













MAY DAY AND ITS MEANING.

The Growing Thought of Human Brotherhood Finds Here Its Full Expression.

BY THOMAS J. MORGAN.

May Day is a thought. Its origin is not in the resolutions which called forth its first expression, but in the thought that is in the beginning of things.

"Thoughts are things," is the only thing that lives. May Day is a living thing. It is formulated in the minds of men.

"The world is my country; all mankind are my countrymen." This is a thought which, when once learned, admits man to the highest plane of human conception.

In seeking the origin of this thought, we find it expressed in the beginning of the world. The beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

"Behold, I give to every green thing, the fruits, the herbs of the field, the fowl of the air, and every living thing on earth."

Some readers may smile with amusement or contempt at our use of this ancient story of the creation. We do not care for that.

"The full comprehension of this thought is the purpose of life. Every progressive step which man has taken from the Garden of Eden to protoplasmic cell has been towards this end and this alone."

"From this individualized range of thought in the beginning there has been progressive enlargement in the expanding experiences of life."

"The world grew old in this individualized thought and the buried cities and ruined temples, the pyramids and the sphinxes are monuments of its insubstantiality."

"We find the thought of May Day expressed again in these words: 'And ye are all brethren.'"

THE FUNCTIONS OF GOVERNMENT.

Briefly Outlining the Origin, Nature, and Province of Government.

BY WILLIAM MAHONEY.

It is a disputed question what government should or should not do. Many contend that the province of government is, by its very nature, confined to the maintenance of order.

At this time a discussion of the nature and functions of government is as important as it is interesting.

Many who see great industrial and social problems confronting the public realize that these problems cannot be effectively dealt with except by the extension of governmental functions.

It would seem strange that any difference of opinion could arise at this late day on the nature of government, having had centuries of history from which to draw conclusions.

If one will carefully apply himself to a study of human history, it may readily be discovered what the true principles of government are.

A review of history from the earliest times gives ample proof of the contention that the province of government is to maintain order and to protect the rights of the individual.

The scope of government is not only an economic doctrine, but a philosophy touching every phase of our social life.

That happy, harmonious culture, which has only once appeared in the history of mankind, was then the privilege of a small body of select aristocrats.

The literature of Socialism in the English language is constantly growing. It is largely issued by associations of workmen, such as the Socialist Co-operative Publishing Association.

The masters and kings and slaves and serfs, are only Egyptians, Greeks, Romans, Germans, French, English, etc.—separated from each other by ignorance, prejudice, and hate.

COMFORT FOR THE HOMELESS.

The Materialism of Socialism. Economic Conditions Overrule Moral Ideas—Sentiment Alone an Unsafe Guide—Some of the Inconsistencies in Which It Involves Well-Meaning Men.

BY PHILIP JACKSON.

Just at the present stage of development of the Socialist movement in this country, perhaps more so than at any previous period, there are thousands of people who are just awakening to the fact that Socialism is becoming a power in the land.

Sheepshead Bay home, with 300 acres of land and private race track. Travers Villa, in Newport, which has been leased for many seasons.

Stony Ford farm, New York, which is used as an auxiliary of his Kentucky stock farm. Game preserve in the Adirondacks, including 15,000 acres of forest range, stocked with game.

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ARISTOCRATS AND TRAMPS.

THE WORLD HAS MADE MARVELOUS STRIDES IN THE LAST FEW HUNDRED YEARS.

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