

is Labor party. As citizens of this Republic, we view with amusement the wild attempt of warties the antiquated and corrupt old parties -abeled Democratic and Republican for convehience-in attempting to throw for convenience—in attempting to throw dust in the eyes of the people and dis-tract attention from the industrial problems with their clap-trap about expansion of territory or imperialism, which, to the mind of every thinking person, is a plain confession that the tariff and financial issue have been shelved and are no longer adequate to divide the working people at the polls. And we call attention to the fact—and historical development demonstrates its correctness-that the labor question will not be solved by the humbug is-sues of tariffs, silver or gold, nor expansion of territory, but only by the complete restoration to the working people of the tools of production and distribution, which are now produced and operated by labor for the enrichment and glory of a tyrannical and op-pressive capitalist class. We assert that the outlawing of the

We assert that the outlawing of the strike and boycott by the capitalist courts is but the logical "expansion" of the "imperialistic" class, and its brutal injunction, police clubs and bristling bayonets are merely the con-venient weapons used to beat down wages and drive the working class into an inductiful fendalism ware calling an industrial feudalism, more galling than chattel slavery itself. Against this despotic and uncivilized

condition we register our most empha-tic protest in a most pronounced man-

We assert, furthermore, 'that the enactment of alleged "labor laws," to, remain dead letters upon the statute books or to-be declared unconstitubooks or to be declared unconstitu-tional, or not in conformity with com-mon law practices by the courts, are but temporary expedients at best, to, if possible; quiet the agitation of the working people for their rights, and are meant to mislead and betray men. Experience proves that even "labor base" are not worth the paper they are laws" are not worth the paper they are

printed on. We also warn thinking working peo ple against the confusing hubbub of municipal reform, and point to the silly outcome of their water pollution agi which clans are conjuring up for the purpose of gaining the spoils of office. It is a fraud and means to deceive with the tinsel of the phrase thoughtless but well-meaning voters. The Socialist Labor party firmly rects every proposition for compromise, mounces the tariff, financial and imparallistic demagogery, and reaffirms its declaration for the complete over-throw of the capitalistic competitive and the substitution of the Cooperative Commonwealth in Socialism To this end we invite able, conscientions, fair-minded people to join our party and prepare to move forward to make the following demands: First - Municipal self-government the people to have the right to propose laws and vote on all measures portance, such as bond issues for uncary court houses, armories, jails,

important as indicators of things that have happened in the past and are liable to happen again.

First, Holyoke, like all other indus-trial cities is piling up its municipal that crites is pluing up its multicond debt from year to year at a rate of \$100,000 a year. A recommendation from the Mayor was read asking power to borrow \$110,000 to -be paid in 20 years "in gold coin." There are ten Democrats and ten Republicans in the Board, but none of the Democrats objected to the gold clause. When we con-sider that two years ago the whole nation was at fever heat about the golden crown being pressed upon the skulls of labor, that right here, the Democrats had it in their power to deal a blow at this gold standard cross, and that they never said booh, it is clear that the whole campaign of 1896 was but a

sham battle to deceive the people. Second, when the lone Socialist Al-derman of the Board inquired why that gold clause was inserted instead "legal money of the United States," the President informed the inquirer that we probably can not borrow any money, unless the gold clause is inserted. It was an admission that this country is governed by the money power in the interests of the money power and for the money power, and with the assist-ance of the Democrats we are being

nailed to the cross of capitalism. Third, in 1894, the trades unions of Third, in 1989, the trades thinks of this city had reached their climax of power, but instead of using the power in their own behalf they frittered if away indorsing Tom. Dick and Harry because they were "friends of labor," so-called. The consequence was that by begging and lickspittling, Labor re ceived a bone in the shape of an ordi-nance compelling the city to use the printers' label, upon all city printing. Later, when the trades unions declined a peg or two, the label ordinance was knocked out again. When the printing order came up recently at the meetings of the Board of Aldermen, the lone Socialist made an amendment that the union label shall appear upon the city printing, the order passed without ob-jection; but, lo, there is no printers' union in town, and consequently no label to be had;-TABLEAU. The pure and simplers don't care a rap for their own or their fellow workers' interests, they have no time, being en-gaged fighting the battles of their and all sorts of crooks in the political line. There are any quantity of erstwhile labor leaders who to-day of erstwhile labor readers who to-day are strutting about the streets of Holy-oke with a billy in their hands as "pro-tectors of peace and order,"-for them-selves, of course denouncing the So-cialists because they "broke up the unions." Meanwhile the S. ... P. sails on headless of the alanders of its ape on, heedless of the slanders of its ene mies. Sooner or later the workers will come class-conscious and then there will be music in the air.

but the scientific Socialism as taught by Marx and at present advocated in this country by the class-conscious army of S. L. P. voters. This county once held 1.000 Populist

voters, but they have dwindled down to 64 now. More recently, just after the Debs colony scheme was launched, a branch of that organization was formed in Bay, City to support that antiquated idea. It has gone the way of its kind. After much groping around in the dark, and with the work-ingmen in a state of despair, their eyes. ingmen in a state of despair, their eyes, were struck by a ray of pure Socialism. At first the intensity of the light only blinded them, but after a while they became more accustomed to it, and then their minds becoming clearer, they shock off the false ideas and teachings that the middle class had been hood-winking them with. The result is that a Section has been formed in the mining town of Colefax, con-

result is that a Section has been formed in the mining town of Colefax, con-sisting of 18 members, and there are double that number of open sympa-thizers. The field is ripe in Bay City and a Section will be organized there in the near future. The labor organizations of Bay City have been officered by fakirs who have led the workingmen voters into the capitalist political shambles each suc-ceeding election. Their influence is gradually being broken, however, and I predict that in two years from now Toredict that in two years from now the workingman who denies the exist-ence of the class struggle and the soundness of Socialist teaching will have no influence in the Central Trades Council of the Bay Cittes. The Repub-leans and Democrafs at present divide licans and Democrats at present divide the spolls in the county. So much for the political situation.

The industrial situation is such that The industrial situation is such that' it beggars description. Never was a people more abundantly blessed by nature than are the people of Bay County, Mich. Blessed with a soil of almost unequaled fertility; with an abundance of mineral coal beneath the surface; with the waters of Lake Huron at their very doors; with un-lumited timber inst a few miles north: limited timber just a few miles north; with millions of tons of salt below their feet and rich deposits of fire clay yet to be developed. Couple this with the fact that the people are industrious and thrifty and the first thought is that they must be living happy and contented lives.

intelligent body of thousands of work ers, as there had been no union, Social ist or otherwise, in this mill prior to this strike, most of these men never saw a Socialist nor heard a Socialist speaker, not having the remotest idea of a class-conscious proletarian labor organization, being possessed of the prejudices peculiar to this class of workers, all this plainly shows the difficulties our comrades had to content with when they took charge of this strike. But it did not take long to bring order out of chaos, and point out the power or force in a solidarity of proletarian class interest and instil into these workers a feeling of class onsciousness peculiar to a bona fide labor movement.

In a Tew days we had a solid phalanx of class-conscious workers organized and well disciplined, and it is conceded by the genral public that it was the most orderly and well-behaved strike, considering the circumstances, that has been conducted in that vicinity. Our comrades advised the men to be sober and orderly, and by all means keep off the company's "property," and keep within the bounds of the law, all of which was obeyed to the letter. This was more than our capitalist opponents could stand, they were dumbfounded to see the Socialists have the men under such control and good behaviour, no drunks, no disorder, no disturbance of the peace on the part of the men, and even no dissentions among them. Such was the state of affairs for the first four

days of the strike. The opposition evidently concluded that would never do; something must be done to break the ranks; they at once sent their emmissaries among strikers, who began their devilish work. Result: two strikers were ar-rested, but acquitted the next morn-

ing as nó charge could be found. The next move was to get rid of the leaders. Comrade Schulenberg was arrested and rail-roaded to the workhouse, where he only remained six hours; they had to release him as they had nothing to hold him on, though he

The hird step was the calling of a meeting of the "good citizens" and property-owners of Woods Run. It was attended by Mr. Schoen himself, the Superintendents of the various departments, straw bossess clerks, etc., and the rest of the good citizens of the ward, who were addressed by the Rev. Father F. P. Ward, who, in language strongly resembling that of Chaiphas against Jesus, calumniated the Socialists in bitter language and even suggested drastic measures to get rid of them. Labor Fakir Jese Doherty, who was a member of the A. F. of L. Executive Committee and subsequently be came a Police Magistrate, was the next speaker; he told what he knew of the "baneful effects of Socialism" and, "as a workingman himself," he warned the workers against demagogues. way, this Jere is at present a political ward-heeler. This "good citizens"" meeting was a positive frost, and totally failed of the desired effect. No break followed. Friday was pay-day, the men having two weeks pay coming, the "good citi-zens" expected this would cause trouble, but, to their great surprise, the men staid out of the saloons and kept sober Next day, Saturday, at the meeting of the strikers, the agents of the com pany succeeded in creating a disturb-ance. Night Superintendent Mead was at this meeting, and he had to be called to order time and again. The chairman had to adjourn the meeting. The then began, and 71 men were placed under arrest, but were discharged the next morning: no charges could be found. The Socialists defeated the combined capitalist interests in every move that they made. The last resort was to call in the aid of the local labor fakirs, who promised the strikers financial aid if they would affiliate themselves with the A. F. of L., they pointed out that the Socialists were "too radical" and had no financial backing, and that the company would then treat with the "too radical"

released.

I met a lieutenant of police jauntily swinging a large club and inquired whether he knew if a man named Schulberg had been arrested as a suspicious character and where I could see him. I was informed that he was in a cell at the City Hall of

Allegheny, and I was directed to see the Superimendent of Police. I expressed my opinion to the lieute-nant who gave me this information that it was an outrage to arrest a man who was trying to help improve the condition of the workingman. "Well," said he, "they have no busi-ness to fight the employer; I've be-

ness to fight the employer; I've be-longed to a glass blowers' union for about 20 years and have been in strikes, but they have never done any good. - THE MEN SIMPLY OUGHT TO STAND IT THE BEST THEY C.....' I was interested in at this "ex-perience" in Old Unionism, and was surprised to hear a pollee chaining membership in a labor union but made membership in a labor union but made no remark except that votes for the Socialist ticket and the S. T. & L. A. method of running the economic move

ment would do some good. I proceeded to the City Hall and was ushered into the office of Henry Muta, the Superintendent of the Allekheny police. I handed my business card and stated that I had rend of the arrest of one of my onpulsy's as "a supsicious one of my employés as "a suspicious character," and that the young man was of reputable character; 1 ask if I could see nim. "Does Schulberg work for you?"

asked Muth. Yes," I replied.

"What does he do?" again inquired the foxy Superin'endent.

the foxy Superin'endent. "He canvasses our soap from house to house and has been doing that for us for a year or more." I replied. "Well, hasn't he got enough to do with this soap without inciting work-men to riot because they are a little discontented?" "Schulberg is one of those who he "Schulberg is one of those who be-

lieve in helping workmen, and where-ever he goes he meets his fellow Socialists and does good work." "Well, you might think it's good, but

I'll be damned if WE do: and what's more, I won't have it here." "Has a man no right to address a

tax resolutions, but let the money ques-tion alone. It is a Jonah." That is good Democratic advice. It means: "Try to fool the masses, who have obrains, with any nonsense, any shibbo-let that is anti-something. Give these who insist on making an argument to the peo-ple a dead subject." The Democracy is never willing to give the masses credit for intelligence. It has fooled itself many be fooled, but has not profited by the ex-perience. Algerism? Anti-Algerism? What is either? Why not as well Milesism, or anti-Milesism? The desperate attempts that the Demo-rate party is making to raise a faile issue issue with which it dare go before the peo-ple. For every bogus "iam" with which it the there any will have a reat one that will stand for something deat to the Ameri-can have a fact that the mass. McKinerism these are a few of the "asm" with which the Republican party will "cast there anything else needed to

Is there anything else needed to prove from the mouths of the capitalist mouth-pieces themselves that the as-sertion of the Socialist that the Demo-crats and Republicans are the parties of the ONE capitalist class, if anything

Notice the cheerfulness of the "Jour-nal" in showing the lack of principle

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Its special feature will be articles illustrating the standing and development of the Labor Movement in general, and of Socialism in particular, in the several States where the S. L. P. is organized; and also in Canada.

Second-Gratuitous instruction in all educational institutions. Text books in all branches to be supplied to all pupils free of charge: whenever necesary, meals, clothing and railroad tekets are to be furnished in order to make education free and accessible to

the children of the people. Third-Municipal ownership of all boal street railways, electric power and light plants. Gas worss, water works and all industries requiring funicipal franchise shall, be operated by and in the interest of the people, d no employé shall be preferred or discharged for political reasons. Faith-ful public service alone shall deter-

mine the tenure of office. Fourth-Abolition of the contract system on all public works, employment of the unemployed by the muni-cipal authorities, all municipal work to be performed directly by the municipality without intervention of con-

Fifth-All officers and directors of epartments to be elected by direct vote of the people, who shall be sub-

[The above state of things would indicate, if a correct judgment can be formed from this distance, that local conditions in Holyoke are the for the organization of Alliance Locals, begin-ning with a Printers' Alliance. That would help the Holyoke workers in be-coming class-conscious sooner than later.]

HAMMER BLOWS IN PA.

BRISBIN, Pa., March 20 .- Since the BRISHIN, Fa., March 20. Side the last war, prosperity has come to us, and the miners seem to be doing more work and getting less wages. At the last municipal elections we put a tick st in the field in Woodward Township and elected one of our Inspectors in the North Houtzdale precinct. The Reps had 17, the Dems 8, and Socialists 11 straight votes.

straight votes. Our comrades at Hawk Run, also a mining district, made a strong fight for our cause at the last municipal elec-tions, and they also elected one Inspec-tor and polled a good vote: Beeley, Rep., 59; James Shieids, Dem., 506 and Geo. Wilkinson, Socialist, 53. The comrades in Clearfield County are working hard and earnestly to start a miners' S. T. & L. A. Local dur-ing next summer.

ing next summer. L. K. CHRISTOFF. Organizer.

But such is not the fact. I have known of many cases of destitution here which are hardly equalled in the large industrial centers of the East. Scores of workingmen I have seen tramping the streets and begging for an opportunity to work. The majority of those at work are barely getting of those at work are barely getting wages enough to keep body and soul together. Imagine a strong, healthy man with a wife and seven children, and all of them forced to exist on 90 and all of them forced to exist on iso cents a day. I can safely say that the working class is living on half rations the year round. Who, then, reaps the benefits of Nature's generosity?—The idle capitalist class who waste their time in senseless efforts to ape the rot-ten aristocracy of Europe, and the ten aristocracy of Europe, and the middle class capitalists who rob their employés and swindle their customers in order to get money enough to step into the upper class of social parasites. The middle class employers often resort to more brutal and oppressive methods than any others. The nature and intensity of the struggle they have in trying to keep out of the lower class often transforms them into brutes.

Not content with robbing their em-ployés of nearly all the wealth they produce, they even try to prevent them from volcing a protest at the ballot box. Several of such cases came under my own observation. But there'll come a time when the

workers will rise above that spirit of submissiveness which now predomi-nates, and sbaking off their economic fetters, will step forth into the light as free men under the banner of Social-ism. STEPHEN CORVEN.

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peaceable audience in a hall especially at their own request?"

"Yes, but we're not going to have a stranger coming to this city inciting

men to riot." "Then there is no freedom of speech here whatever; and what's more, there was no semblance of a riot."

"A man can say what he wants, but he must not incite to riot."

"In other words, a man can say only what the police think he ought to say?"

"Anyway, you can't see him." "Why?

"He has had his hearing and has been sentenced to 60 days in the workhouse

"Is that so? Did he have any counsel?" 'No."

"Did he have any witnesses on his side?"

"No." "Can I see him at the work-house?" "Not for 30 days according to law." This ended our interview and at that very moment, 10:30, Schulberg was at the station hand-cuffed and waiting for the 11:30 train for the work-house Nothing was said to me about any ine having been imposed, and when I read of the fine in the evening papers. I easily saw the convenience of all the machinery of the "law" to get all the machinery of the star so had gained the popularity of the strikers by his natural eloquence and carnestness of purpose, and who was rapidly chang ing them into a class-conscious body. Later in the day, I sent my bröther with Schulberg's room-mate, Louis Newman, to find out what news they could and give the committee any help in the matter that they could. During the afternoon. Newman weht into the office of the Superintendent of Police to gather any fresh news. He inquired

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With this factor we must deal, recognizing that the trades union is an economic necessity; we must now take our stand as to whether to tolerate the traitors, as in the past, and so invite confusion, or ip scourge these mercenary rers from the Temple which they disgrace. We must finally settle, whether the rades union shall be a lever to raise the workers; or, as in the past, a lever. whose fulin is the neck of labor, to boost frauds, like Powderly, from the machine shop into a Commissionership of Immigration, and Gompers from a cigar factory into a incrative office with ects of capitalist favors as a reward for his rigid "conservatism."

ANTHONY McDONALD. Sec'y Prov, Textil Workers, S. T. & L. A.

Technical reasons compel us to urge our contributors to the May Day issue to forward their promised articles at the very earliest date possible.

A WORD WITH MAYOR H. P. FORD OF PITTSBURGH. PA.

Sir :- The "Dispatch" of your city publishes the following views, expressed by you, on the occasion of the victory recently won by the employés of the Schoen mills in Allegheny:

"Immediate steps should be taken to wipe out these Socialist organizations which are apparently gaining strength in all parts of the United States," said Mayor H. P. Ford, of Pittsburg, Sesterday to a "Dispatch" reporter. "When matters are proceeding along in the usual quiet manner, no one thinks of them or pays attention to them, but when there is a storm brewing, such as that at the Schoen works, along comes a lot of Socialists from Philadelphia and the East to inculcate their doctribues and make trouble.

East to inculcate their dootribes and make tradie. "During the periods when no one pays map attention to them the Socialists are applied by the social state of the so

Questions of greater pith and moment than those of mere veracity or information are involved in these views. We shall, therefore, pass, without comment, by your statements concerning the methods of meeting and propaganda a pited by Socialists. It matters, after all, but little whether it is your ignorance or your mendacity that speaks when you refer to the openly held, widely and publicly announced large meetings of the Socialists, called together at regular and frequent intervals in large halls in your city, within a stone's throw, at that, ipal Building. little secret gatherings "of groups of 10 or 12" that "meet at the houses of different members"; nor is it of much. if any, account whether it is your mendacity that speaks, or your lack of information, when you suppress the fact of the constant challenges issued by Socialists to your fellow capitalist politicians and their pay-masters, the capitalists themselves, to dare debate in public with us the principles we stand for and the indictment we have drawn up against them, and the further fact that Socialism grows thanks to the utter inability of your set to refute the facts and arguments we present. All this can be let go with silent contempt. But there is that in your interview that does deserve careful, close, intense attention. What is that that you propose to suppress, to take "firm and drastic" measures against? Is it a private affair, is it, per chance, a matter concerning slight, unimportant interests? No: and yet again, no! It is no less a matter than one affecting the civic-political rights of the American people; it is no less a proposition than the daring one of suppressing a POLITICAL PARTY it is nothing short of a scheme to smash the ballot box, impair the suffrage, thwart the sovereign will of a sove reign nation! Sir, you are preening your feathers for flights of treason; but, remember, however high such fight may be the gallows tower higher set above it. Malign, slander and libel the class that feeds, clothes and houses you and your parasitic capitalist payes: to the injury of fleecing this

set loose the triple-headed hyena of your prostituted pressdom, professor-dom and pulpiteerdom, and let them in one accord seek to fill full the ears and the minds of their victims with their brew of villainous falsifications, economic and political; keep the political power and economic supremacy while you may by such dastard means, -but keep your hands from the ballot box, together with its necessary approaches: free right of assemblage, free speech and free press!

Sir, you are stepping mighty near the danger line; habituate not your mind to the thoughts of treason; America is not the Philippine Archipellago-as yet; Government here can not exist without the consent of the governed; your class had the lead of the Socialist, and, thanks to that, the governed still tolerate it; but, thanks to Socialist propoganda, light is breaking fast in the heads of the working class; the legs of the economic and political lies, with which you have fettered the workingman's intellects, are wearing off-like all lies' legs do-, and Truth is overtaking them. Organizing and marching along the avenues that lead to the ballot box, the proletariat of America, awake at last to its class duty and class dignity will express, in accents not to be mistaken, that it withdraws its consent to be longer ruled by a class whose social system is an insult to decency, to manhood, to humanity.

Monkey not with the buzz-saw; Mr. Mayor; the Bourbon slave-holders, the prototypes of your class, heeded not the warning; you know their fate; be, yourself, wiser in time.

POLITICAL and ECONOMIC.

Under the heading "What Words Mean" the Tacoma, Wash., "Spirit of '76" gives the definitions of several technical terms that the So falist movenient has introduced in the country. One of these words, "class-conscious," it defines thiswise:

It defines thiswise. Class-conscious means that one has reach-ed the conviction that the logical and his-toric development of the capitalist system is to divide society into two classes. Hose who posses the means of production, distri-bution and "exchange, and those who pos-sess only their labor power, which classes, have no mutual interest. The Socialist de' sires a condition of society where there will be no economic class distinctions or inter-ests. Once thoroughly class-conscious, the individual becomes uncompromising. This admitted is socially deforiton

This definition is radically defective According thereto, the capitalist who accepts Socialist economics and soclology, and acts accordingly, would be a "class-conscious" man. Just the reverse: he would have lost the consciousness of his own capitalist class interests, and, tearing himself away from them, would be planting himself upon class interests hostile to his own. Such an act would certainly be a display of strong intellectual and moral force, but surely not of "class-consciousness."

Class-consciousness means a man's consciousness of the interests of the class to which he belongs; accordingly, the members of each class may be class-conscious; class-consciousness is not a uniform affair; its manifestations may be utterly hostile to one another; it will bring together when it proceeds from one class, but it separates when its manifestations proceed from hostile classes.

To-day, for instance, it is a display of strong class-consciousness on the part of those capitalists who favor expansion and imperialism. These two movements are strong aids to the acquirement of increased power by Capitalism; on the other hand, those members of the capitalist class who, influenced by "American traditions," "the humane utterances of the Declaration of Independence," etc., etc., op-

It is only by rendering the working class class-conscious that it will be able to resist deception and act intelligently. Upon these lines Socialist agitation moves unflinchingly; as to the other classes it expects aid from them only to the extent that their intellect and moral sense render them class-unconscious.

On the subject of class-consciousness, the Chicago, Ill., "Workers' Call" gives the below interesting illustration of one of its middle class manifestations:

one of its middle class manifestations: An almost perfect example of class-con-scious revolt against economic pressure is found in the anti-department store move-ment. So perfect is this response that if the spread of influence of the department stores. Taking the South Side for example-inth street, because the small stores there have given up the fight in despair and con-ment way that interest in the "ethical prompted them to action. As we go furthere south the opposition increases until when any the exposition increases until when any the exposition increases until when any to be a store we have a strike the south the opposition increases until when any fover heat. The crushing process has into begin to get well under way there and the benevolent storekeepers are all frighten-a convenient place to invest what little his on a little further into Pullnam and Keen son the inhore is but slightly deviceing for the laborer is but slightly deviceing for the laborer is but stightly deviced. The stress when are fooliab enough to think-the rest would follow. And yet there are laborers when are fooliab enough to think-that this is a part of their quartel.

While the above item gives an illustration of middle class class-conscious ness, a striking illustration is furnished of capitalist class-consciousness in the below brutal commentary by the Pittsburg, Pa., "National Glass Budget" of the 18th Instant-Frank M. Gessner, Editor-, on the strike that the S. T. & L. A., is now conducting in Jeannette:

L. A., is now conducting in Jeannette: The showe-in boys and lear tenders at Jeannette have struck for an advance in invares higher than is being paid in any factory in the United States or the world. for that matter, and the great window glass plant of the Chambers. & McKee Co, has been shut down for several days as a re-sult. The firm has refused to pay the ad-vance demanded; and in this is no doubt supported by the American Glass Co, since it is clear that if the advance world factory, even in those now paying less than has been mediately demanded in every other factory, even in those now paying less than has been amount of work. A little more of this series of the Lubbers automatic laying in and lear tending machines one of the cer-rabilies of the machines one of the cer-rabilies of the the full refused to have a strike on his hands now, since he refused is kive the mechande a failr show when he had a schames now pays and the show the mechane a failr show when he had a strike on the thands now since he the strike on his hands now, since he refused is hive the mechane a failr show when he had a schame some years are to commender him self from the thraddon of show-in boys and lear tenders.

Nor does this manifestation of classconsciousness in any way lose force from the circumstance that the Editor of the paper is himself a proletarian; on the contrary, the passage is only a sad accentuation of the class-conscious Mendishness of the capitalist: not only does capitalism exploit, it also prostifutes the proletarian.

This serial on class-consciousness may be fitly closed with the reasons, aptly given by the Minneapolis, Minn., Tocsin," why the Socialists celebrate the auniversary of the French Commune that has been quite generally held in the course of this month:

held in the course of this month: In another column will be found a brief mine. The reading of that sketch will go icon for himself. But some brief additional. The reading of that sketch will go icon for himself. But some brief additional and may not be out of place. The reading of the second state of the second icon for himself. But some brief additional modern Socialism-son working chass involvement and as an international move-modern Socialism-son working chass involvement and as an international move-in to the working chass of the world. We op not pretend to any feeling of social kin-fellers because they are follow citizens of if and the transformer, they men and for citass are our chemics and the enemies of our class. And, on the other hand, we if to the working chass, our class, would like to incite in our breasts, we now that the working chass, our class, we now that the working freaks, is and present be work of over-tis interests are present oppression, its coming freedon, its and clears are opposed to those of the sent class.

It was not only during, but much the capitalist press gave testimony to the superiority and honesty of the Socialist Trade & Labor Alliance. When strikes, that are conducted by pure and simple Labor Fakirs, are "settled," the capitalist press, as a rule, chimes in with the claims of the Fakirs that a "great and glerious victory" was won. The claim is essential to the welfare of the fakir: only upon it can he hope to cheat the rank and file into supporting him with dues; and the claim is likewise essential to the welfare of the capitalist: only upon it can be hope to see the rank and file of the workingmen remain under the leadership of the fakir who will lead them regularly into the capitalist shambles. The capitalist press, of course, will be found ready to act as a resounding board for such (to the capitalist) useful and (to the workingman) baneful claims. With the Allegheny strike it is just the reverse; it was conducted in the true interest of the workingman and was won; so, accordingly, we find the capltallst press declaring that these strikers "were roundly routed."!!

PEABODY'S MAIDEN MUNI-CIPAL VOTE.

PEABODY, Mass., March 19 .- The Section has for the first time entered the local political field with its candidates. The results are most gratifying when our organization, but 4 months old, is taken into consideration.

Our campaign was an aggressive one from start to finish. It met with considerable derision from the opposing The numerical weakness of parties. the Section made it impracticable to place a full ticket in the field, so we confined ourselves to but four places. The total vote of the town wa Our candidates received the following ligures:

For Selectman-Peter H. Grady, 442. For Assessor-James F. Kelly, 524. For School Commissioner-Fred. E. Oelcher, 298.

For Overseer of the Poor-John Eustace, 265.

These figures show that a good number of votes were popular and good fel-low votes; but at the same time they show a sympathy with the movement that we can depend upon to wheel into the line of class-conscious menwhen our educational work has been further continued.

Our genuine fighting strength can be safely put at 250 class-cons Who cast straight S. L. P. ballots. The Democratic and Republican vote fell off. Local politicians, who at first spoke of us in a humorous mauner, are now regarding us in a more serious vein. They are beginning to realize that we are to be a factor in town af-fairs in the future and that we are standing on our own footing .- asking no favors, and gaining ground with

the working class. Our meetings (which are held every Sunday afternoon) are generally crowd-ed to the doors and our speakers reeived with enthusiasm.

The members of the Section are much impressed at the apparent earnestness with which our audiences listen to the teachings of Socialism. We feel assured that it is only a question of how rapidly the workingmen can grasp true purpose to-see this town a Socialist stronghold

NORMAN A. TORREY. Organizer.

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The Slaves of the Golden Hive.

[Written for THE PEOPLE by Joseph Fitzpatrick, New York.]

Let's draw aside, the curtain Let's draw aside the curtain Of aristocratic pride That packs the tolling beggars. In the barrancks of "East Side," Where they sweat and starve on rations That would bring a deg iil health. To solidify the structure Of consolidated wealth.

Despite the cruel sneering of the brute that hounds the poor, Who organizes charity. To drive them from his door: He who gambles, plays, and juzgles With the products of God's land: And hoards the brend of orphans, With a greedy selfish hand,

He sits well fed, fat, and rosy Grinding labor neath his heel, And from his defaut mandate His series have no appeal; With the plinint haws he dlekers. They are bent to his control, And the moste of stock tickers Can only reach his soul.

A few blocks from his mansion Is the foul ill smelling den, Where habitate the mertals Whom he proudly calls "his men"; Packed like pigs in stiffling squalor To economize on space, Just to save another dollar. For the grab-lords of their race.

They are well nigh sick of hearing Of the freedom of the land, And the patriotic cheering Of the well-fed moneyed band. For beneath this crust of riches Lies a cesspool of despair, A sad unhappy amittinde On sorrow want and care.

A multitude that yearns For a breath of God's pure air, And through custom daily learns How privation's yoke to bear; The father's daily slaving A paitry dollar brings To feed a crowd of dear ones Who are used to hunger's stings,

RHODE ISLAND CAMPAIGN.

To all Socialists in Rhode Island:

On April 5th, the first Wednesday of next month, occurs the annual election of State officers and members of the General Assembly. The Socialist La-bor party has nominated a full State ticket and candidates for the Assembly have been named in Central Falls Pawtucket. Providence and Woon socket as follows:

STATE TICKET.

(Put a cross (x) after each of these names where they appear on your ballot.) Governor-Thomas F. Herrick. Lieutenant Governor-John P. Cur-

ran. Secretary of State-George A. Ballard.

Attorney-General-Bernard J. Mur-General Treasurer-Moses Fassel.

ASSEMBLY TICKETS.

CENTRAL FALLS.

Senator—John Mackel. Representatives—Ist. John Brown; 2d. John Spellman; 3d. Thomas Callaban. PAWTUCKET.

Senator-Charles H. Dana. Representatives-1st, John, W. Ste-phenson; 2d, John H. Barker; 3d, Jos. Rioux; 4th, Joshua Robinson; 5th, Nelson White; 6th, Austin J. Boudreau,

PROVIDENCE.

Senator-Franklin E. Burton Representatives—1st, John E. Barry, 2d, Thomas Donahue; 3d, Nathaniel J. Niles; 4th. Joseph Wittum; 5th, An-thony McDonald; 6th. Ernest Sher-wood; 7th, Edward W. Theinert; 8th, Patrick J. Layden; 9th, John Duffy 10th. Benjamin L. Gershanick; 11th James McGuigan; 12th, John H. Kig ney.

WOONSOCKET.

Senator-Moise Depault Representatives:-1st, George Ferris; 2d, Thomas F. Reilly; 3d, Bernhard Head; 4th, Idola J. Tetreau; 5th, Head; 4th, 1dola J. Augustin J. Biledea'u.

Heretofore we have had Assembly tickets in Pawtucket and Providence only. The growth of the movement has brought two other cities to keep has brought two other cities to keep them company, and the Sections now formed and in process of formation in other localities, will in a few more years join them in making a breach for the ingress of the S. L. P. into our new State House.

All this promises well for the future, but this and the splendid vote of the S. L. P. in our State are not the result of inactive hoping. Just going to the polls and putting in one's ballot has not produced it. It has taken hard work .-. Meetings have been held from one end of the State to the other and comrades have given their time and energies to speak at them: Socialism has been talked and explained every where-on the street, in the house and in the shops; literature has been sold and leaflets and appeals distributed. We have voted and we have impelled others to vote. Such efforts as these have sent our vote up. But are we to stop here? Are we to imagine our work is done and "let the thing take care of itself?" Now and then someone croaks out such nonsense as an excus to shirk the responsibility shouldered. We have started this fight with an intention to' see it finished. We have taken our stand against the parties and the tricksters of capitalism with a pur ose to seize every chance to unmask them and make them disgusting and nauseous to the wage workers. We have not only set out to open up the path that leads to emancipation from wage slavery and to educate the work ers into taking it, but we have also assumed the task to bear our share in speedily inaugurating the Socialist Commonwealth. Such a purpose per-mits no let up, no falling asleep to walt dreamingly on election day. It means we must strive with a vigor that will not abate short of wiping out this devilish industrial system that makes the misery, the self-denial, the bodily tor-ture and mental anguish of the working class the all-essential elements for debauchery, luxury, impudence, insolence, thievery and murder by the capitalist class.

There is work here for us, and each one must bend to it with tireless zeal,



Uncle Sam & Brother Jonathan

Brother Jonathan-Those ridiculous anti-trust," "anti-octopus" shouterst Uncle Sam-They are ridiculous, B. J.-Why, think of the increased

productive powers of a trust; it is just like an improved machine. Who would go back to the hand loom or the stage coach? No one! (With increased encoach? No one: (With increased en-thusiasm.) An improved machine pro-duces so much more wealth; so does the trust. The idiots who would "smash the trust." they are no better than the idiots who wanted to smash the machine!

U. S .- You got that straight; none but idiots, or schemers who try to dupe the idiots, shout "Smash the Trust! B. J .-- And think of the un-American-

S .- The what?

B. J.-The UN-AMERICANISM such an idea as the anti-trust notion!

U. S .- "Un-Americanism"? B. J. (testily)-Yes: Un-A-mer-l-ca. nism; did you understand that?

U. S.-Inasmuch as to which? B. J.-Inasmuch as it is wholly an

un-American attitude. U. S.-That is very much like saying

a thing is yellow inasmuch as yellow it is. Why is it "un-American" to want to smash the trust.

b) smash the trust. B. J.-Why? Just think of such a question? Don't you see it is "un-American"? Why, of course you do. U. S.-I don't see it. B. J.-The devil, you don't? Why, man, trust-smashing simply flees in the face of the faulders of this courter.

face of the founders of this country. U. S .- Now at least you have given

a reason; it may be a bad one; but still a reason it is. Let's see. The founder of this country were the typical Ame-icans, and their ways were typicals American" B. J.-That's it.

B. J.-That's R. U. S.-I say so too. B.J. (smileful)-You do? U. S.-Certainly. But preserve your smiles. Now, then, tell me, Did those founders of our country work little capital or with big capital? with

B. J. (beginning to look sober)-Hem! They worked with little capital. U. S.-Each for himself?

B. J.-Y-e-s

U. S.-And did they produce large quantities of wealth? B. J.-N-0-0-

U. S.-Such a thing as a single concern operating thousands of men did not exist?

U. S.-Or a big farm covering thouands of acres, all under cultivation? B. J.-N-0-0-

U. S.-Consequently the improved machinery of production implied in the trust was not known to them? B. J.-N-n-n-o-

U. S .- Aud they worked with very

small machinery-B. J.-The devil take you! I see what you are driving at now.

U. S.-Cool, cool; no profanity. And can you escape from the trap? Can you escape the conclusion that it is the trust-smashers who are truly "American," while the trust-upholders are the

"un-American" ones? B. J.-No, I cant. Then you too are a trust-smasher? U. S.-Not much. The trust is an im-

proved means of production; as such it is capable of being a blessing. The trouble with that improved means of

production is that it is held by private holders and THEREFORE it becomes

a curse to the people. Those who want to smash 't are truly. "American" in so far as "Americanism" means the ways

of our ancestors. If there is any honor

in being over a hundred years behind

the times, that honor surely belongs to

pose "expansion," and the like, are not class-conscious: sentiment blurs their vision to their class interests.

Two years ago, during the free coinage campaign, the middle class elements that flocked to the free coinage standard were class- conscious: free colnage and anti-trust were essential conditions to their class-existence; on the other hand, those members of the middle class, who, out of fear for their little deposits in the banks, their insurance policies, and the like, went over to McKinley had their vision to their real class interests blurred by minor considerations; they acted class unconsciously.

Finally, the modern workingman who realizes that his share of the wealth he produces depends essentially upon the price of his only merchandise labor power, in the labor market; that that share becomes and must become ever smaller; and that the cause of that, and of all the resultant evils of misery and degradation he is more and more afflicted with, is the system of wage slavery that Capitalism holds him pinned to:-that workingman is class-conscious, that workingman is awake to the consciousness of his class interests, and such workingman could neither be lured away from the right path by Bryanism, nor frightened from his course by McKinleyism, he voted the S. L. P. ticket: on the other hund. the many more workingmen who e ther vielded to the "reform" allurements or the "something-now" palliatives by supporting either Bryan or McKinley, they were blinded to their class interclass, add the affront of vilifying it; | ests, and voted class-unceasciously.

The English translation of Karl Maty "Eigteenth Brumaire," that some time ago ran through THI. EO-PLE, is now to be had bound in an elegant volume of 78 pages, with Marr' picture as frontispiece. No Socialist, even though he be no student, and no student, even though he be no Socialist, can afford to be without it. Apply Labor News Co., 147 E. 23d street, N. Y. City. Price, 25 cents.

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Think on it stall-fed brattlings, Heirs of hoarded webith. Nursed in the lap of luxiry And consted to sturdy health. Who never breathe the atmosphere Of Poverty's domain, And would not give a human tar To the groans of lowly pain.

Bedeck your common bodies With jewels, silk and lace. And profigate your millions in treading the social pace. But the lack of wise employment is a nerve-destroying task. And you find no real enjoyment in "Cotiliion" or "Ball Masque."

Look out on the frozen city When the wine-supped guests have fled, And think if you can with pity On those who were better dead; Picture the familshed infants, Who sob their souls to rest Out of a shrunken body. Nursed from an empty breast.

Think of the lonely mother, Aged with want and care. Who daily tries to smother The demon of black despair; To cheer her hungry bables Is her only sad desire. Though she has not clothes to cover The flesh YOU so much admire.

Out in the biting blizzard Her husband toils all day. Her husband tolls all day, Digging an easy footway For those who will squeeze his pay; The hell-hounds of Manhattan, The wolves well trained to rob, Who what their teeth for victims Of a contractor's job.

And HE who reigns above With a globe encircilug glance Watching his puppets strife Throughout old earths expanse, Sees the humble pleblan stung By the capitalistic wasp; Has wisdom in it all, Which corporal minds can't grasp.

Sometimes he'll move the stings And change the strife perchance Then glit-shod money kings You'll cringe at your victim's giance; Then siaves of the Million City May master the golden hives, Who'll raise a voice in pity For the human vultures lives?

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or count himself a knave, or coward. or idiot. The capitalist press, the politicians and our masters are waiting eagerly and anxiously for the returns from the balloting. They shudder now at the cold chills our vote sent through them last spring, and the repetition of dose last fall made them clamor h amazement. Their studious with amazement. Their studious silence now shows they are watching in fear lest the S. L. P. vote on April 5 rows to a larger forecast of Socialist triumph.

Sections, Branches, Comrades, let us not disappoint them. Remember elecis the time for the workers to tion day assert themselves. Get all Socialists to the polls on the first Wednesday in April. Canvass the vote thoroughly everywhere. Obtain the names and addresses of all supporters in the several districts and, as you go around distributing the appeals, call on these personally, wake them up to the neces sity of voting, inspire them to prevail on all their Socialist friends and acquaintances to do the same, and give no peace or rest until the polls close After reading this, ACT upon it.

To all Socialists, and especially to all organized Socialists, English-speaking, German, French and Scandinavian Socialists in Rhode Island, the State Committee appeals in these last days before election to remind you of your duty to yourselves and your class: Vote yourselves; Urge others to vote: Personally see that all Socialists

vote. Rhode Island State Committe,

T. CURRAN, Secretary. Providence, R. I., March 20.

A third 5,000 edition of the pamphlet 'What Means this Strike?" is now out Its large sale is a gratifying sign of the times, and it is an evidence of the class of literature that is most useful and, consequently, best called for.

the trust-smashers. But the intellig man is not an oyster. He does not glory in immobility; on the contrary, his pride is the capacity to move on "Americanism" in the sense of ward. the ways of our Founders is a thing of the past. The trust, in so far as it is a means of improved production ood; we want that; and the same intelligence that shows us its excellencies shows us also its defects: we shall pro serve its excellence by upholding it; we shall remove its defects by natio izing it.

B. J. (swaying backward and for-ward and moaning)-Oh my "Ameri-canism," my "Americanism"!

U. S.-Is no good, eh?

B. J.-Seems not! U. S.-Cheer up, old fellow. The true lover of the word "American" is not he that would keep us in our national childhood; nor he who would allow himself to be humbugged by the word, as you were doing: but he who, rever-ing the past for all that it deserves, ready to use that past as a stepping stone for higher reaches.

LECTURES.

MARIE BRUCKMAN, "The Class Strap gle," March 26, at 34th and 35th A. D. headquarters, 149th street and Third avenue, New York.

SIMON POLLAK, "The French Com-mune," March 28, 65 Columbia street, New mune,' York.

A. S. BROWN, "The Labor Movement is America." March 26, Workingmen's Educa-tional Club, 528 East 11th street, New York.

M. HILLQUIT. "The Commune." March 28, Excelsion Literary Society, 161 Monree street, New York.

JAMES ALLMAN, "The Philosophy of Warfare," March 24, 98 Avenue C, New York.

HOWARD BALKAM, "A Contrast." March 28, 98 Avenue C, New York.

L. F. KEINARD, "The Class Struction" free steropticon illustrated lecture, March 29. Harlem Lyceum, 107th street and



d by the Press Committee of the Socialist Labor Party of Canada, Section London, Oht.]

Many false assertions are made rerding the attitude of the Socialist nts outside its own economic tion. It is incumbent thererepresentation. It is incumbent there-increases and the second s a regard to which it is grossly mis-

This misrepresentation arises in some ries from ignorance, in others false ries are deliberately circulated by inriews are denotrately circulated by in-dividuals or parties having a "vested interest" in kceping public opinion from arriving at the truth regarding the principles of the International Socalist organization, represented in Canada by the Socialist Labor party

aly. One illustration of this ignorance, on the one hand, and deliberate faisifica-tion, on the other hand, is that ancient yarn about "dividing upthe accumu-hated wealth of the world." the pro-ceeds of unpaid labor. The "divyy up" business is no part of the programme of the S. L. P. of Canada, it is simply a excerpt raised by the enemies of the state of the second st away from the feast of economic truths embodied in our literature and inda.

Another illustration of ignorance and misrepresentation is in regard to the teachings of the Socialist Labor party on trade unionism.

ignorance on this matter is chiefly Ignorance on this matter is chiefly due to the influence of ward-beelers and paid agents of the capitalist politi-cal parties, who since trade unions were first organized in Canada have abused the confidence of the workers and been the, betrayers of the labor incomment. On the divy up and trade movement. On the divvy up and trade mion misinterpretations of the S. L. P. we will have more to say at a future

On the present occasion our special purpose is to drive a nall into the "lie" dreulated by some among those who name themselves "Christian Social-ist," asserting that the Socialist Labor party of Canada is antagonistic to re-ligion. The words "Socialist and So-calism" are often loosely and falsely applied so as to be confusing to the un initiated. We must call attention, how erer, to the fact that these terms have become prominent and possess special significance owing to the energetic labors of those International Socialist organizations with which we, the S. L. P. of Canada, are directly allied, whose political organization and economic programme is clean cut, and well de-fined on certain lines common to all affliated Socialist bodies in any counministed Socialist bodies in any coun-try of Europe as well as in the United States and Canada. All these politi-cally organized Socialist bodies make specific demand for the collective own, ership of all the machinery of produc-tion and distribution of commodities. There hearer the sense it is reasonable

That being the case, it is reasonable to say that there is a certain element of dishonesty and fraudulent misrepre-sentation on the part of those who shunned the term Socialist in the early days of pioneer work and popular dis-approval of our party name, and who now perform acrobatic feats in their haste to appropriate the term Socialist since it has become popular by virtue of the heroic labors and sacrifices of our comrades in all countries, while at the same time these "Christians" re-fuse to comply with the essential re-quirements of clean-cut political action, and the full programme for collective ownership of economic machinery. The characteristic of a true Socialist is to be decomple periodiculat.

the characteristic of a true socialist is to be an economic revolutionist. That being so, it will be seen that unless some evidence to the contrary be pro-duced from our platform and prin-ciples, the attitude of the Socialist Labor party of Canada, as an organiza-tion is wholly neutral towards dogma-tic theology and sectarian issues, and our attitude towards the warring sects is the same, viz., "neutral." Popular confusion on this point is en-

couraged by the dishonest writings of those enemies to true Socialism, whose impure motives lead them to apply a course of criticism in regard to the cialist Labor party that would discredit them in public opinion if they adopted the same arguments against any other

political body. A striking Illustration or the de-lib at efforts sometimes made to dis-

few, shall reach its climax; and the thousand ills inseperable from the sys-tem that delfies and legitimizes selfish greed and the mad lust for wealth, has culminated in the chaotic misery of the race, the breaking down of our socalled civilization, and the lapse of the people into savagery and semi-barbar-ism. As a complete antidote to these evils, the Socialist Labor party cham-pions the reversal of the economic sys-tem from individualism to collectivism. and the co-operation of human brother-hood. The consequent annihilation of all incentives to personal or corporate greed, and the low, brutal and degrad-ing lusts to which we are now subject, ing lusts to-which we are now subject, will leave the race free to receive divine impulses, will stimulate and bring into healthy activity, holy ambi-tion, to be and to do. We know that the possibility for all advance in science, in art, philosophy or religion, will be immensely increased, and low and brutal desires and impulses will rive place to the rising sup of pure and bruth desires had implies will give place to the rising sub of pure aspiration for all advancement. There will no longer be any poor if men are willing to labor. With the hideoits specter of want banished; beneficient love and brotherly regard restored to its normal condition in our poor old world, life will become a pleasure for all, and true happiness, a certainty We, the Socialist Labor party claim that a life in accordance with the basic laws of justice and truth in economics is absolutely binding on all men. That no one should ignore the cry for justice of the oppressed, nor refuse food to the hungry. We claim that from our pres-ent system in its inhuman cruelties of principle, springs, our spirit of mili-tarism, which is blighting and de-vastating the whole earth, and that the

wretchedness, wrong and misery; which are chronic and rampant in our midst, are the legitinate results of our commercial battles, 'robberles and frauds, which are more deadly than was with bullets and bayonels. This exciton is condomned and its

This system is condemned and its end decreed.

The consummation produced by evolution is destined to usher in a nobler and a better regime, and its name is Socialism.

Whether the above aims and aspirations as incentives in our Herculean work of converting the world to So cialism, will be accounted to us as "re ligion." we cannot tell, but this much we can say, that they are sufficient to tension our muscles, and to nerve our hearts, to use such strength as we possess, for the achievement of what ap to us such a noble, and much to be desired consummation.

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How to Organize Sections.

All persons dissatisfied with present political and economic conditions, and who believe that the land, water works, gas works, telephone, and telegraph lines, the commercial highways on land and sea, with all their appurtenances and equipments; all the mills, mines, factories, machinery, means of produc-tion and agencies of distribution, created by the efforts of the laboring class through all the centuries of the past, ought of right to be nationalized, and operated for the benefit of collective operated for the benefit of contective humanity, and who are convinced that the disinherited producing, class can and must transform the capitalistic methods of production and distribution into a second and conversitive eventum. into a social and co-operative system, are hereby invited to identify them-selves with the Socialist Labor party, which alone goes to the root of our social and economic evils.

1. Any ten persons may organize themselves into a Section provided they accept the platform and constitution of the S. L. P. and sever their connection, absolutely, with all other political par-ties

ties. 2. OFFICERS TO ELECT.

1.—Organizer. 2.—Recording and Corresponding Sec

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE PEOPLE, SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 1899.

[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.]

As to "Expressions" - Discussion

Closed. To THE PEOPLE.-I wish to state right here and now, that I am more than satis-fied with the ventilation of the question I raised in THE PEOPLE; and while agree-ing that when you get the term "blood-sucking parasites" thorought sifted out, the term undoestedly is truthfully applied, I still object to the S. L. P., as the S. L. P., using such terms in its papers or pam-phlets." phlets It is

using such terms in its papers or pamphlets." It is all right, in my opinion, for indivi-dual members to use such terms, if by so doing they can elevate or better the condi-tions of the race, but it is bad policy I think, for the party to use them. In England the term abloed-sucker is a vulgar term meaning nothing. The term "God dammed" is another term which in the abstract means nothing, and is used only to give more force to the word "lie." Sift it cut, and it means a lie condemned by God, which all lies area, and if you say It is a lie, and know it to be one, there is no good Jone by adding "God dammed" "blood-sngking." And now allow me to break forth into rhyme:

I must still protest Against my comrades. (Spencer and the

They've held me up to Tawful?) Fideule And for my pairs they think that I'm a fool; But wond rous as the news may seem to you

I The excellent spirit Comrade Boult gives his closing answer in to the pro-tracted, though one-sided, debate on "Expressions," coupled with his latest illustration to fortify his point, render a closing and settling word easy. His illustration in the case of the word "lie" does not apply.' If the pre-fixing of the compound "blood-suckers" to of the compound "blood-suckers" to "parasite" had no other meaning or purpose than to add force to the word "parasite." like in the illustration which he gives, then would he be ab-solutely right. But that is not the case. All lies are, as he says, con-demned by God; to introduce the word 'lie" with words to the above effect is indeed reprehensible surplussage. Not so, however, with the word "parasite": parasites are not all allke; they differ in important particulars; there are several sorts of parasites; parasites on animate and parasites on inanimate bodies; parasites that suck blood, and parasites that don't, that suck plant and other new successful to the successful parasites that don't, that suck plant and other non-sanguinous substances," To say "parasite" only is to use a vague word, a word merely indicating parasitical labits, without specifying the specialized source of nutriment. To preface, the "word" with "blood-suck-ine" is accordingte not the induction preface, the "word" with "blood-suck-ing" is, accordingly, not the indulging in superihous, merely force-adding, terms, but is to use an expletive. In the instance in question the expletive is important: it points the finger to the blood-thirsty instincts of the capitalist class, to the face that it lives actually class, to the fact that it lives actually on animate, on human life, on blood. Such an expletive is correct; neither should the correctness of a term be allowed to be lamed by considerations of notions that attach to otherwise correct terms in lands far away from that land in which the term is used.—ED. THE PEOPLE.]

As to Taxes.

As to Taxos. To THE PEOPLE - In your issue of March 5, Uncie Sam endeavors to convince Instormer Jonathan that "All their labber of labor being crushed by taxes was pure bunco." Now the "Volkszeitang" of Tucs-day last, 7th instant, prints, to the con-trary, an entire article to show that "he sides the workers being crushed by their exploiters at the process of production, they in ADDITION are crushed by the cruely dammable capitalistic system of taxation." Which, then, of the two party organs ex-presses the official view of the party and of Socialist economics in the matter? If you would, kindly oblige me by demon-strating by what authority, you do claim of the American S, L, P, and of universal Marxian economics. New York: March S. New York, March 8.

[In the first place, you are in error as to the two party organs disagreeing. The New York "Volkszeitung" is not

plus wealth. Like the law of values. this law of taxation is a central truth, subject in its external manifestations to perturbing causes, that, however, do not overthrow the central principle. Indeed, this law of taxation, that taxes come essentially from surplus wealth, e., from stolen property in the pockets of the capitalist class, is but a corollary of the law of wages. All this was explained in THE PEOPLE'S article. In 'view of these arguments, the

"Volkszeitung" article is fundamental-ly defective. Not a line appears there to indicate the central truth as to the source of taxation; cn the contrary; says the "Volkszeitung";

"he who has to pay them (the taxes) is, according to our system of taxation, ever according to our system of taxation, ever and ever again the masses of the working

This sentence preaches a doctrine that is essentially false, as shown above. We would recommend to you to

analize the two positions yourself; you will then find that THE PEOPLE'S is right, the other false;-or the law of values, and with it the law of wages.

must first be thrown overboard. But if by all means you need the reas-surance of "authority," here it is: Look up the chapter on "Taxation" (Steuern) in Kautsky's "Erfurter Pro-gramm." You will there find it shown from paragraph to paragraph that, by means of taxes and ever increasing taxes, the Government reduces the amount of surplus wealth, i. e., stealings in the pockets of the capitalist class. The chapter closes with these words:

The State becomes ever denser, its bur-dens ever heavier. The capitalists and large landed proprietors, as a matter of course, seek wherever they hold the weapon of government, to roll off the burden as much as possible upon the shoulders of the other classes. But from these there is ever less and less to fetch; thus, despite all the tricks of Messrs. Exploiters, their own surplus values are bound to be pared off ever more in the interest of the State.

That much for the theoretic part of the question. Now for the tactical

nanner of treating it. Looked into from this side, the "Volkszeltung's" article is not only tactless but mischlevous, and these qualities readily transpire without the need of comparisons. To first maintain that the working class pays the taxes, to elaborate that point in twothirds of an article a column long, and then'in the closing passinges to give the warning to the workingmen not to vote for any of the capitalist parties, even if these raise the issue of lower even if these raise the issue of lower taxes, but to vote for the S. L. P. be-cause it alone aims at the main issue, as the "Voikszeitung" does; to first em-phasize the heaviness of the burden and right away refuse to join those who promise relief is a reproduction of that old-time, cluiusy, tactless and pre-tentionsly dogmatic method of the party's propaganda which earned for it the appellation of pig-headed; which caused it to be charged with holding 'the absurd position of refusing half a loaf if it could not get the whole of it; and, worst of all, that confused the workers, rendered progress hard, if not impossible, and goes to confirm the charge we recently brought against "Volkszeitung" that its tactics explained and were responsible for the slowness of progress from the quarter of the German element in this neighborhood.

To maintain that the heavy taxes "laid upon the country" by the last Congress DO COME FROM THE SHARE THAT THE WORKING CLASS WOULD OTHERWISE EN-JOY, is simply to work into the hands of that element of the capitalist class that regularly goes with the same false economics, only knowingly so, before the workers in order to steal the Labor vote so as to save itself from the taxes that oppress it; all talk of the "main is bound to evaporate under issue" such circumstances. Whatever share of the burden of

taxation falls upon the workers is too slight to deserve mention in the face slight to deserve methods in the late to of the heavy, crushing burden of the exploitation that the capitalist system inflicts upon them. To spend much time upon that, especially to devote a preponderance of space to the subject is like filling two-thirds of a one-column is like mining two-thirds of a one-column article, that treats of a man who is bleeding at his vitals, with a disquisi-tion on the quantity of blood sucked up from his body by a mosquito that perched on his nose. Such conduct is mergine to be blood sucked by puerile; it is misleading; and, accord-ing to the importance of the subject,



societies, and we must obtain the co-opera-tion of every Socialist we can. Some will be unable to offer much assistance, but all necessary work, and if they cannot contri-hute, will ot least help forward the forma-tion of the society. The Sections must do this work, and as the members back to gether for no other purpose than furnish-ing the necessary money, there will be no expense, and all the funds can be turned over to the S. C. C. FRANK MacDONALD.

FRANK MacDONALD. Stoneham, Mass., March 9.

Debsism in Good Setting at New Bedford, Mass.

Debeism in Cood Setting at New Bodford, Mass. To THE PEOPLE.-He of "Armory Fame" (b) at last arrived in New Bedford and departed his arrival was due to the Central Trades' Council of New Bedford. A few preliminary words about this organi-zation will not be anles. "The Chairman, Math. Hart by name, is one of the most continuido marcom loafers in town as his occupation gives him the opportunity at the expense of the Weavers' Union; he is the same Math. Hart, who, with other "pure and simplers," inter-viewed candidates for the Mayorality. Parker and Brownell, and tried to get con-cessions from them. Parker would have mothing to do with them, while Brownell promised to do what he equal (f) for them in the union men. Hart included, bear. In mind, voted to indorse Brownell for Mayor and immediately thereupon this Math. Hart was found working tooth and null for the suicess of Parker. The organization contains Republicans and Democratis, Christian Sochiliss, Mugwings, and Op-portunists with no fixed object other than to take trips, junkets or any old thing of value at the exponse of the class they came platform and served as a good acting for Mr. James F. Carey. The above Hart called would answer any question put to him bear-ing on his address. PROVIDED IT WAS IN WRITING. This was done so no one. As farf as the address itself is concerting. "The S. D. F. of Germany and the S. D.

The S. D. P. of Germany and the S. D. of America are working hand in hand."

The S. D. P. of Germany and the S. D. P. of America are working hand in hand.
There are 3 Socialist parties in this country; but the S. D. P. will be the only one admitted to the International Congress.
T will Set out of any party that I do not believe in "-And yet right there he said he did not the "contextre comership hank." Thus he has repudiated his whole platker and yet he conductive of the sub he has repudiated his whole platker and yet he conductive of the sub he has repudiated his whole platker.

platform and yet has repudnated his whole platform and yet he remains in that party (7) of his. The man was the pleture of guilt and misery: he deserved pity, and received it from the ladies present, who thought he was "sick." and I guess he was when con-fronted with a hall full of red buttons. But "sick" as he looked during his speech, is look of guilt and "sickness" grew in-minitely more marked when the questions be-gun. I'll site a few: Question 1.—"Are you a member of a 'trade organization, and if so, how long have you been so identified?" Answer.—"Yes: joined K. of L. at 17 and remained a member until they departed this life, and also a member of the Inter-mational Boot and Shoe Workers', Union; am square on the books, and here is my due card." 2.—"Was there a strike of the lasters during the winter of 1895?" Answer.—"Yeses. I think soo. About 3.500 out I gues." I think there was two or three strikes." Question 3.—"Was there two interrational unions or organizations involved." Answer (after a long pause, and evident

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Carey has done us a good turn by letting us see that we had a comrade who got tirved of the long journey and fell by the way-side, one who was respected by all but at the same time was known to be weak-minded, and, whose departure has been the cause of three new members sending in their names. S. F. LYNCH. New Restord. Mass. Match 11.

Off-hand Answers to Correspon-dents.

[No questions will be considered that come in anonymous letters. All letters must

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ter a Sociology. J. H. A., LOS ANGELES, CAL.-Article referred to has not been received. We have been otherwise pretty lucky with the mails at this end of the line. With the exception of two letters from the English party or-ganization, both of which were evidently stolen by some mail authority, there has been no break worth mentioning.

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tuency has deliberately falsified the at-titude of the S. L. P. in Canada to-wards religion, for the purpose, apparently of his special appeal for sub-scriptions to his paper mailed free to four thousand of the clergy of Canada in the name of our "Christian Com-rades." Christian Socialism cannot afford deliberate falsehood as a charac tristic of any of its spokesmen. We party, as an organization is "neutral" in its attitude to sectarian issues, but most "positive" in its attitude towards all that is good and true.

We realize that the world has in the past adopted a system of economics, which is destructive and subversive in its operation to the very life and well-being of the human race, viz., the sys-tem of private and individual owner-ship of the hand and tools of produc-tion and distribution, under capitalism. A system which improveries and im. A system which impoverishes, and imes unbearable burdens on, the large majority of workers, greater than they

We further realize that the wretchedness, poverty, starvation, crime, sin and missivy of our people are directly traceable to this system which is alike distructive of all the noble ideals, moral virtues and material well-being of the human far the start of the

for all virtues and material wear better of the human family. This system has cursed and ruined is through the ages that are past, and bids fair to make life an intolerable torture in the future, (as it is to many at present), when the trend of concen-intice, for the individual prest of the

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cal strength and maneral standing of members, party progress and pros-pects, shall be promptly sent to the Na-tional Executive Committee. 9. Any person residing in a city or town where no section of the party exists may make direct application to the National Scretary, inclosing one the National Secretary, inclosing one month's dues, and will thus be enrolled as member at large. For pamphlets, leaflets, platforms and other information, address the National Secretary.

HENRY KUHN,

a party organ. "Whe German party or-gan is the New York "Vorwaerts." Algan is the New York "Vorwaerts." Al-though the "Vorwaerts" is to a great extent made up of matter that appears in the "Volkszeitung." the "Volkszei-tung" article of the 7th instant, that you refer to, was wisely rejected by the "Vorwaerts." The S. L. P. party organs in the land are absolutely at one both on the theory of tayation and one both on the theory of taxation and on the tactical manner of treating it. And now, as to the subject itself. A theory is not right or wrong "upon authority." It is right or wrong according as the arguments in its sup-port are sound or unsound. You are switched off on a wrong track when you come grasping for authority. The Uncle Sam & Brother Jonathan of March 5 presented arguments on which the conclusion is based. Did you understand them? If so, do you accept or reject them? If the latter, upon what grounds? That method of treat-ment would,bring on a more intelligent discussion than simply the asking for "authority:" That man's attiliation is authority, finat hat would bow down before "authority," whatever that authority may be. We must guard against the, two extremes—equally baneful: the extreme of blind submission to authority, and the extreme of rebellion against unanswerable arguments for the mere sake of rebellion.

The article in THE PEOPLE proceeded from the unquestionable law wages. The law establishes that of share that Labor gets of the wealth it-self produces is determined by the law of value of merchandise; Labor, under capitalism, being itself a merchandise. This being thus, it follows that taxes. while certainly paid out of the product of Labor, are paid, not by the working class., but by the capitalist class; that is to say, taxes are paid out of that portion of the product of labor that the capitalist class fleeces the workingmen of anyhow or, in shorter terms, taxes 184 William street, New York City. | are paid out of surplus values or sur-

PEOPLE.]

As to the New Move In Massachusetts.

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Question 3.-"Was there two internations unions or organizations involved?" Answer (after a long pause and evident suspicion that he was in trouble).-"Three unions, K. of L. and cutters, also lasters." (Face as white as a sheet.) Ouestion 4.-"Did you say or ever tell any one that Pomeroy, the agent of the union, sat at an Executive Board meeting and used the information which he there got under a piedge of secrecy to give to Finn, a manufacturer, to the prejudice of the strikkers?" Carey was so bothered that he tried to play upon his audience by making the sate-ment that the question was improper as the man accused was not present to defend himself. But a comrade jumped to his feet and said the person accused WAS present and that HE was the individual. It was a picnic to watch the facid expressions in-duged in by Carey. He shifted from one foot to the other, and was a sorry looking representation of the S. D. P. about that time. "Tank" came forward and relieved Carey by refusing to allow him to answering, as Carey must have known by his audience that the question, aithough written, WAS KNOWN TO SEVEN-EIGHTHS OF HIS A'DHENCE. Carey has a new excuse, this is the 12th.

The "Tank" came torward and anawer, ind Carey was much relieved. An honest man would have insisted upon answering, as Carey must have known by his audience that the question, although written. WAS ANUDENCE. Carey has a new ercuse, this is the 12th, for Armory building. "My dear friends," said he, "I was asked if a Socialist believed in upholding the law. Yes, certainly, I an-swered; well, the law says you shall pro-vide a sanitary building for the milita-and as some of the boys were members and good Socialists. I voted for it. And now a word on what they say that I was getting too big for them to handle. You handle; and we were getting tired of it, so we voted to resign and did so. I was ac-cused of stealing my resignation, but the fact is the restration was taken by a mem-fact is for the S. L. P. who did not resign with us. (11) The S. L. P. tactics are fast driving the best men of the party from it. there is Gordon ("11). Squire E. Putney ("11) and Bau ("12) as proof of my assertion. This antagonism of the trades unlons must stop because they ' are class-conscious." ("11)-well. If a Secretary of a labor union run-ning on. a Republican ticket is class-con-scionsness it is mirroulous they have made such diate can only the writin the limits of any pure and simple trade union, the outers of which as Carey KNOWS, are ripe for any derilit.

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THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIALIST CONGRESS OF 1900.

the Committee of the "entente Socia-liste" to the Socialist and working class organizations of all countries, for the preparatory conference for the Interna-tional Congress of 1900, appeared in the "Petite Republique" of the 7th Instant:

"Comrades:-As the International Congress cannot be held in Germany, our German conrades have appealed to the French Socialists, in accordance with the decision of the London Conwith the decision of the London Con-gress, to organize it in Paris in 1900. Upon the French Socialists, therfore, falls the duty of proposing to their comrades of all countries the measures of organization. We, therefore, invite you to a preliminary Conference to de-cide the conditions under which the In-ternational Congress shall be held. It is in the name of the whole French So-

ternational Congress shall be held. It is in the name of the whole French So-cialist Party that we send this invita-tion. The function tion. The five-great national organiza-tions which compose the party-the Confederation of Indepndent Socialists of France, the Federation of Socialist Workers of France, the French "Parti Ouvrier," the Revolutionary Socialist "Parti Ouvrier," the Revolutionary Socialist party-are grouped in a joint Committee to fraternally deliberate on common interests. In this Committee

"This Committee is constituted on the basis of the essential principles of Socialism: Socialization of the means of production and exchange, interna-tional combination, and action of the workers, conquest of political power by the proletariat organized in a class-conscious party. The Congress is to be a political Socialist Congress, it is on the basis of the essential principles of the party adopted by our Joint Com-mittee as well as by the Socialists of all countries that we propose to con-stitute it. We wish to thus prevent the disputes which have interfered with the proceedings of previous interna-tional congresses.

"It seems to us that we shall thus "It seems to us that we shall thus conform to the true spirit of the Lon-don Congress. It is true that that ap-peared to adopt the principle of a mixed congress, part political, part trade unionist. But in appealing to the trade unionist groups the London Con-creas easis that they should agree to press assist that they should agree to political action. The intervention of trade union groups in the coming Con-gress, therefore, will be a mark of their acceptance of political action. "But it seems to us evident that this political action user to experience in

political action must be exercised in the Socialist sense. To demand from the trade union groups the acceptance of political action and not to ask them to agree to the socialization of the means and instruments of production and the international combination of the workers would be to admit reac-tionary working class organizations, such as are enrolled in Catholic bodies, or are permeated with a spirit of re-trogressive nationalism. This would be to deprive the working class represent-ed at the Congress of its class character, since it can assert itself only in opposing to bourgeois property social property, and to bourgeois cosmopoliianism, or to reactionary Chauvinism, working class internationalism.

"Doubtless, as the London Congress wisely decided, it could scarcely be wisely decided, it could scarcely be asked of the trade union groups to com-mit themselves to a constant and habitual political action; but it is nec-essary to ask that their delegates to the International Socialist Congress should accept as the general basis of their mandate the essential principles of Socialtem

of Socialism. . "It is quite clear that in thus defining its vital principles Socialism obeys the law of all organisms which can live only in determining themselves. But, so far as we are concerned, we do not desire by any arbitrary or sectarian in-terpretations to reduce the field of the Congress or to narrow the entry there-to. When we speak of the Socialist conquest of political power, we do not mean either to disdain or to put in a second place the economic organization of the projetariat. Without this co-operative basis, without this trade grouping, the political action of Social-ism would lose itself in the void, and on the day of victory the proletarian, class would not be able to seize the ad-ministration of the transformed property; it would remain in a state of

The following circular addressed by, the Committee of the "entente Socia-iste" to the Socialist and working class its property, only when it is strong. But it will not be strong until it seizes by colective ond concerted action the power which is held to-day by the bourgeoisle.

"While not disdaining reforms and palliatives the Socialist party does not set before it as its súpreme end the control of the political, juridical and military machinery of to-day. In acquir-ing power the Socialist proletariat will transform its mechanism as well as its objects. It is the organizations of the workers federated for production in common which will exercise this new

"It is not a question of substituting one governmental personnel for an-other, but of destroying the political other, but of destroying the pointers power of the bourgeoisie, the fortress of its social power, in order to trans-form society. The State, the means of exploitation by the exploiting class, will be destroyed as soon as it is conuppered and replaced by the community of labor. "This definition of the political action

of Socialism in determining our end, has the effect of dissipating all equivocation respecting the diversity of con-ceptions as to ways and means. So-cialists have always affirmed that a true moral solidarity of the proletariat can result only from the free co-operation of intelligences within the limit of the essential principles defined in this circular.

"It is in this broad sense that we in-terpret the esential principles of So-cialism as our joint Committee has adopted them, and as they are understood, if we are not mistaken, by In-

stood, if we are not mistaken, by in-ternational Socialism. "We are assured beforehand that it is a noble sentiment of union in the struggle which will animate all the delegates of Socialism and of the pro-letariat, and we ask you to appoint, as early as possible, the delegates to the preliminary Conference, which we now suggest to you should be held at Brussels between the 20th and 30th of next May.'

> DETAILS. (Continued from page 1.)

for his room-mate, Schulberg, and asked to be allowed to see him. "Schulberg," said the Superinten-dent, "that's a quer kind of a name

isn't it?" "Not to me," answered Newman. "What sort of a looking fellow is this

Schulberg?" Newman gave the Superintendent of

Police a look of contempt and did not answer.

answer. "Isn't he very ugly?" further in-quired the mily Superintendent. "He's not over handsome."

"Does he not look like-like an An-archist?"

"That depends upon what you think an Anarchist looks like. He's no An-archist, he's a Socialist, which is an entirely different thing. Well, can I see him?"

At this juncture an officer entered from the telephone closet and asked for six more officers for Schoen's Mills, the scene of the strike.

"What was Schulberg arrested for?"

nquired Newman. "For drunkenness."

"What, Schulberg drunk?! Why, he never drank in his life."

"And for fighting on the street." "Fighting on the street? Why, that can't be so, he would not hurt a fly. Why, Socialists are the most peaceable people in the world. If it were not for the Socialists, you would be having lots of trouble now, but the Socialists lots of trouble now, but the socialists are keeping the strikers in order, and if you'd come up to the hall you'd soon change your mind about Socialism. Sochalism is a grand movement for the oppressed and you'll find they recom-mend peaceable methods," "Why do they come here then and incite these men to rlot?"

incite these men to riot?" "On the contrary, the Socialists are advising the men in almost every sentence not to commit disorder or violence and not to drink."

"Well, Schulberg has been release and will be home to-morrow, I think." As soon as Newman could recover hi surprise, he invited the Police Superin tendent to hear Schulberg and left the beries-, the workers' "Socialism," with its peace, its security, and im-munity for the worker. Against the capitalist "anti-Algerism"-with its fraud, its weakness, and its cowardice -, the workers" "anti-capitalism," with its truth, strength, and bravery. Against the capitalist "McKinleyism" -with its miseries, its chains, its servi-tude-, we set up our "Workingmen of the world unite; you have nothing but your chains to lose and a world to gain."

Look you, therefore, workingmen at this: the Republican party and the Democratic party both serve your bosses, who now wax fat off the present anarchy, made possible by the capi-talist ownership of the tools ye must use, and who, waxing fat thereon, know enough, as does the hog, to hold on to a good thing. Look you further, knowing that only

I to a good time. Look you further, knowing, that only by controlling the political power can the capitalists maintain the capitalist ownership of said tools; and knowing likewise that you can, if united, gain that political power for yourselves, understand how necessary it is for the capitalists to keep you divided; therefore, it is necessary for them to lie to you and also play on your good qualities; and to do that wora well they have their two'parties. Look you again, workingmen: Many a time and oft have they played you in the past to your own undoing. At present you labor under "McKinleyism," and "Algerism." Aforetime have you labored under ."anti-McKinleyism," "anti-Republicanism," and "Democracy," "Clevelandism," and in the South and West your brothers labor

South and West your brothers labor under "Bryanism." The load ye la-bored under then was it any easier thn your present one? Therefore, look you once more, work-

ingmen. If you would live, you must have those things which make life pos-sible, i. e., food, clothing, shelter, like-wise must you have the tools with which to make them and the land from which to east them. To day you have which to get them. To-day you have them not, because the class in control of the government says you shall not: therefore, workingmen, take control of that government by voting yourselves in and the capitalists out and thereby make it possible for you to have food, clothing, and shelter in abundance, by making the implements of production and distrubtion the collective property of those who work. To do that you must not be caught

To do that you must not be charged with the fake cries of your masters, but must unite politically under the banner of the Socialist Labor party, and with the hammer of the Socialist and with the hammer of the Socialist vote smash both Democrat and Republican.

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mittee, sent a communication demanding the revocation of the charter of the Ger-man Section on the grounds that said Sec-tion is composed of only two members and stands in the way of the formation of an efficient German Branch of the Waberbury English-speaking Section. The Sectriary was instructed to communicate with the German Section in regard to the matter. The National Board of Appeals seut the following report:

The National Board of Appeals sent the following report: "National Executive Committee, S. L. P., Henry Kuhn Secretary. "Comrades...-The Board of Appeals sub-mits the following report of its meeting. Tuesday, March 14, 1880: "Appeal of Conrade Arthur Kuhn, pro-testing against expulsion by Section Greater New York. The comrade was charged with having enrolled at a Democrat. Letters submitted showing that Arthur Kahn as a cousin by same name who he claims may have enrolled. He did not, at the time, live at the address given. "Organizer Abelson's statement carefully considered, consisting of utterances by various comrades who claim that Kahn is the party referred to. "Board decided to sustain appeal of Com-rade Arthur Kahn, and order his re-instaite-ment. Judging from papers submitted, the members are of the opinion that two Kahns exist and that Kahn under charges was not living at the address given in enroliment, and that his cousin may have been the per-son who had registered. "Append of Comrades Weiss and Joseph Kubasch protesting against suspension for fix months by Section Milwakee, for hav-ing written to National Executive Commit-tee to witchold publication of matter, re-ferring to action of Wisconsin State Com-mittee.

ferring to action of Wisconsin State Com-mittee. "Section Milvaukee claims that its hellon is justified as a manner of maintaining party discipline, the comrades having created the impression that their request was the result of deliberation in the Sec-tion, as they attached the word "Commit-tee" to their telegram. "The Board delided to sustain appeal of the comrades and ordered their reinstate-ment, holding that their action was justi-sed under the circumstances. "Communication from Academy of Social Science, Milwaukee, relative to action of Wisconsin State Committee received. "Also letter from Comrade M. Meyer, De-troit, protesting against the opinion ex-pressed by the members of the Board of Appeals."

Appeals. "Communication from L. D. Usher, Wor-cester, Mass., received, asking for informa-tion how to proceed with charges against conrades in other Sections. Board in-structed the Secretary to notify the com-rade that the Board cannot be expected to advise in such matters." Sociales Delivered Appeals.

Section Baltimore, Md., applied for a copy of the new charter and sent the fee of 50 cents. Granted. Charter was also granted for a new Section at Wilmerding, Pa, to be known as Section Wilmerding, No. 2. L. A. MALKIEL, Rec. Secretary.

Illinois.

Illinois. Comrade Hickey will be in this State for a tour of thirty dars, beginning with March 25. The influence of this tour will depend much on the efforts of the comrades in the lifterent localities where he is to speak. If they, will see to it that the meetings are well advertised, that public interest is aroused and people generally prepared for the comrade's coming; the party will bene-ft greatly by his work. The more that is done beforehand, all the more will Comrade Hickey be able to do when he comes. Chicago-March 25 and 26.

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Michigan.

DETROIT.—The State nomination papers of the S. L. P.—George A. Eastman, for justice Supreme Court: Richard Heuke and Herman Richter, for Regents of University —have been filed in the S3 counties of the State as required by law.

Missouri.

Missouri. KANSAS CITY.—Acting upon the notice manac, the Central Committee of this Sec-ing Feb 2, based the following for publi-cation to the membership: — "Whereas, The Socialist Almanac, pub-tice, contains valuable bistorical and statist ical data which is indispensable to a full and correct understanding of the economic and political conditions of the day; and "Whereas, The National Executive Com-mittee has been under heavy expenses in Goavento to publish the aforesaid Al-manac; therefore be it — "Menereas, The National Executive Com-mittee has been under heavy expenses in Goaventon to publish the aforesaid Al-manac; therefore be it — "Menereas, The National Executive Com-mittee heavy expenses in Goaventon to publish the aforesaid Al-manac; therefore be it — "Mereased, That the organizers urge the series to the Socialist Almanac and publi-manac; therefore be it. — "Merease we have the state of sub-series to the Socialist Almanac and publi-manac." Expendent the value of the state. — "Merease we have a sub-merease we have a sub-merease the state of the state. — "CTING ORGANIZER.-Section Kansas City, S. L. P.

Pennsylvania.

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11. Growth of Socialism in Anierica (S. L. P. election returns). Number I. is a subject now foremost in the minus of the people and will receive attention if Sections see to it that the book is brought prominently before the public; number II. is of great interest to all who take an interest in the development of the Socialist movement in this country. The retail price of this number is only 5 cents, which makes possible a very ex-Address orders to the N. Y. Laborty, 147 E-

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Comrades show the necessity of a Socialist daily by proving the ripeness of the time. LOUIS ECKSTEIN, Secretary; 398

Commune Memorial Festival The West Side Agitation for committee has arranged a Commune Memorial, to be held at the fooms of the West Side Educational Club, 340 West 53d street, on Saturday, March 25. As the address will be delivered in English, comrades and friends are re-quested to bring their English-speaking acquaintances along.

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'Also, having been advised that some trade union groups of different coun-Tries, and in particular one from the Trade Union Congress of France, as-sembled at Rennes, had taken the initiative in convoking at Paris an Inter-national Trade Union Congress, we could do no less than encourage this work and assure them of our most hearty sympathy. We are certain that in manifesting itself under the double form, economic and political, the universal proletariat will give to the world the impression of a complete force. The two aspects of working class action can thus manifest them selves without any conflict being apprehended.

"But at the same time it is very de sirable that trade union organizations should be represented directly at the political Socialist Congress under the single condition of giving to their dele-gates a political Socialist mandate. Access to the political congress will be thus made as wide as possible, while at the same time all danger of confu-sion will be avoided. The Interna-tional Socialist Congress at Paris will consecrate once more the principles affirmed in all countries for thirty years by the national and international congresses of our party.

"We may add that, in speaking of the Socialist conquest of power by the pro-letariat organized as a class-conscious party, we do not determine the manner of this political conquest. We cannot, Nor can we reduce it to Parliamentary action alone.

"Even in our own country there been revolutionary events which have determined or marked the social or political movement; and the existing conditions in which Socialism has to world are too varied for us to enclose in a narrow formula the march of the

office Schulberg had, however, been released that very day by a writ of habeas corpus, and we were glad to habeas corpus, and we welcome him that night.



displayed by the Democrats, and then notice the "Isms" the "Journal" puts displayed by the Democrats, and then notice the "isms" the "Journal" puts forth as good Republican war cries: "Americanism"-that "ism" which at this hour stands for murder of the Filipinos, the violation of every tradi-tion that is American; "Republican-ism"-that "ism" which stands for Hazelton and Brooklyn, with the other foul murders of the working class which can be laid at the door of the Republican party along with the pres-ent misery of the working class; "Mc-Kinleyism"-that "ism" which stands for~Hanna and his pure and simple Mine Workers' Union; the crusher of the lives of thousands of miners and other members of the working class. Is not the editorial a photograph of the capitalist class with its two-faced

the capitalist class with its two-faced party

"That is good Democratic-Republican advice." The "Journal" means: "Try to fool the masses, who have no brains, with any nonsense, any shibboleth that with any honsense, any snippoletn that is anti-something or pro-something." The Socialist Labor party, on the other hand, for every bogus "ism" with which the capitalist may try to deceive the unthinking ones will have a real one that will stand for something dear is the working class."

to the working class." "Auti-Algerism" and "McKinleyism" are twin vultures, sired by capitalism, whose dam is fraud: "anti-expansion" and "Republicanism" are but the cries of the savage seeking to decoy his prey. All of the "isms" of the Repub-licans and Democrats mean death for in a narrow formula the march of the proletariat towards power. "But what it is escntial to affirm is that the proletariat will never be eman-with its murders, its outrages, its rob-

Ħ. E. W.

The above vote elects for National Secre-tary: Henry Kuhn, For Members of the National Executive Committee: L. Sanial, C. H. Matchett, A. Keep, A. S. Brown, P. Murphy, J. Kinneally and H. Stahl.

HENRY KUHN, Secretary. New York, March 22, 1899.

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