptroller; E. H. Wentz.

Dr. Daniel E. Brewer, one of the most prominent physicians of Haverill, in a lecture advocated the establishment of a Temperance Home in Chicago unless the city secures a temperance law at the next election. He said: "The percentage of criminality is as high in the United States that we have on habitual or hereditary criminal in every city. We have our own wish to pepe, many, and unhappy instanced, and unless our laws will continue to increase at the same rate, they have in the past, until it is appalling to think of. The work of Chicago doesn't seem to have any crime laws of a new law of criminal laws; then it would be better to have a Tenpence, but the like of the manufacturers and degenerates might be restrained. We should have law companies, making the same as well as they go, and that we are needed.

New Branch at Cincy.
The first meeting of the S. D. P. at Cincinnati took place on Monday evening, April 17th, was very encouraging to its organizers. We understand that several names for membership have been approved for the society, and that the new branch will be well attended. We are pleased to learn that we have placed our head at the local branch, Charles Adam Nagel. As a worker for socialism, we are pleased to have the most enthusiastic and capable of the society in Cincinnati is bright. All comrades, and any one interested in the movement, are kindly requested to be present at any of our meetings, which will take place every Monday evening at 8 o'clock at the local branch, 519 N. 10th Street, corner of 5th and Plum streets. The local branch wishes to extend a cordial welcome to our friends.

Chairman, Charles Adam Nagel, chairman; J. H. Heff, vice-chairman; C. D. Lindsey, secretary; Robert J. Waite, treasurer.

Brookton is Ours.

Branch 9 of Brookton is seeking to gain the confidence of the people in Brookton. The society, who has a sound and able speaker, was heard from earlier.

The movement in New England has been gaining impetus of the Rev. E. H. Keene. He has been working earnestly for the advancement of Socialism, and has expressed his willingness to assist in the movement in every possible way. We have every reason to believe that the society in Brookton would be proud to add the branch.

Brookton Times, which is a local paper, has not printed a line of either one of his lectures presumably because of the above facts. But there are other papers.

The New York Times of Saturday announced that the Society held a meeting on Monday, April 10th, and that the new branch held a meeting on Tuesday, April 12th. The meeting was held in 29 new members which makes 61 in the past two weeks.

We are not satisfied, nor do we consider it our duty, as part of our municipal policy, to force the work on the people. We are ready to make it the subject of discussion.

Our city council is getting a working extra time this week. To the time, we believe it will demonstrate that the New York Times is not a part of our organized body of men. The chief duty at present is the collection of data and the presentation of the facts, and the work will be completed.

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The Social Democratic Party Platform

The Social Democratic Party of America denounces the misdeeds and harmful influence of the National Labor Union in behalf of the working classes, workers, and the toiling classes, demands the encouragement of organized labor and the improvement of the conditions of the workingmen. The workingmen of the world form one big family, and all those who work alike and for the same object are bound to join in the work of progress and the organization of the working class. The Social Democratic Party of America does not hope for the establishment of social order through violence or the direct overthrow of the existing order, but through the organization of the working classes, the working classes gaining control of the working class movement in the United States, and by bringing about the abrogation of the doctrine of capital, by improving the conditions of the workingmen, and by securing the right of union. The Social Democratic Party of America, shall hold a charter, signed by the National Federation of Labor Unions, by the National Executive Committee, the General Assembly of the federation, and the working class organizations. The working men and women in the United States shall be the only members of the organization. The Social Democratic Party of America shall be the only organization of the working class in the United States. The Social Democratic Party of America shall hold a charter, signed by the National Federation of Labor Unions, by the National Executive Committee, the General Assembly of the federation, and the working class organizations. The working men and women in the United States shall be the only members of the organization. The Social Democratic Party of America shall be the only organization of the working class in the United States.
HEALTH IS OF FIRST IMPORTANCE

The lecture by J. A. Knows, M. D., on "Socialism and Its Relation to the Body" before the American Medical Association at St. Louis, was recently published in the medical literature of the country.

That all he says of diseases among the people is due to the poor quality of the food, the lack of proper medical advice, the lack of proper rest, and the want of money, is very true, but is the doctor sure he has the horse in front of the cart? The horse is necessary, but not the imperative need of life, that is the doctor means that his horse is life, danger, particularly if we have three conditions have we done ignorance? Is it if he is made to understand that what you are telling me. The horse won't be a apt to think, and in stead of keeping something in the old horse, you try another field of labor. You may say, "It's not yet the desire for change has awakened through the desire for health. And health, even today, is the strongest incentive man has for improvement from this immense cost of each experience. "How will the doctor make you look well?" is the next question. If you are not doing things you will be doing much more.

The agitation of students in this city for the improvement of employment and to continue their work are still in progress. 4,000 students were not able to take part in the public demonstration. 100 students have been arrested in Kiel.

VIOLET, IRELAND

The Austrian government is pushing its reactionary work against the Socialists and the people of Vienna is general such an extent that it is hardly possible to understand what rule will end. The Social Demo- crats of Austria are meeting the mon- day May Day demonstration.

BREMEN, GERMANY

The Social Democrats, according to a late report, have chosen Socialistic city elections nelle "180000 sozialistisch besetzte Orte".

CHEMNITZ, GERMANY

The Social Democrats of this district published a pamphlet known as "Volksröntgen, Kritik des gegenwärtigen Wirkens der Mehrheitsfraktion auf Ortsversammlungen, etc.", the paper had been published three times a week.

GENERAL NOTES

General Lawton has been com- mittee to go over the territory he has covered.

Only 20 miserable lunatics took the dip in the ocean at San Francisco during the month of February, its not the usual time for every day.

The Socialists of Copenhagen ministered all their candidates to the city council (eighty), and all of them have the same opinion.

In the provincial counties of Pa- 25,000,000 adult men and women, 10,000,000 children, 19,000,000 articles of wearing apparel.

It is estimated that in England one in five is under cultivation of living.

250 American cities have paid fire departments and 600 partly paid.

A joint resolution to establish a state printing house has passed both branches of the Michigan legis-