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and constituting, as they do, the distributing and transmitting agencies of all great commercial and industrial organizations, the possibility of being itself would vanish with their withdrawal. Then there is the banking and currency systems, with all the sensitive mechanism of that vast superstructure of credit without which the creation of great capitalistic concerns would be an impossibility,-- what would become of this if the state representing the people as a whole, were to withdraw its sustaining and regulating powers, and lastly society itself, the multitudes of human beings, congregated in centres, scattered in groups more or less populous, through the length and breadth of the land, each contributing his part, albeit unconscious, to make up the weal or the woe of the whole. What scope for organizing intelligence could there be, what values of lands or goods to reckon with, without the wants of this great army of consumers, without the powers of this great army of producers, without the thousand one conditions of

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