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## A DIALOGUE. (Industrial Democracy.)

Recently, during a trial in one of our courts, it became necessary for the judge himself to question a witness, and the following colloquy took place:

Judge—Are you a married man?  
Witness—No.  
J—Have you anyone dependent upon you for support?  
W—Yes; a large number of them.  
J—Are they disabled physically or mentally from supporting themselves?  
W—No, they are fully as able as I to support themselves.  
J—Then why do you support these able-bodied persons?  
W—Because the customs and arrangements of our present state of society force me to.  
J—These persons, doing no manner of useful work, and you a poor man, having nothing but your labor, are compelled to give part of it to them?  
W—Yes, I am forced to divide by giving them three-fourths of what I produce.  
J—Is there no way to get rid of these human leeches?  
W—Not at once; for nearly all society, especially these leeches, as you all them insist that this is a natural state of affairs, and has always existed; they are eternally ding-donging in my ears that, were it not for these leeches I could not work at all, and death would immediately overtake me. But in the near future we'll be able to rid ourselves of them when they'll have to live off their own sweat.  
J—If you should die would not these leeches have to work?  
W—Oh, no, they hold in reserve a vast number who are about to be overtaken by death from enforced idleness and they would think it a God-sent privilege to toil in support of these leeches.  
J—Would you please give me the names and addresses of these leeches?  
W—Through it is solely from my labor that their lives are made a continual round of pleasure, still they are the brutal ingratitude to refuse to live in the same locality as myself, and often they will not condescend to live in the same country, and as my constant toil enables them at their pleasure to change their climate, scenery and society I cannot give you their permanent address. For apparent reasons they do not want to be known by their real names, but insist on being known by their nom de plume.  
J—But what are their names in fact, for I am going to have them arraigned before the bar of justice, these ravagers of society?  
W—Their real names are Capitalists.  
J—Mr. Sheriff, hustle this witness out of the court room, he's a wicked Socialist.  
C. R. DAVIS

Wages in Massachusetts.  
A recent bulletin of the Massachusetts bureau of statistics of labor gives average earnings of employees in the five industries—boots and shoes, cotton goods, leather, machinery, and woolen goods—which employ about 45 per cent of the manufacturing population of the state, for the years 1895, 1896 and 1899. In all except woolen goods the earnings were lower in 1896 than in 1895. All showed a gain in 1899 over the preceding year, but two—boots and shoes and leather—failed

to come up to the standard of 1895. Taken altogether, however, there was a slight improvement.

In boots and shoes the average earnings in 1899 are put at \$469.04 a year, or \$9.02 a week; cotton goods, \$331.92 a year, or \$6.38 a week; leather, \$470.42 a year, or \$9.05 a week; machinery, \$554.27 a year, or \$10.66 a week; and woolen goods, \$374.92 a year, or \$7.10 a week.

The manufacture of cotton goods, the one in which the figures are lowest, employs a larger number than any two of the other industries, or nearly one-half of all. After making allowance for the proportionate number employed in each of the five industries, it appears that the average earnings in 1899 for 45 per cent of all manufacturing employees in the state, were about \$450 a year, or less than \$8 a week.

These are however as the report points out somewhat misleading figures, although they are, perhaps, the best that can be obtained. The method of calculation assumes, in effect, steady employment. This, of course, is really the exception, not the rule. It is safe to say that from 10 to 30 per cent should be cut off from the figures given in order truly to represent the actual earnings of the average individual worker.

The same bulletin No. 17, gives some account of unemployment in the building trades in Boston. The table given covers over 14,000 workmen, in practically all branches of the building craft. The average period of employment for all is shown to be a little over ten months in the year. About 67 per cent had work for more than nine months in the year, 22 per cent worked more than six months, but less than nine, about 11 per cent were employed less than half the time.

The report notes that possibly returns from smaller cities or from country towns would show a larger amount of unemployment in these trades. The building trades, being well organized, make a much better showing than many others.—The Worker

Why don't you get your friends to subscribe for this paper?

### Hurrah for Imperialism.

The Philippine commission has sent to the secretary of war a list of new offices and salaries to be paid in the Philippine civil service. [Following are a few of the offices.]

The secretary to the Philippine commission is to receive \$7500, treasurer of the archipelago \$6000, his chief clerk \$2250, auditor \$6000, deputy auditor \$4000, collector of customs \$6000, deputy collector and captain of the port \$4000, custom house cashier \$3000, collector of internal revenue \$4000, deputy collector \$3000, director general of posts \$5000, his chief clerk \$2500, his assistant \$2250, Philippine civil service board \$3500 each, general superintendent of public instruction \$6000, collector of customs at Iloilo \$3500, at Cebu \$3500, at Jolo, Zamboanga and Siasi \$3000 each, chief of the bureau of statistics \$3500.

The office of the military governor is provided with 46 clerks, one private secretary and one law clerk, the Philippine commission with a private secretary for each member, an assistant secretary to the commission, one recorder and 12 clerks and one interpreter; the treasurer with four clerks; auditor, 32 clerks; collector of customs 7 chiefs of division, 2 clerks, 109 in-

spectors and 303 employees, the collector of internal revenue with 7 inspectors, 17 employees and 12 clerks, disbursing officers, postoffice inspector, 4 clerks and 1 coachman. In the Manila postoffice 3 clerks and 10 drivers. "What a cozy retreat for office holders the Philippines seem destined to become"—remarks the Boston Globe.

Well, all this is in the name of commerce, Christianity, civilization and the Republican party!

### Debs on Christian Wars.

Each individual each nation each Christian nation if you please is striving to build itself on the ruins of another. If we are able to cheat another nation we call that diplomacy, but when you drive a sharp bargain you cheat somebody and no one more than yourself.

"I am not a patriot in the sense as defined in these days. My patriotism does not end with the national boundary lines. I am free to look upon all humanity as my brothers, and I care not for race or color, as William Lloyd Garrison declared. Believing in these sentiments, I take no stock in war. War is necessary at times under capitalism. In order to arouse itself, when the war with the Philippines came, the capitalists claimed that the nation was fighting for the welfare of humanity. It is a ghastly falsehood. It is the greatest of sarcasms. The war is being waged simply for commercial conquest, and were it not for its horrors, the declaration of the capitalists that the war is for humanity would be funnier than anything Bill Nye ever said. What would you think of a father who was greatly concerned about the welfare of men hundreds of miles away when his own children were dying of starvation?"

"I am candid enough to admit that I am too un-patriotic to risk my life trying to murder my fellow-man, but I am not too cowardly to risk my life in trying to save humanity. War is murder. It is the normal state under capitalism; it is the natural fruit of competition, but peace will come with co-operation leading to the brotherhood of man. When I think of a cold steel bayonet being run into the soft flesh of a human being I recoil with horror. I don't know how you feel, but I confess that in this respect I am a sickly sentimentalist."

"I have said, and wish to emphasize, that under the competitive system there can be no claim to true civilization. The Christian nations are all armed to the teeth ready to destroy each other. The world pays a high price tribute to the man with the diabolical idea which will devise the best means of destroying the most Christians in the shortest space of time. The greatest possible success would be for the man with the gun guaranteed to kill a thousand Christians in a minute. But if you go to Washington with some method of saving a thousand lives you will not find one so humble as to give you a hearing. In the first case the man with the idea would be a genius, but the other would be denounced as impracticable."

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## Capitalists in Session

President Rockefeller called the Combination Leaders Union to order, and roll call showed all officers present except Business Agent Morgan, who had gone to England to adjust some matters. Minutes approved as read. Credentials received from the Wooden Leg Trust (Umbrella Rib Trust and Balloon Trust) and delegates obligated. Credentials of newly organized Electric Light and Heat Trusts were upon protest returned because it is a dual body.

Delegate H. C. Erick, business agent, reported that the telephone local are forming a big national union, that the agricultural implement manufacturers are being combined to relieve the burdens of the farmers in carrying too much money around, that the newly formed tin ware trust will be attached to the tin can combine, and requested that a boycott be laid on the new million-dollar tin can concern; that the Eastern and Western knit goods combines are being united, a number of other unions are being formed or are absorbing dual organizations. Request relative to dual tin can trust granted.

Communication from Business Agent Morgan, dated London received stating that he was graciously received by Bro. Edward of the Rulers Union, and had promised assistance in the South African matter in return for aid in floating the common stock of the billion-dollar baby union. He had also incidentally picked up the Leyden Co., which controls the largest tonnage of ships in the world, and expected to secure the affiliation of the German iron and steel masters.

A request was received from Champion Jeffries that the business agent be instructed to form a Pugilists Union, so that the business may be placed on a paying basis, as at present there were too many cheap "pugs" disgracing the profession by scabbing it. Granted.

Business Agent Hanna, of the Politicians Union, wrote expressing thanks to Delegates Vanderbilt, Gold and other brothers for donating a train to haul President McKinley through the South and West and promising in return to grant any favor asked. (Applause.)

Czar Nicholas, of the Rulers Union, wrote that he is having an exciting time, as there is a big faction in his domain who wish to oust him from his job, but that he refuses to allow the matter to come to a vote, as it is unconstitutional. On motion vote of sympathy was sent.

Roll call was responded to as follows: American Biscuit Trust—Request that the best people everywhere hold pie and cake parties for charity's sake so that the poor can buy bread. Also that flour combine lower prices, as wheat is raised for 2 1/2 cents a bushel on bonanza farms.

Billion Dollar Trust—Business good. Absorbed several more enterprises. Had trouble with iron and steel workers, but they promised to be good until July.

Batchers' Combine—Skinning plenty of cattle—also some of the dear people.

Cigar Trust—Absorbing more plants and will raise capital to sixty millions.

Dry Goods Trust—Moving along nicely. Some small one-line concerns want to come into the union, but they are incompetent and weaklings and must go.

Fish Trust—Suckers still plentiful. Voted in favor of single tax on land.

Hard Coal Trust—Union nearly complete. Will save twenty million dollars a year by inaugurating a new system. Are making the miners strike locally so that their demand to be recognized won't have to be granted next year.

Leg Trust—Organized with five million capital and will control artificial limb business. Leg pulling has begun.

Milling Combine—Flour cannot be cheapened for fear of encouraging gluttony and destroying incentive. Hungry people work cheaper and harder than when they are satiated and fat.

National Balloon Trust—Nearly all aeronauts in line and control valuable patents. Favor the single tax system.

Railroad Combines—Pennsylvania Co. claims to own 29 streets in Cleveland. Request that business agent demand that Cleveland be moved to Berea. Granted.

Rubber Trust—Business good. Thank business agent for compelling Weather Bureau to send recent big storm.

Standard Oil—Working the working men steadily, and getting into Texas. Umbrella Rib Trust—Started with a million capital and expect to control everything in the rib line.

Under new business Manager Schwab, of the billion dollar union, argued that wages of superintendence should be included in all statistics of wages paid which would materially increase the averages. Thus, while he received one million dollars a year, he was satisfied to have the figures cut down—in the averaging business—and to have wages of employees raised, also in the averaging column. This would make the poorest paid workers extremely happy.

After some discussion the matter was referred to the locals with the recommendation that everything be done to swell the averages in the wage column. (Cleveland Citizen.)

From Herron's Speech in Fitchburg.

The essence of liberty is self-ownership. Liberty to do one's own choosing and living and working. Anything that prevents a man from being just what he would be is slavery.

There can be no liberty without economic liberty. If a few men own the earth they own the people who live on the earth. There is no freedom in choosing owners. It is not simply a question of wages. It is a question of men's owning themselves or someone else owning them.

To own a man's labor product is to own a man's life. A few men own the resources upon which all men depend, and these men make the governments, the laws, the faith and even control the very hearts and brains of men.

The laborer in this civilization gets a fraction of what he produces—a fifth to a tenth. Capital takes the rest. Imperialism is capitalism. If a man robs you, and sends you a bill for keeping you in order while he robs you, that is imperialism.

There can be no liberty until the people own the things they live upon. That is Socialism, common ownership.

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## NOT AFRAID To Speak Out.

On Monday, May 6, Representative Hervey of Hingham, moved reconsideration of the vote whereby the house asked the attorney general for an opinion on the two bills to permit the consolidation of the two Boston electric lighting companies and to restrict such combinations.

Representative Carey here saw the opportunity of giving his opinion of the attorney general. He charged the attorney general, says the Boston Globe, "with exceeding his prerogatives in sending to the house an argument when asked for an opinion of the bill to require contractors on public work to pay the same rate of wages as is paid by state or municipality. Mr. Carey said the attorney general had gone out of his way to argue against a labor measure."

Mr. Newton, of Everett, chairman of the committee on judiciary, replied to the attack. He said that the present attorney general was recognized throughout the commonwealth as a gentleman of learning, ability and fairness. He said the attorney general was wholly within bounds in sending in the opinion as he did, and the use of either argument or illustration to reinforce his opinion, and in closing he said the attorney general was entitled to the confidence of the people of the commonwealth. The defense was heartily applauded.

"Mr. Carey again spoke on the matter. He said it was easy for a member of the majority party to win applause when defending a member of the majority party, 'but whatever I said of the attorney general I will repeat. That opinion was filled with argument rather than with a statement of his opinion on the matter. Under the guise of an opinion he has argued against the bill. I say it is degrading to the dignity of the official and degrading to his office.'"

The motion to reconsider was lost by a vote of 51 to 65.

We are quite sure that our Haverhill readers will be pleased to learn that at last this city is in possession of a genuine tramp hailing from "Coxeyana"—a famous tramp's retreat organized by the once famous "Gen." J. S. Coxey. The "gentleman" in question seems to have been fortunate enough to become the editor of a local Republican sheet and is now the protégé of the only bearded fisherman that has ever had the distinction of having been a member of the senate of this Commonwealth.

The whiskey drinkers had better get on to themselves and take now all the drinks they can. An attempt is being made just at present to corner the whiskey market.

The corn market is cornered. The other day we were beginning to think that somebody was trying to corner the sun.

To be a Socialist one must be more than a voter of the Socialist ticket on election day. To thoroughly understand Socialism is the main thing.

Socialism overcomes all prejudices, whether national, racial or religious.

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EDITORIAL



International Sympathy Among Workingmen.

It is a most significant sign that while belligerent newspapers are trying to stir up bad feeling between the nations of continental Europe...

Pla for Education.

We know of only two cities in the state of Massachusetts that observed May Day—Labor's International and Holy Holiday. The two cities are Haverhill and Springfield.

What Socialism Means.

Dear Mr. Laborer:—Do you know that a hundred years ago the great mass of the people in the United States had enough to eat and to wear and had houses to live in which they most often owned...

And inspired to do their work enthusiastically. Never before was the opportunity to spread Socialism as great as at present. Almost every day brings plenty fresh material for the Socialist propagandists.

Richard Kitchelt

General Federation of Trade Unions. The seventh quarterly report of the General Federation of Trade Unions of England which has just been issued shows that the Federation is making steady but not sensational progress.

John Penny

Socialists are seeking to apply, with wide knowledge and clear understanding, the latest developments of science and the highest knowledge of humanity to every department of an ever-advancing civilization.

Cappy and Labby

A Parody by F. Scrimshaw

A certain father had two sons. And it came to pass that he died and went to Abraham's bosom, having by testament and codicil left unto them equal shares of his estate. And the younger, whose name was Cappy, was 'wise and prudent.'

And he made incantation and said, 'In the name of the Law, Amen, a half title only is for the future thine allowance.'

Conrade Morgan, the Appeal is pleased to note, sustained the dignity of the American workingman while in England, by donating \$10,000 to the late queen's memorial fund.

Letter Box

A. BERGMAN, N. Y.—We saw the editorial in the N. Y. Forward. But Corrado Winchewsky is in error. That letter was not meant for publication.

A newspaper dispatch from New York says that during the last session of the congress people in Washington wondered why so many senators were compelled to make hasty and frequent trips to New York.

The Inconsistency of the Gazette.

The Gazette gives warning. In its issue of May 7, it says editorially: 'While our export trade is increasing to enormous figures and the imports are correspondingly decreasing, there appears to be one item on this latter side of the account that is holding its own and even climbing with a steadyness that deserves attention.'

No, Jingo, How's This? London, May 7.—According to the official figures of the war office, the total number of deaths in the South African war is 714 officers and 14,284 men.

Perfecting the Trust.

A report from New York announces the joining of the following three companies to the great ship building trust: The Bethlehem Iron and Steel Company of Bethlehem, Penn.

A Big Madhouse.

'The suffering of the famine-stricken people in Shansi is indescribable'—telegraphed Minister Conger to a New York paper. Prince Ching says that the unfortunate people referred to are 'literally eating each other. They have eaten every blade of grass, every bit of bark, everything, in fact, that can be eaten in the province. Nothing has been raised there for two years, and unless relief is given many, many thousands must perish.'

Big Fish Swallow Little Fish.

The Lowell, Lawrence & Haverhill Street Railway Company having swallowed up all the desirable bits of property along the Merrimack river, is now to be swallowed in turn by the Lynn & Boston Railroad Company, the purchase having been approved by the railroad commissioners.

To Be Married.

On Wednesday, May 8 the editor of this paper, Conrade William Edlin, went to New York City, where his marriage feast takes place on Sunday, May 15, at 65 E. 101st street.

Consolidation.

Concord, N. H.—The board of railroad commissioners, in its annual report to the governor and council, says: 'Of the 147 miles of steam road in New Hampshire, all but 63 miles in the extreme northern part are included in the Boston & Maine system. As it is unlikely that the Grand Trunk will ever part with the road by which it reaches Stidwater at Portland, it is to be assumed that consolidation has been completed. By it more than 40 roads which were chartered for a time operated independently have been merged into one.'

Buffalo Exposition Contest.

The following persons are in the race for the free trip to the Pan American Exposition at Buffalo: Haverhill—Ernest Brooks, 18 1/2 years; Miss F. Tracy, 66; Mrs. A. Brannan, 21 1/2; Mattie Brannan, 18 1/2; 'Socialist', 22; and A. Tracy, 25. State—Boston: Martha Moore Avery, 42 1/2 years; Lowell: Fred Langway, 46 1/2; Worcester: Walter (Glover), 7; Salem: J. P. Warrick, 58.



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### Two Reasons.

For two reasons if for no other a political party declaring for the Socialist Commonwealth should at all times lend its active support to the trade union movement. First, because a Socialist party requires for its success a certain degree of class consciousness, a sense of solidarity and of discipline. This the trade unions certainly accomplish. They teach the class interests of the workers, they arouse the latent class consciousness of the members, they cause the workers to forget the unhappy divisions owing to differences of race and creed, and form a training school where at least elementary discipline on class lines is taught to the proletariat. Second, trade unions are a weapon of defence enabling the workers to resist the degrading tendencies of capitalism, for in the absence of the power of resistance to the downward trend and the organized use of that power the workers would be degraded to the level where an intelligent, conscious and disciplined working class would be an impossibility. Therefore I affirm that every assistance that we can give to the trade unions should be given, as their growth and development is a primary necessity to the success of the Socialist movement.

LOUIS M. SCATES.

Children of nature, how long will you walk in the paths of ignorance? How long will you mistake the true principles of morality and religion? Know you not your own rights? All authority is from you, all power is yours. You have caused your own misfortunes; cure them yourselves. Nature has established laws; your part is to obey them. Observe, reason and profit by experience. It is the folly of man that ruins him; let his wisdom save him. The people are ignorant; let them gain instruction. Their chiefs are wicked; let them correct and amend, for such is nature's decree. Since the evils of society spring from ignorance and cupidity, men will never cease to be persecuted till they become enlightened and wise; till they practice justice, founded on a knowledge of their relations and the laws of their organization. If at any time, in any place, individuals have ameliorated, why shall not the whole mass ameliorate? If partial societies have made improvements, what shall hinder the improvement of society in general? And if the first obstacles are overcome, why should the others be insurmountable? The human race will be come one great society, one individual family, governed by the same spirit, by common laws, and enjoying all the happiness of which nature is susceptible.

Doubtless this great work will be long accomplishing; because the same movement must be given to an immense body; the same heaven must assimilate an enormous mass of heterogeneous parts. But this movement shall be effected; its progress are already to be seen. At present the contending parties, wearied with discord, feel the want of laws, and sigh for the age of order and of peace. The world is waiting for a legislative people; it wishes and demands it; and my heart attends the cry. Yet another day—a little more reflection—and an immense agitation will begin a new-born age will open! An age of astonishment to vulgar minds, of terror to tyrants, of freedom to a great nation, and of hope to the human race!—From Volney's "Ruins of Em-pire."

### Two More Lists Accepted.

Agent Donovan Tuesday afternoon completed his work of introducing new price lists in the factories of the city, and lists previously presented to W. S. Chase & Son and H. H. Hoyt were accepted by the firms and signed. Last year there was trouble at the Chase factory, as the firm refused to accept the list, but conditions were altogether different this year, and as one of the members of the firm stated this morning, there was no friction whatever in the acceptance of the three lists. The list for turned workmen was a renewal, and there is a

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## COMING OUT OF CHURCH.

(New York Life.)

"Wasn't that a lovely sermon?"  
"I'm sure (absently) it was made over from last year. Oh, excuse me. I meant Clara Poplin's hat. Yes, it was lovely. The sermon, I mean."  
"He touches one's heart so, when he wants to. Are you going to Sadie Smallerton's reception?"  
"Doesn't he? So earnest. Who will be there?"  
"Oh, every one, I suppose. I didn't see Helen Van Antler in church."  
"No, her dog was ill, and she could not come. Wasn't it lovely in Jack to send me these prayer books?"  
"Sweet. He sent me a set last year. They are so handy. I just hate the ones they have in church."  
"So do I. One is so likely to catch something. How that Maud Pierpont did look around during the Te Deum."  
"Didn't she? She was trying to see what Minnie Muagrove, who sat back of me, had on. They never liked each other. He doesn't look strong, does he?"  
"Who, Jack?"  
"No, the minister. He's perfectly lovely, I think."  
"Lovely!"  
"Yes, sweet, but so delicate. I don't see how anyone can help just adoring him."  
"Nor I. Such a dear."  
"He says he thinks dancing is all right."  
"How liberal! Did you manage to go to church in Lent?"  
"Oh, yes. I think one ought to. I didn't see you there."  
"I just couldn't. You know the Hooten Tooten lectures came on Wednesday."  
"So they did. I went last year. Well, come in and see me."  
"Thanks. Now that Lent is nearly over, I'll have more time."  
"Of course. I don't see how he preaches so well."  
"Nor I. It was a lovely sermon. Good by."  
"Wasn't it? Good by."  
"Lovely sermon, wasn't it?"  
"Splendid. But he always is good. How very well your daughters looked."

slight advance over the former prices paid by the firm. The lists signed Monday were for cutters, turned workmen and machine operators, and the 70 odd employees receive a slight advance. Agent Donovan said that this was the last large list which he will introduce, and the system of unionizing the shops of the city has been most successful this past winter. Also Agent Donovan visited the factory of H. H. Hoyt on Wingate street, and the price list for turned workmen, which was introduced some time ago, was accepted and put in force. Mr. Hoyt could not be seen, but it is understood that the six employees of turned work will be benefited by a slight increase.

Boston, Mass.

The Social Democrats of this city reorganized and elected the following officers: Organizer, William R. Dyer. Recording Secretary, Joseph E. Foley. Financial Secretary, W. F. Gulbriet. Treasurer, Joseph Spero. Literature Agent, William R. Dyer.

The Precinct 3, Ward 5 Social Democrat Club admitted two new members at its weekly meeting last Monday evening. A free circulating library of Socialist books has been started among the members. A clam bake for members was held last Tuesday evening. Speeches were made by Representative J. F. Carey, William A. Kennedy, L. B. Tabbot and A. L. Gillen.

C. H. M. Secretary.

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### In the Labor World.

Brooklyn plumbers have compromised with the bosses and agreed to the scale of \$3.75 for eight hours a day, with Saturday half-holidays from June to September inclusive.

The Federation of Labor at St. Louis are getting ready to build a labor temple in that city. They have adopted the co-operative plan and are confining their shares to organized labor.

The Indianapolis tanners, who went on strike to enforce their new scale, are at work again. After the men had been out two days the union scale of \$7.4 cents an hour was signed by all of the large contractors.

Springfield, Ill., plumbers last week tilted up their scale from \$3.25 to \$3.50 per day. It was done without a strike.

In Italy \$17,000 farm laborer joined the trade union movement.

Canadian carpenters are moving for the eight-hour day.

The International Brotherhood of Blacksmiths has adopted a label. It will be used especially on finished tools—area, miners' tools, etc.

### A Correction.

Deacon Goodly—"Boys, don't you know that you should not play ball on Sunday?"  
Johnnie—"Oh, that's all right, deacon. We ain't playing; we're practicing for tomorrow's game."—Ex.

"Is he a man of ability?"  
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LETTERS

Leonister, Mass.
Comrade Dr. Gibbs both entertained and instructed a good sized company at the G. A. R. hall on Sunday afternoon with a very interesting talk on the adaptation of Socialism to the present economic situation.

Avery Replies to Borrowers.

To the Editor:—We are glad the Comrade who speaks of the "little gods" is not, let us say, a "little god" himself. He is a man of letters, and his letters are worth reading.

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companion and secretary who spoke of the work and affairs of their "post-graduate" and its connection with Socialism in this country.

The former members of the late Branch 14, S. D. P. met last Sunday and organized as the Socialist Club of Fitchburg, with a president, vice president, secretary and treasurer.

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SELLS HIS BONES TO FEED HIS FAMILY.

A machinist out of work committed suicide Tuesday in San Francisco, and bequeathed his body to any medical institution that would give his wife and children food for a month.

The time is fast approaching when a man, no matter what his position in society may be, who demands work, will have it furnished.

They say the dead do not feel, neither do they think. But even if dead and no more than dust, the man who once possessed the breath of life, who could feel the surging of the blood through his veins at a glimpse of the sea, who could walk bare of head beneath the stars, who could commune with nature and hear her whisperings, who could know the kindness of a father and the true greatness of a friend, to compel a man with such possibilities to suffer and to die from lack of bread, is sufficient condemnation for a thousand systems of exploitation such as this.

It is one of the saddest possible commentaries on our civilization that a man willing to work, strong and capable, with a family to live for, should be compelled to lay down his life.

To the Editor:—I find great pleasure in reading your editorials and your many valuable articles by contributors. Your paper stands upon a high plane of thought and is at the same time, clear, out, direct and pointed.

However, in the spirit of friendly criticism, I would respectfully request your attention to an article which appeared in your excellent May Day issue, entitled "The Science of Socialism," by Martha Moore Avery.

The writer does not even touch the great scientific arguments for Socialism, such as the analogy between the evolution of nature and the evolution of society, or the organic unity of society. The whole article is a hazy effusion of philosophic and economic ideas which appear obscure, even to the writer.

A story is told of an English schoolmaster who offered a prize to the boy who should write the best composition in five minutes on "How to Overcome Habit."

At the expiration of five minutes the compositions were read. The prize went to a lad of 9 years. Following is his essay: "Well, sir, habit is hard to overcome."

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News From Lynn.

At the meeting of the Republican city committee held on the third of this month the following resolution was offered, and, of course, adopted: That the Republican city committee request the Mayor, Mayor Shepherd, to petition the great and general court of 1909 through the board of mayor and aldermen to amend the city charter so as to provide for the filling of vacancies in the city government caused by death or by resignation by providing that such vacancies be filled by vote in joint convention of the two branches of the city government or by such means as members of the city government may decide upon.

The working men of this city, if they stop to think, know just what this means. "To the victor belong the spoils." The city government is Republican, the state Legislature is Republican and consequently the above charter amendment would mean that in case of the death of a member of the city government another Republican would immediately take his seat without the disagreeable necessity of a special election such as we are to have in this city on May 14, to elect an alderman from Ward 5.

Now, Mr. Intelligent Voter, what do you think of the scheme? Do you sanction the curtailment of your rights as a citizen? Can you see "what you are up against?" How long will you continue to submit to this dictation at the hands of your economic masters and their subservient lieutenants? Throw off your chains and cast your first ballot for yourself and your family interests.

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students at the English and classical high school should be abolished, and Post 5, G. A. R., has passed resolutions remonstrating against such a move. The hearing will be held before the publication of this letter, and will probably result in the continuance of the system. What of it?

We all know that the feeding of animals on raw meat makes them blood-thirsty and so with a military training, it makes a man's heart throb at the beat of the drum or at the sound of the bugle, and he arrays himself in deadly combat against his fellow man with whom personally he has no quarrel, at the mandate of men whose slave he is, to enforce their demands for territorial conquest, or "the extension of our markets."

It arrays the worker against his brother in his own country and causes him to commit murder in the interest of that damnable institution known as the capitalist system.

Now, Mr. Globe Correspondent, why did you not in your last Sunday's letter point out some of these facts and add the weight of your influence to the cause of right and justice? I will take it, for the sake of illustration, that you agree with what I have said. I have been one of you "Globe fellows" myself and have "broken bread" with you boys at more than one annual dinner, when the General Joe, or Sam used to give us such wise counsel, and Managing Editor Fowle used to instruct us "to always stand up for the under dog." But for your answer: You would say "If I wrote that Sam Merrill—Sunday editor—would blue pencil it, or if it escaped his eagle eye, I would probably lose my job. We country correspondents

are not allowed to write anything that has an editorial flavor, though sometimes we work it in for a friend on the sly." But, "on the dead," you know the capitalist press is dictated by the counting room; and the love of Kinley and Strenuous Teddy as the exponents are about the right thing to whoop up for the prosperity of our masters. Yes! I say, your masters as well as mine.

I think I hear some comrade remark, "what are you trying to get at, Nemo?" Simply this, that under the present system the press, the pulpit and the forum, with few exceptions, are the pliant tools of capitalism and the education and emancipation of the toilers must be accomplished by their own individual effort.

The West Lynn Branch held a social last Tuesday evening and a rally Friday evening. The central branch held a rally Wednesday evening. We are doing good work with the May Day number of this paper, and the love of the S. L. P. on a candidate to run as a "Socialist" on May 14 for alderman but failed. The reply of the local section was a mass of falsehood, abuse and accusation, claiming that these comrades in different sections of the country accepted indorsements from the capitalist parties. We have proof that in each instance they did not tell the truth, by letters received from Secretary of State Olin '98, and Secretary Butcher of Springfield board and Secretary Putney of State committee. We have these letters on file and would be glad to show them to all interested.

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