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HOW TO CATCH THE BEAR.

Query for the Next Bear-Catch on November 8:

Does the Bear Like It?

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Capitalism and Its Political Machines Arraigned.

The Object of the War-Increased Capitalist Plunder by Proletariat Suffering-Whither the Machine-Displaced Workmen are Coing-On to the 100,000!

We, the Socialist Labor party of the Third Congressional District of Vir-ginia, in nominating Comrade John J. Quantz as our candidate for United States Congress from the above dis-

states Congress from the avorte day trict, present to our fellow wage-work-ers the following resolutions: RESOLVED, I. That we declare un-faltering allegiance to the principles set forth in the National Platform of

faitering allegiance to the principles set forth in the National Platform of our party. 2. That we denounce in strongest terms the cold-blooded policy of our central government, which, under the false cry of humanity and at the bid-ding of their master, the capitalist class, plunged our country into war, causing thereby untold suffering and misery, besides the loss of very many valuable lives, in order that the capital-ist manufacturers and merchants, both Republicans and Democrats, might reap a golden harvest by the appropria-iton of property which justy belongs to the people of the conquered territo-ries, and also opening up new markets whereby they may be able to dispose of the surplus wealth created by the workers and kept back by the capital-ist owner of the tool, who sponges up everything except a small pittance, which he leaves to the wealth-pro-ducing worker, in order that he (the worker) may exist and propagate his kind for future exploitation by the same capitalist or his children. 3. That, as the machine has wrench-handy-craftsman, driven millions of superfluous workmen out on the streets, subjecting those whose pres-ence is necessary to the successful operation of the machine to the most

ence is necessary to the successful operation of the machine to the most degrading form of slavery, viz., wageslavery; and further, that as the intro-duction of the machine has in many in-stances rendered great strength in the stances rendered great strength in the operator thereof an unnecessary quali-fication, the capitalist, ever watchful of nis own interests, has ruthlessly in-vaded the homes of the wage-workers, destroyed the harmony thereof by tear-ing the babe from the breast of its mother, throwing it into the hands of strangers in day burserles, while the mother, along with her other tender-lings, are remorselessly driven by the while of starvation into the factory to be ground into profits for the owner thereof, and, by reason of their cheaper-labor power, man, the once-strong mainstary of the family and home, as now rusticating in idleness all over the now rusticating in idleness all over the country or groveling in the foul-sniel-ing bed of a Shockoe creek; and, further, that as all business is engaged in for profit, not for pleasure, no laws can (so long as the present system ex-ists) be passed or reforms instituted which will compel the manufacturer or merchant to hire labor superfluous to big business therefore the other bases merchant to hire labor superfluous to his business, therefore the only means whereby, civilization may be saved and the workers fully employed is by the whole people owning and operating col-lectively the tools of production and distribution (the land and machinery), and by producing for use and not for profit ensure to all those willing to work enforment to the fullest extent work enjoyment to the fullest extent of their God-given right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

4. And whereas there is in our midst to-day, and has been for many years, an organized gaug of political and la-bor misleaders who, by faise teaching, have befuddled the minds of the work-have befuddled the minds of the workers to such an extent as to render them almost incapable of perceiving the truth; therefore be it resolved, that we denounce all such misleaders as being unworthy the trust and confidence of all honest workingmen, and that we hereby challenge them to meet us in open debate, and there show cause why they should not be kicked down and out by an awakened and justly-enrage proletariat, who, on slowly uplifing their wearied and almost hopeless gaze from that murky, loathsome and foul-smelling pit of economic rubbish into which these misleaders have plunged them, hall with joy the clear, steady and penetrating search-light of economic sciece and knowledge which is ever held out to their gaze by the American wing of the International Socialist party, that great and rapidly increas ing army of class-conscious, revolu-tionary workingmen who, in every country of the civilized world, are marching with closed ranks and steady tread to the final overthrow of our modern system of capitalism by the allpowerful weapon of a freeman, the Socialist ballot.

ROUTED IN DEBATE.

Job Harriman, California's S. L. P. Standard Bearer, Routs a Capi-talist Professor. Comrade Job Harriman, our candi-date for Governor, lectured at Stan-ford University, Sept. 28. He outlined the development of the tool of produc-tion and showed how the powerful ma-chines of today split Society wide chines of to-day split Society wide open, putting on the one side the tool-less workers and on the other the toolless workers and on the other the tool-owning non-workers. He proved clear-ly that their interests were antagonistic and that between them a constant battle raged whose varying fortunes were indicated by the fluctuations of the wages-point. Not only does pro-duction for sale force individuals into the competitive industrial strife, but also thrusts whole nations into war that they may control the market. To remedy this, Capitalism. must be abol-ished. Society must take possession of the means of production and distribu-tion and use them for the benefit of all. After the lecture questions were althe means or production and distribu-tion and use them for the benefit of all. After the lecture questions were al-lowed, and then the fun began. One student thought it was necessary to change the hearts of men. "But." said Comrade Harriman, "one wicked man would be able to gather to himself power by exploiting his help to the limit and would soon force all others to do likewise or close up." Another thought "the scheme beauti-ful, but impossible," because people were guided by self-interest. "That's just what we bank on." was the reply; "if we had a proposition that was not going to benefit a great majority. we would expect to fail. The self-interest of the proletariat is a sure pathway to Socialism."

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Here the head of the Economic De-partment took a hand in the contro-versy. Said he to Comrade Harriman versy. Said he to Comrade Harriman: "You say, brains or not, power ac-cumulates and gathers momentum; is it not true that it is the brains of so-clety that get control of the capital?" To this precious bit of capitalist con-celt Harriman answered that, given equal power, i. e., capital, the best brain will win and get it all; but that, as a matter of fact, inferior brains fre-quently get control over enough capital to overpower the brighest intellects and drag them, captives, at its charlof to overpower the brighest intellects and drag them, captives, at its charlot wheels. A fool with money can buy brains to think for him. In the com-petitive market the cheapest seller wins. This cheapness means little la-bor embodied, i. e. the use of machin-ery. The more perfect the tool, the cheaper the goods. Advantage comes not from brains, but from capital; and he cited many instances to prove the the cited many instances to prove the unit by facts. The learned President, Dr. Jordan.

The learned President, Dr. Jordan. seeing his economical man Friday thus squashed, thought it necessary to take up the cudgels for capitalism. To ap-preciate the result one should under-stand the character of Dr. Jordan. He is a "scientist": not a "philosopher." He believes in "facts"; not in "theo-ries." He demands demonstrated pro-positions, and rejects reason by com-parison or inference. "Where will you get your brains to manage affairs un-der Socialism?" he began. "The brains are here now." answered Comrade Harriman," I don't imagine that they will disappear. Men will not become idiots because, they are given a chance to live decently." "I don't know," re-sponded the Professor, "there would not be the incentive there now is and "My dear sir," was the reply, "the in-centive you speak of is money, the power of wealth to gain which men vote the best efforts. You recognize with the bald statement the untruth of the proposition. Here in this univer-sity are men of brains who do not de-vote their time to wealth accumulation, but to science hoping thus the science but to science, hoping thus to win reverence and love from the people. Fame is the real incentive. Honor the position of being revered and respect-ed, that is the incentive. However, you can choose. Capitalism evolves by survival of the fittest, its' money-grubbers. Socialism, by the same pro-cess, those devoted to the commonweal. For Capitalism Hanna, Garne-weal. For Capitalism Hanna, Garne-gie, the type of Plugson. For Social-ism Agassiz, Darwin, Huxley, the ism Agassiz, Darwin, Huxley, the scientists and philosophers. We re-move the struggle from physical plane to intelectual plane, but do not abolish

The way South-American Indians go about it to catch honey-bears is highly interesting. They don't shoot the ani-mal, or bring him down in hand-to-fined combate that is the sider. The

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Interesting. They don't shoot the ani-mal, or bring him down in hand-to-hand combat:--that is too risky. The -way they go about it is this. They first take possession of a honey-comb, then they find the tracks of a bear, and then they look for some con-veniently situated trunk of a tree along or near the bear's path. The honey-comb is fastened to the trunk of the tree at an elevation that the bear, standing on his hind legs, can conve-niently reach. That done, they get a good stout beam, and fasten it in-geniously from some overhanging branch, in such a way that it swings easily by the middle, one end always landing just above the honey-comb. All that then remains to be done is to watch developments in hiding: the bear will himself knock himself sense-less, and thus lay himself helpless at his captors' feet. At the earliest dawn, when the rising sun tips the eastern skies, the bear will come ambling along: he smells the honey; locates it; rises on his haunches to lick the honey out of the comb; but finds ingress barred by one end of the bear. With one paw, he thrusts that

to lick the honey out of the comb: but finds ingress barred by one end of the beam. With one paw, he thrusts that end of the beam aside, and sticks his head in. But, the end of the beam that had hung over the comb being thrust aside, and the beam being fastened by the middle, the other end lands over the comb, and gives the bear a crack alongside his head. The bear pulls back; again thrusts aside that new end of the beam: again puts in its head; and is again hit by the first end of the beam that is made to swing back head; and is again hit by the first end of the beam that is made to swing back by the very thrust that sent off the other end. The bear gets angry. He gives a harder push to the end of the beam that has hit him again and is again over the coub. The harder thrust brings back the other end of the beam with stronger force, giving a harder with stronger force, giving a barder with stronger force, giving a barder blow to the bear's head. The bear gets more and more riled: he thrusts off with ever increasing force and with ever quicker strokes the end of the beam that hits him and then settles down over the comb. The greater the force with which his thrusts are im-parted the harder are the blows his head gets by the swinging around of the opposite end of the beam, and the the opposite end of the beam, and the quicker his strokes, the more rapid is the succession of the blows he receives. This he keeps up for quite a while, un-til, dazed by the blows he has been giving himself, he drops senseless. The hunters then come forward and dis-patch him without trouble or danger. This bear is a dullard, is he not, to be

thus virtually made his own execu-tioner? No doubt. And yet the spec-tacle that the working class of our own country has been presenting for the last fourteen years on election forcibly recalls the spectacle presented by the

bear. The Republican party had been in power over twenty years. The furor of the Civil War and the following fever of "Reconstruction" had drawn the workers' attention away from their own declining condition. Gradually, as things got worse and worse, and the Civil War and Reconstruction faded away in the distance, the working class began to awake to a realization of their stress. The honey-comb of the Nation's prosperity, filled up brimful by themselves, was inaccessible to them. Instinct told them that the seat of the evil was in politics. They saw over the honey-comb, barring their access to its honey, the Republican party in power. By 1884 their anger was considerably by Roy nor and that year they thrust the Republican party aside. Access to the honey-comb was now thought free. But was it? Our work-ing class found itself in the fix of the bear. What barred their access to the honey-comb was as in the case of the honey-comb was, as in the case of the bear, not a disconnected block of wood, but one end of a beam closely connected with an other end. The blow that thrust aside the Republican brought around the Democratic end of the around the Democratic end of the beam; and it came with a crack on Labor's head-just as with the bear and kept them from the honey: If things had been bad before '84, they became still worse after. Wages tumbled, jobs became rarer and in-securer, comforts lessened, suffering increased. Strikes broke out every. increased. Strikes broke out every-

where, and everywhere the Democratic end of the beam was rapping Labor's head with cruel raps.

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end of the beam was rapping Labor s head with cruel raps. Four years of this experience aroused our workers' rehewed ire, and '88, with stronger thrust, they thrust aside the Democratic end of the interfering beam,—only to bring around, back against their heads with proportion-ally stronger force, the Republican end of the beam barring them again from the honey: Four years followed of in-tensified distress for the working class; and, during that period, we saw, for the first time, a sight never seen be-fore. The "boys in blue," the Federal Army, thitherto thought to be identi-fied with the National glory only and to be there exclusively in its defense, appeared, under orders from Washing-ton, in the Coeur d'Alene region and there threw the weight of their guns in the scales of the criminal Capitalist Class and against the Wor'ing Class. In the scales of the criminal capitality of the class. Class and against the Workingmen flowed freely, freely shed by the party just swung around into power, in Tennes-see, in Homestead, Pa., in Buffalo, N. Y., etc., etc.

Y., etc., etc. The enraged, working class of Amer-ica got wilder, and in '92, bear-like, it imagined it would rid itself of the block that itnerferred with its well-being. The Republican end of the beam was thrust aside only to swing the Democratic back into position; and it came around with such a whack against Labor's head that the whack still resounds. During the four pre-vious years, the Federal troops had made their appearance as aids to the capitalist fleecers of the working class, but the troops were then sent into a far Western, hardly populated region, now they made their appearance in an far Western, hardly populated region, now they made their appearance in an old State, in the thickly populated city of Chicago, and came there "to break the strike's back," as the General in command frankly put it; while, right and left, the militia was sent by State Goutiners, minor ends of beams the other ends of which had just been thrust aside from the honey-comb, and ordered to blaze away "to kill" at the workers who imagined their path to the honey-comb had been freed. Four years more of this experience,

Four years more of this experience, and once more the working class, with mighty stroke, thrust from the honeycomb the block that blocked their path and by the very effect of the blow that they gave brought around again upon their heads the other end of the beam with another crash that set them bleed-ing in Hazleton and Virden, East and

Vest, North and South. And thus they have been at it. The block that swings over our honey-comb is, like the block with the bear, a beam of two ends. It is futile to expect to free the access to the honey-comb by thrusting aside ONE end of the beam. thrusting aside ONE and of the beam. As long as this process is adhered to, the other end of the beam will crash around; and if the process be adhered to long enough, the workers will in due time have knocked themselves into helplessness. The ballot will be then taken from them; and, ignorant of the oneness of the two sides, their slaying and subjugation will be as easy as that of the bear. of the bear. There is no access possible to the

honey-comb so long as the Working Class directs its resentment against ONE end of the beam at a time. That beam is the capitalist class; its two ends are the two old political parties. Whatever end of the beam may happen to be in the way of the wage-earners, whatever end of the beam may happen to be struck off, the beam itself remains: and IT is "the lion in the way." To gain access to the honey-comb that the toilers fill to overflowing, the beam itself must be knowed ended the beam itself must be knocked aside it must be knocked mid-ship; only the blow that knocks out both its ends can clear the way, because only that blow removes the beam itself. In all the States where an election takes place this year, and where the Socialist Labor party is in the field. the hammer is there ready for the workers' use. With the hammer of the Socialist Labor party ballot the capital-ist beam of Republican and Democratic two ends can be overthrown, and only thus: all else is to perform the bear's silly trick: the workers will ever be knocking themselves down by the very act of knocking down one party of capital by raising up another.

To the Democratic and Republic a Assembly Candidates in the 46th N. Y. A. D. To BENJAMIN HOFFMAN, and JONAS EHRENTREU;

A CHALLENGE

Democratic and Republican Candidates for the Assembly from the 16th N. Y. Assembly District. Gentlemen:-As the candidate of the Gentlemen:—As the candidate of the Socialist Labor party for the same office that you are nominated to, I hereby challenge you to appear before the working class of the District in public debate, and answer the charges that I have been making on the stump against you, Benjamin Hoffman, in particular, you being the present in-

cumbent. I charge both the Democratic party and the Republican party with fraud-ulently pretending to represent "the whole people." Our people are no longer ONE people; we are divided into TWO peoples, with interests diametri-cally opposed, and standing as hostile evaluate each other as the American against each other as the American troops and the Spanish troops recently stood;—these two peoples are the Working Class and the Capitalist Class: the former producing the wealth of the nation, the latter stealing it. The robber and the robbed are not ONE; their interests are opposed; the

same man can not represent both. same man can not represent both. In the struggle that is going on be-tween these two peoples, or classes, both your parties side uniformally with the Robber Class against the Robbed Class. A Republican President sends the Federal military into Cocur d'Alene to give the Robber Class the victory; a Democratic President sends the Fed-eral military into Chicago to give the eral military into Chicago to give the Robber Class the victory; a Republican Governor sends the militia of this State to Brooklyn to give the Robber Class the victory; a Democratic Gov-ernor sends the militia of this State to ernor sends the militia of this State to Buffalo to give the Robber Class the victory. Republican and Democratic Judges issue "gatling guns" on paper to give the Robber Class the victory and otherwise spoliate the working people.—And in the midst of all these crimes, Democratic and Republican As-semblymen, Senators, and Congress-men nod antroval by never once even men nod approval by never once even moving the impeachment of the mis-creants in office, and hurling them from the offices they disgrace. Throughout the land, your two parties stand con-victed as the representatives of Robber Class interests, and the men they set up for office as the lackeys of that iden-tical Robber Class.

In this State, the late Legislature has demonstrated this fact in abundance Hand in hand. Democrats have moved with Republicans in the unaninous enactment of laws that only threw greater power into the hands of the Robber Class, thereby betraying the Robbed or Working Class. Most strik-ing and infamous of all these betrayals. of the Working Class by your two com-bined parties in Albany, and most striking of all the evidences that Republican and Democrats are but separ-ate claws of the same vulture, is the unanimity with which the Blennial Election bill and the Primary bill were passed.

Time was when the Capitalist or Robber Class did not feel alarmed at the workers' having the suffrage. With the growth of intelligence among the the growth of intelligence among the workingmen, as denoted by the growth of the Socialist Labor party's vote, this has changed. The Capitalist Class now seeks to disfranchise the workers. The next best thing to taking the ballot wholly out of the worker's hands is to reduce his opportunities to use it. The Blennial Election bill is intended to dis-franchise the workers every other year. franchise the workers every other year. This is only a starter. Elections are to be made fewer and fewer—such is the capitalist scheme.

Again, the Primary bill was intended Again, the Frimary bill was intended to bound the workers from the political field, by furnishing the capitalists with a new means of intimidation. Every Republican and every Demo-

S. L. P. State Central Committee's Address.

MICHICAN'S VOICE.

Society's Useful Labor is Performed by the Working Class, but that is Turned into Capitalist Plunder by the Republican and Demo-oratic Parties.

Workingman, would you rule the nation

working woman, would you become an helpmate? Then the first thing to learn is, what

that knowledge in your own interests. Who are working now? Men who perform useful labor with either their hands or their minds, and who benefit

Society. What is useful labor? That labor which has for its aim the production and the distribution of the necessary

things for the sustenance and comforts of the whole human family. That labor performed for the benefit of a class only, and which the whole peeple do not enjoy, is obviously use-less labor so far as society is con-cerned erned.

Who are not working now? Those men who neither perform any personal labor at all, but live from the products of others' labor, and those who exercise their energies in making who exercise their energies in making laws or manipulating the laws already made to protect the first set from the necessity of performing any personal labor, or to fleecing the laboring man from the products of his toil for the sole benefit of the two sets.

The first set secures by means of hws made by the second special privileges in the way of individual ownership of what by nature and by right belongs to the whole people, such as the land and all inventions of the past and present generations of the human race,-inventions and improve-

past and present generations of the human race.—Inventions and improve-ments by the aid of which man can more easily produce the wealth that is necessary or useful to society. When the individual owns these things he can, by laws that protect him, force the present generation of workers to pay him tribute for the privilege of living upon the land, in the name of rent, and for the privilego of producing that which they actually need to subsist upon, in the name of profits and interests. As the people must now produce with the great ma-ine or many machines and inven-ions, if requires a great amount of isocumulated capital to work. The worker individually is now unable to either produce in competition with the machine, having nothing but his hands, or to work on any capitalist establish-ment alone. To operate the machine he needs the co-operative work of many of his fellows.

Thus the individual called capitalist controls the product of the people, by owning these necessary machines, and they dominate those who must operate them—the workers. And the terms are like this: The la-borer says: "I must live, and, under the present system of the individual ownership of the machine, I must ap-ply to the owner of the machine for the privilege of producing that which I need to subsist on."

privilege of producing that which I need to subsist on." The capitalist answers: "Society, of which you are a part, has made laws which give to me these necessary ma-chines and protect me in holding them, so that I may live without work. Now, if YOU wish to produce anything, I will charge you for the use of MY machin-ery two-thirds of what you produce, giving you one-third, and call it wages, which will give you snough to live upon and keep you in order to be able to run the machine. But mind, if you get too fat, I SHALL CHARGE YOU STILL MORE THAN TWO-THIRDS; I WILL REDUCE YOUR WAGES LOWER STILL. The reason I do this is that, seeing you are nothing but a LOWER STILL. The reason I do this is that, seeing you are nothing but a common worker without class pri-vilege, you do not need as much as I, AND YOU DO NOT KNOW ENOUGH TO ENJOY THE FULL PRODUCT OF YOUR WORK IF YOU HAD IT OF YOUR WORK IF YOU HAD IT. And, besides, I understand how the political branch of society makes these laws for my benefit, and you do not. Knowing this, I use them to my own advantage. Therefore, I get the pri-vilege of doing nothing, and getting two doilars where you get one. You do the work, I get the product above what you ACTUALLY NEED TO LIVE UPON, and I do no work. There being about one hundred or more work-ers to one canitalist, THE ONE HUN-DRED MUST LIVE UPON ONE-THIRD OF WHAT THE ONE CAPI-THIRD OF WHAT THE ONE CAPI-TALIST RECEIVES." TALIST RECEIVES." \ Do you wonder why he enjoys what you can not, and yet never do:s any work? Do you not see now, working man, and Mrs. and Miss working wo-man, that what now rules the nation are laws made to protect the idle capitalist class in the ownership of that which the whole people must of neces-sity own, or continue to be slaves to the profit system? Do you not understand that that which the capitalist takes as his share and calls profit or interest on the "capi-tal invested" is stolen out of your hands? Do you not see that he uses the Republican and Democratic politi-cal bodies to make laws to protect him-self and to hold his workmen down? Self and to note his workmen down? Can you not see that any political party which stands pledged to protect capitalist ownership of the machinery of production is against the workers' interests? interests? Under this system, protected by Democratic and Republican parties, the worker can never hope to extricate himself from the bondage of wage-slavery: the more he produces, the greater the power he places in the hands of the capitalist class to keep him where he is.

The Standard Oil investigation, that has been going on in this city, brings out into relief more than one thing that only the blind will fail to notice, and that the seeing will not fail to memorize and act upon. The Ohio Courts have been snubbed

by the Standard Oil magnates: these are located here; and an investigation "In contempt" has been set on foot. Rockefeller ckefeller and his pals were sum-ned, and appeared. The investigation was proceeding swimmingly, when suddenly it came to a dead stop. Certain books in the keeping of officers of the Trust, were needed. They were ordered to be produced; but these officers, upon whom the subpoents had to be served, suddenly vanished: no search could produce them. And there Jon are.

Among the officers who have eluded among the officers who have cluden the law is Wardwell—the Prohibition-ist leader. Thus we have Reps, Dens, and Prohibs at their trick of "abiding by the law."

"Well, municipal enterprises are not well managed, nor have communistic societies ever prospered, even allowing for outside competition." This was the broadside next fired by the Profestor.

"That is a question of fact." respond-"That is a question of fact," respond-ed our comrade, "let us see whose posi-tion the facts support." He then gave numerous instances and illustrations that had come under his own personal observation, showing the better action of the collectively than of private en-terprise. "You are fortunately situated in Los Angeles if all that is so," was Dr. Jordan's reply to cover up the re-treat he was making. "No more so treat he was making. "No more so than the whole nation in the Post-office or many other States and towns in their collective industries." Then he proceeded with more instances and statistics to overwhelm the Dr. with facts turning defeat into rout. And there is no reason why the people can't weave cloth as well as they do below

there is no reason why the people can't weave cloth as well as they do bake ple, or manage the railroad as they run the P. O., or engage in any other industry now carried on privately. To all of which the man of facts, the Pro-fessor of Science, could only meekly re-spond: "I don't thin. so." The feeling of the Socialists, who at-tend the University, was one of joyons triumph. Wincless victory perched upon our standards. Many students have since admitted to the humble scribe that the capitalistic arguments were made foolish and their erst-while idel, the man of facts, lay shattered in the' dust. Harriman used his own weapons and the same style of fence, and completely defeated him.

A SIGN OF THE TIMES.

The following conversation between two 'longshoremen was overheard in this city this week by the book-keeper of a firm that employs all three:

Jim-"I hear Armstrong is going to be our-next Governor."

Mike.-"Who's Armstrong? ticket is he running on?"

Jim-"Why, he's running on his muscles!"

Mike-"On his muscles? What d'ye give me; on his barrel I suppose you mean.'

Jim-"On his muscles; solid fact. Didn't ye see the emblem,—Arm and Hammer?"; and saying so he bent his arm in the Arm and Hammer style, shouting: "Do you catch on? Arm-strong on the labor ticket!" ALL ONE

While in Missouri "No Government by Injunction" Altgeld is stumping for two notorious issuers of injunctions against the working class, here in New York "Saw-tooth coliceman Club" Roosevelt is weeping crocodile tears over Labor, and protesting his eternal, undying affection for the working class

Have these two changed heart? Not tat all. Altgeld is, now as before, in favor of "No Government by Injunc-tion" as a good clap-trap slogan to catch votes by, while he, like all other capitalists, continues actually to thrive capitalists, continues actually to thrive by injunctions against the workers; and Roosevelt is now, as ever, a "Saw-tooth Policeman Club" man, only just now he needs labor votes, and affects a friendship that will last just till 5 p. m., November 8; after that why—CLUBS! Democratic Altgeld spells Republican Roosevelt, and so all along the line. crat in the State Legislature voted for, or at least refrained from voting against these two crimes against the The Robber Class cracked suffrage. The Robber Class cracked the whip, and all their Republican and Democratic lackeys, you, Benjamin Hoffman, among them, obeyed. But, if all this were not sufficient proof that the fight between your two

proof that the nint between your two parties is a faire to deceive the work-ers and keep them divided, we are, this year, furnished in this 16th Assembly District with additional proof. You, "Democratic" Benjamin Hoffman, are known to stand in imminent danger of defeat by the Socialist Labor party candidate: already last year you lost heavily, this year you have a harder row to hoe. At this pinch, from what side comes aid to you? You, "Republi-can" Jonas Ehrentreu, are after much hestistics, put up by the Roombligan hesitation put up by the Republican machine, but the order is issued by the machine to drop you and vote for Hoff man, as your defeat is a foregone con-clusion! Thus the mask drops, and your two parties reveal their identity:-sworn foes of the workers, friends of the fleecers.

I pledge myself to make these char-ges good before the overwhelming workingman's constituency in the District. I dare you, jointly or singly, to deny them in public debate. You, Jonas Ehrentreu, knowing you are virtually out of the race, may care not for the result; but you, Benjamin Hoffman, are highly interested in the result. You realize the desperate straights you are in. The political noose is tightening around your neck. Desperate diseases around your neck. Desperate diseases call for desperate cures. The cure is desperate, indeed, but it is your only chance:--show at least the daring of dispair, and meet the representative of the working class in public; last year you ran away, you know what that cost you: if you must go down this year, as the signs of the times indicate, go down at least as a man. DANIEL DE LEON, 184 William street. New York, October 17

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THE PEOPLE, SUNDAY, OCTOBER '3, 1898.

ping in blood, furnished here and in Virden, defines to perfection the theory of the "pure and simple" trades union that it "cultivates feelings of friendship among the craft."

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its necessities shall require it, even to its last farthing; its contributions, therefore, to the

public exigencies are . . . the return of an obligation previously received, or the payment of a just debt.

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direction of capitalism. The older the

country becomes upon its present

lines, the more capitalistic it is; which

is the same as saving that the older it

becomes all the more wide-spread is

popular misery, because all the more

difficult is the opportunity to make a

living. Hence the pressure upon old

party political candidates for jobs be-

comes more and more intense, and in

the same proportion is the political

bankruptcy of the successful ones

hopeless. It is out of all question to

furnish political jobs to all the mem-

bers of the increasing army of people

But while capitalism thus smothers

its own political pillars and reduces it-

self to an absurdity, it offers, by con-

trast, a clear view of the righteousness

of Socialism: Only a successful Social

ist Labor party can actually give jobs

Society is organized for the benefit

of its members. As they uphold it, and

without them it could not exist, it

"owes them a living." The essence of

this living is the protection of each

against all others. Time was when

this protection needed not extend itself

into the field of production. Political

protection was ample; industrially, the

separate members of society could pro-

tect themselves. Those were the days

of small production, with small tools;

then each was the architect of his own

comfort or discomfort: But those days

are gone by. The gigantic tool now

needed for production, the gigantic

concentration of capital, without which

production is to-day insufficient, ren-

ders impossible individual production,

and at the same time disqualifies fro.n

a living any member not properly

equipped, placing him at a disadvant-

age towards others who are, and sub-

jecting him. Such changed conditions

compel an enlargement of the functions

whom capitalism ruins.

to all.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN.

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at 184 William Street, New York

The "pure and simple" trades union proceeds from the theory that the Working Class can deal with the Capltalist Class as kindred forces. It does not recognize that the two are mortal foes, and that, as time passes, the sharp antagonism between them becomes intenser, by reason of the increasing power of Capital and the correspondingly decreasing weakness of Labor. Blind upon this, it fails to take cognizance of the fact that the decreasing power of Labor lies in the increase of its numbers on the labor market, and that, as a result thereof, "feelings of enmity" instead of "feelings of friendship" among the craft is the only legitimate fruit of the "pure and simple" policy' that allows Capitalism to exist.

Space, natural opportunities, in plenty, lie at hand ready to yield to human labor a plenteous crop; machinery, social opportunities, in abundance are at hand with the aid of which to utilize the bounties of nature. No claim can be made that there is not enough possible for all. Yet the illustrations quoted above would implie such a state of over-crowdedness that life for all had become impossible.

That politics is not considered merely And that is just the condition that fun, except by the silly, may be innow confronts our people. A social ferred from a saying that is quite cursystem, perverse and un-natural, rent, and has acquired-the authority shrivels both natural and social opand dignity of a proverb: "A candidate portunities, reducing the working class elected is a candidate in political to the condition of shipwrecked mariners too numerous to be saved by one The nominees of the old parties are log. That social system is the Capitallooked upon as agents for jobs. Their ist System of production, that places friends gather around them, and the into private, individual hands the land jobs promised and expected give on and the tool with which to work, stamina to campaigns. This becomes that places into individual hands the thus all the more in the measure that collective forces of production. the country ripens or rottens in the

What, then, is the attitude, in face of that of the "pure and simple" union? It is the responsible agent for the ills that the workers suffer of, it is a breeder of enmity among the craft, it is the club and hand of Cain.

Relations of friendship among the craft can be established only by such labor organizations as are not responsible for the conditions that bring on strife for a living. Such organizations can be none other than those that cease to be purely and simply economic, and that couple to their programme the class-conscious political action of the working class. Only such organizations as demand the overthrow of the Capitalist Social System, and that on election day march to the polls in solid body and cast a Socialist Labor party ballof -- only such can claim respect because only such have their hands clean of their brothers blood.

POLITICAL and ECONOMIC.

Some of the incidents that are accompanying the present laborers' strike in Paris, France, should be of special interest to those who want 'something now" and something "practical," and who claim that the Socialist Labor party ballot is too slow to give anything now, and too visionary to give anything practical.

Several years ago, when the Socialist Labor party vote in France was much smaller than now, a strike broke out at Carmaux; the Socialist members of the Paris Municipal Council voted an appropriation for the families of the strikers; but Paris, being largely under the control of the French Ministry. vetoed the appropriation. The almost immediate result of that was the downfall of the Méline Ministry. The French capitalist Government learned a lesson from that. It discovered that the Socialist movement is a buzz-saw that had better not be monkeyed with, even at a time when it looked insignificant. Consequently, now that the So cialist vote has increased prodigiously, it acts differently. The sum of 20,000 franks was again appropriated by the Paris Municipal Council for the benefit of the families of the present strikers and the present Ministry, mindful, no doubt, of what happened to the Ministry that vetoed the previous appropriation,-APPROVED THE AP-PROPRIATION.

In our issue of the 9th instant we called attention to the fatuity of the Milford, Conn., "Citizen," which, in anticipation of an address that Comrade Hickey was to deliver in that village, presumed to give the comrade advice, and wrote upon Socialism as though the editor "had just been washed ashore on the Milford beach out of the deep bosom of pre-historic ocean depths." The Milford "Citizen" now retorts with a column article that can be disposed off in one round.

Its argument why Socialism is wrong and prospectless in the United States will be best appreciated by placing it in a parallel column with the passage Horace Greeley quotes from a Copper-Head New England paper that, in 1840, tried to "demonstrate" the preposterousness and hopelessness of Abolitionism by the trifling vote-7,059 votespolled that year by James G. Birney, the precursor of Lincoln:

Milford, Conn., "Citl-| Copper - Head New zen," Oct. 11, 1898. England Paper, 1840.

The Citizen is not aware that its argu-ments against So-cal with those of the r newspapers, of the soundness of in an Christian com-try: thanks God we live in a Christian com-try: thanks God we live try: thanks God we try: thanks God we event and conserver, the solution of the try of the list cod and Country re-corded at the last tie, their crushing corded at the las election their empha-tic, their crushin condemnation of At freemen are more apt to be right than Mr. Thomas Hi hing olitionism.

apt to be right than Mr. Thomas Hickey and the other 55,672 who believe as he does, and if the edi-tor of "The Peo-ple" cannot see it in this light, it is owing to the fact that he makes his living by writing what he does not be-lieve. Where is slavery now?

Knocked out again.

The Boston, Mass., "Transcript" tells a joke that almost looks like an intentional and well-aimed satire at that milksoppy, white-livered crew that would recommend fighting with spit-balls as the best way to bring on Socialism. This is the joke:

The Model Pollceman (to the arrested man)—"But if you are innocent of wrong-doing, how comes it 'that I find you in a strange house at indisight, and after the folks in it have retired?" Man--"My dear sir, don't you know it is not gentlemanly to question one's motives?" The Model Pollceman--"Oh, if you put it that way. I have nothing more to say. You will excuse me for arresting you." Man--"Don't mention it. So long."

A clever writer on the New York "Abendblatt," organ of the Socialist Labor party in the Jewish jargon, justly makes merry about the performances of the "Social Democracy" in the Jewish quarters (where alone it exists in this city). This "genuine American' Socialist party, having recently held a "convention," the "Abendblatt" thus graphically gave the gist of the occurrence.

TERCE. We hear that the ringleaders of the gang that calls itself the "Social Democratic party of New York."-a party that was four months ago the "American Social Democ-racy." that was there months ago the "Op-position"; that was thirteen months ago the "Op-position"; that was thirteen months ago the "Op-position"; that was thirteen months ago an ugly corn on the left heel of the Socialist Labor party:-the members of this remark-able party, we hear, did ALL, at one and the same time, assemble last week is a room on the top floor of a tenement house in Clinton street: there scated themselves on a bed, a wash-stand, two boxes and one chair, and did, after a short debate, unani-mously adopt the following social-political programme: programme

"DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES. "As to our principles, we are political charlations. We call ourselves 'Socialists, simply because this name is popular among the workingmen of down-town. But we will do all that's in our power to make the name a slander among all respectable people."

ANARCHISTS.

Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the free. Where-fore by their fruits ye shall know them. Matt.VII. 19-20.

The civilized world to-day is horrified by the deeds of Anarchists, unmindful of the fact that these poor misguided and even desperate individuals are simply the acrid, worthless fruit of a likewise worthless tree. To destroy this fruit, seed and all, without hewing likew down the tree, the parent of the fruit, is simply folly. Any and all crusades against Anarchists and assassins throughout history have been futile and will prove so in future.-Wherefore by its fruit we shall know the tree this tree is Society, planted in the thick soil of ignorance.

So much has been said about Lu-cheni, the assassin of the Empress of Austria, in the capitalist press, so many falsehoods are spread throughout the globe about confessions and sayings of these poor beings, that a denial by the latter no capitalist paper would publish, that the following from the "Zukunft" is both opportune, time ly and nearer the truth than the gush

published by the lackeys of Capitalism. "An embittered proletarian, named Lucheni, strolls around in Geneva, a stepson of Society, who never knew his father, never learned to venerate his mother, without knowing whether this name was really his. He grew up wild, without home, without the least possions that might prompt him to take an interest in the preservation of So ciety, accustomed to brutal treatment in African colonial service, and later finding temporary employment in various countries. Perhaps he was transported, like so many Italians as a 'scab' and 'cheap hand' into Hungary and Switzerland, where he eked out a miserable existence by underbidding the native workmen. The authorities of Geneva have evicted earnest Socialist thinkers who were driven from Italy on account of the anarchic terror reigning there, although these men did not dream of the 'propaganda of the deed,' nor did they disturb the tranquility of the peaceful Swiss. The shop-slave, welcome to the capitalist because satisfied with his modest wag allowance, is left undisturbed, but the former are expatriated. Lucheni, the insignificant, is allowed to enjoy at least the air of Switzerland.

"He is employed, has ample time to look about him. The Swiss proletariat leads an quiet life, the authorities are not wholly averse to socialistic though and the superficial observer discoverno wholesale misery. Naturally, Lu cheni reasons: 'this is because no ty rant rules here: the sovereign people shape their own destiny.' He had learned early that all rulers are ty rants. In his dark, uneducated mind he does not even surmise that the middle class or bourgois element can be more tyrannical than the most grue despot. He sees no handsome livery. no ostentation, reads severe criticism of the highest officials in revolutionary journals and assumes this only to be possible in a country where no em-peror, no king cripples frees thought. For emperors and kings can do almost anything they wish, their power is un-limited and he who delivers mankind from them, he who puts a single ruler out of the way, will, in his mind, live in the memory of grateful posterity as a hero and philanthropist. Is not Brutus still adored by the students of an-tique culture? Have not the cantons of Switzerland erected a monument to William Tell? And do not millions look upon the leaders of the Paris con vention as illustrious ancestors?

[Written for THE PEOPLE by William Doran, Jersey City, N. J.] "A weak intellect, untrained to subtle discriminations, can not resist such hallucinations for any length of time. What's the news of the day, Lucheni has nothing to lose, he never sat at a sumptuous table, was never at Good neighbor, I pray? Well, the daily newspapers tached by even the slenderest bond to any sense of law and order, never felt the tender touch of love or friendship. Are cutting such capers, That the news is just what theydon't say. From infancy this bastard and outcast lived in abject misery, he saw similar or worse misery around him and throughout life suffered the "oppres-Simple Simon met a Buy-Man, Going to the Polls; or's wrong." In this condition a mor He caught the wink and took a drink bid desire for greatness seizes this pas Those voters, bless their souls! sionate creature, enticing and dragging him to a bestial deed. Oh, if he could . Old King Coal, only play an important role in history he who was nothing but a grain of dust Is a jolly old soul. And a jolly old soul is he; He thinks it fine sport, trampled under foot. To kill a King This is not an easy act, for kings are And so does his Court, To shoot the miners, free. carefully guarded. But here is an empress, unprotected, traveling like a ourist. True, she has harmed no one Hush-a-bye-babby,found more sorrow than joy upon the Lie still with thy daddy, Thy mammy has gone to the mill. throne. What matters it. The act throne. What matters it. The act will arouse publicity, consternation, and warn haughty rulers that they are not invulnerable. A dagger is drawn, des-cends—and an old lady is carried dying For mammy is cheaper. my poor little laddie; Full soon thou must slave cheaper still. from the scene because an insane n makes crowned heads respon-Diego, the Spaniard, and I fell out, And what do you think, it was all sible for the welfare and sufferings of about? nations My master loved SUGAR, and his BRI-BER-EE. 'No Socialist, drilled in the organized movement of the class truggle, not even though he hall from the most tropical zone of the Latin countries. And THAT was the "reason" couldn't agree. can lose himself in such a labyrinth o . . erroneous reasoning. From early till late he is taught that nothing is to be To markets, new markets, A gallop and a trot; Cheap labor in the Philippines feared but also nothing to be hoped for from kings and emperors, that the FORM of the government is only a And Cuba to be got. secondary consideration; that his en-tire strength must be reserved for the battle against CAPITALISM and not Set up the factories, Make niggers sweat us gold, Once more the Yankee workingman, That easy thing, is sold. against INDIVIDUALS, having ful faith in the certain evolution to Social ism, discerning even now the bright dawn of that happy time in which eapl Humpty Dumpty went to war Where they gave him a taste of star vation and gore; talists will have devoured each other, tooth and nail, until only a few ex-propriators remain. Fanaticism and But there's not enough horses and not enough men To drag Humpty Dumpty to battle Vaingloriousness flourish in the slums of the proletariat, amidst unorganized again. labor, that knows neither to command nor to obey orders, in whose shriveling mind only one vague imagination pre-Early to bed and early to rise To slave for the wealthy and stealthy; -(how wise?) dominates that 'something must 'From these ranks came Chas. Gui teau, the assissin of Garfield, that vain crank, and not unless the entire system The Reverend Creep, Is losing his sheep, And fewer do follow behind him; of economics and government are changed, will these symptoms, if 1 of entirely removed, be reduced to a mini-So he gets up a circus, The better to work us, A very fine clown you will find him. mum. Think of this all ye who never felt the pangs of hunger, the proud man's contumely, the law's delay, the in-solence of office and the spurns that pa-For every evil under the sun There is a remedy, sure as a gun. When you're in earnest, you surely shall find it. Fakirs and Quacks cannot twist it or blind it. tient merit of the unworthy takes. Re-flect and let charity prevail all ye who profess to be Christians, and let him

who is without sin throw the first stone and, above all, not confound An-archy with Socialism. Help us to hew down the gnarled tree of this corrupt society and let us plant the tender but healthy shoot of the Co-operative Commonwealth. FREDERICK KRAFFT.

Jersey City.

MICHIGAN'S VOICE. (Continued from page 1.)

What is there for you to do? . To recognize your rights, not only as human beings, but as citizens of this Republic, and organize into a classconscious political party and enact and enforce laws in the workers' interests. By doing that, you can not leave a system which would give to an indi-vidual a special privilege above all the rest. You MUST stand for the PEO-PLE, for the public ownership, giving all men an equal chance (free from rent, interest and profit) to produce what they need.

The Socialist Labor party is the only Darty y which recognizes these prin-s; it is organizing those who can cipl see the facts plain into a political body to get control of the public powers, to make the laws for the workers themselves, instead of for the idlers.

The State Central Committee is lo-cated in Detroit, Mich., they wish to push this work of organization, and to do this needs money. As the workers are none of them capitalists, in order to control elections and spread their literature, they must of necessity ask all members of the party, as well as all workers who see in this work their true interests, to contribute as much as they can to push the work in Michigan. All Socialist propaganda clubs should rec ognize that unless they equip a party to carry out these principles, all their talk or labor is but lost

Again, we, the State Committee, call upon all Socialists, sympäthizers and all good citizens, recognizing the justice of our principles and our earnest en deavors under the most trying circum stances in spreading the work, to aid us financially to the extent of their ability.

We wish to send speakers all through the State explaining and organizing the party. Where we cannot send speak ers, we wish to send literature The names and addresses of all sympathizers are asked for, to assist in bringing our work into an organized concen-trated effort. It is necessary that you do your share to bring forward the Co operative Commonwealth. So, forward whatever contributions you may have thought they be ever so small. We wish to organize Grand Rapids, Battle Creek, Muskegon, Manistee, Bessimer. Bay City, Port Huron, Ironwood, Iron-mountain, etc., and to do this, you must all assist us. Besides these there are many other good fields in Michigan; we are awake to this fact; and we are marching on.

All communications should be sent to Geo. A. Eastman, Secretary State Central Committee, 138 Orchard street, or 90 Griswold street, Detroit, Mich.

Comrade Martha Moore Avery, of Boston, has accepted an invitation to address the State convention of (the New Jersey Federation of Women's Clubs, which is to be held at Elizabeth October 27 and 28. The Federation has about five thou

sand members. This year the subject down for general discussion is "So ciology." Comrade Avery is to present that side of the social question-"The Labor Problem as it Affects Women and Children."

Mother Goose Up to Date.



Brother Jonathan (angry)-I don't now what is the matter with you Se cialists. You seem never satisfied-

Uncle Sam-What is the mat-B. J. (angrier)-The better off our people are, the more you Socialista howl; the happler we feel, the more you Socialists talk calamity; the____ U. S-Wait a-

B.-J. (still angrier)-You are a set of impossibles; you are good for nothing (getting angrier and angrier); you ought to be hanged to keep the country U. S.-But-B. J. (besides himself with rage)

But-but-but. I suppose you all want palaces and silks and-U. S. -Yes

B. J .- And will never be satisfied-U. S .- Not until we have all that we

produce B. J .- We are getting that! .

U. S.-Oho!

B. J.-Yes, and we are getting better b. -- Yes, and while getting better
 off every day.
 U. S.--Now, Jonathan, something must have bitten you. What is it?
 B. J.--Nothing bit me; but I have just been reading a beautiful speech by Me. something

Kinley delivered in the West.

U. S.-And that has satisfied you. B. J.-Why shouldn't it? Here in what he said-

U. S .- It must be wonderful, indeed, Let's have it.

J. (taking out of his pocket a metropolitan capitalist paper and read-

ing: "McKinley in the West"; "Enthusiastic Crowds of Workingmen Flock to hear him"; (running his finger down the column through the speech) here is the speech; but the principal part I want to call your attention to is this: Just look at this. (Reading.) "We gone from labor seeking employ-t to employment seeking labor." ment Just think of that! Is not that prosper-

that paper, will you? B. J. (passing it over to him)-Gladly,

convince yourself. U. S. (turns to the columns of "Help

Wanted")-Do you see this? B. J.-Yes: "Help Wanted." There you have it;-"employment seeking la-

U. S .- How many columns?

B. J.-Not quite one. U. S. (turning to the columns of si tuations Wanted")-Do you see this? B. J.-Yes: "Situations Wanted."

U. S.-How many columns? B. J. (counting)-One, two, three, four

U. S.-Say eight, and be done with don't you see they cover the whole

-Yes: eight. U. S.-Is that all, do you think? J .-- Is there any more? U. S. (turning the page over)-Count on. B. J.-One, two-U. S.-Eight more. J.-Yes. U. S.-That makes sixteen (turning over to the next page). How many more? B. J.—One, two—eight more. U. S.—That makes? J.-Twenty-four. S. (turning over the fourth page.) B. B. J. (amazed)-Is there still more? S .- See for yourself. J.-One, two-why, eight more! S.-And that makes? J.-Thirty-two columns!

S. (turns over to the fifth page.) B. J.-Lord! Is it not yet done!? U. S.-Stop your gab and count!

aryt realized by the solid mass of applicants for political jobs. Under such changed conditions, the protection which the individual once could get along without in production, now becomes necessary, The individual, the overwhelming majority of these need the protection of Society not in politics only but in industry: Society must secure to each member the opportunity to live; it can not do that without it becomes the owner of what is to-day the capital necessary to produce with. Thus Society, to fulfill its duty, must become the employer of all, in other words, afford a job for all.

Only the Socialist Labor party penetrates this truth, declares it, and enters the lists to fight for it. Hence only the successful Socialist Labor party is solvent; all others are, necessarily, hopelessly bankrupt.

"CULTIVATING FEELINGS OF FRIENDSHIP AMONG THE CRAFT."

Patrick Rocks, a striking marble polisher of the Marble Polishers' Union, lies dead in New York from a wound inflicted upon him by Theodore Hoffman, a non-union member of the craft; both tried to get the job that only one could have; in the conflict that ensued one killed the other.

At Virden, Ill., negro miners from the South and miners of the locality itself are in a hand-to-hand conflict; the jobs that the ones have the others are after; in the scramble, a dozen lives or more were extinguished, and the end is not yet.

An illustration is proverbially the best definition. The illustration, drip-

The story is well told in these two passages from the Paris "Petite République":

publique": At the meeting held yesterday, Groussier, Marcel Sembat, Dejeante (Socialist Depu-tics), and Brad (Socialist Municipal Council-loci), made addresses and assured the strik-ers of their sympathy and aid. The speak-ers congratulated the men on their dignified and caim proceedings, and claimed that the working class of France was supporting them, thus making the cause of the strikers the cause of the entire proletariat, and were against the common enemy-the capitalist class.

class. The deputies were warmly applauded, and when Brad, who had just arrived from the city hall, announced that the multicipal council, upon the recommendation of Presi-dent Nacarre, had appropriated the sum of twenty thousand frances for the benefit of the families of the strikers, the assembly burst forth into tumuitous applause for sev-eral minutes, and cried till the roof trembled: "Vive the municipal council Vive Navarre!" The following day, the "Dotine PA

The following day the "Petite République" announced:

Citisen Navarre, president of the muni-cipal council, was informed yesterday by Brison that at the cabinet meeting just held the government had decided to approve the appropriation of twenty thousand frances made by the municipal council for the bene, fit of the strikers.

There is nothing more immediately successful, nothing that can bring more speedy returns, than the Socialist La-

bor party, nor is there anything in sight that is more practical.

When one considers the increasing number of villas and palaces abroad. where our American capitalists are making their real homes, the following picture drawn by the London "Justice" of "England at Home" and "England Abroad" may soon, if it is not already fit our own country and people:

When men talk of the greatness, the glory, the dignity of England and the British Em-pire, they are always, or at any rate for the most part, thinking of England abroad, When they come to look at home there is not so much reason for congratulation. Even a writer in that journal of the last century, the "St James's Gazette" has discovered that the capitalists may be benefitted while the people are injured. The other day a liberal organ headed a series of statistics words "a prosperous nation." Trosperous, yes, for the profit-monger, money-lender, and bloodsucker. But how about the mass of the people in our great cities? Why, at this very time, when we are chanting our paeans of self-gloridcation, over-crowding and physical deterioration, ruffanism and worse in our midst. The upper classes reloice in the impoverishment of their wage-slaves, for it makes then, as in South Wales, the more subservient to the task master's hunger-whip. There is no longer any desire whatever on the part of the well-io-do to build up a strong, well-educated, capable people at home. They are content to leave the Germans, the French, and others to do that. Their glory and greatness are all abroad-all abroad, indeed, in every sense: Englishmen at home are mere food for capital. When men talk of the greatness, the glory

The San Francisco, Cal., organ of the Socialist Labor party, formerly known as the "New Charter," has changed its name into the "Class Struggle." Its prosperity is to be worked for. While papers do much to help along move ments, yet it is movements that produce paper. A powerful Socialist press is the darling first-born of a powerful Socialist Movement.

The receipt of a sample copy of this paper is an invitation to subscribe.

B. J.-Why that's eight more. U. S.-Making? U. S. (turns to the sixth page)-And how many more? B. J.-One, two, three, four, five and almost six. Almost forty-six columns of applicants for work! U. S.-As against how many of "em-ployment seeking labor"? B. J.—Not quite one! U. S.—Now look at this item: B. J. (reading)—"Jeremiah Ingais, aged 34, was found dead in his room last night. An empty bottle of landanum and a letter, found on a chair near the bed, told the story. 'Out of work, and can find none.'" U. S.-"Employment seeking labor" must have missed this one, ch? B. J. remains silent. U. S.-Now read this item: B. J. (reading)—"Susan Elger, fol-lowed by two children and carrying one on her arm, applied yesterday at the 8th Police Station for shelter. She stated that her husband, after having looked for work the whole summer, and finding none, left for Philadelphia two weeks ago, thinking he could get work there, and has not been heard from since. She had pawned most of and his elothes, and she and her children were starving." U. S .- It seems that that "employment seeking labor" has a nack to miss his man, eh? B. J. remains silent. U. S. (folding the newspaper up in the shape of fools-cap and clapping it on B. J.'s head)—That much for us So-cialists "howling without cause," and cialists "howling without cause," and "never being satisfied." I tell yau, we will howl until there will be precio

few such fools as you left among the workingmen, who can be stuffed with a capitalist-Republican or a capitalist-Democratic lie, like that; until our class will stand solid by the Socialist Labor party, be part and parcel of it and smash this Dem-Rep system of capitalist iniquity. The receipt of a sample copy of this paper is an invitation to subscribe.

THE PEOPLE, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1898.



congress because we are face to face with conditions that require the united with conditions that require the united action of our class, at the ballot box. It is to point out these conditions that we have prepared this manifesto, and we hope that every workingman into whose hands a copy of it falls will read a carefully, for by such careful read-ng will he learn the causes of his poverty and the secret of the power that resses him.

TWO CLASSES IN THE UNITED STATES.

Thee are two classes in the United

One is the class of employers and the other is the class of wage-workers. The employers are the CAPITALIST CLASS, and the wage-workers are the

CLASS, and the wage-workers are the WORKING CLASS. The Capitalist Class own the most of the land, tools and machinery, (which are necessary for the production of food, clothing, shelter, and fuel.) and live in Idleness and luxury on the labor the Working Class. of the Working Class.

The Working Class own neither land, tools, nor machinery, and in order to secure food, clothing, shelter, and fuel they must sell their labor power to the capitalists-that is to say, they must work for the capitalists. The Working Class do all the useful

rk of society and support the Capi-

The Working Class are the producers of the wealth of the nation, while the Capitalist Class are the exploiters that take the wealth produced by the Work-ing Class and use it to satisfy their desires for luxury.

When we say "wealth" of the nation, we mean the boots, and shoes, and hats, and gloves, and railway cars, and steam-boats, and houses, and tools, and machinery, and coal, and iron, and printing-presses, and typesetting-ma-chines, and all the other products of labor that men and women require in order to live decently and in comfort. HOW THE CAPITALISTS LIVE

WITHOUT WORKING.

We have said that the capitalists live h idleness by taking the wealth (boots, hats, tools, machinery, etc.) produced by the workers. This is a fact that no by the workers. This is a fact that the one can disprove. This is a childran the Working Class must abolish. There-fore we must unite and VOTE FOR OUR CLASS INTERESTS. The interests of the Working Class

opposed to the incrests of the Capi-ist Class. The Capitalist Class employ the Working Class (buy their lar power) and return to them. in the form of wages money enough to fueld in the chase PART of the wealth they have produced. The rest of this wealth the Capitalist Class keep. It constitutes their PROFITS—the interest on their bonds and the dividends on their stocks.

The Capitalist Class exploit the Working Class—that is to say, they take from the Working Class in the shape of wealth (boots, shoes, locomo-tives, coal, etc.) more than can be purchased by the wages which they return

to the Working Class. Thus the Working Class produce their own wages, as well as their mas-ters' profits. In other words, the Worksecure the pittance on which they live, and then labor the rest of the day to keep their masters in luxury. The interest of the Capitalist Class is

to get all the profits possible out of the labor of the Working Class. The interest of the Working Class is

to get the full product of their toll. The more profits for the capitalists, the less wages for the workers. The less profits for the capitalists, the more wages for the workers.

THE CLASS STRUGGLE. Hence there is a struggle between these two classes. This struggle is called the "class struggle." It is a struggle between those who have and

To the Wage-Workers of the State of Maryland: We ask you to vote for the above can-didates of the Socialist Labor party for didates of the Socialist Labor party for

HOW TO TELL A CAPITALIST - PARTY.

Any party that advocates the private ownership of land and machinery and the perpetuation of the wages or capi-talist system of production is a capitalist party. Keeping this in mind, the voter can easily distinguish a capital-ist party.

THE WORKING CLASS PARTY. The Socialist Labor party is the only Working Class party, and its motto is: "To the producers belong the product." And workingmen who vote the ticket of the Socialist Labor party vote for men who are determined to abolish capitalist laws and enact and enforce Socialist laws in the interest of the Working Class. The Socialist 'abor party makes no attempt to conceal its aims. It publicly denounces the Capitalist Class as the

great obstacle to human progress and as the most fiendish oppressor civili-zation has known, but boldly asserts that the mission of the Socialist Labor party is to organize the Working Class into a political body for the purpose of revolutionizing society in the interests of the Working Class.

THE SOCIALIST REVOLUTION.

We have referred to the "Socialist Revolution." Let us briefly state just, what we mean by that expression. In every country where the capitalists are running things we find the population divided mainly. Into classes: First, there are the capitalists who possess there are the capitalists, who possess the means of production—tools, ma-chinery, land, etc.—but who take but little part in production itself; and secntile part in production listen; and sec-ondly, there, are the wage-workers, who possess nothing but their labor power, on the sale of which they live, and whose labor alone brings forth the

whole wealth of the land. Now the corner-stone of the present capitalist system of production is PRIVATE PROPERTY in the instru-ments and means of production, with its train of misery and exploitation as the portion of the workers, and idieness and excessive abundance as the portion of the capitalists. By the "So-cialist Revolution" we mean that complete re-organization of society that will make the instruments and means of production and distribution collec-

ve property. This means the ownership by the Working Class of the instruments of production and distribution. This means a co-operative system of productation and the extinction of the exploi-tation of the workers, who become masters of their own products, and who, themselves, appropriate the sur-plus of which they are now deprived by the capitalists.

This conversion of the machinery of production, together with the means of communication and transportation, from private into public property, co-operatively conducted, this is the Socialist Revolution.

THE MIDDLE CLASS.

Between these two great classes (the Capitalist Class and the Working Class) there is a rapidly diminishing number of self-employed workers, the so-called "middle class," consisting of small farmers, small manufacturers, and small storekeepers, all of whom are doing business on a small scale and have only enough of the means of pro-duction to employ themselves.

In selling the products of their labor. however, the Middle Class are unable to compete successfully with the Capi-talist Class. Why? Because the lat-ter have more improved machinery and are able to employ hundreds and often thousands of men in one factory or store. For these reasons they are able to sell their products more cheaply than are the Middle Class producers. Hence they deprive the Middle Class enterprises of a market.

to sun, while they roll in the surf at the seashore or are fanned by the cool breezes of the mountain resorts. We vegetate in hovels, while they luvuriate in palaces and private yachts, all of which have been produced by OUR toll.

THIS IS A CAPITALIST GOVERN-MENT.

They opress us, for the American government is a class government. It is a government in which the Working Class is governed by the Capitalist Class and for the Capitalist Class.

The executive, the administrative and the judicial branches of the gov-ernment are in reality but agencies of the Capitalist Class for oppressing the Working Class

Working Class. They "govern" us solely for their own profit, and not for our well-being. They make the laws by which they keep us in subjection. Under the hypo-critical plea that they are anxious to curb the rapacity of their own institu-tions, the trusts, they pass a so-called "anti-trust" law, and then use it to beat the life out of labor organizations. But their villiany does not stop here.

It sometimes happens that a law does get through Congress that would in-jure them. And then they fall back on jure them. And then they fall back on their paid hirelings, the District, State, Federal, and Supreme Courts of the nation, and have these courts interpret these laws in the interest of the Capi-talist Class and against the interests of the Working Class. They even in-ject new life into the antiquated injunction, and use it to maintain their

class supremacy. They starve us into striking, and then arrest us for "rioting" if we attempt to march along the streets that our labor has paved. Read the follow-ing item, which appeared in the Baltimore Herald on September 17:

STRIKERS ARRESTED.

STRIKERS ARRESTED. MONONGAHELA CITY, Fa., Sept. 16.-Sheriff Kennedy and a posse of six deputies arrested Miners' President Dodd and 41 strikers to-day on charges' of rlot, inciting rlot, and assault and battery. Among the prisoners were the members of the New England Band, which had been furnishing music for the strikers.

The sheriff and the six men consti-tuting the "posse" were the agents of the capitalists that own the mines near Monogahela City. They do their duty by their masters by arresting as a rioter every man who refuses to starve without making a murmur.

WHO DOES THE GIVING?

These capitalists say they "give" em-loyment. The fact is, we give them ployment. all they eat, drink, wear, and waste in their riotous luxury. They tell us of the dignity of labor, yet they never labor themselves.

They tell us to be thrifty, and then take from us the product of our toil. They put us to work producing "la-bor-saving" machinery, and then use that machinery to drive us from the farm and the factory into the army of

the unemployed. Millions of us they refuse to employ at all, and they have in operation such a system of production that we cannot employ ourselves.

Denying us the opportunity to work. they imprison us as tramps and vagrants because we are out of emthey ployment.

They compel us to live in poverty, to suffer the pangs of hunger, to even die of starvation—and all amidst the plenty that we have produced. In the rapid changes in production

caused by the constant introduction of improved machinery uncertainty of employment is ever ours.

WANT IS EVER PRESENT.

Not a day passes but what our labor is rendered more productive by the machinery our labor has made, yet want and the awful fear of want are constantly present, while in plain sight is the ever-increasing store of the neces-saries of life which we have produced, but which the laws made by our mas-

ters forbid us to touch. This heaped-up store of wealth is the unpaid labor of the Working Class. It is the profits on which the Capitalist Class live.

When our capitalist masters cannot sell this immense store of wealth, they tell us the market is glutted, and call it a "commercial crisis." Then we, the workers, are thrown out of work because, forssoth, we have worked too hard and produced too much. It is al-ways we of the Working Class that suffer. The capitalists shut up the fac-tables that our labor has built too tories that our labor has built, but which the laws passed by the Capitalist Class forbid us to own, and with their ill-gotten wealth spend the months of "commercial crisis" at the seathe shore or mountain resorts, while we wander up and down the face of the earth in want and misery.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[Correspondents who prefer to appear in print under an assumed name, will attach such name to their communication, besides their own signature and address. None other will be recognized.]

To THE PEOPLE.-The only daughter and youngest child, aged 15 years, of Com-rade George E. Peare, our Massachusetts candidate for Governor, passed away this morning at 3.70 morning at CHARLES N. WENTWORTH, Lynn, Mass., Oct. 16.

Seeking to Disfranchise the Workers in Colorado.

Sceking to Disfranchise the Work-ers in Colorado. To THE PEOPLE-A capitalist Judge, who wishes to earn the reputation of a "So-cialist Crusher" and thinks he can earn it, has rendered a decision by which our teket is deprived of the party emblem on the blanket ballot. We have appealed to the State Supreme Court, where no doubt the decision will be confirmed. But the scheme to smother us to death won't succeed. The criss-cross puglistics between the various factions of the political parties of the Colorado capitalist class make it mandatory upon the powers that be to deny us a privilege hitherto accorded to us in every election held in this State, to wit, to have our emblem surmounting our ticket. To sum up the situation it is this:-The fusion ticket's most dangerous opponent is the "Guggenhemer-middleo-the-nuck"" combination, who may fail to get the em-blem which the "Silver Republicans" had last Presidential elections, on account of a split of Silver Republicans. The dist presidential elections, on account of a split of Silver Republicans and "Gugge" will be in the box of nominating to rhitherto undisputed privilege the State administration means to pave the way to crowding all minority parties into that cor-ner on the blank to ballot where the parties who wish to vote his preferred party STRAIGHT. THE ORJECT IS TO PRACTICALLY DISFRANCHISE EVERY CITIZEN WHO DESIRES TO VOTE FOR ANY PARTY SAVE THE OLD ORGANIZED - PAR-TIS.

On to the dance, comrades! Fight every inch, only the Socialist Labor party is fight-ing for free speech and fair court. To us fails the mission of gathering the army of

fails the mission of gathering the army of conscious, intelligent revolt against capital-ist lawiessness-murder, crime, insanity, folly. DRAW CLOSE, UP AND AT 'EM! Repudiate the Rooseveits, Tanners, Tell-ers, Tillmans and all that brood of capitalist carrion, crows, and the class they represent the Law, the Order, the Morality, of the Godgrinding Labor Crushing Class, The Arm and Hammer must now descend upon the flat pates of our focs-its been uplifted long enough.

More to follow. From the trenches. Denver, Colo., Oct. 14. SPARTACUS.

Baiting Capitalist Hooks with "Soclalism" in St. Louis, Mo.

Baiting Capitalist Hooks with "So-clalism" in St. Louis, Mo. To THE PEOPLE.-What the Socialists have anticipated for years has at last hap-pened. What with the desperation of the middle class from their failure to resultate themselves, and the intoxication of the big capitalist, arising from their dictatorial power, it seems these common enemies of centually opening the flood-gates of Social-ism. Years ago these enemies met our cause by villfying it with all the hideous-ness of hell. When they saw that in splite of their efforts Socialism continued to grow, they tought they would mold our eternal doom by replying to us with contemptuous silence. When still this Socialist hight-mare expanded in size and strength, their wits were turned into a bediam. They saw it would be futile to meet it with argument for they were conscious that our cause was identical with that of the abolitionists-that is to say, Socialism had nothing but right on its side, while those who opposed it had nothing but wrong on theirs. At this juncture it seems they came across the history of the devil. In his satanle carteer it is recarded that when the burning of the livery of heaven failed to subdue the saints he regaled himself with this livery both saints and gudecons. But the livery was such a misht, displaying great super-nating the keeves on the other, that every one at once identified him. Our enemy has adopted this satanle scheme of "stealing the livery of havene scheme of "stealing the history of the devil. Contare when the satants he regaled him. Our enemy has

finity of factles on one side and exposing a shameful nakedness on the other, that every one at once identified him. Our enemy has adopted this satantic scheme of "stealing the livery of heaven to serve the devil in." They thought, though, they could avoid all the devil's missins. This is now being enacted by a certain capitalist hireling more commonly called a politician. One named Carl Browne, of Coxie odor, is going about the country "seeking whom he may devour." He travels in a covered wagon with numerous large canvasses of crude painting in quady col-ors. The first time we heard him he en-rolled several canvasses, displaying the "heavenly scenes" of the Buskin colony. The strongest claim that he made for this colony was that it now owned 17 cows. The strongest scenes upon the canvas was a dozen or no of Ruskin residences, consist-ing of clabbard shantles. He announced that at his next meeting he would show how to get Socialism. At this second meeting we arrived after he had commenced his speech. To our grest amazement he was unrolling canvas after

ers only dig their own graves in voting the Democratic. Republican or Populist ticket." This shot seemd to have entirely sunk his old rotten huik to 15 to 1 to the bottom of the sea. For when our comrade stepped down from the platform, and the audience repeatedly called for the answer, there came no other response but that deep silence that so much reminds one of the dead. Thus endeth the first lesson of this Browne's failure in avoiding the shameful misfits of the devil. PROLETARIAT.

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 13.

Odd Figures Bobbing up in Omaha, Neb., and Council Bluffs, Ia.

To THE PEOPLE.-One Osborne. form a meber of the S. L. P. and known in

Reb., and Council Bluffs, Ia.
 To THE PEOPLE.-One Osborne. formeriys a meber of the S. L. P. and known in ladianapolis as a free silver speaker during the campaign of '96, appeared in Omaha, Neb., about two months ago, and during these two months delivered a namber of semilational context of the 'Social Democracy' (sic). During Comrade Keinard's stay in Omaha, Mr. Osborne kept away, he stands now reported as an employee of the Populist party.
 About the same time a Mrs. Smith from California appeared hereabouts. Omaha, Conncil Bluffs, and talked Socialism on the street corners, she represented none but herself; she said that ahe was in favor of and believed in the S. L. P., but did not like the 'New York fraction':-the comrades should look out for that kind of Socialism: their volce has a familiar ring.
 W. F. Travis, of Conncil Bluffs, was nominated for Judge of the Supreme Court in the State of Low on the S. L. P. ticket, but refused to accept the monination. Later we learned that W. F. Travis was a candid the Populist convention, and did not know that my name has appeared on the ticket. I will see to it that it be taken out of there, as I will support none and affiliate with none but the Socialist Labor party.''. We hope to increase the votes for the S. L. P. in this State in spite of all the middle of the rong the superime during the state in spite of all the middle of the rong the ticket. I will support none sand affiliate with none but the Socialist Labor party.''. We hope to increase the votes for the S. L. P. in this State in spite of all the middle of the rong and we are sure that we will do it, too. A. C. SWANHOLM. Council Bluffs, Ia., Oct. 11.

What About that Claim that those who "Clive the Workers Some-thing Now" are the Ones to Draw Crowds ?

To THE PEOPLE. The following two "reading notices" from the "Evening Re-pository" of Canton. O., must surely be en-couraging to the rank and file of the think-ing proletarint everywhere, though they may make laborfakirdom suffer a chill: No. I.

"AN OPEN MEETING.

"AN OPEN MEETING. "Mr. James Woods, of Cincinnsti, the sec-ond vice-president of the Cigar Makers' In-ternational Union of Auserica, will deliver an address at the Assembly Room in the City Hail, Wednesday evening, at 7:30. All are invited to attend."--"Repository," Sept. 19 and 20. (There was no speech)

are invited to attend.".-"Repository, Sept. 10 and 20. (There was no speech.) "James Woods, of Cincinnati, represent-ing the International Cigar Makers' Union, was a guest of the local branch of the Union in Canton on Wednesday. He was to have delivered an address in the Assembly Room of the City Hall, Weinesday evening, but from lack of an audience the speech was not given. Although the meeting had been liberally advertised by the cigarmakers, there were only five persons showed up at the meeting. Mr. Woods left for Massilon on the inst car Wednesday jught and will visit the cigarmakers of that city Thurs-day."-"Repository." Sept. 22. CHAS. PFIRRMAN. Canton, O., Oct. 12.

Showing the White Feather in New

Hampshire. To THE PEOPLE.—The below two let-ters speak for themselves. The political representatives of our fleecers give away their case when they admit that "on good results" can be expected by them from de-bating with us in public the merits of the-capitalist and Socialist platforms. Here are the two letters:

the two letters: Manchester, Oct. 3, 1898. Jacob H Gallinger, Concord, N. H. Dear Siri-Reijing upon newspaper re-ports that you have been chosen chairman of the Republican State Committee, the New Hampshire State Committee, the State State State Committee, the New Hampshire State Staturday evening, Oct. 8, on the capitol ground's entrance. Concord, Mrs. Martha Moore Avery, of Bos-ton, Mass. Subject. "Should the Wealth-producing Class of New Hampshire Vote for Frank W. Bollins' Republican Candidate for Governor, or the Socialist Labor Party Can-didate, Beajamin T. Whitehouse?" Hoping for a favorable reply, I am sir, very truly yours. H. H. ACTON.

yours. H. H. ACTON. Secretary N. H. State Committee, Socialist Labor Party.

Headquarters of the Republican State Com-mittee, White's Opera House, Concord,

Headquarters of the Republican State Committee, White's Opera House, Concord, N. H.:
H. H. Acton, Secretary State Committee, Socialist Labor Party, Manchester, N. H. Dear Sir:-I am in receipt of your courtering the secretary, you issue a challenge to the 3d instant, in which, on behalf of the political organization of which you are secretary, you issue a challenge to Col. Frank W. Rollins to meet in joint debate on Saturday evening, Oct. 8, at the Capitol ground's entrance Mrs. Martha Moore Avery of Boston. In reply permit me to say that Mr. Rollins's speaking engagements are to be made by this committee, and it hus always been our policy to deeline challenges such as you have issued, belleving that no good results from joint debates such as yon suggest. At the proper time bied to hear him, and Mrs. Avery can also address the people if they care to assemble for the purpose of listening to her. Your challenge is, therefore, respectfully declined.
I have the honor to be.

Thought: Skin the Workers." Think, the meeting was at five o'clock, for the business men of Easton. How it hit them when we asked them how the working class could come to a meeting at 5 o'clock! They GRINED.

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come to a meeting at 5 o'clock: Incy GRINED. Maguire said that duck Judge Jenks, when we looked at him, would send a man to jail for ilfe quicker than he would drink a high ball of whisker. His crowd was not 200 people and many men left the hall when he began to whisper. He was afraio to talk, but be had a smile. I would give four years of my life to let Maguire lose at him. This Jenks is a Jack. Some of those who left the hall said "that man is a Jap." We in-wited them to our meeting; they came, and are now thinking. Comrade Maguire is in Trenton to-night, the 18th, and will fush this report when he gets home.

he gets home. Comrade Campbell's work was only in the District (four counties); the other candidates begin in their own Congressional Districta to carry the fight to the Solar plexus, the ballot box. Watch the mirror in New Jer-sey. AGITATOR. Jersey City, Oct. 19.

To THE PEOPLE. -On Monday, the 24th inst., there will be a grand musical festival and ball given in this city under the auspi-ces of the Section of the S. L. P. in ald of the campaign fund. The affair will take, place at Teutonia Hall. The following is the programm: PART I.

Opening March.-The Marsallaise. March of the Men of Labor. The Socialist Sing

of the Men of Labor. All ing Society. Glec.-See the Charlot at Hand. By Hors-ley. Socialist Singing Society. Solo and Chorus.-The Haud and Hammer. By Platon Brounoff. Mr. Andrew Fitz-social

patrick. Violin Solo.-Intermezzo, Cavalleria Rusti-cana. By Mascagni. Mr. H. Serher, pupil of Mark M. Fonaroff, New York City.

City. Grand Solo and Chorus.-The Daughter of By

Grand Solo and Chorus.-The Daughter of Error. (First time in this country.) By, Sir Henry Bishop. Miss Mary McGowan and the Socialist Sluging Society. Brief Synopels: Couversion of a young heathen maiden to the Christian faith. Her re-fusal to recant causes seatence of death to be passed on her. Chorus.-The Chant of Priests and Priest-esses exhorting her to repentance: "Daughter of Error, Tremble and Ober." Maiden's Solo.-"Hour of Terror, Hour of Death. Firm thy coming I swait." Solo.-"Farewell to the Forest." By Men-delssohn. Turn Verein Singing Section. - PART II.

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Opening Chorus.-Rose Freihelt. Tuetonia Opening Chorus.--Rose Freineit. Tuetoona Singing Society.
 Solo and Chorus.--Down with Slavery. By Bronnow. Mr. Andrew Fitzpatrick.
 Glee.--Let the Hills Resound with Song. By Brindley Richards. Socialist Singing So-clety.

Brindley Richards. Socialist Singing Society.
Duet (Comic). — The Division of the Pig. Mr, Andrew Fitzpatrick and Mr. Hugh Scott,
Yiolin Solo.— Bercense. Mr. H. Serhey,
Peekskill, N. Y.
Grand Solo and Chorus.— Now Tramp O'ee Moss and Fell. By Sir Henry Bishop.
Miss Mary McGowan and the Socialist Singing Society. Synopsis: Chorus.— "Tramp, Tramp." Represents the gath-ering of the Socitish Clans to repel the Saxon invader. Tramping of feet can be heard in the music. Raily of the Clans round the Grea Chieftain of Clan Alpine. The Chieftain's bride, watching the massing of the Clans, prays for victory.
Solo.— "Guardian Spirit of the Brave, Vic-tory o'er my hero wave."
Closing Glee.—Sweet is the Hour of Rest. By Merccadanti. Socialist Singing So-ciety.

A grand ball will follow. We cordially ex-tend an invitation to every working man and woman to attend. Start at 8 p. m. Tickets, 25 cents each.

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those who have not; a struggle between those who have not; a struggle between those who do produce; a struggle between those who take and those who make; a struggle between those who make; and those who resist exploitation: a struggle between the Capitalist Class, which must continue to exploit in order to live in idleness and luxury, and the Working Class, which must put an end to the struggle by REVOLUTIONIZ-ING in the interest of the Working Class the entire structure of industrial society.

The two classes, with these posing interests, are represented by

two political parties. There is the party of the Capitalist Class. This is now in power and has been in power continuously for the last forty years. It governs the country, making laws in the interest of the Capi-talist Class and having the courts interpret those laws in the interest of the Capitalist Class. Opposel to this party of the Capital-

Class is the party of the Working Class which in a day soon to come will certainly be in power, and will make the laws in the interest of the Working

BUT ONE CAPITALIST PARTY.

We have said that the party of the We nove said that the party of the Capitalist Class has been in power for forty years. This is true. There is but one capitalist party, but it is split up into contending factions—the Re-publicans, the Remocrats, the Poplists, and even the Prohibitionists ulists, and even the Prohibitionists and the motio of each party is: "To the victors belong the spoils." Now the "spoils" are nothing more than the wealth the Working Class produce, and the workingmen who vote for any of these factions are simply expressing an option as to whether they would rather be robbed and starved by a Re-publican capitalist, a Democratic capi-ulist a Pomplier capitalist. alist, a Populist capitalist, or a Procapitalist.

Workingmen who vote for any fac-

THE DOWNFALL OF THE MIDDLE CLASS.

The result is that the Middle Class are being forced out of business by the Capitalist Class, and their small properties are going to swell the fortunes of the capitalist. Alarmed by their near and certain

Alarmed by their near and certain downfall they founded the People's party, and are represented in Maryland to-day by the "Jeffersonian Democ-racy." The People's party, however, was not founded to do away with the Capitalist system of production. It was and is an organization of the Middle Class, and its object was and is to enable the Middle Class to get more of the spoils of that system than they are now able to get. Unable to they are now able to get. Unable to compete successfully in business, they Unable to try the impossible-they attempt by a political party to stop the irresistable march of production on a large scale. They are doomed to failure. Sheriff's sales and ruin stare them in the face. From self-employed workers they are rapidly becoming wage-workers. Therefore they should ally themselves with the Working Class for the overthrow of the capitalist system of pro-duction; for the interest of the Workclass as opposed to the interest of the work-terest of the producing and exploited class as opposed to the interest of the non-producing and exploiting class. THE SECRET OF OPPRESSION. Fellow workingmen, in order to live ve require food, clothing, shelter, and uel. We canot make these things for

fuel ourselves because we own neither land nor tools nor machinery.

The land, tools, and machinery are owned by the capitalists. Therefore we must work for the capitalists, (sell our labor power to them.) and the things we make are theirs. They buy our labor power, regulate

we product, direct our energies, and take all we produce. We produce ALL the wealth of the nation, and they return us barely enough to live on. We work from sun

INVENTIONS ARE USED TO EN-SLAVE US.

Under their rule inventions and dis-coveries are used only to make millionaire capitalists out of them and destitute workers of us. Under their management the wealth

that we, and we alone, produce is used to squeeze more wealth out of our long and exhausting toil.

Under their government the Work-ing Class starve in the midst of plenty. and are murdered in the name of capltalist law and capitalist order when making a weak atempt to better their conditions by the strike and the boy-

Is the welfare of this country safe in the hands of such a class? Are they fit and proper managers of society? NO!

They have been weighed in the balance and found wanting.

To our own class we must turn. To the producers of wealth we must appeal

We must unite to fight the battle of industrial fredom.

The right to work for ourselves and to have all we produce must be fought out at the BALLOT BOX.

USE OF POLITICAL POWER. It is by POLITICAL POWER that the Capitalist Class make their robbery and their oppression constitulegal tional.

And it is only by the exercise of POLITICAL POWER that the Work-ing Class can make this robbery IL-LEGAL and this oppression UNCON-

LEGAL and this oppression UNCON-STITUTIONAL. Furthermore, it is by the exercise of political power in our own interest that we, the Working Class, can abolish class rule and class privilege, and establish a society where equal rights

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LETTER BOX.

F. MARQUARDT, Member of 35th A. D., S. L. P. New York City, Oct. 17.

Off-hand Answers to Correspondents.

[No questions will be considered that com in anonymous letters. All letters must carry a bona fide signature and address.]

A READER, WEST HOBOKEN, N. J.-The Frenchman Heart Rochefort is no Ro-cialist and never was one. He is a blatant bourgeois radical, thoroughly displaed by the Socialist movement. The latest num-bers of the Paris "Petite Republique," Bo-cialist daily, convicts him of falsifying the test of Socialist articles for the purpose of creating a scatiment against the Socialists.

FRIEND OF LABOR, SYRACUSE, N. Y. -Senator Cantor never aniswered THE PEO-PLE'S question. Probably he is kept too busy reading the latest "endorsements of Labor" bestowed upon him by fakins in re-ward for his voting for the Biennial Election and the Primary bill.-both of which are looked to the disfranchisement of the workingman.

J. H., N. Y .- There was no S. L. P. vote in Vermont at the last election.

In Vermont at the last election. W. S. T., BALTIMORE, MD.—There is this much to be added in the arraignment of the one-thing-at-a-timers. Just is soon one they have got a job for themselves, the onething-at-a-time to be aimed at becomes the keeping of the job. In order to accom-pilsh that they must keep all others just where they are, or else the job comes in jeopardy. Thus the one-thing-at-a-timers are about the corruptest pack in the move-mant.-

Incase. LON., DENVER, COLO.-We never again heard from that single-taxer. We are aware that they have a literary bureau that does nothing but write letters to ne wapapers and in that way try to impress the editors with the idea that there is a very powerful single-tax movement, which it is well not to hos-tilize. The manoeuvre did not work at this end of the line.

GOOD FRIEND, CINCINNATI, O.-The moment you let up on one fair, you have let up on all. To "go for one" of these gentry, and not for as many as show their heads above the horizon, is to promote the idea that one is fighting, those he does fight, out of personal malice. Moreover, as guite fully explained to some previous correspon-dent, the onicokers will never be able to understand fakirism if they see the thing go unlashed in one case and lashed in an-other. The only scalible policy is to apte them all, rentieusly, fearlessly.

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and equal duties shall be the share of every man and woman. Our conditions determine our needs.

Owning neither land nor machinery, and working together by thousands in factories, mills, mines, and on farms, producing wealth for the owners there-of, our real need is the collective own-ership and control of the means of production and distribution. When we obtain this collective own-

ership we shall have industrial democ ership we shall have industrial democracy, and by industrial democracy we mean a nation in which the people de-iermine under what conditions the nec-essaries, conveniences, comforts, and luxuries of life are produced, as well as the conditions regulating their dis-tribution tribution.

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Then wealth will become the prop-erty of labor and machinery will bear the burden of toil, and the industries will be managed for the benefit of all, and not for the profit of a few.

Then want and the fear of want will be banished forever from the lives of

the producers of wealth. Then we will have the Co-operative

Commonwealth. Then we will have SOCIALISM. This realization of the Co-operative Commonwealth is the political demand of the Socialist Labor party. It is the party that makes this demand, the only party that represents the interests, the needs, and the hopes of the working class

Workingmen, let us cease voting for our masters.

Let us cease giving them the legal power to rob us of all we produce. We outnumber them ten to one, and can easily defeat them at the ballot

box. ON TO THE BALLOT BOX. There is not a congressional district in

Maryland that cannot elect a working-man to Congress if the members of the class will unite on a Socialist platform. And this is what we are urging you to do: Unite at the ballot box to con-

quer the capitalist class. They are our enemies, and stand be-tween us and all the things by which

we live. Conquer the capitalist we must. Therefore let us unite and vote as a class for our class interests.

Let us make a political demand for what we need.

To do this is our duty, for our needs are the needs of the people, and our hopes are the hopes of humanity.

In our hands, and ours alone, rests the destiny of this great country.

In our hands alone is the power to achieve the emancipation of the human race from all industrial slavery and

political oppression.

MISSION OF THE WORKING CLASS. To the Working Clas belongs the

future. A glorious historic mission awaits us.

United we can achieve the great politi-cal purpose of our existence, and that purpose is-

THE ABOLITION OF CLASS RULE AND CLASS OPPRESSION, AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SOCIALISM-an industrial democracy in which he who wishes to live by labor shall be given abundant opportunity to produce all that he requires in order to live, while he who wishes to live on the labor of others, as the capitalists live to-day, shall be given the privilege of starving.

Let us join, then, the great interna-tional army that is marching toward the Socialist Commonwealth.

Let us join the workingmen of Belgium, who a few weeks ago marched to the ballot box and cast over three hundred thousand votes for the Socialist

Revolution. Let us join the workingmen of France, who last May marched to the ballot box and cast over one million votes for the Socialist Revolution. Let us join the workingmen of Ger-

many, who last June marched to the ballot box and cast over two million and one hundred and twenty-five thousand votes for the Socialist Revolu-

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National Board of Appeals.. To prevent frequent objections against the mode of procedure on matters before the Board, it was on motion decided that, when, we shall request, through the party organ, the Section whose decisions are appealed from, to forward to the Board, within four weeks after such notification in our official organ, their version of the question. Committee of Section Buffalo and re-quests that Section Buffalo be required to be built be commades, ordered re-instated by the knational Board of Appeals, to enjoy the scient complete of within four weeks to the section complete the Board. ROBERT BANDLOW, Secretary, 193 Champlain street, Cleveland, O.

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THE STATE COMMITTEE has voted to purchase 30,000 leaflets on "War." by Com-rade Hanford, and distribute them among

The Hanford, and distribute them among the Sections. Comrade Peare, the Socialist candidate for Gorernor, will be arranged with to speak shout 10 dars, going to New Bedford, Fall River, Fitchburg, and the Western part of the State. If Sections will arange for some comrade to entertain these speakers while in their locality it will give the party guite a sum to use for literature. The State Committee will furnish adver-tising matter free. Comrade M. M. Avery speaks: Abbington, Oct. 20; New Bedford, Oct. 21; Fall River, Oct. 22.

ton. 22. Lyon comrades are holding two meetings a night.

a night, of Holyoke, speaks in Clinton on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 15 and 16. Clin-ton comrades will hold a meeting each week from now until the end of the cam-

palen Revere Section holds a meeting Sunday t 4 p. m. Speaker: Chas. Kroll, of Provi

Revere Section and the section of the section at 4 p. m. Speaker: Chas. Kroll, of the sections will notify the S. C. C. Ti f the Sections will notify the S. C. C. the hall, date, etc., where comrade Hickey speaks on this tour, they will furnish free endvertisement. An appeal for our campaign fund must be made at these meetings the Section must be made at these meetings. L. D. USHER, Secretary.

Boston desiring to become members of the party will please communicate with the secretary: Wm. R. Dyer, I. Olive place. We have Ward organizations formed in Wards 2. 8, 9, 15, 22 and 23, and will organize Wards 13, 14, 18, 19 and 24 when the State campaign is over. ORGANIZER. ORGANIZER.

New York.

Hew York. NEW YORK.—The second conference of marangements for the grand ratification on Saturday. Oct. 20, met on Saturday. Oct. is sp. m. at the Labor Lyceum, 64 E. 4th threet, new York. The Arrangement Com-mittee reported, and recommended the fol-out of the grand, which was stored the street, to Second avenue, to 3rd street, to Arenne C. to 9th street, to Ath street, to 11th street, to 20th street, to this street, to 11th street, to 20th street, to this street, to First avenue, to 20th street, to have platforms erected on the plana, where speeches will be delivered in the Earl should be been builted to speak the Socialist Labor party nomines for overnor. Daniel De Leon, Lucien Sanial, of the Socialist Labor party nomines for overnor. Daniel De Leon, Lucien Sanial, of the Socientient will be held on Suday, to 21, 2 p. m., at 64 E. 4th street, New New York. The Arenne Street Street, Sanial, the socientient above will be held on Suday, the Socientient and the Street Ath street, New Socient Street, Street Stre L. ABELSON, Secretary.

L. ABELSON, Secretary. GRAND RALLY of the 18th and 20th As-semly Districts. Tuesday, Oct. 25. at 7:45 p. m. sharp. The parade will leave 246 First avenue, near 14th street, and cover the above Districts, accompanied by the Social-ist Band, with flags, banners and torches. The following Assembly Districts are in-vited to take part: 6th, 8th, 10th, 12th, 14th, 16th and all others. Come in mobs and bring torches if you can. Come any way. THE COMMITTEE.

THE COMMITTEE. BUFFALO.-This Sunday, Oct. 23, at 8 p. m., is the regular business meeting of the American Branch, S. L. P. to be held at Labor Lyceam, 676 Genesee street. Every member is urged to be present. Sunday, Oct. 30, at 8 p. m., at the above address is the discussion meeting of the American Branch, S. L. P. Subject: "The American Branch, S. B. P. Subject: "The American Branch, S. L. P. Subject: "The American Branch, S. L. P. Subject: "The American Branch, S. B. Subject: "The American Branch, S

a Socialist standpoint." Everybody Wel-come. B. REINSTEIN.
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 At 7:30, at 4th, and Atlantic avenue: Swedish Machinist' Union, S. T. & L. A. Yorwezian-Danish Machinist' Union, S. T. & L. A. Scandinavian Socialistic Club of South Brooklyn. Secandinavian Working men's Singing Society of Brooklyn. Danish Rranch S. L. P., and Scandinavian Makersi Union.
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The Socialist Labor party of the United States, in Convention assembled, re-asserts the inalienable right of all men to life, liberty, and the pursuit of

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With the founders of the American republic we hold that the purpose of government is to secure every citizen in the enjoyment of this right; but in the light of our social conditions we hold, furthermore, that no such right can be exercised under a system of economic inequality, essentially destructive of life, of liberty and of happiness. With the founders of this republic we hold that the true theory of politics is that the machinery of government must be owned and controlled by the whole people; but in the light of our industrial development we hold, further-more, that the true theory of economics is that the machinery of production must likewise belong to the people in common. To the obvious fact that our despotie system of economics is the direct

must likewise belong to the people in common. To the obvious fact that our despotic system of economics is the direct opposite of our democratic system of politics, can plainly be traced the exist-ence of a privileged class, the corruption of government by that class, the alienation of public property, public franchises and public functions to that class, and the abject dependence of the mightlest of nations upon that class. Again, through the perversion of democracy to the ends of plutocracy, labor is robbed of the wealth which it alone produces, is denied the means of self-employment, and, by compulsory idleness in wage slavery, is even deprived of the necessaries of life.

Human power and natural forces are thus wasted, that the plutocracy

may rule. Ignorance and misery, with all their concomitant evils, are perpetuated, that the people may be kept in bondage. Science and invention are diverted from their humane purpose to the

enslavement of women and children.

Against such a system the Socialist Labor party once more enters its protest. Once more it reiterates its fundamental declaration that private property in the natural sources of production and in the instruments of labor is the obvious cause of all economic servitude and political dependence.

The time is fast coming, however, when in the matural course of social evolution, this system, through the destructive action of its failures and crises on the one hand, and the constructive tendencies of its-trusts and other capitalistic combinations on the other hand, shall have worked out its own downfall.

We, therefore, call upon the wage workers of the United States, and We, therefore, call upon the wage workers of the United States, and upon all other honest citizens, to organize under the banner of the Socialist Labor party into a class-conscious body, aware of its rights and determined to conquer them by taking possession of the public powers; so that, held together by an indomitable spirit of solidarity under the most trying con-ditions of the present class struggle, we may put a summary end to that barbarous struggle by the abolition of classes, the restoration of the land and of all the means of production, transportation and distribution to the people as a collective body, and the substitution of the Co-operative Com-monwealth for the present state of planless production, industrial war and social disorder: a commonwealth in which every worker shall have the free exercise and full benefit of his faculties, multiplied by all the modern factors of civilization. of civilization.

RESOLUTIONS.

With a view to immediate improvement in the condition of labor we

2. The United States to obtain possession of the mines, railroads, canals,

present the following demands: 1. Reduction in the hours of labor in proportion to the progress of

telegraphs, telephones and all other means of public transportation and communication; the employees to operate the same co-operatively under con-trol of the Federal Government and to elect their own superior officers, but

no employee shall be discharged for political reasons. 3. The municipalities to obtain possession of the local railroads, fer-ries, water works, gas works, electric plants and all industries requiring municipal franchises; the employees to operate the same co-operatively under control of the municipal administration and to elect their own superior offi-come of the municipal administration and to elect their own superior offi-

cers, but no employee shall be discharged for political reasons. 4. The public lands to be declared inalienable, Revocation of all land grants to corporations or individuals, the conditions of which have not been

6. Congressional legislation providing for the scientific management of forests and waterways, and prohibiting the waste of the natural resources

of the country. 7. Inventions to be free to all; the inventors to be remunerated by the

5. Freempt. 9. School education of all children under fourteen years of age to be compulsory, gratuitous and accessible to all by public assistance in meals, clothing, books, etc., where necessary.

Repeal of all pauper, tramp, conspiracy and sumptuary laws. Un-abridged right of combination.
 Prohibition of the employment of children of school age and the em-

ployment of female labor in occupations detrimental to health or morality. Abolition of the convict labor contract system. 12. Employment of the unemployed by the public authorities(county, its state and matter)

city, state and nation). 13. All wages to be paid in lawful money of the United States. Equali-

All wages to be paid in lawful money of the United States. Equalization of woman's wages with those of men where equal service is performed.
 14. Laws for the Protection of life and limb in all occupations, and an efficient employers' liability law.
 15. The people to have the right to propose laws and to vote upon all measures of importance, according to the referendum principle.
 16. Abolition of the veto power of the Executive (national, state and municipal), whereaver it voicts.

18. Municipal seif-government. 19. Direct vote and secret ballots in all elections. Universal and equal right of suffrage without regard to color, creed or sex. Election days to be legal holidays. The principle of proportional representation to be introduced. 20. All public officers to be subject to recall by their respective consti-

Abolition of the United States Senate and all upper legislative

8. Progressive income tax and tax on inheritances; the smaller incomes

