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Most every man is paying for a house. Some pay for two houses in the course of their lifetime, and yet never own enough to stand on. What is the use of buying about the blasted capitalist, and yet year after year pay rent to make that capitalist wealthier? It is a difficult work, attacking wealth, to the manual worker, because of the nature of the work. Yet there are enough manual workers showing their homes to show that more might own than if they would pay as hard as their successful brothers have done. This question of attaching property to manual workers is of national importance. Dudley Baxter, a careful statistician, computed that in 1903 the poorest 20 per cent. of all the families in the United Kingdom average £30 (\$40) a year income. Charles Booth, in 1891, estimated that the poorest 20 per cent. of all the families in London received at most £24 a year (\$27). This is family income, mind you. The figures for the United States show that seven eighths of the families own only one eighth of the national wealth. These conditions perpetuated and aggravated tend towards pauperism. It is possible for every manual laborer who wants to, to buy his home? Yes, it is if he work on sound principles. It is possible on two conditions: (1) the man must receive help from the government; (2) the man must be willing, you, determined, to help himself.

The foundation of a city's prosperity is in its trade and commerce. It is a reasonable thing that the municipal government of this city should encourage enterprise tending to the development of trade and commerce. A capitalist may have half a million dollars in the banks, but he gets no bonuses or exemptions from the city. Another man may have only half that sum, but if he builds factories, employs many men and does a big trade, at once the city appreciates him, and gives him exemptions and privileges. Is not the good citizenship of manual workers equally worthy of encouragement and support? Important to this city's prosperity? Then it is right to encourage enterprise in manufacturers—it is equally right to encourage good citizenship in manual workers. Well, from a human point of view, we must be good workers. Manufactured goods command the market according to their efficiency and durability. We make the goods, but the manufacturer has to find and hold the market, therefore, the boss should be the best judge of good workmanship. We want citizens, workers who can get a job, hold a job and leave a job with a good record behind them. Any job with a good record behind them is the honest payment of our debts to society, the honest payment of our debts to our neighbor, husband, father, mother, sister, child, tells us that six hours a day is all that a man would have to give if the country was properly governed.

Yes! If what? You could remove or greatly reduce the three classes of criminals of crime, middle class and non-producers. The worst of these three classes is certainly the crooks. It is computed that for every \$100,000,000 there are two thousand and their average income is \$1,500 a year. Crime in the states, judges, courts, police, jails, sheriff, etc. costs our neighbors seven hundred million dollars a year. That's where our extra hour a day goes, to pay for the crooks. Again, when you were out of work last winter, where did you get your groceries on trust, at Simpson's, or Eaton's, or at the corner grocery? Yet do you know that most of your corner grocery is of any length of standing carries a burden of bad debts of from \$200 to \$1,000? Will you join hands to help defend our friends, these small merchants, from the robbery of unprincipled dead-beats? Or do you say it is no business of mine? There are just as many dead-beats among the rich as there are among the poor. Do you know that if we could add a handle to the Devil in this world we shall certainly strike his fire world in the next? The grand old gospel of Christ with its beautiful Golden Rule, and its sermon on the Mount, would have made this old world happy long ago. If it were only given a chance. Paying the good Lord, good devil, has made the good Lord ridiculous, but when the good Lord comes it won't be the good Lord that looks ridiculous. Well, what we do to defend all honest men, whether merchants or toilers, from this army of dead-beats and crooks? We can adopt the society of union ideal of New Zealand. That is to say, that the government must recognize no person as an individual, only as members of societies or unions banded together to uplift and protect humanity. Then let every poor man who is trying to buy a home be endorsed by his union or benefit society (if he be worthy of it) that he is a

MR. KENNEDY HITS BACK

Reiteration of Statements made in British Statement

In the issue of our Labor paper for Sept. 2nd appears an article written by one who signs himself as "Looker On," in which he takes in question the truthfulness of some statements contained in my view of "Trade Unionism in Canada," which was published in the fifth annual report of the Ontario Federation of Trade Unions of Great Britain, June, 1904.

"Looker On," in his opening remarks, delivers himself as follows: "While the palpable intention and general tenor of the article referred to are commendable, it is more than questionable if some of the assertions and assumptions of Mr. Kennedy are well founded, or that they really serve the purposes that gentleman had in view when writing. Accuracy, rather than mere assumption, is certainly best in all cases, and more especially in this so when dealing with debatable subjects. The truth is always verifiable; it requires no juggling through exaggeration or misstatement."

I entirely agree with "Looker On," that truth is invaluable, and requires no exaggeration or misstatement. But, for the benefit of my would-be critic, allow me to say that "truth" may be limited to plausible utterances, in an effort to please down our just criticism of dishonest governments. The belittling tactics have been resorted to in the past, and while some skill has been observed by those who are even called as trade unionists of some years' standing, in covering up their real intentions, the fact remains that there are lawbreakers everywhere, who far to declare themselves too strongly, when the Government or any of its officers deserve our unlimited denunciation. More than this, they actually pose as our guardian angel, in deferring what they are pleased to call practical advice.

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"Looker On," proceeds to declare that no reason exists "for the indiscriminate imposing of the methods of Parliament on the Legislatures," who are responsible for the creating of proper laws, and their enforcement. Not only this, but a spirit of fair play should always govern criticism of the matters and work of those entrusted with the duty of impartially and diligently administering the laws that exist.

The paragraph in the annual report which has caused my very friendly critic so much worry, reads as follows: "The Dominion Government and the several Provincial Legislatures have generally promised our 'deputations' that the matters presented would receive their 'careful consideration.' The careful consideration expression has been used frequently, without any good results following, and this sort of treatment has at last aroused a cry of protest. Many so-called labor laws have been enacted, especially in the Province of Ontario, but while they contain some points which interest the workers, the fact is becoming quite apparent that when an employer was made to put the same into operation, it was found that many defects existed, and the officers appointed by the Government to be hisly concerned with the 'Act,' and the 'Act' itself became only a record on paper, rather than a blessing to the workers. We are being impressed that these so-called labor measures were only framed for the purpose of being non-effective, and to 'keep quiet,' at least, till the feeling of unrest among us."

"Looker On," is much put-out by my - The Greatest Security any person possesses is a Deposit Account in a Sound Bank. If you have not such an account now call on Mr. Cuthbertson, Manager of the Bank of Toronto, King and Bathurst Street Branch and ask him to open one for you. The Security is Absolute, the treatment courteous. Interest compounded half yearly. Begin to Save Now if you have not already done so.

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The regular meeting of the District Council was held on Thursday evening, September 15th. The discussion of the Bakers' strike occupied considerable of the evening. The matter was brought up through the Typographical Union requesting the Council to direct the Bakers not to boycott the News. The Council further ratified its previous action.

The Building Trades Section reported the proceedings of its special meeting. The recommendation was that the working labor men of the city be assessed the sum of \$1.00 per week. They reported that all unions in the building trades were assessed \$1.00 per week. The fight is in the interests of all workers, and they are more than willing to put up the necessary money. These two items of business showed their importance by occupying almost the entire time of the delegates, and the debates were spirited and thoroughly interesting, and showed

quit clearly that labor is making strides toward closer unity. The assessment of ten cents per week made at a previous meeting was well received, but owing to the length of the strike it was found necessary to raise money to support the men on strike.



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The industrial war is over for the present in the building trades. It is not up to the organizations to improve their defenses.

The Saturday Evening Post has an excellent article in its last issue upon the workingman in business for himself. It is a history of the co-operative movement in this country.

The Exhibition being over, the next important job of our adherents is to secure re-election.

If the people say on Oct. 17, Bradford will have its own telephone system.

The workmen will never accomplish all their aims without active independent political action.

WANTED SWEETNESS ON THE DESSERT AIR
A number of the churches of the city were established what are called Chinese Sunday schools...

LABOR PROSPECTS IN CANADA
Here is a plain statement of fact, given to the press of the old land by a member of Lodge 235, of the Machinists, of Toronto.

OLD CUSTOMS HARD TO KILL
The Highroads of Scotland are beyond description. And one can spend an enjoyable vacation there.

LABOR PROSPECTS IN CANADA (continued)
From Mr. John Bernford, who has just returned to England on a temporary visit, after working for some eighteen months in Canada...

LABOR PROSPECTS IN CANADA (continued)
The standard rate of wages in the engineering, shipbuilding and bootmaking trades works out to about \$2 1/2 to \$3 a week.

LABOR PROSPECTS IN CANADA (continued)
The latter possibility is rendered somewhat remote by the fact that the labor market is terribly overstocked.

LABOR PROSPECTS IN CANADA (continued)
Socially, Mr. Bernford considers the Canadian greatly in advance of England. Drunkenness is comparatively rare, public houses are closed from 10 o'clock on Saturday night...

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LABOR VICTORY IN AU...
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LABOR VICTORY IN AUSTRALIA

A general election took place recently in the state of West Australia, in which the Labor party gained heavily...

Current Comment

The delegates to the Trades Congress at Montreal will leave Toronto by special car on Saturday night...

WORTHY POINTERS

Striking Paragraphs from the Coast Seaman's Journal

Wisdom is more necessary than learning to a leader of men. The difference between a preference for the "new shop" and a preference for the "old shop" is the difference between twofoldness and twofoldness.

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NEWS

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Sure of One Welcome. "She always likes to see a book agent open her gate and make for the house." "She must be a strange woman." "No, she is engaged to him."

Bleed His Name. "Are the Chinese healthy people?" "I know one, named One Lung, that looks as though he was good for several hundred years yet."

Would Suit the Dogs. "He couldn't get elected our catcher." "He could if the dogs had a vote, because he would be too lazy to work at it."

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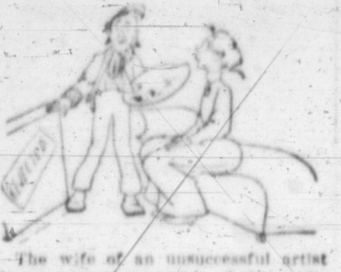
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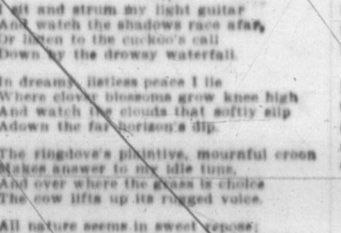
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The man who lets his wife support
him must want to live pretty badly.



The wife of an unsuccessful artist
has a very poor opinion of the
painter's taste.
When doctors disagree, call in a third
physician and get still another opinion.

A contented woman is apt to have a
clever husband.
Spentaring is an easy way to get
rich, and consequently it is an easy
way to go broke.

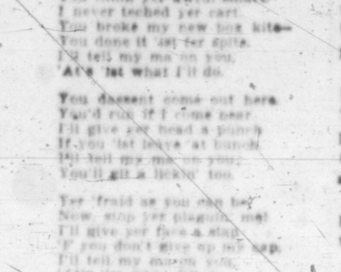


Let and stum my light guitar
And watch the shadows race afar,
Or down by the cuckoo's call
Down by the drowsy waterfall.

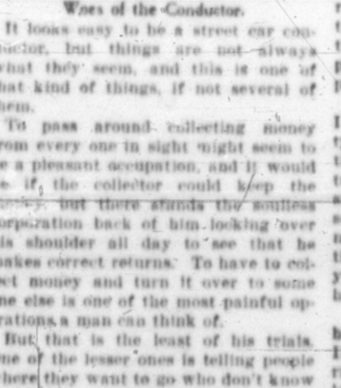
THE AUTOMOBILE
See the auto-mob-ile. It runs swif-
ter than a horse, yet it eats no oats.
How-ever it does eat gas-o-line and
de-fense-less wo-men and chil-dren; al-
so men, when it can get them. Would
you like to own an au-to-mob-ile? It is
so easy. Get a job at al-most any-
thing and save seven-teen hun-
dred dol-lars out of your first week's pay,
and you may pur-chase one at the au-
to-mob-ile store. If chil-dren are good
when they are young they will have an
au-to-mob-ile when they grow up-if
they have the price.

THE SHORT CUT
We strive for fame with heart and soul;
The way is rough and high the toll.
Is there no short cut to the goal?
Ah, yes. Be cured by Boston's pill.
And lightly you can mount the hill.
For fame will then get up and bump
itself and meet you on the jump.

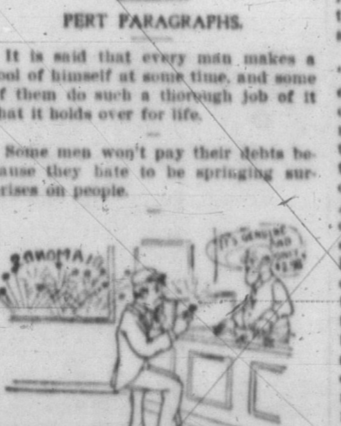
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"ILL TELL MY MA ON YOU"
Now, tell me your secret:
Why do you let me see you?
You let me see my face
I tell my ma on you.



Would Scare Any Man.
It takes a good salesman to sell post
holes to even an amateur farmer.
Every minute a sucker is born and a
new breakfast food is invented.



Woes of the Conductor.
It takes a man to be a street car con-
ductor, but things are not always
what they seem, and this is one of
that kind of things, if not several of
them.
To pass around collecting money
from every one in sight might seem to
be a pleasant occupation, and it would
be if the collector could keep the
money; but there stands the stern
corporation back of him, looking over
his shoulder all day to see that he
makes correct returns. To have to col-
lect money and turn it over to some
one else is one of the most painful op-
erations a man can think of.



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In the Tower
By Elliot Guther
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"Isn't you going to kiss me good-
bye, Jack?" The little woman's face
glowed with delight as she looked
up at her husband. He had just
come home from his day's work, and
she was waiting for him in the
kitchen. He had a look of weariness
on his face, but he smiled at her and
went to her.

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you till then, could you? I suppose
you'd get me."
"Settle-I left the blame thing at home.
Cause away in a hurry and never
thought of it. Too bad. Of course
I'd have left it to you. Been told to
go around to the house and ask Kate
for it."

The operator looked down, shaking his
head. "No," said he, "I've known
minute walk and out of my way, I'll
step along. I guess, and take my
chances before it gets later. The wind
is rising from the west-time were
long. I'll be gone, Jack, and maybe
drop on my return. You're a lucky
dog to be housed and warmed. I'll
think of you when I'm rubbing my ears."

Outside Sharpson did not start in
the direction of his wife's remote home.
Instead he picked his way across the
tracks and entered into an empty car.
"Hello, my lady," he greeted.
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