

**Prize Winner of Puzzle Published Feb. 3**

**Tracking Burglar By His Footprints.**

The first correct answer opened was from Elsie Jackson, Dundas St., Toronto Junction.

The correct answer is that footprints No. 2 belong to the burglar. (1) The footprints are deeper than the others owing to the weight of the booty. (2) The formation of the footprints points to a man staggering under the weight. (3) They point to a man with stockings drawn over his boots, a practice which a burglar usually adopts to enable him to move more quickly.

**THIS PICTURE PUZZLE ILLUSTRATES 6 NOTED PREACHERS**



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Each attempt must be on a separate form. The Editor's decision will be final.

President Palma, of Cuba, has vetoed a measure passed by Congress, prohibiting the importation of foreigners to work in the ports during strikes.

Out of 178,059 members of 1,054 French trade unions which made returns to the French Labor Department, as to the state of employment, 18,536, or 10.4 per cent. were out of work in November, as compared with 8.9 per cent. in the previous month, and 11.6 per cent. in November, 1904. These figures are exclusive of the miners' unions in the Pas-de-Calais and Nord departments.

A deputation recently interviewed the Queensland (Australia) Commissioner for Railways regarding the wages paid in the molders' shop at the Ipswich workshops. It was pointed out that the Ironmolders' Union was in a position to insist upon 10s. a day from private firms, whereas under the Government the men were paid 9s. only, except in the case of four men, who were allowed to take piecework, who sometimes made £13, £14 and even up to £15 a month. The deputation thought all the work should be done at the standard daily rate of wages, which would give employment to another two men.

**Stray Thoughts**

The greatest benefactors of the race have been agitators. The cardinal virtue of the human race is disobedience. From the fountain of discontent flows the stream of progress.

Mankind has sailed to the port of freedom over seas of its own blood. Every right now enjoyed by the common people has been wrested from the powers that rule by revolution, or threats of such.

Revolutionists, viewed in the light of history, are not a bad lot of fellows. They fought for the ideal of liberty and won it for posterity. To them our monuments ought to rise, and not to bloody warriors.

Every Christian who would be like his Master must needs be a revolutionist. The Nazarene, and every other great teacher, had nothing but rebuke for the powers that rule.

What the workingman most needs is a good deal of egotism, an appreciation of the fact that he counts for as much in the sight of God as any railroad magnate.

What workmen, as a class, most need is a realization of their political power. The ballot is as much superior to the strike as a weapon of labor as the modern rifle is superior to the old breechloader.

What the trades-unionist most needs is a genuine devotion to his cause and to quit scabbing on election day.

The working class should abandon once and for all the patronage of upper-class hypocrites. It should refuse to swallow the time-worn platitudes of certain half-hearted friends of labor. Let their good-will and friendship be not squandered, but look not to it for positive support. The only man to whom you may trust your battles is yourself.

Ye cannot serve two masters. Ergo, neither the Liberal nor Conservative parties can serve both capital and labor.

"Put not your trust in princes," said the Earl of Stratford when being led to execution. With an alteration the same injunction may be given to labor. Put not your trust in capitalist parties, ye sons of toil.

God helps the man who helps himself. The proverb is a good one, and should be the motto inscribed on the scroll of organized labor.

Labor has been exploited from the beginning of time. It is up to labor to say whether it will be exploited to the end of time.

What the world most needs is organization and justice. These secured, charity will not be necessary.

It is more blessed to give than to receive. Verily does this apply to charity. The recipient of charity has his stomach fed at the cost of his self-respect. Men are not bred of charity, but soulless creatures. Charity, I believe, does as much harm as good.—H. R.

**WHY CENTRAL LABOR UNIONS SHOULD BE A PART OF THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR**

The labor movement of the continent is expressed in the American Federation of Labor, and all local movements, expressed in central bodies, should be in touch with the national desire and demand. Unions, like individuals, will achieve greatest results in co-operation.

A link in the chain of communication, fellowship and solidarity is welded by such connection. Its SEAL certifies the genuineness of purpose, attests the worth, entitles respectful hearing and commands recognition from organized labor. Unity is fostered and advanced.

A bond of this kind keeps the movement clean from spurious and rival organizations, which otherwise would scatter the forces of labor; protects the territory, the vitality, of all national unions, and it is to the interest of local unions of such nationals to extend that protection by securing charters for centrals.

A combination of thought is the mother of combined action. Exchange of thought must precede combination. A chartered union is in the exchange channel. It writes and questions, receives and reads and profits by the tests and experiences, the gains and losses, of its fellows.

A larger field is thus within the reach of all. Prompt and concerted action can be secured. Unity is extended and its power increased. Obnoxious or favorable legislation can be retarded or advanced. Labor's weapons can be used more effectively and general interests furthered.

A voice is had, as well as vote, in the national forum of the workers, the convention of the American Federation of Labor, to which annually gathers wage-workers of all classes and callings from all localities, to exchange views and speak to a listening world the demands of labor.

A rudderless ship is akin to an organization without a charter. There is no union law to guide it, no directing hand to move it. It may sail smoothly for a brief time in fair winds, but at the critical moment it is at the mercy of the elements. Wise unions get together.—American Federationist.

**WHAT ORGANIZED LABOR DEMANDS.**

**A. F. of L. Platform.**

1. Compulsory education.
  2. Direct legislation through the initiative and referendum.
  3. A legal work day of not more than eight hours.
  4. Sanitary inspection of workshop, mine, and home.
  5. Liabilities of employers for injury to health, body, and life.
  6. The abolition of the contract system on all public works.
  7. The abolition of the sweatshop system.
  8. The municipal ownership of the street cars, water works, and gas and electric light plants for public distribution of light and heat.
  9. The nationalization of telegraph, telephones, railroads, and mines.
  10. The abolition of the monopoly system of land holding, and substituting therefor a title of occupancy and uses only.
  11. Repeal all conspiracy and penal laws affecting seaman and other workmen incorporated in the federal laws of the United States.
  12. The abolition of the monopoly privilege of issuing money and substituting therefor a system of direct issuance to and by the people.
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In the 270 British trade unions, with a total membership of 581,630, making returns, 28,734 (or 4.9 per cent.) were unemployed at the end of December, as compared with 4.7 per cent. at the end of the previous month, and 7.6 per cent. at the end of December, 1904. The slight increase in the percentage unemployed at the end of December, as compared with November, was largely due to the Christmas holidays.

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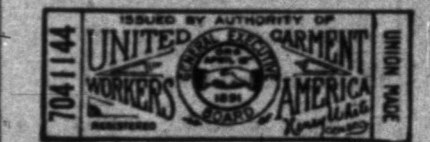
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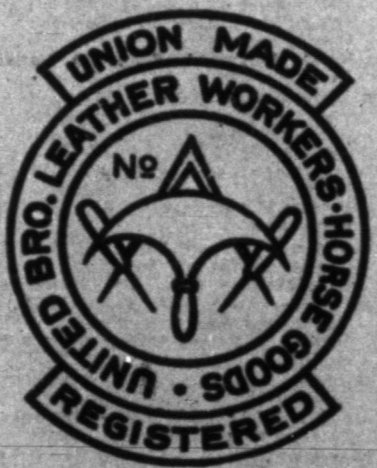
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