Things As I See Them

BY FRED D. WARREN

WILL somebody send me the correct answer to this question: "If the man who creates an article of value is not entitled to it, who is?" Answers from Prof. Wilson and Secretary Bryan will be given preference in the columns of the APPEAL.

WHILE I was in Toledo a few days ago "Men and Mules" Ries took me about town. We came to a beautiful building recently erected. "That's our million dollar government building," said "Men and Mules." Later in the day I wandered that way again. I saw a throng of anxious-faced men struggling to get in through the front door of the to get in through the front door of the building. I noticed that most of them wore overalls. Some had patches on their pants; all of them were shivering in the cold. I supposed they were be-sieging the building in an effort to find warmth and shelter. I inquired of a By-stander the cause of this extraordinary rush to the federal building. "Perhaps this is bargain day and Uncle Sam is selling stamps at reduced prices," I suggested. "No," chortled the Bystander, "it's Toledo working men paying the government tax on their incomes."

THE grand jury at Calumet returned an indictment against Chas.H.Moyer charging him with shooting himself in the back. The members of the Citizens' All-lie-ance composing the mob that invaded the hotel where Moyer was stopping were exonerated and each voted a medal of appropriate design for patriotic services rendered on that occasion. In Colorado a grand jury inves-tigated conditions in the southern coal fields and found the mine-owners guilty of breaking all the laws of the state, but indictments were returned only against Frank Hayes, Adolph Germer, Mother Jones and other strike leaders! And still there are people in this country who harbor the halucina-tion that there are no classes in the United States!

Modern Business Is Robbery.

HERE is a letter from a rather bellicose reader of the APPEAL, who writes as follows:

Writes as follows:

I note in your issue of January 10th an article on business and theft in which you say if a merchant bought a suit of clothes for \$12 and sold it for \$16 that he was a thief. Now I suppose that you know that you are in the printing business and I don't suppose that you can keep the printing establishment going on wind and if you do you will soon have to close shop and go out of business or class yourself as one of the thieves which you must be if you are making any profit. Answer in your next issue.

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In the first place I did not say that a merchant who bought a suit of clothes for \$12.00 and sold it for \$16.00 was a thief. I intimated as much, however, in my comments on a statement made by Kansas contemporary who remarked that the gambler who got something for nothing was in the same class as the man who steals a horse. I merely pointed out that if the gambler (and gambling is a business) is a thief because he does not give an equivalent in return, then the merchant who sells a suit of clothes at a profit was likewise a thief to the extent of his profit. difference, if any, is one merely of de-gree—the profit in the merchant's case being 33 per cent while that of the gambler is one thousand per cent or

Let us inquire into this word profit. The latest edition of the Standard dic-tionary, dated 1913, defines profit as be-"value acquired over and above the raging "value acquired over and above the value parted with in the course of acquirement." The gambler puts down a dollar on the green table and you lay down a dollar. The dice are rolled and the gambler wins. He acquires a value over and above what he parted with. If you win, the principle is the same. One day not long ago while in Oklahoma I was invited by a friend to visit a I was invited by a friend to visit a country club where the weary assemble on a hot dusty day to refresh themselves (with water) and where men with more money than brains exchange their wealth for the gambler's chance across the green table. Having been raised a Methodist, this visit was a novel experience for me and being of an inquiring turn of mind I wanted to know something about the workings of the various intricate and interesting the various intricate and interesting the various intricate and interesting the properties in the district which you serve, your co-operation in bringing them to the attention of the members of your organization. Elastic currency and a reduction in tariff will prove ineffective in stopping the tidal wave of wage reduction that is sweeping across the United States. We are not approaching a panic. The panic is here in spite of the optimistic talk of a few partisans of the wilson administration. Elastic currency and a reduction in tariff will prove ineffective in stopping the tidal wave of wage reduction that is sweeping across the United States. We are not approaching a panic. The panic is here—it has been with us since 1905. looking machines scattered about the big room. An accommodating attendant evidence that the present administration is actively engaged in helping the workingman by finding a profitable marther workingman by finding a profitable marthe

melody of "seven-come-eleven." As a posit a dollar on a certain number. did this and the bones were rolled gaily along the green table with an artistic flourish of the right hand acquired only after years of practice. The G. M. won and my dollar soon found itself resting and securely in the capacious snugly pocket of the gentleman in charge. My education was complete. I said nothing but I was quite sure that I had received no value in exchange for my dol-lar. But I had had my "chance!" This is what you get in that sort of a game. It is what you get in any business deal!

This business of transferring your dollar to the other fellow's pocket, is played differently in Kansas. Just how differently is illustrated by the following letter written by a banker to a friend of mine who is sorely in need of \$200.00. This is what the banker

Wrote:

I have your card of the 6th regarding the \$200 you want. I cannot make and send papers up there as you request—must have you down here and talk matters over with you. I think I shall have to have security for the amount you want—customary to take security and we find in our business that it is mighty risky to do otherwise. I think I can make you the loan for \$200 provided you are willing to pay the interest I can get right here at home. I am offering to make you the loan simply as an accommodation to you. The amount will cost you \$228—that is, you will have to pay us \$228 one year from date note in made and you get \$200 to use that long.—John Jones, banker.

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The above is a bona fide letter, although Jones isn't the name of the man who signed it. You pick up \$200.00 and you put down \$228.00. Simple, isn't it? A little more complicated than the game I went up against in Oklahoma, but it serves the same purpose. Your money drifts over to the other side of the counter just the same and just as surely.

But to get back to the merchant: He sells clothes. The banker sells money. The gambler sells chances. If the merchant is successful (and very many times he is not) your money gets over to the other side of the counter as it does in the banking and gambling business. This is the way the capitalist game is played. As my correspondent suggests, I can't run the APPEAL on wind. I am trying desperately hard to make a profit, and to the extent that I am making a profit I am a thief and a robber, if it is true that a man who gets something for nothing is that kind of a fellow, and I believe he is. It's a little harsh to call the merchant and the banker and the editor thieves, but the business of this newspaper is to tell the truth and you cannot tell the truth without speaking harshly. All profit (getting something for nothing) is rob-bery, whether the game is played by the gambler, the merchant, the banker or the editor of the APPEAL. You call it trade in the last named transactions. You call it gambling in the first named business. If results are the same, wherein lies the difference? Tell me that, Mr. Belicose Reader.

"Purpose of Confidential Circulars."

MR. HENRY DUBB, one of my many esteemed readers, sends me the following circular letter, printed on Department of Commerce stationery, dated Washington, D. C., Jan. 6, 1914, and signed A. H. Baldwin, Chief of Bureau. Henry is employed as Chief Custodian of Cuspidors in a twenty-five story office building located in a city, which shall be, for obvious reasons, nameless. During the course of his rounds picking up cigar stubs that cozed a Joe Cannon aroma, he stumbled across this important and confidential letter. Being a Henry Dubb, he gleefully forwarded it to the APPEAL. The letter reads as fol-

In order to bring to the attention of interested individuals and firms the confidential information in regard to commercial conditions and opportunities for the sale of American goods which consular officers and the bureau's crops of commercial agents are constantly transmitting to the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, your organization has been placed on the confidential circular maling list. Although these circulars may also be sent to a number of individual manufacturers and exporters in the district which you serve, your co-operation in bringing them to

Henry thinks this letter is prima facie

man makes for his employer. Henry demonstration of how this particular game worked, the General Manager of that if the APPEAL would do something the institution suggested that I deposit a dollar on a certain number. I tration of President Wilson it would be tration of President Wilson it would be rendering a great service to humanity in general and Henry Dubb in particular. Henry, like a good many other people, believes that the more goods we ship abroad, the better it is for all concerned. He points to the balance of trade (the balance in this case showing we have shipped away more goods than we have received) as an evidence of national prosperity. He assumes, of course, that the difference is made up to the United States in the form of gold and silver coin. This gives me occasion to remark again that this country has been shipping abroad goods and gold and silver greatly in excess of what we have shipped in. It has been a constant outgo for twenty-five years and the end

There is only one fair basis of com-merce between different countries and that is that each country shall receive an exact equivalent in value for goods shipped abroad. Any other basis impoverishes the country with the favorable (?) balance of trade.

The significance of the circular referred to above is merely this: It proves that the machinery of government is today used solely in the interest of the capitalist class. You deny this, because you say that in helping the capitalist sell his goods abroad the government is providing jobs for American working men. Oh, is that so? Suppose Mr. American Capitalist cannot find a market for his goods and he is forced to close his factory? Does Mr. Wilson's government concern itself with the fact that Henry is out of ajob? No, indeed; it does not, because the democratic administration, like previous republican administrations, is concerned only in-directly with the problems of the working class. If there was a Socialist administration in Washington in place of the present democratic administration, I venture to predict that a letter somewhat as follows would be sent out, not as a secret circular, but as a bulletin that would be shouted from the house-

In order to facilitate the work of the nation, you are notified that the agricultural department is in need of fifty thousand additional volunteers for the reclamation work in Arizona. Transportation will be furnished to all who desire to take up this work. It is suggested that all citizens co-operate with the bureau by directing the attention of all persons who feel that a change of climate and occupation would be desirable to this call for volunteers.

The point I wish to make is this: If government is used for getting rid of the goods and merchandise produced by the working class, but owned by the capitalists, then why should government not be used to aid the workers in making and keeping for their own use these identical articles? The answer is plain: We have in this country a capitalist government devoted solely to the interests of the capitalist. What we need and must have is a government controlled by the workers and opera-ted for them. This is what Socialism proposes. Do you get that, Henry?

A Brutally Frank Statement.

Labor troubles are still prominent in several sections, the most spectacular being the miners' strikes in Michigen and Colorado. A long extended textile strike in Philadelphia ended with the year, the employes having been practically starved into submission. Unpleasant though the thought, there is much sentiment that real liquidation of labor may have to be faced in various industries before long—liquidation involving wage reductions, and not mere periods of unemployment as in 1907.

THIS brutally frank paragraph is ta-ken from Moody's Monthly Digest of Corporation News. That publication deals with inside facts for capitalists. The men who prepare this Monthly Digest are in close touch with the men who control industry. These men look over their balance sheets and the re-ports furnished them by their secret agents, and on this information agents, and on this information they base their plans for the future. Prominent among these plans is the wage reduction that is always co-incident with a period of depression. This depression is here in spite of the opti-There was a little extra flurry in 1907,

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are scheduled for every important industry in the land. The strikes of the immediate future will be strikes against wage reductions. There will be no strikes for increased wages. Soonvery soon-a lot of Henry Dubs will be yelling themselves hoarse for the good (?) old days of Bill Taft. But these "good old days" are gone and gone forever. You are in for soup-houses and bread-lines under Wilson. If it is any consolation to you to know that Professor Wilson has appointed a commis-sion to look into the causes of why you are jobless you are welcome to all the consolation you can get out of that information. The capitalists are already beginning to trim their sails in anticipation of the coming storm. The war department is likewise preparing for the approaching contest. Many shrewd capitalists are making contracts with foreign firms to supply their customers while their plants are closed. The soldiers will see to it that the idle plants are not molested by the hungry strikers while the owners will be enjoying sunshine and flowers in southern

I Am Not Opposing State Capitalism.

Editor Appeal, Girard, Kan.—In your issue of January 3d you say that the public ownership of the railroads would be state capitalism; assumed not very desirable. What do you mean by state capitalism? Do you mean that governmentally we cannot take over one industry at a time and make progress? Must the all or none? Also you use the expression "democratic management." Surely you do not mean management by the democratic party? If not, what do you mean?—William Bloch, Californie.

STATE capitalism is that period in our life as a nation, when the government will own the chief industries, such as the railroads, telegraph and telemen who own the government bonds issued to pay for the industries. It is not a question whether this is desirable or undesirable, for the reason that it is unavoidable. It is the natural and inevitable next step following the trust is to point out these changes in our national life. It is not our business to condemn the men who profit off the people, although a good many of us mistakenly do this.

Individuals are not in any way responsible for the "system." The "system" is responsible for the individuals. We do what we do because there is nothing else for us to do, and we keep on doing that thing until we reach a place where that thing can be done no longer, and then the change comes. For instance, the railroads have been paying enormous profits during the past twenty-five years. The total sum of net earnings staggers the imagination. The Permere figures are meaningless. haps you can better understand when I say that the railroads during the past twenty-five years have paid to their owners a sufficient sum of money build a beautiful five-room house for the ten million families in this country who do not own the houses they live in. Just remember every time you pay the rent or hear of your neighbor paying his rent that both of you might have nice places to live in if you were not compeled to pay such enormous tribute to the railroad magnates.

The railroads, however, have reached a point in their mad career of wild financiering when they can no longer pay the enormous dividends which they have been handing out to their stockholders, and so they are now ready to turn the roads over to the nation. I have repeatedly referred to this movement in these columns. No longer able can safely turn his milroad over to the to make the railroads pay, the railroad federal court because the federal judge managers are quite willing to let the government have a try at it. The government, by the grace of the democratic and republican parties, will bond the entire nation to pay for the rail-roads and whether the railroads do or do not pay, interest on the bonds will be regularly paid from the monies col-lected by the tax collectors.

My correspondent is wrong in assuming that I am opposed to government

ployed. Wage reductions and increased hours of employment (without extra pay) are scheduled for every important dustry that serves the people. What Re dustry that serves the people. he objects to is ownership of the government by the bondholders. He is just as enthusiastic over government own-ership as he was at the beginning of the trust era over the organization of the big combinations of capital that have reduced production to a science and which have forced the nation to look to public ownership as a relief from the excessive burdens placed on our backs by the trust magnates. Both the trust and government ownership make for progress in the right direction.

I Would Vote for State Owned Mines.

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H. Hansen, Socialist of Colorado City, Colo., writes me the following letter about state ownership:

I am disgusted with the whole Socialist movement, as well as the Socialist press. I have worked for Socialism for over sixty years. Socialism has always meant to get public ownership of the means of production and distribution, such as railroads, coal mines, land, telegraph and all the rest of the things that the public needs, and now that we are about to realize some of these things, the Socialist press is doing all it can to prevent us from getting them. For instance, we have an opportunity right now to capture the coal mines of Colorado, but the Socialist press tells us that if the people owned the coal mines the poor coal miners would fare as badly as the postoffice clerk; that is the mail clerk, who works eight hours per day and gets 590 per month with fifteen days off every year with pay, and spends his money where he pleases, while the coal miner gets \$50 per month and three months off per year without pay and must spend his money in the company store and pay from fifty to one hundred per cent more for his goods than he could buy them for elsewhere, but then it would be awfal if the coal miner should be treated like the mail clerk. There was a time when the Socialist press was a power (and especially is that true of the Appeal), but that was when it stood for a principle, but now it only finds fault with everything and everybody while it advocates nothing.

If I were in Colorado, I would vote and work for the state ownership of coal mines, though I believe the coal barons

phones, the mines, oil wells, etc. The and work for the state ownership of coal government will be run by and for the mines, though I believe the coal barons have long sinced forfeited any right they have in them. I believe the state would be justified in confiscating these coal mines in the interest of the people who dig the coal and the people who use the coal as fuel. If the APPEAL has ever at period. The business of the Socialist any time discouraged in any way the is to point out these changes in our movement for municipal, state and national ownership of industry, then I have forgotten it. I do not mean by this that would vote for a democrat, or a republican or a progressive who advocated these things. But if I had a chance to vote on a state referendum providing for the state ownership of coal mines, such as is the case in Colorado, I would most certainly cast my ballot in the affirma-tive. At the same time I would point out that the transfer of the coal mines from the Colorado Fuel & Iron Co. to the state would not, to any very great degree, benefit the miners. Governor Ammons, democrat, has proved his partiality to the mine owners in the present labor war, and were he governor and the state owned the mines he would favor the bondholders as against the miners as he now favors the capitalists against their employes.

In Missouri, the Socialists have initiated a referendum providing for a law under which the state shall give employ-ment to the unemployed. Every Social-ist in Missouri should work for the suc-cess of this referendum. He can do this consistently without violating any pledge he has made to the Socialist party. From now on we will see many other such efforts to relieve the distress of the poor. When private enterprise fails, the people instinctively turn to government. The capitalist has always done this. If his railroad fails, he asks for a federal court receiver, and after the federal court receiver, acting under the instructions of a federal judge, has put the rail-road on its feet, the railroad is turned back to the stockholders. The capitalist federal court because the federal judge is his judge. When the working class becomes wise enough to put its judge on the bench, then it will be safe for the working man to turn his job over to the federal judge. This is said figuratively, because I believe that federal judges should be deposed and the federal courts abolished. I am merely using the federal judge in this instance as typifying the power of the state.

T. e ideal towards which the Socialist is looking and for which he is work-

col-political and industion by the working class. control the Socialist does By .rol by the democrat party, no' ie people. The democratic party of today is not a democratic party. It never was a democratic party. Democracy means all the people and until all have a voice in government there can be no democratic government,

To cam a living is easy enough, But getting it there's the rob, I take no stock in that Socialist stuff, Because I'm a Henry Dubb.

., January 31, 1914

UNDER capitalism the worker is a slave to the machine he operates, but does not own. Under Socialism he will be the master of the machine he operates and

Socialism does not favor "dividing up." On the contrary, it would so change society as to prevent the worker dividing up his product with the non-pro-

A FRENCH professor says the skin of future man will be greatly different from that of today. Unless we change our voting methods, future man won't have any skin.

Socialism is not merely a scold. On the contrary, it uncovers evidence of evils only to point a way to their cure, which is not true of those who are scolding Socialism.

SOCIALISM is not a plan for ruling the workers under bosses. On the contrary it is a plan to get rid of bossism by making the workers supreme in both industry and politics.



THE press announces that the banks accept the new currency bill. Considering that it was especially made for them it is really remarkable that they should accept the gift.

IMAGINE a man sitting on an open keg of powder smoking a cob pipe and you have a good picture of capitalism today with its never-ending labor wars and millions of idle working men.

CHICAGO is going to establish munici pal stores where the people can buy food and clothing at cost. This will destroy initiative, enterprise, and profits; but the greatest of these is profits.

Socialism is not concerned entirely with material things. It rather seeks to make the getting of a living so easy and sure that all people will have time and opportunity to live a higher life.

THE capitalist system gets its support not because there are or ever again will be many capitalists, but because so many who are not wise to the situation imagine they will some day be capitalists.

VINCENT ASTOR'S professed interest in the men who do all the work makes one think of that line in Kipling's "On the Road to Mandalay"—"They talk a lot of lovin', but wot do they under-stand?"

Socialism has no desire to forbid you thinking your individual thoughts. On the contrary, it would so free all from economic necessity that all might be able to think as they would and do the things they desired.

Yes, you are living twice as well as your ancestors did a century ago. But you produce a hundred times as much; id they w times as well as they who did not work a century ago.

Socialism is not a mere set of rules which are to be imposed on the people. On the contrary it is a plan which will enable the people to do what they may want and to shut out those who have been robbing them.

Socialism is not the creator of the great unrest now prevailing. On the contrary, it would remove the causes of the unrest, which inhere in the capitalist system, and by bringing justice promote industrial peace.

We hear a good deal these days about the government taking over the railroads and squeezing out the water in so doing. It is pertinent to ask, Who is going to do the squeezing? Who shall decide how much is water and how much is flesh and blood of workingmen, squeezed out by capital through other channels, con-verted into surplus dollars and invested in railroads for the purpose of squeez-ing out more surplus dollars in the same way and from the same source?

"You can't change human nature" is one of the stock objections to Socialism. Socialists don't want to change human nature, it isn't necessary. There is Socialists don't want to change human nature, it isn't necessary. There is nothing wrong with human nature. It is human nature to want to be happy and see those around us happy. Socialism will give human nature a chance to express itself naturally by making it possible for every human being to live in comfort without forcing others to live in poverty. It will do this in the only way possible—by eliminating the private ownership of the means of life.

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A JAIL cell furnishes one time and opportunity for though Eighteen days and nights, I have lived in a steel cage. The law says that I am innocent until I ven guilty. The law indulges in this just presumption by locking me in a cell.

The coroner's jury met and ren-dered a verdict and recommended that I be held without hail. How they came to this conclusion is a nystery to my lawyers and to me. It rinted that I have been circular. Not a bit of evidence was intro-Not a bit of evidence was intro-duced showing that I was guilty st itements are black, of any crime and yet the coroner's far schoods. I am one of of any crime and yet the coroner's jury recommended that I be held Law and justice do not seem to be very well acquainted.

The charge against me is brought cases he wins, the higher he stands trial of the case is not so much a contest between right and wrong munity is the influence of a man, feared by many—respected by

The defendant stands alone. The fact that he has been arrested, is charged with a crime and occupies a cell, causes many of the people

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\$50,000 against the paper. During the last week, an attempt was made to silence the Strike Bulletin. The effort failed, as will all

Out of it all comes one great in the Creed of Toil. I know that molested, no difference what they I am one in the great Brotherhood may say.

of Workers. Even as the man of Galilee taught it-we know it-

The efforts that are being made to furnish me with funds to make fight are deeply appreciated. Checks made payable to me will be used to make my fight for freedom and vindication. The great penalty that many very deserving persons

Fraternally yours, CARL E. PERSON. County fail, Chinton, Ill., Jan. 17, 1614.

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And that will be Socialism.

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Congress will investigate the strikes in Michigan and Colorado. The agitation of the Socialists and ambitions, hopes and ideals. The best other friends of the strikers has artists and photographers will be emborne fruit and it now must be ployed to make these eight pager as watched that the investigation is attractive and as instructive as pictures fair and exhaustive. Let all the supply the text, No subscriptions by facts be known and let those-in- the year will be accepted. The news cluding the governors-who have stand edition can be purchased only defied the constitution and law be from the newsdealer from week to week, punished.

In Lawless Michigan.

The strike among the copper ply demanded will be filled; you will miners of Michigan, which has pay your nickel and that ends the transbeen in progress since last July, action. If it is determined after a six begins to carry a more favorable months' trial, that you do not want an aspect for the strikers, although eight-page edition, at five cents a copy, the miners organization needs aid then it will be discontinued and there from sympathizers to continue the will be no money to refund to paid-in-There has been considera- advance subscribers. Go to your news ble publicity letely for the miners, dealer and place your order. To be and the pressure of public opinion certain that he will supply you ask d and is clearly annoying the masters four or five of your friends to join you. These and their sycophantic supporters, With five customers as a basis, the The newsdealer will not hesitate to place a malicious the state administration. I am one of the ranks, governor recently sought to run regular weekly order with his whole-President news-stands in the United States! I conferred. in the name of the people of the state of Illinois. This is the law, port of the only ones to whom I can I (one of the people of the state of Illinois) am the defendant. The moven jent.

The purpose of these falsehoods is miners conferred. President news-stands in the United States I have a moved to withdraw am quite sure our readers will join us from the strike region if the troops in making the news-stands in the United States I have a moved to withdraw am quite sure our readers will join us from the strike region if the troops in making the news-stands in the United States I have a moved to withdraw am quite sure our readers will join us from the strike region if the troops in making the news-stands in the United States I have a moved to withdraw am quite sure our readers will join us from the strike region if the troops in making the news-stands in the United States I have a moved to withdraw am quite sure our readers will be used to withdraw am quite sure our readers will be used to be used t

workers.

Suppressing Free Speech.

Hancock, Mich .- T. Hiltono and A. O. Sareil, editorial writers, and W. Toppari, collector of the Tyomies. have been arrested. charged with conspiracy to incite riot by publishing inflammatory articles in the Tyomies. Bond was fixed at \$1,000 each. This is the other efforts fail until the strike second attempt to suppress the only paper in the district which takes the part of the miners. Editors that satisfaction. I know that I am one side with the mine owners are not

Poverty Makes All Unhappy.

I have listened to many ingeni ous persons who say we are better off now than we ever were before. were before; but I know positively of being in jail is the pain that of my acquaintance have great comes from being off "the firing difficulty in living under these imof my acquaintance have great mounted militiamen with drawn proved circumstances; also, that clubbed eloquently written either by dismany. One soldier sustained a tressed or dishonest people; and broken rib as his horse fell on him. om the Appeal's new booklet. The Key tion, well off, while so many of us to the Mystery, by John M. Work. are living either in honest or vilare living either in honest or viltate of affairs if we had made all part, I will put up with this state ously tantalized.

They have it in their power to apply a complete remedy, which will give them the fullest opportunity to avail themselves of all the advant.

They have it in their power to so much as to expect to be refever. Weeks slipped by and Joe warded for it in another world. got no better. The little savings of all the advant.

Savs Villa is a Patriot.

Again, they will secure the full value of their labor.

Again, the farmer will reap his fields in cheerfulness and hope.

Again, the mechanic will make glad—not the little shop this time, but the great industry—with anecdate and song.

There is not a man in the city week. It wasn't much, but enough week. It wasn't much, but enough for the Minck family to eke out an existence until Joe was able to work again. No one thought to ask Susie where she was working. With get him up at daylight; that money will separate him from his friends:

An a machine. Her wages was \$9 a week. It wasn't much, but enough for the Minck family to eke out an existence until Joe was able to work again. No one thought to ask Susie where she was working. With only the way, is the greatest state of the republic, has been owned and controlled by the Terdanic week. It wasn't much, but enough week. It wasn't much, but enough for the Minck family to eke out an existence until Joe was able to work again. No one thought to ask Susie where she was working. With one work again. No one thought to ask state of the republic, has been owned and controlled by the Terdanic week. It wasn't much, but enough week. I Again, want will be unknown and fear; that money will rob his days Again, wealth will be little cared and dreams. He cannot own it. He becomes the property of that are occurrence.

Again, again, crime will be of are occurrence.

Of sunshine and his nights of pleas-covered and one day ne left strong and government. He enough to go to work. The family of that talked it over and it was thought of the best for Susie to remain at work ing more. What for? He does until the back rent and the docstyled banding more. All these wonderful conditions not know. It becomes a kind of tor bill was paid.

Toiling for the Masters.

tion is the history of millions of Happiness, hopefulness, buoy-men toiling to produce wealth for ancy and joy will be the rule, not the express purpose of paying the tax-collector and meeting the state enforced demands of landlords, the sources of production.

SOCIALIST HANDBOOK No. 2. should never forget that it always pays to take an interest in other people.

Willie—Please, mum, my pa says better to take interest from other people,

Please, mum, my pa says we only have a few hundred copies left and as long as they last we will supply them to Socialist locals, 20 copies for people,

SOUTALIST HANBOOK No. 2. The series of today.—Heien Keller.

Chock full of facts and figures. It has love the made the laborer the mere slave of the machine. Sobialism will reverse this plan.—

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SOUTALIST HANBOOK No. 2. The critical meters of today.—Heien Keller.

Check full of facts and figures. It has love in the mere slave of the machine. Sobialism will reverse this plan.—

Lofarque,

Merede, Tess.

Hop Pickers on Trial.

ensists of eight large pages, the same size as the regular edition. Into those eighs pages each week we will undertake tell the story of labor's struggles, It has been brought out that men tives for a week at a time in orcan make them. The best writers will der to make them confess; that one dated while under arrest that he at a nickle a copy. I do not care to pile up a big indebtedness by accepting stand edition until after it is determined that the Socialists want a paper of the kind we will print. Each week the suping attorneys is a brother of the man who was killed. Two strik-ing hop pickers were killed, and the friends of the men are denied privilege of exhuming the bodies in order to find if the bullets that slew them are not identhe man for whom four strikers Only one side is permitted to give evidence, and that evidence consists for the most part of confessions obtained by brutalities in violation of law. We Are Wise Guys!

joicing, because it shows that the trust paid to its employes last year the enormous sum of \$157,500,000. It is conceded that this is a large sum of meney for one corporation The inquisition is on in Coloto pay out for labor in one year. But we must remember that this vast sum was not received by the an anarchistic state administra-tion. Civil officers who insisted mills; but it includes the men who on enforcin the laws against sym- labor in every department of the pathizers of the mine owners have steel industry. The steel trust owns been dismissed from office and miltary rule has taken their places. smelters, coke ovens, coal mines, Mother Jones and many others are and to a large extent its own railin military custody, held without roads. privilege of communicating with is divided up among the tens of the outside world, not for crimes thousands of men employed in the they are accused of having com- various departments of industry mitted, but because they chose to conducted by the steel trust, exercises themselves as favoring the man receives but a scant living. conducted by the steel trust, each But there is another way of look-ing at this matter which is never as private gunmen hired by the mine owners, have wantonly mur- mentioned by the capitalist press.

Every cent of wealth produced by molestation, while some who have the steel trust is produced by these been guilty of such murders have thousands of employes. This same permitted to join the national report tells us that the steel trust guard and do their murderous "exported 375,000,000 tons of steel work under sanction of the law. last year." If we estimate this In Routt county the governor has exported steel at only ten dollars a openly sanctioned the deportation of miners by the citizens' al- for the steel produced for the home The same oil interest that market, it will be seen these workbehind the class civil war in ers produced \$3,750,000,000 worth Mexico is behind the mine owners of wealth for the steel trust, and received back in the form of wages slave American workers in the in- but four and one-fifth per cent of what their labor had produced.

If the public owned and operated Militia Ride Down Women. the steel industry, we could quad-Trinidad, Colo.—While wives and ruple the wages of the workers, and children of the strikers were parad- then buy the products of the ining as a demonstration against the dustry at one-fourth the price we imprisonment of Mother Jones now pay for them. But that would mounted militiamen with drawn be Socialism, and that would never swords charged on them and do! It would bankrupt the govroved circumstances; also, that clubbed many, wounding one ernment, overthrow society, burst loguently written either by dis. One soldier sustained a break up the home, and turn every man and woman into a freelover! that we can not be called, as a na-tion, well off, while so many of us granted by General Chase. Why, it is perfectly horrible to think of! The only way we can be decent, respectable citizens, is to How Joe Lost His Job. allow a few thieving corporations Joe Minck was a factory worker. to own and manage all the means of these advances in civilization, only of things, passively, not an hour His job was tending a machine. life on which the life, liberty and to have the masses of the people longer. I am not unselfish per- He had heard of men taking vaca- happiness of the whole people dentinuously deprived of them.

Son, nor an evangelical one; I have cations, but had never taken one pend! We've made up our minds no particular pleasure in doing himself. One day Joe took a value of the democratic and republi-He was stricken with can tickets, if we starve to death!

A pay envelope with nine dol-in it was the main thing. Porfirio Diaz. They owned nearly all the cattle, and all the men, wothat money will fill his heart with lars in it was the main thing.

Joe did not die but slowly remen and children in that unhappy men and children in that unhappy me of sunshine and his nights of pleas-ant dreams. He cannot own it. He enough to go to work. The family and government; the Alpha and Omega of the scheme of things in

And now comes Villa, otherwise styled bandit (some day he will be called patriot and have mon-So Susie accompanied her father down to work. Joe is now hunting another job. Susie is still horde of disinherited peons and tending the machine for \$1.50 a Chihuahua parasites and non-proday that her father formerly tended for \$3 a day. That's all of the story. Water seeks its level, so does capitalism. the widows and orphans; he must We know that there is plenty of ample will be followed until there cent of all industry.—Edward Belbe a bad man indeed. Still his excapitalists, and other masters of room for us all to be born right, to will be no more great land holders live right and to die right, and to in Mexico, for the same conditions

the manuscript of his story of the Ap-The trial of the hop pickers who a book you must have. The library of Must Pay for went on a strike against inhuman no Socialist will be complete without conditions at Wheatland, Califor- the story of the Appeal It is an en nia, is now on at Marysville, Calif. cyclopedia of revolution that rends like a romance. It breathes the spirit of were kept awake by Burns detec- struggle, it will inspire hope. Its many victories over its enemies foreshadow the early triumph of the working class. man was so beaten up and intimi- The book will soon be ready for delivery. It is to be bound in two styles, dated while under arrest that he livery. It is to be bound in the month, he went insane; that Burns men were full cloth which will sell for \$1.25 and right but pay n went in sane; that Burns men were admitted to the rooms of suspects there will be an edition bound in leather and stole unopened letters, sup- which will sell for \$2. These books will posed to be under protection of be worth the money because they can Uncle Sam, and various -other be returned any time within two weaks. after you have received them and get ha were starved, threatened, cursed, your money back. Get your order in and struck in an effort to make at once. The first one hundred copies will be autographed by the author. If ficers of the law but by private your order is among the first one hundetectives. One of the prosecut-dred, you will get an autographed copy. In the Bread Line. From Seattle Daily News.

The recently published report of the steel trust seems to afford the capitalist press great cause for re-

be free from the unnecessary miseries of today.—Helen Keller. existing in Chihuthut prevail all over Mexico.

Walking slowly along the bread tical with the bullet that killed line extending some blocks on Natoma street came a sweet-faced. are being tried for murder. And white-haired woman. She looked state upholds these things, eagerly into the face of each of the wretched men as she passed. Many along the line yolunteered

> no; thank you," she answered. "I was just looking to see if there are any here I know. Who knows, own brother might be here? He has ben working in Seattle, there are thousands I hear out of work there.

to yield her their places.

"Just think," she said to an officer as she passed on, "they wanted to give up their places to me and they have been standing here these hours waiting their turns. surely are not heartless, if they surely are are hungry."

"Say, mister, can you tell me where the place is where they give women work? It is close here some place, isn't it?"

She was 60, with hollow cheeks, sunken, faded blue eyes and thinly and poorly clad. She was directed to the hall opposite Jefferson Square. "Do you think they will give me work? I will do anything. I got a few days' work from the Associated Charities, but they say they have no more work for me.

The dubious, almost fearful look in her eyes as she asked the question spoke of dread too deep for words. "I have lived in San Fran-cisco since 1890," said she. "Must I starve because I am old?" with bowed head she trudged through the rain toward the hall, hoping still against hope.

Some ladies were passing along the bread line getting a line on the personnel of the army of unem-ployed. "There seems to be a great many young men here, observed one. "Yes, but see how many real old

men there are. Some of them must be close to 70," said another. Questioning many, they were surprised to find men of all crafts. Singling out a tall, thin, sad-faced man of perhaps 50 years, they questioned him.

"My only hope now is," said ite 'that these don't ever suffer what I am suffering now." And he took from the pocket of his threadbare coat a picture of his wife and four "She is dead," said he. "I sent

money to the children up to a month ago. Then I got out of work. They are in the east waiting for me to send for them."

Commercial Waste. Robert Blatchford in "Merrie Er gland."

Commercial waste is something appalling. The cause of commercia waste is competition. The chief channels of commercial waste are But I simply can not paint, nor do avail themselves of all the advantages.

That remedy is the collective ownership and operation of the exploiting industries—the industries now used by the capitalists for the purpose of gouging the masses of the people out of most of their Then, the people will again have free access to the means of production and distribution.

But I simply can not paint, nor do the family slowly melted away, read, nor look at minerals, nor do anything else I like, and the very count the very oldest girl, must stop school and get a job.

One day Susie started out to hunt a job. For several days she haunted the stores and the shops wishen no imagination can interpret seeking employment but without success. Finally she turned to the factories and after several ty with the well-defined plan of the factories and after several ty with the well-defined plan of the factories and after several ty with the well-defined plan of the factories and after several ty with the well-defined plan of the factories and after several ty with the well-defined plan of the factories and after several ty with the well-defined plan of the factories and after several ty with the well-defined plan of the factories and after several and the stores and the shops seeking employment but without success. Finally she turned to the factories and after several ty with the well-defined plan of the Mexican revolution, as formulated by the late Madero and other plan of the dealing out heavy blows to the old order of things, from which it can order of

permakers, printers, billposters, painters, carpenters, gilders, mechanics and a perfect army of other people all employed in making advertisment bills, pictures, boardings and other abominations-for what? To enable one soap or patent medicine dealer to secure more orders than his rival.

Compensation Not Necessary. Sedgwick, quoted by Dillon in "Commentaries on the Law of Municipal Corporations:" Private

property shall in no case be taken for private use. Private property may be taken for public use in the exercise of the general police powers of the state or of taxation without making compensation therefor,

Socialism will prevent the needless waste caused by irresponsible workers and hostility of competi-tion and idle labor, which is 50 per lamy.

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t will wash a tub full of very disk minutes. I know no other mached can do that without wearing

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William Dean Howells a poor man's squalid home I

But I saw not that sunless, breathless

The chamber's sagging roof and recling loor: neared walls, broken sash and battered door; foulness and feriornness every

great house, with the portals the banquet-room, and, from with-

Little Stories of Real People.

1776, a group of wonderful men to the poorhouse—and now Uncle each committe.

Sam is being heard from, he is to be deported.

For protestifood and abuse food and abuse foo -that all men are created their Creator with certain indienable rights; that among these
enable rights; that among these
are life, liberty and the pursuit
of happiness"—that this was a
doctrine that was well worth liv
Yet, as we think back to the

Wisc and expedient that Amerto months each in the Atlanta fedtyranny remain.

The poor food and
tyranny remain.

The Rand School of Social
Science, 140 E. 19th St., New York,
"How?"

Were not needed and the trust would
slip the official who placed the order
tyranny remain.

The Rand School of Social
Science, 140 E. 19th St., New York,
"How?" doctrine that was well worth living for-dying for, if need beone will deny.

Since that memorable congress, these United States have gone far. And since 1865 have progressed rapidly in a material way. It has remained for the descendents of the revolution to coin the word millionaire and multi-millionaire. As the votaries of every luxurious taste, Americans excel. As inventors they have led the world until the words "Yankee ingenui-ty" and "Americans" are synony-But that we have departed from the ideas of our forefathers clean-living Swiss peasant and a is shown by the story of August Kupreckt















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years ago in a litle mountain village of Switzerland. A village so quiet and sedate that it frowned steed; one bare chamber, where is work-worn wife the stove and wash-tub passed elin, America. And in this homely her life, to the sty where they slept with their breed. yourg in spirit the August who persisted in thinking that the pot ceed Bebel. of gold of his dreams was at the foot of the rainbow in America. was recently fined \$17,000 for all-Things grew tamer and tamer in leged libel, has been granted a that Alpine village with the flight of years so at last we find August Kupreckt setting forth at the age of 83 for America.

How he got through Ellis Island The guests descending in a brilliant line is another story. All we know is that he entered the portal. Ah, The loveliness of the gemmed and silken route

The poor man's landlord leading down to dine. of you.

Then commenced the juggling of the fortunes of August Ku-preckt, the one who left a tame, Uncle Sam is to deport a dreamer of 83. Not the notorious Gaby.

Preckt, the one who left a tame, safe mountain village to pursue the will o' the wisp jades, fortune and happiness. "Twas at Milwaukeep that Fate played her female." August's money gave out, he could pointment of council committees, aby.

When in congress, July 4th, not find work, so they carried him a Socialist majority was placed on

Of course he is to bow to the the bark Magna Reva have been equal; that they are endowed by wisdom of the law; no doubt it is sentenced to three years and six

> coming of our forefathers and how has prepared 22 lessons on Socialmany of them were penniless emigrants who sought asylum under severer conditions than now, we realize how far America has drifted from the moorings of the inalienable rights set forth by the congress

of July 4, 1776. Had August Kupreckt been a decadent, erotic novelist, a titled derelict, a debauched king, a noto-rious French dancer, he would have feasted at the tables of the mighty. But he was only a poor old dreamer, a clean-thinking, such is not acceptable to the commonwealth.

AMERICA HAS CHANGED. THE SPIRIT OF 1776 IS DEAD. MAMMON RULES. .

At the end of every seven years thou shalt make a release. And this is the manner of the release: Every creditor that leadeth aught unto his neighbor several other Socialists, joined in shall release it; he shall not exact it of his neighbor or of his brother; because it is called the Lord's release.—Deut. xv, 1-2.

Cent evening Caroline Lowe, C.

B. Hoffman and Mrs. Hoffman, all Socialist agitators, as well as the fight and were imprisoned. When the trial was held Comrade Lowe acted as attorney for the prisoners, and Judge Burney found.

As Things Are Not.

The Masters Grow Meek.

At a certain time throughout the middle west the workers or- est number of votes. According ganized gospel teams, who preached to the rich, chiefly from the text, "Blessd are the meek, becomes mayor. Because the reganized the text, "Blessd are the meek, becomes mayor. Because the re-for they shall inherit the earth." publican who received 48 more As there was nothing in the world votes than Bates is already city the masters wanted so much as clerk, and says he would prefer the world itself, they readily absorbed the teaching as to how to

"We want a clear-cut answer." only a few weeks since, he jour-"I think," and the mine owners' neyed from the Pacific coast to representative fumbled his hat, "I think, you ought—you ought to speak from the capital steps.

Then he proposed to found in than you ask.'

Want Column.

WANTED—Foreigners. To do all kinds of work, in factories, mines, everywhere. Must be of the act of Henry Ford, the Destrong, active, industrions, humble, troit millionaire motor car manucringing, and submissive. Must facturer, who recently declared have inteligence enough to perform skillfully any work that is assigned, but not enough to bestaring plan, was voiced by Rev. come dissatisfied with any work Fr. Francis Manlin, assistant pascome dissatisfied with any work or living conditions that may be meted out to them. Above all, must not know enough to join unions, go on strike or otherwise seek to improve their lot. Must always have the highest respect for our governous of equal and exact justice, and must guarantee never to develop any disrespect for our police or to belive that they are anything but merciful, just, and graftproof. Answer at once. In addition to the lowest possible wage, this is an unprecedented

The political events are but the surface, but a ripple of what is raging in the depths of history, at the bottom of social life.—John Dietz—

The best way to realize Socialism is—to make Socialists.—Robert

...Significant News...

Philip Scheideman, who recently ured the United States, has been elected leader of the Socialists in the German parliament to suc

new trial, the court declaring the fine excessive.

Three European capitals are ow governed by Socialist mayors -Copenhagan, Stockholm and Copenhagan, Christiana, capitals of Denmark, Sweden and Norway.

At Salem, Oregon, Judge Adkins sent a starving man arraigned before him, to jail, with the express statement that it was necessary to feed him to restore his health.

and a majority of the city council, the Socialists have taken charge of Pasco, Wash. In the apa Socialist majority was placed on Smith, the real estate agent.

For protesting against poor food and abuse, seven sailors of ways.

ism in leaslet form, including a study of society from the beginning to the present. More than 2,000 are now studying the lessons.

The suffering among the poor never been so great as at the in "Doc" Jones.

Police stations and "Sure," repl and unemployed in Pittsburg has taking over of all industries," put jails and municipal lodging houses that would eliminate the opportuare filled to their capacity. The nity for any graft. As long as Salvation Army has rented a big there is private ownership of the store building and put in 2,000 means of life there will be graft. cots and they are occupied every There is only one remedy, gentlenight.

Members of the I. W. W. have been making a fight for the right ery of production and distribution. of free speech in Kansas City. Scores have been locked up until the prisons are crowded. On a re-cent evening Caroline Lowe, C. necessities of life be produced for

prisoners, and Judge Burney found it expedient to free them.

The election in Phillipsburg, N. J., recently held resulted in the election of Oscar E. Bates, a pioneer Socialist, as councilman. Bates received next to the high-Bates will become mayor.

Then he proposed to found in Washington what he termed the rade."—Jack London. A shout went up all over the hall. "We accept," it rang. The visiting delegation was wreathed in smiles. They had discovered the virtue of being meek as a means of ending labor troubles.

"Appeal to Reason Church." Before he got it started he passed away. His sincerity and earnestness in working for humanity cannot be questioned. His death will cause sorrow among thousands of his friends and comrades. "Appeal to Reason Church." ands of his friends and comrades.

Says It Was Not Christian.

The Knock Out Combination.

One dollar takes the bunch.

At the Corner Drug Store.

How to Eliminate Graft.

"Doc" Jones, the proprietor, was wiping the dust off the perfume bottles. The usual bunch of "world savers" were in their accustomed places by the stove. ownership of railroads was the subject under discussion when Jimmy Higgins came in and quietly joined

the circle.
"The trouble with government ownership of the railroads," said Jake Pomsby, "is the graft there With M. Johnson as mayor would be in it. Those in charge would of course be political appointees and you can bet they would feather their nests."

"How would they do it?" asked

"Easy enough," snorted Pomsby. They could do it in any number of hand the steel trust an order for a few hundred cars of steel rails that local were not needed and the trust would a new hall.

"Why, by the government taking over the steel trust.

"And," continued Jimmy with a smile, "when they got to grafting in the purchasing of ties, they

could take over the tie trust." Yes, but that would mean the

replied Jimmy," means of life there will be graft.

There is only one remedy, gentlemen, and that is for all the people sums comrades are with you from orto own and operate all the machinbe run for service instead of for profit, then and only then will the necessities of life be produced for use instead of profit."

I have just read your article wherein you give your position in regard to the acquiring of industries. Be it proper or improper, I say, amen.—L. A. Lincoln, Kentucky.

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The real estate agent opined it looked like snow and Pomsby remarked that it was getting time to

Barbarism of Past.

had swept away half the population. Work was at a standstill for want of workers, and wages went of workers, and wages went old they have asked me to take the job. up so enormously that the state | 1 do my best.—James Howard, Kan. tion. Work was at a standstill for want of workers, and wages went thought it necessary to fix a limit. The state did more. It ordered that the laborer should not dered that the laborer should not merely accept gracefully what was out and I joined the party.—Edward thought it necessary to fix a limit. The state did more. It oroffered him, but that he must not leave his parish in search of another master on pain of having the letter "F" (for fugitive) branded upon his forehead. Statutes of this kind were popular up to Elizabeth's time, when the last of the series was passed "in the letter "F" when the last of the series was passed "in the last was the only way your might and strength, with you at McAlester November 11th last, was well worth the while in my estimation when the capital have alone been worth more than the subscription price.

—Dr. H. V. King, Minnesota.

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Author of "What's So and What find and "Where You Get Off."

This is Comrade Work's latest and best production. In the field of ten-cent propaganda literature there is nothing better to hand a working man who realizes he is being gonged but doesn't yet seem to understand who is doing the gouging or how it is being done. Work makes it very plain; starting with the Colonial deys, when "the farmer respect his fields in cheerfulness and hope and the mechanic made glad his dusty shop with anecdote and song," he follows and points out the evolutionary steps of at Lawrence. Parameter of mincing words.—Al the mater with holding one big national encampment of seven days each year at Girard? Thousands of comrades would like to visit the home of the Appeal."

A man's labor for a day is a better standard of value than a measure of any produce, because no produce ever maintains a consistent rate books is fundamental, they are man made and can and will be remade.

Jesse T. Brillhart, Nebraska.

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The political events are but the surface, but a ripple of what is ragand put in the mail. Let each Appeal

The Appeal Army

THE "BIG TEN." ist of those sending of 40-week subs for the clubs of 40-week subs for the week;
Geo. H. Willey, Texas
Chas. Shank, Wyoming
Paul Bentley, Illinois
Nick Durkin, South Dakota...
Comrade of Geneva, Kansas...
C. W. Kirkendall, West Va.
Clay Winebarg, Pennsylvania.
John J. Stretlien, Minnesota
William Clarke, California
Herry, Waimer, Pennsylvania. Harry Weimer, Pennsylvania

THE "BIG FOUR." A list of those sending the largest four-year subs for the week:

M. C. Taylor, Kensas W. V. Hall, West Virginia Thomas Mitcheil, Indians... A. J. Land, Missouri

The fortunate ones whose nam in the above lists each week received present of some good book.

Appeal subs sell like hot cakes week - Eva M. Scholtes, Ohio. - Elmer, the office boy, got by with this one when the umpire wasn't look-

An optimist is one who if chased by ad bull would insist that he needed the exercise.

—It is hard to see where the capitalist cut as sinned, as long as the worker goes to voting to be skinned. One live Socialist in a community is worth more to the future of that com-

munity than a dozen millionaires. Put me on the four-year list and send me four sub cards. I am going to keep the dollar working for the Appeal. —J. R. Hefner, Illinois.

The maximum wage was invented in England before the minimum was thought of. It came about after the plague of 1348 -Newton local has agreed to send the

"We accept them all. But—" that speech. Twenty years later, gets all this sum? You tell, if you "Don't forget the 'Arsenal'—I need the necessity exists when thou want a clear-cut answer." only a few weeks since, he jour-know everything. know everything.

It." writes A. L. Fitch of Watertown.

Neb. Sure, Bro' Fitch needs an "Arse together. Let us stand squarely on that and so does every other Appeal worker. Hunting Socialist scalps with every human being on earth can out an "Arsenal" is like hunting rabbits greet every other one as "My Comwithout a gun.

It." writes A. L. Fitch of Watertown. the people cannot keep body and soul together. Let us stand squarely on that platform.—W. P. Metcalf, New Mexico.

Oles Stoffer, the old war horse without a gun.

The best way to realize Socialism worker order and distribute 20 copies of the clear cut, flat-footed talk of yours and the job will be done. One dollar in the Appeal the last two weeks. No pays for 20 copies.

purchase the industries, the look-the-matter-square-in-the-face attitude is the right one for Socialists and the Socialist party to assume.—H. Henderson, Mary-land.

—It may be of interest to many to know that after having been a member of the Texns Boys Corn club for two years, I was turned out of the organization because I wrapped a sample of corn in copies of the Appeal which I sent to the state secretary of the club. I am 16 years old.—George Allen Melane, Texas.

-Luther E. Johnson of Arkansas slipped in with this one while the bull was asleep: confiscate we want to say-

slipped in with this one white the built dog was asleep:
By confiscate we want to say—
Take over what is left
Of all that we have wrought
And lost to graft and theft.
We're not expecting any pay
For lives and limbs we've lost,
We'il swap accounts and settle all
Without a cent of cost.
—I have read your "What I believe"
and to say that I am well pleased and
that you will surely have my sincere
approval and co-operation on the long
mooted question of confiscation is stating it mildly enough. Away with the
paltry poverty stricken ideas of those
who would grovel before the anxious
questioner with indirect answers and
dogmatic apologies.—W. E. Markle, Nebraska.
—I have just finished reading your

their nests."

It would they do it?" asked the real estate agent. The bull dog growled and wagged his tail any number of For instance, they could he steel trust an order for a ndred cars of steel rails that of needed and the trust would be official who placed the order thousand."

The unipre wasn't looking trasks.

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Things As I See Them." I am reminded of the southern planter who, upon being asked by a friend if he didn't think he should be paid for his slaves, pointed to an old negro and said: "That of old party voters and lienty Dubbs. I have produced the order thousand."

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I should."—J. R. Morgan, Nevada.

—I have pondered this matter for some time and could not before figure cut just how I could afford it, but since the tariff is now settled for all time to come and the currency has been straightened out, so that money will now be no object to us working slayes, and since my dear comrade wife has decided that she will not take her usual European trip this year, we have decided that we will somehow get along on a dollar and a quarter less per week for the next a quarter less per week for the next fifty weeks. S. W. Mosier, Ohio.

—I. R. Hefner, Illinois.
—I believe in direct action—that is, going direct to people and asking them to subscribe for the Appeal to Reason.—C. H. Crone, Pennsylvania.

Dear Warren—I felt like shouting when I read number 946. Two months when I can raise "spuds" for fodder. Dear Warren—I felt like shouting when I read number 946. Two months ago I was ready to beg you to take this where I can raise "spuda" for fodder once in a while I sally forth and throwery course.—Bruce Rogers, Washinga few shots at the enemy and then hike back for more ammunition. Tell the editor of "that overwrought sheet" that -I declared myself in the "double ought" Wilbur Register last winter.-F C. Vincent, Washington.

—Comrade Warren—Those articles of yours, "Things As I See Them," and especially the ones touching on confiscation, are so good and to the point that I feel that I must say, go for them, given coln, Kentucky.

I ran out of sub cards some two weeks ago, and have missed several new subscriptions by neglecting to keep a full supply of sub cards in my pocket.

W. J. Sherman, Arkansas.

As long as the worker votes an old party ticket, he can be glad to get the empty platter and a chance to lick it.

I want the "Arsenal of Facts." I have had every one you have issued and consider than a chance to lick it.

Dear Comrade Wayran I because of the point that I must say, go for them, give may your heave so good and to the point that I feel that I must say, go for them, give may your heave so good and to the point that I feel that I must say, go for them, give may your heave so good and to the point that I feel that I must say, go for them, give may your honest thoughts, no matter who may not like it. The mass of the people want the whole truth, Socialist, and when one reads an article they like to understand just what is meant and not have to get a preacher or interpreter to tell them the meaning. These articles you are now writing are the very best I have read.—S. G. Sharp-less, California.

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worser. Hunting Socialist scalps without a gun.

The exposure of the sources of capitalistic authority to the people would result in its instant dissolution.—George D. Herron.

The Key to the Mystery or Why the Producers of All Wealth Have Nothing.

By JOHN M. WORK.

Author of "What's So and What find and "Where You Get Off."

Worser. Hunting Socialist scalps without a gun.

"Arsenal" is like hunting rabbits without a gun.

—About 40 weeks ago 1 sent a subscription for an old time republican at Edora. Today he met me on the road and said: "John, I owe you 25 cents for that paper and here is 25 cents more for that paper and here is 25 cents more.

H. Bettag, lowa.

—Having been a readers of the Appeal since "95 and most of those years an active worker I feel that I have a confineation of productive property. I do not believe in mineing words.—Al. Pierson, Florida.

Author of "What's So and What find and "Where You Get Off."

Worser. Hunting Socialist scalps without a gun.

Oles Stoffer, the old war horse who holds forth at Snyder, Okla., rises to remark. "January National Socialist says Oklahoma will hold thirty Socialist encampements the comming summer. More than that, comrades. We expect to hold thirty in southwest Oklahoma in the sixth and seventh confineation of productive property. I do not believe in mineing words.—Al. Pierson, Florida.

—I rejoice in the bold stand you have and "Where You Get Off."

At the Country Store.

Pays No Rent.

"Save your money and buy land. This thing of paying rent eats up a man's life. Get land and quit paying rent." This was the burden of the Man from Up the Creek as Brother Ben entered the Country Store Saturday.

"How much land do you own?" Brother Ben interrupted.

"A quarter section of as fine land as there is in America." The Man from Up the Creek swelled up with pride.

"And you pay no rent?"
"Not a red cent." The Man from Up the Creek beamed.
"I have just been reading that

the goods the farmer raises sells in the market for about five times what he gets for them. 'I don't doubt that at all; and it

is a blame shame."
"And some of the commission

merchants and stock gamblers and railroad officials pay mighty high for their headquarters in

the big cities."
"You bet they do. Rents are enormous there."

"Did it never occur to you that you help pay those rents?"
"What?" The Man from Up the

Creek was astounded. "Well, you do. If you don't, who does? It is impossible for you to get rid of rent paying so long as anyone else is paying rent. Landlordism is a bad thing. agree with your advice that we ought to get rid of it. But we do not get rid of it when we merely crawl from under the clutches of some individual. Think about some individual. Think about that, and how much rent you are

really paying, won't you' said he would. He somehow ap peared crestfallen.



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ARSENAL OF FACTS!

Will Knock Into Double Distilled Jelly All the False Arguments of the Opponents of Socialism

This new edition of the Arsenal is vastly superior to the 1913 and the previous editions in more ways than I have room here to tell you. Here are a few of the improvements:

Contains 40 more pages-200 in all.

Has the latest census figures which were unavailable before.

Contains facts and figures on 100 new subjects.

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Remember, the Arsenal is Not For Sale --it cannot be bought with filthy lucre---you get it Free when you send the Appeal twelve 25-cent subscriptions. You can get it in no other way.

Another Right Menaced disputes.

Congress Wants to Shut Our Doors Against Political Refugees.

Because the house of representatives does not contain one man courageous enough to defend the right of political asylum in the United States, the Burnett-Dillingham immigration bill, containing the most insidiously dangerous clauses ever embodied in any legislation seriously considered by congress, is on the verge of becoming law. By the time this dispatch is printed the bill may have been rushed through the house under a special rule written for the occasion by the reactionary Underwood machine. In the senate there may be found one man to call public attention to the clause denying the right of asylum. Maybe and maybe not. It is up to the friends of political liberty to rouse themselves and call a halt in this raid upon an ancient and sacred right.

By the terms of this bill not only are anarchists denied entry to the United States, but also "persons who believe in or advocate the overthrow by force or violence of the government of the United States, or of all forms of law, or who disbelieve in or are opposed to organized government, or who advocate the assassination of public officials or who advocate or teach the unlawful destruction of property. Persons who are "members of or who are affiliated with any organization" covered by the above description zation" covered by the above description are also debarred, or if found in the

country, must be deported.

There is also a joker in the literacy test clause which provides that unless the would-be immigrant can prove to the satisfaction of the immigration officiais that he has come to this country solely for the purpose of escaping reli-gious persecution he shall not be ad-mitted. Nothing is said about political persecution

Such is the sum and a substance of the provisions which will give the inter-national political police the opportunity they have long been looking for. The work of securing these amendments has been clever. The restrictive provisions ago. So the gold standa are so worded as to gain the support of some well-intentioned but timorous radi-

See what these provisions mean. They mean that any man or woman who in England, Poland, Russia, Italy or any-where in the world has been engaged in a revolution against the existing gov-ernment, that has involved the destruction of property, will be handed by United States officials to the accredited authorities of those governments. Had these words been on the statute books, Garibaldi would have been returned in irons to Italy; Tschaiskowsky and other Russian revolutionists would have been sent back to Russia and Siberia; Mrs. Pankhurst would have been given from Ellis Island into the hands of the London police. These provisions placed the secredness of property above any other consideration. The fact that they have been embodied in a democratic measure by a democratic house means that the democratic party has definitely aligned itself on the side of property rights as against the rights of liberty.

The thing to do now is to write to your senator and representative. Read this article carefully and write him calmly. A deliberate and cautious letter will be given attention where an excited

The Danger Line.

Here are a few facts that Professor Parsons gathered several years ago that Vincent Astor and his class might do well to ponder:

Persia perished when one per cent of Persia perished when one per cent of the people owned all the land. Egypt went down when two per cent owned 97 per cent of all the wealth. Babylon died when two per cent owned all the wealth. Rome expired when 1,800 men possessed the known world. In the United States today less than five per cent own most of the wealth.

THE capitalist is not shot in labor

Tis this we ask, that the workers learn To keep for themselves what their efforts earn.

THERE will be no bread lines when Socialism comes.

THERE will be no people dependent on charity when Socialism comes. Socialism cannot be a slavery because

it is a growth and not an invention. THE only time a slave can work for

himself is when he works for freedom. THERE never can be freedom so long as

the world is tied to the capitalist system. THE human race will not really begin to live until freed from the struggle for existence.

THERE will be no private soldiers and gunmen to whip labor into line when Socialism comes.

THERE will be color in the life of everybody when Socialism opens to them the gates of opportunity.

Oh, murder my kiddies, and parboil the wife Over a steaming tub And I'll vote your ticket the rest of my life Because I'm a Henry Dubb.

ONLY when the profit system in in-dustry is destroyed, will life itself become profitable and desirable.

THERE will be opportunity for all children to go to school and make something of themselves when Socialism

ONLY when interest is ended in the Co-operative Commonwealth will humanity find real interest in life and the



A STATISTICIAN figures out that the

THE fact of Socialism is the great thing. It is more important than the facts about Socialism, just as the fact of life includes all the facts about life.

If the workers would swallow less of the old party orator's dope around elec-tion time, they might swallow something more substantial the rest of the year.

THERE will be no strikes when Socialism comes, because all toilers will get the full social value of their product and naturally there will be no more to ask

THERE will be no lobbying and hounding by detectives when Socialism comes, because there will then be no special cause to promote and no slave to put

THERE will be no lords of industry when Socialism comes. Instead every man will own his job by virtue of having an interest in the Co-operative Commonwealth.

THERE will be no outcasts suffering from cold and hunger when Socialism comes, for then all may have jobs at a remuneration that will admit of good living for all.

CAPITAL punishment and abuse of the prisoners are survivals of the ignorance which imagines a man is entirely responsible for his own acts. The society which does the punishing is in many re-spects guilty of the crime.

INTELLIGENT self interest is not selfish. The only way in which any worker can be free is to help free others; therefore, one may for his own sake and his children's sake seek the ending of the system that robs and debauches the

The Socialist Party.

Several correspondents, who state they are interested in Socialism, have asked how our party is organized and in what way it is superior to other party organizations, not from the viewpoint of what the party stands for, but from the view-point of effectiveness in carrying out the wishes of its membership.

The truth is that the Socialist party is

the only party that makes any preten-tions of carrying out the wishes of the rank and file of its membership; it's the only party that the rank and file control, top and bottom; it's the only party not controlled by leaders or political cliques.

The Socialist party is made up of a dues-paying membership. The dues range from 15 cents to 25 cents a month, as the members of the local or branch

The money received from dues is divided between the national, state and local organizations.

On every question of importance, every member has a voice and a vote and is given an opportunity to use both. Every party official is subject to recall and every action of every party official is subject to recall.

The party is governed by a constitu-tion and by-laws which every member has a part in the making.

National and state conventions are made up of delegates, nominated and elected by the membership of the vari-ous locals and branches. The number of delegates from each state is based on the membership of such state.

The national party platform is formulated by the national party convention held every four years. It is then submitted to the party membership, section by section, for rejection or adoption. As adopted it then becomes the official expression of the Socialist party of Amer-

Whoever heard of one of the old parties submitting a party platform to its membership? How would they go about doing it? It would be a farce if they did, as they kave no real party membership. Anybody can join the republican or democratic party and demand a vote while only those carrying "red cards" can vote on a Socialist party measure.

Socialists elected to public office are at all times subject to the will of the party membership; their acts are re-viewed by a legislative, state, county or city committee, such committee being elected from the rank and file.

Tumulty is Explaining.

The APPEAL has already alluded to the effort being made to secure a release of Clarence L. George, a private in the army sentenced to the federal penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kan., for writing a letter complaining of the service. Though there was much publicity of the case in capitalist papers, the authorities refused to release him.

Now, however, it transpires that the letter was written to Tumulty, secretary to President Wilson, but for some reason did not reach him, being returned rather to the army post and falling into the hands of officialdom there, and Tumulty now seeks to reopen the case.

In the first place, it is strange that a letter sent to Tumulty did not reach him, but went back, not to the sender, but to his superior officers. Again, that a man should be imprisoned for merely complaining about officialdom and that to the secretary of the president, is outrageous. Lastly, it is particularly noxious that after the facts are made known the man should still be kept in prison.

The thing to do is to abolish the army, and restore arms to all the people, in ac-cordance with the provision of the con-stitution, as a means of ending military tyranny.

Looks Mighty Bad.

Major General Wood, of the United States army, in pleading for more money for the killers, recently said: "If you sent our troops into war as they labor? are now, without guns or ammunition, it would be absolute slaughter. If called purchasing power of the dollar is just 51 per cent what it was eleven years ago. So the gold standard has given us a fifty-cent dollar sh? of the troops, and we should have neither artillery forces." This is precisely what Turner wrote in the APPEAL a few months ago, and many thought it was

But if there is not enough ammuni tion to fight a single battle, what has be-come of all the money already appro-priated for preparations for war in times of peace? The people who have misap-propriated or wasted it are unfit to be trusted with further appropriations.

It is time to shut down on the grafter who exploit the war spirit merely to bleed the people, and generals paid by the people would do well for their own reputation to keep their mouths shut.

Life Today is a Joke.

It has been said that "there are no new jokes under the sun." This is prob-ably more or less true, however, when a joke first enters your consciousness, it is a new joke as far as you are con-

In many of its aspects, life is one continuous joke from the cradle to the grave; we come into the world with nothing and go out with nothing, and most us go through life with nothing.

Many jokes are alive, they eat, sleep and work; that is, they work when they can get a job that some other fellow owns-a job, that's the real kernel of the joke.

The biggest joke of all is capitalism, but as yet only a limited number of earth's inhabitants recognize it as a joke. The rest are beginning to see it. Some day all will see it. When they do there will be a worldwide laugh that will drive capitalism out of existence.

Making people see this joke of capitalism is the business of Socialism.

THE rich get rich by working-working the men who work.

Appeal's Answers to Questions.

Foreign Immigration.

Why do not Socialists declare against for-eign immigration? The ignorant foreigners steal our jobs. They pay no taxes. They never read and don't know anything.

Softly there. All Americans are of foreign descent. The workers always pay the taxes of the rich in an indirect way, so that the foreign workers, being most exploited, are the highest taxpay-ers in the country. While immigration, induced for the purpose of beating down wages, is a problem, these people, for the chance they have, understand more of the social problems than half the native Americans do, and read as much. When Socialism stops the class struggle, the fight for bread and butter, immigration will cease to be a problem. Then all can find work anywhere in the world, can make a good living easily, and the brotherhood of man will become an actu-

Voting Religion Out.

Would it be possible under Socialism to take a referendum and if a majority of the people were opposed to religion to rule out all teach-ing on the subject?

Judge for yourself. If nine-tenths of the people were to say you should not be-lieve in religion would that force you away from it? The world has had enough experience in seeking to compel people from and to beliefs to know once for all that it is impossible. Socialists believe in the utmost liberty of personal view consistent with general good, and no one would be quicker to resent interference with them than Socialists.

The Liquor Problem.

Why are you so silent on the saloon ques-tion, seeing that the working world is wasting more of its life, strength, character and money on liquor than anything else in the world?

The saloon business is merely one phase of the exploitation of the worker and does not represent one-tenth of the tribute taken from it by practical robbery. Saloons might be annihilated, and if the rest of the profit system remained, there vould be as much poverty and suffering as there is today. The fight as urged by some is merely an effort to put out one exploiter in order that other exploiters may have greater tribute. This is not saying that liquor is not an evil. Socialism fights it, and is doing more, in a practical way, to end the traffic and drinking itself among working people than any other influence on earth.

Answers to Press Criticisms.

Socialist Benefits.

Socialist Benenis.

The \$500 or \$600 laborer is not utterly disowned by society. He can send his children to school for nothing; the city pays \$45 a year to educate each of them. They can walk in Central park, worth hundreds of millions of dollars, or in smaller ones about town. The very streets he walks on are very expensive to build. Let him look at his good luck occasionally.

The schools, the parks, the streets are all socialized. He has the benefit of them only because of the operation of the principle for which Socialists seek an extension. When that principle is extended as Socialists wish, the worker will still have all these things, and he will have in addition an annual income of at least \$2,000 a year.

"A Certain Rich Man."

August Bebel died rich. His estate, real and ersonal, was between \$200,000 and \$250,000, t goes to his relatives, we suppose; nothing the contrary is in print.

Much to the contrary was in print at the time this lie was printed. It was at first claimed that Bebel had died a millionaire. Socialists printed that he had some years ago been given a bequest of \$100,000, and when he died his estate did not reach \$80,000 and of that he left some to the Socialist party. But what is a fortune of \$80,000 and a life spent in trying to overthrow the capitalist sys-tem, compared to the fortunes of millions left by many who always stood for ex-ploitation? Why defend the exploiter and attack the man who sought to free

ale "Practical" Men.

There are some socialistic dreamers who are college bred, but they are dreamers merely, without a practical idea in life.

An agricultural paper discusses "The Value of the Skunk in Agriculture." We suppose the value lies in the fact that the

Did Jesus distinguish himself by guns or ammunition enough for our field | making much money, or did the scholarly Paul? Yet they were practical. They looked to a time when the world might be freed of evils that beset it. There is nothing more practical than the definite plan of Socialism to end war and poverty, nothing more impractical than a system like capitalism that makes millions poor that a few may have millions of dollars.

Astor and Duke Belford.

Tyrants would not sit so tight If the workers would not fight.

In 1552 an English king gave a courtier twelve acres of ground at the edge of London because the fellow had said some sweet things about the man in the king business at the time. The land then rented for \$30 a year. It is now in the heart of London, and rents for \$121,750 a year. It has supported a lot of vampires ever since. The APPEAL does not know, but it is possible that the present holder of the land gives liberally to charity. We do know, however, that all the charity he may give would not atone for the tribute taken from the people who toil because of this whim of the king centuries ago. That land be-longs now to the people who live on the earth, and they have a right to take it.

Vincent Astor is in precisely the same box with the present duke of Belford. Because his great-grandfather received grants of land in New York the present nead of the Astor house is now levying tributes of millions from the workers of New York every year.

All he might do in the way of charity or social service, so-called, could not compensate for his tribute. To men who are still robbing the workers there can be but one thing to put them in the right, and that is, to give up the special privi-lege which admits of robbery, or spend money in overthrowing the order of special privilege.

The Right Spirit.

I got hold of a copy of your paper, and can see where you people are getting at things proper. I want to be one of you. What must I do?

There are two things to do. Relative to yourself, become well informed on Socialism by reading Socialist books. Relative to the cause-join the party, If there is not a local in your town write the National Office, Socialist Party, 111 North Market street, Chicago. Distribute literature, get subscribers for Socialist papers and agitate by word of mouth. A great many make the mistake of wishing to do things away off instead of right at home, and the "showy" instead of the control of the of the common, needful things. Next to Socialism work in the move-

ment affords most joy. GET behind Socialism, not to hide, but

to push.

Oh, wad some power the gumption gi'c us. To vote the ticket that's going to free us.

MURDER is murder except when the plutes do it.

PEACE hath her butcheries no less renowned than war.

EVERY nation needs a head, but solid ivory is too expensive. BURNING the midnight oil may be

means to success, but John D. prefers selling it. It is better to vote for what you want and lose than to vote for what you don't

want and win. THE less brains the rulers possess, the

harder they try to make up the deficiency with bayonets. THE heads that formulate capitalist laws and the clubs that enforce them are

made of the same material.

Honest or treacherous, charity murder, salvation or suffering, a dollar is better than 99 cents in the eyes of capitalism.

Look not upon the politician when he is red in the face, when he spouteth patriotism by the ton; at the last he stingeth like an adder. CHARITY they say covers a multitude of sins. It is made a cloak for hiding

the systematic robbery and induced poverty of the workers. JOHN D. says men of great wealth give more to the people in their own way than does the government. Especially

in Colorado and Michigan. A LONDON society woman says the society of New York's 400 "is not the finished article." They will be when

Don't give me a glance when we meet on the street
And I'll not call it a snub;
I'll vote you a chance to repeat the feat—
Because I'm a Henry Dubb.

the Socialists get through with them.

ALL profit, all interest, all rent, rest on special privilege. There can be no equality of opportunity until they are

sometime to be able to choke the life out of someone else with a mortgage. Socialism does not favor the prolonging of the class struggle. Rather, it has a definite plan to end the class struggle

mortgage system because they hope

already in existence by ending classes. Socialism is not opposed to the home or family life. It rather would make conditions so all may have homes and family life, as is impossible under capi-



suppose the value lies in the fact that the skunk at least gives the farmer which is more than the masters of the markets give the farmer.

THE currency of the country still is controlled by the banks, and naturally there will still be war scares to force loans. The masters are so patriotic and

THOUGH the 1913 crop was the biggest on record, and though the farmer re-ceived less for it than he received for former crops, the cost of farm produce was never so high. And they say capitalism is not a plain hold-up.

"I TESTIFY of myself and my testimony is true," was the reply Jesus made to those who were telling all manner of falsehoods about him. If you wish to know the truth of Socialism study So-cialist books rather than believing what the enemies of Socialism say about it.

The governor of Michigan is very in-censed that it should be said in congress that constitutional rights are set aside in Michigan. Yet everybody knows it is true. Let congress lift the veil and the governor will go the way all tyrants go, and then if justice is done the title to the copper mines will be taken from the present holders of them. Let there be light, governor, and less trickery and

Last summer it was the poor who bore the heat. The rich exploiters could loll in the shade, or motor to cooler climates. Now it is the working class that suffers the cold. The exploiters again find means of gaining comfort, even though they change climates to do it. The way is open to escape both extreme cold and heat; you see that. Why don't you advise a system that will enable you to escape them just as the masters do at your expense?

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SOCIALIST DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK MART TUBBS of Girard, who never overlooks an opportunity to get in a kick for Socialism, got off a good one on the old party county commissioners the other day. A poor woman from one of the outlying coal camps, who ekes out a precarious living by washing dirty clothes for other people, came in to arrange about the taxes on the shack in which she lives. The Kansas law provides where a person makes affidavit that he or she is a pauper the commissioners may remit the taxes. Hereto-fore the affidavit had always read: "By reason of poverty she is unable to con-tribute to the public charge." The old form didn't look good to Comrade Tubbs and he prepared one to read: "Inasmuch as she is the victim of the present system she is unable to contribute to the public expense." The old party commissioners mechanically signed the order without noticing the change in the affidavit until later. They took it good naturedly, however, and admitted it was THERE are farmers who vote for the "one on them."

> With ghoullish glee, the capitalist newspapers have siezed upon the news that Mrs. George D. Herron, wife of the well-known Socialist, had died in Italy. as an occasion to revive the lie that Mr. and Mrs. Herron were not properly mar-ried. The New York World that de-votes practically all of its columns to printing the vilest news of scandal was among the first to flare headlines about "Queer Ceremony" and "Socialistic Mar-riage," etc. It had the audacity to cable Dr. Herron, in his hour of sorrow, for a statement. And he replied: "We were married under the civil law in the pres-ence of reliable witnesses." Rev. William Thurston Brown, a minister of Rochester, N. Y., officiated at the wedding ceremony, in 1901. For years the rabid anti-Socialist press has been lying about Dr. Herron's marriage, knowing all the time the true facts in the case;

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