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**Root-Causes**

**W**E have just received a letter from an Ontario business man, part of which reads as follows:

"There is something radically wrong with our system, but just what it is I am unable to say. One thing I am prepared to say: that is, that in a young and flourishing country such as Canada, with untold natural resources, there should not be extreme poverty. I do not want to appear too radical, but I sometimes wonder whether we do not allow our natural resources to be exploited too much for the benefit of the individual and not enough for the benefit of the people of Canada."

To our way of thinking, that business man has stated in those few words the major part of *the reason*.

The letter we have just quoted was not written by any "red" or "radical" or "revolutionary" or "trouble-maker" — it was written by one of the sanest and most progressive of Canadian business men, who has his feet solidly on the ground and who is in a good position to judge of conditions —and causes.

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