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JUNGLE TRADITIONS

Of Present Competitive System Arraign-

ed by Zueblin.

Ethical Culture Society at Carnegie

during his present four weeks' in New

York. His subject for the day was "Edu-

cation and Life." He said, in part:

"The present waste of life is appall-

ing. It is the crime of civilization that

hair in search of employment, because

the sign of age would be a hindrance

to them. The number of absolutely

worn-out men at 35 and 40 is one of the

shameful accompaniments of 20th cen-

to prevent this awful falling by the way-

side, while we sweep on toward fuller

"We have learned to live in a climate

that is very hot in summer and very

cold in winter. We have heat in winter,

and ice in summer. But think of the

millions who never have either ice or

heat, who are never warm in winter or

comfortable in summer. Here is a city

of wealth never before known in his-

tory. Yet untold numbers are in want,

"You will say 'These people are shift-

We have no right

less, have no ideals.' Perhaps; but how

about the children whom we permit to

to permit any child to be born in squalid

see to it that every child is well-born.

"While our favored youth are in-

creasing in size and vigor, what of the

beyond the fifth year. We are familiar

with the awful destruction of life that

we always to be manacled to the tra-

"We are missing the best of life,

largely because of our brute selfishness

to others. The hazards of the present

ruthless competitive system crush us

all down. No man can live a full nor

mal life in a city like New York, in the

midst of thousands who are just hang

Why should women; with so intens

a maternal instinct that they will lay

down their lives to give their offspring

life, be dependent for their right to

maternity upon the chance of getting

a man to support them? If a woman

is granted by nature a yearning and a

capacity for bearing children, why

should she not have them? We should

work for a system of society in which

children will not be made dependent for

their right-to-be, upon the chance earn-

"But the best spiritual interests of

the child can only be served in the

home, where father and mother live to-

gether in mutual love. Why there

should not be organized a system of

society in which everyone should have

abundant security and leisure, I can not

POUREN DEFENSE CONFERENCE.

Enters Upon Campaign to Protect Rus

sian Political Refugees.

At the meeting, Dec. 7, of the Executive

Committee of the Pouren Defense Con-

ference, N. Y., Prof. J. A. Hourwich made

an exhaustive report of the extradition

proceedings in Chicago, in which Com-

missioner Foote rendered a decision

against Christian Rudowitz and held wit-

ness Juraw for contempt of Court, be

cause the witness refused to answer

questions of the counsel for Russia as to

the names of certain active revolution-

ists who are still within the Czar's do

main. The Chicago Committee will not

only take appeals in both cases, but will

also call for the assistance of every lib-

erty-loving element in the United States

It was decided to arrange for a large

protest meeting in N. Y. city at the earli-

est possible date and a committee with

From the Pouren Defense League of

San Francisco, -Cal., the first financial

The vigorous prosecution of the vari

ous cases now pending in Court, and of

the campaign against the Treaty itself

will require considerable funds. Friends

and sympathizers are asked to send con-

tributions to the treasurer, Dr. Paul S. Kaplan, 230 East Broadway, N. Y. city.

contribution of \$98.85 was received.

in protesting this monstrous outrage.

ings of the father.

understand."

full power.

ing on to the ragged edge.

ditions of the jungle and the sea?

life for some people!

squalor and discomfort.

be born in dirt?

ONE DOLLAR PER YEAR.

SEEN IN PASSING

REMARKS AT RANDOM ON WEEK'S EVENTS.

Principle Versus Practice of Peace "Patriotic" Commercialism-The Real Meaning of "Assisting the Mining Industry"-In Denouncing the Corruptee Let Not the Corrupter Escape

Austria declares that all the powers are agreed in principle for peace. In practice, evidently, they are for war. This sounds very much like our plutocratic capitalists. In principle they agree that Labor has rights. In practice they are equally agreed that there are no such rights, at least, none that erve respect.

Leslie M. Shaw, ex-Sec'y of the Treas ury is hot in the collar over the fact that sociology amounts to Socialism. "In the college and the university they teach logy!" he exclaims, and proceeds to admit mournfully mutinous, "Most of it is nothing but Socialism." Guess the colleges had better substitute the lec-tures on sociology with lectures on Moth-

"Let us increase our Army and Navy!" is the patriotic exclamation with which the patriotic members of the Italian Chamber are puncturing their patriotic speeches against "the Austrian invasion of the Balkans." On the surface these Italian patriots, like patriots everywhere else, seem indignant at the conduct of blood to boil. Looked below the surface gladness, the gladness of the tradesman who sees the prospect of a big sale is eabily perceived. An increase of Aries and Navies opens vistas of sales vitolesale) of shoes and clothes, of provisions and ammunit ms. of notes and cheques. What 'oourgeois patriot can fail to expect at least a sprinkle of such "good times"? What bourgeois patriot would not be patriotic?

In a loose way the saying is current that the capitalist class owns the workers "body and soul." This is a rather perbolic way of expressing the thought of capitalist power. Hitherto, in aceuracy, the capitalist owned only the body of the workers. Their souls still escaped him. If the discovery of M. d'Albe, revealed in London before the Society of Psychical Research. is a true thing, then the workingman's soul is as sure to pass into the possession of the capitalist, and be listed among talist assets, as his body now is. M. d'Albe's theory is that the soul consists of a number of psychomeres, corpuscles that are opaque to ultra-violet light, and which, uniting after death, constitute the soul, and then float in the atmosphere M. d'Albe explains that these bodies "have consciousness and power of lotion," probably "derived from the altra-violet rays of the sun." An Ultraviolet Sun Rays Trust would capture t M. d'Albe's opinion that the soul "lives cheaply" is an additional tive for the new Trust.

Woe is the miners! A letter was reby the American Mining Consession in Pittsburg, Pa., from at-elect Taft expressing the opinthat the mining industry, "second only to agriculture in its contribution to wealth, . . deserves all nder it." The "national wealth" capitalist governments conside rving of assistance is the plunder ad in the pockets of the capitalist There is but one way of "assistthis wealth - to turn the screws on the workers. To assist that of the "national wealth" found the pockets of the toilers is "pater-

spers's forces in Congress seen have melted away at the sight of Cannon with a unanimity borrowed that with which Gompers's s are said to melf away at the sight of a glass of whiskey and soda The appearance of Cannon at the r's desk was the signal for an vation in which Democrats vied with blicans to "do honor to the head

in a flutter, aghast and amazed, unable to understand how her chicks, thought to be chicks, yet being ducks, take to the water, regardless of the maternal clucks of warning. Gompers clucked all through the campaign, warning his presumptive chicks against the Taft pool, and yet they rushed thither as "to the pool born." And indeed they were. Hatched to life under the Gompers wings of "Capital has Rights," what more natural than to expect from Gompers incubatees but that they rush for shelter under the wings of the biggest capitalist, who, of course, must have the biggest Rights.

Congress-if, indeed, there is an element in Congress honestly anxious to ascertain where the \$40,000,000 went to which were appropriated to buy the Panama Canal-will have a hard row to hoe in its efforts to find out. When there is a \$40,000,000 loot there is ample means to cover up tracks, at least to render next to impossible the following of the trail of the "Pillars of Low and Order."

How much like the occasional financial reports of some of the "bulwarks of capitalism," the Gompers A. F. of L. Unions, does the financial portion of the Presidential annual message to Congress sound and look! When a "bulwark of capitalism" wants to conceal its present financial straits it lumps up the running lean year with by-gone fat ones and presents an imposing array of solvency. Likewise Roosevelt's message. It conceals a fast seven months \$78,000,000 deficit under the cloak of a \$100,000,000 surplus for the previous seven years. The difference between the Roosevelt and the Power that causes their patriotic A. F. of L. officer dodge is only the difference between huge and petty swindle.

> On the 13th of this month closed the fifth week since the date, Nov. 7, when the last so-called "Industrial Bulletin" turned up in this office. One of two things -either "Headquarters" have decided to prove the new faith of anarchy that is in them by issuing their organ regularly at irregular intervals; or the "Editor" rs that his editorial duties begin with pocketing his salary, and that the issuing of the paper is only a secondary editorial consideration, left dependent upon whether there is any cash left for such luxury.

Ead days are returning for the Socialist party man Mr. Robert Hunter's "old American stock." According to Mr. Hunter, the "degraded immigration" from Europe affected the procreative powers of his beloved "old The tide of that "degraded migration" receded last year. The seemed to be in a fair way to recover its potency and fertility; when, lo, the tide of immigration returns to thes shores, and dashes "old stock" expectancy into renewed "race suicide."

After having confirmed, in its examination before the Federal Referee Prancis Franklin, the worst that has been said about its mercantile manipulations, the Standard Oll now proceeds to confirm that charge that Socialism has long been preferring against capitalism in general-the charge that it debauches even Science- and Art. The batch of witnesses now dragged before the referee by the unspeakable Standard Oil to give it a "character" consists of "professors and experts in

Now that so much pharisaic conmnation is being showered upon Croker by our moral plutocrats and their clerical retainers, and that these same rentlemen are showering so many praises upon the civic virtues of Cleveland, it were well that these censors of morals remembered and took to heart the, probably, only bold and wise thing Cleveland ever did or said. Addressing the Chamber of Commerce, shortly after his re-election, Cleveland pointedly remark: ed: "Gentlemen, there would be less corruption in politics if business men were nore honest." Many a face blanched. Croker is but a corruptee. Guiltier than the corruptee is the corruptor,

Among the "accidents," or "coincinces" of the season, Providentially intended to prove that there is no such thing as an "accident," or a "coinciis the "accidental coincidence" of the Reichstag and of Congress both enmonth's "Federationist," when can are the same time, at the "person "The Campaign and Labor's sonal rule" system of the Chief Execusion that of a clucking hen, all tive. Boosevelt, slapping the face of "Law and Order."

A WORD FOR THE ANARCHIST

archy is established, and amply known, Anarchy, as a theory, is unresponsive to economic facts and social development. The economic law of civilization pushes towards the production of wealth in such abundance and with such ease that man shall be freed of the animal burden of excessive toil for the necessaries of life, along with the harrowing specter of want. Abundant production compels co-operation on a large scale. Large scale co-bperation compela organization. Organization compels headship, or be it central directing authority. The conception of An-Archy is at discord with facts.

In accord with this discord, and, consequently, even more irrational, is Anarchy in point of tactics. Deafness and blindness to the dictates of the require ments of organization leads to scattered individual action in the exercise of the Might requisite to enforce the Right of Mankind. By an inevitable chain of causes and effect, Anarchy drives to utonomous bomb-throwing-a phenomnon likewise unresponsive to facts.

Anarchy, accordingly, is at war with reason.-So that switch is locked.

Que more preliminary observation-There are two categories of people who call themselves "Anarchists," but who are eliminated from this article:

The first is the reptile element, of whom the police-spy and agent-provocaeur are sub-species. These are the Anarchists for revenue only," and may he dismissed.

The second is an element that might find fault with being at all mentioned together with the first. No stigma is meant to be put upon them. This element, with fully a score of whose mem-bers this office is personally acquainted are, in point of character, the most lovable of men and women. Honor is their badge. An unclean act is not imaginable

Congress by the insulting insinuation

that it seeks to protect its own mem-

bers from the Secret Service (as though

the Executive were above corruption)

would naturally remind thinking people

of the Kaiser's ways. Seeing that

many people do not think, Pro-

events of Berlin. They illustrate a

parallel—the parallel of the intolerable-

ness of capitalist chieftainship, and that

our President is but a Kaiser in disguise.

"The National League for the Civic

Education of Women" is the name cer-

tain, gentlemen, engaged in opposing

woman's right to the suffrage, have giv-

en to their organization. Had these gen-

tlemen not better start with a League

Savings Banks have long been pretend-

ing that they are the "poor man's bank,"

and that their only object is to help the

poor man. Now that so many of these

'poor men's banks" have left their de-

these depositors are endeavoring to ob-

tain Postal Savings the "poor man's

bank's" runners are all in a flutter-over

Receiver Thomas F. Gilroy of the

Fidelity Funding Company, which col-

lapsed with \$4,500,000 liabilities, an-

nounces that a large number of priests

and nuns are among the stockholders of

the bankrupt concern, and, consequent-

ly, will be heavy losers. As to the Fidel-

ity Funding Company itself, it's col-

lause is no surprise: It is not the first

and will not be the last capitalist con-

cern to be killed by its own swindle.

But how about the "priest and nun

stockholders"? That must be in the

nature of a surprise to those who know

that the "vow of poverty," expressed

or implied, goes with nunhood and

parades that never took place.

priesthood.

the ingratitude of the "poor man"?

witers poorer than they were, and

for their own education?

furnishes the simultaneous

above heading. Its posture towards An-1 explainable kink in their minds "An-1 with the other Congressmen." archy" to them is neither a social or economic theory, nor yet a theory of tactics. With them "Anarchy" is a code of abstract ethics-just that and nothing more-and, stranger yet, that code is fully, subscribed to by Socialism, is as old as the hills, and is in no way a product of Anarchy.

> These two categories of Anarchists are not under consideration.

The Anarchist here under consideration is only the species which ignores the dictates of economic and social facts; the species which, instead of adapting its aspirations to facts, seeks to mold facts into agreement with its aspirations; in short, the species which, sincerely aspiring after and laboring for an An-Archistic state of things, will listen only to the "bomb argument" and repudiates political action, with its conse quence of "parliamentarism."

Strange as it may seem at first blush there IS a word to be said for these erring men-the Anarchist, proper,

The Anarchist, proper, is not wholly the product of his own mistaken premises. The Anarchist, proper, is partly the product of a certain Socialist element, hard to distinguish from the capitalists whom Edward Bellamy pictures comfortably sitting in a coach and critically discussing the condition of the people who are harnessed thereto, and drag it with the sweat of their brow and their lives, besides. Two letters re-ceived by this effice will illustrate the

Our two correspondents admit the in feriority, intellectual and otherwise, of Mr. Morris Hillquit to cope with the capitalists in Congress; but, say they, 'Hillquit's suave manners would make him friends in Congress, where others might make enen es"; and one of them adds: "His [Hir uit's] financially easy

The People needs not apologize for the from them. Due, however, to some un- circumstances would put him on a level

It is just such notions, entertained by Socialists, that, falling upon the ears Hall, Sunday, December 13, what was deof a class-conscious workingman, will cidedly the best lecture he has given unless he is otherwise well balanced, cause him to wash out the bath with the baby-angrily diseard political action, and as angrily fall into the ways of the Anarchist proper. It is a case of healthy instinct instinctively rebelling against Error, but carried to false conclusions by the very shock that the Error gives.

"Bravery," so runs the Spanish proverb, "does not exclude courtesy." courtesy is one thing, smirking another. A Socialist has no business to "make friends" with the foe. The foe can never be converted. All that a Socialist should earn from the foe is his respect and fear-his friendship is but a bribe, a narcotic at best. The bane of parliamentarism is the temptation to ingratiate. To the temptation even a sturdy man may succumb-the smirker has succumbed in advance. The boldest warriors are the most courteous; the suave are the weakest, if they are not downright cravens.

The Anarchist, proper, consciously or unconsciously realizes the insidious poison that parliamentarism infiltrates its members with. The Anarchist, proper, wrongly mistrusts even his own power, let alone others, to remain immune in such an atmosphere. The Anarchist, proper, is confirmed in his mistaken views by such Socialists' utterances as quoted above, backed as they are by such. Socialists' conduct as the American Movement already has furnished in Haverhill and in the Massachusetts Legisla ture, and as it is furnishing now in Wisconsin.

It is this healthy instinct of the Anarchist, proper, that deserves a word in his behalf. It is the instinct that keeps Socialism hale-and warns it against "suavity."

The official reports from the Secreta-ries of State received up to date at this office register the below figures as the poll of the S. L. P. and the S. P. From day to day, as the official reports are received, they will be registered on the two

	Missouri	1,674 2,680 2,633 2,211 488 421	868 1,196 721 1,222 183 176
	Virginia	20,963	8,806
	A decrease of 12,157. S. P.		
Š	States.	1904	1908
ă	Arizona	1.304	1.912
8	California	29,535	28,659
g	Colorado	4,304	7,974
B	Connecticut	4,543	5,113
ä	Delaware	146	239
ä	Florida	2,337	3,447
ğ	Idaho	4.949	6,400
ŧ	Illinois	69,225	34,711
S	Indiana	12,013	13,476
8	Iowa	14,847	8,287
ŝ	Kentucky	3,602	4,060
8	Maine	2,103	1,758
9	Maryland	13.604	2,323 10.778
ă	Massachusetts Minnesota	11,692	14.471
ä	Mississippi	393	978
i	Missouri	13,009	15,431
ş	New Hampshire	1.090	1.200
ä	New Jersey	9,587	10.253
ă	Ohio	36.260	33,795
ğ	Pennsylvania	21,863	33,913
8	Rhode Island	956	1,365
B	South Carolina,	22	100
ă	South Dakota	3,138	2,846
8	Texas	2,791	7,870
ä	Vermont	868	*****
8	Virginia	218	255
ğ	West Virginia	1,572	3,679
g	Wyoming	1,077	1,715
Personal	Total	269,295	257,107

"Guilty" to the charge of felony is the plea made by Capt. Louis Wendell of the First Battery, N. G. N. Y. Who does not remember the doughty Captain's frothings against "men too lazy to work," hurled at the head of workers or strike? We now know how the Captain worked. He presented to the Auditing

Ownership San Francisco, Cal., December . C. -Board bills for \$1,500 for the hire of drill parade horses which he never hired, for tling clutch of the railroads what we now know positively, we knew Meeting in the Merchants' Exchange

eral hours of heated discussion, an executive committee was appointed and a but a covert ultimatum and declaration

Both the Southern Pacific and the Santa Fe railroad companies are to be have greatly reduced the cost of opera-

A further grievance discussed was the interests of the State

G. J. Bradley, the newly elected secretary, addressed the Association and demonstrated with fact and floure that the railroads are reaping fabulous returns. In speaking of the railroads' dividends, he showed the whole process of stock watering and the deceptive statistics that are thus generated. Further, he proved beyond all question the secret connection existing between all the railroads and shipping concerns and their connivance to clevate rates

A resolution favoring the municipal The shippers have fashioned the munipowerful club.

No matter if the economic war declared or not; no matter how the struggle would terminate; no matterif municipal ownership should be the outcome; the proletariat would still have its chains alone to lose.

When you have read this paper, pass It on to a friend

THINGS ENGLISH

Prof. Charles Zueblin, the sociologist GRAYSON AS A REVOLUTIONLA and reformer, delivered before the FALLS SHORT.

> Made Election Campaign on Reform Platform - Women's Suffrage Movement Reactionary in Tendency-Limi ited Votes-Justice Wanting.

Heywood, England, November 29. -There are some things regarding Victor Grayson, M.P., and also regarding the there are so many men dyeing their women's enfranchisement movement here which will be of information to readers of The People. As regards Victor Grayson, M.P., I do not wish to underrate the effect or the value of his recent protest in Parliament re unemployment. I tury progress. What care are we taking simply desire to let your readers know a little more about the man as we know him here. His election address was of the usual reform character, putting up Land Reform for the petty bourgeoisie woman's enfranchisement as against adult enfranchisement, in order to catch the women's sympathy abolition of the House of Lords to suit the ultra-Radical and what not to suit all kinds; but "un conditional surrender of the Capitalist Class"? Oh, dear, no! Oh, dear, no! of nearly 5,000,000, with a concentration Not at all. That would have savored of the "fanatical" S. L. P.

His election address was a denial of the International Socialist slogan: So cialism is the ONLY hope of the work ers." He held out the rainbow, elusive vanishing hope of Reform, and his calling himself a REVOLUTIONARY So cialist is only another of his fly-paper surroundings. The future society will to catch and help the support of a Re volutionary element in the working class.

He is known of old to the S. L. P.-era ruthless destruction of life half way. down the social ladder? Over half the and before he rose to his present emin ence as an M.P. he was challenged to human life that starts to be, never gets debate because he had repudiates the "class struggle," but no debate came off. He backed out. That he still ad goes on in the animal world; but are heres to his repudiation of the class struggle, I can afford proof of in twe statements he has made since he became an M.P.

In the "Manchester Guardian" of the 24th of July, 1907, Grayson is reported to have stated-and subsequent statements of his bear it out)-"He believed that the conscientious and educated capitalist could see no salvation FOR HIS CLASS other than in the advancement of Socialist principles." He is really an advocate of State ownership, which he labels Socialism.

This medicine he wishes the working class to swallow and wash down with the small beer of revolutionary phrases which are not very revolutionary.

Just recently in the Grand Opera House, Bury, Nr. Manchester, on Sunday, 22nd November, 1908, Grayson said that they were not out to hate the capitalist class, and he threw the responsibility for the evils of expitalism on the workers He also said that Socialism was not a question of getting possession of the means of life but it was a matter of sentimentalist out and out, and only adopts militant tactics, to try and call attention of the capitalist class to the evil plight of the working class and force the conservative element to do something to make the workers better-fed wage slaves, better educated wage slaves, but still wage slaves. At least, all his reform platform does not lead to any more.

Woman's Movement Reactionary.

As regards the Women's Enfranchisement Movement, this is one of the reforms which constitute a veiled reaction when examined closely. These reformers do not intend to give the vote to women but only to some women, and the law they intend to introduce will give more votes to the middle and upper class women than to the working class women

The relative strengths of the capitalist class and the working class at the ballot box will be altered. The working class may gain a little in voting power absolutely, but the capitalist-upper and middle class-will gain far more in proportion. Hence the working class will be relatively weaker

Some of The People readers may ask how this will come about. Well, the new law proposes to give the vote to women on the SAME TERMS AS IT IS GIVEN TO MEN; that is to say, on a property qualification. You must rent

house before you can have a vote. Now, the majority of working class

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THE VOTE.

Of the S. L. P. and the S. P.

S. L. P.

Illinois Indiana
Kentucky
Massachusetts

A decrease of 12,188.

The 1904 vote of the S. L. P. was—
The 1904 vote of the S. P. was—
408,230.

SHIPPERS FIGHT RAIROADS.

California Merchants Form Association to War on Carriers-Want Municipal-

The manufacturers and shippers gen erally throughout the State have been goaded into organization by the throt

representatives of all the important shippers' interests formed the "California Traffic Association" and after sev-

preamble adopted which was little else of war. -

asked to remove the high rate shackles which have grown ever heavier year by year. A few years ago the rate was 60 cents a hundred, now it has soared to 85 cents a hundred. It was pointed out that concentration and consolidation

arbitrary raising of the minimum car load weight from 24,000 pounds to 40,-000 pounds. Here the claim was made and apparently substantiated that irreparable havor would be wrought in the various industries of the State. Especially, it was pointed out that California, being an agricultural State and that fresh and preserved fruits and veg. etables were her most important proded on the Eastern markets for disposal. This being the case, high freight rates spell ruin for the farming and canning

ownership of common carriers both on sea and on land, was brought in. The delegates to a man favored it, but decided to take no definite action until they hear how the railroads receive their protest. (The Socialist Party should find enthusiastic recruits there.) cipal ownership cudgel and are merely waiting for the railroads' refusal to lower rates before they take up this

APOLEON' DITCHED

The Francis-St. John Debate In Phila-

Philadelphia, December 9.-- I will en deavor to give a short account of the debate between St. John and Francis in Philadelphia last Sunday. It ought o go down in history as "Napoleon St. John at Waterloo, Phila." If all of the locals of the L. W. W now in doubt as to their attitude towards the Paterson Conference, could only have heard it, I have no doubt that the "Pirates" would be more completely out of business than they are even

In making the arrangements for th debate L. Basky discovered that there would be no meeting unless St. John was allowed all advantage, "Napoleon" was afraid to debate otherwise. On consulting Francis, who refused to meet St. John except in debate. Basky was told by Francis: "Give him everything: I have the facts, and I want to get then before the mem-

The terms of the debate were: Subject-"Resolved, That the Fourth Annual Convention of the I. W. W., held in Chicago, was not in the interest of Industrial Unionism." Francis, in fa vor. St. John, against the resolution: Francis to speak forty-five minutes, St. John forty-five minutes; Francis twenty minutes, St. John twenty minutes. Questions from the audience to be allowed for fifteen minutes to Francis, and fifteen minutes to St. John.

The meeting was in the large hall of the Hungarian S. L. Federation and opened at 3 p. m. Harry Davis, secretary of the Industrial District Council of Philadelphia was in the shair. . The active spirits from most of the locals were present.

Francis being called on he took the floor and started to give a short history of events leading up to the convention. St. John raised an objection on the ground that what had happened in New York or elsewhere had nothing to do with the subject. Francis retorted that it was his time and if he did not use it to good effect it would be to the advantage of the other side

He was allowed to proceed. Francis showed how a clique in New York headed by Williams and Connolly id absolutely wrecked the I. W. W. there, and how he had attempted to frustrate their-efforts, justifying himself in accepting support from the Anarchist element in the Council for that purpose. Proceeding thereupon from events in New York to events in Chicago, and after showing the efforts that had been made by Headquarters to prevent him getting there, told how it was with the utmost difficulty that he and others found out where the Convention was to be held On one occasion he visited headquarters to get the information and then the assault occurred which readers of The People know of. Francis touched very lightly on this, only bringing out the point that this was their last desrate chance to keep him out of the nvention of which they took full advantage, and they were surprised to find him applying for a seat when the convention opened. Every statement made by Francis was backed up by tracts from letters signed by St. John

knocked out. He showed by his man-, of the meeting at this point, refusing ner that he was totally unprepared for to answer Anton until he showed his the attack made by Francis. He was in the air, but be brazened it out. He de no attempt to answer Francis on the New York situation as the docute were there in full force. He attempted to show from figures that the charges of mismanagement were not true because even in the face of the panic there was an increase in revenue and membership. He also made some charges against R. Katz but produced no proof to back them up, merely stating that he had "seen the proof." He had a good dear to say about "that hoary headed old stiff at 28 City Hall Place who knows less about the labor movement than any single individual in it." He also made a short defence of Stodel, in these words: "The device as explained to me does for electric light what a mantel does for gas light." He ignored the fact that people had been arrested and fined for using the device. This reminds me of the judge who, when asking the usual question and being enswered, "not guilty," said, "Go home then. What are you doing here?" On from Trautmann that he had instructthe whole the forty-five minutes were vasted as it seemed to me that the belience didn't know what he was

nd time Francis took the per he showed how after he (Fran; is) became secretary of the District Council of New York, more money rectness of my statements. St. John

before and invited the audience to inspect the receipts. Answering the charge of playing football with Local 179 he read a document from Trautnann telling him that a local must have ten members to hold a charter. Acting on this he had distributed the members to different locals and declared she local defunct. He read an him that "Trautmann had misinter preted the action of the G. E. B." and ordering him to restore the charter Francis asked the audience: . "Which was I to do? Obey the Secretary or the Assistant Secretary?" He also touched upon the changing of the preamble showing how ridiculous St. John's claim was that the exclusion of Francis and De Leon did not give them control or rather was not neces sary to give them control. The change was carried by three votes. Francis alone was entitled to eight votes.

St. John in closing tried to show that the I. W. W. in cutting out the political clause did not repudiate political action and then tried to show that the economic organization alone was sufficient: his brightest gem of logic being: "You claim that the economic erganization is the most important and yet you must have a political shield. Then which is most important. That which shields or that which is shielded?"-so the soldier is less important than his shield. Then again: "Nothing you put on paper can protect you. The capitalist class will shoot you down any way."

When questions were called for L Basky asked Francis if it was true, as stated that the Paterson Conference had nothing but a paper organization Francis replied by reading the call for the Conference signed by fen locals the list of locals endorsing the call up to the 1st of November; and from a circular issued by the Administration elected by the Conference, Francis read a list of locals endorsing acts of the Conference and contributing financial support. The reply was

Another question was: "Why did you secede?" This gave Francis a chance to show that the action was not one of secession but of re-organization, inasmuch as the "Pirates" had ridden over the constitution roughshod, thereby reading themselves out of the organization, leaving the I W. W. without an administration and making the Conference absorutely

Francis was also asked to detail the assault, which he then did.

St. John being asked if Francis's account was correct stated that it was a personal matter which he would "settle with Francis at some tater date. Anyhody that wanted to know should have had a moving picture taken." Someone in the audience remarked that as St. John and his fellows had arranged the assault they ought also to have provided the moving picture apparatus.

Anton asked which were the ter locals that were claimed to have endorsed the call for referendum taken just before the convention, on not holding a convention. St. John replied that they had been published in the Bulletin and were also reported at the

Anton then asked what issue of the Bulletin they had been published in, stating that according to the statement he read, only six had endorsed and Trautmann which bore out every and four more were expected to en-St. John in replying showed he was sued. St. John tried to take charge delphia. St. John seeing himself corcard. This caused some dissent from most of the audience, and his time being up St. John seemed relieved, but a motion by Basky and Parker to extend the time brought forth more objections from St. John. Half a dozen were now on their feet, some wanting to know if he was afraid of questions. After a wrangle lasting several minutes the chair ruled the motion in order and questions pro-

I asked St John if the G. E. B. had supported Williams in his refusal to obey its instructions to proceed to Philadelphia after a short stay in New York early in the year. He replied that no such instructions were ever given. Anton stated that Williams asked him to try and get him a job as Philadelphia was to be his stamping ground when he returned in three or four weeks. I then asked St. John if, he knew that in the spring Davis, Secretary of the District Council of Philadelphia and Mullen, Secretary of Local 218, were in receipt of advices ed Williams to "proceed to Philadelphia at once." I stated also that when in New York Williams had shown me his instructions to that effect. St. John denied that these documents existed, or had been sent, whereupon Mullen and Davis vouched for the cor-

had been sent to Chicago than ever THE VOICE OF THE S. L. P.

Goes Up from the Russian Social Democratic "Proletari."

The "Proletari" [Proletarian] is the organ of the St. Petersburg and Moscow Committees of the Russian Social-Democratic Labor Party. It's editor is Lenin. the Russian Social-Democratic member on the International Socialist Bureau, In its issue of last Nov. 14th, the "Proletari" contains a double-column article headed "Bankruptcy of American Neutralism." After commenting on the attitude of the A. F. of L. in the late campaign, and paying its respects to S. Gompers and Co., the article passes to political pure-and-simpledom, and has the following to say:

"In its chase after votes of 'sympa thizers,' the Socialist party has not even in its platform called Socialism by its name, but designated it descriptively. After enumerating the glaring examples of cruel class-war, waged by capital, the Socialist party vehemently underscores the theory that the ballot is the main weapon. Capitalists against us with the guns' muzzles; we against them with ballots. Trying to cater to the practical instinct (practicism) of the American workingman, the Socialist party, on the one hand, holds out the prospect that even a few Congressmen can do something; and, on the other hand, it puts up its candidates at elections for Governors and other officials. It is in this replacement, through elections, of each and every governmental post that the party sees, it seems, the route to the 'seizure' of all the functions of the State. A field for compromises. indeed, extending far beyond the horizon of vision. It goes without saying, that with regard to other methods of struggle, besides elections, and with regard to the Social Revolution as a transition to Socialism, the platform of the Socialist rather keeps mum. With such views ommon to the Socialist Peaceful Renovators | the two last words are the name of a semi-reactionary Russian political group-Translator], and with an 'electionary' mental make-up, the Socialist party looks at a presidential campaign not as a means for agitation, but as a way to get into their hands the highest power in the State. A standpoint very naive indeed. With the immense power of a President, who appoints his Cabinet ministers, responsible to himself alone, and who recently was given, in addition, the right to call to arms hundreds of thousands of American citizens (to fight strikers, to be sure), the capitalists would have it in their power not to admit the seating of a Socialist presidentelect. The election of a Socialist to the presidency would be the signal either for the Social Revolution, capital having taken the offensive, or for the bankruptey of the Socialist party, if it remains only an election party of peace-

then stated that Williams had not received any money from Headquarters and that was probably his reason for not going to Philadelphia.

I managed to get the floor long enough to tell that Williams at the time of showing me his instruction also told me that he had also got \$15, nered said: "I remember that \$15. sent him that myself with instructions to remain in New York as long as in his judgment there was any need for him there." This admission lets in the light on the whole situation

More questions were still coming after this but the chairman summarily closed the meeting without voting on the resolution or giving any one a chance to move an extension of time.

After the meeting I asked a member of one of the locals what he thought of St. John, now, and his reply was "He is all that he charges Francis with being." This member up till Sunday was St. John's strongest supporter in Philadelphia.

Both St. John and Francis were inrited to speak before the French Textile Workers' Local. St. John declined on the ground that he had a meeting to go to, although he had previously stated that he could stay and answer questions all night. And what meeting could it be that even the secretary of the District Council did not know about? Francis accepted the invitation and went to Kensington and spoke to the Frenchmen.

This account is from a few notes taken and can be borne out without any difficulty if any one of the points is questioned by St. John.

Yours for Industrial Freedom

Robert McLure, G. E. B. Member, I. W. W. THINGS ENGLISH.

(Continued from page 1.)

women are married, and they do not rent a house; their husband does that and hence they will have no vote. Or if they are not married they then live with their parents, or at least do not rent a house of their own. No vote for them either. But the capitalist class, you say, would be exactly the same. Not se. The capitalist can rent or own a number of houses and he can put them in the name of all his various female relatives not forgetting his mistresses, all of whor will sustain him and his robbery of the workers by voting for capitalism at the ballot box.

At the passing of the Reform Bill in 1832 thé petty bourgeoisie and manufacturing capitalist class were com pelled to include a portion of the workers as recipients of the franchise which they could not wrest from the landed aristocracy otherwise, but now having reached dominance in society, and fear ing the workers' revolutionary ballot they seek by this reform of women's enfranchisement (strictly it should be called Capitalist Womens' Enfranchisement), a veiled REACTION, to weaken the working class in a manner they dare not do openly, for such would create such an uproar in the country amongst these workers that trouble would ensue for their tyrannical masters.

There could not be a more cover case of REFORM being in essence VEILED REACTION.

We, the revolutionary workers in the S. L. P., conscious of our class interests, laugh to scorn any promise that they (i, e., the women enfranchisement supporters) will give any further reforms later to the working class if the latter will only help them now. Once bitten, twice shy. We know them, the glib-tongued politicians of old. sides, it is a class struggle. We are not going to give our opponents any advantage, for they will only use it

Justice Gone Astray.

In this town of Heywood there is company called the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Wagon Combany, and recently the manager embezzled £60,000 (\$300,000). He was given six months' imprisonment. At or about the same time a woman stole one penny (two cents). She was given five years' penal servitude.

The woman appealed, but the judge's (Sir Ralph Littler) decision was upheld by Mr. Justice Channell, Mr. Justice Phillimore, and Mr. Justice Walton. The report says: "Without calling upon counsel for the Crown the Court dismissed the appeal." Mr. Justice Channell defended his action in dismissing the appeal on the ground that "IT WAS PART OF A SYSTEM-ATIC SERIES OF FRAUDS," but the same exactly was the case in the \$300,-000 man. These defalcations and embezzlements are part of a systematic series of frauds. JUSTICE is said to be blind. I am afraid the one side of the handkerchief has slipped down Wm, G. Allan,

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Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 3, 1908. Daniel De Leon,

New York City. Dear Comrade:

A few days ago I received several copies of the "Wahrheit" of November 3rd also a letter from Henry Traurig.

A letter like this naturally demands some sort of an explanation. I have not replied to the same, nor have I as much as acknowledged receipt as yet I have shown it to several members of our section and they are anxious to have ome explanation.

Below is an exact copy of the letter:

"I suppose you remember his (De Leon's) argument of two years ago when Hillquit ran for the first time in the ninth congressional district. He ecused them of having placed watchers on the streets for the purpose of teach ing voters how to split their tickets in favor of Hillquit. The S. P. replied that they did not do so, but that it was the Professional League an independent organization favoring Hillquit's election) which did so, and that they (the S. P.) could not control the act of this league. Well, De Leon replied that they should at least have repudiated such acts, etc., which the S. L. P. would surely have done, and consider it its duty to do.

"Another argument which he advanced this year against the S. P. was that the Times and Post of this city boomed Hillquit, because they wrote up an account of the situation in the 9th district. The charge is of course false. They didn't boom him at all; they merely wrote up the situation, an act that is a frequent occurrence for capitalist papers' to do to Socialist parties. I merely remin you of his arguments, so as to enable you to better judge how it comes that De Leon, nor the S. L. P. have as yet repudiated the 'Wahrheit's' booming of De Leon in the campaign just closed. Under separate cover I send you some copies of this paper which I have underlined. See Pages 1 and 6. On the former it advises and shows the voters how to split an S. P. ticket and vote for De Leon. On the latter page it contains a paid ed, from Tammany Hall. There's no question about this at all. This ad. was run during the whole campaign The 'Wahrheit' boosted De Leon right along, and not a word of repudiation from the S. L. P. or De Leen, for fear no doubt of losing a few of the small vote they got-97 for the head of the ticket and 157 for De Leon, after de voting almost all their time and men to that district only and neglecting the entire city. They've degenerated into a lot of vote-catchers in spite of their, strenuous denials. They've conducted

e gets only \$12 per. "Oh, yes, I forgot to say, Tammany you know is very strong in this district, Hillquit was a factor, although I guess he wasn't fool enough to expect to be elected. It certainly will surprise some S. L. P. men to see Tammany use them against the S. P. in this manner.

what is known here as a 'personal cam-

paign'; told the crowd that De Leon is

professor and this and that, and that

"Henry Traurig, "741 E. 5th St., "New York. "X Y."

(Formerly member of S. L. P.)" "Hope you will distribute these for information of those interested."

from headquarters.

Yours fraternally, . . Frank P. Janke.

DAILY PEOPLE, New York, Dec. 9, 1908. Frank P. Janke, Indianapolis, Ind.

Dear Comrade: That Traurig letter is an insult-to

you. A many-sided insult. The insults it implied is the taking as not to be likely to detect its oba man so imposable-upon as would not detect its slime and flim-flam; and the taking of you for so inexperienced a man as to give a minute's attention to the whisperings of a perfect stranger against one whom, whatever opinion you may otherwise entertain of his "democracy" or "tyranny," as the case may be, you never had reason to question his integrity, or ever did.

The allegations made against me in the letter are known by readers of The People to be substantially untrue. Directly and indirectly most of the matters have come up in these columns all along and have been disposed of.

rs of The People know the bitter language that the capitalist press used in "writing up the situation" with regard to the S. L. P. in general, and with regard to the S. L. P. campaign in the Ninth Congressional District in particular. Readers of The People are aware that the capitalist, especially the Republican and covertly Taft press. wrote' with positive enthusiasm about the S. P. generally, and especially so about the S. P. in the Ninth Congressional District. Readers of The People know that, besides numerous references made in The People to this fact, and to the supplementary fact of the vicious language used by the same press towards the S. L. P., The People of Oct. 14 reproduced in full a column-long article from a Taft paper, the "New York Evening Post," which exuberantly proclaimed the magnificent (!) chances of Hillquit's election, and which "wrote up the situation" as to the S. L. P. by throwing out the slur that I, the S. L. P. candidate, was in the pay of Tammany Readers of The People know all this.

Likewise do readers of The People know that "Warheit" is an independent S. P. paper, which, in this campaign. for instance, supported the S. P. nation al ticket, but opposed the local S. P. candidates of the District (Congressional and Assembly) for the good and sufficient S. L. P. reason that they, Hunter and Hillquit at the head of them, were anti-immigrationists.

What readers of The People may not be posted on is the matter of the advertisement stated to have appeared in "Warheit"-but the tone of the letter should be enough to warn any one that its writer is a falsifier with an animus The rattle of the rattlesnake should give warning of the snake.

On this particular head, it'is not true that the said Tammany ad. "was run during the whole of the campaign" in 'Warheit." It is true that the ad. appeared for a time. But even this truth is of the nature of that worst of falsehoods which consist in telling a half truth. The whole truth is that several times during the campaign "Warheit" contained Republican party advertisements as well. This part of the truth your correspondent found it necessary to suppress. It injured his "Tammany theory."

We of the S. L. P. condemn the taking of capitalist political advertisements by Socialist paper. But the taking of a Tammany ad, does not make "Warheit" a Tammany agent, seeing the paper took Republican ads, as well. While disapproving of "Warheit's" ethics in the matter of its business (ad. department) there was no occasion to repudiate its endorsement of my candidature. "Warheit" did not only recommend the defeat of the S. P. reactionists in the District, it urged support for the S. L. P. Congressional candidate with editorial, reportorial and other articles that were everything but "booms," such as Hillquit and his colleagues were receiving from the Republican press. It took leaf after leaf from S. L. P. principles on matters of immigration, and thereby contributed powerfully toward the education impart; ed by the S. L. P. in the district, the crushing results of which upon the Hillquits is justly a sore spot with the

Traurigs. It is not true that the entire city was neglected for the Ninth Congressional District. Never before did we have so strong a campaign throughout the city It was strongest in that District for good and effective reasons.

It is not true that the S. L. We have reserved all action and paign was a "personal campaign" in my criticism until we have an explanation behalf. Readers of The People are acquainted with the literature spread in the District. Its high tone and principles struck the keynote for the addresses there delivered by the Party speakers. The only ones who tried to lower the campaign to their own low level, by making it a personal one, were the Trauries and Bohns, together with their recently adopted fellow S. P. men. Personal calumny against me filled the air-and helped to brace me up. Among other things the bunch circulated the of you for so unalert a Party member slander that I was paid by Tammany and even mentioned the amount-only vious mendacity; the taking of you for it was never the same. A Party mem ber, Meyer Goldsmith, having heard the charge as emanating from Bohn, wrote to him for a written statement. Bohn, characteristically, slipped through the danger of a manful, and written and open accusation, and denied the whole thing. Nevertheless, he and his fellows continued to whisper the same slandera slander with which my ears have grown familiar since Kangaroo, and subsequent Kanglet days, and which varies according to the season-one day it being the Republicans, another the Democrats, who furnish me cash.

The tone of Traurig's letter should b sufficient to characterize the gentleman Readers of The People know that the in general. More specifically, he seems articles in the capitalist papers about to be the Secretary of a Bureau of Hillquit boomed him. They know that Guttersnipes consisting in this city of those papers did not "merely write up the situation" as "an act that is of frequent occurrence for a capitalist with "Bush Temple Headquarters" to

DOCUMENTS FOR HIS- paper to do to Socialist parties." Read- capture the Party and its press, and most of whom, Bohn and Traurig among the job lot-one-time pretenders to loyalty to S. L. P. principles, and subsequent pretenders that the I. W. W. was all-sufficient-are now rooters for the anti-I. W. W. S. P., with no greater cause to serve than their sores for the complete collapse of their intrigue to scuttle the Daily People plant, and thereby the Party itself.

I repeat, in closing, Traurig's letter is an insult to you-an insult that "naturally demands," not an explanation from me, but a demand from you for an explanation by him how he dares pick you out as a centre for the distribution of his reptile poison.

Yours fraternally, DANIEL DE LEON.

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The International Tuberculosis Exhibition

By S. D. L.

at is what the International Tuberon, now open at the Muof Natural History, is, with its mare feet or so of floor space, ther hundreds of thousands of feet of wall space, stretching out t good American furlongs in all; good furlongs filled with impos-

ole, because the very things against, and correctly so, are ely impossible for the workingmber of a workingman's void; and those things emd and correctly so, as preventives curatives of the plague that carries 00,000 persons in this country yearcolutely impossible for the proian to perform.

"The keynote of the exhibition is: Tuberculosis can be cured."-So read e posters. And so in truth it is; with ynote pounded so hard that that seper heavier keynote in counterdeeper heavier keynote in council to this, namely, How comes tuberis at all to go stalking through our snipping short needed lives !-te is almost, if not quite,

it by design or accident-and it looks the former-admitted by charge it must be, that the cener aisles and booths, where the main d will roll unpryingly by, are in part given up to glowing exhibits that is being done to cure tuberwhile only in side-issues and nd-alleys, in out-of-the-way places here none but the most hardy and perwill arrive, are displayed All hat is NOT being done to prevent tu-

Still, the Exhibition is well worth ng far to see; and if rightly noted indered, will richly repay repeated of careful visiting.

one enters the 77th street vestibule the Museum and walks to his left. at the first corner of the Exhibition et his gaze is a glass case containnafler glass cases and jars in which a tuberculosed spine, a kidney, a sach, a heart, as well as several sching better than a yard of could do, that this dread disease ck any organ of the body. This is always well attended.

on, after due study, we en a strange sight. It is as if taken an armful of long hat-pins and tried to see how close ald stick them in certain portions map. Going nearer, we find it is Elmira, N. Y., and every black rks the approximate location of a from tuberculosis between January 1890 and December 31, 1907. There 959 of those wicked-looking black

the city of Elmira, you will also know | doctor, sunlight, outdoor air, good food, | Adjoining this screen, is another. As a fit wind-up for this scries of charts that the thickest handfuls of those black rest." Your mouth waters as you beworking class districts. A curious side-light, too, is thrown on the relation of the "good food" legend; and then your deal with 13,610 tabulated deaths: crime to disease by the fact that up smile dies on your lips as you think of wards of 75 of the pins are jabbed into the N. Y. State Reformatory.

Heart-piercing swarms of pins are also the maps of Poughkeepsie, 920 deaths in the same perfod; Albany, 1804 deaths since 1900; Schenectady, 664 in ten years; Auburn, 487 in the same time; Troy, likewise, 1706. And ever as we go, the map guide, or our own knowledge, or the awestruck conversation about us of those who have been there, tell that the thickest arrays of pins invariably mark the dense centers of proletarian habitation.

But is this another case of bemoaning a wrong far away to hush up one close at hand? Are these unstate cities exhibited to take one's attention away from New York! Not so, for here across the aisle, is the map of New York. At first sight we stand frozen; then a horrible curiosity draws us closer to see whether our "block" be free from a damning pin. Few are those that are; and down town on the lower East Side, the very streets fairly disappear under the multitude of black heads. Only those cases reported to the Cahrity Organization Association are marked; and the total number is nowhere given. But what need of numpers, when the thing itself strikes you a sledgehammer blow between the eyes?

Passing briefly by the exhibit of the Nathan Straus milk work, good enough in its way, and ducking into this alcove, close at hand, we begin to see why those funeral pins cluster ever so thickly about workingmen's quarters. Here is a photograph of a sweatshop, fifty men bent low over their sewing machines. while the clock points an unholy hour in the morning; the windows, too, are sealed "The unending task of finishing pants," is another picture: mother and father, son of 14, daughter of 12 and over a massive heap of work that must berculosis in that year, of go back to the shop next day. Dark ! rooms untouched by ray of sunlight or La breath of air are shown-300,000 of them are still used as bed rooms in this city Dark and dusty halls, tenements san court or airshaft, cellar bakeshops, over crowded and illy-ventilated work shops all picture forth their lesson—could but be used when learned! For how i a workingman going to pick out a mode shop to work in, or model tenement to live in, when jobs are scarce and rents

There is the first touch of the irony And if we look right overhead, there is s; and every one seems to be piercing pictures it tells you: "In case of tuber- than down to bosom as you gase; for if you know culosis, depend on these for a cure: The number.

pins bristle accusingly out from the hold the pan of fresh eggs, the roast far ahead in susceptibility to the disease. the thousands upon thousands who never get the chance to see such food from life's end to life's end.

But we must on. Still following our alcove, we come upon a row of jars standing on a window sill-twelve of them, all obscurely put where they would attract least attention. Let us read the inscriptions: Jar No. 1, a healthy child's lung. Full and round and solid it is. No, 2, healthy adult lung. No. 3, dirty lung. Soot and dust have begun to filter in; the clogged places in the breathing tissue are quite noticeable, like the black spots in Connecticut granite. No. 4, very dirty lung; subject worked in underground tunnel. No. 5at last! The clogging has gone on till the man got tuberculosis and died of it. A tunnel worker, he: while his employer sat in breezy office and prated of the "risks of capital."

This dust is bad for the lungs; especially, as a room in the main hall ipstairs, will show us, metallic, stone and pearl-shell dust. Leather and cloth sift ags, also fill in the tissue. Shoeworkers nd delicate women of Lowell suffer here; buffers, polishers, grinders, stoneasons, stonecutters from the former. A grisley room this, of Occupations That Cause Tuberculosis. And also a grimly ironical one; for bread must a man have; and if he needs must choke himself with brass dust to get it, why, the slow death is preferred to the quick one.

So what care we if 700 odd patent paper drinking cups, paper cuspidors, and model tents have been brought out to cure tuberculosis !-- all mops against the tide so long as the present industrial system endures, which forces men into killing pursuits.

Here is a table gotten up by the Bureau of Sociological Research, and applies only to New York City for 1907. Classidaughter of 7 straining eye and nerve fied by occupations, there died by tu-

96	**************************************	101
2	Domestic servants	949
9	Drivers	433
	Hofel Help	307
Š.	Waiters	294
	Tailors	264
t	Sewing machine hands	195
•	Clerks	194
1	Cooks	101
٥,	Porters	130
3	Peddlers	195
		115
		110

Laborers, the poorest paid, and there a great broad banner of it. With jolly fore the poorest fed and housed, more pictures it tells you: "In case of tuber- than double, as you see, the next highest

which seems to put the native American is one reading: The figures again are for this city, and

Nationality Per Cent Per Cent Died of In City Tuberculosis United States42 Irish21 German 8 Russian 7 Austrian 2 English 2

only one-fifth of the city's population, they seem to furnish nearly half the tuberculosis deaths.

What says this black chart to our

"Death rate for 12 years, 1896-1907: "United States "23 per 1,000 19 per 1,000 Of Black Plague." Of Tuberculosis

Deadly as the plague of India has been pictured in novel and essay, the American plague leaves it astern for devasta-

And here around the corner is another little card that drives home the reason why. It says:

"Excessive hours of hard work, on farm or in factory.

"Insufficient or indigestible food. "Steady drinking of alcoholic liquors. "Injure the health and make you suseptible to tuberculosis."

True, but again ironical: for what worker but works too hard on too little food; and has to put up with it?

Although "prominent real estate interests" were able to get certain resolution throttled in the recent White Plague Congress at Washington, which resolutions condemned their herding of human being together for profit, several placards at the present Exhibition rub it into the landlord good and hard. For instance:

"Rent is abnormally and outrageously high at the lower incomes.

"Of those whose incomes are below \$600, three-quarters are underfed.

"Of those whose incomes are from \$600 to \$800, one-third are underfed."

. And the average wage in the United States is \$437 .- Are we not all underfed? An interesting corner on the 77th street side-also cleverly alcoved offshows how European cities provide for breathing spaces for their population. In contrast to that is put the sordid grabbing of land values by New York landlords, regardless of health or sanitation.

"Needed to Cure Tuberculosis: "Fresh Air-Can you get it into a density of 500 to the acre, and seventy per cent. of the lot covered by buildings, or in the ordinary factory, office or work-

"Rest-Is the hubbub of tenement life and its room congestion conducive to rest?

"Good Food-If the rent to maintain a decent standard takes twenty-five per cent. to thirty-five per cent. of the family income, does this not increase the difficulty of securing good food?"

But as long as we leave things in the hands of the capitalists, the landlord will retort to the grocer: "If you didn't charge so much for foods, people could afford to live in better quarters." So crying down the landlord and leaving alone the rest of the master class, isn't going to cheat tuberculosis of any lives.

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half of humanity enjoy rights we, the disowned, strive for. We ned the weaker sex when it ce or vote, but are thought and to labor equally with It is neither just nor fair to ons under which women be preducers and yet be denied which other producers enjoy. we men done with this world? brought about a system deto progress. They have alers to enjoy what the toilers for, so that now selfishness, imand greed reign. From the ns we have been forced t voice we want to break and help man. We will not be t not and will not be pacified until vote." These are the strong its used by the Woman Suffrage

us here comes along the Socialist has befriending the Suffragist, and ing upon her to be calm and to on. Was society always organized development society passed ferent stages: Individualism s, Feudalism, Capitalism. As nder a given system society is s of affording the people the of life, that system must be ent of existence. And the sooner

thought that the system under to exploit the woman wage-slave or not; power, find it profitable to give woman a ther lived had always existed and there is no question whether the woman a vote they will give it to her. Not

always would exist. To them a book wage worker's interests are opposed to of history was the holy ark which those of her master's; there is no quesmand Justice and Equality. they dared not touch. As for imagina- tion as to whether the woman producer man beings and will not rest tion they could not get beyond the mir- is entitled to all she produces; there is ed as such. The sele of Baalam's ass. But it was not no question as to wheth in society of the past that such be people existed. We have them with us

There have also been people in the past who watched closely the development of the mode of production which was always the determining factor of the status of society. They kept their eyes open to guarding the future and have profited by the past. Fortunately, we have people to-day who, while profiting by past experience and accumulation of experiences, do not lose sight of future society. They understand that society is a growth; that the growth, advancement and progress of society is determined by the industrial develop ment and the means of production. They understand that a hundred years ago society could not afford the average man the comforts he enjoys to-day. And yet there are millions of men, women and children who are now deprived of the progress made through centuries, and

The suffragists claim that if they got their rights they would remedy existing evils. They see, as well as the Socialists do, the iniquity of Capitalism. Very The Socialist women say that their right to the vote is indisputable. The suffragists claim they are men's equals; so do the Socialist women. But the women in the Socialist movement already enjoy equality. In the Socialwhether the capitalists should be allowed

emancipated or not. Basing them selves upon the class struggle the Socialist women progress along with their brother wage-slaves. Only the Socialist Movement can and will emancipate

There is nothing to expect from the capitalist system. As for the reforms omen will try to bring about with their vote the Socialist woman confesses that she has no faith in reforms. The Socialist woman does not believe in reforms. She understands that the capitalist system is fundamentally wrong, and cannot be righted except it is totally abolished. The Socialist woman struggles and strives to establish a more just and more humane system—the Socialist Republic.

The right of the vote may mean much to women property-holders, it may mean omething to the struggling middle class to the progress of humanity; that capisociety woman; but it means nothing to the wage-working woman. The working woman is deprived of more than one right. She suffers from more than one injustice. She has more than one grievance. It is the system under which she lives which she holds responsible for the misery and degradation inflicted upon her. The struggle she is engaged in is not a sex struggle, but a class struggle. She knows that when the there is no question capitalists, who by virtue of their economic power are masters of the political

until then. It will perhaps be the last thing the capitalists will resort to in order to suppress and down the Socialist voice, with the help of their own and the yet class unconscious working women's votes. The Socialist woman lays a good

foundation, and that is the most important work-making wage-earning women-class conscious. Only when class conscious will the vote be of any use uld to the working woman. But it will be argued further that the Republican and Democratic voting women have as much right to use the vote, as they see fit, as the Socialist women. That is true. But for all that, it is not the duty of a working woman to aid her capitalist sisters in their sex struggle. The working woman should not leave her own battlefield in order to assist others who will surely be used as a tool to oppress

There is a grand and noble work to be done: that of awakening the wage slaves and bring to them consciousness of the struggle between the dominating and the dominated classes. They must be taught that Labor is the source of all wealth; that they who labor are entitled to all they produce; that by reason of the private ownership of the means of production, capitalism has proved fatal talism has had its day, and like all other systems which preceded, it must go; that it is the business of working mer and working women to organize and meet the downfall of capitalism with a new structure on which to build the system of Socialism.

There is a budding morrow, in midnight .- Keats.

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Whenever you hear a man dissuading you from attempting to do well on the ground that perfection is "Utopian," beware of that man. -RUSKIN.

SPAIN-AMERICA.

Should any Socialist or Labor organization contemplate issuing an address to workingmen, miners especially, upon capitalist iniquity and upon the tortures that the workers, especially miners, are subjected to, the following pass age is recommended from the address just issued by the National Committee of the Socialist Labor Party of Spain:

"Riotinto, the owner of which, an English Company, buys newspapers, State officers and experts, is a slaughterhouse of human beings, a torture room for all who are there employed, and a disgrace to the country, especially to the government which tolerates the iniquities committed there; Almaden, a cemetery, where the State officiates as sexton; Pueblo Nuevo, an insalubrious place, where the worker's health is not considered, only little is paid to him, and no precautions are taken to safeguard him from fatal accidents; Villaodrid, a dark alley in the Sierra Morema where the workers are robbed in three ways through starvation wages, crediting them with the same after being 60 days overdue, and compelling them to take their supplies from a Company inn; Tesorero, a feudal fief where the workers are kept in a state of almost complete isolation from the surrounding population, are mercilessly exploited, and are paid many months in arrears; Seron, exploited by an English Company, like other localities of the same province, a sink of cruelty where, despite all complaints, no hospital has yet been erected for the care of those who suffer accidents; the "Miguel" mine, the "Mine of Death," as it is called by the miners selves on account of the large number of accidents that happen there; the "Carolina" mine, an altar of capitalism, seeing that not a week goes by without some proletarian being immolated."

Just strike out Riotinto and insert in its place Cripple Creek; strike out Almaand insert the Pittsburg, Pa., district: insert Virden. Ill: in lieu of Pueblo Nuevo: substitute Villaodrid with Idaho's Coeur d'Alene; put, in place of Tesorero, Ohio's Hockingvalley; stick the appears in the Spanish address; in stead the "Miguel" mine write the West Virginia mining realm of the would-b father-in-law of the Prince of the Abrussi; for the "Carolina" of Spain take the mines of Alabama; -do that, and the ss will fit the United States even better than the proverbial "babber on de

The capitalist realm is internationalidentical everywhere are its ways.

PROTECTION CARRIES OFF THE

PALM. My Lord Protection and his lord ship's virtuous spouse, My Lady Free-trade, have been jointly holding a series of receptions in their parlor, the Ways and Means Committee. It is on all sides admitted that each of the hosts led in his and her peculiar charms But the palm must be given to one: it cannot be handed to both. To whom shall the award be made? Opinion is divided upon this "A sense of catentry inclines some to ornament the palpitating bosom of My Lady with the trophy. Unswayed by any such sentimental motive, and while admitting that the contest is close, an impartial public is bound to decorate the lapel of My Lord's coat with the emblem

"There can be no labor until there are mills." This jewel dropped from My Lord Protection's lips in the per hairman Payne. Many spark ade's rosy lips. None, however, the "water" of this one of ally

Lord's. A candid arbitrator must admit that this particular capitalist jewel out-sparkles all capitalist lewels-vet.

"There can be no labor until there are mills"—this is the enunciation of a new Genesis; it also is the enunciation of a new theory of biology.

Genesis teaches that God created man and that He did so after His own mage.-Protection gives short shrift to the orthodox theory: the MILIL created man, and it did so, not after its own image, but after an image invented by itself-the image of the

Biology pretends that man was not created but evoluted from inferior vertebrate formations. - Protection sniffs at the fine spun theory of Science: man was not evolved; he was "turned out" by the mill, just as the mill turns out yards of cloth, or tons of pig fron.

"There can be no labor until there are mills"—this is an enunciation that revolutionizes Genesis and upsets Science even more radically than in the matter of man's creation, or evolu-

tion. Genesis teaches, that in the beginning there was only the will of God, who created all things out of nothing, culminating in man. - Protection teaches that in the beginning there was a MILL. From the mill all else came, man included

Biology pretends that in the beginning there was an incandescent nebula, from which, by gradual condensation, this world and all the things upon it appeared in successive order .says Protection; "Nebula nothing! In the beginning there was a solid thing, the MILL, from whose teeming 'inards' man was projectiled."

That My Lord Protection-a pillar of "Law." "Order," and "Religion"pay scant respect to Science is in the order of things;" that, however, the identical pillar play revolution with Genesis, that is not quite in the order of things. Off and on, true to the orthedox conception of the inherent iniquity of woman, My Lady Free Trade indulges in society-reversive rantings, At one leap his lordship distances his consort by a full length-and carries off the palm.

THE PICKLE OF THE C. F. U.

At the Sunday, Dec. 6, session of the Central Federated Union Typographical Union No. 6 was made the target for assault from the delegates of several organizations. "No. 6" was called "selfish." This was the cleanest of the darts hurled at it. The assailants were the delegates of the engineers, firemen and other Unions, men of whose trades work in printing plants. . The reason for the assault was that No. 6 insisted on keeping aloof from a conference, the object of which is to unionize the men, outside of the printers' trade, who are working in printing plants. The angry delegates threatened, if not seconded in their efforts, to order their printing in open shops, at any rate to ignore the "Union Label." Such threats, of course, created a stir, and it was finally decided that the Allied Printing Trades shall-well, shall behave.

This is stepping upon dangerous ground. It means nothing short of questioning the sanctity of the "Union Label." It is a step in the direction of holding that neither is a "Union" a Union, nor a "Label" what it purports to be, if the protection afforded by either is bounded by its own "autonomous" craft boundaries. In short, the move spells "Industrialism," and Industrialism faces class-conscious Unionism exactly the opposite of what the C. F. U., together with each of its constituents, stands for.

"A measure of Industrialism already appears in the Allied Printing Trades Nevertheless, the allies in this body are well known to be a set of mutually apon - one - another - scabbing concerns. Hardly a strike breaks out in the craft of any of the allies without the others remaining at work, that is, scabbing upon it. With this experience behind them, it is not surprising that the Allied Printing Trades are averse to increasing the number of the allies. With such allies as they now have their reputation for scabbery is bad enough. Increase the number of allies and the opportunities for the blot of scabbery to be multiplied is an inevitable thing. The very engineers firemen and others, who are now clamoring for solidarity, will forget all about it when any of their allies go strike; and if they do not forget all about it, their "sacred contracts" will make them

Wise in their generation are the delegates of the Allied Printing Trades, together with the other delegates, who oppose the move of the engineers, etc. It is with these men the case of an alert sub-class instinct; so to speak. Revolutionary Unionism sings the knell of their living. Was then the conduct of these collective gentry, the C. F. U., a conduct that ignored the sub-class interest of the collective Labor-lieutenancy

Class is but the backward falling shadow of the Capitalist class itself. Class conscious though the Capitalist Class is, it is seen itself recruiting the soldiers that are to overthrow it, and even casting the mold in which these soldiers are to be organized. This work of capitalisin is involuntary. It is a work that the fatality of its own existence forces upon it. Ditto, ditto with its shadow, its Labor-lieutenants. The same inherent and fatal law, that propels by dogging capitalism, propels by dogging its Labor agents. Will they, nil they, they are bound to produce the conditions that will cause the stench of craft Union leadership to become so intolerably pungent, and all-enveloping as to cause the stench-emitter to he wiped out and bona fide Unionism to be organized.

HADDIMAN'S STRAW LONE WIDOW.

We thought the lone widow was married and happily settled-that sad. lone widow who used to be exhibited as one who would be injured by Socialiam.

But Harriman has pulled her out, all lorn and desolate as she is. "The railroads of the country are not owned by a few rich men," he says in a letter the American Mining Congress. They are owned by the men and women of this country whose savings have helped build and improve them." And in behalf of these men and women, all, we presume, lone widows and widowers. Harriman pleads for larger returns on railroad investments.

A certain minister used to recoun as conclusive evidence of the native depravity of all mankind the answer once made to him by an erring member of his church. "How many times have you committed this grievous sin?" he had asked. "Oh, sir," was the reply, "it would take a book-keeper to tell you that!"

Is Mr. Harriman in the fix that he needs a book-keeper to tell him how many railroads he alone is in part or entire control of? Perhaps we can play at book-keeper as well as well

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Twelve "president and directorships." thirteen plain "directorships," and a few memberships on board of managers" thrown in-that is the grasp E. H. Harriman has on the railroads of the country. Where are the lone widows and widowers whose "savings" have built those roads up?" And there are a dozen just or nearly as bad as he, did space only permit exhibiting them likewise. Poor lone widow seems to be gobbled up, lost somewhere, doesn't she?

But even if she were not. Suppose she really "owned the railroads" through "her savings." Which is more important—that she be sided to get more than her four per cent. return on her investment for doing nothing; or that the trainmen who do the worl and run the risk of their lives and limbs, should receive the full value of their precarious labor?

Either way, the lone widow, being widow of straw, must topple; and whichever way she topples, must Mr. Harriman her godfather topple also.

The New York Labor News Company is the literary agency of the Socialist of the Capitalist Class? Not at all. Labor Party, it prints nothing but. The Labor-lieutenant of the Capitalist saund Secialist literature.

DR. SANGRADO GILDER.

"Within a few days the country has been shocked by the official figures of divorce in the United States"-with than it knows itself. Hence is careful these words Mr. Richard Watson Gilder opened his anti-woman suffrage speech at the Berkeley Lyceum meet-

With this opening statement of fact and sentiment none can take exception. The official figures of divorce are startling; they are well calculated to shock society.

Mr. Richard Watson Gilder then proceeded to argue from these premises that the woman's suffrage movement "is a new, insidious and possibly disastrous attack upon the fundamentals of civilization-the home."

The witty Le Sage photographs in his story of Gil Blas a remarkable Doctor. His name was Sangrado which means bleeder. Dr. Sangrado had a unique system of reasoning. Was a man sick? he bled him. Did the man grow worse? he bled him some more. Needless to say what were the consequences. It is hard to distinguish the Dr. from Richard Watson Gilder as a social physician,

The home is on the rocks. Mr Gil-

der admits that. Who should save the home, who is called to save the home? One should think that the home itself must do the work. And whom does the home consist of? It consists of husband and wife, together with their children, eventual wives and husbands. The home being on the rocks, and the adult members of the home being the husband and the wife, the conclusion is inevitable that husband and wife must co-operate in saving it. "Not so!" puts in Dr. Sangrado Gilder, "The co-operation of the wife would lead to 'pathetically incongruous' results. The wife must keep hands off."

Either the ballot is a good, or it is a bad thing. If it is a bad thing for the wife leg of the social person known as "the home." then it cannot be a good thing for the husband leg of the self-same entity. If it is a good thing for the husband leg, it must be equally good for the wife leg. Dr. Sangrado Gilder would let the house hobble on one leg-amputate, if necessary, the wife leg.

The Dr. Sangrado style of reason ing proceeds from a Dr. Sangrade theory of the human constitution. So with Dr. Sangrado Gilder. The Dr. Sangrado Gilder theory of the "home" places the home outside of societyan absurdity. Whether the home be the pivot of society, or the reflex of society,-all laws and institutions either radiate from, or focalize in the home. The home is an integral part of society. Every adult member there of must co-operate to its improve ment. To smite woman with incapacity for co-operation by circumscribing her "functions" to those of a mare, for breeding, as Roosevelt implies and Dr. Sangrado Gilder evidently holds, leaves to man nothing but a "function," which Mrs. Charlotte Gillman has well indicated with the question whether man would accept that other and supplementary function as all that is required of him?

If society does not promptly rally to her own succor, the Dr. Sangrados will yet be the death of her.

CONSIDERATE OF EACH OTHER.

On the December 10 hearing of the Ways and Means Committee, Robert S. Hastings, the representative of the goldleaf industry, testified that the duty on as a symbol of the Democracy, is no gold leaf was now so low that suitable wages could not be paid to the men and women engaged in the industry. Mr. Hastings asked that the duty be raised from \$1.75 per package of 500 leaves to 50 cents per 100 leaves. In other words, Mr. Hastings demanded a raise of 75 cents-in the interest of his employes.

At this point the Democratic members of the committee muffed their chance The question for them to have put to Mr. Hastings, on the spot, was: "Will you add, to the present wages that you pay, the increased duty that you demand?" Mr. Hastings would have beer knocked out of breath. Love and affect tion for his employes is good enough as a pretence on the part of the protection ist. It never is meant for more. The protectionist knows that he buys his abor-power in the labor-market at the market price, and that, the supply being far above the demand, tariff or no tariff, tax or no tax, the price is low.

In justice to the tariff revisers, how ever, it must be admitted that, they were, perhaps, not such bad muffers after all. After all, their not asking the question may have been a sign of shrewdness. Suppose they had asked the question, and suppose the protectionist had answered with this other question: "Will you engage to let your employes wages remain where they are if the tariff is lowered?" . The effect of such a question would have been disastrous to free trade anatomy. How preposterous a question! Just think of keeping up rages at a high standard of cost of living, after the cost of living is lowered view of the main point-

And so it goes on. On the Committee each side knows the other side better not to step too hard on the others' toes.

The recent delayed announcement of the marriage of Miss Edythe Augusta Forbes, daughter of Prof. Charles Forbes of the department of physics, Columbia University, disclosed the fact that during the two years of the secret bond, Miss Forbes had held "a lucrative position, teaching for a private concern interested in settlement work in Brooklyn." What prominent settlement worker was it the other day who said the best part of settlement work always goes to the "settler"?

What a lesson in industrial union ism is being worked out before one's eyes in Chicago. All the surface lines. all the four "L" lines, and the Commonwealth Edison Co., which supplies all with power, are considering a gigantic merger. Will the workingmen in those several concerns take the hint, and organize into one undisjointed union of traction workers? Or will the power-house men remain in their autonomous electricians' union, so that when the motormen and conductors strike, it will be "none of their business," and they will break the strike as they did in New York in 1905?

Mrs. Alice Longworth has received the pair of ieweled bracelets worn by the late empress dowager of China Is that in anticipation of the day when America's 80,000,000 will bow before the will of their handful of rulers as mutely as do now the millions of China? The unrest in the air foredooms the anticipation to a rude shat-

Significant-is it not?-that the very first bill introduced in Congress, upon its assembling on the 7th of this month was a bill to increase the Army? Who was it that said: "Armies are there to collect the taxes, and taxes are there to keep up the Armies"? Like a kitten running in a circle after her tail is "capitalist government."

Hayti has been and continues in turmoil Nord Alexis is overthrown as if by enchantment. General Simon by equal enchantment is acclaimed. And not quite by enchantment General Firmin is said to be marching upon the capital with an armed force. Are all these things enchantments? or are they repetitions of the Panama revolution. with the United States capitalists pulling the wires?

The special work upon which the Census Bureau is reported to be engaged is said to be "a scheme of retirement and pensioning of old Federal employes." The proper name of the scheme is: "A scheme to furnish one more proof to the Socialist contention that capitalist society is divided into classes, and that the government of such society is a class goverrment." The pensions which are to he provided will be so paltry in comparison with the pensions already proyided for the "higher officials." that the scheme will be in the nature of a flashlight in the glare of which the Federal employes will look like coolies teside the "higher officials"-absolutely different castes.

With admirable abnegation the chiefs of the Democratic party are engaged in proving that the long-eared quadruped. calumny. These chiefs are laboring to "revive the Democracy." Molasses may eatch flies, but not votes-at least not enough to triumph.

COWS OR MEN?

People Who Make Big Fuss Over Cattle Ranch Starvation Never Object to Wage Slavery.

The time is coming when men will e prosecuted for starving a thousand cattle to death in the West, as an Eastern farmer would be prosecuted for starving one animal to death. Any person who has traveled across a cattle range by rail, and seen thousands of dead cattle lying beside the track. starved and frozen, will be glad to see the law enforced. A cattle king has no more right to starve his cattle than a farmer has to starve a horse. The Century Magazine published the confessions of Theodore Roosevelt, a New York cattle owner, who told of the freezing cattle of the West, as though it was a good stroke of busines. It did not seem to have occurred to the editors of the Century, or to Roosevelt, that cattle-starving is cruel.-"Peck's Sun," Milwaukee, Wis. All very good, but what of the whole

employing class which starves its workingmen physically and mentally all through their lives, and once in a while, by a panic, kills a few thousand of them off quick?

That is a much more important ques tion, and until it is settled, suffering cows must not be allowed to clog our BULWARKS OF LIBERTY.

The Capitalist Press, and What Its Function Really Is.

By K. KILDARE. While the Socialist rightly character izes the grafting capitalist newspaper as one of the strongest powers of darkness, the non-thinking Republican or Demo crat, of lazy mental habitude and weak on economics, may see in it a "bulwark of liberty." His distorted mental vision will be straightened some day, poor fel-

The role of the average newspaper is

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that of footwasher and nosewiper general

to the corrupt capitalist class.

principal desideratum in its editors' qualifications is that of a magnificently proportioned, mountainous liar. He must be able to lie for'ard, aft, and 'midships, on both flanks, and to the rear. He must be a bigger liar than a gas-meter. yea, even bigger than the tombstone that bears the legend of "Asleep in Jesus" over the carcass of as big a scoundrel as ever drew breath, or "Gone-Deeply Regretted" in relation to some parsimonious wretch whose exit was hastened by the arsenie of covetous relatives eagerly awaiting his demise for the dear sake of his dirty dollars. No honest man, no man of conscience can fill the position of editor to a capitalist newspaper. Owned body and soul by his masters, he is simply a human megaphone publicly voicing their honest thoughts and interests, perverting the truth, glorifying every form of brutal oppression and propagating ideas of cowardly, slavish submission. A moral and mental prostitute. he stands miles below the poor streetwalker who for bread sells only her body. A traitor to his class, he is simply a public doormat on which Graft wipes his pedal extremities are entering the public drawing room. He has as much latitude as the staked ox or the organ grinder's monkey, and his puerile platitudes are specially adapted to the social

The average man, unfortunately, will accept as the acme of truth and erudition any literary garbage that is served up to him. Tired mentally, with most of his time occupied in securing the necessary bread, he prefers to let others do his thinking and readily swallows all the loathsome lies and garbled gibberish they send him in the shape of printers' ink. Alas! Alas! This country would in six months be

fools and economic serfs who feed and

thrive on such literary pabulum-save

the mark!

denuded of an army of capitalist buzzards if we had a few honest newspapers to tell the plain truth about the rapacious rascals. But the publication of an item of truth would be as fatal as prussic acid to the average editor, while on his masters its effect would be as deadly as the fangs of the cobra. Realizing that poor, naked, unarmed truth stands no chance in the public arena against a full grown armor-plated lie armed with the grenades of graft, your "bulwark of liberty" prefers to ally itself with the industrial pirates and join them in sticking the tentacles of graft fathoms deep into the long suffering people. Not openly and above board, oh no; but while preaching a mendacious mock morality and hoodwinking them with all the soft side blandishments and "desirable citizen" hypocrisies of the long experienced and accomplished literary harlot. Take an example. Scan the pages of

your daily advocate of prohibition. Read its raucous ravings against its favorite punch bag, the saloon man, for whom no adjective in the editor's limited vocabulary is too acerbous, no vilification too vile. After these editorial expectorations come with me to the realms of advertising on the following page and behold the caloric cackle for comatose cerebrums exuding from compounders of corruption in the shape of patent panaceas for the sick, the lame, and the lazy. Read of Dr. Output's Opaque Offalite, sure and certain cure for Ossification, Obesity, and Obtuseness; of Dr. Vendam's Vernal Vigor, infallible remedy for Vertigo, Villainy and Venom; of Dr. Pullalag's Pathological Pabulum for the Plastic; of Dr. Pilfer's Pellucid Pellets for Parboiled People; of Mrs. Wilv's Womb Water for Wailing Women, and all the other elevating rag, tag, and bobtail from the Divine Dejection Deleter to the fifty-dollar Correspondence Course Calamity. Buncoes, each and every one of 'em:

After a feast of this feculent stuff. pin your newspaper to the dissecting table, produce a microscope and therewith find if you can one solitary germ of the gem of consistency. Make congruous its licensed vendor of wet goods, the saloon man, with its well paid advocacy of concoctions of alcohol and rotgut vended by these patent medicine pirates; render compatible with fair play and honesty its terest in the profits of the biggest of all triumphant thievery. buncoes-the patent medicine graft.

Is the "bulwark of liberty" that open its columns to the advertisements and participates in the profits of a fraudulent concern, is it an equally guilty ac- with it! Avaunt1



UNCLE SAM AND

BROTHER TONATHAM. BROTHER JONATHAN (approaching Uncle Sam confidentially and in a whisper)-Now tell me, what guarantee have we that the Socialists, if elected, won't sell out?

UNCLE SAM-Did the Abolitionists, or the Republicans when elected, sell out?

B. J .- No!

U. S .- Go further back; did the delgates to the Continental Congress, when elected, sell out to King George? B. J.-No!

U. S .- Go still further back; did the Roundheads, who made the revolution against Charles I., sell out after they were elected to Parliament?

B. J. (visibly weakening) -No! U. S .- Come again forward a little: did the bourgeois or the capitalists of France, when they captured the third

estate, sell out to the Royalists? B. J .- N-n-o!

U. S .- Now, I'll admit that the simple fact that none of these sold out would not be sufficient ground from which to conclude that the Socialists will not sell out

B. J. (brightening up)-You think so, too, don't you?

U. S .- Yes. I say the simple fact that one man or set of men did not sell out is no guarantee that another won's

B. J.-That's just what I think!

U. S.-The thing to look into is this: The reason why none of those sets of people sold out. If we find that the same reason does NOT exist with the Socialists there would be no guarantes that they won't sell out; but, if we find that the same reason DOES exist with the Socialists, then there WOULD be a guarantee that they won't sell out.

b. J.-Well, is there such a reason? .U. S. - Yes. The reason why the Northern Abolitionist Republicans in office did not sell out was that they were capitalists; and it was to their interest to abolish slavery, and thereby make labor "free' to compete with itself and have its members mutually cut one an-

other's throat. P. J .- Was that the milk in the co-

coa nut? U. S.-None other. The reason why the Revolutionary Fathers of the Continental Congress did not sell out was that it was to their interest to keep their property, and not let King George

tax it away from them. B. J.-So?

U. S .- Exactly. Likewise with the Roundheads and the French Revolutionists. You will ever find that an economic class, when it once acquires a consciousness of its own class interests, never sells out. Now, then, the people who become Socialists are either proletarians, worki reached a clear understanding of the fact that they and their families are dead unless Socialism is established or they are men who, without yet being proletarians, are intelligent enough to realize that their turn will certainly come when they will be wage slaves. and who are decent enough to help, instead of retarding human progress, The interests of such people will hold them straight, as all other revolutions ary classes have been held straight. No man will sell himself out. The Socialist gives, by the very facts of his being one, the strongest guarantee that he will be true to his platform. B. J .- Well, that's reasonable enough.

U. S .- Will you, then, vote the tick. et straight?

B. J. (emphatically) - You bet! 1 now see the cat.

complice? Irrefutably, yes. In both cases it is a case of Simon Pure bunco, far more profitable and pernicious, but far less courageous that the modus operdiatribes against the legitimate and andi of the hold-up man, inasmuch as it wears the silk hat of veneer and tooth. pick shoes, is more showy and artistica and less dangerous by a long sight to the perpetrators' ill-deserved immunity from police interference; but viewed in acrimonious onslaughts on the legalized the light of common, old-fashioned hontraders in wet goods and its paternal in- esty, it is a plain and palpable case of

The grafting capitalist newspaper, ite sycophantic principle-mongering editor, and the patent medicine pirate are products of our beautiful system. Away

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dents who prefer to apwill attach such name to their comions, besides their own signature and address. None other will be recognized.]

AS AN ENGLISHMAN SEES US.

To the Daily and Weekly People:-I am a constant reader of the Weekly People, which I consider one of the finest, if not the finest weekly journal of its kind. I feel out of sorts when I don't get it; I feel as if something were lacking if it is delayed; while if it comes earlier I am raised to the seventh heaven instanter.

I am especially interested in reading the answers to correspondents, often very, illuminating, and the "Arrow Heads." "Buzz Saw Chips," etc., etc.

Contrades, the S. L. P. of U. S. A.'s official organ is without doubt a veritable sledge hammer to all its enemies; a mace that cracks their skulls and sends there howling to the tune of "fanatics," et alia. My only word to the comrades of the States is this: Let her rip. Keep up the fire, boys, the old walls of the Robberburg are crumbling and will soon be razed with

Wm. G. Allan. Hopwood, Eng., Nov. 28.

UP WITH THE PARTY PRESS.

To the Daily and Weekly People:-In regard to the extraordinary offer by the Weekly People with the help of comrades "Come Again" and A. Peilerio, I wish this offer would be kept up by the Sections throughout the states. It will give every new subscriber the best Socialist weekly paper and'a good assortment of literature that will open a good many eyes. Our nickels and dimes could not be better

If every Section would give \$5 every three months I believe this offer could he kept up for a good while. I would also suggest that every Section get a bundle of the Weekly and send the copies (the offer marked) to outside rkingmen. State Executive Committees could do the same and send copies throughout the state to readers

subs expire and to acquaintances. I hope that the comrades will take hold of my suggestion and make it a

Robert Strach. San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 4.

WE CAN USE THE MONEY, BUT THE-ONLY THING MORTGAGED e IS THE S. P. SKULL.

the Daily and Weekly People:listening to a Socialist Party spouter by the name of Wm. Besseme of Cleveland, Ohio, a man in the audience asked what was the difference be tween the S. L. P. and the S. P. The answer was the S. L. P. has been, and the S. P. is; and there were only "a few followers with Danny De Leon," and "a heavy mortgage on their printing press." Please let me know if it is mortgaged as

CAN'MISS CAPITALIST DAILIES,

BUT CAN'T MISS THE PEOPLE. To the Daily and Weekly People:-You will please find enclosed check for two dollars (\$2.00), in payment for a year's subscription for each of appendmes. Just noticed my subscription was almost expiring, and I would for being without current daily news rather than miss one week's issue of the best instructor and educator the wage earner of America has. May the New Year bring you greater results. in circulation as well as educational

J. A. Stodel. Los Angeles, Cal., November 30.

SYSTEMATIC WORK IN ELIZA-BETH, N. J.

To the Dally and Weekly People:-Section Elizabeth, S. L. P., held a menting last night to discuss ways and means for furthering the movement in this city. Comrade Hossack. stary of the S. E. C. Correspondence Bureau, was present and joined in the discussion. A committee of three to arrange for a series of lectures' was clected. Plans for pushing the party press and literature are to be developed further.

Chabeth, N. J. December &

"HEADQUARTERS" WEEVILED.

To the Dally and Weekly People:-If considered of enough interest let me have a little space in the paper for the fellowing report of a lecture I heard this afternoon, delivered by Emma Göldman on her last tour of America before going to Australia, upon the subject, "Is Anarchism Opposed to Organization?"

I had never before heard that the Anarchist school advocated industrial unionism, but such is the case now Evidently something has happened to change the propaganda methods of these people. Evidently the acts of the last "I. W. W." convention were to the liking of this physical force element, and it now recognizes, as the recruiting grounds for an organization, what up to the present time has had a difficulty to find a foothold in the body social. Playing upon the string of the "solidarity of labor" and "independent organization along class lines to further their own education. etc., etc., can now be carried on by the Anarchist, hand in hand with the "I. W. W." since they have discarded that "Delusion and a Snare," political action

It need no longer be doubted that the "I. W. W." as "founded" by the "last convention," is a physical force concern and nothing else, and that its | Thanksgiving evening. Music, dancing Trautmanns, St. Johns and Axelsons are worthy comrades, for in conversation with some of the leading lights present I was asked whether I had read St. John's answer to the Intellectual in the Industrial Bulletin, which was lauded as a master stroke against political actionists. The speaker referred to the awful struggle the "L W W."is now having in placing itself upon correct lines, meaning of course the struggle against the majority, who believed in political as well as industrial organization.

That the Trautmann, St. John, Axel son bunch are part and parcel and will be swallowed up by the Anarchist school should no longer be a doubt in the minds of any one that heard Emma Goldman's speech.

Birds of a feather will ever flock to-

H. A. Brandborg. Butte, Mont., Dec. 6.

FINDING OUT RIGHT AND LEFT.

To the Daily and Weekly People:-A committee of two, consisting of the undersigned and Miss Belle Greenberg. acting under instruction from the Socialist Women of Greater New York, to have a certain amount of tickets printed for their intended entertainment in the near future, provided, for reasons of expediency, with labels-I. W. W. preferable, the above organization being in favor of Industrial Unionism-we started out on Wednesday last, December 2, in search of "the man in the moon"-the L W. W label. We were referred to a so-called "Union Printing Shop," owned by a Mr. Raifel, and situated at \$2 Centre street, as being able to furnish us with any "brand preferable," I. W. W. or A. F. of L.

Upon inquiry, we arrived there, and were told they didn't handle it any more. We wanted to be enlightened Why? In answer the proprietor, Mr. Raifel, told us the following: "S. A. Stodel and Vincent St. John came to my place yesterday (Tuesday, December 1), and told me not to use the I. W. W. label till further notice, and invited me to a meeting of theirs that was to be held the same evening, to which, however, I must tell you," he added rather amused, "I did not gonot being interested in it any more. As my business thrives very well without any labels at all, being an open shop at present, I would like to serve you ladies," he concluded, "but I don't want to quarrel with those people as they owe me quite a little money-as yet-and I am still hoping to get it some day."

Are comments necessary? I think

Anna B. Touroff. New York, December 3,

CHICAGO UP AND DOING. To the Daily and Weekly People: The Socialist Labor Party of this city is lusily engaged building a solid structure for revolutionary work. The Section held an enthusiastic general meeting Sunday, December 6. New officers were elected as well as State excutive committee and state secretary. Charles Pierson was given the position of Weekly People agent,

The Section adopted plans for a March festival and it will be our alm to make the affair rival the festival His answer was that he was as good which Section New York will hold in that month next year.

Several dollars were raised for the benefit of the Jewish organ, "Der Arbeiter."

In the general discussion which took lace our hustling comrade, Rath, told how he sells from forty to sixty copies of the Weekly People every Sunday. Last Sunday he ran out of his supply of Weekly People. He said he could have disposed of twenty more copies had he had them. Then Rath made an appeal to those present to give their names to Pierson and the amount of papers they each could sell every week The result was that the Section increased its bundle order of Weekly People by 100 copies. This increase will be kept up and we will strive for the 1.000 mark.

Various other methods of propaganda were discussed. The comrades were unanimous in their expression of the forward steps which this meeting had taken, and they desire that more general meetings shall be called in the

Next Sunday the Section will run a ball and entertainment at Friedman's Hall. Grand and Western avenues, becinning at 7 o'clock in the evening. Are comrade and sympathizer who happens to be in town on this day should drop in and spend a pleasant

D. Rudnick. Chicago, Ill., December 7.

DOINGS IN LOS ANGELES.

To the Daily and Weekly People:-Section Los Angeles County, S. L. P., held another enjoyable social on and turkey refreshments were indulged in by a very happy crowd until the wee small hours. The next social will be held on New Years Eve, December 31 and all readers of The People are invited to come.

The Section is holding propaganda and educational meetings every Sunday evening at the new headquarters, 317 East Seventh street, and readers of The People are not only invited to attend but should consider it their duty to come and bring others.

It is a tribute to the spirit, of the S. L. P. to see the comrades and sections in various parts of the country continue activity after the election as well as before. Section Los Angeles celebrated the election by opening a larger and more comfortable headquarters.

The late election showed clearly the vicious power of the capitalist press to mould "public opinion" and help the capitalist class by misrepresentation. howling "prosperity is here," when no one can find it: and in various ways humbugging and bewildering the workers. We must be up and doing. for the Party.

Wage Worker. Los Angeles, Cal., November 27.

"PRACTICAL" ADVICE.

To the Daily and Weekly People:-While visiting a relative the other night I happened to see a copy of a church paper called "St. Matthew's Messenger," edited by Rev. Bavendam of the Wayne Street Lutheran Church, Jersey City. In this paper was some so-called "literary advice." One or ene items was of so great importance to all wage-earners that I should be accused of greedines if I kept it for myself. So here is this godly man's advice.

"If you have not got the money for your rent, read the 37th Psalm."

Isn't it splendid? Wonder if his ytur "literary" studies.

Jersey City Heights, N. J., Dec. 5.

THEY MUST BE WATCHED.

To the Daily and Weekly People: In the Daily People of October 15, this year, appeared an article eptitled "S. P. Record," where instances were given of Socialist party members who accepted endorsement for political office from capitalist parties. I read this article to the Socialist party members here, but they at once branded the article a lie, because it was printed in the kick-

ing paper (as they call The People). A few days later a local paper printed a news item stating that at the municipal election there would be two tickets in the field-a People's and a Citizens' ticket. In looking over the names of the various candidates I noticed the name of C. F. Ring, the secretary of the S. P. local here. He was listed as councilmanic candidate on the Citizens' ticket. I sought out Mr. Ring and in the presence of several members of his party asked him the question if he as a Socialist did not violate the principles of revolutionary Socialism by being a can-

a Socialist as I was, but he as a tarpayer had a right to run for office in a municipal campaign on any d-d ticket he pleased. He claimed that a municipal campaign was not a national campaign.

I told him he would better write for information to the state secretary of the Socialist party, but he refused to do so. I then told him I myself would write, and I did. I enclose copies of my letter to the state secretary, Krueger of the S. P., and of his answer to me His reply clearly shows by its tone and contents that my taking up the matter was not desirable to them.

(Enclosure.)

Mt. Vernon, Wash., Nov. 21, 1908. State Secretary Socialist Party, Seattle, Wash.

Mr. Krueger: .
I write to inquire whether a mem ber of your party (S. P.) can run for office (councilman) on a Citizens' ticket in a city where the party has a local, and the gentleman referred to is secre tary of the same. He is running for the office with the consent and approval of the local.

Awaiting your reply, I am, Yours for Socialism

I. H. Nosovitch. P. S.-Kindly send me a copy of the platform, state constitution, etc. Enclosed find stamps for reply.-I. H. N.

II. Seattle, Wash., Nov. 22, 1908. I. H. Nosovitch,

Mt. Vernon, Wash. Dear Sir:

In reply to your favor of the 21st inst., in which you inform me that the Secretary of the Socialist Party in Mt. Vernon is the candidate for Councilman on the Citizens' ticket, and that he is the nomince with the consent of the party there, was duly received, and I will say, with reference to the legality of this action that this is a matter alone in the province of the party to be settled, after the facts have been established beyond a doubt.

Your letter does in no way indicate that you are a member of the party and therefore to discern your motive to investigate, an investigation with reference to a matter which can concern the party only, or any of its members, is a difficult question to solve. At any rate this is a family affair if the facts reported by you are true, and any questions and problems arising therefrom must be solved within the family.

I can not see any good reason why should discuss party affairs, and which are of concern only to party members, should be discussed at all with members outside the party.

Nevertheless, I must thank you for the information, and whatever your motive for your inquiry may have been, for myself the information may be of some value.

Under separate cover I am mailing you a copy of platform, and also on of the state constitution in the form of a referendum ballot adopted by referendum vote of the party membership. Sincerely yours,

R. Krueger, State Secretary.

Mr. Krueger forwarded a copy of my etter to Local Mt. Vernon, and after some correspondence between the local and the state secretary the S. P.-ite withdrew from the Citizen ticket. Thus mat or at-n esent stands as foll Mr. Ring wanted to run and would have run as Citizens' candidate had not an Reverence will produce the cash if the S. L. P. man "butted in" and shown up tandlord declines to be satisfied with the compromise of principle. Such is the calibre of that "revolutionary" S. P. Axel Staal . They need watching. I. H. Nosovitch.

Mt. Vernon, Wash., Nov. 24.

VETERAN S. L. P. MAN DIES.

Newburgh, N. Y., December 3 .-James McGarvey died vesterday morning at 8:10 o'clock at his daughter's home, Mrs. Walsh, in West Haverstraw. He had been sick for about

McGarvey was one of the pioneers in the Socialist Labor Party, and to his end a staunch supporter of the principles of the organization. He was to the last a member of Section Newburgh S. L. P., and a constant reader of the Daily and Weekly People. Whenever the party sent out a call for funds, he always responded with his

McGarvey will be much missed by Section Newburgh. He leaves two daughters and two sons, and many grandchildren survive him. At his death McGarvey was sixty-eight years old.

Watch the label on your paper. It will tell you when your subscription expires. First number indicates the month, didate for election on a Citizen ticket! second, the day, third, the year,

LETTER-BOX OFF-HAND ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

NO QUESTIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED THAT COME IN ANONYMOUS LETTERS. ALL LETTERS MUST CARRY A BONA FIDE SIGNATURE AND ADDRESS

One set of people object to having the light turned upon them; it interferes with their underground work: they would have The People "preach Socialism," and give them a free hand to undermine the organization that Ages," is a series of novels-but hisdoes'the preaching.

Another set, yourself among them would have The People spend almost all its space in turning the light perpetually upon these gents, even after they are uncovered and on the run.

The People has solved the problem by adopting neither extreme

F. R. M. MONACA, PA.-Answered

A. S., SAN DIEGO, CAL .- The breath in the nostrils of the S. P. cam paign was the hurrah it received from the capitalist, especially the Republican press. Without that the S. P.'s vote would have fallen still lower. See the article "We Sail Westward" in Daily. People, November 26, and Weekv December 5.

J. J., NEW YORK--The Union Ques tion is unsolvable? Corruption and fakirs are unavoidable? He who reaches that conclusion has but one intelligent course open-to join the Republican party.

P. A. D., NEW ORLEANS, LA.-Thou ttle knowest of things if they wonderest at Gompers's unanimous re election. The Republican capitalists themselves saw to it that he be teelected. Without a miseducator of the working class, like Gompers, is kept in a prominent position, the top-capitalists cannot keep the proletariat in such a state of economic ignorance as to be stampedable into the top-capitalist's party with the threat of a shut-down if the top-capitalist candidate is defeated. ST Frie

"S. P. SYMPATHIZER WITH S L P.," PHILA, PA.—Brace up! Nothing is lost, all's gained by you, provided you absorb the Marxian principle that Ctopianism (visionariness) leads to despondency, and thence to reaction. You leaned upon the Utopian reed of the S. P.; of course despondency followed. Pull yourself together before you land in reaction. Join the S. L. P. Grasp and promote the S. L. P. policy to organize the proletariat upon the economic as well as the political revolutionary field. Despondency! No! The field is white with the crop-for MAN'S

W. W., NEW YORK-Of course Anirchists have a decided, partiality for the Socialist party. Pure and simple political ranting furnishes the sap for pure and simple bombical ranting. Of course Anarchists hate the Socialist Labor Party inveterately, Every crack over the head of pure and simple politicianism resounds in the hollow skull of pure and simple bombism, and causes it to reel.

School is not a school that "promotes Socialism," except in the remote sense that the "Appeal to Reason" may be said to "promote Socialism," that is, acquaint people with the name of Socialism, and, if there is anything in them, they look further. For instance, in the Rand School lectures are delivered teaching that 'Labor pays the

T. C., JERSEY CITY, N. J.-If the only recommendation of a "Socialist paper" is that "a beginner gets it and reads it without knowing that it is a Socialist paper he has," then where do all those who are not beginners, and who, the Lord knows, have plenty to learn,-come in? No; what such a paper does is to keep all its readers down in the beginners' grade.

TO POLISH'S. L. P. MEN-From Spokane, Wash., the question comes: What Polish publication can you recommend? Don't want any sentimental trash."-Who can give the in-

F. D. TURTLE CREEK, PA.-Now to your third and last question-

If by religion you understand the Sunday school theory of geology, astronomy and biology-why, yes, Socialism promotes against that all the knowledge it can of the science upon which intellectual progress rests by

"THEOPHILE," CHICAGO, ILL.- | clude these subjects. Socialism be-Here is a problem that this office has longs to the department of social science.

> J. C., PHILA, PA .- Now to your second question-

Yes, the Eugene Sue series, "History of a Proletarian Family Across the toric novels. They are stories grounded on historic facts. Should any one deny the correctness of these, insist that he put his finger upon the alleged untrue historic statement, and you watch that man closely. It will be a revelation to you. Historic novels are valuable aids to history. Books of history do not give the color of the times. Historic novels do.

Another department of history is biography. A valuable department The delineation of character by such master hand as Sue is instructive. besides being a treat. The delineation of the historic characters in his series is masterly. The scientific Socialist can only profit by such reading. Next question next week.

D. B. M., GRANITE, OKLA .- Now

your third question-

Labor produces \$50,000-diamond and earl necklaces, exquisite silks, velvets, etc., as well as it produces shoes and bread, Labor consumes shoes and bread, it does not consume the necklaces, silks, velvets, etc., or the bulk of its product. Consequently Labor cannot be exploited, in consumption. on all that it produces. At best it could be exploited in consumption on only a small part and category of its production

As to whether Labor is exploited in he consumption, besides in the production of the goods which it consumes-no, much the' an optical fflusion makes things look otherwise. This fact can be appreciated only if the laws of value, price and, inferentially, the law of wages are grasped. Wages is the price of labor-power in the labor market-normally speaking. That price is the residue of what is left to Labor from its own product, after having been exploited in production; and that price represents and is determined, normally speaking, by the value of labor power in the labor-market. If, after the exploitation in production there could be a separate exploitation in consumption, then labor-power was not bought at the market price, and then what happens in consumption would not be "exploitation," it would be "gouging"-not an economic, but a physical, and, therefore, arbitrary, process. The difficulty to perceive that exploitation takes place in the shop only, and the optical illusion of exploitation taking place in consumption also, is what free traders and taxreformers generally play upon with their flim-flam of cheaper goods,

Next question next week,

C. M. T., CENTRAL FALLS, R. I .-In 1898 the S. L. P. candidate in the 16th Assembly District of this city had over 2,300 votes-close to election. In 1899, the Kangaroos, that is, the present runners of the S. P. here, set un Hilland against the S. T. P. candidate in the district. Hillquit failed to get the necessary number of signatures on the petition for nomination, and his name did not appear on the ballot, but his fellow Kangaroos set up their stands all over the District urging the voters to abstain from voting. Their campaign oratory consisted exclusively of defamation of the character of the S. L. P. candidate. The vote of beth parties has since gone to smash in the District.

Next question next week.

T D. V., MADISON, WIS .- Hard words treak no bones. Hence the S. II. P. moves along serenely. Said Johnson to Goldsmith: "My dear Docter, what harm does it do a man to call him Holofernes?" There is where the S. L. P. has the decided controversial advantage over its adversaries The S. L. P. never "calls" names: it proves them. Facts break bones-all the bones in the carcass of Error and of Fraud.

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GILLHAUS IN DETROIT.

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> Paul Augustine, National Secretary.

OFFICERS ELECTED BY SECTION CHICAGO, S. L. P.

Section Cook County held a general party meeting Sunday, December 6. 1808, in Friedman's Hall, corner of Grand and Western avenues, for election of State and County officers and other party business.

The following officers were elected: Max Leaderman, State secretary; T. Davis, E. T. Holmes, Ch. Pierson, A. Lingenfelter, D. Rudnick, L. Katz, Gustave Larson, members of Illinois State Executive Committee.

County Officers: J. Bobinsky, Organizer; F. Kuchenbecker, secretary; J. Roth, financial secretary; auditing committee: Montgomery, 'A. Lingenfelter and T. Davis: grievance committee: Gustave Larson, A. Prince, N. Reimer; entertainment committee: J. Roth, A. S. Carm, E. T. Holmes; literary agent: -Ch, Pierson,

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New York, December 3, 1908. To All Locals and Member-at-Large of the Industrial Workers of the World.

Fellow Workers:-One month has elapsed since the Paterson Conference set on foot the movement to bring about the re-estab-

lishment of the L. W. W. upon the basis

of true revolutionary Industrial Union-

We are glad indeed to be able to make the following report, which, we think, gives ample assurance that in to build up the organization, due time the above-mentioned purpose of the Paterson Conference will be be making good progress, and appealfully realized.

To begin with, we can report that best, we are, through the activity of the fellow workers in Philadelphia a new local has been organized there for the L. W. W. It is a local of Clothing Workers, about 150 members, and they report prospects of further organization in the same industry in the same city.

Of endorsements received since the Paterson Conference, we have the following: From Local 110. Bakery Workers, Detroit; No. 198, Recruiting Local, Toronto; No. 6, Recruiting Local, Cincinnati, and members at large in Garrison, Mont. and Plainfield, N. J. Favorable inquiries and prospective affillation we also have from St. Paul, Minn., Scranton, Pa., Oakland, Cal., Mullan, Idaho, Utica, N. Y., Portland,

Ore., and Pittsburg, Pa. A cast up of the situation therefore gives us these new sources of support in addition to the ten locals which were represented at the Paterson Conference, and the ten additional locals which had up to the date of the Conference endorsed the call, and whose communications of endorsement were read at the Conference.

Our appeal for funds which was sent out, on November 16 has thus far brought responses in the way of contributions and orders for dues stamps aggregating \$56.25, as follows: Industrial Council, Detroit, \$10; J. Reese. delphia, Pa., \$1; H. A. Brandborg, Garrison, Mont., \$5; Llocal 125, Denver Colo., \$2.50; Local 69, Hartford, \$5; H. B. Simpson, Hamilton, Ont., \$1; Geo, Anderson, Denver, \$2; Local 198, Toronto, Can., \$15; C. L. Trainor, Denver, \$1; Local 58, New York, \$2; Local 59, New York, \$10; Total, \$56.25. Which together with the charter fee \$10, received from the new Local in Philadelphia, makes a total of \$66.25.

In the matter of preparation of supplies, we can report that we now have our charters, dues books, dues stamps general and local stationery, and general and local seals.

Now to the future: All locals should bestir themselves, if they have not already done so, and should prepare to

They should, in the first place, re port to this office at once as to their membership.

Second-Each local should inform us as promptly as possible as to just what sort of agitation or organization work it is best situated to carry onwhat industry, and what branch thereof offers it the best opportunity to begin with. This information is wanted at this office to guide us in getting out propaganda literature. Each local should therefore let us know as soon as possible just what they need to do the work they intend doing. It is the plan of your General Administration, for the immediate future. until an official journal can be established, to send out periodical circula-

INDUSTRIAL WORKERS OF THE | letter reports of progress, and to use all funds available to prepare Industrial Union literature appealing directly to the various trades, industries and branches of industries, so that each of our members may be equipped with the best possible propagands matter to carry on the work of awakening and organizing the workers among whom he is agitating.

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Columbus, O., October 12.-I wish you would give instances in which the Socialist Party accepted for its candidates endorsement at the hands of capitalist parties. Give the names and

Sherman Wolfe.

[The record of the acceptance by the Socialist Party of capitalist party endorsement for S. P. candidates is a long one. Space will not permit giving the record in its entirety. The trate the conduct of the Socialist Party, which, claiming to be Socialist, accepts endorsement at the hands of the enemy.

In 1900, the Socialist Party, John C. Smith, ran in the Worcester, Mass. district on both the Democratic and the Socialist party tickets, with the knowledge, consent and approval of his Socialist Party organization.

In 1901, the Socialist Party, Morris Eichmann, ran for office in West Hoboken, N. J., on the Republican, the Democratic, the Citizens' and the Socialist party tickets, with the knowledge, consent and approval of his Socialist Party organization.

In 1900, two Socialist Party men Everett and King, applied to, and got from, the Democratic Mayor of San Francisco, Cal., political jobs, which they kept with the approval of their Socialist Party organization

At the elections in November, 1902. in New Britain, Conn., Geo. W. Klett ran for Judge of Probate on the Republican and the Socialist Party

At the same election (1902) in Harris County, Texas, E. H. Vasner ran for county judge on the Republican Indpendent, Democratic, Populist and Socialist Party tickets.

At the spring election of 1903 in Schuylkill County, Pa., the Socialist Party fused with the Republican party in Kline township, and with the Democratic party in Rahn township.

In April, 1908, W. J. Johnson, candidate for alderman on the Socialist Party ticket in Chicago, received the endorsement of the Municipal Voters' League, a capitalist organization, and appeared among the list of the League's candidates published in the Chicago "Record-Herald," "Tribune," and "Daily News."

At Hartford, Conn., in the municipal election in April, 1903, among the candidates of the Socialist Party four -Martin J. Riga, John Rubenbauer, August Hartsman, and Albert L. Miller, candidates for Councilmen in the Seventh, First, Fifth, and Ninth wards. respectively-are enrolled on the caucus list of the Republican party; and not less than five of the Socialist Party candidates-John J. Fitzgibbons, Henry F. Bamman, Joseph B. Branigan, Alfred T. Tivey and John R. Riley, candidates for Councilmen in the First, Third and Fifth wards, for Alderman in the Seventh ward, and for High School Commissioner, respectively-are simultaneously enrolled on the caucus list of the Democratic party.

These are but a few of the undeniable facts in the official and unsavery record of the Socialist Party. On the industrial side of the Labor Movement its record is equally unsay

In 1900, G. A. Hoehn of St. Louis, afterward a member of the National Executive Committee of the Socialist Party, joined the deputy sheriffs of his city during the. St. Louis car

Socialist Party man, voted a \$15,000

appropriation for an armory, and declared he would do it again. His conduct passed unchallenged by his So-

There is no act of infamy committed by the Labor Lieutenants of the capitalist class against the welfare of the working class but the Socialist Party either shuts its eyes or applauds. Whoever has brains to think for himself must come to the conclusion that whatever its protestations the conduct of the Socialist Party

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