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## BEHIND

First Interview With Mexican Revolutionists-Diaz and His Rotten "Republic"—Reign of Blood and Tears—Magon's Startling Story of the Land of Horrors-Awake, Ye Sons of Labor, and Snatch these Patriots from the Jaws of Hell!

To the Appeal from its Special Staff Writer

OCIALISTS and trade uniontionists, who were in jail "incom- two million trade unionists, and a municado," declared emphatically Socialist and radical sentiment in that United States District Attorney Oscar Lawler would never let strong. Toward the end of the inthat was when Mrs. Librado Rivera Mexican revolutionists the devil was permitted to hold a few min- would be turned loose from one end in the presence of the jailer. Local sides, I told him the imprisonment newspaper men also who had been of t...se men had become an interdenied the usual privileges of the national affair, and that at the prespress in regard to interviewing pris- ent moment the eyes of the working oners stated that the matter of my class of the world were on him seeing Magon and his comrades was watching to see what he would do. entirely out of the question. Even Why, I cannot explain, but after Attorneys Harriman and Holstan, some deliberation he wrote an order the only persons who were permitted to see the men, seriously doubted whether District Attorney Lawler ists for a newspaper interview. would grant my request.

However, I had come more than

two thousand miles to see Magon, Villarreal and Rivera, and hear what they had to say, and I determined to make an effort to see them, anyway. My first visit to Mr. Lawan ante-room nearly the whole after- are locked up for some crime a possibly at my expense, the thought legal representative of the United Rivera walked in

LAWLER THE DIGNIFIED.

Sir," I said, "I am a represenof its editor to see Magon, Villarreal and Rivera, the revolutionists imprisoned in the county jail."

The Appeal to Reason!" he exclaimed in a voice that fairly shook ery and establish the people's rule. the room. "That paper: I have a lot of them here in my desk." At

that they get their just deserts.

Here, the great man of government and law began to prance back and forth and to enter upon a tirade against the revolutionists and against those who dared to come to their assistance. He walked rapidly and talked long and loud. One in an adjoining room would have thought that he was addressing a vast gathering, whereas his only auditor was my humble self. Difficult as it was to reach him at first. I thought I would never get to leave his self. the revolutionists.

quished. I challenged his assertions while interested, said very little durwith counter questions. When he represented himself as the ambassador of law and the United States of l

Angles, Dec. 58. Igovernment I informed him that I ists with whom I talked rel- half a million Socialist votes, and ative to seeing the revolu- indirectly was the representative of see them. Only once in six terview I had him virtually on the months, they said, had the "incom-municado" rule been broken, and stand that if he didn't let me see the conversation with her husband, of the country to the other. Beto the United States marshal directmg him to let me see the revolution

The surprise of the jailer, when the marshal ordered him to let me see Magon et al., can better be imagined than described, and when be learned that I was merely the corre spondent of a Socialist paper-the Appeal to Reason-he nearly fell off ler's office in the Tajo building his seat. Socialists are rare visitors proved fruitless, though I waited in at the county jail, except when they moon while he sat in his inner sanct- leged to have been committed uary cracking capitalist jokes with a against the government, and I was few well-dressed, well-fed friends, the object of much curiosity on the freedom. part of the jailer and his assistants of which did not tend to make me So unusual was the order that even kindly disposed to the present arthe jailer would not be convinced in their souls. rangement of things. After half an until he verified it by telephoning in their souls. hour's wait the following afternoon direct to the district attorney himthe outer guard at the door informed self. I was invited into a room adme that Mr. Lawler was ready to joining the jailer's office, in which receive me. I passed through a wicket gate and through the folding.

Ten minutes later the door was doors of two office rooms before I thrown open and, accompanied by was ushered into the presence of the their guards, Magon, Villarreal and

Though I had never seen either of the men before, I recognized then In well-poised dignity Mr. Lawler instantly. Both Magon and Villasat behind a huge desk and fairly real are large men, weighing two glowered upon me as I confronted hundred pounds each, well built and him. He is a young man to hold the of distinguished appearance. Rivera position, not over thirty-five years is the smallest in stature, and looks and thoroughly conscious of the im- student who takes little physical exportance of his job. Evidently be ercise. All of the men were clad in ried to look me out of countenance rough blue overalls and jumpers as I unhesitatingly raised my eyes and, as they took seats at the table, the guards withdrew. At last I was queried, in a gruff tone and bellig- who, at the risk of their liberty and lives, had lifted their voice, as Patrick Henry did, in behalf of human tative of the Appeal to Reason, and rights, and who, in imitation of have come here at the instance George Washington and Abraham

## THE MEN.

disclosed a score or so of copies, many of which indicated that they contained marked articles. "The well set upon a stocky body and sturdy pair of legs, and the very appearance of him indicates power take action—" Here, evidently the penetrating power of the harsh glance I gave him caused him to suddenly cut his sentence, and say, "If you want to learn the truth" Though a prisoner in overalls, his very presence is an inspiration, and "MOTHER JONES" APPEAL

Thick neck and broad shoulders are well set upon a stocky body and sturdy pair of legs, and the very appearance of him indicates power to a superlative degree. His eyes and countenance, denote scholarship and the lines across his forehead reveal that he has thought deeply. Though a prisoner in overalls, his very presence is an inspiration, and the lines across his forehead reveal that he has thought deeply. Though a prisoner in overalls, his very presence is an inspiration, and "MOTHER JONES" APPEAL "If you want to learn the truth about the case of these Mexicans I will tell you that they are guilty and longht to be punished and if it is within my power I am going to see with my power I am going to see within my power I am going to see wit

his office. Almost the afternoon was consumed in discussing the case of the revolutionists. the outside. He is almost the size At the outset Lawler thought to tive rather than distinguished in crush me with the overwhelming might of his personality, but I had been up against too many similar propositions to be so easily van ons to be so easily van- maintained a quiet reserve.

By Telegraph From Bill Haywood: "You can save

them even as you opened the doors of the jail at Boise.

idaho, for my comrades and me.

By telegraph to the Appeal.

Denver, Colo., January 1, 1909. OMRADES and Fellow Workers: The Appeal has taken up the fight for the lives and liberty of our comrades, the Mexican refugees, MAGON, VILLARREAL, RIVERA and SARABIA, the three first named being imprisoned a the county jail at Los Angeles, Cal., the latter out

For nearly two years these martyred men have been languishing in prison cells. In a letter to me they say: "We cannot communicate with out triends in Mexico. They are closely watched and our correspondence is violated in the Mexican mails; we must depend in this fight for freedom on the help that can be afforded by our comrades residing in this country."

What will your answer be to this appeal? The imprisoned men who are your comrades, men wh dared to speak for liberty, men who are fighting for political freedom and struggling to overthrow the system of peonage. If they are returned to Mexico it means to them death by execution or the horrible torture of imprisonment in a loathsome dungeon. To surrender these men to the blood-thirsty tyrant, President Porfirio Diaz of Mexico, is to fasten another rivet in your own shackles

Comrades, join with the Appeal -- come to the rescue of Magon, Villarreal, Rivera and Sarábia! You can save them even as you opened the doors of the jail at Boise, Idaho, for my comrades

Your united action will prevent the further persecution and murder of our loyal comrades by cowardly oppressors. Yours in the class struggie,

WM. D. HAYWOOD.

HE Appeal is in the fight to thwart the conspiracy of the United States and Mexican governments to have the Mexican patriots now lying in jail at Los District Attorney J. L. B. Alexan several officers, went to a house, Angeles surrendered to the cannibal Diaz to be shot for treason. It is a burning der, of Arizona, the government has disgrace that they are in jail at all. They are men and that is their crime in the strongest case. The defense will have a str the cause of their mutilated and agonizing countrymen and hurled their defiance at ley, of Tucson, Ariz., and Attorneys the monster who posed as president. From that time to this they have been hunted Job Harriman and A. R. Holstan. like beasts. They have suffered everything and sacrificed everything in the cause of los Angeles, Car. Those engaged

But they remain undaunted. They are of heroic fibre and complain not of their Alexander, of Arizona: District Atfate. The love of humanity throbs in their breasts and the passion for freedom flames

They are patriots and revolutionists—our comrades!

They appeal to us from their prison cells. We hear their cry and, by the cternal, Gray, Barker and Bowen, of Los An- was also found a piece of paper, are with them and the dogs of Diaz shall not tear their flesh.

In this issue of the Appeal the facts are graphically stated by the Appeal correspondent who is on the ground and whose keen scent has allowed nothing to escape him. In this international conspiracy the simple facts are monstrous and read like

The interview with Magon in his cell is an intensely dramatic episode and the interview itself is a classic. Every word is aloquent of the white-hot passion which inspired it. Magon and his fellow-patriots are revealed here, unconsciously, as the he-

Magon's story is a cry of pain from a great soul. It is graphic, startling and a clean-shaven, well-groomed, what he is-a college professor and times makes the heart stop. And yet the is a reserve about it, a dignity and tone that make it all the more dramatic and impressive.

Nothing more marvelous and appealing than this revolutionary classic has ever

appeared in these columns.

No reader can afford to miss a word of it, and every issue of this paper should be "Well, what do you want?" he alone with real, live revolutionists, passed from hand to hand until a million people hear the cry and resolve that these patriots shall not be sent to their horrid doom.

public in name, but Diaz has made it a shamble of despotism in fact. He has subverted its constitution which in its main features is, the same as the constitution of the United States, erected a throne for his executive seat and has an army of from forty Lincoln, had actually, it is charged, commenced the formation of a movement, which, if successful, have been and extraordinary proceeding throughout, which finds no present the successful, hunt down and assassinate the brave souls who protest-against his bloody reign.

Diaz and his confederates are the usurpers and murderers who ought to be driven corded Mover, Haywood and Petti-from power, while Magon and his associates are the champions of the people and the

the room. "That paper: I have a lot of them here in my desk." And which he pulled on a drawer and disclosed a score or so of copies, many of which indicated that they contained marked articles. "The Appeal to Reason," he continued. Appeal to Reason," he continued. Appeal to Reason," he continued to Reason, he continu

When the tocsin of battle sounds among the first, always the first, to take her place on the firing line is Mother Jones. She is by royal right of blood a warrior and, like Joh's war horse, she can smell the battle from afar.

In all the great strikes of recent years, Mother Jenes has been a commanding figure and a dramatic personality. She has led the miners of the anting the to the very muzzles of the enemy's guns and by the sheer force of her superb womanhood has compelled the soldiers and deputies to lower their arms.

In the western mining camps the very name of Mother Jones lights and warms the cabins and little children tell of her motherly sympathy and her many acts of bravery to help the miners in their struggles.

Foday Mother Jones is at the front fighting with all her intrepld spirit to save the Russian and Mexican refugees. It was largely through her fiery ag tation that Sarabia, who was kidnaped at Douglas by the Mexican authorities, was reluctantly returned to this country. She happened to be in Arizona at the time and her burning appeals there will never be forgotten. Mother Jones realizes fully the work the Appeal is doing in this struggle and writes.

peal is doing in this struggle and writes: "The Appeal can and will arouse the American people. Its voice rings like a clarion over all the nation. How the hearts of the refugees must be cheered when

they hear the Appeal's ringing challengs to the dan of Russia and the dictator of Mexico! More power to the Appeal! May every one of its more than three hundred thousand readers resolve this very hour to double its circulation, that a million more American people can be shaken from their lethargy and swell the mighty protest against Funcian bandles and May can dangeons on A. These are inspiring words from a magnificant champion. There she s more than seventy years she yet leads and cheers he contrades on to victory. can dangeons on American soil."
champion There she stands! Snow-crowned by her

Who can resist the clarion call of Mother Jane Who can fail to fall in line when such a captain leads

Now is the time to show the stuff that we are made of.

## TRAGIC STORY OF MEXICAN REVOLUTION

International Fight for Life-Massacre and Escape-American Plutocracy and Mexican Peonage-Treachery of One-eyed Detective-Conspiracy to Murder Patriots-"Arouse Ye Slaves!"

To the Appeal from its Special Staff Writer.

Abram Salcido and others, on or closest friends that portion of the about Aug. 11, 1906, in Douglas, working class who carry the red card tion against Mexico. On this charge, f the government acts in good faith. he imprisoned revolutionists will be taken from Los Angeles, Cal., to about the fourth day of the month, Tombstone, Ariz, and tried, begin- Thomas H. Rynning, now warden States District Attorney J. L. B. torney Oscar Lawler, of California; Assistant Attorney McCormick, of geles, California; Horace H. Appell the most celebrated criminal lawyer as "Exhibit No. 13," on one west of the Rocky Mountains; Attorcond judicial district of Ari. nosa, Douglas, Ai zona, will preside as trial judge.

before an impartial jury there is no together with the testimony of Trin-doubt of their acquittal. The evi-dence against them, as submitted in the evidence by which the prosecu-Commissioner Van Dyke's court in tion expects to secure a contiction of the preliminary hearing, is the ver-the revolutionists, iest rot and hardly deserves to be Witnesses for classified as legal evidence. In an that the house which was raided was ordinary procedure it would have simply the meeting place for one of been ruled out by the court in the the clubs of the Mexican liberal

bail. The manner of the arrest of the men was almost identical, in each case being virtually kidnaped. The evidence in each case was manufactured especially for the occasion; Moyer and Haywood had their Harry Orchard, a hired spy and informer, and Magon has hig Trinidad Vasquez, a one-eyed Mexican Mexico the only persons they found detective whom several herder ready to take up the march upon Mexico the only persons they found on hand were two unarmed liberals. detective, whom several border pa-pers assert is not altogether human, and Trinidad Vasquez, the hybrid but a hybrid mixture of Indian, one-eyed Mexican detective!

beneath the sod; if Trinidad Vas-CCORDING to the indictment returned by the federal grand Magon will not only be convicted of quez is to be believed, it is charged, jury at Tombstone, Ariz., Magon will not only be convicted of Dec. 28, 1997, Ricardo Flores Magon, Antonio I. Villarreal, Librado to the Mexican government to be Rivera and Manuel Sarabia are shot for conspiring to take the life. charged with conspiring to violate of Dictator Diaz. Orchard was the neutrality laws of the United States by unlawfully confederating infamous McPartland, while Vascoached for his performance by the with Abram Salcido, Jose Bruno quez is said to be daily receiving in-Espinosa, Ildefonsa R. Martinez and Furlong. In both instances small prior to July 1, 1906, to begin a mil-unfavorable to the accused were seitary expedition and enterprise in legted as the scenes of trial and in the dominions of the United States both cases the men were the subject against the United States of Mexico, of attack by a hostile capitalist press and that pursuant to this conspiracy and both had and now have as their

### of International Socialism. MANUFACTURING EVIDENCE. Early in September, of 1906,

ning first with Magon, against of the penitentiary at Yuma, Ariz., whom, according to United States but then captain of the rangers, with known as the "Half-way House," on Railroad avenue, in Douglas, Ariz., In the search that followed fuse, caps, a small stick of dynamite, two revolvers of ancient make, in the prosecution will be United and a number of flags were discorered in the house. Most of the flags were the Mexican national colors. though one or two red flags, on California; ex-Governor Henry T ing the word "LIBERTY," were Gage, of California; the arm of found. Besides this equipment there since introduced by the government which were inscribed several Mexi-can terms, indicating the officers of NO TVIDENCE AGAINST THEM. military expedition are ordered, at If the accused receive a fair trial which is known as "Exhibit No. 15"

Witnesses for the defense

Investigation of the prosecution Brownsville, Tex., are peaceful in of Moyer and Havwood and its com-character and have in view merely governments of Idaho and Colorado or countenance an armed expedition and the United States government, with the Mine Owners' Association upon the dominions of Mexico's backing the Pinkerton Detective inonarch. Even one of the witnesses Agency in its dirty work, while Ma- for the prosecution admitted, upon gon is the intended victim of an examination, that inasmuch as international conspiracy between the Douglas is a mining town it is not United States and Mexican govern- an uncommon thing for one to find ments, with American capitalists in sticks of dynamite in the houses Mexico as the beneficiaries, and the thereabouts, and that virtually every Furlong Detective Agency, of St. citizen owned and carried one or Louis. Mo., acting as the instramore revolvers. Yet here was a club ment by which the conspiracy shall of between twenty and thirty memerystallize into accomplishment. The bers, according to the prosecution, leaders of the Western Federation caught in possession of two old and of Miners remained in jail a year rusty revolvers, a small stick of and a half before their cases were dynamite and some percussion caps, tried, during which time they were ready to march with frightful mien denied bail; it will soon be eighteen direct to the capture and overthrow months since Magon was thrown of the Mexican government, whose into solitary confinement and denied dictator is Diaz and whose military

negro and hairless Mexican dog.
Had Harry Orchard made good, it is declared. Moyer and his alleged accomplices would now be sleeping torney Oscar Lawler and his arrest

international boundary line six hundred yards distant, ran towards the trality laws and that as a result of

The testimony of Vasquez was full of contradictions and self-evident lies. On direct examination by Mr. Lawler he replied in fairly good English, but when Mr. Harriman undertook to cross-examine him the services of an interpreter were nec-He stated that he was twenty-three years old, but varied in his statements in regard to his resi-To Mr. Lawler he said that he lived in Cananea, Mex., six years, and to Mr. Harriman he admitted that he had lived in Col. W. C. Green's burg only four years and a half. He first stated that he knew Espinosa, Salcido, Martinez and the other revolutionists about two months prior to their arrest, and then contradicted himself later by declaring that he first met them in Douglas when he attended a meeting of the club on the night of August 11, 1906. At one time he averred that twenty men were present when the "muster roll" signed; when cross-examined he said there were thirty men present. Between Aug. 11 and Sept. 3, he said, four meetings of the club were held, and it was on the night of Aug. 27, 1906, that the military appointments were made by Espinosa at the instigation of Magon. Two days after his arrest with the two revolutionists, he said, he was released from jail at Tombstone, after which "for the good of the government" he decided to turn state's evidence and tell all he knew.

### STAR WITNESS OLD AT BUSINESS.

Vasquez was the principal witness against Espinosa when he was tried at Tombstone, Dec. 27, 1906, and sentenced to two years' imprisonment at Yuma, Ariz., and to pay a fine of \$1,000 for violating the neutrality laws. The circumstances of suant to the conspiracy charged in that trial caused it to be a farce. Espinosa was unrepresented in court, which called the case at 7:30 o'clock in the evening. By 9 o'clock the fendants, it is herewith reproduced, jury was summoned and selected, witnesses heard, the evidence submitted, arguments made, verdict of guilty returned and sentence of court pronounced, Salcido, Variella and others were extradited to Mexico and immediately shot, while other members of the club who were uently captured were railroaded to the Yuma penitentiary to join Espinosa. It is in this same court' and with the identical evidence and on exactly the same charge that Magon, Villarreal, Ri-

vers and Sarabia are to be tried.

In describing the club and relating his experiences with it Vasquez admitted that all of the meetings were open to the public. The wit- contended by the defe of the club the serious proposition Handwriting experts, when placed of the members arming themselves on the stand, after an examination and marching on Mexico for the of several exhibits of penmanship, purpose of capturing and burning declared that neither Espinosa nor the Mexican custom house at Naco, Salcido wrote the document, and and thence proceeding to the capture that a doubt existed as to whether of Cananca and other places, was a Spaniard or a Mexican had anytalk relative to a military expedition place, Salcido's name is spelled all came about as the result of a letall came about as the result of a letter to Espinosa written by Magon been committed had that gentleman from Toronto, Canada, Aug. 2, pre- written it, and in the second place duced by the government, but they

indictment charges that the conspir- the detective, was unable to explain, alleged conspiracy. One letter, "Ex- organizations and most of the Soacy was laid in St. Louis, Mo., on or piece of correspondence on which is never saw or heard of the "muster residing in Mexico and therefore the conspiracy charge was not roll" until its presentation in court, cannot be used as tending to connect the governmental policies of this nadoes not stop at small things, to lie.

of the military equipment Louis, and if this is so, then the indishabed by means of the tesdictment should have been found in tual friends. On the night of Aueyed detective, is St. Louis and the men tried there. gust 11, the witness said, a member r that Commissioner But inasmuch as the letter which of the city police force of Douglas yke had to rap repeatedly in prompted the conspiracy charge was was present, as a spectator and re-to still the half-suppressed really written and sent from Tor-onto, Canada, then there was no con-ing. room? Remember that Capt. spiracy to violate the neutrality laws ag himself testified that the of the United States, and if crime hing he saw was when one was committed it was without the the three Mexicans tried to es- jurisdiction of the United States, and tends to establish his connection with arrest by running, and that this that properly speaking the question fellow, instead of making for the of Magon's indictment and punishment is no concern of the United States, but should have been handled interior of Arizona! Yet the indict- between the governments of Great ment against Magon et al: is that Britain and Mexico. The first inthey conspired to violate the neu-dictment returned against the revolutionists from Tombstone was so the conspiracy Abram Salcido and crude and raw that even Commisothers began a military expedition sioner Van Dyke felt constrained to in Douglas, Ariz., to be conducted direct United States District Attoragainst the United States of Mexneys Lawier and Alexander to go
ico! the court find a second and more regular indictment. Perhaps when the attorneys for the defense dig into the situation in the forthcoming trial it will be discovered to be such that an indictment of any sort against Magon and his associates can not legally be returned in the United

> FORGERY AND FABRICATION.
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> By witnesses for the defense it was shown that the club at Douglas was not a military organization, but was a purely literary reform and social club, organized for peaceable purposes, and that at none of its meetings were military officers elected or appointed, or arms and ammunition procured and that at no time did its members contemplate or set on foot a military expedition within Arizona for the purpose of the overgues of taking the arms by surprise.
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> I hope that with all due prudence this enterprise are interprise will be accomplished. I am informing the shortly give you the deaths. It is well to ascertain it it is true that there exist two thousand rifes stored in the color of the Cabanasa stort. If they do positively exist, what onght to be done is to selice that the a designated hour before Greene has time to arm his people. This is winy everything should be done very secretly so that the intensions of the Liberals be known in regard to what has been referred to, the day designated for the outcry; as for the rest, the government is fully aware that the original properties. FORGERY AND FABRICATION. within Arizona for the purpose of invading Mexico. It was further shown that none of the members of the club ever entered into a conspiracy with the defendants for military purposes, and that about the only connection the club had with Magon was to take his paper, "Regeneracion," published in St. Louis and distribute it for educational purposes. The presence of the flags n the house where the meeting was held was explained by witnesses who stated that the club was engaged in preparing to participate in the exercises incident to Sept. 16, the annual holiday on which Mexicans celebrate their national independence. The stick of dynamite and the two revolvers, they said, must have been placed where they were found by

> Vasquez, the one-eyed dectective. That the public may arrive at an understanding of the terrible docu- parently, the person to whom it was ment, or "muster roll," which is said to ctonstitute the overt act purthe indcitment, and which by the prosecution is said to be the most damaging evidence against the deas follows:

Douglas, Arisona, Agosto 27 de 1906. Senor Don Ricardo Flores Magon,
Toronio, C.
Muy senor muestro y correligiona
Comandante la Compania A. or maestro y

ate la Compania E. Mani
10 Id E. Mani
1 2a id C. M.
10 Enrique Gudino
20 Hierrdo Flores Magon
Antonio Willarreal A. Solcido E. Mantideli C. M. Homo Subteniente Sargento 10 id 20

ed legal assistants in the is that the crime of conspiracy is ent. The first time he met Vasquez,

### MAGON'S LETTER.

The principal letter written by Magon, it is alleged, and which a conspiracy to violate the neutral-

I hope that with all due prudence this enter

important is not to let the government or its agents know the day designated for taking the agents know the day designated for taking the arms by surprise.

I beg of you to let me know if such an undertaking can be accomplished with all probabilities of success, that is, to take possession of the arms; in this way we can calculate the atrength of our party. It is also well for our forces to gather the dynamite to be utilized in blowing up the railroads, etc. There is no forgiveness for Castando, nor Carrillo, nor Rubio, but we must such out for oue thing; not to attack the Americans. We must first, above all, get rid of our rulers. There will be ample time afterwards to suddus the foreigners. What is mostly needed is to prevent the intervention of the United States. The rulers are the cause of all our ills and they must be biaged. It is well to know that if the Americans are attacked, the tyrants would not hesitate to ask ald from the United States. The treason of our tyrants has been proven. We ought to therefore, direct all our blows against the tyrants.

I await your coming letters. Directly I will give you notice as to prices on rifes.

As yet no day can be designated for the arranged, but it will not be long for the moment to arrive desired by all. Do not despair. Let the citizens promptly arm themselves ro that they may be tready whan the hour is fixed.

Admitting that this letter was written by Magou as contended by the prosecution an examination of it discloses several peculiarities which, apdirected failed to observe. First, Espinosa was cautioned repeatedly to guard his expressions and movements so that neither the United States nor Mexican authorities would be apprised of what he was doing; second, instructions were given to the effect that after the beginning of hostilities no harm should be done Americans; third, it be gathered for the purpose of blowing up railroads, etc. If Magon tinuance of the conspiracy. really wrote the letter then no attention was paid to its instructions. apparently, by Espinosa. That claimed its contents in open meetings of the club, to which everybody other phases of the contemplated up-

written in St. Louis July 1, but was and that they were curtain that the written in Toronto August 2d. An-handwriting was not that of either alleged to have been concocted in other feature which claims attention Espinosa or Salcido. Genzales fur- the United States. It is the con-

## ACT NOW!

"That Russian and Mexican outrage is an eye-opener to me," writes an Ap-peal correspondent, "and the wonder to me is that all this has been going on under our noses without our knowing anything about it. The big dailies don't mention it. But for the Appeal we would even now be in ignorance of the fact that our jails are used to lock up beroes fighting for liberty. If the people understood the cituation these men wouldn't be in jail twenty-four hours IF ONLY THE APPEAL HAD A MIL LION CIRCULATION! I'll promise you right now that I'll get my share and my conscience won't let me rest till I

be done and sets about doing it. He is right in saying that if the people knew they would revolt. Ay, there's the rub! But how are the people to know? The capitalist papers are dumb as oysters or if they are moved to say anything it is to lie about the prisoners and preju-

dice their cases.

The big capitalists own the big papers and they also own Russian stocks and bonds and Mexican copper mines and land grants and railroad stocks. See the point? It's as clear as day-

light, When the Russian czar or Mexican dictator want refugee subjects who fought for liberty, as did the patriots of dictator '76, why of course the Big Papers owned by the Big Capitalists who have Big Interests in these countries want these patriots promptly surrendered and shot.

There's only one way on earth to save these comrades and that is by waking up the people and this can be done only by getting the facts before them. At great expense the Appeal is prob ing these cases to the bottom. Enough has already been gathered to prove an international conspiracy of the master class against the brave leaders of the working class.

It is in short a fight between the

Bureaucre y of Russia, the Plutocracy of the United States and the Dictatorship of Mexico, on the one hand and upon the other hand the workers, peasants, peens and proletariat of these countries. It is a fight between despotism and democracy; between the priviliged pi-

democracy; between the prople.

Trates and parasites and the people.

Of grave importance is the issue involved. If these patriots in our jails are surrendered and shot a strong point will have been gained and the plutocracy will proceed with its program of RUS-SIANIZING THIS REPUBLIC AND MEXICANIZING THE What more is needed to arouse us

from our slumber?

I will do my part by guaranteeing that the Appeal, at whatever cost, will dig up the facts.

Will you do your part by putting these facts in the hands of the people?

With a million subscribers the victory would be certain. Half a million would do wonders.

It is up to you who have made the Appeal what it is to make it what it ought to be.

The Appeal must win this battle for liberty.

Enclosed in this copy of the Appeal is a Maddenized subscription blank. It is folded in by hand at considerable expense and labor. It is an urgent invitation to you to take thirty minutes of your time today and secure a list of subscribers at 25 cents each. I have subscribers at as cents each. I have no hesitancy in asking you to do this for the Appeal. Its past achievements and its present work is my justification. If you believe in the work this paper has done and is doing then lend a hand and without delay!

is therefore inadmissible as evidence The overt act charged must be found was asserted that dynamite should to have been committed subsequently to the formation and during the con-

To make a well defined case the government must not only prove that the defendants conspired in St. worthy, according to Vasquez, pro- Louis with Abram Salcido, Thomas D. Espinosa, and others, but it also must establish an overt act in purwas invited, and where the details suance of the conspiracy. Salcido, of the blowing up of railroads, as-saulting Naco and Cananea, and must have begun or set on foot a military expedition within the ter-This document, which, in the original, is written with pen and ink, is other giving him permission to or- of Mexico and clearly according to was questioned closely on this forgery, and full of chirographical ganize the revolution when and the evidence; this was not done. It mere open to the public. The willness was questioned closely on this
point by Mr. Harriman, but he adhered to his declaration that during his connection with it the club
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he said, could attend the meetings,
and frequently during a session
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a Mexican judge, it possibly can Will the finding of a small stick have no weight in an American of dynamite, two rusty revolvers, of Cananca and other places, was a Spaniard or a Mexican had anydiscussed. And this public war thing to do with it. In the first CORRESPONDENCE AND DYNAMITE Mexican and revolutionary flags in In addition to this letter and the a house where a literary club was 'muster roll," a number of other holding meetings for the purpose of pieces of correspondence were intro- preparing for the celebration of Mexican Independence Day be seriously A peculiar feature of this case with a W. an absolutely unpardonand which is said by the attorneys for the defense to constitute a fatal defect in the indictment is that the indictment is that the indictment charges that the conspir-Villarreal's name is made to begin have little direct bearing on the case accepted by a jury as the beginning Jesus J. Gonzales, and other wit- hibit' 8," is an undated document cialist locals in this country had betabout July 1, 1906, whereas Magon nesses for the defense who were supposed to have been addressed to ter disband and cease their propawas not in that city at that time, members of the club and present at Rivera, but this was not established. ganda. If Magon and his comrades having left St. Louis for Toronto its meetings prior to its disorganiza- The majority of the letters were writ- are convicted on this evidence then March 15th, and that the principal tion in 1906, testified that they ten to and received from persons the greater proportion of radicals

borers against the tyranny of industrial conditions in the mines of the dictment: Consolidated Copper company in Cananea, Mexico, June 2, 1906, in which Col. W. C. Greene took the initiative in the massacre of a nameless number of Mexican strikers, but this event took place prior to the conspiracy alleged against Magon, and nearly three months before the commission of the overt act charged in the indictment. The Mexicans in Cananca were doing exactly the same work for \$2 a day silver that the American miners were performing for \$4 a day gold. In obedience to their sense of justice they struck for equal wages. Forbidden by the ruling power of Mexico to advance the wages of the Mexican miners Col. Greene silenced their demands - by filling their bodies full of bullets. People still speak with terror of the ruthless slaughter of the Mexican miners, and how Col. Greene, from his automobile, fired volley after volley into the ranks of unarmed men. Months after the holocaust the limbs of the trees around Cansnea bent with the burden of Mexican dead-striking miners who dared to demand their rights-that were left to hang in the breezes as an example to union men and revolutionists who might still cherish the sweet dream of liberty. But with this strike Magon had nothing to do.

In connection with this event the

Q. Mr. Rynning, did you not head a mili-tary expedition from Arizona into Mexico on or about June 2, 1996? Here an ebjection by Attorney Lawler was overruled.

force?
They went as individuals.
Along with you?
I don't snow whether they did or not.

Well, you saw them on the way going there, didn't you?

I did.
And did you keep company with them?
I did until I got to the line.
How many were there of you?
About three hundred.
Yes. What was the purpose of this invaof Mexico? Well, there's a great many Americans

aver there—women and children—thomsan them—our people. They sent an appeal saying that they were being massacred we went over—as individuals.

you made arrangements with the other.

In what way, do you mean?

You made arrangements with the other.

You knew they were going, did you not?

I certainly did—thought they were.

And you arranged with them to go?

No. I didn't make any arrangements, I alone and they came with me.

Yes; but you knew they were going?

I had an idea they were, yes.

Were you the commander of that force.

you arrived?
After I got over there, Governor Zoval

I never took an armed force in there, at there with these-

turn. Later the witness admitted is contended that the second is men and that he went into Mexico and held "incommunicado" for trial, they termed an "insurrenction." Mr. Harriman further developed the point that many of the strikers were revolutionists and followers of Magon; that the witness was in the

inactivity can be found in the fact that Capt. Rynning invaded Mexico at the reign of kings, and yet you groved that Capt. Rynning invaded Mexico at the feet of the industrial kings, your miners invaded the dominions of maintain their rights? Six weeks after the massacre of

"Will Izabel attempt to make us believe that the Mexicans are attacking one another? The truth is, that in this case just as in the lumber vard, the Yankees were the aggres sors and assassins of an unarmed

cross-examination of Thomas H. Rynning, a ranger captain and witness for the government, by Attornev Harriman, is significant,

ruled.

I went into Niexico myself.

Didn't you go with an armed force?

I met's a armed force over there.

You didn't take them along with you?

I went over as an individual.

But did you go in company with t

O yes, I saw them, And did you start with them? I did.

Here the prosecuting attorney interposed an objection, which caused the questioning to take a different first indictment was defective and it that a strike of Mexican miners was equally so; and yet the revolutionin progress when he invaded Mexico ists were deprived of their liberties with a band of three hundred armed virtually without due process of law at the instance of American mine and why? owners who desired to suppress what

the explanation for the government's to help American capitalists slaughter Mexican workingmen. What would have been the result had an armed body of Western Federation Diaz to assist the Mexican strikers

the Mexican strikers "Regeneracion," the official organ of the Revolution ary Junta, published in St. Louis, Mo., contained an editorial criticism of the occurrence, a portion of which reads as follows:

boa't be a wage slave: Be Ladependent! Own ther destified that he was present at tention of the defense that "Exhibit a meeting of the club on the night to far most week? Appeal. 300 farms will be sold to day. Be prompt and you may be one of the not remember seeing Vasquez pression of the alleged overt act, and look to the look of the October term of court, in the october terms of court, in the october terms.

against a mud wall and shot to 1906, for the alleged publication of 17 Cents a Day A PAGE FROM MEXICAN HISTORY. indicted for the crime of libel, Col. There was a strike of Mexican la- W. C. Greene, being the chief complainant. In the words of the in-

Ricardo Flores Magon, et. al.,

How curious the reading of this indictment appears when placed in contrast with the bloody deeds of the infamous butcher of Cananea! Is it really possible to bring scandal and disgrace on an amiable gentleman like Col. Greene, who, to show forth the tender and loving side of his forgiving nature, stood up in an automobile in the streets of Cananca and pumped lead into an unarmed and defenseless body of strikers until he quit exhausted with the demonstration?

## DIAZ AND THE GUM-SHOD.

The beauties of our glorious civlization and the happy methods practiced by our worthy rich to gain their wealth are enough to give the ordinary wage slave an incurable belly-ache. And yet Roosevel denins the working class for po.

ing a grouch. It is a surprise, when one comes to think of it, that the common people are so tolerant-that they don't uprise some day en masse and take possession of the world, which is theirs by right of numbers.

After Trinidad Vasquez, the detective, concluded his testimony in the hearing in Commissioner Van Dyke's court, he went down stairs, walked over to the sidewalk in front of the central police station and fell down in a fit, frothing at the mouth. He was taken into the station and given medical treatment, and that afternoon the Los Angeles papers were filled with sensational accounts of how the Socialists tried to poison the principal witness for the government. How the paid hirelings of the capitalist press did make the welkin ring in their editorial denunciations, and how also they frothed at the mouth-at so much per froth! Vasquez speedily recovered, however, and was spirited away, presumably by his sponsor and fellow detective Thomas Furlong, and the incident was closed.

The whole preliminary examination was a farce and an imposition. Had justice prevailed the defendants would have been released and the complaint dismissed. The original complaint was not made upon the oath or affirmation of any person, but upon information and belief only; it did not state facts sufficient to constitute a crime or cause of action against the defendants; the

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The reign of the big stick may be nearly over, but the Maxim gun will remain to enforce the rule of industrial kings.

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made, I asked Magon to tell me mething of the conditions in Mexto and how it was that he, a stulent and a member of the upper ass, had become interested in the etterment of conditions for the ommon people. He was a law stuent at the National School of Jurisprudence, in Mexico City, eleven was foremost in his lasses when he threw himself without reserve into the revolutionary evement. Of the same blood as Porfirio Diaz-a mixture of Mixteca Indian and Spanish-there was nothing to bar his progress toward the highest positions in society, had he sworn fealty to the dictator.

"How is it that you are a revolutionist, in jail, instead of occupying a position of importance in the Mexican government?" I asked.

### THE REASON WHY.

"It is because I was true to my ideals and honest with myself," he nething was inherently wrong with the order of things and as I grew older my analytical mind disand liberties of the people had been dent. taken from them by a heartless dictator, and when the time came for me to announce myself I could not A liberal party to agitate for the tion of the constitution to the people was later formed, and into this Though I may be handed over to the merciless myrmidons of the Mexican monarch to be starved in prison or shot to death I do not regret the step I took. I had rather die an honest

Magon's eves flashed as he spoke and his tense muscles gave evidence was interested and waiting for him to continue, he opened his

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mouth, and, invoking his memory, because of the popular agitation MY COMRADES OF THE The great plaza was a human river, were trying to escape and while fly-

people were restless and agitated, as who could read were filled with anec an upheaval of Mexican society, tion. It was considered a good thing Juvenile shouts were heard through to adopt the manners of the 'sancuthe city. The sordid neighborhoods, lottes, and not a few added the word where the poor rotted physically and 'citizen' to their salutations. The morally, were alive with protest. The withered countenances of the masse spoke of men's rights, of liberty, heads of the people turned to meet fraternity and equality. In the corridors of the theaters, on the plazas, of the students the chorus of the could be heard verbal demonstra- in the plazas and streets various pertions against the government. Citizens as they passed glanced with and Robespierre. hatred at the gendarmes. The secret police were pointed out in loud voices amidst the mockery of the though no one thought of a serious students. In audible tones could be revolutionary plan. The idea pre heard spicy anecdotes relative to the vailed that

"Sixteen years before a rascally revolt had placed Porfirio Diaz at with citizens eager to listen to the replied. "As a little boy I felt that the head of the destinies of the Mex- words of a Mirabeau or a Danton, ican nation, and since then he had whose memories were revived everygoverned uninterruptedly, with the where throughout Mexico. exception of the interval between closed where the wrong lay. At fif-teen I saw plainly that the rights instrument of Diaz, was the presi-"T

"Diaz was preparing for his second re-election in the year of 1892, decided for the morning of May 16 and intelligent citizens were dis- and the place selected for it was the posed to prevent the catastrophe by Jardine de San Fernando. Since the simple exercise of their voting early in the day the spacious plaza privileges. This was the cause of had been filled with multitudes, and the uproar in the City of Mexico at in the northeastern angle, where rethat time. Up to that day Diaz posed the bodies of Guerra, Tarahad been the cause of great bloodshed in every part of the republic our country, the people pressed Heads that had dared to raise them- thick. The people were speaking at selves above the moral degradation the tops of their voices-they could had fallen by scores and hundreds feel the necessity of speaking loud man than to live a wretched hypo-travelers at night would strike sun, the fair sun of Mexico, gave its were hanging from trees alongside the roads. In the valleys and dales of his sincerity. Then, seeing that fermented the flesh of the despot's victims. The rurales, armed horse rections, killing as they went.

### THE CLASS STRUGGLE IN MEXICO.

"The opposition press was si enced. The offices of the newspa pers had been invaded by the force of the government and some of them like that of El Republican, had been transformed into a charnel-house of death. Another paper had its furniture destroyed, its press broken, its type thrown on the floor and its printers assassinated.

"Before the spring season of 1892 no one had spoken a word in con-demnation. The lips of the people were mute. They would press them so as to not let escape the protests with which their hearts were filled. In the shadows and dark places spies would strain their ears to listen to catch one word or phrase or syllable indicating revolt. Should one person be caught uttering seditious thoughts torture and death in watertight tanks was the punishment. To in honor of the occasion. silence a crime was a virtue and to apologize for it was an act generously rewarded.

"Men of the lowest morality occupied the highest positions in the government. The vilest breasts were adorned with decorations and insignias of all kinds. To be a general minister, judge, governor or deputy one would have to despise valor, learning, talent, character, and the most requisite conditions for success were the possession of a beautiful shoot the wife and a backbone of bamboo. The no arms. pefied. The schools supplied by the presence of a judge or gendarme was proken the sword and covered herself with Mesalina's mantle. The people's rights were unknown. Jurisprudence was incarnate in the sword of Porfirio Diaz. The codes were moth-eaten in the dust of the libra-Political tyranny had weakened the characters and consumed the bodies of men. If a starving man should steal an ear of corn instantly he was shot. If a public official with a round stomach should steal the public revenue he would be considered worthy of any office in the nation. Petit larceny was punished by hanging; but the perpetrator of a biz theft was rewarded with

### such is the condition today. THE DREAM OF FREEDOM.

badges, medals and decorations.

Such was the condition at that time:

"This is the reason for the agi-tation that made Mexico City retation that made Mexico City re- Those slaves and lackeys, according sound with tumult at the beginning to the Diaz press, were the 'citizens' of the spring season of 1892. Pa of the spring season of 1892. Pa- who were going to demonstrate their pers announcing meetings of the loyalty to the Nero of Mexico. La students and laborers were distributed in the streets. Three or four independent papers had not yet been suppressed on account of their un-defined attitude, but at this time

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they published several editorials in Something strange occurred in criticism of the government. Fear the City of Mexico at the beginning being cast aside the human herd beof the spring season of 1892. The gan to see visions boldly. Persons if the coming season would witness dotes concerning the French revoluschools were clubs where students shone with joy. The faded fore streets, in saloons and street cars 'Marseillaise' could be heard, while sons strode in imitation of Marat

"Thus, many weeks passed in revolutionary dream of freedom, ala peaceful agitation immoralities of Porfirio Diaz and would overthrow a government sushis wife. Everything indicated that tained by forty thousand bayonets the government had lost its prestige. The anti-re-election clubs of the students and laborers were crowded "Oh, had there been a Desmou-

> "The clubs had organized a great public demonstration against the re-

> election, and the demonstration was goza, Juarez and other great men of of the multitudes were frequently turned towards the places where our heroes slept as if to bring life back to that place where reigned death A great confidence and faith filled the breasts of the people. The standards of the students and laborers mingled their colors in the air. Below, the heads of the throng were agitated as if by an epic breeze

### responding to the kisses of May, THOUGHT THEY WERE FREE.

Above, the aigrets of the trees were

erowd began to march. From the balconies rained flowers. All Mexico was enthusiastic over the demonstra tion. Hurrahs for liberty and down with tyranny came from every The badges glistened in the sun and the bands of music thrilled the people with their heroic tunes. On each check-stone or car or on any place that could serve as a tribute an orator was speaking. Some of them were attired in frock coats. others in blouses, some were tidy and others were rough as the tempest. The blue heaven bent with joy

"More than fifteen thousand peo ple composed the enormous crowd that led its way to the populous neighborhood of La Marced. At its greatest strength the marching crowd contained more than sixty five thousand persons. The most virile elements in Mexico marched along the streets of the rejuvenated city endorsing the demand for liberty and justice. The terrified dictator did not dare to

"Oh, had there been a Desmon-

lins! "During a few hours the slaves with eunuchs instead of citizens. The intoxicated with the appearances of presence of a judge or gendarme was citizenship, thought themselves free. more dreaded than the meeting of a In twenty-four hours the myrmidons pandit or outlaw. Justice had of the government were demonstrating that the unarmed citizen is impotent to withstand an armed despotism. This is what happened.
"May 17 was announced by the

employes of the government as the day on which to effect the re-election of Diaz. In anticipation the delegates of the dictator had been to all the towns of the federal district, inducing the haciendades to send their peons to the capital in order to outvote the opposition. The peons were taken to the capital by force. They were awakened early

on election day and were not given any food. Without a sip of water or a morsel of food the peons were massed and watched by the police so they could not escape. Persons who know anything of Mexico know that peons are slaves subject absolutely to the will of their masters. Alexander was the place chosen to deploy this mob. The marching was started, and a mournful spectacle it was. The employes of the govern-ment marched at the head, and the followed the employes. peons

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of your friends as you can to nets and sabers, but fresh victims violence must be resisted with vio subscribe for the paper? replaced those who fell, and the lence."

As the president of the Mexican Others are doing it, why not the agents of the oppressors ran and Revolutionary Junta I oceeded I

ike dumb, driven cattle. To see them taciturn and speechless one their way to the scaffold.

HOW DIAZ WAS ELECTED. "The people were laughing on the

sidewalks, and epigrams filled the air at sight of the farce. Some of at his bidding. The foreheads of after years of sepulchral silence. The the marchers wanted to flee, to go The next day about 1 p. m. we were where they could hide their heads taken by a rear door not frequently against the cold feet of men who rays of light and warmth. The faces in shame, but the presence of the used and made to go two by two peared upon the streets of his be gendarmes prevented the desertion into some closed carriages that were of the 'spontaneous' demonstrators. waiting for us, and, with guns lev- men of the working class would run Some students had the happy idea eled at our breasts, we were escorted to buy large trunks of bread, and a to Belen jail. rain of cheap bread hit the faces, backs and breasts of the 'citizens' as they marched, while the people were laughing and making merry. From the balconies stale omelets left over from the kitchen were thrown into the ranks of the marching peons and government employes. vere seen to stoop and pick up the bread and carry it to their mouths, the wall, and took them away astonbelieving that the bread had been thrown to them to eat, and not in sport. The miscrable slaves were hungry, and they satisfied their hun-

"Then speakers appeared amongst the people. The marching peons was a comedy that constituted an insult to the people by the government. Protests against such exhibitions of despotism were in the air. when a force of myrmidons fell upon the people with shotted guns

and savage blows. "I was starting to speak to the cople, a speech of protest against

distrior, when two revolvers, held by clasped hands, touched my breast ready to fire at the least resistence. Stopping savagely I attempted to speak, when I was surrounded by myrmidons and rudely conducted to the roof of the municipal palace, where I found a dozen school comrades detained. I was at that time sixteen years old and was in the fifth grade in the National School. My comrades shoot the multitude, which carried was also arrested and taken like many others to one of the police stations. The sun was pouring fire on the roof. Our thirst was creating a fever, but the physical pain was quieted by our enthusiasm. We were forbidden to speak, but we talked in whispers. Our captors did not hide from us the fact that they could shoot us like many others would be, but as we were young death probably would not lay its cold fingers on our hearts. Fierce looking policemen on horse-back left their horses in the yard of the build-ing and came to the roof to investi-gate us. They told us that at night they would 'give us water.' The Mexican despots, by a cruel euphem-ism, when they want to kill, say to the myxmidons, 'give him his water.' PIOTING IN THE STREETS.

"The unclouded sky was shining rightly and the old and solid ca

thedral revealed its outline against the blue dome. Faraway Popocate-petl and Ixthacihualt lifted their snows to the sky, as if to prevent the erime of man from staining its whiteness.

"Something like the murmur of the ocean shook our bodies, making our dreams to fly and leaving us like butterflies. It was the city that was shaking. At that time the students were the idols of the city. Without communication of any kind, we all had the same thought—to run to the edge of the roof and look to see what it was. The spectacle was awful.

You have never yet failed the middle of the night aroused Finally it began to dawn and we to respond when I asked you every person like an electric current, could see our faces, livid and pinched to help the Appeal by giving ing but their firm fists and their sleeplessness. We knew that there a little of your time to get- uncovered generous breasts. Quick were in the different departments of ting the paper a list of sub- as lightning the sabers fell upon that the jail more than sixty political sea of ficsh. The confusion was prisoners, and in the precinct police scribers. The smallness of spontaneous. The defenseless mul- stations many hundreds more. We the request may make it ap- titude, unable to withstand the ter- also knew that during the night pear to you that it is not im rections. At the same moment mus- different neighborhoods of the city rible onslaught, scattered in all di- there had been various uprisings in portant. The Appeal is what cular arms seized and dragged us to and that hundreds of laborers had it is today, because thou- a dark garret where we were left been ruthlessly shot down by the like sucks of flour. Again at night soldiers. sands of you have each per- we listened to the noise of the peoformed this apparently small ple as they attempted to come to could have been the starting of an our rescue. The multitude, being intelligent and cohesive revolution task. These thousands of dispersed in the morning, had armed ary movement, but, which, in reality, clubs of subscribers, com- themselves with knives and sticks were dissipated by an armed soldier bined in one whole, have and stones and again came by night before they had time to form. Some to try to take us away. We heard day the despotism of Mexico will be made the Appeal the great- the rolling of the cannons ready to confronted by a movement that will est weel-ly political newspa- fire upon the town. With saber in not be scattered like this one was. per in the world. And it will the turbulent neighborhoods and the hands that will dispute victory with hand the horsemen galloped towards The next time it will not be empty require that same kind of barracks where the schools were lo- the armed bands of the dictator. The work—only more of it—to cated. The citizens left the Plaza sabers of the Cossacks, then, will not de La Constitucion and in their fall with impunity on the heads of keep the paper afloat. Will places were parked small arms and citizens. The cannon of the soldiers you use the blank folded in artillery. The people were stabbing of the Casar will be answered by this issue and get as many at the gendarmes. The soldiers the rifles of the soldiers of the nation. The people now know that

> mingled in the streets. given a cover or bed and we had to lies his power. same black garret where we slept.

IN A DIAZ DUNGEON. "I had never seen the inside of that horrible place that in after years was such a familiar scene. After riding through dark alleys and ascending and descending dirty staircases we found ourselves in a long hall, the ceiling of which we easily touched. I placed my hands against ished; bloody spit decorated the wall We had been taken to the same apartment where were kept beggars and persons afflicted with leprosy syphilis and ulcerous sores. walls stank with the odor of tainted flesh and fairly dripped with blood thick fetid vapor rose up that made to the will of Diaz. The Socialis would turn only to behold some other form. Not to see the wan face of a consumptive it was necessary to turn one's back to it, and then one would face the corrupting nose of a syphilitic or the horrible coun-

tenance of an idiot. "Flesh fermented before our eyes it would dissolve, it would turn into bloody 'matter and grow nauseatingly corrupt before being hauled away for burial. I was in one sense worse off than the blind. They, poor devils, could not see the miserable sights about them. Scorpions were sizzling in the cracks of the ceiling, piders were making their webs in [tribute my litt the corners, while the men scratched ening the on-coming of the social their scabby skins to get rid of the fleas and bed-bugs which by the million crawled on us and the torn and place in which to live. Magon, Vilgreasy rags that were our beds. At larreal and Rivera have sacrificed night we were conducted to the detention police department. The atmosphere was thick here also, but at least we were relieved of the horrible spectacle of the living carrion. Our bodies were nearly dead from hunger. We had not eaten anything, as nobody had offered us a piece of bread, and the jailers had taken the meals which our mothers had sent meals which our mothers had sent us. We haid down on some races the courts and the first of Rocceptel. us. We laid down on some rags. the courts and the flat of Roosevelt, More than eight hundred men were around us coughing and groaning sirable citizens" to Mexico, where and cursing in the vast gallery. The and cursing in the vast gallery. The they will heat was unendurable. The bed- of Diaz. bugs and fleas were eating our flesh

and we could not sleep. We had nation permit the execution of this been told that the convicts outraged diabolical program?—Geo. H. Shoaf. the youths, and we were prepared to fight against such an outrage at any moment. When the prisoners discovered that we were students instead of hurting us they treated us

### like sons. THE DESPOT SUPREME. "Before 5 o'clock in the me

the pounding of heavy canes on pavement near the prisoners' he awakened us. The eyes could barely with difficulty distinguish anything in the shadows and we could hardly see by the lamp that blinked in the center of the room. The prisoners Through the procession were scattered the dictator's spies. All were
marching with their heads lowered

Are you thed of classing for others of starvalue wages? Wouldn't you rather own a
farm, if you could buy it for it cents a day?
form, if you could buy it for it cents a day?
form, if you could buy it for it cents a day?
form it side by side. Some bats
see the Appeal next week.—Adv.

that had entered during the night

The news of the students being ar- ing in the air would deposit their The people ran to save us with noth- by the two nights of hunger and

"In this way ended the plans that

felt that the pent-up protests of a "We were not given 'water' that hundred generations of outraged hunight. The protests of the multitudes manity were finding voice, and easaved us, causing the dictator to gerly I drank it all in. That Magon comprehend that the people would is an orator, upon occasion, there is would suspect them of being on not tolerate the massacre of the stu- no doubt. He is vivid, tense and dents. But just the same we were passionate. His heart throbs in symhandled most roughly. We were not pathy with the oppressed, and herein satisfy our physical necessities in the been imprisoned and nearly five vears of his life have been lived in jail as the result of his espousal of the people's cause. loved City of Mexico men and wo to take him by the hand, and so af fectionate were some of the demon strations that flowers were strewn in his way as he walked. It is no wonder that Dish fears and hates him. Persons familiar with the situation have declared that could there be in Mexico today a fair and honest election, with Magon and Diaz as the opposing presidential candidates, the revolutionist would bury his despotic adversary so deep eneath an avalanche of votes that it would take a thousand years of dig

ging to uncover him. POLITICAL DEMOCRACY FIRST. "Before Socialism can obtain its Mexico," said Magon, "political de-mocracy must be established. No and matter. Consumptives were one today is permitted to write or coughing, flies were buzzing and a speak a political sentiment contrary speak a political sentiment contrary the stoutest tomach sick. The nerves who would dare lift his voice would of men were shattered in that awful be promptly shot. The liberal party den of disease and death. Tired of which I represent, is endeavoring to seeing one form of disease the eye make operative the constitution unmore democratic document than is the constitution of this country. If Mexico enjoyed political democracy, or the right of the people to vote, then with her rapid industrial devel-opment it would not be long until Mexican capitalism would be ready to culminate in the Co-operative Commonwealth."

Bidding the prisoners be of good cheer, an injunction entirely unne essary, I parted from them strength ened in principle, elevated in spirit and feeling better prepared to conrevolution that is destined to sweethis earth and make of it a bett

Will the working people of this

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### Army and Party Notes.

The Army column and the Party Notes are left out this week on account of the space demanded by the stories, thrilling and dramatic, of the efforts of our Mexican comrades to obtain for the miserable people of the republic on the south fit conditions under which to live. I am sure the Appeal Army will not regret the change. I urge that you read carefully every word in this issue of the Appeal.

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subscriptions for each and every montain making a new high water mark of 32,000 for May, of that year, and an average for the month of 1,000 yearlies per day.

Going some? Well, I rather think

so! And it tickled us most to death to see the sickly smile of the plute editor as he watched the circulation

A thousand subscriptions a day!

"Oh, yes, you can do it for a little
while," say our enemies, "but you can't

1908: The Army averaged 1,002 yearly subscriptions a day for 151 consecutive That's a record of which I am proud

That's a record of which I am proud and every man and woman who had a hand in it is also proud.

But the hig things we did last year mean still bigger ones this year.

You who have watched the Appeal and helped it grow know we can't keep this big machine going on a falling circulation. We've got to put more names on the list this week than we did a year ago. And it is for this reason I'm now ureing you to put in a little of your

om the gallows and it will save our ussian comrades from Siberia and our exican comrades from being shot.

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leading to the control of the contro

### Alton Deal Echo.

The following press dispatch is for byious reasons of interest to Appeal

We shington, December 25.—The secretary of the treasury amounced today in accordance with the act of congress approved March 4, 1907, that should further public deposits be made with the banks the following named bands will be accepted as security therefor: United States, Philippines, Porto Rico and District of Columbia bonds at par.

Bonds of Hawalian territory at 90 percent and at the option of the secretary of the treasury Philippine bonds and those of states, municipalities, and high-grade railroads, such as are legal investments for savings banks in the states of New York, Massachusetts, Connecticut or New Jersey at 90 per cost of their parvaine.

For the initial or first deposit, United State onds are required. No additional deposits are, however, now in

The "high grade railroads such as are legal investments for savings banks" in clude the Chicago and Alton whose bond issue, as the result of its "reorganiza "high grade" category by a special bill lobbied through the New York legisla-ture and signed by Theodore Roosevelt as governor, without which "the most

as governor, without which the most gigantic swindle in railroad history' could not have been consummated. Now the treasury department an-nounces that these "high grade" bonds the fruit of this colossal robbery, will be received by the government as secur-ity for deposits, as the basis of new cir-

culation.

The "Alton Steal" by the grace of Roosevelt is now in full blossom and the bonds representing the robbery are accepted by the government as security against robbery.

This is high finance with a vengeance.

## Bryan Again Speechless.

There is no more voluble statesman than William Jennings Bryan. He is the equal if not the superior of Mr. Roosevelt. Both are in the hairtrigger

class of orators and can speak on any-thing from a microbe to a meteor on the slightest provocation.

But there are times when Mr. Bryan will not speak. It may seem strange but it is true nevertheless. Mr. Bryan absolutely refuses to utter a word when workingmen are kidnaped or sen-tenced to jail. At such a time not a word can be extracted from the great

When Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone were seized Mr. Bryan was speechless.
When Gompers, Mitchell and Morrison
were sentenced to jail he said its was
"unique" and 'apsed into silence. Listen to this:

It is not my polley to criticise either fe-eral courts or their action. The commitment is prison of two men so proudent in their lab movement as Gompers and Mitchell is unique in the annuls of labor movements to the

This is all Mr. Bryan would say

This is all Mr. Bryan would say. There is nothing "unique" in it. If Moyer and Haywood had leen hanged Mr. Bryan would doubtless have pronounced it "unique" and passed on.

No, it is not Mr. Bryan's policy to criticise the courts; it would offend his capitalist friends to do that and so when labor is crucified his lips are sealed.

## The Fugitive Slave Law

The following account of how the fugitive slave law operated in 1852 is interesting at this time because it shows how the master class—the elaw aristocracy of the south—used congress and the federal authority to perpetuate and protect its peculiar institution of craft and privilege. graft and privilege:

graft and pravilege:

Warrant for the arrest or removal of a fugitive since was to proceed in every case from a judge or commissioner of the United States, this warrant was to be executed by marshall of the United States, who could not decline to execute it under a penalty of \$1,000, and who would be held responsible under his official bond for the full value of any slave who should escape from his custody; all good citizens were required to assist in the execution of the law when called upon to do so, and a heavy fire bedden civil dismages to the owner of, the slave was to be added to six months imprisonment for any assistance given the fugitive or any attempt to effect his rescue, the simple addicated of the person who claimed the negro was to be sufficient existence of the coord or commissioner; and this certificate was to be conclusive as against the operation of the writt of haters coverned.

And today we are fighting the estab-lishment of Russian law in America, just as John Brown fought the estab-lishment of the fugitive slave law. The same principle is involved and it's going to require the same sort of heroic self-sacrifice and courage today as it did in 1880.

### When Socialism comes the grafter will

If a job is worth having, it is worth

The cream of society needs a good

When ignorance is blister, 'tis bully to get wise

The beginning of Socialism will be he end of poverty. Human society is now

nhuman profit mongers. Men are never blackballed when they

Capitalism is the dread of the worker and Socialism is his hope Your barber ought to have the paper. See that he is on the list.

Society is a liquid with all the gain at the top and the pain at the bottom.

Capitalism wants the worker to do his level best and always get the worst of it.

Soft heads make hard times. They vote for them under the label of "prosperity."

The voter and the mule are given only one way of speaking, and that is with their hee's.

Congress seems to have taken to th tall timber, from which vantage point it is inquiring, "Who's afraid?"

Political democracy began in America and industrial democracy is merely completion of the American ideal.

Capitalism is a patch-work of fig leaves. It can no longer clothe the world, and new methods are necessary.

Civilization-do the vast armies costly navies, that are bankrupting the nations to maintain, exist for civility?

The world is a big grindstone, and every man is trying to sharpen his knife first.—"Reuben," a Missouri humorist. The capitalists themselves must be

credited with doing a great work for So-cialism. They are disgusting the people with the present system. Yor voted for the job to belong to the masters, and now you have to beg them for it. You have got what you voted for, even if it is no job.

The mission of Socialism is merely to set the world free. When the riders are shaken loose, the workers can manage very well for themselves.

For the small vote that the Socialists cast, the plutes seem to be badly scared of it. No wonder Socialists are feeling scrumptions and razagazoop.

The Socialist, with his faith in a world free from want, is the true optimist. The man who thinks poverty and war are permanent evils is a confirmed resumment.

It is the ruling class that does not have class conscious. If want you to become class conscious. It is continually feeding you dope to render you unconscious so that it may work its game on you.

And now Mr. Carnegie has given his plan for heading off Socialism. It is the old game of working the workers through alleged profit sharing. Carnegie is as bughouse as John D. himself. Earth has just received the greatest

seismic shock in modern history, but the social upheaval that is immanent will be more farreaching and historical than that—not destructive, but world-

clared that capitalism should not press on the brow of labor this crown of thorns, but Mr. Bryan's friend Gour-pers seems to have got his just the

Judge Grosscup, in refusing to reopen the case wherein the Standard Oil com-pany was fined twenty-nine million dol-lars, has disposed of that case, and also the much advertised Kenesaw Mountain Landis. It new remains for some other court to deal an upper cut to Hadley and his ouster proceedings against the Standard, to put them on the bum.

According to the Catholic Sentinel, "among the richer classes, 343 persons in 1,000 live to be 60 years of age; in the middle classes 175, and of the laboring classes 156." It seems, in view of this showing, that the only way to promote long life is to make all rich in the sense that there will be no danger of want for all. The answer, as usual in all social problems, is Socialism.

If times are prosperous, nobody at charity Christmas dinner. Millions of men, women and children did cat char-ity Christmas dinners and many others went hungry. Draw your own conclusion.

A prominent social settlement worker cays he has been accused of being like the drunken man who could not help his partner up and therefore sat down beside him saving. "I'm sorry I can't help you up, Jim, but I can sit down in the mud with you, anyhow." This prominent settlement worker denies the accusation, but it comes perilously near being true.

The pity and sympathy which actuate the social settlement workers are admirable, and in so far as they help individuals to a better life they are to be commended.

But their work is utterly hopeless. Every essential feature of the present A prominent social settlement worker

Every essential feature of the present social system has its dagger out to stab their efforts. The results of their work, good as far as they go, are ex-

work, good as far as they go, are ex-tremely puny.

It would be too bad to neglect the individuals whom they are helping, but, in addition to that work, they should use their first hand knowledge of con-ditions to scourge the system which produces those conditions.

They should join the Socialist party in order to abolish the system.

The capitalists, who are unable to con

himself and said to the dog. "Don't you know that if you stay in that manger long enough, you'll get mangy?"

Now, this coincided with what the dog had previously learned about the

germ theory of disease. Besides, ox accompanied this pleasantry with a menacing twitch of his horn. So the dog silently tucked his tail between his legs and stole away. Whereupon the fell to and began to fill himself with delicious hay.

I am not much of an admirer of Daniel Webster. In his middle and later years he was a trimmer and a com-promiser. But in his younger years he said things worthy to be repeated.

agency cannot extinguish it. Like the earth's central fire, it may be smothered for a time, the ocean may overwhelm it, mountains may press it down, but its inherent and unconquerable force will heave both the ocean and the land, and at some time or other, in place or other, the volcamo will out and flame up to heaven."

their own mansions on the broad and beautiful avenues. They do not want to defile themselves by too close contiguity with people who carn an honest living. They contribute to the campaign funds of all political parties that will accept their bribes. They induence legislators with money, flattery, intimidation, or perquisites, and get passed such laws as are in their interest and rejected such as are not. They est and rejected such as are not. They treat poor men as inferiors and regard themselves as the lords of creation, Be-

### THE LEAGUE.

Total collections for 1908...... Total expenditures During the year just closed the Agitation League sent out 642,080 copies of the Appeal, amounting in all to 83,210,40. Other literature, \$183,16, making a total of 83,393,56. In addition to this the Appeal has mailed at its own expense over 500,000 copies. These papers have been sent into districts where the comrades were poor and unable to finance the propaganda work. Our effort; during the past year, has been directed almost wholly, into districts where So. Bal due from League ...... . \$ 801.51 certainty to an end whenever they wish. They can do it by voting for the collective ownership of the exploitthe past year, has been directed, nost wholly, into districts where So-

completed. Comrades Debs and Wayland and myself have been in "executive session" for the past week, and I believe I can promise you that there will be "something doing."

To start the New Year, we'd decided that the 5.000 editors of country democratic daily and weekly papers should read the Appeal. And we are asking you to take a hand in educating these gentlemen of the quill. We'll not bother the republican editors—because most of them are expecting a fair government job in the shape of a postoflice or a consular appointment. While this "spell" is on these republican brethern are poor material. In about another year, these dreams will have disappeared and we can go after them. If you think the democratic editors ought to read the Apdemocratic editors ought to read the Appeal, lend a hand. All contributions acknowledged in the Appeal. Contributors since last report are as follows

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### THE BUNDLE BRIGADE.

A mighty good New Year's resolution would be to say: "I'll subscribe for a bundle of Appeals each and every week, and I will see that every copy is placed in the hands of some one who ought to know about Socialism." Gee! What if every Appeal Army com-rade should take it into his head to sub-

scribe for a bundle of four, the cost of which is one dollar-wood in it make the old Appeal's list hump! Just try it and today, before you forger, mail a dollar bill, at our risk, and we will a dollar hill, at our risk, and we do the rest. The names of conurades who have subscribed since last report are as

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## Must "Be Adapted to Income."

The United States Bureau of Labor Bulletin No. 64 issued in May 1906 gives a detailed statement of the cost of liv ing for 19 families numbering a total of 124 persons, for a period of five weeks, and shows the average expenditure per person for everything, food included, to be twenty-five cents and eight mills per day, and that they expended for food alone three and one third, cents each, per meal.

The government has the following to say about it: "But while the expendi-

cheap a family of four to ten can live. Not one laborer in a million ever saw Bulletin No. 64 of May 1906, and what, is more he never will, for if he writes
to Wash'ngton for one he will in all
probability be informed that they are
out of print. Try it and see for yourself.

Then why are these statistics printed

Then why are these statistics printed and sent to the manufacturers at a government expense of nullions of dollars which you pay? The answer is simple if you read between the lines. "The expenditure for food as well as for all other necessities of life must be adapted to the income."

This is what a government official tells the manufacturers—not only this, but a manufacturer can learn from the government reports what the average

government reports what the average cost of living per person is in any state in the union, and the scale of wages may be governed accordingly. In case science should discover means

of prolonging life for a century or more, capitalism would merely be compelled to starve or murder that many more. It is simpossible to support those who do not die before thirty in a decent way under the present system.

The workingman who employs his lei-sure in improving his mind is on the road to freedom.

Even the American ben has caught the fever and is laying for the egg trust.

In addition, ism and the mother of freedom. BOOKS RECEIVED.

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Maryland 2	247.5	2,323	102	1.00
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Michigan 8	.941	11.586	529	1654
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Missouri 13	.009	15,398	552	936
Montana 5		5,855	323	284
Nevada	825	2,029	115	189
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New Jersey 9		10,249	763	770
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	,883	38,431	1.610	1 875
No. Dakota 2		2,421	24	125
Ohio 36		23.705	943	1.189
Oklahoma 4		21,770	925	1.221
	.619	7,339	410	3.33
	.863	33,913	1,506	1.569
	956	1.365	105	. 96
	.138	2,846	108	154
Tenn 1	.354	1.870	65	74
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Deleware	146	239	10	20
Georgia	127	584	33	34

Retributive Lightning.

Now comes the news that Col. Greene the copper king has collapsed physically and financially and is on the verga of bankruptey and insanity. According to the account he has fled to Europe

of bankruptey and insanity. According to the account he has fled to Europe in the hope of recuperating his shattered health and fortune.

Col. Greene is the gentleman who founded, the town of Cananea in Mexico where his mines are located and where he started to make a stupendous fortune out of peon labor. For a while all went swimmingly. Greene fairly dazzled the financial world. He was cheek by jowl with the red-handed Diaz. They were great cronies. Then came the strikes at the mines and "Colonel" Greene distinguished himself by standing in his automobile and mowing down the belpless and unarmed peons with rapid fire guns.

of the strikers.

Pullman won that kind of a strike and the victory killed him. Greene has won another and look at him! His palace is deserted and the lights are out. His once brilliant club-

maledictions are loaded upon their quou-dam king.

Where now is the bold and conquer-ing Colonel Greene, the conscienceless killer of defenseless workingmen? The lightning of retributive justice has smitten him and in a winkling he is a gibbering paralytic and the fruit of his unholy victory falls in curses upon his own ill-fated bead.

Capitalism will fall of its own iniqui-ties when it has run its course and that day is drawing near.

UNDER THIS SYSTEM. The men who make the fabrics wear

rented hovels. The men who make the automobiles

The men who build the railroads tramp

buy some soil. The men who work the hardest have the least.

The men who have transfermed the world have legally no right in the world

## UNDER SOCIALISM.

Every man can afford to own a good home, clear of all indebtedness.

Every laborer will be enabled to travel

and see the world. The world will be transformed into a thing of beauty and will belong to the

The producer, the farmer, will have the best of everything, and will no longer be in debt for the land he works. The workers will be enabled to accomplish their ambition.

Sampson was weak when his hair was cut. The worker is a slave only because he has not yet got his eye teeth cut.

## The Glad Christmas Time.

At the Salvation Army dinner to the poot of New York there was not half enough to supply the needs of all who applied, and met and women literally fought for places and a chance to get one zood meal.

C. A. Easters, a farmer of near Quitings, Ga. shot and killed himself because he was unable to provide the usual Christmas toys for his children.

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Every subscriber we secure at 25 cents means a less to the Appeal. We must secure a certain amount of advertising to make up this loss. Every reader of the Appeal knows of some good, reliable advertiser who does not use the Appeal. Every reader of the Appeal patronines some reliable advertiser who does not use the Appeal. Every reader of the Appeal should write to such advertisers and tell them they ought to such advertisers that if they want your trade and the trade of all other subscribers they must advertise in the Appeal. Every reader of the Appeal should write, not to now such advertiser. BOOKS RECEIVED.

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part.

Well, why can't we run at high pressure all the time.

Note for instance the month of May, 1905—it shows nearly double the number of subs for any other month during that year. The casual observer might say: "Oh, well you can do it ONCE in a while—but not all the time." Nevertheless the Appeal Army, when it theless, the Appeal Army, when it rolled up its sleeves in 1906, picked up an average of more than 22,000 yearly subscriptions for each and every month,

keep it up."
Well, look at the first five months of

year ago. And it is for this reason I'm now urging you to put in a little of your time today to boost the list.

I am enclosing a sub blank in this issue of the Appeal and I want you to use it today in soliciting subscriptions. It is unnecessary to emphasize the importance of giving the Appeal a wide-spread circulation at this time. The work we have undertaken is of the most vital importance.

importance.
Publicity saved our Western comrades

X-Rays

Appeal to Reason, Girard, Kansas,

BY JOHN M. WORK.

The capitalists, who are unable to consume the vast wealth which they wring from the workers, but keep the workers from consuming it just the same, may be fittingly likened to the dog in the manger who could not cut the hay himself but kept the ox from doing so.

It may be well to remind those who do not believe there is any way for the ox to get rid of the dog, that the fable of the dog in the manger has been revised. I have not the revised version handy, but it runs something like this:

A certain vicious dog sat in a manger and barked and growled at the ox and kept him from the hay, although he could not eat it himself. But, it so happened that this particular ox had become high in the forehead and wide between the horns, denoting enlarged intellect. So he winked his off eye at himself and said to the dog, "Don't you know that if you stay in that man-

said things worthy to be repeated.

He delivered the cortion at the laying of the corner stone of the Bunker Hill monument, on the 17th day of June, 1825. In the audience were a few aged survivors of the revolution, among them being Lafayette who was at that time making a four through the United States. Inspired by this occasion and these surroundings, the young orator gave utterance to these words:

"If the spark of religious and civil liberty be kindled, it will burn. Human agency cannot extinguish it. Like the

you want to secure these results Socialist party and vote the Join the Socialist party and vote the Socialist ticket.

If you do not vote the Socialist ticket, quit growling because you are deprived of everything that amounts to anything in the world. You are getting what you voted for.

workingman had no vote, it might be

But in this country the average work-

ingman has as many votes as a capitalist. The workingmen can bring ex

iditation and poverty and econom

industries.

A judge is judged by the company that keeps him. No invertebrate ever did a heroic act.

It takes backbone to fight the battles of freedom. To read understandingly, think clearly and act in accordance with his convic-tions are the attributes of the sound

Recollect, the club rate of the Appeal

is 25 cents for forty weeks. I believe we can get back to the 25-cent rate for a year before 1909 is gone if everybody pushes. Monarchial ideas are going. Neither kaiser, king or president or judge or capitalist can stand out as supreme over the people much longer. The cra of the people is coming, in both politics and industry.

Henry W. Poor, head of the old fluar cial publication. Poor's Railroad Manual, has just failed with liabilities of \$5, 000,000. He insisted that prosperity was coming, so the failure must be taken as evidence of the very best that capitalism can give us.

According to a New York committee

According to a New York committee investigating the welfare of school children, there are in the United States 12,000,000 school children suffering from physical defect, and 1,248,000 from malnutrition. Capitalism is a great success, isn't it? Don't you think it about time to put an end to a system that is so destructive to child life and future prospects? pects? In England all the distinguished (?) In England all the distinguished (?), people are making phonographic records, so that their voices will be preserved for posterity. But in most cases this canned oratory will be like the embalmed heroes of old Egpyt, unremembered nonsense. It is the poor and unknown who are doing and saying the things that will count, these days.

The American barvester trust is building factories in both France and Ger-many. This means that it will be be-yond the control of the internal comyond the control of the internal com-merce law. It also means a new ele-ment to work for free trade. So long as industry was confined to the nation, the tariff wall was a protection from competition, but so soon as the trust gets big enough to break the boundaries it will become a hindrance. There are now three classes among capitalists— the big and little fellows working for free trade and the middle class of "in-dependent" operators working for tariffs.

One of the Appeal's most tireless One of the Appeal's most tireless workers urges the suggestion the, comrades at every point see to it that the Appeal is on file in the local library and reading room, and to this is added the further suggestion that local comrades see to it that the Appeal goes regularly into every barber shop and other places where people visit or are obliged to wait and have a bit of time they may devote to reading. If the comrades in all the cities, towns and villages will act upon these suggestions and interest themselves in placing the Appeal into every available reading corner very much can available reading corner very much can be done not only to increase its usefulness by enlarging its circulation. way of advertising Socialism and

waser of, the slave was to be added to six most imprisonment for any assistance gives most imprisonment for any assistance gives and the continuation of the continuation and the proposition of the world of the condition of the families and the extract their profits from the bodies of their fellow man.

Mr. Taft is reported to have said to require the same principle is involved and it is going to require the same sort of heroic self-is actrifices and courage today as it did in 1860.

Are you ready for the battle?

The capitalists grab at every cent to work for the mat the lowest possible wages, without regard to the comfort or welfare of the comfort or welfare of the comfort or welfare of the world proportion of the man and their families. They the men and their families. They them at the lowest possible wages, without regard to the comfort or welfare of the men and their families. They them at the lowest possible wages, without regard to the comfort or welfare of the men and their families. They them at the lowest possible wages, without regard to the comfort or welfare of the work for them at the lowest possible wages, without regard to the comfort or welfare of the work for them at the lowest possible wages, without regard to the comfort or welfare of the work in the man and the lowest possible wages, without regard to the comfort or welfare or them at the lo this, too, at subscription rates that has led some of our exteemed Socialist contemporaries to jump on us because of "cut throat rates." A case is reported from Paris where

a workingman was refused lodging at twenty flats in succession because he had children. It is only an incident iltwenty mats in succession because he had children. It is only an incident illustrating in an aggravated form a condition that prevails in every big city throughout so-called Christendom. Statistics show that under the operations of capitalism a vast predominance of the people are becoming tenants, and now that children are refused lodging there is nothing left for the disinherited masses to do but to commit race suicide. The president's demunciation of such suicide counts as nothing before the stern conditions of modern life. There is no alternative for the poor man except to be a wage slave and to keep from having children. And yet the people who foster these conditions prate about Socialism hreaking up the home!

elmost wholly, into districts where So-cialism was little understood. New towns have been added to the list by this means and the surprising vote for So-cialism in these new fields is evidence that this work was well done. The plans of the Agitation League for the year are being mapped out and completed. Comrades Debs and Wayland and myself have been in "executive ses-

Miss. .. Nebraska

rapid fire guns.

Greene won the strike: At least he thought he did. But that is where he made his fatal mistake. In that kind of a strike God is always on the side

bouse is now strangely silent. His stock-holders alone break the stillness and now that the spell is over their maledictions are loaded upon their quon-

rags. The men who build the houses, live in

walk.

between the rails, seeking work.

The men who till the soil eat the refuse and sall the best so they may

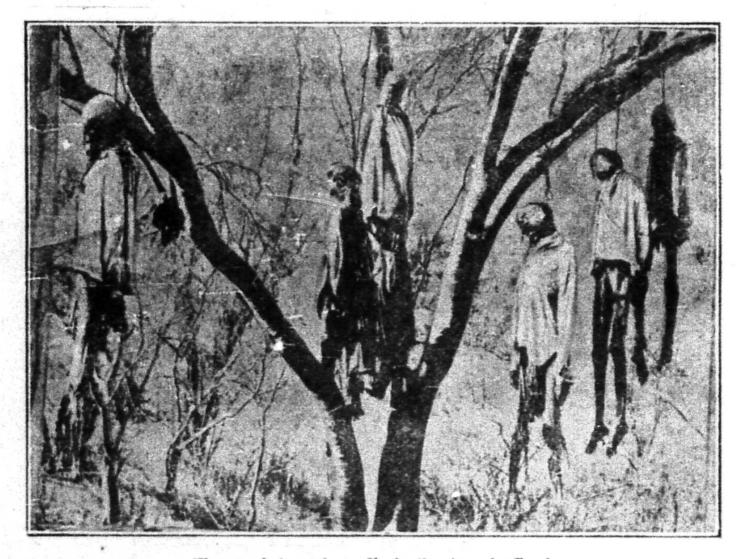
The men who work will get their full

working others.

Christmas shoppers in London he stantly the wall of thousands on the crying, "We want work."

William Handsine, a number of Denver, ing out of work and despondent because could not get his family Christmas prese committed suicide by shooting.

# The Fate of Our Mexican Comrades



[Fom a photograph on file in the Appeal office.]

See these human skeletons dangling in mid-air? Grewsome, ghastly, bloodcurdling? These are Mexican patriots who dared to protest against peonage and dream of liberty. The hell-hounds of Diaz hunted them down and the picture tells the rest. Mexico, a reptilian "republic," is an inferno of slavery. It is overrun with spies and saturated with treachery. To even whisper of freedom is to invite the fearful fate of which these skeletons tell the tragic story. . . These were noble souls, these Mexican comrades, whose sightless sockets look down upon us as if in mute appeal to avenge thier cruel murder. Oh, what a picture to look upon and how at tears the heartstrings! The strongest man can not look upon this scene and read its agonizing story without weeping like a child. . . . But this is not the time to give way to our emotions. Duty commands that we shall think and act. The first thought is that this would have been the fate of Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone had not the manhood and womanhood of America gone to their rescue. The next thought is that the Mexican and Russian comrades now lying in our jails are doomed unless we save them. Delay may prove fatal and more skeletons of noble comrades may dangle from trees in Mexico or rot in the infernal regions of Siberia. . We must act! The Appeal is stocking its arsenal and unlimbering its guns for the fight. IT IS A FIGHT FOR LIFE!



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