

We are unfortunately faced with this fact that right at the seat of trouble, there is a tendency of dissension as to collection or disposition of the Defence Fund, and with this in plain view, the effort for augmentation either on this continent or in other channels is going to be a decidedly hard task. The refusal of the proffered hand of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, through President Tom Moore, is now causing a severe penalty. Pulling chestnuts out of the fire is not a policy of the thoughtful trade unionist, especially when they were not associated with putting them in.

were not associated with putting them in. The necessary funds can be secured on this con-tinent, there is no reason for travelling further afield, but this finance must be under the direction of the bona-fide membership, and the collectors not from the ranks of the reactionaries. Stamp of approval by the trade unionist is the requirement showing necessity for more than has already been collected and the outlay of same justifiable. If a continued appeal is franked by those in whom the movement has faith, this applying to all centres, a mission overseas or over the border is robbed centres, a mission overseas or over the border is robbed of justification. the second second

he working consilons, which are importance to both employer and employe. It is preasing to note that em-loyers are realizing that better orditions for the employes are iso to their own interests find are aging more attention to the mat-er. These conditions today include uestions "aftecting the health of he employed. It is essential to iaintaia the best of health which ould mean greater emciency as ipg. FALLACY OF PIECE WORK. The labor correspondent of Rey

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The labor correspondent of Rey-molds' Newspaper, presents these views on the failacy of the piece work system? "In theory pieckwork and pay-ment by results are quite attractive systems, in practice, however, they full far short soft heir pormise. A basis time for the 'job' is fixed, and a bonus offered on 'jobs' completed under this basis time. As soon as the worke promises to far whig' wages the tendency to cut time and prices down commences, until they fall being a commences in the worke promises to far whig' wages the tendency to cut time and prices down commences, until they fall below a reasonable minimum which the trade union assures. It is the application of the system by marcrupalous employers that has conside the unions to fight the quest. "Your organization has a place ir the ranket the unions to fight the quest.

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MORAL SUPPORT ONLY. The General Federation of Labor, hich has assumed direction of the rench Railway strike, today an-ounced that it has refused to allow

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## the strike, called in sympathy with the rallway men, to be extended. The Federation will extend its moral support only. INCREASED PENSIONS FOR BRITISH POLICEMEN The G

he Government was defeated in British House of Commons last week, on a private member's m tion, calling for a large increase the pensions to all policeme tired prior to April, 1919, in to meet the high cost of living



was stated that expenses from the first of 'the year had amounted to hearly \$5,000. Last week 355 ex-soldiers were assisted to the extent of \$5,005. The preceding week the disbursements were \$5,507. There Were only 47 new applicants for out-tof-work pay last week-a number which was greatly exceeded by the crowd which througed the Employ-ment Bureau offices early this morndisbursements were \$6,507. There Were only 47 new applicants for out-of-work pay last week—a number which was greatly exceeded by the crowd which throughd the Employ-ment Bureau offices early this morn-

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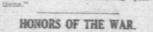
## **A CORRECT SITUATION.**

T this early period of the year, one of the most pleasurable outstanding features is the evidence of effort to co-operate between the organized worker and the employers. This statement has more application to the crafts employed in the building industry than the others as this class of tradesmen have come to look upon the opening of their work in the spring season as the proper period of the year for agreements to be made. This from custom has become more or less of a rule and unwritten law.

From many centres of industry this act of co-operation is now evident, on the one hand the various sections of the building trades are presenting prospective agreements, either through a Building Trades Council or individually, and are being met by the representatives of the employers. It is worthy of note also that there is at these meetings a strong desire to do business

to the end of reaching mutual grounds of settlement. This situation is presented by cause and effect. The interested parties have seen the wisdom of being prepared when building operations are once started insunderstanding of any nature. To this end also the doctrine preached by the Inter-national Trade Union has been a powerful ally, and its adoption, though tardy, again justifies the organized movement's correctness of endeavor. To both the em-ployer and employe the general public acclaim under-standing, appreciating the common sense plan whereby when building operations are commenced, there may be no obstacles to the slogan of "Full Steam Ahead."

co-operation, which must be the watch-word. There must be self-control and wise foghearance; these are the orly lines for the future. Following her address, which was much appreciated, Miss Ogil-vie was asked a number of ques-tions, in answering which she em-phasized the need of better housing in many towns and cities. She stated also that music clubs were being formed among, the girls in many factories.



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