

the evil at bottom is the same, and the remedy is the same for both. And that remedy is not surely that either the one or the other should yield. It is not that, in our party contest, Orange processions should yield up our streets to Popish processions, nor on the other hand that the wafer should give way to the drum. Neither is it, again, in the trade contests of the States that labor should be pinned to the ground crushed and hopeless, nor, on the other hand, is it that trades' unions, like Samson, strong yet blind, should, passing into communism, seize on the pillars of modern society, and involve themselves and their oppressors in fatal and general ruin. If there were only these alternatives before us, then indeed might we reasonably construe the significant and shameful events of last July into a signal for change from the effete and dying democracy of this continent, to the security afforded by the monarchies and empires and despotism of the old world.

But there is a third course, and in voice of thunder, and in letters of fire and blood, God is calling on us to choose in all haste to enter on that course. "The question," as Mr. Hughes, M.P., once observed, "the question which goes to the root of all problems of civilization, of all problems of human life is, WHAT THINK YE OF CHRIST? The time is upon us when that question must be answered, and can no longer be thrust aside while we go, one to his farm and another to his merchandise. Upon the answer depends our future." These words are as true of America as of England. It is being made as clear as noon, to all who have eyes, and these riots are a solid but sorrowful step in the progress of the demonstration, that the government of this American Continent must soon pass into the hands of standing armies or into the hands of Christ. If the people are not in an honest and thorough manner disciplined to Christ, they must be remitted to the tender mercies of troops. There can be no order for this land, or any safe living in it, ere long, except as the rifle and the cannon make order and safety for us, unless men generally come under law to Christ, and drink of his pure and unselfish spirit. We possess on this continent, that popular form of government for which some of the countries of Europe are in vain