helpless beings and which in some cases hamper, and even threaten to paralyze, the business of the entire commonwealth.

We have Socialism advancing with steady and irresistible advance, in spite of the influence upon our thinking, of tradition, and prejudice, and custom, and law.

We have the latent and pent-up spiritual forces of Christianity, which, again and again in the past, have burst forth in some unexpected hour, into a mighty enthusiasm that has reached down to the lowest levels of our human life, and which are just as likely as ever to burst forth in a similar way to-day.

May we not ask if we have not in these facts the underlying conditions of a revolution as epoch-making as any in the past?

DEFINITIONS AND EXPLANATIONS OF SOCIALISM AND ANARCHY.

And now, having made some statements that may appear to be somewhat startling, perhaps a few definitions and explanations may not be out of place. When we state that "Socialism is advancing with irresistible advance," we do