ANSWER TO CORRESPONDENT.

B. H.-The reform platform of the Bolsheviki in Russia appeared some months ago in the Canadian Forward. Briefly they are as follows: (1) A republic of the Council of Workmen's and Soldiers' and Peas-

(2) Abolition of the standing army and the police, substituting for them an armed people.

(3) Officials not only to be elected but also subject to recall and their pay not to exceed that of a good worker.

(4) No predatory international treaties.

(5) No annexations.

(6) No liberty loan for wars are imperialistic.

(7) All monarchies must be abolished.

(8) Land for peasants and formation of special councils of day laborers and farm workers.

(9) Increased production of bread and meat, and better feeding for sol-

(10) Nationalization of banks and syndicates.

(11) Establishment of Socialist International with workers of all countries, stipulating that only German Socialists of Karl Liebknecht type will be admitted.

(12) The fraternization between soldiers of warring countries,

INTERESTING QUOTATIONS FROM CANADIAN HANSARD.

In the debate on conferring hereditary titles in Canada, Mr. Nickle, according to Hansard, April 8th, page 494, said:

"This war has brought tremendous agonies; it has brought sorrow and anguish into Canadian life, but thank God, it has brought one other thing, it has changed the standard of value of the citizens of Canada. We no longer value men by what they have, we value them by what they are. Some people call me a Socialist. I should like to define my Socialism. Socialism is a very general term; you may mean it as synonymous with anarchy, or you may define it the recognition of the right of every man to a fair chance. I am a Socialist, if by that term you mean that there should be a reasonable equality of opportunity; if you lay down as a fundamental principle that every man should get a due amount of this worlds goods for the services that ne renders; that no group, no class no individual should be crippled just because of lack of money to get a fair start in life. I have run, not one, but five or six elections, parliamentary and municipal, in the city from which I come, and if there is one thing that has wrung my heart it is to find, among the households of people whom I call my constituents, especially bright boys and girls who were obliged to leave school because of the necessity of their earning to assist the other members of the family, I am a Socialist to the extent of my belief that that child is entitled to chance. It has been strongly borne in upon me that 'slow rises worth by poverty depressed.' My views are to this extent Socialistic: that unbearable burdens of this kind should be lifted from the mass of the people."

Sir Sam Hughes, who supported titles, had this to say: "I might point out while on my feet, that the charge made against the nobility of Great Britain-and I want them distinctly separated from the autocracy of Britain, because the autocracy of Britain, as I understand it, are the labor unions, not the nobility of the country at all. . . .

"Now speaking of labor unionsand I had no intention of bringing this up-the great danger to this country is the autocracy of labor unions. I use the statement advisedly. We had in recent times the example of Bolshevikism and the greatest autocracy that has ever disgraced the world, to my mind, has been Russia, where the attempt to raise a nation from labor unions is being tried by those who pose as democrats. The greatest tyranny we have to face now is the autocracy and tyranny of men who pose as democrats, though they have not a democratic principle in their whole constitution. Until these labor unions are put in their place, until theseorganiations have no right to limit the production of commodities in our factories, until labor unions abrogate the right to hold themselves as a separate and distinct body in the nation—a nation within a nation—we will never have democratic government by the most irresponsible and autocratic element in the land. I back labor unions as far as they benefit their members and help production, and no man shall act on his own behalf-even the order-in-council introduced last Fridaay which ties up every man for labor-limits a man that goes on strike; that is the only thing that I objected to in that order-until that time arrives we are going to have trouble, and we will be ruled by the most irresponsible autocracy.-Hansard, page 534.

LAW AS THE SCIENCE OF INJUS-

TICE.

These are glorious days. They are glorious in more ways than one. In the death grapple between two ruling class concepts of what a slave civilization ought to be, and the peculiar culture by means of which it should perfume the pestilential atmosphere of its accursed existence.

great wreck and ruin is being wrought to all the deceit, hypocrisy, sham and cant whereby the slaves of all lands have previously been inoculated stupefied and undone. One sham after another has been stripped of its camouflage by the ruthless hand of war and left disclosed in its hideous nakedness as the direct opposite of all that we have been led to believe. Everything that we have been taught to look upon as a truth is disclosed as a lie. What we have believed to be virtuous is uncovered as a vice. All that has been done by the powers that rule over us, under the pretense of having been done for our good and welfare, is shown to have been done for quite the contrary purpose. What we have been taught to believe was liberty turns out to be slavery our boasted democracy dissolves into a mere sham; the privileges of citizenship become the obligations of subjects and our widely heralded culture becomes the exceedingly thin veneer of a vulgar impudence and low savagery that has no counterpart in all the category of animal kind. Ruling class civilization is exposing itself as a nauseating stench in the nostrils of decency; a disgusting nuisance in the pathway of evolution awaiting abatement at the hands of its bloodthirsty and lust-crazed beneficiaries, as an act of class suicide.

The development of the war has stripped the mask from our pretended liberty. It has destroyed our boasted democracy. It has denied our citizenship. It has disclosed to us that there is no property except that which is embodied in the hides and carcases of human chattels, and that property is sacred only for the purpose of immolation upon the altar of bloody wad. It has uncovered to us the lie of payment that has been instilled inot us ever since we emerged from the cradle, and disclosed to us that all the commercial transactions of men are nothing but the shifting from hand to hand, until it is consumed or worn out, of that which has first been stolen from the slaves who have brought it forth by their servile toil and sweat. The war is now clearly demonstrating that the whole economy incident to the great and complicated institution of ruling class industry, as compared to the primitive methods and tools of ancient times, is measured entirely by its greater efficiency for class aggrandizement and devastation which is its supreme and loftiest achievement. It is exemplifying beyond all dispute, that the very corner stone of present civilization is the enslayement, robbery and torture of the wealth producers of the earth and that its "kultur" is inculcated into its victims by means of the club, the knout, the jail, the gibbet, the bayonet and the bomb.

Of course we are told that we are governed by law, but by overwhelm-

ing evidence the powers that be are laying bare the real truth of the matter and clearly demonstrating that there is nothing to the law, of which we so glibly prate, except a mask to camouflage the bludgeon as the opposite blows to the nakedness of the slaves who have been shorn of their manhood by means of the lies and deceits that have been practised upon them by ryulers and robbers and the precious gang of procurres, syncophants, apologists and spiritual, philosophical, literary, financial, astrological and political prestidigitateurs and acrobatic prostitutes that follow in their train.—B.C. Federationist. TITLES.

Thomas Carlyle refused the G.C.B. with his usual irreverence, remarking that if he accepted people would inevitably describe it as the Grand Cap and Bells. The really great need no titles, nor are they so vain as to want them.

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