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EARTHQUAKE KILLS MANY IN JAMAICA

Kingston Almost Wiped Out Ey Shock and Subsequent Fire

London, Jan 16 - The Colonial bank has received a cablegram from the manager of its Kingston branch. It reads

"Bank burned. Vault with all books and cash is safe. Were locked up previous to fire. Not yet able to re-

Hofland Bay, Jamaica, Jan 16.--Latest reports from Kingston, over-land, are that the deaths from earth-quake and fire will exceed 100. This estimate is, if anything, too low and will be increased when a thorough search has been made in the fire district and in collapsed buildings in the native quarter.

Thirty negro soldiers perished in the military acspital alone. Sir James Ferguson was killed by a falling wall. He is the only one whits man of prominence thus far reported among the deal

prominence thus far reported among the dead. Order has been restored under strong military control, but iew pco-ple have returned to their homes, even where slight damage was done. Mon-day night there was looting in the wrecked buildings, but patrols of sol-diers soon put a stop to it. Several offenders were-caught and locked up in the barracks the barracks. Shipping in the harbor is reported

to have escaped injury, with the ex-ception of some little craft which could not be pulled away from the burning docks in time

The Burned District

The principal burned district is a triangle formed by the water front and Kings and Quren streets, which is the most congested section. In other quarters the houses are more

detached. This prevented a struction by fire. There was only a slight breeze. The quake came at 3:30 Monday after-noon, absolutely without warning. The weather was warm and cloud-less. Streets were practically desert-ed, the people being indoors sleeping. off the last of their afternoon siesta or lounging upon piazzas. The first or lounging upon piazzas. eff the last of their alternoon siesta or lounging upon piazzas. The first shock was like a quivering blow, as if a giant first had smashed against the underside of the earth's crust. Objects, leaped into the air and pco-ple were hurled to the ground. There was an instant of suspense, and then, came other shocks, some with a lat-eral motion which brought to the ground loosened masonry. timbers and whole houses. A number of peo-ple in the streets who were keeping close to the sides of the buildings for the sake of the shade were killed by falling cornices. falling cornices

Refugees in Hills

From stores and houses people ran out reeling as if they were drunk Then, by a common instinct, they fied toward the open country in the foot-hills back of the town.

mits back of the town. Nine-tenths of the relugees were colored people, who were in the wild-est possible panic. The whites were nearly all in the office buildings and stores along the harbor and King street, or in the detached hotels and villas back of the city.

rominent citizens are among those "This message was sent through Watson Scotman, of the United Fruit company, who was one of the heroes of the disaster. Sailing Thursday with most English tourists. "(Signed) Greenwood, M. P."

Two Officials Killed London, Jan. 16 --- The Royal Steam-Packet company has received a cable from Kingston, stating that Captains Young and Constantine of that computy were both killed in the earth-

London, Jan 16 — Sir Alexander Swettenham governor of Jamaica, ca-bles the colonial office as follows "Earthquake did considerable dam-age to houses and other buildings in Kingston. It was followed by fire which continues, although confined to

The colonial office is planning to send relief to the earthquake city from Trinidad and other British West

Indian colonies:

Hopes Reports Exaggerated

Boston, Jan 16-Advices received by the United Pruit company from its representative at Port Amonio, Jamaica, cause the officers of the com maica, classe the omeers of the contents of the contents of the carthquake calamity have been exag-gerated. The cablegram sent from Holland Bay says the company's steamer Admiral Sampson, which ed from here last Wednesday with a base number of coverness are large number of passengers, arre-safely at Port Antonio on Monday.

New York, Jan. 16 .-- The Hamburg-American steamship line has just an-nonneed that it will receive and deliver at Kingston, Jamaica, to their Atlas line service all supplies and provisions that may be donated for the relief of

the earthquake sufferers. The first steamers of this line to leave New York will be the Allegheny, which sails on Friday, and the Prince Joachim, which sails Saturday.

Fighting Bob to Rescue

Washington, Jan 16.—The navy de-partment takes it for granted that Admiral Bob Evans, in command of the fleet of Guantanama, has already sent a gunboat or cruiser to the scene, if he has not already proceeded there himself. He has been instructed by cable and wireless to offer all possible assistance:

MANDEL STORE TOO POOR TO BUY STOOLS

The city laws demanding one seat for every four female employes in any mercantile establishment is completely ignored by Mandel Brothers. On the first floor of both of Mandel Brea, stores, State street and Wabash avenue, were found not more than a dozen stools. There are more than two hundred women employed in the same space.

space. In the basement of the same stores four chairs were found. only In the aisles are tables, which is a violation of the building ordinances, and no pretense is made to provide for the comfort of the saleswomen. The following list will show to what extent the store disregards the ordi-nance: Linen goods, irrst floor--three counters, eighteen women, two seats.

SOCIETY-LABOR "CON" **PROVES A FIZZLE**

Detetectives Swarm About Mrs. Palmer's Home to Make Few Real Workers Feel At Home

There have been bazles and hazles in Chicago, but for a grotesque, farcical fizzle the Civic Federation pow-wow at Mrs. Foiter Falmer's is several laps in the land the lead

A goodly majority of the "real greats," whether "capital "public" or "labor, were imported from other cities in order were imported from other crites in order to make a respectable showing. A study of the list of the 'public' shows that, after the Good Goods, the professional reformers, and the near-greats in gen-chal were climmated, practically all the others were either the immediate hangers on of phytocracy ar were them-dense thread in the Discours of Direct selves listed in the Directory of Direct-

City Hall Labor

City Hall Labor The really pittini showing was on the "labor" list. It is something of which Chicago labor leaders are proud, that when foreign importations, and City Hall employes, past and present, were eliminated, there was not a half dozen men who have any prominence whatever in the organized labor movement. What few genuine labor men were present had a familiar feeling aroused at sight of the small army of detectives that was present A small army of "plain clothes men" were scattered through the grounds, and one walking delegate was so impressed

one walking delegate was so impressed by the sight of them that he thought scabs must be working on the job, and was head to ask a fellow delegate if he thought they "could pull the job."

Fear Being Docked

To further guard the jewels from guests (at least, it is hard to guess for what other purpose it was done) a husky copper in plan clothes sized up each labor leader and occasionally demand-ed a look at his credentials. Some of the "labor" evidently were suspicious of being docked if they did not never on an ince and arrived at the

suspicious of heing docked it they did not ring in on time, and arrived at the place before the doors were opened. Those indiscreet individuals were should away by Mr. Biggs the husles door keeper, and told to come around later. Although the cards were marked "in formal," many of the men could not resist the tempfation to show that they were able to buy or rent a real swallow-tail with which to astorish the innocent labor leaders.

tail with which to any Franklin Mc-labor leaders. August Belmont and Franklin Mc-Veagh each made their little speech, and then Miss Beeks turned on the stere-option to show what pretty little bath-reoms were being supplied by some benevolent employers

Bill Mahon Jars

Bill Manon Jars Here the first sign of human intelli-gence struck the meeting. Bill Mahon, of the street car em-ployes, who had been brought here from Detroit to help make a showing of la-bor, could not quite forget that he had once been a real workingman and gave interance to some semiments that jarred on the gentle flow of creuits. He fold Belmont and the remainder of the rep-resentatives, of capital that the unions were doing all the "welfare work" that really amounted to anything, and dewere doing all the weitare work that really amounted to anything, and de-clared that he preferred bath tubs in the home rather than in the factory. However, Bill was soon persuaded to cool off and has since amounted that

he was "not knocking anyone." An attempt is being made today to organize a permanent branch of the Na-tional Civic Federation in Chicago.

FOREIGN SOCIALISTS TIRELESS FIGHTERS Berlin, Jan 14.—The seventh congress of the Silesian social democrats was held at Prague during Christmas week. The official report of the party shows that the party now has 1.517 organizations, while in 1964 it only had 1.075. The to-tal number of unembers in these 1.517 which in 1964 it only had 1025. The to-tal number of members in these 1.517 organisations is 99:098. The report also shows that the party bas sixteen political papers, three of which are dailies, and one a monthly re-view, "Academs," which is published in Wien.

With. The party publishing house is reported as publishing large numbers of books and famphlets on a centric subjects, some of which are original works while others are reprints and translations from for-

cign languages Keep on Editing

The agitation committee reported that during the year 30,600 meetings for agi-tation purposes were held. During the year 3,159 people came in conflict with the police. Of these 2,748 were seu-tenced to short terms of imprisonment. The base of the methods are conflicted The papers of the party were confiscated by the government 212 times in that period, and the editors were in 33 cases mprisoned for periods ranging to from days to six month

Comment: American Socialists can well take a le- on from the energy of the Silesian workers."

FIREMEN VOTE FOR PLATOON SYSTEM

Overwhelming Majority of Blaze Fighters Express Wish to Live Like Human Beings

Clicago fremen have decided through a secret ballot, they desire the platoon system to be e tablished throughout the city. The vote sas 774 to 229 °. President George B. Hargan opened the meeting in the Masonic Temple with a statement of the object of the meeting, after which the following resolution was read by John O'Neill of the board of the statement of other board of the

read by John D'Neill of the board of trustees and the arbitration board of the Firemen's Association: "Resolved, that the outcome of this hallot shall decide our furnire action re-garding the two-platoon system." A count was then taken of the number of letters returned. Out of a total of 1.539 letters sent out, 1.012 were re-turned, of which 1.003 were voted and nine were blank or in such a condition that they were aot counted The result was overwhelmingly in fa-

The result was overwhelmingly in fa-vor of the platoon system, there being 774 for, to 229 against

Outsiders Witness the Count

Representatives were present from all the fails project. The Tribune had its representative there but no objections were heard from his comer of the house although no doubt the officials of the presentation of the tribune of the sector.

although no doubt the officials of the Tribune are real angry to think that any one should have the nerve to take a rei-crendum vote without their concent and without letting them do the counting in their private offices. There were three judges and three clerks counted the votes. Two of the judges were members of the fire depart-ment; one belonging to the union and the other to the yellow faction. The other judge was ex-State Senator Day-son. The clerks were M. E. Eldridge, publisher of "The Public Service." M B. Haver of the Chicago Daily Socialist, and one fireman. and one fireman.

Chief Buckley Selects One Judge.

Chief Buckley was present as the agent of Chief Horan. He was requested to act as one of the junges, but refused, and upon request of President Hargan, selected Fireman Porter to act in his stead

After the count had been finished to the satisfaction of all present, another resolution was read by Mr. O'Neill, as follows: "Whereas, The vote taken on the two-

GERSHUNI TELLS OF RUSS PRISON Thrills Large Audience of **Refugees With Hopeful** View of Revolution Harrowing scenes of torture and martytdom which can hardly be con-ceived by the outsider were told last night when Gregory Gershun, leader of the Russian revolutionary party, told the story of his experiences in the chluesselburg prison.

In order to have a hear to heart talk with their comrade and leader, "Russian tea party" was arranged the Socialist revolutionists of this city. Invitations were sent out to about 200 men and women, young and old who have participated in the revolutionary movement sometimes dur ing the last quarter of a century There were also invited about a dozer Americans, among whom was Samuel Harper, son of the late President Wil-liam R. Harper of the University of Chicago

whose strains thousands lutionists are fighting and dying.

Speeches in Many Languages

Then came speeches in English, German, Russian and Viddish. The history of the Russian Socialist party, its varied methods and tactics and its gradual evolution to its present stage were discussed by M. Kats, a veterau Nihilist.

Gershuni's speech was brief in words, but of tremendous force and sincerity. As he spoke the magnet-ism of his personality became planily visible. And no one wondered any more why thousands of Russians fol-low him like a second Napoleon.

"Comrades," he said, "Wrothers and sisters, I have no taste for compli-ments and eulogies. I am a soldier, My place is on the battleheld and I cannot and will not return your compliments. I came here to remind you of your duty to your country and to your people.

denmed men to the runs of the stores that had been razed by the mob. Placing the men on the piles of smoldering rubhish, the soldiers stepped back. The volley that iol-lowed closed this chapter of the strike. The throngs of dazed workmen who unwittingly witnessed the horrible sight, waited for a moment until the subic cleared away and then entered "I am here as the ambassador of the highest king in the world the Rus-sian revolution. Mark my words well. The Russian revolution is the highest king new. It rules the world, and its destiny will influence the destiny of every country on the globe Gershuni then pointed out that the revolution in Russia is the only thing that can solve the Jewish as well as all other national questions.

Jews Will Take Freedom

"The Jews in Russia," he said, "will not be given freedom: they will take it themselves. The Jews today are the bulwark of the Russian revolution. They support it with their money, with their fiesh and with their blood. with their field and with their blood. They were and are among, if not the getual makers, of the revolution. The government no longer despises Jews in Russia; it fears them It no longer slaughters them for pastime, but in selfdefense. The government's cry to the Jews now is 'Stoy inghting and we will give your rights." The Jews

they never saw each other and never of each other. Each or kept locked in a stone cell which was a living tomb. "The scenes on that day." Gershuni said, "are beyond human power of de-scription. Men looked at each other and hardly believed their own eyes. Even the gendarmes and jailers could not refrain from tears."

While Gershuni spoke the audience sat like marble statues; when he in-ished hak of them wept like children. Tonight Gershuni will address a meet-ing at the West Side Auditorium. To-morrow he leaves for New York

STRIKERS SHOT DOWN BY MEXICAN SOLDIERS

Not all the energies of the Civic Fedration were employed in the Potter

Palmer social talkfest, City of Mexico, Jan. 12 - The strike the Orizaba district has been brok-Its agents were also engaged in a en at the cost of a large number of lives, the price exacted as the gov-ernment's vengence for the roting which occurred. The action of the plan to still further limit the right of trial by jury and make it harder yet for anyone with working class ideas to which occurred. The action of the soldiers sent to the scene of the true-ble was ruthless and terrified the strikers. Before the eyes of their fel-low-workmen many of the leaders in the strike wars assured get on a jury The hill which they have prepared for presentation to the legislature now in

session at Springheld provides for the creation of "spocial provides for the creation of "spocial provides who shall be selected after a more than ordinarily careful investigation. What the nature of this investigation will be can be cas-ily determined by an examination of the The district is in a state of terror, and rather than endanger their lives 5.562 of the 7.083 strikers have re-sumed work. No man dares express his discontent, for it is death to do

ify determined by an examination of the present grand jurors, who are chosen in just this way. The bill also provides for a reduction of the number of percentatory challenges on the part of the accused, especially in cases where there are two or more defendants. This is the case with nearly all "labor cases," and the proposed law imits the monther of challenges to ten, no matter how many defendants may be concerned, unless the defendant is charged with a crune pusisisable with death or impresonment for life, in which case twenty is the land, no matter how many defendants may be concerned. Shot After Surrender. pathetic feature of the affair was

that the executions took place when that the executions took place when the workmen already had decided to give up the strike. The presence of a large number of soldiers and the fact that several men previously had been killed induced them to yield. To Handle Labor Cases

It is hoped in this way to make con-viction in so-called conspiracy cases much een killed induced them to yield. Among the men shot this morning sere. Rafel Moreno, vice-president, and Manuel Juarez, secretary, of the corkingmen's organization. The exemore certain. The Civit Federation is also seeking workingmen's organization. The exe-cutions occurred at 5:30 a.m., when the thousands of half-starved strikers

The Case Federation is also seeking to tamper with the right of trial by jury in two other bills. Both of these at-tack the jury law at points where it is a defense to organized labor. One of these bills provides for the waiving of a jury in Citcuit and Superior courts wherever it is not demanded by both parties.

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wherever it is not demanded by both parties. This will soon make juries the ex-ception, and with no regular machinery for drawing the occasional juries which once existed in the justice' courts will be duplicated. Juries will be drawn from "profession-al intois" wills will loaf around the neighboring soloons and who can be deepided upon to be on the right (cor-portation) and of damage cases.

To Weaken Power of Jury

In some cases Socialist jurors have intimated that they might take advan-tage of the right which this law con-

DEBS TO REPORT

smoke cleared away and then entered the mill. Later a workman cane to the door to resume work within, and as h entered he shourd: "Muerto" (death.) The other bill proposes to repeal a provision which has been peculiar to the Hinois practice act, giving the jury the right to decide both the law and the fact. This has already been largely organized law the courts, but recently organized laws has shown a tendency to revive it and insist upon rights un-der law. One Word; Executed. Instantly he was fired on and killed by a squad of soldiers. All of the executed men were speed-

ily buried.

the thousands of nail-starved strikers determined to turn back to work. Factory whistles were blowing and throngs of men were about to enter the open doors when they saw a squad of soldiers leading the con-denned men to the runs of the stores

ily buried. Great excitement prevailed last night in Santa Risa, Rio Blanca and Nogales, when word was given out that all the houses in these three set-tlements would be searched for stolen goods. As a result of this order, dur-ing the early hours this morning, the center of the streets were filled with velvets, laces, furniture, bottles, sew-ing machines, typewriters, clothing, etc.

These articles were piled in heaps, and notwithstanding the absence of the guards, were not molested until gathered today by the authorities. By **MINERS' TRIAL**

Summary Military Executions Take Place in View of Starving Work-ers-Trouble Settled This story came about midnight as the climax of a reception to Gershuni given at the West Side auditorium, Taylor street and Center avenue. the strike were executed. With an eye to the spectacular, and desiring to cow the strikers, the sol-diers arranged the execution of the leaders in dramatic manner. Just how many men were slain is unknown. Seven of the men, however, were killed today in the sight of hundreds of persons.

The meeting was opening with the singing of the 'Warshavyanka,' the Warsaw revolutionary hymn, and the 'Red Banner,'' two of the songs unof persons.

street, or in the detached hotels and villas back of the city. Of the big hotels only the Myrtle bank, a three-story building built about three sides of a pain court, and located on Harbor street, was de-stroyed. This hotel is owned by the governmenut and leased by the Elder-Dempster Steamship company, and was filled with English tourists. Within lifteen minutes after the first shock bres were burning in a dozen places. No concerted effort was made by the firemen until whole blocks were in flames. All that could be done was to pre-yent the fire from crossing the wide thoroughfares.

vent the fire from crossing the wide thoroughlares. Within a very short time troops were marched in from the bartacks to assist in the work of rescue. Sir Alex-ander Swettenham, governor of the island, took charge. He was actively assisted by Sir Alf-fred Jones: a visiting Englishman, by officials of the United Fruit company, and by steamship and hotel men. The cable building was among those de-stroyed and efforts to open wire com-munication with this place failed. A number of persons, including Manager hudge of the Hailfax and Bermuda Cable company, then crossed the isl-and with the news.

Story From London

Story From London London, Jan 16.-The following despatch received by the Colonial of-fice, while semi-official, is regarded as anthentic. It reads as follows: "Holland Bay (forty miles east of Kingston), Jamaica, Jan, 15.-Awful carthquake, Kingston ruined Monday afternoon. City afterward, swept by fize. Hundreds killed. Noi English-men, Americans or Canadians miss-ing, except Sir James Ferguson. Houses rocked and crashed into the streets. All buildings and dweilings ruined.

tumed "Governor and Sir Alfred Jones di-recting affairs Inodequate discipline. City now quict Some looting, but nothing serious. "Military hospital butned. Thirty soldiers reasted alive under runs. Multary doing best work saving seriole.

People. "Of natives, very many roasted un-der runs, as Kingston was center of

"Many heroic deeds by blacks and "Shock came without warning while weather was perfect. "Abjett terror possessed everyone "Ferguson instantly killed. Several a

Facts About Law Breaking

Umbrella departments-three women, no seats. Ladies' neckwear-two counters, hif

teen women, one stool. Dress gooda-three counters, eight women, no seats Toilet articles-twelve women, no

Fancy goods-fourteen saleswomen,

Fancy goods-fourteen saleswomen, one seat. In the basement no pretense was made to turnish any seats in conformity with the ordinance. Monday was bargain day and the store was' crowded to its capacity. In the basement were the bargains, and the saleswomen had but fittle opportunity to seek a moment's rest. When a hill did occur the saleswomen sought a tem-porary relief by trying to sit on the small ledge of the back counter that projects a few inches, as it does in Field's store.

Facts Show Law Breaking

This law breaking by Mandel Bros. is a short-sighted policy, according to one of the clerks, even from the profit-seck-

of the clerks, even from the profit-seck-er's point of view. Clerks wearied by half a day on their feet, with no chance whatever to relieve the strain for a moment, units them for work not only for the remainder of the day, but for the next day. Constantly standing in a narrow space units a girl for her duties. She "in-sults customers" and is listless in show-ing the colossal peddler's goods. So greed over reaches itself and many a sale is lost because the big firm of Man-del Bros. is too greedy.

600 JAPS MAY HAVE DROWNED

600 JAPS MAY HAVE DROWNED "Mexico City, Jan. II -- A ship having on board 922 Japanese labarrers, which was due to arrive at Salina Cruz Jan. 6, had not been sighted at a late boar last night, according to a dispatch from Salina Cruz. The laborers are consigned to Las Esperanzas mines of the Mexican Coal and Coke company in Coahails Owing to reports of storms it is not known whether the ship has been mucely delayed by untavorable weather or has suffered mishap.

SHOEMAKER VS. PRINCE IN GERMAN ELECTION

Activity of Working Class Worries Royal Billy

Berlin, Jun. 14.—The campaign of the Socialists, apparently, is making headway and in official circles it is stated that the kaiser is worried. The Socialists are confident of vic-

The Socialists are confident of vic-tory, but they are not permitting their campaign to lag. They are well sup-pied with money and are contesting 393 out of the 397 election districts in the empire. The government ad-herents are using the foreign bugaboo in their campaign, but it seemingly, is having little effect. The contrasts between the candi-dates in some of the districts is strik-ing. In Gotha a Socialist shoemaker is running against the hereditary prince, nephew by marriage of King Edward. In another district a So-cialist miller is contesting against one of the kaiser's favorites. The Social-ists are using arguments against the great increase in army and flavy ex-penditures, but their strongest point, apparently, with the electors is that which they make against the increased power the kaiser exercises in govern-ing the empire. ing the empire.

KEEP AWAY FROM BLACK HILLS

Bosses Send Out Reports That Strike is Settled to Get Scabs.

is Settled to Get Scabs. Deadwood, S. D., Jan. 15.—In spite of all rumors to the contrary the strike of the miners, milimen and carpenters for an eight hour day in the Black Hills of South Dakota is still on The Deadwood Mine and Milimen's Union No. 14 of the Western Federa-tion of Miners insued notices urging all minor men to keep away from that locality until the eight hour day is won and all trouble is adjusted.

The term "open winter" seems to be pronomous with the term "open grate."

Anteress, the tote taken on he too-platoon question, opened in Room 613, Masonic Temple, on January 9, is a fair expression of the true sentiment of the members of the Fire Department; be it Resolved, That the adoption of the platoon system is the dominant issue in the fire department."

Comments on the Ballots

There was considerable comment on some of the ballots. One voter said: "Twenty-three with the platoon system." The most suggestive, comment and the one having the mest meaning, was, "My wife and family have been praying for it night and day." Another fireman voting "yes" said. "Fireman's wife.

This shows that the true sentiment of the men who think anything of their iamlies is favorable to the platoon sys-tem as they wish an opportunity to get acquainted with the family and live like human beings and not like animals in the Zoo caged from one year's end to the other.



A circular declaring the Hart, Schaff, negatized labor is being prepared by the Garment Workers' District Council. "Every day some one is inquiring of a whether Hart, Schaffner & Mart is a whote sconcerc," said 3, 0, Clauser, business agent of Garment Workers' brion Local No. 61, "we have therefore decided to issue a circular showing that it is not a union concern." The Hart, Schaffner & Mars firm, it said, receptly bought right new clothing bouses, all of which were running on an eight-hour basis. It put two of this bouses on the nine-hour basis, and it is believed, will keep them going on that basis.

Sparrow-Why are you in such a bad humor, Mr. Growf Grow-Why. I have been deceived. They told me there was a crowbar around here, and instead of being a place where I could huy a drink it is only a piece of old iron.

we will give you rights." The Jews answer the government, 'Give us our rights and then we will stop fight-

rights and then we will stop night-ing." The Russian Jews through their present struggle for freedom have en-nobled the Jews the world over." Immediately after Gershuni ceased speaking money began to fall upon the table and in less than 15 minutes \$300 was collected. "This," remarked an aged man, pull-ing out a five dollar bill and throwing it upon the table, "this will hay a rifle which will fire shots for Russia's freedom."

rifle which will fire shots for Russia's freedom." Refreshments were served and for about an hour Gershuni was con-stantly besieged by men of all ages and descriptions, each one -inquiring after his friends, brothers who are either languishing in prisons in Rus-sia, in Siberia, or who are still on the battlefield. To some Gershuni brought cheer-ing answers, to others he brought the news of death-rarely natural death-either by suicide of else at the hands of the gendarmes.

In Schluesselburg Prison

In Schluesselburg Prison About midnight only about a hun-dred of the "true and tried" remained in the hall and implored Gershuni to tell about the treatment in Schluessel-burg prison, which is now called "the screet wall of Russia." Bestomin briefly traced the history of the prison, telling that it was built in 1882 because the government was afraid of Europe, being then ashamed to hang revolutionists by the dozen The prison, he said, was built in such a way as to make death seem the pleasantest release. Men were locked in the core brief the schler with and Every means of escape as well as of death was taken from U. Some saw we later learned, com-mitted suicide by saturating their bed, are their clothes with kerosene and gradually smoldering to death. Others opened their veins with pieces of use. The strengest moment in his life.

alass. The strongest moment in his life, Gershum said, was the screenceasth of October, 1905; the day when the Crar issued a manifesto abolishing the Schluesselburg prison. Then, he said, prisoners came out whom all thought dead for at least 15 or 16 years. Although they were in one prison.

gathered today by the authorities. By this means M. Garcin will recover a portion of his merchandise and thus retrieve in part his losses. Many of the factories are now working, though with reduced forces.

ANOTHER WORKING GIRL DIES

Inegal Operation Ends Life of Ex-ploited Young Woman

ploited Young Woman Anua Barnes. 21 years old, died terday as a result of an illegal oper-ation. She was brought to St. An-thony's hospital in the morning, and a few hours later she was dead She had been employed by the Western Electric company, and her case was similar to that of Emily Miller. She worked long hours each day and received but little pay. Miss Barnes told the hospital au-thorities that a midwife had perform-ed an operation on her and that she was unable to pay her for attentions, and tried to care for herseli. A search is being made for the midwife. The still refused to divided the name of the woman who had per-formed the operation. Neither would she revail the tame of the man re-sponsible for her condition. The coroner's inquest was continued for a week in an effort to find the midwife and man in the case.

JOY IN LAUGHTER

The Happiest Expression of a Happy Nature

Nature Here's to laughter, the sunshine of heaven of youth, the privilege of purity, the scho of innocence, the treasure of the humble, the wealth of the poor, the bead of the cup of pleasure: it dispols dejection, banishes blugs and mangles melancholy; for it's the foc of woe, the destroyer of depression, the enemy of grief; it is what kings envy the poss-ants, plutocrafa ensy the poor, tho guilty envy the innocent; it's the sheer on the silver of smiles, the ripple on the water's delight, the glint of the gold of gladness; without it humor would he dumb, wit would wither, dimples would disappear and smiles would shirth, for it's glow of a clean con-stence, the voice of a pure soul, the hirth ery of mith, the swan song of medness.-Lide.

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SOCIALISTS TO CONTROL THE NEW RUSS DUMA

Reports Say That Reds Are Most Act-ive and Have Best Chance of Success

Success St. Petersburg. Jan. 16.—Reports from all parts of the country show that the Socialist representatives will be in the majority in the next Duma. Leaders of the workingmen's party in Kieff Violayna. Tehernigev, Khef-son and Eckatarinoslaw report that they are certain of the election of their candidates who are, of course, Socialists. The Groome, Kowno, Saratov and a number of Violga provinces the So-cialists have united with the Coms-tanists have united with the Coms-tanists have united with the Coms-certain of electing their candidates. A similar union of forces hetween the Constitutional Democratis and he So-cialists in the present crisis has taken place in several Polish provinces of in Bessarabia.

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(In "The Independent," December 20 "Tis only fools speak evil of the day-The very stars are made of clay like mine."

The mightiest and absurdest sleepwalker on the playet! Chained in the circle of his own imaginings, man is only too keen to forget his origin and to shame that flesh of his that bleeds like all flesh and that is good to cat. Civilization (which is part of the circle of his imaginings) has spread a veneer over the surface of the soft-shelled animal known as man. It is a very thin veneer; but so wonderfully is man constituted that he squirms on his bit of achievement, and believes he is garbed in armor plate.

Yet man today is the same man that drank from his enemy's skull in the dark German forests, that sacked cities and stole his women from neighboring class like any howling aborigine. The flesh-and-blood body of man has not changed in the last several thousand years. Nor has his mind changed. There is no faculty of the mind of man today that did not exist in the minds of the men of long ago. Man has today no concept that is too wide and deep and abstract for the mind of Plato or Aristotle to grasp. Give to Plato or Aristotle the same fund of knowledge that man today has access to, and Plato and Aristotle would reason as profoundas the plan of today, and would achieve very similar conclusions.

It is the same old animal man, smeared over, it is true, with a veneer, thin and magical, that makes him dream drunken dreams of self-exaltation and to socer at the flesh and the blood of him beneath the onier. The raw annual crouching within him is like the earthmake monster next in the crust of the earth As he persuades hunself against the latter till it arouses and shakes down a city, so does be persuade bimself against the former until it shakes him out of his dreaming and he stands undisguised, a brute like any other brute. Starve hun, let him miss six meals,

and see gape through the veneer the hungry may of the animal beneath Get between him and the female of his kind upon whom his mating metidet is bent, and see his eves blaze like an angry cat's, hear in his throat the scream wild stallions, and patch has lists clench like an orang-outang's. Maybe he will even beat his chest. Touch hissilly vanity, which he exalts into highsounding pride- call him a har, and beheld the red animal in him that makes a hand clutching that is quick like the tensing of a tiger's class of an eagle's taken, incarnate, with desire to seize

It is not necessary to call him a har and young children. to touch his varity. Tell a plains Indian that he has failed to steal horses from his neighboring tribe, or tell'a man living in isourgeois society that he has failed to pay his bills at the neighboring grocers, and the results are the same " Each, plains Indian and bours grous, is, smeared with a slightly different veneer? that is all. It requires a slightly different stick to scrape it off. The raw animals beneath are identical.

But intende not velocently upon man. leave him above in his sommambulism, and he kicks out from motor Six feet the ladder of life up which he has climbed, constitutes himself the center of the aniverse; dreams sordidly about his own particular gosl, and manudets metaphysically about his own blessed mingrace training of

True, he lives in a test world, breathes air, cats real food, and sleeps under real blankets, in order to keep real cold

flesh and all its wonderful play of muscle, joint' and nerve. He feels that there is something god-like in the mysterious deeps of his being, denies his relationship with the brute, and procceds to go forth into the world and express by deeds that something godlike within him. He sits at a desk and chases dollars

through the weeks and months and years of his life. To him the life god-like resolves itself into a problem something like this: Since the great mass of men toil at producing wealth, how best can he get between the great mass of men and the wealth they produce, and get a slice for himself? With tremendous exercise of craft, deceit and guile, he devotes his life god-like to this purpose. As he succeeds his somnambulism grows profound. He bribes legislatures, judges, "controls" primaries, and then goes and hires other men to tell him that it is all glorious and right. And the funniest thing about it is that this archdeceiver believes all that they tell him. He reads only the newspapers and magazines that tell him what he wants to be told, listens only to the biologists who tell him that he is the finest product of the struggle for existence, and herds only with his ow., kind, where, like the monkey-folk, they teeter up and down

and tell one another how great they are. In the course of his life god-like he ignores the flesh-outil he gets to table. He raises his hands in horror at the thought of the brutish prize-fighter, and then sits down and garges himself on roast beef, rare and red, running blood under every sawing thrust of the implement called a knife. He has a piece of cloth which he calls a napkin, with which he wipes from his lips; and from the hair on his lips, the greasy juices of the meat. He is fastidiously nauscated at the

thought of two prize-fighters bruising, each other with their lists; and at the same time, because it will cost him some money, he will refuse to protect the machines in his factory, though he is aware that the lac., of such protection every year mangles, batters and destroys out of all humanaces, thousands of workingmen, women and chilstren. He will chatter about things refined, and spiritual, and god-like himself, and he and the men who herd with him will calmly adulterate the commodities they put upon the market, and which anunally kill tens of thousands of babics.

He will recoil at the suggestion of the terrid spectacle of two men confronting each other with gloved hands in the roped arena, and at the same time he will clamor for larger armies and larger navies, for more destructive war maclimes, which, with a single discharge. will disrupt and rip to pieces more human beings than have died in the whole history of prize-fighting. He will bribe a city council for a franchise or a state legislature for a commercial privilege; but he has never been known, in all his sleep-walking history, to bribe any legisdative body in order to achieve any moral cud, such as, for instance, the abolition of prize-fighting, child labor laws, pure food bills, or old age pen-

"Alt, but we do not stand for the commercial life," object the refined, scholarly and professional men. They away, And there's the rub. He has also are sleep-walkers. They do not to effect adjustments with the real world. stand for the commercial life, but neither and at the same time maintain the sub. do they stand against it with all their and at the same time maintaid the sub-limity of his dream. The result of this strength. They submit to it, to the bru-admixture of the real and the unreal is takiy and carnage of it. They develop slugging blows of the spirit. They are list is in charge. They are not the upper classical economists who announce that the foul blows of the spirit that have the only possible way for men and women to get food and sheiter is by the existing method. They produce university professors, men who claim the role of teachers, and who at the same time claim that the austere ideal of learning is passionless pursuit of passionless intelligence. They serve the men who lead the commercial life, give to their sons somnambolistic educations, preach that sleep-walking is the only way to walk, and that the persons who walk otherwise are stavisms or anarchists. They paint

pictures for the commercial men, write

books for them, sing songs for them, act

plays for them, and dose them with va-

rions drugs when their bodies have

grown gross or dyspeptic from over-

Then there are the good, kind som-

nambulists who don't prize-fight, who

don't play the commercial game, who

don't teach and preach somnambulism,

who don't do anything except live off

of the dividends that are coined out of

the wan, white fluid that runs in the

veins of little children, out of mothers'

teats, the blood of strong men, and the

groans and sighs of the old. The re-

ceiver is as had as the thief-saye, and

the thirf is finer than the receiver; he

at least has the courage to run the risk.

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moment. They possess several magic phrases, which are like the incantations of a voodoo doctor driving devils away. The phrases that the good, kind people repeat to themselves and to one another sound like "abstinence," "temperance," "thrift," "virtue," Sometimes they say them backward, when they sound like "prodigality," "drunkenness," "wastefulness," and "immorality." They do not really know the meaning of these obviases but they think they do, and that is all that is necessary for somnambulists. The calm repetition of such phrases invariably drives away the waking devils

and fulls to slumber. Our statesmen sell themselves and their country for gold. Our municipal servants and state legislators commit. countless treasons. The world of graft! The world of betrayal! The world of sommanibulism, whose exaited and sensitive citizens are outraged by the knockouts of the prize-ring, and who annually not merely knock out, but kill, thousands of babies and children by means of child . labor and adulterated food. Far better to have the front of one's face pushed in by the fist of an honest prize-fighter than to have the lining of one's stomach corroded by the embalmed beet of a dishonest manufacturer. . In a prize-fight men are classed. A

light weight fights with a light weight he never fights with a heavy weight. and foul blows are not allowed." Yet in the world of the somnambulists, where soar the sublimated spirits there are no classes, and foul blows are continually struck and never disallowed. Only they are not called foul blows. The world of claw and fang and fist and club has passed away-so say the somnambulists. A rebate is not an elongated claw. A Wall street raid is not a fang slash, Dummy boards of directors and fake accountings are not foul blows of the fist under the belt. A present of coal stock by a mine operator to a railroad official is not a claw rip to the bowelof a rival mine operator. The hundred million dollars with which a combination. heats down to his knees a man with a million doilars is not a club. The man who walks in his sleep says it is not a club. So say all of his kind with which he herds. They gather together and solemnly and gloatingly make and repeat certain noises that sound like "discretion," "acumen," "initiative cuterprise." These noises are especially gratifying when they are made backward. They mean the same things, but they sound different. And in either case, forward or backward, the spirit of the dream is not disturbed When a man strikes a foul blow in

the prize-ring the light is immediately stopped, he is declared the loser, and he is hissed by the audience as he leaves the ring. But when a man who walks in his sleep strikes a foul blow he is immediately declared the victor and awarded the prize; and amid acclamations he forthwith turns his prize into a seat in the United States senate, into a grotesque palace on Fifth avenue, and into endowed churches, universities and libraries, to say nothing of subsidized

newspapers, to proclaim its greatness. The red animal in the somnambulist will out. He decries the carnal combat of the prize-ring, and compels the red animal to spiritual combat. The poisoned lie, the nasty, gossiping tongue, the brutality of the unkind epigram, the business and social nastiness and treachery of today-these are the thrusts and scratches of the red animal when the soumambu-

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\$222.60 \$3.50 \$.50 \$26.20 \$252.80 13.50 By talance December Ist EXPENSES. Chicage, Jan. 13, 1907. The "Gent" Type of Wage Slave In an editorial headed "A Step Be- | Tribune and help it put through the yond Socialism," the Chicago Evening Post proves to its own satisfaction that the discontent on which the Socialist party thrives caused Roland Steele to destroy himself and a banker in Philadelphia in an abortive effort to commit robbery. his profit. The same writer a day or two ago penned a "ringing call" for the deportation of Gershuni. Neither of these editorials are of great importance in themselves, for they had but a small circulation, and are of the well-known type always for his stock-gambler master. adopted by the amateur anti-Socialist writer. They will serve, however, the purpose of introducing a type of wage slave common everywhere. The ferquinet

tile mind of the street boys have given him a name. In England gentlemen are recognized by law. They are not here But "gent" is recognized every-

where in the United States. It is a sort of title conferred on the wage slave who does not see his own chains and licks his master's hand and then licks his own chops, confident he is ter allows or his highly prized "vaca-



confusion thrace contounded. The numthat walks the real world in his sleep becomes a tangled mess of contradictions, paradoxes, and of hes that he has to lie to himself in order to stay

In passing, it may be noted that some men are remarkably constituted in this matter of self-deception. They excel-at deceiving themselves. They believe, and they help others to believe. It becomes their function in society, and some of them are paid large salaries for helping their fellow-men to believe, for instance, that they are not as other animals; for helping the king to believe, and his parasites and drudges as well, that he is God's own manager over so many square miles of earth-crust; for helping the merchant and banking classes to believe that society rests on their shoulder and that civilization would go to smade if they got out from under and ceased from their exploitations and petty pilferings, from their cent per cent and tittat-toe

Prize-fighting is terrible. This is the dictum of the man who walks in his sleep. He prates about it, and writes. to the papers about it, and worries the legislators about it. There is nothing of the brute about him. He is a ablimated soul that treads the heights and breathes refined ether-in self-comparison with the prize fighter. The man who walks in his sleep ignores the

Jeff Davis Socialistic

Mr. L. M. Hall, a prominent Socialist of Colorado Springs, Colo., who has traveled over Oklahoma and Arkansas extensively the past lew months, says that wherever he goes there is a feeling of unrest among the people, and no mat-ter how hard they work, he they farin-ers or mechanics, few if any, have much night before the election, and among

never been disbarred, as the foul blows of the prize-ring have been disbarred. (Would it not be preferable for a man to strike one full on the mouth with his tist than for him to tell a lie about one. or malign those that are nearest and dearest?) For these are the crimes of the spirit, and, alas! they are so much more fre-

quent than blows on the mouth. And whosoever exalts the spirit over the flesh, by his own creed, avers that a crime of the spirit is vastly more terrible than a crime of the flesh. Thus stand the somnambulists convicted by their own creed-only they are not real men, alive and awake, and they proceed to mutter magic phrases that dispel all doubt as to their undiminished and eter nal gloriousness,

It is well enough to let the ape and tiger die, but it is hardly fair to kill off the natural and courageous apes and tigers and allow the spawn of cowardly apes and tigers to live. The prize-figh ing apes and tigers will die all in good time in the course of natural evolution. but they will not die so long as the cow ardly, somnambulistic apes and nerr-club and scratch and slash. This is not a brief for the prize-fighter. It is a blow of the fist between the eyes of the somnambulists, tectoring up and down, mut do anything won't believe this, and the stering magic phrases, and thanking God assertion will make them angry-for a | that they are not as other animals

more money at the end of the year than other things he said : "I do not know they had when they commenced work whether you will call me a democrat or a Socialist, but I do know that the best in the spring. Still, they note that the banks pile up more money, the railroads planks in the democratic platform have been taken from the Socialists, who report great earnings and the different have advocated them for years. As sure monopolies declare larger dividends; as the sun sets tomorrow the democrats this is causing people to look about for a remedy and invariably, they are turning will be victorious and I shall become U. S. senator, and I want to say to you right here that these reforms-the socialistic may be their origin-shall find. in me a itiend and a champion at all times "-The People's Tribune. getting on in the world. The Post writer who calls for the

execution of Gershuni and attempts to show that Socialism develops insane criminals is not paid as large a salary as his master's coachman receives.

He is in the same boat with most all expert newspaper men. He is hired by a stockbroker, John C. Shaifer, who has been charged with law-breaking. Shaffer knows no more about running a newspaper than does

his office boy. He made money as a speculator and is able to pose before the world as an editor. Behind the scenes experts work and do his will-obscure. and drawing less pay than a good union bricklayer. Whatever the stock gambler is for,

they are for. They have one right left, and that is the right to resign. If they resign, they must go to the games."

Better Distribution Coming

that his associates do to hasten this time

tion" of two weeks each year

The only advantage that is his isthe title "gent."

He labors in white collars and his hands are soft; but his brain becomes hard and callous thinking as an annex to the stock market, and as a cog in a dozen schemes, social, political and economic.

When shall the "gents" of this country see their chains? It is said in criticism of the Southern negro that he is without ambition and only wishes for a "belly full" and a snooze in the sunshine.

The "gents" of this country of the type of the Post writer are guilty of the same crime. They are supremely satisfied with less than a valet's wage and ready to use what petty talent they hav, in preserving a system that forces expect newspaper men to work for stock gamblers and to play their

geist. This man may or may not be a hypocrite, but we are seeing something now of the time when there will be men wise enough and powerful enough and Our industry today is co-operative inloving enough to do for their fellows what a few have been trying to do for dustry, no man in production lives unto himself. Our manufactories are conthemselves. 'The mistake is not with the corporation and the trust, but that trolled by the trusts, the bread trust and the corporation and the trust are indithe meat trust and the sugar trust and the coal trust and the oil trust, and our vidually owned and selfishly adminis transportation system and our teletered instead of existing for the benefit graphic and telephonic continunication. of all the people.

And I pity the man-the man without with the financial trust almost in sight. a soult-who does not see that better The head of one of the largest trusts in methods in the distribution of wealth are the world thinks that he will be justified soon to come. It does not help any one to scoff at Tolstoi or laugh at Bellamy; in the eyes of mankind in twenty-five years, and that the people who scorn him now and heap contumely upon his name will bless him and honor him and call you cannot live humanly, without the present system of the distribution of him a saint. He believes that he is wealth coining to seem to you only like caught in the time of transition from a hideous nightmare, when con individualism to co-operation. He be-lieves that in everything that he does and with the glorious awaking that will be

"Through tattered clothes small views are to the vision clear; Under robes and furred gowns none ap-pear." -Shakespeare. he is really serving the spirit of progress and acting according to the great Zeit-





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Consul Shows Awful Conditions in Japanese Factories-Worker an Perpetual Motion System

The Daily Consular and Trade Ac-ports issued at Washington, D. C., by the Department of Commerce and Laber, give the report of Special Agent W. A. Graham Clark on Japa-nese cotton mills. Cheap labor and long hours are the rule. Women and ong hours are the rule. Women and long hours are the rule. Women and girls are employed almost exclusively. No regular holidays, not even Sun-day, are observed. Song attention day, are observed. Some attention is given to educating employer, but if is principally along textile lines, to make them more profitable to employ-ers. Nearly all machinery used comes from England, very little coming from America. He says in part "The first thing that impresses a Western mill man on entering a Japanese conton mill, especially in the sounting and weaving rooms, is the

spinning and weaving rooms, is the number of operatives employed. Hands swarm everywhere, and the riands swarm everywhere, and the sight down a weaver's alley is like that down a narrow crowded thor-oughfare. The absence of men is also very noticeable, all the weavers, all the spinners and a good proportion of the card-room help being women. Even the doffers are girls.

Wages 12 Cents a Day

The piecework system is not as de loped as in American mills and nearly all hands are paid by the day, in some mills even the weavers being so paid. Spinners in the different mills gets 20 to 30 sen (10 to 15 cents) a day, averaging about 12 cents, probably. Usually there are or, say, 125 three girls to a frame, or, say, 125 spindles each. The doffers get 7 to 10 sen a day and are nearly all girls.

"The reefers run one reel apiece and make as high as 25 cents a day. "The officers of the better managed and most, successful cotton mills pay a good deal of attention to the im-provement of conditions among the help and to increasing the facilities for education, especially education along textile lines. This is partly a survival of the old feudal system among the Japanese, the paternal method whereby the man at the head is the father of his people and re-sponsible for their welkare, but is based not only on philamthropy, but good business as well. Many of our American mills, especially im rural districts of the South, where general districts of the South, where general ducational facilities are poor, build, equip and maintain their own schools. and mos, successful cotton mills pay equip and maintain their own schools. They do not, however, as the Japanese do, give technical instruction, and we do, give technical instruction, and we might copy after, the Japanese in this respect with profit. The head mill of the Kanegafuchi Spinning company at Kobe is a kind of show mill, and articles based on the housing, cdu-cating and training of help by this will are a little arroneous as to Japmill are a little erroneous as to Jap anese mills as a whole, as this one and a few others are far in advance in this Though from what I have seen, this mill cannot, as is sometimes done, be taken as an average mill, it is interesting to note what is being done here for the help.

Work Children

Work Children The great majority of the help are girls, who, as a rule; only work front who is to cighteen months, or long enough to purchase their wedding out-ti, when they return home and have be replaced by others. The ma-jority of the help being, as it were, transient and consisting of girls, the gapanese style, which are in the form of squares, with a court in the center and two stories high. Teach set of girls is in the care of a matron. A hospital with regular octors and nurses is provided; also a heapital for infectious diseases. To cloakrooms, bathrooms, etc., are diso provided. A large one-story ement-floor room is fitted up for a dining hall. The adjacent kitchen is well arranged and carefully screened all around to protect against files.

werd arranged and carefully screened all around to protect against files. The company provides the food to the operatives at a cost of about 7 sen a day, whereas the actual cost is about 10 sen. In the center of the room was a glass case with bad piec-ings, yarn with slubs, reedy cloth, etc., showing defects in carding, spinning and weaving. This is used as an illustration of bad workmanship to be gnarded against, and on the rest days the foremen bring the new hands here and lecture to them on the work. "In Japan Sunday is not regarded, In Japan Sunday is not regarded, and the mills do not stop for the day. The majority of the mills have two holidays—the 1st and the 15th. In many mills the engine starts at 6, o'clock, the morning of the 2d, and runs continuously until 6 o'clock the morning of the 15th; then starts at 6 o'clock the morning of the 16th and runs continuously until 6 o'clock the morning of the 1st. "This is as near perpetual motion

and so a good many younger children are employed." The operatives have in several mills The operatives have in geveral mills shown an apathy to present advan-tages and future rewards for faithful service, and have resorted to strikes ands other means to secare higher wages and shorter hours. At the pres-ent time employes of two large mills are holding meetings to agrate for shorter hours or higher pay, and the discontent in their case is intensited by the police breaking up the meet-ings. ings.

END OF GREAT INVENTOR

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 16.-A. R. Mal-lery, inventor of the Mallery patent plow, used by millions in the South for the cultivation of cotton, committed suicide in a grocery store this morning by blowing his brains out with a revolver. Temporary insanity is believed to have been the cause.

KILL HOOLIGAN EDITOR

Lodz, Jan. 16—The editor of the German reactionary paper, "Lodzer Zeitung," published in this city, was shot and killed by a terrorist. The edi-tor was one of the leaders of the black hundreds and hooligans in this city, and his death is greeted with joy. With the death of the editor the paper was closed, and it is hoped will ever again appear.

BUSINESS MEN THE REAL GRAFTERS

San Francisco, Cal, Jan. 16.—At an indignation meeting in this city, the Rev. P. C. Yorke, one of the most eloqueri Catholic priests in the country, defended unionism and delivered a withering ar-raignment of the methods and motives of the section to the methods and motives of the syndicate composed of newspapers and wealthy men that are attacking Mayor Schmitz.

The meeting was held in the largest edifice in the city, with a scating ca-pacity of 20,000, and was packed to the very doors. Father Yorke made an eloquent plea

Father Yorke made an eloquent plea for fair play, saying: "I do not care whether Mayor Schnitz is as guilty as his enemies say, he is. I would be here to night for his one deed alone, in appointing his bitterest political enemies to take charge of the city gov-erument in the hour of the earthquake, to stand up and to say a word that he may get a fair show."

A Cowardly Attack

Characterizing the attack upon Mayor Schmitz during his absence from the country as cowardly, the speaker pro-ceeded to deal with the interests oppos-

ing the official. He said that Rudolph Spreckels, the He said that Rudolph Spreckels, the son of the great German grocer sugar king, is a member of the committee car-ing for the city's poor. 'I saw as I came in here to-night,' the priest said, 'a banner. It declared that with \$4,000, 000 in bank, the committee was throw-ing out old women from the huts in the parks because they cannot pay rent. Taik of grait, talk of greed, talk of rob-bery, the worst greed is to steal the coppers from the blind man's hand. Aye, the worse graft is this night, when the heavens are open, and when the cold rain is pouring down, to walk through the streets of your city and to see in every square, to see in ecery vacant lot, every square, to see in every vacuat lot, the poor, worn tents in which the citi-zens are elepting-and four millions of relief funds in the San Francisco

How Spreckels Made Money

How much is it?" The speaker, in impeaching the char-acter of Rudolph Spreckels, referred to the time the Spreckels promised a com-peting railway through the San Joa-On being informed of the amount, which to be exact was two dollars and twenty cents, he apologised profusely peting railway through the San Joa-quin valley, getting even the servant girls' money out of the banks into their coffers, and then selling out the road to the monopolist enemy of the people. The speaker charged the newspapers with attempting to govern the city. He langhed with scorn at the thought of "a city fallen so low that it would be gov-erned by a De Young or a Spreckels or a Hearst. for having waited so long before paying To again be exact, the time had been a year and a few days over, since the debt was owing. "It seemed like I just couldn't get the

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a Hearst. "Dig down deep," said he, "into the roots of their big buildings, and you will find no Serbonian bog so black with graft. Whether there be a government in hell or not, I don't know, but this I know, that hell's stomach would turn if it were asked to take a capitalistic editakes for seven of us to wear and cat it don't seem like there is ever anything left. Some people say it's poor management, but I don't see how we ed to take a capitalistic



tized, and will be presented as a one-act comedy at the masquerade ball, which is

given by the bakers' union at the North

The title of the play as presented by

the union is "Der Hauptr ann von Koep-

nick," the "Captain of Koepnick," and all

the details of his entering the little Prussian town, taking charge of the town

treasury, arresting the mayor and other

officials and sending them to Berlin for

imprisonment, all this, it is promised by

the union actors, will be presented in the

Those who will take part in the play are: Wm. Eckert, J. Borax, H. Pienis-fer, H. Behrendt, T. Schubert, P. Glauge, J. Spies, H. Toepfer, all of them mem-bers of the singing society of the union. The program for the evening beside the play is also very elaborate. The union will distribute a large number of prizes, the grand prize of which is a

The minor explored prize of which is a kiss from Captain Von Koepnick for the handsomest woman present. The minor expects about four thou-sand people at this ball.

DOWN IN INDIANA

By ELIZABETH ELROD

My husband came home early from

the office and we settled down to pass

quict uninterrupted evening at home.

Within the- room was bright and

warm. The frolics and laughter of the

Without there was a cold constant

drizzle; a chill wind that made straight

for one's bones, and on the ground a

half frozen slush in which the foot sank

ankle deep on the paths leading to

In the midst of our gayety a sturdy

knock sounded at the door. At our in-

vitation there entered a tall, strong

finely formed man with a handsome in-

telligent face. He was one of the many

men who have grown up on the farms

around and are now employed in the

money ahead to pay you any sooner

It looks like a fellow ought to do better

than that on two dollars a day, but

by the time we pay for everything it

mines near the village.

the village

children supplied the needed charm

most German and lifelike fashion.

Side Turner hall, Saturday, Jan. 19.

Marshall Field dodged taxes of a value to him of \$400,000 a year. Ac-cording to the census of 1900 the av-erage earnings of a skilled workingman is about \$400 s year. It thus required the earnings of 1,000 men each year to pay the deficit to the community that Marshall Field honestly owed. In other words, he took from the commonwealth of the city of Chicago, through the dishoresty of tax-dodging, the wages of

Bricklayers and plasterers of Galena III., have organized a nuion for the pur pose of bettering their conditions.

A strike to gain the recognition of the union was declared by 150 cloak makers of A. Beller & Co. in New York. The basses have consistently York. fought the union. The strikers are de termined to stay out until the union is recognized.

Trouble is in sight for the Wheeling Steel & Iron Works, Wheeling, W. Va. The company is trying to put all the firemen in the steel works to firing three instead of two doors each.



CONCENTRATION IN MANU FACTURING There were 216,262, manufacturing

firms in the United States in 1965. Of these 71,162 had less than \$5,000 capital. Their total capital amounted to \$165,317,-454. This was 1.3 per cent of the total manufacturing capital of the United States.

At the same time there were only 1,899 firms with more than a million dollars of capital. BUT THESE FEW FIRMS OWNED OVER THIRTY-SEVEN PER CENT OF THE CAPITAL IN-VESTED IN MANUFACTURING.

According to the last report of the United States commissioner of labor the average value of the labor per year of convicts in the United States, amounts to \$233. Of those employed on the "lease" system the annual value produced amounts to \$371. These men are working with crude tools; they have seldom had any previous training, they are drawn from the most inefficient class of laborers. Yet their average product is half the wage workers of the United States.

Eight hundred and thirty thousand patents granted since 1836.

Of, this number only 120,000 were

granted prior to 1871, while 710,000 were Taking a proffered chair he said, granted since 1871. without further ceremony, "Well, Doc., Fve come to pay you what I owe you. Applications for patents are now going

on at the rate of 50,000 per year.

The patent office at Washington not only supports itself, but is yielding, now, a big surplus to the government.

In an article on the "Capitalization of our Railroads" in the "North Amercan Review" for October 19, Mr. Wharton Barker points out that the present capitalization of our railroads aggregate \$13,800,000,000; that their maximum cost does not exceed \$6.000.000.000. and that therefore the railway magnates are extorting from the citizens of th republic dividends on almost \$8,000. 000,000 of watered stock. The dividends on this fictitious capital amount to \$300,-000,000, and on the real capital \$262,500,-000 per annum. The people of the United States are paying an annual trib-ute to the capitalists behind the railroads of \$562,000,000; i. e., almost seven dol-lars per head of the population. Are you a father of a family of five? Then the railroads filch from your income every year \$35.



Mother Jones sent the following let-ter to Mrs. Potter Palmer last Saturday

By the mone uncement of the daily press 1 learn that you are to entertain a number of persons who are to be present as representatives of two rec-ognized classes of American citizensthe working class and the capitalist class, and that the purpose of this gathering is to choose a common ground on which the conflicting in-terests of these two classes may be harmonized and the present strife be-tween the originated forces of these tween the organized forces of these two classes may be brought to a peaceful and satisfactory end. "I credit you with perfect sincerity in this matter, but being fully aware that your environment and whole life as prevented you from seeing and

has prevented you from seeing and understanding the true relationship of these two classes in this republic, and the nature of the conflict which you think can be ended by such means as think can be ended by such means as you are so prominently associated with, and with a desire that you may see and understand it in all its grim reality. I respectfully submit these few personal experiences for your kind consideration.

"I am a workman's daughter, by oc-cupation a dressmaker and school-teacher, and during the last twentyfive years an active worker in organized labor movement. Du the past seventy years of my life I have been subject to the authority of the capitalist class, and for the past thirty-five years I have been con-scious of this fact, and with the years scious of this fact, and with the years' personal - experience, the roughest kind-- best of all teachers--l have learned that there is an irrepressible conflict that will never end between the working class and the capitalist class until these two classes disap-pear and the worker alone remains the produced and the owner of the capital produced -- "In this fight I have wept at the graves of minteen workers shot on the highways of Latterman. Pa., in 1897. In the same place I marched with 5,000 women cighteen miles in the night seeking bread or their chil-dren, and thited with the bayont's

the night seeking bread for their chil-dren, and håited with the bayoncis of the iron and coal police, who had orders to shoot and kill. "I was at Stanford Mountain, W Va. in 1903, where seven of my brother workers were shot dead while asleep in their little shanties by the same forces. forces same

"I was in Colorado at the bull pens in which men, women and children were inclosed by the same forces, diwere inclosed by the same forces, di-rected by that instrument of the cap-italist class recently promoted by President Roosevelt – General Bell, who achieved some fame for his dec-larations that in place of habeas cor-pus he would give them post mortems. The same forces put me, an inof-fensive old woman, in jail in West Virginia in 1902. They dragged me out of bed in Colorado in March, 1904, and marched me at the point of fixed bayonets to the border line of Kan-cas in the night time.

"The same forces tools me from the streets of Price, Utah, in 1904 and put me in jail. They did this to me in my old age, who have never vio-lated the law of the land, never been bried by a court on any charge but tried by a court on any charge but once, and that was for speaking to my fellow-workers, and 1 was dis-charged by the federal court whose incharged by the federal court whose in-junction I was charged with violating. "The capitalist class, whose repre-sentatives you will entertain, did this to m, and these and other lawless acts have been and are being com-mitted every hour by this same class all over this land, and this they will continue to do till the working class send their representatives into the legislative halls of this nation and by law take away the power of this cap. law take away the power of this cap-italist class to rob and oppress the workers.

"The workers are coming to under-stand this, and the intelligent part of that class, while respecting you, un-derstand the uselessness of such con-ferences as will assemble in your man-

"Permit me to quote from Gold-smith's 'Deserted Village,' where he says: 'It' fares the land to hast'ming ills of prey, where wealth accumulates and men decay,' guite appropriate to this fair land today "I am, sincerely yours, for Justice.

"I am, sincerely yours, for hores, "MOTHER JONES, "MOTHER JONES,"

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"This is as near perpetual motion as men and machines can stand. No stop is made for, dinner, the hands taking thirty minutes for dinner in rotation, and soare hands taking the place of each batch.

Perpetual Human Motion

"Each operative works from 6 to 6 with thirty minutes for dinner, and the night shift comes on at 6. Thirs-teen to sixteen twelve-hour days on a stretch necessarily makes the hands slower and less efficient. "Though they do not observe the Lordi test day a word vershes of the

a stretch necessarily makes the hands shower and less efficient. "Though they do not observe the Lord's rest day, a good number of the mills have, by experience, come to see the material good that comes from having one day in seven for rest, and one of the largest groups of mills ob-serves the 4th 11th, 18th and 25th of each month, but do not, as customary with us, allow a third or half of the previous day for rest also. "These four rest days are utilized by the management to overhand and fear machinery, check up results, in-struct green hands in regard to their duties, etc. The matomal holdays, of which there are about ten, are ob-served by the mills so that even in the mills making a practice of stopping only two days for rest time holdays effect a stop of one or two more days per month.

per mouth. "There is no child-latest law, and-some very young children are worked. The mills do not want to work any under 12, as it does not really pay, but in order to get help they very often have to take the whole family.

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TWO OF A KIND By JOHN M. WORK

The republican and democratic parties both get their campaign funds from the capitalist class, and are both run in the interest of the capitalist class.

The issues which those parties fight over are merely issues between different sections of the capitalistic class.

The tariff question, the freight rate question, the trust-smashing question, the income and inheritance tax question, and the primary election question, as presented by those parties are merely quarrels between the capitalist robbers as to

how they shall divide the booty they steal from the working class. None of these issues, as presented by those parties, touch the interests of the

workers Take the income and inheritance tax measures, for example.

The republicans and democrats who favor those measures want them for the purpose of reducing the taxes of the little capitalists and the expiring middle class generally. Those parties would use such taxes in such ways that they would be of no service whatever to the working class, but would merely bolster up the rickety fortunes of the middle class.

The Socialist party also favors income and inheritance taxes as intermediate measures. But it favors them for the purpose of using the income to carry out the many measures in the interest of the working class to which it stands pledged. Thus the Socialist party would make such taxes beneficial to the

Little Willie-Say, pa, what is the difference between a statesman and a politician? Pa-A statesman, my son, is able to deceive without lying, and a politician lies without deceiving.

nage any I do believe my wife is just as careful as she can be, and I know I don't spend

anything unnecessarily." "Yes," I put in, "there are always people ready to tell us when meat is too high for poor people to buy, that we as a nation cat too much meat'; when flour is high, 'the American nation cat too much bread, and our bones are brittle because of it'; or if fuel

is high, 'we keep our homes unhealthy by overheating,' or some such non-"Yes," he said with a smile, "That's

just the way they talk." We asked him how they liked the

new place into which they had lately "We like the place fine," he answered.

"But we would like it better if the house was a better one." "Isn't the house a better one than the

one you lived in here in town?" my husband asked. "Well, no," he answered; "I don't think it is. It leaks awfully bad, and

moved

the floor is so open we can hardly keep it warm at all when the weather is very cold. But we have three acres of land there with lots of fruit on it. And it's far enough away from town that the boys are always at home now at night. We like that part of it awfully well. Lots of times when I came home from the mine, when we lived here in town, the boys would be out at bedtime, and I would feel too tired to go out after them. Down here they are always at home when bedtime comes. So I guess we can put up with the had house a while and maybe

ome day, if we don't have too much had luck, we can build one that will be ht to live in. "Isn't it a shame," I said, "that a m who works so hard can't afford a de-cent place for his family to live in?" He looked up quickly, and with a thoughtful nod of his head replied. "It's

pretty nearly enough to make a Social-'Yes," I said, "if any thing would."

The total wealth of the United States in 1906 was estimated at \$107,104.211,917, and in the same year the total clearing of the banks of this country were \$157. 749,328,913. In the same year the total amount of money in the country was \$2,736,646,628, and the total deposits in national and savings banks was \$7,355,-528,238

A QUESTION OF LOCATION

Said the man from the North to his Southern friend: "Yes; politics is all a matter of location. If I lived in the state of Texas I would be a Republican, and if you lived in the state of Pennsylvania you would be a Re-publican." "Yes," remarked the innocent bystander. "and if either of you ever got into a state of intelligence you would be Socialists."

Chicago Socialists have selected our old comrade, George Koop, as their standard hearer in the coming mayoralty election. It was George Koop who led the fight in the Milwaukee convention of the international printers' union some years ago by which the convention Tame for Socialism -- Social Democratic Herald

The German Social-Democratic parliamentary group has just celebrated its hamentary group has just celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary. Of the seven-ty-eight men now in parliament, Com-rades Singer, Dietz, Frohme and Stolle are the only membres who have served continuously since Socialism first in-vaded the reichstag. Bebel would be included, but he was out of service three years while in prison.



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The Municipal Ownership Fizzle

MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP HAS BEEN SLAIN BY THE ONLY IMMEDIATE MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP ADMINISTRA-TION EVER ELECTED IN THE CITY OF CHICAGO.

Whatever juggling may yet be accomplished the deal has now been so carefully framed up that the granting of a twenty-year franchise is a practical certainty

A TWENTY-YEAR FRANCHISE IS AS GOOD AS A PER-PETUAL ONE, FOR IN TWENTY YEARS FRANCHISES OF ANY KIND WILL BE WORTH ONLY THE THEN CURRENT PRICE FOR OLD PAPER.

Whatever may still be done with referendums, the fact remains that Mayor Danne has been completely captured by the traction forces.

A conneil, elected on a piedge of municipal ownership, and under the strictest obligations to grant no franchises, is bartering away for twenty years the most valuable franchise in the city.

The Socialists do not look upon such a scene with any joy. They have no desire to see the difficulties in the road of a peaceful transformation from capitalism to socialism increased in ever so slight a degree.

This paper has continuously and consistently fought against the granting of any franchise.

We have endorsed every move that had any sign of hope for better things in it, and we hall continue to do so in the future.

But we would be untrue to ourselves, to the truths of Socialism, to the workers of Chicago if we did not point out the hopelessness and uselessness of looking to the accomplishment of even any minor relief through any party standing in such a contradictory and equivocal position as does the Democratic, Republican or other capitalist party.

When Mayor Dunne was asking for votes, the Socialists pointed out the futility of workingmen voting for him.

The Socialists pointed out that even if it was only immediate relief that was desired, it could be secured only through a party that stood clearly and definitely for the interests of the workers and against the capitalist class.

BUT A MAJORITY OF THE VOTERS WANTED SOME-THING RIGHT NOW.

They voted for and elected Mayor Dunne. They have obtained "something right now," Do they like it?

Is it not about time that the workers began to realize that if they desire relief, now, or in the future, for themselves or their children, it cannot be obtained by compromise with the doing that is oppressing them

We do not believe that the condition of the worker would be very much changed by municipal ownership of street cars.

We-know it has not been so changed in any of the hundreds of European vities where this reform has been obtained.

Yet for even the slight help it might give, and as a promise of better things, the Socialists have stood for municipal ownership for years. They will still stand for it.

Still further--the-Socialists do not believe that the gaining of a referendum will mean any tremendous progressive step.



wrote descriptions of an ideal society and then tried to get people to introduce them into present society.

The Socialists pointed out that society GREW AND EVOLVED. from stage to stage, and that each social stage-was the natural child and destined parent of another social stage.

These early Socialists also showed that all that man could do was to work in accord with this process of social evolution. By so doing he could sometimes hasten progress, and could intelligently direct the process of change so as to avoid violence and bloodshed and disturbance such as always accompanies great social transformations when directed by ignorance.

The Socialists would be the last ones to attempt to predict any DETAILS of a coming society. They would be still jess inclined to insist that these details must be a condition of the coming of that society,

To attempt to do anything of the sort would be contrary to all Socialist philosophy and would stamp those trying to do it as against SOCIAL QUACKS SEEKING TO CURE SOCIAL ILLS WITH PATENT MEDICINE CURE-ALLS.

There are, however, certain BROAD GENERAL FEATURES of the society that is destined to succeed our present one which can be determined by a STUDY OF PRESENT CONDITIONS AND THE DIRECTION OF PRESENT SOCIAL CURRENTS.

From such a study Socialists conclude that the DOMINANT FEATURE of the next social stage must be common ownership of the things whose private ownership at present ENABLES ONE SMALL PORTION OF THE POPULATION TO EXPLOIT ALL THE OTHERS

These things compose what is now commonly known as CAPITAL, the ownership of which RETURNS AN INCOME TO THE OWNER WITHOUT ANY PRODUCTIVE LABOR UPON HIS PART.

The number of people that are able to become such owners is getting fewer and fewer with the progress of industrial concentration, while the number of those who work, and have the product of their labor taken from them by these few owners is getting GREATER AND GREATER

For these, and many other reasons, the Socialist concludes that sometime a majority of the people will decide to own and use in common these things which are necessary to the life of all and whose private ownership is at present a means of exploitation.

The Rising Tide of Socialism

Have you ever stood upon the sea-shore and watched the tide coming in?

Have you ever watched the rolling flood of some river swollen by, spring freshets mounting ever higher and higher?

Try to imagine yourself in the midst of the crumbling fragments of the capitalist society with the wayes of Socialism rolling higher with each passing day.

Never has time known such a world-wide resistless on-sweeping movement.

The defenders of exploitation and profits and slavery have crected barrier after barrier in its path.

They have tried oppression and imptisonment, and murder and . torture and massacres. But the drops of blood have been like seed from which a multitude of new converts and workers have sprung.

The prisons of the world have been clogged with Socialists BUT THE CAUSE HAS GONE MARCHING ON.

They have tried bribery and compromise and concessions.

The individual traitors have fallen by the wayside, but the great mass moved on past them.

Concessions and reforms have been accepted but the movement never halted in its pursuit of the ultimate goal.

The economists and politicians have shown by long-winded sophistry that Socialism was impossible, illogical, and irrational. EVENTS HAVE CONTINUED TO PROVE IT INEVITABLE.

Ever and again the defenders of the existing order have thought that its progress was peculiar to some one country, and pretty theories were evolved to explain how Socialism was due to some peculiar racial characteristic.

In France the capitalist retainers proved to their own satisfaction that Socialism was a purely Tentonic creation and could never cross the Rhine. But before the ink on their theories was dry a Socialist party was thundering at the doors of the Chamber of Deputies, capturing municipal councils by the hundreds, overturning cabinets and threatening to control the entire governmental machinery.

"Socialism is purely Continental. The Anglo-Saxon is immune," was the theme of column upon column of essays, books, and lectures with which the capitalist class of England sought to lull itself to sleep.

It was suddenly awakened from its slumber by the sound of Socialist speeches in Westminster and the rumble of marching revolutionists in its streets.

"Socialism can never touch the Oriental. Here at last the rising tide must stop." So spoke the wise men who sought to interpret East and West each to the other.

Now this last defense crumbles away before the rushing flood of Socialism. Japan has a socialist press that rivals that of any European country, while even in China the sleep of ages is being broken by the clarion call of a revolutionary working class.

Some have said that Socialism could not grow in monarchies. Others reasoned laboriously to prove the impossibility of its development under a liberal Republic. The advisers of the Czar showed to their own satisfaction that the only certain obstacle to Socialism was an absolute autocracy.

THE FACTS SHOW THAT SOCIALISM CARES LITTLE FOR GOVERNMENTS.

It grows with almost equal rapidity in autocratic Russia, military Germany, monarchial England, Austria or Denmark, or republican-France and America.

THE ONLY CONDITIONS OF THE GROWTH OF SOCIAL-ISM IS THE EXISTENCE OF CAPITALISM.

Wherever men and women exist with only their strength and skill for sale; and wherever an idle owning class lives by purchasing that labor power for less than it produces, there Socialism will arise.

Wherever capitalism enters, there treading like a shadow upon its heels comes its legitimate child and heir-Socialism."

Nor will the child be defrauded of its heritage. It has grown to manhood; it knows that its cause is just; and it proposes to enter upon its inheritance.

To oppose such a movement is to attempt once more the task of King Canute, and bid the rising waves recede, or to imitate the famous Mrs. Partington and seek to sweep back the stormy Atlantic with a

ALL THAT CAN BE DONE IS TO PREPARE THE WAY FOR ITC COMING. This is what the Socialists are doing.

They are educating the workers for their new task, telling the world that the time of change is here, asking that mankind be made

By the Innocent Bystander le sugar trust will have to defend a

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\$20,000,000 conspiracy suit. Look for a general advance in the price of barreledup sweetness

The total riches of the United States is figured out to be \$107,000,000,000, Have you figured ont just where you come

He Was Next

"Here is a piece in the paper which says the shah of Persia has 600 wives." "Ah, ha! So he came from Pittsburg, did he?"se

An open winter causes a lot of sickness. It also gives the ice trust a good excuse for boosting prices when summer omes around.

It Was a Good One

"John, I saw the advertisement you put in the paper to sell our horse. "Yes, she runs away, and I am taking your advice and selling her."

Yes, but, John, after reading that advertisement you wrote I am afraid we cannot possibly find as good a one."

If the worst comes to the worst. American trust officials can buy up some small ountry and abrogate all extradition treatics with the outside world.

What means this strange silence re-garding the pure food law? Can it be possible that it is a dead letter, so soon?

One Way

"I saw a play the other night in which the hero had to spend a million dollars

it is they will work for it as long as it has any hope of success.

But one thing the SOCIALISTS WILL NOT DO.

THEY WILL NOT CLOSE THEIR EYES FOR ONE SINGLE MOMENT TO THE FACT THAT NO PROGRESSIVE STEP IS TAKEN, BY SUPPORTING ANY FORM OF CAPITALISM.

MAYOR DUNNE STANDS FOR CAPITALISM EQUALLY WITH MORGAN AND HARRIMAN. The only difference is that they stand for the big traction magnates and he stands for the little tax-. layers.

THE SOCIALIST PARTY STANDS NEITHER FOR BIG TRACTION MAGNATES NOR FOR LITTLE TAXPAYERS.

IT STANDS FOR THE WORKING CLASS AND THAT CLASS ALONE.

Because Dunne stands, at bottom, on the same platform with Morgan he has been unable to fight consistently for anything in opposition to capitalist interests.

DUNNE AND MORGAN BOTH WORSHIP AT THE SHRINE OF THE BEAST OF PRIVATE PROPERTY.

Common Ownership of Everything

You Socialists want the community to own all the clothes and hairpins and toofft-brushes, and we will all be compelled to use these articles. in common" is one of the more idiotically dishonest of the objections to Socialism.

We propose right here to so completely answer this objection and all others of the same class that no one who reads what we say can ever honestly raise it again.

If that sounds like boasting wait until we have finished and if we have not done what we promise, write and show us where we tailed.

Like many other objections to Socialism this one rests primarily on IGNORANCE.

It supposes that Socialism is some sort of a ready-made scheme. of society which the people are asked to adopt.

It is rather strange that this misunderstanding should have arisen, since the Socialists were almost the first to point out the foolishness and usclessness of devising such schemes.

Over a half a century ago the Socialists' began their movement with, an attack upon those who, like Louis Blanc, Fourier, and many others,

Just what things will be thus commonly owned must be decided by a majority of the voters. NO SOCIALIST PRESUMES TO SAY HOW FAR THIS PROCESS OF OWNERSHIP WILL BE CAR-RIED BY THESE VOTERS.

THE VOTERS OF THE FUTURE WOULD NOT CARE MUCH IF HE DID ATTEMPT TO SAY.

Only by supposing that the coming generation will be a race of mbeciles can we conceive of their making common property anything that would not redound to the interest of all.

No one is exploited by the private ownership of clothing, tooth brushes or any other article of personal use.

No one would therefore have any interest in advocating their common ownership.

There would be thousands of other things which would always remain privately owned, because their ownership interfered with no person's opportunity to produce and to enjoy the product of his labor.

COMMON OWNERSHIP IS NOT ADVOCATED BY THE SOCIALISTS AS A SCHEME, IT IS SIMPLY RECOGNIZED AS THE CHARACTERISTIC FEATURE OF THE COMING SOCIAL STAGE.

The Love of Comrades

"Come, I will make the continent indissoluble,

I will make the most splondid race the sun ever shown upon, I will make divine magnetic lands,

With the love of comrades,

With the life-long love of comrades.

I will plant companionship thick as trees along all the rivers of America, and along the shores of the great lakes, and

all over the prairies,

I will make inseparable cities with their arms about each other's necks.

By the love of comrades,

By the maily love of comrades '

-WALT WHITMAN.

in a year. "Did he go into polities or buy an

Working a Ruse

automobile

"Look pleasant, please." But the photographer could not get ust the right expression on the captain of industry's face.

"Remember that they are investigating you and that the people think they are going to bust your trust."

Then the great man smiled broadly and the camera snapped.

If a Russian official should wake up and find a cocoannt in the bed with him, what would he mistake it for?

James J. Hill Says the freight blockade cannot be broken until 75,000 more miles of track are laid. Would he like the people to vote the poor railroads a subsidy?

If Tillman should have to leave the senate for a day or two won't he please say a few words into a phonograph and leave it behind him?

To Roosevelt those Brownsville troops are "midnight assassins" and not a dozen Senates can legislate it out of him.

A Courtly Answer

"Here is some wine," said the hostess, "that is as old as I am."

"Ah," said the guest, sipping it, "it is remarkable wine to be no older than

It is easy to establish fame as a forecaster of earthquakes. Statistics' reveal the fact that there is one a week.

President Gompers now appears in the role of an apostle of peace. Mr. Little-field and Speaker Cannon will be glad to hear this,

Senator-elect Cuttis of Kansas should take the precautions to have the seat formerly occupied by Burton properly fumigated before he tries to occupy it.

ready that the transition may take place with as little of human suffering as possible.

Two generations ago a little group of men in London seut forth this rallying cry: "WORKINGMEN OF THE WORLD UNITE; YOU HAVE A WORLD TO GAIN AND NOTHING TO LOSE BUT YOUR CHAINS.

Could they look forth to-day upon the world they would see men marching to the music of that battle cry whom their wildest imagination would scarcely have anticipated as hearing its ringing words.

A few years ago it seemed as if Germany was far in the advance of the Socialist army. Germany has marched forward as rapidly as ever since then, but other countries have sprung up alongside her, and he would be a venturesome prophet who would attempt to foretell which country will lead the march into the new society.

We Object

. We do not know whether Cornelius P. Shea ever took a leaf from the book of morality of the merchants who are persecuting him and levied blackmail upon some capitalists for the benefit of others. If he did he should be condemned for it, by those whom he injured.

But he is not on trial for grafting now.

He is on trial for conspiracy, and the State Street Stores' Attorney Miller has declared that he proposes to show that every sympathetic strike is a conspiracy.

No evidence is admitted which would show that the real conspirators were these same State Street merchants, who, under the direction and expert advice of Levy Mayer, imported an army of cut-throats, whose murderous and thieving career since they were discharged from their work as scabs, has given Chicago a reign of crime almost imparalleled in any other city.

We do not claim to be experts on the rules of evidence.

"A It is easily possible that Judge Ball may find his rulings sustained by a higher court. We do not pretend to know just how far class justice may be carried.

We feel that there ought to be one more objection filed in addition to those of the State Street Stores' Attorney

WE OBJECT TO CLASS. JUSTICE WHEREVER IT IS FOUND.

This objection can be sustained by the workers whenever they use their ballots intelligently to retire, not only Judge Ball, but the lawmakers who made the law that he claims to be interpreting.