

FOREWORD

The efforts of the sanguine exponents of Socialism seeking a foothold amongst Canadian workmen are responsible in great measure for our labor troubles, and the resultant misunderstanding and ill-feeling that exists between employes and employer.

Until the publication of "The Impossible Vagaries of Socialism—Its Fallacies and Illusions," by Robert Larmour, the workingman will have had little or no suitable comprehensive source of authentic information to aid him in properly considering the merits of the glib, plausible claims of the "Socialists' Cure-all" as a solution of the Economic Problems that confront us today.

Every workingman should read the book. Its author has a wide appreciation of the workingman's difficulties.

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THE IMPOSSIBLE VAGARIES OF SOCIALISM

(Editor's Note.)

There is perhaps no one at the present time in this country better equipped by experience, close study and application to undertake the task of preparing a reliable educational work on the absorbing subject of Socialism, than Robert Larmour (The Railway Veteran), the author of this volume.

For several years he has given his time and energies almost exclusively to the object of mastering all the details connected with the growth and development of Socialism, its different phases, its ramifications and its ultimate aims. His intimate connection with that powerful organization, "The Anti-Socialist Union of Great Britain," has brought him into close touch with the latest and most authoritative literature bearing on the question, and the controversial contests he has recently taken part in have given him a wide and comprehensive knowledge of how Socialism, in all its various forms and grades, is viewed from different standpoints. He does not attempt any literary feat, nor follow any orthodox method of bookmaking, but aims at producing a plain work that can be easily understood and as easily digested by the reader who seeks information rather than literary perfection.



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