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CURRENT COMMENT **************

of individuals; it is one of systems.

Political freedom avails nothing so long as all industries are organized for

Trusts and combinations are simply business propositions for the benefit of a few; we propose to extend their scope so as to include all the people.

Social Democracy does not ask for charity. It demands a rational indus-trial system, involving the collective ownership of land and of all the ma-chinery of production, for the good of all the people.

profit system will disappear; the jails and poor houses will no longer be dren and the mites of poor widows to filled, and the shadow of the gallows relieve the sufferings of starving Cuwill disappear from the land.

Every man by birth has the right to live, and the right to live means the right to work. Yet in the year 1896 in this country 2,800,000 persons were out of work altogether and 3,200,000 people had no work some of the time, while the machinery of the workshops of the country is only in operation about five months in the year.

The Supreme Court of Minnesota in the case of Hanson vs. Artes held that the sale of domestic animals to a retail butcher, engaged in the pusiness of selling meat to his customers to use as Is to discuss means of concentrating food, was no implied warranty that the efforts of the various Branches, the flesh was fit for food, although the in various branches closely related

Since there is a profit in selling de-cayed or diseased meat, of course it is legitimate to sell it, and there is no implied warranty that it is good to eat, which the law insists upon, be-cause that would interfere with the liberty of trade and freedom of exchange. Of course, such things as this are supposed to settle themselves prop-erly under the beautiful theory of selfinterest, but somehow or other the theory does not always work out its expected results

The Pops are badly split up, and strenuous efforts are being made by the old liners to restore the party status that existed previous to the St. Louis convention. That the party is disintegrating is well recognized, and a reorganization along the lines of the Omaha platform has been decided on. Omana piatrorm has been decided on. If the old line populist leaders are wise they will give over the attempt to organize another straight out populist party, as their efforts can only result in failure. The rank and file of the old populist party have advanced far beyond their reputed leaders in their conception of remedies for our indus-

the country. The garment was several England! When the people of semi-civilized countries hold Americans up and divest them of their wearing ap parel our people raise a howl and de mand reparation, but in this sealskin tion, and solely that it may make an enormous profit by controlling the price of sealskins.

ble evidence of the fact that 90 per Cullom said: "Broker McKenzie has proved his case. His

The present contest is not a war | tions. There is no person of ordinary common sense who has paid the slightest attention to this matter, who does not know that the railroads, in their insane competition for business, private gain.

• • • are the greatest promoters of the very thing which, for policy's sake, they condemn as a crime. The railroad magnates are the very loudest shouting about." order"-for the other fellows.

Evangelist Moody is mightily interested in the question of relief for the starving people of Cuba. He collected \$600 for the Cubans in one day last week, the collection including sixteen all Cuba. You can send the money
The chances for W. J. Bryan to become President of the United States
are becoming beautifully less with each
passing day. What with Tammany and
the middle-of-the-road Populists arrayed against him, he will soon be a
back number.

all Cuba. You can send the money
here or send it to Cuba. I don't
need to make any speech about it.
Starving people make their own speeches."
It may be true that "starving people make their own speeches,"
but they appear to be speaking to little purpose in this great and glorious
country. Greater New York can send Social Democracy will make it possible for a man to get what he produces; all misery brought about by the sensational mountebank was collectbans, men, women, and little children were starving by scores within the precincts of Greater New York itself. This foreign charity dodge is being vastly overworked. It is time that sensationalists of the Moody type were shown up in their proper light.

> The executive board of Labor Exchange Branch 125 has issued a circular to all L. E. Branches, and particularly those located east of the Allegheny Mountains, requesting them to send delegates to a conference to be held at Orange, N. J., on Saturday, Jan. 22. The object of this conference geographically.

pendent of other branches, and all are in a 'go-as-you-please' state, which sometimes means 'to go not at all,' becomes a matter of such importance to all concerned in the cause of co-operation, that the time has arrived for united counsel and arrived for "The present planlessness of the united counsel and action. It has been suggested that there be a con-centration of as many Branches as possible upon one industry, until es-tablished, and then another and an-

This lack of concentration is the great defect of the Labor Exchange, and if the proposed conference is able to hit upon some plan to remedy the defect it will have accomplished much.

The Methodists are all worked up The Methodists are all worked up great cities and are slowly but surely over the fact that wine was served at spreading into the smaller towns. We the recent banquet of Wesleyan University aluman. This circumstance is shall soon become a nation of paupers versity aluman. This circumstance is and will be ruled and dominated by the not of much haportance in itself, but most arrogant plutocracy that the the manner in which it has been world has ever known. Within a treated by the "Christian Advocate," quarter of a century, at the present the official exponent of Methodism in rate of concentration, one per cent of the courty is worthy of company. for a complete change in our industrial system, and can be solidly united only on a straight out socialist platform.

The idiocy of class legislation has reached a climax in the sealskin regulations recently enacted by congress. Canadians coming into the United States have been stopped by customs officials and their sealskin cans solve. through other sources. The Dr. says:

"At the time, I resolved that if the circumstance of wine being introduced in this way should be mentioned in any paper in New York or elsewhere, the Christian Advocate would state the naked facts." Unless the thing became public through other sources, the Dr. proposed to keep quiet about it; matter we have proved ourselves no better than barbarians. And we are placed in this undesirable position at dailies, the Dr. comes out in his paper better than barbarians. And we are prising reporters of the New York placed in this undesirable position at dailies, the Dr. comes out in his paper the instigation of a close and greedy and condemns the whole proceeding in which has a pull on legisla-solely that it may make an profit by controlling the ity on the part of a recognized teacher The senate committee which is considering evidence in connection with the anti-scalping bill appears to be much surprised at the evidence of collusion between the scalpers and the collusion between the collusions are collusions. of Christian ethics! Admitting that a it matter!

It is this truckling spirit, this dis position to regard what the world says, rather than absolute concepts of right and wrong, that is largely responsible for bringing christianity into dire-

sworn statement is apparently unanswerable, and the committee is now confronted with an entirely new guestion. It appears to be proved beyond doubt that nine-tenths of the business of the scalpers is directly promoted by the railroads themselves."

The committee expresses surprise at the evidence, and there is talk of recasting the anti-scalping bill so as to bind the railroads as well as the brokers. This professed surprise well illustrates the hypocrisy that permetee our whole system of sodal relations. The professed surprise well illustrates the hypocrisy that permetee our whole system of sodal relations. The professed surprise well illustrates the hypocrisy that permetee our whole system of sodal relations. The professed surprise well illustrates the hypocrisy that permetee our whole system of sodal relations. The professed surprise well illustrates the hypocrisy that permetee our whole system of sodal relations. The professed surprise well illustrates the hypocrisy that permetees the church thus gives an improfitable business. That being down wages or carrying on an unprofitable business. That being down wages or carrying on an unprofitable business. That being the state; after awhile, when we arrive that better justice and custom in wantaging the social organization, we also must be the recommit of the incommit and custom in wantaging the social organization, we arrive that better justice and custom in wantaging the social organization, we arrive that better justice and custom in wantaging the social organization, we arrive that she better justice and custom in wantaging the social organization, we arrive that she better justice and custom in wantaging the social organization, we arrive that she better justice and custom in wantaging the social organization, we arrive that she better justice and custom in wantaging the social organization, we arrive that check the same arrive that the committee and custom in wantaging the social organization, we arrive that check the same arrive that the committee and cus "The millionaire is a passing stage

"It is stuitifying," said he, "for the "it is stuitifying," said he, "for the church through its pulpit to discourage vast wealth and through its college and hospital trustees to coddle and encourage it. Immense wealth is ethically wrong, spiritually dangerous, according to the Bible, and the church ought not to build its institutions to be the continuous and the church ought not to build its institutions to

be pillared upon a thing it condemns."

Proceeding along this line of thought, the divine seeks to release the church from the incubus of these

the difficulty." in Socialism—the administration of these institutions of learning for the public benefit.

OUR BEAUTIFUL SYSTEM.

A few days ago, while on the street of Chicago, we heard a thin, childish of Chicago, we heard a thin, childish voice shouting "Evening papers, sir, evening papers." We looked around and there at our heels was a boy that did not appear to be more than five years old. The day was cold and raw. The face of the little one was thin and pinched; he was not half clothed and did not look as though he was head. and did not look as though he ever had

enough to eat in all his life.

A day or two later we saw a middle-aged man devouring scraps of bread and other choice bits that he had just rescued from a swill barrel that even rescued from a swift barrel that even a dog would not eat out of unless he were driven to it by hunger. There are probably 50,000 men in this

city who have been practically denied the right to live—unless it be on air. They are not only denied employment but are deprived of their natural right to produce wealth to satisfy their own needs. To them life is a constant nightmare which may at any time

But amid all this poverty, want, destitution, vice and crime, there are a few who have acquired mountains of wealth. Not that they have added tablished, and then another and another until the tools and raw materials requisite for the production of every-day necessaries are in our hands and the circle of production is and the circle of production is the earnings of the multitude without the entire of another an equivalent. any pretext of rendering an equivalent.
This has been done through a system
of legal jugglery, monopolization and
disregard for the inherent rights of
others that in ethics is on a par with

highway robbery.
Similar conditions exist in all our great cities and are slowly but surely

scales of prejudice from their eyes? Or must we wait until Gabriel blows his upon a foundation of injustice will not only work its own ruin, but destroy any people that persists in tolerating

A FRANK STATEMENT.

gigantic estates, which are an evil and are opposed to public safety, American institutions, and the Christian religion."

ods. Improved machinery in private hands, coupled with the cheap labor can institutions, and the Christian religion.

FROM DIXIE'S DOMAIN DEBS WRITES OF THE MOVEMENT IN THE SOUTHERN STATES. dures the cotton operatives must expect to accommodate themselves to a lower wage scale and an ever decreas-ing standard of living. "Low wages are better than no wages," senten-tiously remarks the Tribune from its capitalistic standpoint. What hope is there for the operatives under these conditions? Absolutely none. They be pillared upon a thing it condemns."

Proceeding along this line of thought, the divine seeks to release the church from the incubus of these large donations, and he asks the question: "How shall our great religious and educational institutions be maintained without large bequests?" His answer is a return to the system of tithing. "Tithing," said he, "is an invention of God, not of man, and a resort to it would simply and easily solve the difficulty."

conditions? Absolutely none. They have been forced to conform to a lower thore the original paper. They protect donist argument puts it, but by HOME competition, against which capitalism can offer them no legislative barriers whatever. The protection armoved in the presence of these facts. Immigration restriction can do nothing to present the difficulty." chinery and improved processes which It is characteristic of our reverend doctors of religion, when they first become impressed with the magnitude of the evils afflicting society, to become nor is there likely to be—to warrant the evils afflicting society, to become reactionaries—they want to bring back "the good old times." Tithing may be an "invention of God"—that is a point the contrary, the prediction may be confidently made that the wage situation will grow steadily worse, as the on which Dr. Crane is supposed to have inside information—but it is not adapted to the spirit of the present age, and cannot be a remedy for the evil complained of. The remedy lies of operate, and at the next turn of the screw the operatives will find them-selves more degraded than ever. It is significant to note how completely the ordinary capitalist remedies for industrial depression break down in the face of the present situation. Capi-talism is silent—it offers no hope, no remedy for the degeneration of the workers, brought on by the degrada-tion of their wage standard. Its mouth-piece is brutally frank in stating the truth—the true capitalist position, without any frills or buncombe. The

Tribune says:
"If they (the operatives) feel that they cannot afford to work for a wage rate regulated by that of the southern mills, then the proper course for them to pursue is to see whether they can get in any other business wages as good as they receive now. If they can find that other employment, they should leave the cotton mills to follow new trades. If they cannot, then they should remain where they are and ac-cept the lower wages. They have no right to call on the bosses to run their mills at a loss in order that the employes may continue to get their present wages."

There is genuine capitalist philos

phy—there is exactly what it offers the workers of all trades. What do you think of it, you cofton operatives who have spent the best years of your lives in the cotton trade, becoming unfitted for any other vocation in life—what do you think of the remedy which capitalism offers for your troubles? "If you don't like your wages you are perfectly free to quit and hunt up other employment!" Summer will soon be here and you can go and saw ice!

MODERN EDUCATION

Scene: Political Economy Classroom at Oil University.

Professor-George, what is the mos important function of government? George—The most important func-tion of government at present, sir, is to amuse the people and keep them aniet while the trusts and monopolies pick their pockets.

Professor—Very good, very good!

What means are usually employed for the amusement of the people?

George—Formerly the people were encouraged to take sides in the great

Canadians coming into the United States have been stopped by customs officials and their sealskin caps seized. One woman's sealskin sack was taken, because she attempted to wear it into that don't settle them they are sho down like dogs.

-Most excellent, sir, most excellent! If you continue your stud-ies it will not be long before you will be worthy to succeed that most illustrious financier to whose munificence we are indebted for this great univer

OWNERS OF NEW YORK.

Nine-tenths of the People Residing

The New York Herald states tha out of 2,000,000 residents of Manhattan Island 1,800,000 have no interest what-A FRANK STATEMENT.

In discussing strike possibilities among the New England cotton operatives, the Chicago Tribune makes a brutally frank presentation of the capitalist point of view which ought to set workingmen to thinking.

After a review of the general situation in the cytton trade, the Tribune to the continuation in the cytton trade, the Tribune says:

A southern mills, were the strike own one-half of the land and a very few others the other half. All this wealth produced by labor has passed into the hands of a very few under the operation of an inequitable industrial system is universal, says the "New says:

A southern mills, were the same trade of the world into centrate the wealth of the world into the hands of a continually decreasing number of persons, while the number of the disinherited classes continue to increase in the same proportion. The earning power of this fixed wealth abunprofitable business. That being the situation in which they are placed, the operatives are not likely to make much by striking."

It is, indeed, too true that under present conditions "the operation."

There can be but one logical enimination. tion to the continuation of this sys-tem—a few, rich beyond the dreams of avarice and the many pauperized and degraded beyond the hope of re-demption.

IN THE SOUTHERN STATES.

The banner of the Social Democracy waves in the breezes of the Southland In Georgia there are excellent brancher at Atlanta, Macon, Rome and Smithville; in AlaJama the work has been begun in earnest and will be carried forward with zeal and vigor. Unfortu-nately I am so pressed for time that the only two points I am able to visit in this state are Montgomery and Selma and both these have good working branches.

There is the greatest interest in So cialism in these states. Not a single meeting has thus far been held which has not been packed to the doors. I predict that Georgia will soon be a Socialist stronghold. The bright and aggressive young men who did so much to bring populism to the front are now evincing their comprehension of the trend of events by coming over to the Social Democracy.

That all populists who deserted the old parties on account of their capitalistic domination do not at once come over to Social Democracy is surprising. Every thoughtful man must realize that the populist party as a national political organization has fulfilled its mison. Its work is done and every logical and progressive populist is bound to become a Socialist. The issue is now clear and unmistakable. It is capital em or Socialism—slavery or freedom and there can be no half-way ground

Populists must make up their minds whether they will go back into the old parties and help complete the enslave-ment of the free, or advance to Social Democracy and help free the enslaved.

ss dispatches announce that in New England the wages of 90,000 cotton operatives have been reduced from 10 to 20 per cent, and the reason given by the manufacturers is that they can not successfully compete against the pauper labor of the South.

It is no longer the pauper labor of Europe, but of the United States that we need to be "protected" against. Congress should promptly erect a tariff wall along Mason and Dixon's line.

The coolness of these capitalistic buccaneers would be admirable, but for the unspeakable misery that looms all about it, constituting a background black with horror and despair.

Think of these "protected" pirates now complaining of their inability to

compete against the paupers of their own making!

The same dispatches anno tremendous popular ovation to Mark Hanna on his triumphant purchase of another term in the United States Senate. Well, as the old fellow remarked as long as workingmen want that sort of thing, why that's the sort of thing they want

The attention of our Trades Union friends who still believe in the effi-cacy of the strike and boycott is invited conditions in these states. There has been organization, but it has been largely wiped out. So far as I know there is but one Trades Assembly in Georgia. The few who are still or-ganized dare not say their souls are their own. At Rome, competent print ers are working for one dollar per day Railroad employes are afraid of their own shadows. Their slavery is pitable in the extreme. Children in the cotton mills of Georgia get for their wages 57

cents per week In spite of all that trades unions have been able to do, thousands of working men have been reduced to tramps, their wives to beggary and their children to

machine oil.

The strike and boycott and "voting for the best man" will not relieve, but intensify the misery. Calling on Presi

them progressive and open the eyes of their members to the real cause of their oppression and thus gain in pow er and influence and become the con trolling factor in the great struggle for emancipation from the thraldom of to cease their flirtation with the capi talist class, and the first healthy symp tom will be the denunciation of the capitalist press. The praise of this press is an infallible token of degener-

pressive trades-unionism, such as w nd it in Cleveland, Toledo and St. Louis, and the class conscious Social Democracy for united political action

The relations between the two move their labels and help to build and strengthen their movement, while Democracy will support the tradesstrengthen their movement, while trades-unionists will join the Social By the way, that sort of counsel or demand nearly always comes from men demand nearly always comes from men Democracy and secure united class-conscious action at the ballot box. The question of discussing politics in trade nions will thus be solved, all such dis-ission being transferred to the Social I have in mind several illustrations

I send greeting and good cheer. Let no despondent note be heard in our circles but let every ear and every heart be attuned to the harmonies of the fature.

Montgomery, Ala., Jan. 15, 1898.

AT THE OPEN DOOR GREYBEARD'S CHAT

There is a theory more nebulous, perhaps, in expression than in purpose, that the way to make what in the "scientific" argot of "class conscious" advocates may be termed the "evolutionary revolution" a success, is to aid the bringing on of more misery—more enforced idleness—more poverty—more hunger. That is to say, that they desire to see poverty become more enforced idleness—more poverty—more hunger. That is to say, that they desire to see poverty become institutional and hunger made a means of legal repression. In all my study of Karl Marx' life and teachings I find but two points where he seems to have fallen short of human wisdom. One of these is illustrated in a declaration he made to a revolutionary congress held during 1847 in Brussels.

Labor is not speculative; it wants security. Therefore conservative so-cialism—not merely a class cry or theory—orrectic spirit—is the polity and will become the Messiah of workers enthralled by a competitive disorder which never could give a better title to rule than the alleged giving of place to struggle and which now denies in commercial convention even that place.

during 1847 in Brussels.

Just then, Great Britain had seen the repeal of the corn laws and was Does Bebel, the man of

therefore, of labor.

When he said that "the British isles were nearer a possible political and democratic revolution than they had been before since Cromwell's enthronement of the country gentlemen, the yeomanry and the city merchants and craftsmen as the governing force of that land." I have given Marx' words from memory only, but their inferences in my rendering are substantially correct.

usually becomes a crime. Let us work only for the dissoftement of classes only for the dissoftement of classes only for the dissoftement of classes. All the construction of a true civilization, because one of security and equity. All classes must be merged into one geneous Humanity. This is the vision and purpose, at least of Graybeard, and this is why he is a Social Democrat. There is one other thought or suggestion to be made, and that is true-most certainly of our own land.

And in that, also, I am willing to accept the facts and forces of time as showing that doubts of the autocratic or centralization policy were correct.

True Democracy is the other side of

the shield of socialism.

One force is overlooked all through these utterances, and that is the enor-

vants and soldiers of a true libertyof that freedom which demands security of life as the one enduring basis soming civilization in which equity fraternity that exacts as well as gives

shall control social law.

I am not a believer in the assumption now put forth that the only way to secure freedom from competitive disorder and crime is to work for political mastership by the "proletariat." Mas-tership in whosoever's hand it may be always ends in oppression. Class rule

Democracy.

The trades unions will deal with clerk, always living by exploitation of The trades unions will deal with clerk, always living by exploitation of the industrial and the Social Demooracy with the political side of workers. He is the brevet Robespierre the question. The two organizations of the "class" agitation among us. Anwill move forward on parallel lines, other is a graduate of the "chair"—a each supplementing the other and the professional advocate who out-Herods members of both in harmonious cooperation. ngs and policy, become the ver-

A curious commentary on this Orator Ruff class, or those who are honest wishers for misery to be incarnated that revolution may be enthroned is seen in the fact that very few, if any of them, at all known to fame have graduated from the forge or the lathe, the

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Does Bebel, the man of the lathe entering upon that shifty realm of fiscal action, in which, under the pretense of a free trade policy, she has not only tween the Socialists and Radicals of been able to stride the world like the been able to stride the world like the the Prussian Legislature? But Liebnacient Colossus at the harbor's mouth, but has put her own combination lock upon the safes and vaults of every trading and working people under the sun, and that includes this land and people.

Karl Marx declared in the course of a remarkable speech that he halled the declared in the sun and the safe and th

a remarkable speech that ne and advent of free trade under British leadership because it would the sooner bring on the revolution (it came the next year, and falled, too, in one sense, at least) by the production of more misery and the enforced resistance, therefore, of labor.

The British isles and conscious rule and master-ship, I think myself justified in saying that mastership is always a folly and usually becomes a crime. Let us work only for the dissolvement of classes and the construction of a true civilization of the construction of the c

rect.

For one, I am willing to let the fifty years that have followed since their organization, as such, during the last twenty years has most certainly creutterance answer for the contradiction of the suggestion contained.

The other error in practice was, in Graybeard's judgment, the intense centralization policy which characterized the last two or three years of the old general committee of the International Workingmen's Association—a policy which resulted in the rupture of that mighty conception of propaganda at the Hague in 1872, and the apparently fateful appearance of Michael Bakouirm as the working world's leader of the group of communists and the Black Internationale. Internationale.

In a personal way, Graybeard stood by Karl Marx's view, feeling nevertheless that there was a fundamental lack therein as a matter of statesmanship.

Don't misunderstand me or hold this rambling talk as that of a Diogenes, for it has no such feeling or purpose 'a it. The hand that writes and the years and study that indites are those of a these utterances, and that is the enormous—and growing, too—interdependence which has been created by and through modern material forces with their social-economic relations—forces also imperiling the very existence of individuals as well as communities, and making even the men of misery dread the greater possibilities, that yown above and in that mother must lack food and fire with the sear and scar of the iron that entered earliest child-mod, when learning, because the father was "on strike" that the loving mother must lack food and fire while forces also imperiing the very existence of individuals as well as communities, and making even the men
of misery dread the greater possibilities that yawn above and in that

the children was "on strike," that the loving
mother must lack food and fire, while ties that yawn above and in that gulf of shadows and despair.

Misery is not a good leader. Penury enforced as a policy of revolt is not the measure of true statesman-ship. Hungry men with nothing but desperation and riot in their blood are more often the forerunners of the man on horseback, or worse still, of the cold-blooded, scientific plutes who have true their blood in the marryrdom of labor. He has cold-blooded, scientific plutes who have true their blood in the marryrdom of labor. He has the marryrdom of the school-state the marryrdom of labor. He has the marryrdom of labor. as a visit to a Chinese god.

I speak thus not because I oppose trades unions, but because I favor them and believe in them. I would have Thus Graybeard, at least, thinks that men who still have something to lose, as well as to gain, make better ser"how it is himself," having been, in younger years, an apprentice and jour-neyman at two handicrafts and earnof untrammeled Thought and thereof of the chair cannot make me believe of surety over a growing and blos- that Hugh Miller or Robert Owen workman or capitalist, as scholar and social co-op of labor or the servant of injustice even though they might not even have been "scientific" in their social-economic opinions and dealings. Perhaps this illustration may point to the co tinuity of human endeavor, and to the

DEVIOUS DEFINITIONS.

Parlor-matrimonial market place Proverb-An undisputed fact with hiskers on it.
Curiosity—The man or woman who

is not curlous. Blubber-The usual result when a

and the badness of others.

Agnostic—A man who knows very little and is not sure of that.

Boodle—A buy-word popular among Molehill-The foundation on which real estate builders build mountains.
Affection—Something a girl dish out to her male friends just before

SOCIAL FORUM *************

SOCIALIST TACTICS.

They Must Necessarily Depend Upon the Social and Political Conditions of the Country.

Mr. Editor: A writer in the New Charter of December 15 attempts to defend the S. L. P. against the charge made in my recent letter in the Com-ing Nation. Inasmuch as he simply denies the charges offhand, ignoring entirely the indisputable facts with which I substantiated them, that part of his defense requires no other an-swer than an emphatic reiteration of these facts.

What are you going to do with the stubborn facts that members who dif-fer in opinion from the leaders are expelled right and left; that the Bos ton leaders say "For those who don't agree with our tactics there is always the door, and if they don't get out we'll put them out;" that the party's present policy is to antagonize organized labor; that De Leon says certain unions "ought to be broken up, and smashed;" that he calls organized labor (and I beg your pardon for repeating his dis-graceful language) "the great American Tape-worm" and "the American Federation of Bedbugs:" that he calls Ben Tillet, who has served as Socialist alderman in London and stood twice as parliamentary candidate for the Independent Labor Party, a "bluffer, ignoramus and blatherskite;" that his pet offspring, the S. T. & L. A., does all it can to disrupt unions, and repels them from socialism by vilification and abuse of their leaders and by using a counterfeit of the printers' duly pat-

It is true that the constitution of the S. L. P. "recommends to all socialists to join the organizations of the trades to which they belong, with a view to carrying on the war against capitalism simultaneously on the political and economic fields," but this is a dead letter and ought to be repealed, the present policy being to "smash" the unions While carrying out an entirely different policy, the leaders point triumphantly to that recommendation and say what our constitution says about

My critic falls into one serious error to which I want to direct attention because it is quite prevalent in some quarters. He makes the serious blunder of confounding socialism and the Socialist movement with the S. L. P., Socialist movement with the S. L. P., and talks throughout his article as if they were one and the same thing. The Socialist movement is world-wide. The Socialist movement is world-wide. The S. L. P. was, up to 1897, the only clear teligions, creeds and customs, are clear teligions, creeds and customs, are organized American expression of it, but it is so no longer. It is an absurdity to talk of "the tactics of socialism." The tactics of a Socialist party must necessarily depend upon the social and tical conditions of the country and intelligence of the party and its What are "the tactics of socialism" in France, for instance, with its half dozen different Socialist par-ties? Or would Socialist tactics be the same in Russia as in England? The principles, the philosophy, the economics of socialism are necessarily the same all the world over, but the tactics will differ according to the vary ing conditions in each country, and the wisdom of the leaders in adapting their policy to meet the situation. The fac-tics of the S. L. P. are concocted by a few leaders, and are based upon per sonal animosities rather than the needs of the situation in this country. and directed towards maintaining their position as leaders rather than to-wards the spread of the principles of socialism. This state of affairs is made possible, notwithstanding the general intelligence and honesty of the rank and file by reason of the fact that the leaders, or bosses, control the party press and dictate what shall and what shall not come before the party mem-

and also the New York professor, re-mark, that the S. L. P. has the initiative and referendum. But the initia-tive does not "give to the members tive does not "give to the members the power to force consideration of a question by the whole party." for the simple reason that the National Execu-tive (in other words, De Leon) decides simple reason that the National Executive (in other words, De Leon) decides
whether a question duly submitted by
the requisite number of sections shall
go before the party or not. And more
than once has that power been exercised to suppress questions which it did
not suit their purpose to have come

day pass without wisely striving to minally attempted (the case better-Zeitung and Abend-rything on one side, no mativolent and unfair, was publican the other side letters of it was nominally attempted (the case of the Arbeiter-Zeitung and Abend-blatt) everything on one side, no matlished, while on the other side letters plan. from honest and impartial men

lished, while on the other side letters from honest and impartial men who are widely known and respected by the party were refused, and the few that were published were so cut up and garbled as to convey no idea of the writer's meaning.

Control of the party press by the leaders and framers of the party policity renders the referendum a farce and the democracy of the constitution a failure.

One other point before I close. No one is prouder than I of the fact quoted by my critic, that socialism has nearly 8,000,000 voters. I am only sorry that after twenty years of agitation America's proportion of that 8,000,000 should be but 36,000! The reason for this lamentable showing is, I firmly believe, to be found in the unwise and inadequate policy of the S. L. P. Itself, more than in all other causes combined. One of the leaders in the country which liself turnlahes a good one-third of the total socialist vote of the work, a man who is acknowledged to be the successor of Marx and Engels in scientific socialism (refer to K. Kautaky, editor of the Neue Zelt), had occasion to remark last spring that the spirit in which De Leon answered

a criticism of the party policy by th veteran socialist and one-time member of the International, Sorge, of itself showed that the party bady needed criticism. An unbiased opinion like the above, coming from a veteran in the movement in the country where scientific socialism was born, carries ore than ordinary weight.

worst enemy the socialism has. What has science to do higher numbered book in its place. In this manner each member of a branch may keep a number of books in constant use. Many men can do this work would not ask any one to buy a who would not ask any one to buy a thought the science of the social science. abuse of opponents, and with jeers instead of arguments, and with jeers instead of arguments, and with unblushing misrepresentation of facts? These things can convert no one to the principles of socialism, and only serve to make the cause obnoxious to the principles of socialism, and only serve to make the cause obnoxious to the principles of socialism, and only serve tried this plan among my own friends and acquaintances and know it will very people we most want to reach— the intelligent wage-workers.

The worst of it is that their dictator-

The worst of it is that their dictatorship over the party press prevents the possibility of any change for the better, inasmuch as no argument to the contrary is permitted to reach the ears of the party membership. The St. Louis Labor had its faults, but it also had the supreme virtue of opening its columns to discussion of proposed measures before they were fastened upon the party. That was its real of-

fense in the eyes of the bosses.

However, I am devoutly thankful that the cause of militant, scientific so-cialism now has other and more worthy exponents and more fitting organized expression in the Social Democracy. MARGARET HAILE.

THE TWO ARE ONE.

Mr. Editor:--If Comrade J. M. Pow rs, M. D., in his criticism of Comrade Whitehorn of New York, had substi-tuted for religion the term love it could create less antagonism and op position, and would disarm those who continually fight, carp and cavil about

Also, in place of "Christ's loving spirit," put "taught love and sympathy for humanity's sake," and we would come nearer uprooting the foundation and corner stones of our present social and religious hell-breeding system than by trying to defend and explain what was taught and believed thou-sands of years ago, and then fall of

deadening; they retard progress and lead to strife and hatred, death and

The error that advocates of both material and spiritual things make is that they separate the two as being distinct principles or entities, whereas the truth is they are one and the sam (objective and subjective) inseparable life principles (law of life)—the alpha and omega of all thinggs—the supreme force and power of universal mindthe sum and substance of and in il-limitable space, whether intelligent or Mind is substance and tangible-all

is mind.

The man Jesus Christ was the very ence and embodiment of Socialism taught a community of goods (collective ownership) and denounced prevailing order of things at that time in the strongest of terms, and if on earth today would be called an anar E. P. HASSINGER.

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A GOOD SUGGESTION.

Mr. Editor:-I have recently visited several of our branches and have been impressed with the great need of some plan of campaign that will not only make every member of every branch feel that he has a work to do, but will point out how it may be done and supfeel that he has a work to do, but will

Manifestly the most important work of a branch is its propaganda work.

I do not forget the need of funds for than once has that power peen each class of the questions which it did not suit their purpose to have come before the party.

Nor is the referendum any better. The referendum can only be of value where a full, thorough and impartial discussion of both sides of the question to be voted upon, is first laid before the party. That is never done in the S. L. P. In the one instance where the S. L. P. In the one instance where the same and the same a

his friend to call for the book he is show that men are the makers of sys-more apt to read it, and by caling Mr. tems and likewise the producers of enhis friend to call for the book he is more apt to read it, and by caling Mr. Jones finds out what impression has been made, what difficulties may still remain to be removed and what book would best serve the purpose. Mr. Jones should never let up on his friend Johnson as long as he will read, but should keep him constantly supplied with the best books and papers ob-tainable and induce him to attend our meetings, especially when the speakers announced are of sufficient ability to make a favorable impression. Mr.
Jones should make a record in a little
book for that express purpose to whom
he loans each book and when it is re-Get rid of the notion, comrades, that socialism and the S. L. P. are one and the same thing. The S. L. P., with its present tactics and leadership, is the worst enemy the cause of scientific whas What has science to do the social dand issue to Mr. Jones a branch of the book sold, over to the person having charge of the books, who should mark that number off his record as sold and issue to Mr. Jones a branch of the book sold, over to the person having charge of the books, who should mark that number off his record as sold and issue to Mr. Jones a branch of the book sold, over to the person having charge of the books and the book sold, over to the person having charge of the book sold, over to the person having charge of the book sold and issue to Mr. Jones a branch of the book sold, over to the person having charge of the books, who should mark that number off his record as sold and issue to Mr. Jones a branch of the book sold, over to the person having charge of the books and the book sold of the book sold, over to the person having charge of the books, who should mark that number off his record as sold and issue to Mr. Jones a branch of the book sold of the bo turned. If any one wants to buy one of the books he should take the price show surprising results if it is faith fully and energetically followed. Ex-perience will doubtless suggest im-provement; if so, we should all get the benefit of it through the Souffil Democrat. There is no one so lacking in ability that he can't reach some friend or companion by this plan, and every branch should at once procure at least 100 copies of "Merrie England" and such other literature as may be considered most desirable and transform every member into a missionary to preach the gospel of Socialism 36

> TAMES SHELDEN INCALLS THE I. B. L.

ing of your branch and then let every

one do his best and watch us grow

Mr. Editor:-I read with some interest Comrade Heath's letter in the So-cial Democrat of Dec. 9. It was an issue that I missed while in the West hence I did not see it until recently when my attention was called to it. I have not the slightest objections to

Comrade Heath carving up the pseudophilanthropists to his heart's desire if that form of amusement pleases him. But he has been singularly unfortunate and misinformed as is shown when he classifies Mrs. Katharine A. Tingley national Brotherhood League which is an organization endeavoring to bring about on the subjective plane, the sam results as the Social Democracy seeks to accomplish on the objective plane Brotherhood without any distinction

I am inclined to believe that Comrade Heath has unintentionally mis-represented Mrs. Tingley who is one to whom I am personally indebted for "many quaint and curious canons of forgotten lore," to paraphrase Poe a little. Hence it would appear as ingratitude for me to remain silent when my teacher is attacked and misrepresented. Comrade Heath's arguments are largely assumptions. He ass that Mrs. Tingley is a philanthropist because she has a big heart full of sym pathy for man; ergo, being a philan thropist, she has plenty of time: hence is well-to-do and therefore a benefi

ciary of the present system.

There are many non sequiturs in his logic. Especially is this true when he tries to point out in the vampire pictured in the Social Democrat embryo Mrs. Tingley. It would embryo Mrs. Tingley. just as logical for me to say Jesus Christ was tall and had a blond beard. Comrade Heath is tall and has a blonde beard hence Comrade Heath is Jesu

Mrs. Tingley is well known to me man having the direction of a weekly newspaper, "The New Century" and a monthly magazine, "Universal Brother-hood," besides being the leader of the Theosophical movement with all its various societies and activities in all the countries of the world. She is the furthest removed from a sentimental philanthropist with time hanging heavy on her hands that Comrade Heath would have picked.

She is possessed of enormous brain power, standing facile princeps among

tion (a pure assumption) has led him to make a well written presentation of the materialistic conception of the fac-tors underlying social evolution.

They are the basis and mainspring of his criticism and therefore I will go a little deeper than the surface and examine them as it will subserve a purpose and make this little controversy of some benefit to our members. How often we hear and read arguments like his and the whole burden of the song is "You must change the environment" or still another set please, "You must deal with causes not

There is a lot of rot talked by self-styled scientific Socialists about "en-vironment," "evolution," etc.

John Boyle O'Reilly put it with one of his flashes of genius as scientifically correct as it was poetically phrase when he said:

You say it is the fault of the a system grown old and strong.
"But men are the judges of systems and the cure will come if we own the wrong."

I have quoted in a free m

The economic development of the past five centuries, which is supposed to have produced the environment of our present conditions has been the direct result of inventions wrought out

from the brain of man.

Man changes environment, but the antecedent process is to change man by making him loving and brotherly and desiring justice as the Internation-al Brotherhood League is seeking to do in an unsectarian manner. Perhaps the League is a little more scientific

While environment does act on man man acts on environment. The differto a large extent by environment vet there is always a percentage not affected while environment may be entirely changed.

Man may change his environment altogether but before he does, the de-sire to change such environment must

Who will implant such desire? Such organizations as the Social Democracy and the International Brotherhood League.

The first object of the L. B. L. is "To help workingmen realize the nobility of their calling and their true position in life." Could a more succinct terse description of the main objects of the Social Democracy (likewise a much misunderstood organization) be given

than in these words.
"We as Social Democrats appeal to workingmen because we know it is a waste of time to appeal to the wealthy whose class interests are subserved by the continuance of the capitalist sys-We do not object to the wealthy coming in and donating of their wealth to assist us in our movement for jus-tice but we do not make our propa-ganda to them as we realize their interests are opposed to us. Sometimes their hearts may war with their inter-ests so successfully that we see a Lasalle pouring out his wealth to help destroy his own class and the means

which provided that wealth.

We as Social Democrats try to make men realize the nobility of their calling by advocating ameliorative measures that call for "reduction of the hours of labor in proportion to the progress of production.'

We also as Social Democrats, are trying to make the workingmen, the great mass of the people, in America, realize their true position in life, as it is now and as their true position should be, when we try to show them how they are exploited by the unholy Trinity—three in one, Rent, Interest and Profit, and what their true position would be if all this exploitation was abolished, the instruments of produc-tion and distribution owned collectively and every man received his full share of the wealth he created. I do not believe in a personal God sitting away off in the heavens although I always endeavor to show toleration and politeness to those who do so believe Our beliefs and opinions are the de-ductions we make from our knowledge and as that increases our beliefs and opinions change.

is a god in potentiality and as science progresses, the powers and forces contained in man will be more developed so as to show this.

The developments of the past ten years have brought about the destruc-tion of materialism as advocated by Buchner and the rest of the German and English "monkey folk". Its epitaph could be written thus "ma-terialism is dead, hypnotism killed it." Science has proven the existence of forces that act independent of matter sidered as matter.

The human consciousness acts independently of the body as so graphically described by Stinson Jarvis in his remarkable papers termed "The Ascent of Life." published in the Arena some years back and by thousands of other honest and trustworthy experimenters. In these papers Mr. Jarvis proved that before visited and accurately describe what was going on there.

us that controls our thoughts and operations of the mind and hence is behind and separate from the mind. You can call this the soul, consciousness the thinker, the real "I" or ego or what not, it makes no difference what label you put on it. It is eternal indestructible and unalterable as the Rhagavat Gita says

the Royal Society of London he is recognized as the greatest au-thority on the nervous system and its disorders, said: "It is absolutely necessary to postulate the existence of a ner vous ether differentiated from ether of space in which thought inheres during molecular change," etc. This nervous ether forms the mind and nervous system. Ether is external inde structible and unchangeable, else i would be matter—and matter it is not hence science to-day recognizes a reasonable hypothesis, the immortality

Why should not the working people know these things in order that the may realize their own true nobilitynot that they have a soul tucked away in a corner which is no earthly us until death, but they are immortal souls, that in them is a certain element or principle which is external and unchangeable and that the law of the conservation of energy applies the mental and moral planes as well as it does on the material

In the magazine, "Universal Brother-hood," for December is an article entitled, "The Helper's Hand," which I would commend to Comrade Heath's careful consideration as it deals with the very question at issue. The terminology may seem at first like the old-fashioned ante materialisic terminology, but it will repay study.

In this the writer sends out a cata ract of scientific truths, adorned with the sunshine of a warm heart can evoke. I can only quote briefly.

"It is not a work of charity. It is the work of love. The theological original sin has made just as much evil as the blighting materialistic beliefs as the bilgning materialist.

The masses are oppressed mentally even more than physically. That sleep should be removed. We can can touch people by mind but we can make Hope-a divine ray in time, brotherhood—a divine ray in space, justice divine ray in motion.

"Men should be awakened to the

fact that they are souls and their true dwelling place is the ideal and eternal world of truth. Then only will hope, brotherhood and justice be of any value. Some people object to broa teachings and require details. They wonder what it will be, capitalism, So cialism or even anarchy. This shows a ridiculous and superficial understand-ing of the subject. The idea of brotherhood and tolerance is a great deal more important than any of the socio

and unhampered. Some things are local not only geographically, but sociologically. Some people desire to make a political party and impose their ideas upon others perfectly forgetting their ideas may not concern everybody and only a very limited number of ideas can do so. This is as ridiculous as if somebody would propose to establish a state religion because a majority wants Brotherhood and toleration are happily guardians of freedom."

I might quote at greater length, but

the objects of the I. B. L. are to first arouse in men the desire for a change in environment, which can only from a cognition of causes and effects in their entirety. Man is himself largely an effect of previous causes. To be thoroughly scientific we must not only deal with causes, but also with effects Effects are in themselves also causes Selfishness, wage system, poverty, slums, degradation, despair, revolution, despotism. These are the progressive effects which are the causes of the suc-ceeding effects. The law of cause and effect likewise exists in the mental and moral planes.

So let us be scientific and deal not only with one end of the string, with causes, but also with effects, so that we may consider and deal with the whole problem. In closing I would fraternally suggest to Comrade Heath and others that it is unwise to make superficial criticisms and that it is the part of wisdom before criticizing to get knowledge at first hand on society like the I. B. L. or the S. D. of A. either proposes to do. We know the S. D. of A. is often unjustly criticized for a single second outside the body, it can exist for all time outside the body. We know that there is something in us that controls our thoughts and the same. Whatever I have said basely because the same whatever I have said basely the same.

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THE GRIND.

Interesting News Items from All Over the

A co-operative mine has been startd at New Kensington Pa

Grant Allen claims that all the le ng authors in Europe and America are

San Francisco Socialists cast 2.00

Chicago electrical workers are de manding \$3.75 for eight hours' work in place of \$3.00, as at present paid. Because of a reduction of wages 400

poilermakers at the Erie Basin dry dock, Brooklyn, N. Y., have gone on Complete returns from southern Ger-

many show the exports of America in 1897 to have been \$36,598,879, against \$34,210,327 in 1896. It is stated that the last of the gate men on the Manhattan elevated rall-way of New York has been discharged to make room for an automatic ma-

chine. Russia has the most rapidly increasing population of any country in the world. The growth during the last 100 years has been a fraction less

1,000,000 annually.

the Jersey Central received their walking papers on January 1. They voted to uphold the capitalistic system. Now et them take their medicine.

An electric locomotive in a Canadian coal mine shows a saving over mules of \$2,528 in 200 days, and an electric num in the same mine shows a saving pump in the same mine shows a saving over steam pumps of \$1,573 in 970 days.

The thickest known coal seam in the world is the Wyoming, near Twin creek, in the Green river coal basin, Wyoming. It is eighty feet thick, and upward of 300 feet of solid coal underlie 4.000 acres

George Barnes, secretary of the Amalgamated Society of Engineers, in a speech at Lambeth London on the 2d, declared that the men on had plenty of funds and intend to continue the fight. Progressive laborites and Socialists

east a total of 50,000 votes in the School Board election in London, electing a number of candidates. The British workingmen are surely wheeling into the political labor movement. The Pennsylvania railroad, after

experimenting for two years with electricity as a motive power for its small side lines, has decided in its favor. The tests were made in all sorts of condi-The Socialist vote in Virginia in the

recent state elections has just been officially announced. Here it is: Fauntz for governor), 528 votes; Maycumber for lieutenant-governor), 2,024 votes. Last year our vote in the state was only (for The Boston official Socialist vote is 827 for mayor instead of 780, as at first

ed 6,680 votes for school commissioner

The seven candidates for aldermen polled votes ranging from 1,400 up 2.105. An investigator finds that with the aid of new machinery 800 men now turn out as much work a day in Carnegie's Edgar Thompson mill as 4,500 men did a few years ago. Talk about revolutions! But let's blame the So-

The approaching elections in Bel gium are creating great interest. The Clerical and Liberal parties are quietly arranging some sort of a combination to defeat the Socialists, but the latter are confident of increasing trength despite all obstacles

cialists for pointing it out.

The Dutch are the largest consumers of tobacco. In 1883 the consumption in Holland and Belgium was eighty-four Switzerland with eighty-two. Brazil and Turkey follow with seventy ounces each per Brazilian and per Turk.

Paul Singer, one of the Socialistic eaders in the Reichstag in Germany, has been re-elecated to the Berlin mu school children. Of course the non Socialist parties oppose the proposition

By an overwhelming vote the people f Mobile. Ala., have decided to their water works, Richmond, Virginia, owns its gas works and in 1896 at \$1.00 per 1.000 feet, the city realize a profit of \$6,000. Sloux City, Iowa, it taking steps looking toward the municipal ownership of its street car lines

The news comes from England that a gigantic combination of capitalists in being formed for the purpose of "com bating the encroachments of trade unions and socialism." The engineers istic interests, and talk of a huge com bination of employers for offensive and defensive purposes has been going on

A new grim calamity is staring the Russian peasantry in the face. It seventeen provinces, situated mainly on the rivers Don, Volga and the lat oh the rivers bon, Volga and the lat-ter's two mighty tributaries, Kama and Oka (not to count the Chernigov, Stay-ropol and Kouban provinces)—the spring as well as the winter crops fail-ed. These provinces cover an area of spring as well as the winter crops min-ed. These provinces cover an area of over 27,000,000 of acres of winter corn fields, which form two-fifth of all the winter corn fields in the fifty provinces of European Russia.

board ship of pneumonia. The deceased was 60 years of age, and was highly respected in his country. He has been general secretary of the railway men's organization since 1833, and led the Cardiff strike of '90 for ten hours, which was won. Stood as a Liberal-Labor candidate for Northampton in the last general elections, but was defeated in three-cornered fight.

PEANUTS AND POVERTY.

Government Dietary Experts Make Important Discoveries.

Government dietary experts notes "Commonwealth," have made two very important discoveries in their investigations of the foods and habits of the gations of the foods and habits of the poor in our large cities. One is that much of the poverty is due to ignorance of the knewledge of what to eat and what not to eat; the other, that the peanut possesses a nutritive value exceeding that of beefsteak—ten cents' worth of peanuts furnishing as much actual nourishment as fifteen cents' worth of beef. This will be welcome news to the pious rich, who have long been in a state of mind on account of their insatiable avarice not being exactly in line with Christ's teachings.
Their old, favorite argument, that intemperance is the chief cause of poverty, having been exploded by the investigations of impartial statisticians, the peanut discovery will prove a veri-table godsend; for why should the poor need any help from them when they can buy enough peanuts for ten cents to last any reasonable family a whole day? It is conceivable that a family might possibly get tired of an exclu-sive diet of peanuts the year round; but, on the other hand, poor folks are not supposed to have tongues and palates-only an absurd desire ing something occasionally. The pluocratic Christians have evidently scor ed a great triumph in the exaltation of the hitherto humble American peanut.

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CONSPIRACY OR NOT?

"Kind, die Kutsche ist ready," cried a voice a few minutes later, and a good, elderly face peeped in at the

"Come in Marianne," Aurelia responded in the same tongue, i. e., German, but leaving out the English adornments of the other, whereupon awoman stepped into the room. She was evidently dressed for going out, for a bonnet covered her silvery locks and a cape her shoulders. Marianne held the medium of companion and stores offering for sale the various and stores of sale the various and sale the sale that the stores of sale the various and sale the sale that the sale t medium of companion and stores offering for sale the various pro-

both parents of the girl having died three years before the opening of our story.

Having said this in explanation, we may as well go a step further and give a short family history of persons destined to play a prominent role on our stage.

Caesar and Aurella were, as we Caesar and Aurella were, as we

Caesar and Aurelia were, as we esus. Their mother was the daughter of a German nobleman bearing the name of Zitroy, a corruption of the German Sei Tran and more of the sand process. So we accompany the two ladies to the office the bank to witness the hearty greeting between uncle and niece. After the usual explanation of the sand process of the sand proce German Sei Treu, and meaning "Be true," a motto which Mrs. Croesus' father had carried out with such fidel-ity that he sacrificed to it everything but principle and honor.

He had been one of the few noble-men of the Fatherland, siding with the people against the government in the revolution of 1848, and was compelled flee to Vesperia with the loss of all

In Vesperia he had entered the arm; and held a lucrative position until old age had compelled him to retire. Caesar Croesus had met Fraulein von Zit-roy at the capitol and formed so ardent passion for her that he had sought nd gained her hand in marriage. The lady in question was one of the most beautiful and accomplished women of her time, and had spared neither time nor money to give her two children the best education attainable.

Both Caesar and Aurelia had spent several years in Europe, and the latter spoke German, French and English with equal facility. What is more to the purpose, however, her mind had been broadened by study, and she had reached that spiritual elevation where

prejudice becomes impossible.

Her mother had shared the liberal sentiments of her father, and all the wealth and surroundings of her married life had been unable to erase the

teachings of her youth.

She had three brothers, all men of culture and character, and the influ ence of these men had not only strengthened her own convictions but

colored those of her daughter.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Croesus had fallen victims to a virulent fever raging at a bathing place they were frequenting, and their children had thus suddenly become their own masters.

Their uncles, on their mother's side, had offered and given all the advice and assistance they could under the circumstances, but on the part of Caesar this mediation had been coldly rereived and finally declined. Of late the uppishness of the millionaire had been strongly developed in the young man and with every new day he be came more deeply impressed with his personal dignity and the exalted po-sition he had obtained in the world. Is this a wonder? Is it not rather a

wonder that Aurelia had not become similarly blased? Look at the adulation which we mortals offer to Mam-mon and his priesthood, and you must see that the concelt of the plutocrat not only natural and logical, but

Aurelia's relation to her uncles was not merely friendly, but intimate and cordial in the extreme. She not only loved them for their amiable disposition, but esteemed them for their wisdom and integrity, and had made them her counselors and mediators in "I shall be glad to receive you, Uncle. You must go? Very well, then. Aunty, the many philanthropic enterprises she had started. It would fill a volume to describe them in detail; but we may let us withdraw, seeing that both thes mention that she had established a gentlemen have no time to waste on bank, both in Plutopolis and Lakop-butterflies. Au revoir." bank, both in Plutopoils and olis, whose purpose it was to receive and honestly invest the savings of the poor and assist the business men of poor and assist the business men of means with temporary loans, if tuted a bureau of labor and employ- dare not describe her toilet, sincement where deserving persons were given work. She had also established would be certain to expose our shock-ing ignorance concerning the make-ups a small orphanage, where over one of a fashionable lady's atting and hundred children were raised and educated, with the design of teaching them a useful trade or profession, and it next to impossible to determine the them a useful trade or profession, and at the same time instilling them with at the same time instilling them with
the exaited principles Aurelia and her
relatives entertained. To do this without the assistance of these trustworthy
men would have been impossible,
a circumstance showing more plainly
tion. "Ah, there you are," she laughed
tions between the parties concerned
and the bonds which held them tograther.

merits or demerits of her figure. Her
features were rather pretty, but comall on the side of a heartless corporation. A few days ago I visited 40 homes
in Spring Valley and witnessed scenes
which are almost beyond belief. In
one home I found a young man in a
dying condition. The doctor in charge
said he was simply starving to death.
In another house I found a mother and
or placing an attachment on you, to
prevent you from giving me the slip merits or demerits of her figure. Her

that is, as far as his garments are con-cerned, for the stamp of innate nobility is imprinted upon his brow, and intellectually he towers above his relative He is at work with some papers, but seems to have sufficient leisure to no-tice the distinguished visitors as they enter singly and in pairs. Here come Isaac Goldman, there Aaron Silverman with Solomon Combine at his side. Now David Trust makes his appear-ance, immediately followed by Abram Syndicate. The next arrival is Jacob Monopole with Benjamin Usury at his sition and his that the soil is wanting for sympathy to grow upon. Are you going to the bank?"

"Yes, Aunty. I wish to consult Uncle

Rudolph, have you read the last num-

Jean Teps' scheme?"
"The grandest one of the age, child."

"Exactly my idea. I had hardly read

hands. His integrity his ingenuity

find him at leisure in his office?'

outline sketch of the brothers.

while they iay helpless in the cradle. They were of pure Saxon blood, Deep azure eyes beamed superior intelli-gence and philanthropic benevolence.

to betray to even the casual observer

ing the office doors upstairs, so please

ing measures to thwart Teps' plans?"

"Hardly, Relia. He is always busy:

ber of the 'Coming Humanity?'

"I have. Relia."

Reader, take off your hat, and put on a more reverential air, or the jant-tor will surely put you out, and us, too, which would be worse. Are there more, Rudolph and Uncle Adolph on highly important matters. I trust we shall find them disengaged." "Which isn't very likely, Relia, conyou ask? Yes, fully a dozen nabobs more but we have no time to enumer sidering the amount of business you send them every hour of the day." Aurelia laughed, but had no time for

judge him to be Caesar's first cousin;

sus, saying:
"Gentlemen,, be seated, if you please You are aware that a subject of the ut-most importance claims our attention and consideration today, namely, the insane plan conceived by a band of idiots and rascals, to upset the present order of society and inaugurate a new order of things. We would not mind servant so often found in rich families.

She was even more than companion to Aurelia, holding the place of mother, both parents of the girl having died

Tant, where the public event of the place of mother, where the public event of the place of this worder of the place of the place of mother, both parents of the girl having died

Tant, where the public event of the place of the present order of society and naugurate a new order of things. We would not mind or care if this new order did not threaten to upset the old regime which has neverthed. en to upset the old regime which has prevailed for many centuries and se-cured that stability and safety so highly valued by all good citizens. new order of things is designed to take the reins of government from those who have and transfer it to those who would like to have, without an effort who would like to divide with us ever once in a while, to replenish the pock-etbook which we filled, and which their apartments, as time presses. So we insane methods and love of dissipation is bound to empty, in spite of our ef-forts to keep it replenished.
"It behooves us, as cautious men, to

Aurelia held up the periodicals we have seen before, and inquired: "Uncle call a halt, and take measures to destroy their efforts in the germ. I would be gratified, gentlemen, if some or all of you would give us their views on "And what do you think of Mr. Hugh the subject, and suggest the best measures to defeat their malicious pur-

A momentary silence ensued, ther

of it when I resolved to give my plan of colonizing one of the western states implicitly and entirely into Mr. Teps' forcibly stated the dangers thr "Gentlemen: My friend Croesus has forcibly stated the dangers threaten-ing us from this crazy innovation. I shall, therefore, not repeat his warn-"You are right, child; but have you considered the needful steps?"
"Only partly, Uncle. I came this morning to deliberate with you and Uncle Adolf. Do you think we shall tive I mean disgulsed, underhand, as find him at Jeisure in the amen?" ings, but point out to you a course best it were, permitting the potent agencies of society to do the work. It is more so if you wish to speak with him I than likely, nay, almost certain, that had better telephone him to come down a few minutes."

than likely, nay, almost certain, that had better telephone him to come infractions of law and order. In such infractions of law and order. In such instances it will be our duty to avenge She nodded assent, and a minute later a gentleman of fine appearance the majesty of the law and secure their stepped into the room.

stepped into the room.

While he shakes hands with the ladies we shall give the reader a short on the defensive, or take the offensive, as the case may require. Our measure They are about forty, tall and straight as the pine of the Hartz should be defensive when the horde at-Mountain, in which the wind soughed while they iay helpless in the cradle. offensive when their maneuvres threaten the stability of society, whose acknowledged guardians we always have been and should continue to be. Let me illustrate: "If I am rightly informed, it is the

Yellow hair hung in rich clusters around their temples, and a single glance at their placid features sufficed intention of the leaders to march their forces to the field of operations, as they that, in dealing with these men, he had to deal with superior specimens of his race. No narrowness, no littleness, I need not tell you. Now, the probabilno prejudice in them!

"You desire my presence, Aurelia,"
the newcomer inquired. "What can I do for you? Remember, however, that dozens of clients of yours are been as the not plainly our day. to engage detectives to accompany the rabble, and call the attention of said authorities to any irregularities that be expeditious."

Aurelia then proceeded to develop may occur? Here a watermelon patch her designs regarding the new move-ment in Arcadia, and found the read-iest acquiescence in Uncle Adolf. "And you say the Nabobs are now deliberat-ing measures to these theory there is a constant of the constant of the

ment.
"I know the leaders of the scheme "That is what Caesar intimated to thirst after the fame and glory of mar thirst after the fame and glory of marme before departing for his office.
Crassus Ego has his finger in the picit seems, so you may be assured that
the persecution of the organizers will
be both severe and unscrupulous."
"No doubt of it, child. We must, of
course, await the outcome of this meeting, but when their intentions are once
known, we must at once proceed to
counteract them. My son, Emile, will
probably be able to report this evening, so let us all meet at your house
and deliberate on the steps necessary
to thwart these machinations."
"I shall be glad to receive you, Uncle.
You where go? Year well then Amaly."

"I shall be glad to receive you, uncle.

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"I shall be glad to receive you, uncle.

"I shall be glad to receive you. Uncle.

The fame and glory of martyrdom. Would it not be generous,
then, my friends, to all them in
quenching this thirst? A little impromptu mob placed in their way, a
mintain for a moment a well ordered
mantain for a moment a well ordered
maintain fo

tached to my name."

Here the speaker was interrupted by shouts of laughter and applause. When the noise had subsided, he resumed:

STARVATION AT SPRING VALLEY

Rev. William M. Brown of Spring Valley, Ill., said the other day to a Chicago audience: "The miners of Spring Valley are slowly starving to never seen a drunken man on the street. There has been no violence, I is a battle of endurance with the odds all on the side of a heartless corpora-

and the bonds which held them together.

But to return to the Croesus manishin. "I am ready, Aunty," the girl continued; "will you be kind enough to get my wraps? I'll just fold these papers and then we'll start, Aunty, jetzt vorwaerts."

The pair descended and seated themselves in the carriage walting at a side entrance. Just as they were driving off Marianne exclaimed: "Look, child, there is Mr. Ego driving up in front; shall I tell Johann to stop?"

"No, Aunty," with a slight touch of disgust. "I have no time for Mr. Ego just now, nor any other time, for that matter. You know, Aunty, there is not very much sympathy between Mr. Ego and myself."

"I know there isn't, Relia, and I don't wonder much; for there is such a wide difference between your dispo-

THE OLD WAGE-SLAVE'S REPLY. from his appearance you would hardly (To the tune of "Poor Old Dad.")

The other day, while strolling out to have a quiet walk,
While passing by a factory door I heard some noisy talk;
Just then the door flew open and a white-haired man came out;
I lingered near to find out what the trouble was about.
The owner of the factory was just inside the door,
And shouted to the old man thus: "You need come back no more;
You've grown too old to do your work;
I can't pay for your bread."
The old man's face grew white as death, and this is what he said:
Chouse:

and this is what he said:
Chorus:
"You've taken all my youth and
strength; you've grown rich by my
toll;
And now you turn me off like this, and
on New England soil!
My blood is on the gold you prize; 'twill
curse the food you eat;
No land can thrive that turns its old
folks on the street."

folks on the street."

I watched the old man's trembling form as down the road he sped.

Then turning to the owner of the factory I said:

"You may increase your profits, sir, by cruel deeds like these;

The law allows you to oppress, and live in wealth and ease;

But just as sure as right is might, you in your turn shall go.

The people shall take back their own and they shall reap who sow;
I envy not your millions since I've heard that old man's plea.

I'd rather die a pauper than have those words said to me."

Boston, Mass.

THE SACREDNESS OF CONTRACT. Supreme Court of Missouri Overturns

The case of the St. I., M. & S. R. R. Co. vs. J. W. Matthews, decided by the supreme court of Missouri, has been regarded by a legal journal as a lead-

J. W. Matthews was an engineer and was employed by said railroad com-pany, which had executed a contract with its employes to the effect that "no engineer shall be discharged or suspended without just and sufficient cause, and if he believes his discharge or suspension unjust he shall make a written statement of the facts in the premises and submit it to his master mechanic, and at the same time designate another engineer who may be in the employ of the company, and the master mechanic, with that engineer last referred to, in conjunction with the superintendent, will investigate the case. • • • In case the discharge or suspension is decided unjust • • • he shall be reinstated."

Matthews was discharged, and sued the company, recovering a verdict and judgment, which was appealed and was reversed by the supreme court of Mis-

ouri, because there was no mutuality. There are several other minor clauses in the contract, but they were held in sufficient to bind the company in this

It will be observed that the engineer who a little over two years ago would not under any consideration violate their agreements with the company now find that their agreements are a nudum pactum, absolutely worthless, and may be broken at will by the com-

At a recent convention in Detroit the engineers were told by one of their employers "to keep young men out of office, because they are radical, social-istic, etc., and keep the good old men at the helm;" and these good old men may now be informed that their contracts were made for them to keep and is desirable or subserves the interest of the company.

The freedom and sacredness of the ontract depends decidedly upon whose ox is gored. Corporations must be left free to hire and discharge whom they please, and free to break their contracts when they please.

COMPETITION DOOMED.

of the money which represents the ag-gregate of labor in any country, while at work that he has no time to acquire an education and refinements of quire an education and refinements of life that would make him and his family agreeable companions to the rich and cultured? The reason why I am a Christian Socialist comes in just

I would take, not by force, but by the slow process of lawful acquisition through better legislation as the out-come of a wiser ballot in the hands of men and women the entire plant that we call civilization, all that has been achieved on this continent in the four hundred years since Columbus wended his way hither, and made it the common property of all the people, requir-ing all to work enough with their hands to give them the finest physical development, but not to become burme in any case, and permitting all are alike the advantages of education and refinement. I believe this to be perfectly practicable; indeed, that right men for the position? any other method is simply a relic of barbarism. I believe with Frederic Maurice of England, that it is infidel for any to say that competition is not doomed. The trusts, whose single ob-ject it is to abolish competition, have proved that we are better without than proved that we are better without than with it the moment that any corporation controls the supply of any product; what the Socialist desires is that the corporation of humanity should control all production. This is the frictionless way; it is the higher law; it eliminates the motives for a selfah life it enacts into our every-day living the ethics of Christ's gospel; nothing else will do ft; nothing else can bring the glad day of universal brotherhood.

—Frances Willard.

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DANGEROUS TENDENCIES.

One trouble with many colonies is

heir selfishness My attention was drawn to this last week by a letter from one of our members, who said he had contributed to many colonies, as had many other poor people in the United States, and when the colonists had got their own homes secured they turned around and put the bars up so the other poor people who

had helped them could not also get a He instanced Ruskin and a number of others who, through excessive mempership fee or other disqualifications, prevented the poor who had only their labor to come in and be a part of such colony, although they might have con-tributed considerable money to the building up of the homes the more lucky ones were injoying in such col-

This is said without any feeling against Ruskin, but merely to show a

The various religious colonies in America have accumulated millions and millions of dollars worth of wealth the inherent selfishness in mankind has kept the benefits of collective ownership inside a charmed circle. vironments in their case were all in a physical sense, but they had not yet been educated to a sense of brother-hood and so had not arrived at the full sense of their duty in helping to change outside systems "Helping and sharing is what Broth

erhood means.

FINANCIAL VALUE OF HOPE.

In a spirit of broadness and catholicity we this week present a letter from the Equality Colony at Edesen, Washington.

While we do not agree with their which keeps out a good many members yet we can not help agreeing to and commending the spirit of hope and confidence that seems to actuate the colony at the present time.

This brings us down to the fact that after all it is subjective matters that make the difference between success and fallure on the material plane. Without hope and confidence any colony will be a failure; with it the colony will be a success, all other things

That brings us to the statement that as long as Ruskin and Equality can by argument and illustration keep up spirit of hope and confidence they will succeed along the lines on which they started. Much of the friction in the history of past colonies has arisen from a feeling of discontent due to a sense of impending failure. This can be avoided by instilling a spirit of hope and cheerfulness which will have its financial value in increasing the proworth living, the desire for which is the

real cause of colony effect.

Hence the cause and the effect will be one, paradoxical as it may seem.

DETERMINED TO SUCCEED.

had become discouraged and dropped out because they had heard nothing from the Colonization Commission.

He is a good and sincere member and so I wrote him that it was much in a big city and drop out then there than it was to wait until they got into a colony and then get discour men with more "sand" than that any

way.
You know when an engine is run ning down hill and the engineer danger ahead, he opens his sand box and allows the sand to drop on the track. That enables the wheels to get a firm grip on the track. So "sand" in a man gives him a good grip on things missioners if they should get dis aged at every rebuff or disappointment? Would be think that they were the great disappointments we had to con-tend with was that the working people of the country wanted certain things, such as secure homes for themselver and children, and yet were not willing to pay for them.

Several thousand of the Co-Operative Commonwealth boxes had gone out which ought to yield a revenue of several thousand dollars a month for the Colonization Commission, but they were not doing it. Many of our memday for the gratification of their own selfish desires than to drop it in the box and send it in.

box and send it in.

I have seen many Socialists in the last 14 years who are like the description given by a German Milwaukee comrade, who said: "They go to a saloon every evening and spend 20 or 30 Buy 100 copies of Merrie England loon every evening and spend 20 or 30 and distribute them among 100 of your count of the fence. In the social have drank up that amount, the social

the spirit?

Arm! Arm ye for the conflict.
All ye who love the right;
Your arms, your sharpened vision.
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Your banner, inner sight;
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Your arms, your sharpened vision.
Your banner, inner sight;
Arm! Arm ye for the conflict.
The war with greed for gain;
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In arm y plan. Would a nicket dropped and any in the box sent out to the members or, down the future ages, bankrupt any member? Of course the answer is "No." Then why is it not "Neath e'en the fairest skies"

The members who get discourage should, however, remember these facts. We as members of the Colonization Commission are not discouraged. We were sufficiently intelligent to appre ciate the difficulties we had to sur lected for the position.

On the contrary, we are full of hope and confidence, with definite plans and purposes and the brightest of outlook

The main reason for bringing up the question of our unduly discouraged members was to tell them that this is a big organization and that there is a definite and serious purpose to make the colonization movement of the organization a success on a large the scale. This purpose will be as seriously and as methodically carried out.

It may be in less than 60 days as we a year from now, or it may be given two years from now. "We will fight it out on this line if it takes all sum-mer," said Grant with grim determinaand the determination is as grea

As we say to our members, "Let not your heart be troubled, neither be afraid." This organization has a col-onization department. There are Colonization Commissioners and they will out the colonization plan through suc-

By H. S. Genevra Lake.

What is it that enslaves us? Why do we groan, and sweat, and agonize! Is it for our needs, or for our wants? Why the hells of manufactories, and mines, and slaughter pens, and bake-ovens, misnamed kitchens? What is the matter? As the old system shows signs of rotting down beneath our feet, let us pause and listen. What do we hear? Loud above the rattle and clang of machinery we detect the demon glee of the dwellers of earth, who rear buildings which are not useful, manufacture clothing which is deforming, "raise" and prepare foods which are crime-generating and devise amuse-ments which are moral anaesthetics we see the "marrying and giving in marriage" of Lust and Slavery—twin companions of a doomed civilization.

worthless propaganda where poverty pleads for "special privilege" to remain demoniacal and degraded.

We who "weave great hopes" wish to walk uprightly with our fellows, who also wake the welkin with their glad greetings for a nobler purpose. Writes one comrade to me: "I do not wish to go, except my own go with me." Writes another: "I woud not state where aspiration for the purest character is not the corner stone." Needed books and papers, most, at To polobampo? Nay, needed moral and spiritual insight to detect the code of mmon good.
"We have brains enough," says the

Seer and Prophet Debs, "but we lack heart." "Reduction of the hours of labor in proportion to the progress of production!" But what shall we pro-

duce? Shall we re-enslave ourselves? Or shall we, as new-born souls, step out of the "swaddling clothes" of our sense-servitude into the finer flavor of the spirit?

THE POWER OF EVOLUTION.

I have given some especial thought to the matter of a "positive program" for the social evolution. The present state of the movement is such that I feel the constraint of caution in advancing anything of a positive nature at this time. I also note the pervad-ing idea among advanced Socialists that things are to come to pass under some kind of overruling Providence not under direct human volition and effort, and regardless of any pre-con-

The idea of a "program" for an "evolution" would be pronounced pre-posterous I know, and so it would seem if these words were employed in describing or defining it. But "Proviman agency-in social matters-and that human agency will become the conservator of the forces of "Nature," "Evolution," etc., which has the most perfect organization, most definite, deep founded and far-calculated plan, in the closest conformity to the law of "Nature" or "Evolution." My criticism upon the current reform literature is that there is too much of this leaving things for "Evolution" to work out for itself, and dismissing the matter of "details," definite plan, set pur-pose, the cold wherewith and whereby to outgeneral and overpower plutoc-WHAT IS IT THAT ENSLAVES US? racy. Many people are writing books for lay reading, but it is as you say,
"The power of initiative is lacking in so many men."

STORM FORT CAPITALISM.

Revised and arranged by H. S., Genevra Lake.

(Hold the Fort, Gospel Hymns, B 14, Key of D.)

Hark! the watchword now is sounding Over all the land; See! the crushed are slowly rising, Oh, the sight is grand!

Storm the fort, my gallant comrades,

Thunder tones the world are shaking; From the prison wall Forth came Debs, the prophet hero, With a ringing call.

Lo! the light is dimly dawning Over land and sea,

As we march, with mind exultant, Toward our colony.

Chorus:-Storm the fort, etc. Oh, we cannot shun the conflict, Cannot be a siave, Cannot wear these galley fetters,— Onward, then, ye braves!

Some New York papers figure it out that the new combination of coal barons and railway magnates that is now forming will do away with all mid-

One of my correspondents wrote me from a large city saying that all "the SOCIAL DEMOCRACY EDITION MERRIE ENGLAND

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the political trimmers much uneasi of mind. Baker City, Ore.,, reports a new and flourishing branch. Oregon is coming

rapidly to the front A charter has been issued for anoth er branch at Paterson, N. J. This makes three branches in Paterson, and

they are all strong ones. Massachusetts Branch, No. 8, re-cently organized at Roxbury, meets every Sunday evening for education and discussion at No. 3 Glenwood

Don't think that your duty ends with joining a branch and paying your dues regularly. Work to secure converts to Socialism and bring in new members

to your branch.

One of the best branches organized by Comrade Debs on his southern trip is located at Smithville, Ga. This branch is composed of first-class ma terial throughout, and will do good work for Social Democracy.

For those who want FACTS to throw at the hardheads, Comrade Bersford's "Derringer" is just the thing. It con tains more genuine information than can be found elsewhere for many times the sum at which it is sold. Send 15 cents and get a copy.

The C. L. U. of Danbury, Conn., has instructed its officers to arrange for public meetings once a month for the discussion of economic questions. The question of municipal ownership will receive particular attention. This is hopeful sign, and shows the trend of trades unionism.

Organizer Lloyd goes to Spring Val-ley, Ill., on an organizing trip about Feb. 1st. On invitation of the miners' union at Streator, Ill., Comrade Lloyd will visit Streator after his work at Spring Valley is completed. Strong branches of the S. D. of A. will result from this trip.

By contributing 35 cents each, ten persons can secure 100 copies of Merrie England. That is ten books each to circulate among those who are dissatisfied with present conditions; and that means ten new Socialists added to the rapidly-growing ranks of Social Dem Is the result worth the effort? If so, hunt up the other nine and send in your order at once.

Branch 6 of New York, through its newly-elected secretary, Comrade Alexander Kahn, reports splendid progress A recent notable addition anch's membership is Comrade S Peskin, a formerly prominent member of the S. L. P. Comrade Peskin is an author and journalist, an excellent speaker and, above all, a faithful and active Socialist.

At the close of Comrade Debs' speech at Federation of Trades' hall, Atlanta, Ga., on Jan. 9, Mr. D. M. Riordan, president of the Arizona Lumber Con pany, made a talk on Social Democracy, and publicly offered to become one of any number from five or more persons to give to the cause of Socia Democracy the sum of \$5,000 each either on the spot or at any time in

The scuthern trip of Comrade Debs has been wonderfully successful. His dates and the points covered, in addidates and the points covered, in addition to those already published in the Social Democrat, are Columbus, Ga., on the 19th: Montgomery, Ala., 16th; Selma, Ala., 17th; Chattanooga, Tenn., 19th, and Knoxville, Tenn., 20th. Before making his contemplated trip through the east, a short western trip will be made, extending as far as Denver, Colo., where a meeting will be held on Feb. 6th. A meeting at Topeka, Kan., is advertised for Feb. 4th.

Comrade Victor of New York sends \$3.50 for 100 copies of Merrie England, and suggests that we ought to have

a depot in New York for our publica-tions, also handbills to advertise Mer-rie England and the Social Democrat.

The Chicago comrades should turn out in force to the meeting of Branch 9 on Monday next, Jan. 24. Comrade Stedman will speak—subject, "Political and Industrial Bias"—and the audience

on Stony Island avenue is rapidly be-coming a center of Socialist agitation.

Comrade Wibel, of Salem, Ore., makes the suggestion, in view of the fact that many workingmen spend much of their spare time in playing sade that it would be a good that to cards, that it would be a good idea to have the backs of playing cards print-ed with pithy reading matter teaching the truths of Socialism. This idea has already been acted upon as an advertising scheme by some of our great corporations, notably the Burlington railroad, and it might bring results for Socialism if properly carried out.

Comrade Leiber of Massachusetts branch No. 4, writes very encourag-ingly of progress in his branch, and states that an emblem has been adopted. The emblem is a button, printed in a circle, around the edge of which are the words, "Social Democbranches. Branch 4 has ordered one hundred Merrie Englands, and is doing some excelent propaganda work.

At the meeting of the Greater New York Central Committee on Jan. 8. committees from the Federated trades made a request for speakers. The Central committee will supply the Speakers asked for. The committee the "Labor Leader," and one of the also gave ten dollars for the purpose Central consequence of also gave ten dollars for the purpose of alding the up town locals to establish a Labor Lyceum in their locality, where lectures on Socialism will be delivered every Sunday. Officers were elected as follows: Dr. C. Rayevsky cleeted as follows: Dr. C. Rayevsky

at Washington Hall, 634 Cottage Grove avenue, on Saturday, Jan. 29, at 8 p. m. Comrade Morgan will open the debate, speaking forty minutes. He will be followed by Mr. White, who from the audience, alternating between Socialists and Single Taxers. To close, there will be a fifteen injuste speech by Comrade Morgan, followed by a fifteen-minute speech by Mr. White. The prominence of the principals in this debate insures the certainty of an interesting discussion of social questions from their respective standpoints, and those who attend the meeting may be sure of being well entertained and instructed. Turn out in force and fill the those who attend the meeting may be sure of being well entertained and in-structed. Turn out in force and fill the hall to overflowing.

A TRIP EAST.

Comrades Debs and Kelliher will make a trip through the east next month. Comrade Debs will speak from the pulpit of Rev. Thos. Dixon's church in New York City on Feb. 20th. Following the Dixon meeting, other meetings will be held at various Ten thousand extra copies of Merrie England have been ordered for use on this trip, and branches should begin at once to make proper arrangem for their distribution. Take their distribution. Take hold, rades of the east, and let us make this trip a rousing success.

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Each member of the Social Democ

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for the Social Democrat. Branch meetings should be attended regularly, and not member should be satisfied to go alone to a meeting; each should bring to the meeting at least one prospective member. In this way outsiders will be brought in touch with Socialist ideas and will become interested to such an extent that they will become members. This is the proper way to Branch No. 6, in the Woodlawn distirct, is holding some very interesting meetings, and its membership is rapidly increasing. At the last meeting of the branch five new members were enrolled. Comrade Bigel is one of the most active members of branch is a disposing of a ferril. trict, is helding some very interesting who cannot be induced to attend the meetings, and its membership is rapidly increasing. At the last meeting of the branch five new members were enrolled. Comrade Bigel is one of the sum of \$3.50 one hundred copies of most active members of branch 6. He meetings state of the Social Democrat, or to read Merrie England. For the small wind of the small side posing of a great many copies of wonderful lot of propaganda ammuniMerrie England, and his cigar store on Stony Island avenue is rapidly bebers might club together and raise enough to send for one hundred copies. enough to send for one hundred copies of this book at so slight an expense for each that it would not be felt. This personal missionary work is what counts. Every Social Democrat should be a missionary of the gospel of So-

EVALENKO VINDICATED.

After a most thorough investigation, extending over a period of four months, the committee of eight well-known Russians which was apppointed to investigate the charge that Comrade Evalenko, of New York City, was a spy in the employ of the Russian government has made its report, com-pletely exonerating Comrade Eva-lenko, and declaring that there is absolutely no proof to sustain such a charge. The committee sends a report of its finding for publication in the racy of America." In the center of the button appears a golden scale, repblatt, The People, and the Volkszelresenting Justice, and surrounding the tung, as it deems it its duty to susscale is a triangle, the three sides of tain the honor of Comrade Evalenko which stand for Liberty, Equality and Brotherhood. We think the design of this emblem is most excellent, and it before the Russian colony. The committee was composed of three members of the S. D. of A., three members of the S. L. P. and two anarchists.

J. KEIR HARDIE.

He Is Optimistic Over the Prospects For the Social Democracy of America.

er, of No. 12, Vice Chairman; M. Adelmore, of No. 1, Recording Secretary; N. Aleinikoff, of No. 1, Corresponding Secretary; B. Wenstock, of No. 5, Financial Secretary; M. Jolles, of No. 16, Treasurer. Several new locals were reported as being in process of form ation. somewhat optimistic over its pros-

the debate, speaking forty minutes. The will be followed by Mr. White, who will also speak forty minutes. Twelve five-minute speeches will then follow from the audience, alternating between the Social Democratic Federation.

A Case Where a Sheriff's Posse Did Not Fire on Violators of the Law.

A SLIGHT DIFFERENCE.

It makes all the difference who is gored. The New York Journal puts the case as follows: The New York & Philadelphia Traction company invaed the township of Bridgewater, N. J. points in Greater New York on Feb.
21st, 22d and 23d. Following the New
York meetings, meetings will be held
in Hartford, Conn., on Feb. 24th; New
Haven on the 25th, and Boston on the
26th. Great results are expected from
this trip, and our eastern comrades are
of the township of Bringewater, N. J.,
with an army of 1,000 men prepared for
a battle. Without a franchise, and in
defiance of a judicial injunction, it tore.
22th. Great results are expected from
this trip, and our eastern comrades are
of arms. It defied the sheriff of the county
and drove away his deputies by force
of arms. Its representatives pocketed urged to exert special efforts to make the writ of the court with a laugh and the success. It is especially desired to distribute literature and increase the distribute literature and increase the every feature of lawlessness that was lacking at Hazleton. There was no merely the fear that a mob might com There was no mit some illegal act; there was the ac-tual violation of law in flagrant prog-ress. There was not merely a fear that the sheriff's posse might be overpow-ered; there was an actual attack and an actual rout of the forces of order. But when we look for an account of the vol leys from the Winchesters of the guar-dians of the law, with list of the dead and wounded railway magnates, we do racy should feel a personal interest in the success and growth of the organization as a whole. The best way in which such interest can be manifested is by building up the membership of the branches and securing subscribers work with impunity.

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We hold that all men are born free, and are endowed with certain natural rights, among which are life, liberty and happiness. In the light of experience we find that while all citizens are equal in theory, they are not so in fact. While all citizens have the same rights politically, this politically, the same right politically, this politically are so to be fact that we have the same right politically, which is a second an application of contractive of life, liberty and happiness, and by enforced the second an application of the second an application of the second and public states of the second and public fact that our especially and the second and public fact that our especially of the second and public functions and holds this, the mightlest of all and mental, being the contracts public functions and holds this, the mightlest of nations, in abject dependence or all and mental being the city of the second public functions and holds this, the mightlest of nations, in abject dependence or all and mental being the city of the second public functions and holds this, the mightlest of nations, in abject dependence or all and mental being the city of the second public functions and holds this, the mightlest of nations, in abject dependence or all all and mental being the city of the second public functions and create all wealth should enjoy the fruit of their efforts. But this is rendered impossible by the modern system of production. Since the discovery and application of siteam and electric machinery in all branches of industry, the industry are now able to possess them, and thus the products is separated from his products. While in former times the individual worker labored on his own account, with his own tools, and was the master of the production. The fruits of this co-operative labor are, in a great measure, appropriate contraction. The fruits of this co-operative labor are, in a great measure, appropriate contraction.

products. The fruits of this co-operative labor are, in a great measure, appropriated by the owners of the means of production, to-wit by the owners of machines, maines, land and the means of transportation, to-wit by the owners of machines, maines, land and the means of transportation of the middle class, necessarily leaves but two classes in our country; the large class of workers and the small class of great employers and capitalists.

Human power and natural forces are from the middle class, are perpendictly the control of the middle class of "profit" the only object in business. Ignorance and misery, with all concomitant evils, are perpetuated by this system, which makes human labor a ware to be bought in the open market, and places no real value on human life.

The system of human life. The profit of the starvation of women and children.

We, therefore, hold that in the natural course of social evolution, this system, through the destructive action of its failures and crises on the one hand, and the other capitalistic combinations on the other, will annihilate the middle class, the basis upon which this system rests, and thereby work out its own downfail.

We therefore call upon all honest citizens to unite under the banner of the other, will annihilate the middle class, the basis upon which this system rests, and thereby work out its own downfail.

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proportion to the progress of production.

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eredit to be utilized for that purpose.

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