

"AH THERE! KINGSTON,"

"HOW DOES THIS CATCH YOU."

NEW YORK, Nov. 8.—An investigation into dock department matters is said to have developed the discovery that many of the docks are leased to politicians of influence whose names may not even appear in the instrument. The assistance of the dock-masters is necessary to make such a holding profitable, and it is said to be a curious fact that leased piers right alongside of those which the city owns and keeps in its control do a rushing business and are always occupied, while no vessels come to the piers from which the city collects wharfage.—*Whig*.

A GOOD ONE.

Seven dollars a week on which to support a big family; I get \$3,500 a year for doing nothing compared with these people, and yet well fed ministers stand in their pulpits and wonder at the restlessness of labor.—*Rev. Thos. K. Beecher*.

A LECTURER WANTED.

Wake them up before daylight! Send them half-clothed and half-fed out upon the streets, and away to the factory, the store and the mill! Scare them, too, into running, for fear the whistle or the bell may tell them they are fined for being late. Then let them work, second for second, minute for minute, and hour for hour, all day, with the senseless, nerveless, tireless piece of iron—the machine—driven by steam! If they are mangled, say it was the will of God. If they go home to die, the victims of supply and demand, put them in their coffins and call it Providence! If they don't, but live on, in spite of all, miserable specimens of depraved, stunted and vicious men and women, look at what they have produced, measure it, count it up in dollars and cents, and figure up the sum total! Then contemplate the cursed pile, and get some eloquent orator who discourses upon the grandeur of our civilization to lecture upon it.—*The Union*.

"RIGHT YOU ARE, ROBERT."

CAPITAL AND COMBINE.

Capital has always claimed and still claims the right to combine. Manufacturers meet and determine prices, even in spite of the great law of supply and demand. "Have the laborers the same same right to consult and combine?" The rich meet in the bank, the club-house, or the parlor. Workingmen when they combine meet on the street. All the organized forces of society are against them. Capital has the army and navy, the legislature, the judicial and the executive departments. When the rich combine, it is for the purpose of exchanging ideas. When the poor combine it is a conspiracy. If they act in concert, if they really do something, it is a mob. If they defend themselves it is treason. How is it that the rich control the departments of government? In this country the political power is equally divided among men. There are certainly more poor than there are rich. Why should the rich control? Why should not the laborers combine for the purpose of controlling the executive, the legislative and the judicial departments? Will they ever find how powerful they are? A cry comes from the oppressed, from the down-trodden, from the unfortunate, from the despised, from men who despair, from women who weep. There are times when mendicants become revolutionists—when a rag becomes a banner, under which the noblest and bravest battle for right!" *Ingersoll in North American*.

"THE LAST ROUND."

A DAY OF RECKONING COME.

Every one knows full well that as society is at present constituted, the possession of wealth creates distinction—that according to the amount of money a man possesses his standing in society is graduated. And again, that the laboring class, so far as social standing is concerned, constitute the lower stratum of society, in other words money is power, poverty is servitude.

Again, any one who thinks at all is

fully cognizant of the fact, that the labor element is of all things, the most important factor in the general make up and well being of society. All wealth is the product of labor. The idea that wealth is, in any sense the product of speculation is utterly false. One may get possession of wealth by speculation but remember that nothing can be obtained by speculation, until first produced by labor. Annihilate every dollar of money in existence, and labor can subsist upon what it can produce from the soil, but remove the labor element, and money would become a worthless bauble, there being none of the products of labor to buy.

Regarding this fact, is it not well to invest labor with a little of the dignity that gives station to life? Instead of extolling only wealth as an agent of success and prosperity, had we not better recognize the claims of labor to a position rightfully its due? Is it not justly entitled to a share of the dividends? Instead of being turned off with but a bare subsistence, to wander up and down the earth homeless and destitute, is it not better to recognize its natural right to the soil? Government enriches corporations with a free gift of whole empires of land, and does it too, by compromising the rights of the laborer to a portion of the same except by purchase at rates beggaring his ability to pay, rates purposely made as a tribute to this same corporate power. In this again is illustrated the power and position of wealth over the labor element, to the extent even of controlling the methods of government in its interests.

The power of right demands resurrection. The fiat of eternal justice has gone forth. A little cloud, as it were, the size of a man's hand has already appeared in the heavens. The surging masses of humanity are yet without organization and leadership. Nevertheless it is an element of power, soon to mature into a purpose that will write the destiny of our government. That destiny is the right of labor—when labor shall sit in the counsels of the government, and dictate the policy of the same.—*El Dorada Independent*.

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