

"BLOODY SUNDAY" DEMONSTRATION.

(Continued from First Page.)

tell you no. They marched at the head of a hundred thousand men in Berlin yesterday. They are marching on the streets of Chicago to-night. They will march with the army of freedom until the last victory is won.

That procession on the Nevsky Prospect marked the last of the Bourgeois Revolutions. And when those men reeled back before the machine guns they reeled back only to step forward into a new historical epoch, the epoch of the first proletarian revolution.

You, the workers, who have fought all the battles. It is no thin red line, but a broad band of blood that runs down through the ages where proletarians have dyed the battlefields of the world as they fought the battles of their masters.

Now, for the first time, you are asked to fight your own battles. No longer are you asked to grasp the sword and the rifle that you may fight for the king, for the landlord, for the capitalist.

Lincoln never said a truer word than that this country could not exist half slave and half free; and it is more true to-day, that bound together with the bands of international commercialism, that one portion of the world cannot be free, without the shackles being broken from the race of the whole world.

Seymour Stedman. The meetings which are taking place to-day and yesterday, the world over, protesting against the occurrence of a year ago at St. Petersburg, are most remarkable.

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The heads of citizens on West Madison street, protests against the action of these in authority in European cities. We need only to go back a little more than forty years to see the British workmen assembled in Trafalgar Square, and the soldiers brought out and shooting them into streets.

What then marks the peculiarity of the protests which we make here to-night? Not that we denounce authority, not that we curse kings, not that we weep for those who are in distress—but that, coupled with this protest, we announce a remedy for all industrial hardships and inequalities.

It is a country composed of many different nationalities, not only speaking a different tongue, but divided by hundreds and thousands of years of different habits, different temperaments, and distinctly different races.

But in spite of all its ignorance, the economic evolution of Russia was not halted. It moved on. A trading class developed primarily among the Jews, because the six million who live there, despoiled of and unable to procure or own land, were naturally driven into commercial pursuits.

In the petition with which they went to the Czar, they asked for equality before the law, a thing which theoretically exists in this country, but which so long as the capitalist class continues in power, will exist only in the law books.

They demanded compulsory education; the liberty to form co-operative societies for producing and trading, the right to form trades unions, the right to worship as they please, and the right to freely assemble.

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velt never elected himself. When he sent that message he didn't send it as a man. He sent it as the representative of the American republic, composed principally of workmen!

Roosevelt was not the only one. We find king and president alike deploring the fact that the uncle of the Czar had his lung destroyed.

Now look at the other picture. When those men a year ago went to the Czar and presented a petition asking for rights which American citizens demanded and secured a hundred years ago, and what the people of Great Britain had secured by slow degrees through many centuries, they were shot into streets.

Did one single alderman in the city of Chicago introduce a resolution in sympathy with the people of Russia? No. When the Chicago Typographical Union at a mass meeting in Brandt's Hall recently passed a resolution of sympathy with the Russian workmen, and sent a copy to the Common Council of the city of Chicago asking them in the name of the workmen of this city, to extend the sympathy of Chicago to the working class of Russia, they promptly put it in the waste basket.

Not a single word of protest or sympathy came from the lips of your President when that took place. You wouldn't expect it probably from kings, but from a country where the people have a free and equal right of suffrage it might reasonably be expected.

Short stirring addresses were also delivered by C. L. Breckon, Carl Strover, G. F. Frankel, J. M. Barnes, National Secretary of the Socialist party. Comrade Lisikin made a short speech in the Jewish language.

A collection amounting to \$140 was taken up to assist the Russian revolutionary movement.

Whereas, the working class in Russia has been denied any share in the administration of public power, while the power in the hands of their economic master is ruthlessly used to enforce long hours of toil, a starving wage, ignorance and superstition among the masses, and to threaten with imprisonment without trial and with military slaughter, and all efforts on the part of the workers to advance towards either liberty or prosperity, for themselves or their children after them; and

Whereas, unarmed and defenseless workers were so continuously slain as the only answer to their peaceful efforts to secure a better chance in life, that at last they have been driven either to meet force by force or consent that all of liberty shall perish and all the value of life itself be lost; that, finally, mutiny in the army, revolt in the navy, riot in the cities and uprising among the peasants became so common, while the government was not only unable to protect the innocent, but the government itself has been found to be the chief promoter of disorder, under cover of which disorder government agents sought the destruction of all who sought to promote the peace of society with justice to all its members, and that the only hope for peace has been found to be in the effort to establish a new government; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Socialists of the city of Chicago and Cook County, in this massmeeting assembled, declare as follows:

First—We pledge our sympathy and our support to the Russian revolutionists. Second—We recognize that the same economic factors which use the Czar's government to oppress the workers of Russia also use our own government to oppress the workers here.

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The Lid Off in the City Council—Mayor Dunne Wins a Point—Traction Question Goes Back to People Once More—Gray Wolves Change Front—Field's Death Affects Situation.

Thursday, Jan. 18, the lid flew off the city council and things happened. At the council meeting of Jan. 2 the ordinance, both franchise and municipal transportation, which had been reported to the council over a month before, were sent back to the Committee on Local Transportation by the street railway majority in the council with instructions to report on Jan. 15.

Our German comrades held a crowded and enthusiastic demonstration in memory of "Bloody Sunday" at Ulich's Hall last Sunday afternoon. There were between five and six hundred people in attendance.

The German Socialists of Chicago, in massmeeting assembled, in Ulich's Hall, on the evening of the first anniversary of "Bloody Sunday," Jan. 22, 1905, send their fraternal greeting to their Russian brothers in their heroic struggle for human liberty and the downfall of the Russian aristocracy.

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RUSSIA.

BY GUY E. MILLER.

Russia is an instance of arrested development on a national scale. At the dawn of the twentieth century she is fighting the battle against autocracy that the English waged in the seventeenth and the French in the eighteenth centuries.

History assigns no date for the migration of the Slavonic peoples from the common cradle of humanity, central Asia. They first appear on the slopes of the Carpathian mountains, their faces to the east.

The record of the people begins with Rurik, a Norseman, in 862. More than a century later Prince Vladimir, returning from Constantinople, gathered the population of Kiev, the chief city, on the banks of the Dnieper, divides them into groups, gives a name to each group, and baptizes them.

Nine years after the people and the barons had wrested the Great Charter from King John at Runnymede the Tartar hordes appeared at the Russian boundaries. This last great migration from the East began near the western boundaries of China; by arms or diplomacy they won all on their way.

The Tartars pitched their tents opposite Kiev on the eastern bank of the Dnieper. The creaking of the carts, the bellowing of the oxen and the roaring of the camels was such that the citizens could not hear each other's voices.

The Tartar rule lasted until 1480. For two and a half centuries Russia lay dormant, facing the East separated from Western civilization, with no part in those great movements that are the introduction to modern history.

The foundations of autocracy were laid during this period. The Tartar chieftain recognized the Prince of Moscow as the Grand Duke of Russia. The Great Khan received tribute from all through him.

Russia's eastern advance was made at the same time the nations of western Europe were planting colonies through grants to trading companies, and by the same agency.

Others have told how Peter the Great drove Russia into the stream of modern civilization. Go elsewhere to find his eulogy. No man can give a nation civilization, as none can give her freedom.

Peter's wars, building and manufacturing enterprises called for large numbers of men and greatly increased revenues. During his reign of nearly forty years the imperial receipts increased more than 300 per cent.

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their duties to the State. It was to enable them to perform services that the laborer had been reduced to serfdom. Now the people are forgotten. They clamored for freedom, but were unheard. We hear the echo of their cry in a ukase of the imperial, zarist Catherine (1767): "If any serf shall dare to present a petition against his master, he shall be punished with the knout and transported for life to the mines of Nerchinsk."

In this the court attained its greatest brilliancy. The people touched the bottom of the abyss. Voltaire was the favorite philosopher. Phrases from Beccaria and Burlamaqui, who furnished the substance of the Declaration of Independence, were heard in every drawing room. The masters set the task; life became such a burden that men attempted to enlist in the army. This was forbidden without the master's consent.

At the beginning of the last century Paul issued an edict that they should not be required to work more than three days per week for their master. Institutions are to be judged by the blackest deeds that are their legitimate fruit. The sentiments of brotherhood have never been strong enough to resist the attacks of self-interest.

Alexander II, voiced this fear when addressing a convocation of nobles. He said: "It is better for us to accomplish it from above than to wait until it accomplishes itself from below." The evil wisdom of the rulers is displayed here. The master is to liberate the slave on terms advantageous to the master.

Life left them speaking an alien language, stunted by ignorance, deformed by toil. Death found them immortally fair, taught them the universal language, interred them in the Pantheon of humanity. The struggle they took up is older than history. They died under despotism to live in the hearts of freedom's lovers everywhere.

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AS OTHERS SEE US.

On previous occasions the public has had reason to note with approval the attitude taken by Socialist members of the State Legislature with regard to railway passes. That the members of this party remain firm in their convictions on this matter is shown by the action of two of them who received the usual "favours" from a railway company a few days ago.

"We wish to inform you that, unlike the men elected by the old political parties, Mr. Ambrose and Mr. Olson are not in the Legislature to do the work of the corporations. Therefore, they cannot and have no desire to do the sort of work for which these passes are intended as payment."

Public sentiment clearly recognizes that the Socialist members are in the right and that their action is a merited rebuke to pass-grafting. In declaring that the passes are "intended as payment" for favors of some kind, potentially obtainable from legislators, the Socialists are simply telling the truth, no matter how rude and ungrateful their outspokenness may seem to beneficiaries of the pass-graft system.

How long are the members of the older parties going to let the Socialists set the pace for them in attacking this serious abuse?—Editorial Chicago Daily News, Jan. 19.

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