

the cottage, so long as it has bread and domestic affection, might, if it could look into the mansion, see that which would help to reconcile it to its lot.

The sharp line between rich and poor, on which so much revolutionary rhetoric is founded, has at our stage of civilization no real existence. Many of the people classed as "rich" by the spokesmen of labour, because they are not mechanics, are, considering the necessities of their social position, in reality poor. The municipal demagogue who promises to take the taxes off the poor and put them on the rich is undertaking to lay fresh burdens on many people who are already struggling with want. The millionaire feels the increase of a municipal tax comparatively little. A professional man or tradesman struggling with difficulties feels it much, and it is at the special expense of these people that the demagogue's bribe is paid.

By this impression about classes labour organizations are led to put themselves outside the community and avow that they hold and will use their political powers in the inter-