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Wandering Thoughts on Christmas Eve

Christmas Eve! A night that is supposed to be happy and joyous for every one—the one night of all others when "Peace on earth, good will to men," should reign supreme.

Women's Edition

I think it can be helped. I believe it will be helped—and men will do it. There is plenty for all. The trouble is in the division.



based upon the principles of justice and equality, as applied to economics. To establish such an order of society, we believe that the present private ownership of the means of production should give place to ownership and administration by the people.

FRANCIS WILLARD ON SOCIALISM.

Look about you; the products of labor are on every hand; you could not maintain for a moment a well-ordered life without them; every object in your room has in it, for discerning eyes, the mark of ingenious tools and the pressure of labor's hands.

Where Is My Boy Tonight?

How many millions of mothers have asked this question of themselves! What can express the worry and anxiety of the mothers for the surroundings of their children? They fear that temptation will induce their boys to visit the saloons and start them on a downward course.

We had twenty-six charter members. We have at present sixty-five names enrolled. We meet twice a month. We open our meetings with roll call, to which each member responds with some Socialist sentiment.

We are planning to have a special literary program for our annual meeting, and are going to invite our comrades of the Socialist party to be present.

THE CRIME OF BEING A COOK.

"We may live without poetry, music and art, may live without conscience, may live without heart; We may live without friends, we may live without books, But civilized man cannot live without cooks."

THE WOMAN'S SOCIALIST UNION.

By the time this goes to print the Woman's Socialist Union of Los Angeles will have celebrated its first birthday, being just one year old on the 10th of December.

WOMEN UNDER SOCIALISM.

UNDER SOCIALISM the ladies of creation will be on a par with the lords of creation. UNDER SOCIALISM women will no longer be compelled to marry in order to obtain a home.

Women and Socialism

Shorn of sentiment, outside of the emotional world, and purely in the realm of hard, cold, fact, it is true that there never can be a free manhood until there is first a free motherhood; and it is along this line of thought that I wish to add my little mite to the discussion of "Women and Socialism."

INK LINGS

BY INKY IKE

Women and Home.

When the question of equal suffrage is raised there is always a creature present to remind one that the woman's place is in the home...

Women's Clubs.

The town that has no woman's club both looks and feels like thirty cents depreciated currency. To be a club woman is to be a commissioned officer on the firing line of civilization...

What if her ideas of club objects ARE more or less indistinct? What if her enthusiasm IS warmed more by hot tea and refreshments than by a heavy diet of ponderous literature?

Let her date on Shakespeare whether she reads him or not. She will be the more likely to read him for it. Let her become enthusiastic over United States history.

Everything indicates that the popular Friday afternoon institution will in time crystallize into definite clear-cut demands upon society for a proper recognition of women and the moral element which they represent.

When women begin to think, something will begin to happen; for women have a trait, not common to the race, of doing what they think should be done and doing it at once without hesitation or compromise.

The Servant Problem.

Of all the dinky drivels that drives to desperation and disgust, the stuff that is printed in the fashionable ladies journals on the "servant problem" is the most trying.

It appears that the average girl when employed in the home of an aristocrat, true to the instincts derived from our common ancestry, learns to imitate the airs of her mistress.

The relations of maid and mistress become more strained when it is learned that the young woman has at some time received a caller in the front parlor and results in a remonstrance that adds another paragraph to the want columns of the Morning Misprint under the caption "Female Help Wanted."

To solve the servant problem a new race of half-human beings is desired possessing all the requirements for submissive mental servitude and devoid of anything like ambition or desire for human enjoyment.

Throughout all this fuss and flurry none of the pliant paragraphs refer to the possibility of the trouble being with the mistress. To be sure the mistress can do no wrong.

It may be a matter of interest to know how the women of Chicago are working. There are few branches in which we have not from 6 to 10 women members of the party.

John Rankin has repeatedly pointed to the fact that the noblest thing a person can do is to perform noble service and in the true meaning of the term we all are or should be servants.

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ation of the delight of a worker in her work. Socialism offers this condition through equality of opportunity for in the day of the cooperative Commonwealth girls will not enter service as inferiors but as equals and the most ladylike lady will be the woman who is ready to concede to another all that she asks for herself.

Women and the Industrial Revolution

By Mary Wood Simons

Certain problems are today forcing themselves upon the vast majority of women, that majority that is composed of the working women. This includes not only those laboring in factories, shops and various other productive establishments, but equally well the wives in the homes providing for the wants of their families.

There are few women who do not consciously desire an improvement of social conditions. To many who have had little opportunity for thought, there seems slight hope for a better future either for themselves or for their children.

The first problem then that we encounter is as to the best way for women to obtain that equality and economic freedom, and that recognition of rights that should be theirs.

Up to the time of the industrial revolution woman had been almost entirely a producer for home consumption. She baked the bread, spun, wove, cut and made into garments the flax and wool for her own family.

With the introduction of machinery that was run by powerful motors and required only a guiding power, woman was transformed into a producer for national consumption. Step by step she has entered first one industry and then another until there is no field she has not invaded.

Gradually she has seen one after the other of her home industries, the baking, the spinning of yarn and weaving of cloth, the knitting of stockings, leave the little circle of home production and grow into the great business unit, the factory or the shop and into these new spheres she has followed.

Capitalist production demands the labor power that is the cheapest and that this cheapest labor power is frequently embodied in woman is but an indication of her economic weakness.

This woman has gone shoulder to shoulder with man into the great factory, shop and even the mines. Her economic dependence that was formerly on husband or father has been changed, for over 5,000,000 women in the United States alone to dependence on an employer.

This fact then we must firmly grasp, that it is first of all a question of obtaining economic freedom and that this is indissolubly bound up with the freedom of the WHOLE laboring class. Hence this can be no sex movement. Under savagery there is no doubt that the division of society was along the line of the sexes, all division of labor was between the sexes.

The division today in society is along the line of great economic classes of those who have and those who have not. If we can but once hold to this truth, the argument for any sex movement loses its foothold.

There is no doubt but that it has been frequently attempted by bourgeois and middle class women to divide the ranks of the workers and thus weaken their strength by attempting to interest women in a purely sex movement.

Turn now to the political phase of the question. For years we have had instances of women working in auxiliaries and alliances to one or the other of the old political parties.

Now for the first time in history there has appeared a political party, the Socialist Party, that not only inserts in its platform a demand for universal suffrage, woman as well as man, but that admits women at all times to debate, discussion and committee work on an equal footing as members of a political organization.

Women are untrained often in economic and political questions. They will find the best place for their training in the branches of the Socialist locals.

It is time, high time, that the great body of working women be interested. Their strength is demanded. If they have no vote they can write, speak, distribute literature and work on committees.

Quietly, steadily, determinedly they are doing their work and without exception are met always by their fellow working men comrades with good will and encouragement.

Thus can we have a body of clear thinking logical women, and thus alone can we avoid passing on into the Socialist Commonwealth with one half of humanity helplessly unable to share in the new political and economic life.

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Glorious Socialism.



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but the producers should have the produce? Why are not your children entitled to these conditions? Are they not of the same flesh and blood? Are they not by nature as good in every way? Why work to create wealth for others, that they may give their children the blessing that rightly belongs to all?

wives and children. To the workers belong everything. Today, they have nothing. The drones have the whole cheese. But Socialism is coming to change all this inequality of opportunity. Come, help to realize it.

Socialism Would Change All This.

It is claimed that the recent advances in wages made by the railroads will mean a gain in compensation of about 35 million dollars to the wage earners concerned. That looks well.

The shippers, in turn, uses the increased cost of freight to advance the retail price of the articles, and in the end the profits of the wage earner, of the companies and of the retailers are increased at the expense of the consumer.

There is at present a very general movement among the rich to condone their greed in the eyes of the world by giving liberally to public institutions. Some of them are scattering monuments throughout the country to their personal philanthropy.

OLD FOGY KNEW. Experience Teaches People.

"My parents considered coffee simply a harmless beverage for old and young, so when a mere baby I commenced to drink it, and when I reached womanhood, found myself troubled with nervousness, headache and an irritable temper and to obtain relief, I drank more and more coffee, thus adding fuel to the fire."

"I then began to drink Postum regularly, and to get well slowly but surely. Today I am a strong, hearty woman; my nervous system is entirely rebuilt and with a reserve force of strength in time of need; I sleep well and awake refreshed and feel bright for each day's task, with no indigestion or stomach trouble, and a good, strong active brain ready for any mental strain or toil."

Socialism In the English Elections

Reynold's Newspaper, England

The municipal elections have gone hard with the Tories. The most significant result of these local contests, however, is the large increase in the Labor and Socialist vote. The attacks of the Times upon "Municipal Socialism" have only had the effect of enormously strengthening the municipal Socialists' position.

In Lincolnshire, as well as in Lancashire, Labor has also triumphed, three seats having been won by Labor candidates at Grimsby. One of the most significant facts of the election, however, is the return of a Socialist for Birmingham.

English Socialist Gains.

The Socialists of England made gains almost as great as we have in this country at the recent election. In England the cities voted for the councils that control municipal affairs. Of the 118 candidates put up by the Socialists and trade parties, 44 were elected!

Glasgow Municipalism

The answer of the people of Glasgow, Scotland, to the hired press of this country to the effect that they are tired of municipal Socialism, is that they have defeated every candidate who opposed their public ownership program, at the recent election.

Nothing to Arbitrate.

The children may shiver when the north winds blow. "There's nothing to arbitrate." "There's nothing to cry when the fire's low; There's nothing to arbitrate."

W.N.S.U. at San Jose, Cal.

On Sunday, the 17th, inst., I received an invitation from the Socialist Woman's Union, of San Jose, to attend a social gathering on the afternoon of the following Thursday, to be held at the home of Dr. Carrie Goss, one of the most prominent physicians of San Jose.

I was agreeably surprised to find the spacious parlors crowded with some of the most distinguished women in town, the later callers being obliged to sit or stand in the hallway.

The exercises began with instrumental and vocal music, gems of art, beautifully rendered. Then Miss J. R. Coie, a prominent Socialist leader here, began the literary exercises by reading the Socialist state and county platforms. The speakers, each in their turn, were then introduced. There was a prohibitionist representative who paid a glowing tribute to the Socialist women generally; also a woman's suffrage representative, who not only endorsed the Socialist platform, but strongly recommended the Socialist Sunday school to the mothers present.

It was a wholesome sight to see such a gathering of women students assembled not only for the purpose of discussing the economic conditions that govern the sex, but to find the means by which women can control these conditions by demand instead of request. I am sure there were many women present today who would like to ask members of the clubs known as the "General Federation of Women's Clubs" to come and hear the plain-spoken Socialist women and take lessons from them in economic wisdom, sisterly love and forbearance.

Women's clubs, from an intellectual standpoint, can never influence or change present economic conditions, neither can they advance nor retard woman's progress in business or professional pursuits.

The thinker knows this well, and knows also that there is nothing more productive of selfishness than intellectuality without spirituality. If any one doubts this let him note the jealousies that exist among educational leaders and sensational preachers of the gospel.

ABSOLUTE GOOD. All students of the Socialist philosophy seem to know this, and try to prove that power, prestige and social distinction are but illusions that, like the "jack-o'-lantern" lure to our detriment or destruction.

Instead of a banquet at some fashionable hotel, the guests were treated to tea and cake in the beautiful dining room of the hostess, Dr. Goss. And when we finally said our adios, we felt as if we had known each other always. Such social gatherings as these are the links in the chain of a Universal Brotherhood.

SAN JOSE, CAL. MARY GORMAN.

Eight Facts to Remember.

- 1. Never in the history of the world could the necessities, comforts and luxuries of life be produced with such a small amount of labor.
2. Labor creates all wealth, therefore une labor is all wealth due.
3. The interests of capitalists and laborers are NOT identical.
4. None have the right to monopolize those things upon which the life of all depends.
5. Decentralization of capital means a return to the days of small production.
6. The labor question is essentially a political question.
7. Political freedom was established by the sword, but so long as political freedom is withheld, economic freedom can be established by the ballot.
8. The National Platform of the Socialist party is the highest authority we have on Socialism.
(READ IT AGAIN—AND THEN AGAIN.)

Tell Me Who Needs Help No Money Is Wanted.

To aid a sick friend, will you tell me the book he needs? Will you simply write a postal card, if I will do this? I will mail the sick one an order—good at any drug store—for six bottles Dr. Shoop's Restorative. He may take it a month at my risk. If it succeeds the cost is \$5.50. If it fails, I will pay the druggist myself. That month will show if the remedy can cure. If the sick one is then disappointed, the test shall not cost him a penny. I have furnished my Restorative to hundreds of thousands in that way, and 99 out of each 100 got well, and have paid for it.

Simply state which book you want, and address Dr. Shoop, Box 24, on the Esplanade, East St., Boston, Wis.



Appeal to Reason. GIRARD, KANSAS.

EDITORIAL.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1902.

COST OF GOVERNMENT.

The just assembled is the last session of the Fifty-seventh congress. It will have appropriated money to the extent of nearly \$1,500,000,000 when it adjourns.

You often hear fellows complaining about their taxes—meaning the taxes they pay into the local treasuries.

If the national revenues were collected in the same manner that the local taxes are, instead of from internal revenue and tariff, the great fortunes of the United States would have to pay taxes that are now paid by the increased cost of the articles the people consume.

The rich do not care how expensive the national government is. They do not pay any of it—except the trifling part that attaches to the little they eat, drink or smoke—a few dollars a year.

Our press rooms have been so rushed for the past several months that editions of "Christ, Property and Man," "Shrouds With Pockets," an illustrated edition of the "Ten Men of Money Island," "A New Crisis," "Proportional Representation," by Prof. Commons, and other works have not been ready as soon as expected.

WHAT IS CHRISTIAN PHILOSOPHY

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mony. In this view of the case, what is earth? Is it not inharmonious everywhere? Are not the people pulling against each other in everything? Is this not discord, the opposite of harmony? And if this be true, has not the earth been made into a hell by this discord? And what one thing has caused more crime, more misery, more everything bad than private property?

Yes, Brother Wright, why don't you make the rich adopt the Christian ideal of common property, common interest? If the Christian ideal is not a thing to live by, what is it?

SOCIALISM SAME EVERYWHERE.

"Socialism has not been able to stand discussion in France and Germany, the countries of its origin. In both, its demands and proposals have been rapidly moderated as its advocates have gained strength and corresponding responsibility, and it now bears little resemblance to its former self. Marx is still 'Socialism's professed prophet, but the 'prophet would hardly recognize his creed as it is now taught in Europe, so sadly has it been emasculated.'—Kansas City Daily Journal, (rep.)

On the contrary, the program of the Socialists of those and all other countries is exactly the same, and the demands have never changed. "The public ownership of the means of production and distribution," is the demand of Socialists in Germany where the vote reached the enormous figure of 2,125,000, five years ago, and the poll of the election for next June, shows that they will cast 3,100,000—which would carry control of the nation in the reichstag were it not for the gerrymander in the interest of the capitalist class, which will stand only another election.

The tobacco trust, while sailing under the name of the United Cigar Store, at least that is the claim, have tackled the retail business of New York, with the view of driving all the retailers out of business. This plan is being worked in pretty much all the cities now. The retailer must go. Of that there is no question. It is now only a question of whether the people prefer to have all the retail business done by the trusts or the public.

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GO AFTER THEM.

Look here, you embryonic Socialist statesmen and writers; go after your local papers. Get in all the articles possible before their readers. When they strike our cause, go after them. If they give a wrong idea of it, go after them and put them right. Don't let an opportunity slip to get in a paragraph calling attention to the subject.

RICH CRIMINALS ESCAPE LAW.

The following Associated Press dispatch shows you how the rich escape the law. The governors refuse to let papers be served on them. Compare this with the action of courts against the working people for violating the laws.

"Waco, Texas, Nov. 21.—The indictments which have been pending in the criminal court for many years against John D. Rockefeller, Henry M. Flagler, and other members of the Standard Oil company, charging them with violations of the anti-trust law of Texas, were today dismissed. All efforts to serve the warrants have been rendered futile through the refusal of the governors of New York and Florida to honor requisitions."

FOR TWO CENTS PER YEAR.

The Appeal will be sent FOUR weeks to as many addresses as you will send. Help to introduce the Socialist promise into every home in the land. These four week subscriptions are waking up thousands of unconscious Socialists and getting them to work.

The usurer can eat his pie and still have it.

The people should vote for or against all laws.

Victor Hugo: "The paradise of the rich is the hell of the poor."

The daily press is not ignoring Socialism, so much as it did. I wonder why?

There are no failures in the 80,000 post-offices of the country. I wonder why?

The panic has been on for some weeks now. Next year the papers will speak of the panic of 1902—but not now. The country is prosperous!

The Independent Labor party of Britain has produced a large quantity of pamphlets made up from the Appeal to Reason, for distribution among the workers.

The panic of 1873 came under a full republican rule; the panic of 1893 came under full democratic rule. And there you are.

The before-election rattle about suits against the railroad and other mergers has subsided. The tools have put the trusts in power and the courts will now dismiss the suits or declare them all right.

The condition of the great republic is expressed when at its capitol the Thanksgiving dinner provided by the "mission" was indulged in by hundreds of people! Think of hundreds of people so prosperous that they did not have a dinner and had to accept a hand-out!

Say, Post, you of the Chicago "Public," isn't the wish the father of your prediction that the Socialists will cast less votes next election than at the recent one? Why is the vote increasing in Germany, England, and all other countries? A Post is usually put in the ground and don't move. Wake up and find out where you are at.

The railroads cannot move the freight and the cities are suffering from a coal famine. Do you want any further evidence that the private ownership of the railroads and coal mines are bad for the public—that they have proven their unfitness to operate these industries?

The United States government could duplicate the telegraph system of the nation and the interest on the money would not cost as much as the government pays the telegraph monopoly for government business alone!

Hearst, of the N. Y. Journal, Chicago American and San Francisco Examiner, is spoken of as the democratic candidate for president in 1904. Compared to him, Bryan was a conservative. But the Socialist organization will not be checked by the democracy nominating radical men.

Prof. Clarke, of the Northwest University, says that \$300 a year is enough for a workingman to live on and save money. Let the professor try it. Does he assume that he is of such different clay that he needs the thousands he receives, and that the men who do the work of the world needs only a dollar a day? What kind of blood runs in his veins? Surely, he is a disgrace to this country.

Some of the papers in this country are saying that Herr Krupp, the great gunmaker of Germany, was favorable to Socialism. Yes, just like Morgan, Rockefeller and the other fellows. Krupp was a skinner of his working people. The Socialist papers of Germany have punctured all of his claims about housing and insuring the people. He took from the working people part of their wages for this purpose, and then discharged them before they ever got any benefit. The people need no charity. Give them justice, and they would spurn your aims. Nobody not degraded, wants alms.

When a democrat claims that his party will do things for the people, just ask him why it does not do so in the many states where it has absolute power? The democratic states of the South have the worst laws, cater more venally to corporations, permit the oppression of the people, than any other states. As bad as the republican party is, it has done more for labor than the democratic party.

When the populist party cast over a million votes and carried several states, it was in the panicky times of 1892. Men went to that party who had no idea of what the movement meant, but they were discouraged and dissatisfied. The Socialist vote of 400,000 this fall is entirely different. It is cast at a time when the rulers claim the country is prosperous, and there is no reason for dissatisfaction.

The Fresno Cal., Evening Democrat says: "The democratic party is the party of conservatism and progress."

Here is the Standard Dictionary's definition of Conservatism: The dispositions and tendency to preserve what is established opposition to change.

Progress: A moving, or going forward; an advance; to make improvement.

The two words mean practically the opposite—and that is just about what the democratic party stands for. But think of the great mind that tells the people that the democratic party is not for advancing because it is for advancing! Can't some Socialist in Fresno get the editor to go to night school?

Women have no interest in economics and industry! Of course not! The Ohio Bureau of Labor officials report that of 7,000 women workers interviewed in that state, the average wages received by them was \$4.83, while the expense of living was \$5.24! Don't that prove that they have no interest in public affairs? Why should they have any interest in the capital that employs them for less than it costs to live? Black slaves used to get their living for their labor—but then white women are not worth so much! Women should not read anything about economics and industry!

When Socialists are elected to control public affairs, they will build cities upon scientific principles, in which each house, though different in size and design, will be equally good and beautiful. Each house will be supplied with every scientific device for sanitation and convenience. It will be the crowning glory of the architects and their corps of assistants to see which city can be made the most beautiful. As the home is the world of the wives and mothers, this will interest them. Each house will be supplied with heat, light, power, hot and cold water, and other conveniences from central stations. This will be cheaper than building many individual plants. Every convenience that will lessen the labor of housework, will be provided, for it will be what the people want, and the people will be the government and use the government for their benefit. There will be no slums nor second-class houses. There will be no need of such, as it will cost so little more to make everything first-class, that it would be a waste of labor to make second-class, and there will be no one who will not be able to live in first class homes. This is what the Socialists are desirous of creating. We have the material in nature, and the skill in men, to do all this. Then why not have it and enjoy it?

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Wilshire's Magazine for December is rich, rare and racy. It is the up-to-date magazine printed. Haven't you seen it? Get a copy.

Rheumatism Cured by Magic Foot Drafts.

9,000 Persons Testify to Complete Cures by This Wonderful External Remedy Last Year. Trial Pair FREE on Approval to Anybody. Try Them.

Magic Foot Drafts absorb the acid impurities in the blood through the large pores of the feet. The Drafts cured Mrs. W. D. Harriman, wife of Judge Harriman, of Ann Arbor, Mich. They cured Carl C. Pope, U. S. Commissioner at Black River Falls, Wis., of Rheumatic Gout. They cured severe rheumatism of the arms, neck and back for T. C. Fendleton, Jackson, Mich. Mrs. Caspar Yahradorfer, Jackson, Michigan, 70 years old, was cured in a few weeks, after suffering 30 years. The Drafts cured James Gilbert, Locomotive Dept., Mich. Cent. R. R., Jackson, Mich., after 27 years of pain. They cured Dr. Van Vleck, Jackson, Mich., and he is now using them in his practice. Letters from these persons and many others are reproduced in our new booklet on rheumatism—also sent free with the dollar pair of Drafts—if you send your name to the Magic Draft. Send no money—only your name.

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An Impending Crisis

(United States Investor)

The outlook for another economic crisis in the United States is becoming constantly discussed in financial and industrial circles. Opinions differ widely on this subject, but possibly it is safe to assert that those who actually look for a great crash are still largely in the minority. There is a good deal of caution witnessed today among the people of the United States as regards speculative ventures, but there is nothing to indicate that the community, as a whole, is profoundly of the opinion that a period of economic depression is in store for this country.

The answer is easy. The only important difference between this case and that of our 222,000,000 foreign customers, is that it takes longer for the reduced purchasing power of the latter to make itself felt three or four thousand miles away. But this is not the aspect of the situation on which we feel like insisting most at this time. Our principal concern in these remarks is with the experience of Europe as a warning to this country. We appear to be treading exactly in the footsteps of Germany. We have been syndicating our industry, and in so doing have vastly enlarged the amount of securities issued against it. We have pursued this course in the confident belief that this country has entered upon a period of good times that can never be checked.

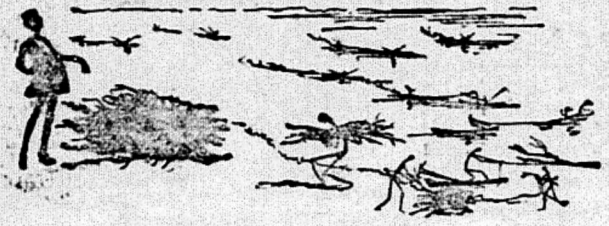
war and other European complications have no doubt swelled our profits considerably. Assuming that the present depressed condition of European industry threatens a temporary decline in the prosperity of the United States, can it be predicted that in the long run the causes which we have just enumerated will work to the permanent benefit of this country? We should hesitate to answer in the affirmative. It would be the height of folly to assume that Europe is going to throw up the sponge and settle down into a condition of economic vassalage at the dictation of the United States.

FOREIGN NOTES.

In Oelsnitz, Saxony, a Socialist has been elected and another re-elected to the common council. Comrade Orb has been unanimously elected to the Landtag (state legislature) in Offenbach, says Berlin "Vorwarts" of Nov. 14. Many persons are in distress on account of the failure of the great Leonoff sugar refinery in Warsaw. The deficit is \$375,000.

Gathering Driftwood for the Man.

David B. Fage, in "The Multitude."



This is a big river. What are the men doing on the river? They are catching drift wood for the big man on the shore. Does the big man pay the men for catching the drift wood? He gives them a small part of the drift wood.

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Advertisement for a .38 Smith & Wesson No. 2 revolver, priced at \$3.98. Includes details about the revolver's features and availability.

A Voice From Michigan.

All comrades in these parts are rejoicing over the election. Comrades W. E. Clark, Wm. Thurston Brown and Eugene V. Debs have recently spoken before audiences here. All were good and the effect has been plainly noticeable.

HENRY E. ALLEN.

Making Local Laws.

In Geran Switzerland the adult male inhabitants of the comune meet at least once annually, usually in the town market place or on a mountain plane, and carry out their functions as citizens.

When you answer Sear's, Roebuck & Co's advertisement, please mention the Appeal. It will help the Appeal, and the firm is worthy of confidence, and I hope to build up the advertising patronage wholly of such firms.

Among the persons detected inciting revolution in the Russian army is a soldier of noble birth, Aleschanski. He did not take advantage of the regulation allowing him a shorter period of service, but remained after his time had expired, in order to continue his revolutionary propaganda among the soldiers, arguing with them secretly and distributing large quantities of literature.

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Advertisement for 'FASHION' featuring illustrations of women in various styles of dresses and hats, with accompanying text about fashion trends.

See the long nails of fashion, that show they do no work. The emperor of China had nails several inches long, evidencing that he could not be accused of doing anything. His hands were useless, by reason of this fashion, imposed by custom.

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