





NO MATTER WHAT ELSE MAY HAPPEN THIS WILL HAPPEN.

By Horace Traubel.

No matter what else may happen this will happen. The world is about good and ready to take the next step towards social and human solidarity.

Your scared eyes to a vista furrowed with trouble. You must be prepared for agony and defeat. You must be ready to go alone.

THE INTELLECTUAL FORCE OF CIRCUMSTANCES

By Peter E. Burrows.

I hope it is not accepted as more than a conjecture arising out of our doctrines of evolution that the human race is born to perish and pass away out of the cosmic life.

ance will henceforth triumph, until mankind arises from the disease of property. This intellectual force, the child of slavery itself, compels me to consider why it may not, why it should not, why it cannot be conquered.

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MICHAEL DAVITT.

A Sketch of the Life and Work of the Irish "Rebel and Traitor" Lately Deceased—One of the Greatest Giggers of His Generation.

He got of sin, born into sin, living with sin, Mabel's trembling baby was an innocent accused. She was the pawn-ticket in the usury Magdalen paid. She was "to the fourth and fifth generation" from which we female shylocks demand the pound of flesh!

MABEL'S BABY.

By Margaret McClure.

Once there was a woman named Mabel, who, tiring of the vitiated air and the red lights of the town, came, with two men and a girl baby, to dwell in a suburb.

was lost by a large majority. Davitt, always eager for the unity of the party, accepted the decision, but personally never ceased to urge his own views.

One of the most interesting events in his life was his establishment of the "Labour World" in London in 1890. By this time Davitt had virtually accepted the Socialist position, and was almost as enthusiastic for the labor cause in England as the land cause in Ireland.

He is a man of singular amiability of disposition and of remarkable width of view, considering the narrow patriotic school of politics in which he was reared. Undaunted and fierce in the midst of battle, filled all his life with a stern, almost melancholy zeal for his country, he is nevertheless by nature endowed with all the geniality and humor of the Irish race.

HENRIK IBSEN.

By the death of Henrik Ibsen the stage has lost a great realistic dramatist, and the world (in one sense) a great idealistic force. Ibsen belonged to that dauntless band of spiritual revolutionists who have transformed the ideas and ideals of mankind during the century past.

Needless to say that by this time his nature was deeply stirred by the revolutionary feeling which the Fenian movement had aroused in Ireland and among Irishmen abroad.

After a tour in America he returned to Ireland, where, together with John Ferguson of Glasgow, he unfurled the banner of the Irish Land League in 1879. The League was at first viewed with suspicion, not only by the extreme Fenian party, but by Mr. Parnell and his parliamentary colleagues.

Blush not, oh, ye sisters of the white corpuscle! Condemn not, all ye hallowed and sanctified mothers of the upper world! Ye do not know, neither do ye understand!

the foundations of political, mercantile, domestic, and municipal life, and shows us a social system permeated with shams and founded on falsehood.

The failure of the national workshops established by the revolutionary government in Paris in 1848 is so frequently cited as an argument against Socialism that we think it worth while to reproduce from London "Justice" the following article on the subject, written by E. Beifort Bax.

The speech delivered by Mr. John Morley just before the elections, in which the Secretary of State for India once more trotted out that stalest of stale falsehoods only capable of deceiving the ignorant, anent the failure of the ateliers nationaux of 1848, ought not to be permitted to pass without remark.

After the Revolution of February, 1848, in Paris, which the Paris workers, led by Democrats like Ledru Rollin, and by the Socialists of the period, with Louis Blanc as their leading representative, had been largely instrumental in bringing about, the provisional government, tho in the main purely bourgeois in character, found it impossible to exclude altogether from its councils popular leaders, such as Rollin, Blanc, Albert, and Flocon.

The fact of his having advocated state action, and having been the head of a commission appointed by the government to report on matters affecting the working classes at the time the national workshops were established, led to the actual organization of them being attributed to Louis Blanc.

It is a fact open to every one who chooses to consult the historical sources that Marie, the Minister of Public Works, a violent political enemy of Socialistic ideas in general, and of Louis Blanc in particular, with whom was associated the no less hostile Emile Thomas, had in his hands the whole business of organizing the national workshops, and, in effect, organized them for the express purpose of failure in order to discredit such schemes once for all.

These social dramas are Ibsen's polemic against Society. In these Ibsen shows himself the dramatic revolutionist. The drama with all its claptrap and conventional sentiment is seen transformed. Stage puppets give place to human beings; machine-made plots to natural development.

UP TO THE RANK AND FILE.

President Dettrey of District No. 7 has been nominated as the candidate for Congress by the Socialists. An effort on the part of the mine workers of the county will easily elect him.

TEXAS FARMERS HELP PRINTERS.

The recent convention of the Farmers' Educational Co-operative Union of Texas adopted a resolution advising all members to buy only union-label goods when possible to obtain such, and especially in view of the printers' eight-hour fight, to use their influence to have all county printing bear the I. T. U. label.

the intellect; I mean the aristocracy of character, of will, of mind. That only can free us. From two groups will this aristocracy I hope for come to our people—from our women and our workmen. The revolution in the social condition, now preparing in Europe, is chiefly concerned with the workers and the women. In this I place all my hopes and expectations; for this I will work all my life with all my strength.

THE NATIONAL WORKSHOPS OF 1848

Further to say that the government believed the result would be that the working class idol, Louis Blanc, would lose his whole following among them and cease forever to be a danger. With this object, accordingly, it was arranged that exclusively unproductive work was to be carried on by the state-employed, and, indeed, only one class of arduous labor totally unsuited to the majority of those applying—to wit, road-making and mending, the construction of embankments, and similar undertakings.

Besides furnishing an object-lesson in the utility of state and for the unemployed, the provisional government, as represented especially by M. Marie and M. Thomas, his factotum, sought to kill two birds with one stone by getting together a proletarian body dependent upon the government, and pliable in its hands, to act as a counterpoise to the Luxembourg and the democratic workmen's clubs. This object alone, in the opinion of M. Marie, would have been worth the unproductive expenditure of public money.

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TRUSTS AND TRAMPS

An economic system which manufactures trusts and tramps can be called economic only by courtesy. A tramp recently set fire to a leaking petroleum pipeline in Pennsylvania, and the immediate consequences were a conflagration three miles long and the destruction of all the adjacent property. Thus, in this case, the tramp proved as costly to the capitalist as the capitalist to the tramp.

ON BRITISH RAILWAYS

Taking four of the great railway companies of Great Britain, there are 2,500 fewer men employed than in 1901. In spite of the "Hours Act" of 1903, there were 73,658 fewer of long hours in 1905. Work is harder on the engine and in the train, owing to increased length, etc. Tipping is abolished by the luggage-advance system, and yet wages are no higher.—London Labour Leader.





