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Immigration

For the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1913, 402,432 immigrants arrived in Canada.

The capitalist newspapers rejoice over these arrivals. They say these arrivals add wealth and prosperity to Canada.

By Canada the capitalist papers mean the capitalist class.

The capitalist class have been benefited by these arrivals. How much they have been benefited would surprise the average working-man.

If of the 400,000 immigrants we figure that 180,000 are male workers, this means that the master class have 180,000 more male slaves to rob.

If we figure that the average amount of robbery per year is \$500 for each of the 180,000, very simple arithmetic will show that the net profits flowing to the master class from this added army of slaves will be \$90,000,000 per year. These may be staggering figures, but the robbery by the capitalist class is something enormous.

\$90,000,000 added revenue per year, capitalized at ten per cent, means \$9,000,000 increased value for the owners of capital. The immigrants coming to Canada each year furnish enough surplus values to create nine hundred millionaires.

Carnegie declared that a worker added to the country increased the value of that country by \$5,000. Looked at through Carnegie's eyes, these 180,000 male workers add \$900,000,000 to the value of Canada, and Canada is owned by the owners of capital. Carnegie and Cotton's agree.

You hear of the bounding prosperity of Canada, yet your wages cannot purchase what they used to two or three years ago. You read of the prosperity of Canada owing to the vast numbers of new arrivals. You wonder how Canada can be prosperous when prosperity does not come your way.

You see, you are only a slave, bought from day to day by the masters. You produce and they consume. The more slaves they have producing for them, the richer they are. You feel the immigrant as a competitor for your job forcing down the purchasing value of your wages. Your masters feel the immigrant as a new slave to rob and as a new competitor for your job so he can make you work for less real wages.

The Socialists say that as long as you are content to let the masters own your means of life, your job, you will be exploited. They point to the only remedy possible. Let the workers collectively own the means they need to produce and distribute wealth. This can only be done by capturing the supreme political power, so the collective ownership may be vested in the collective working class.

Heroes of the Revolution

Jim Larkin, the heroic leader of the Dublin strikers, has been sentenced to seven months' imprisonment.

His crime has been taking his place with the striking workers of Dublin. Dublin has a population of 300,000. Of this population, 100,000 are starving, even in prosperous times.

Jim Larkin protested. He encouraged the strikers. He told the rulers and plunderers of Dublin what they really were. He did not mince matters.

He was arrested and has been sentenced. The Attorney-General, that lickspittling jackal of the British labor thieves, in his opening remarks, declared that Larkin was not being prosecuted because he was a labor leader, but because he was a "wicked and dangerous criminal."

In what was he criminal? He was criminal because he stood for the poor and oppressed. He stood for the revolution. He took his stand uncompromisingly for smashing the capitalist system and forcing the white-handed, hot-livered Irish and British plutocrats to go to work.

A wicked criminal, from the viewpoint of the master class, but a tried and true hero of the revolution.

In British Columbia the labor leaders who stood with the workers in the strike, have been sentenced to from six months to two years. They also are "wicked criminals" from the viewpoint of the master class. But they are tried and true comrades of the revolution, and so the master class sink their judicial fangs into them.

In honor of these comrades, these new martyrs of the revolution the Red Flag should be sung by every local and union in Canada.

With heads uncovered swear we all
To bear it onward till we fall;
Come dungeon dark or gallows grim,
This song shall be our parting hymn.

Then raise the scarlet standard high!
Within its shade we'll live and die.
Tho' cowardly flinch and traitors sneer,
We'll keep the red flag flying here.

Hard Times

Hard times are with us. Plants are shutting down. In Montreal the railways are sacking men. The tramp of the unemployed and of the hunger marchers resound through our cities.

What does your member of Parliament care? What does your Provincial or Dominion premier care?

You are nothing but slaves, no account to be trash. You are good only to wheedle and vote out of you. Then you are straight-forward forgetful!

O you of trusting nature. The political, financial and industrial thieves have filched your wealth from you. They are rich in what they have stolen from you. Then, having stripped you and having no further temporary use for you, they turn you adrift to die.

If you are men, you will let your politicians hear from you. Protest signed by tens of thousands of workmen should pour into Ottawa this winter, demanding that the politicians stop their piffing talk, that they cease from their mad conspiracy of handing the manhood and womanhood on a golden platter decked with diamonds to the profit lords, to gouge and rob and strip and leave to die.

You workingmen, step forward. Join your party, the Social-Democratic party, and take your place in the ranks of those who are fighting the war of civilization against the capitalist class who are throttling the working class of Canada.

Organize the working people.

Cucumbers

"I enjoy reading the articles on the land and machinery question. These ought to help the farmers. I wish I could get up an article dealing with this part of B.C., and show up the reason why I can get only twelve to fifteen cents a dozen for good sound cucumbers, wholesale, for shipping to the prairies and yet people from where they go tell me they have to pay twelve to fifteen cents each. I know, but my neighbors do not."—C.E. Weeks, Kelowna, B.C.

There is wonderful prosperity in Canada for owners of capital. The railroads make \$70,000,000 net profits a year. Those cucumbers furnish their share of the profit. Twelve cents a dozen to the producer and twelve cents each paid by the consumer make the railway barons of Canada exceedingly prosperous.

Land in the western cities has advanced marvelously in value. Large sums have been paid for what a short while ago was prairie land. The people needed that land to live on, to provide the needs of the people in the cities. As we are living under a system of rent, interest and profit, interest must be paid on the purchase of the land. That interest comes out of the difference between what the producer of cucumbers and other things get and what is paid for these articles.

Contractors in cities wax rich on municipal contracts. The contractor's rakeoff must come from somewhere. Cucumbers tell the story.

Rents, interests, profits go from the producing class to the non-producing class. That is why cucumbers advance so fast in price.

Socialists want production and distribution of the things the people need to be undertaken and carried on for the benefit of all the people, not for the benefit of those persons living by rent, interest or profit.

If we had Socialist principles applied, no toll would be paid by the producers to the railroad barons, to the banks, to the land sharks, to the profit seekers.

The producers would be the consumers and the rich consumers now would be forced to produce an equivalent to what they consume. Socialism will benefit every working person in the Dominion.

Employment Sharks

The employment shark is abroad in Canada. He has been in the habit of digging dollars out of the pockets of unemployed workers and sending them to far-off points on the promises of jobs which did not exist there.

He has been in the habit of charging big fees and fattening on the misery of those seeking work.

The Borden government last session passed a law restricting the operations of the lean shark.

Now he cannot send workers to non-existent jobs. He has to have a license and he must mind his p's and q's or his license will be taken away from him. The worker must have a job when he parts with his dollar to the employment shark.

Because the Borden government passed this legislation, is the Borden government therefore a friend of the workingmen?

Not so anyone would notice it.

The capitalist class get their unearned revenues by setting the working class at work and making from eight to twelve hours a day. These workers produce from five to ten dollars worth of wealth each day they work. They get from one dollar to three dollars a day for producing the five or ten dollars worth. The difference goes to the master class.

The employment sharks have been hurting the legalized capitalist thieves. If the lean shark took three dollars from a slave and sent him to a place where the master class had no job for him, that slave was wasting time in unemployment. While going to the place and coming back from the place, he was engaged in no productive work. The slave, it is true, was not getting his two dollars a day while on the wild goose chase, but at the same time, the masters were not robbing him of from three to eight dollars, while the worker was chasing round for a job.

Neither the master class, nor Borden, their obsequious servant, care a hang about whether the worker has work or not, starves or not. That is a matter of utter indifference to them.

But the master class are greatly interested in the wealth they rob from the workers. They want the workers to have jobs so the masters can rob them.

So Borden, at the command of the big skinners of labor, put the grand kibosh upon the employment sharks.

A question at once arises in the minds of many persons, "If Borden and his fellow politicians do not care for the welfare of the working class, why do they pretend to pass legislation in the interests of the working class? Why do they appear so solicitous for the worker?"

Their solicitation is a lie.

Their desire to benefit the worker is pure hypocrisy.

But the wage worker, the common working man, because his ancestors fought and died and died for political rights, has a vote.

He can use that vote and his vote says how the country shall be run.

That is the explanation.

Borden and Laurier and McBride and Whitney and Rowell and the other flimflaming agents of the legalized thieves serve their masters, faithfully—the invisible government of wealth. They lead the workers day by day, week by week, and year by year to slavery.

If the workers once got on to the rotten trick Borden plays upon them, Borden would be thrown into the political garbage barrel.

Borden does not want to go to the garbage barrel.

He does not want to lose his personal labor skinning revenues.

So he fools the working voters.

He fawns upon them to betray them.

The only wise gink among the working class voters is the class conscious Socialist.

Rich people are free—with the money they have stolen from others.

Read the appeal from the Vancouver miners on page one of this issue.

After the missionary comes the Maxim-gun.

Distribute Socialist literature.

Lloyd-George and Land

Lloyd George has begun his great land campaign.

He is pointing out the tyranny the landlords exercise over their tenants and over the agricultural laborers.

This is to be changed. The land is to be taken out of the control of the landlord. Peasants holding will be encouraged. Rents will be regulated. The disgrace of the eighteenth century land laws will be wiped out.

We are glad that the land question in Britain is to be raised, but we know that the capitalist class will be benefited as a whole by this agitation and reform or Lloyd George will not undertake it.

The master class needs a reserve army of unemployed. If there were no unemployed, wages could be forced up by the working class. The masters need men and women who are forced to act as scabs when certain sections of the working class strike.

Owing to the boggish nature of the British landowners, the farm laborers were paid beggarly wages. They were housed in dog-kennels with leaking roofs. Any improvements they might put upon the houses they lived in went to the landlord who raised the rent in consequence.

Towns were throttled and cooped up. The land wanted the cream of exploitation.

There are three reasons why the capitalist class as a whole want the land system to be altered.

First, high rents, and the drains of the landlords upon industry caused the employing capitalist to get less profits. The worker gets a living wage and that is all. The rest of the wealth produced goes to the capitalist class. If the British landlords get a couple of hundred million dollars a year out of their land ownership, and this income can be cut to one hundred million dollars, it follows that the employing capitalists will have a hundred million dollars a year added to their income.

Lloyd George says, "I will hammer the landlord and cut his revenues." "Hurrah," shout the Graggrinds and the industrial plutocracy. They know that they will get more profits.

Second, the exactions of the landlords have been causing the British agricultural worker to emigrate to Canada and Australia.

At the beginning of this movement, the employing capitalist was indifferent. There were no workers offering themselves on the labor market that the emigration was felt. Now, however, the drain is being felt.

The industrial reserve army, that section of the working class which the masters keep clamoring at the gates for the jobs of their fellow slaves, is being depleted. The masters know that in a few years the demand for labor to the barren lands of Canada. This will cause the workers to win strike and force wages up. For this reason, then, the employing capitalist is glad to see George begin his land campaign. The Chancellor let slip an expression in one of his speeches which shows this.

He declared the British workers should be kept at home instead of having them emigrate to the barren lands of Canada. The capitalist papers on this side at once took the Chancellor to task for his remark. Canadian capitalists want immigrants to exploit and to form part of the unemployed army also. They were provoked when George called Canada barren. It might deter slaves from coming here.

Lloyd George receives loud applause from the British labor skimmers who are starting a campaign that will tend to keep British slaves where British labor skimmers can skin them.

Third, Socialism is growing strong in Britain. The demand for the nationalization of the mines, land, railways, and means of exploitation is rising insistently from the exploited working class. Unless something can be done to stop the growth of this idea, unless an opposing force in politics be created, the Socialists will win.

Lloyd George as the most astute of the politicians the ruling class of Britain has produced, is engaged in producing this opposing force.

The opposing force is to be a numerous group of peasant proprietors.

The capitalist politicians feel that with the landlords owning the land and the industrial capitalists owning the machinery of production and distribution there is no large body of voters who are interested in maintaining the institution of private property. If, however, the landed estates can be split up into small holdings owned by the laboring British peasants, it is hoped that these peasants will vote for private ownership as against national ownership. The big exploiting owners hope to hide behind the votes of the owning, hard-working peasant proprietors about to be created.

This accounts for the frantic acclaim the Chancellor is now getting from many multi-millionaires. It accounts for the financial support the Liberal party gets from the big labor thieves.

Socialism aims at the abolition of the commodity nature of labor power. We seek to make the working class collective owners. George aims at individual ownership of the land. We seek to make the working class supreme in industry. George aims at keeping the slaves in slavery by the votes of individual, four-acre owning peasants.

We as a Socialist party, will keep right on educating the worker to his slave position, in society and organizing him to break his chains. We will leave Lloyd George to his work—bolstering up the rotten capitalist system.

For your own sake and for the sake of those depending on you, join the Socialist party in the fight for economic liberty.

Capitalism grinds the bodies of children into dollars and turns the strong man of forty-five out to starve.

Private ownership of common necessities makes a few the economic lords of the many economic slaves.

The lady who weeps at imaginary woes in the theatre ignores the Mary Magdalen outside.

The janitor says that much reading of the daily press produces mental obesity.

Better be a Socialist live wire for five years than a vegetable for fifty.

Six feet of land is enough for anyone. The nation should own the rest.

Let your reason conquer prejudice.

Free Law

A society is being formed in Montreal to provide free law advice to poor people. Philanthropic ladies and gentlemen who realize that the poor have no show before the capitalist courts of Montreal, find their hearts moved with pity. Consequently they are preparing a way for the poor to go to a lawyer and fight out their rights.

This society looks as though Socialism was getting a great hold in Montreal. To the unthinking person, free law for the poor seems to be very socialistic.

As a matter of fact, free law for the poor has very little to do with Socialism. It is a capitalist device to bolster up the tottering capitalist system.

We attack the system whereby one class owns the means which another class require to produce wealth.

The working class have nothing to sell but themselves. They sell themselves, day by day, year by year, to the owners of capital, and they get a wage upon which they can barely exist. All the working class produce beyond a bare living wage goes to the owners of capital.

The whole system of laws now in force keep the working class poor.

Socialists say, "Let us waken the working class so they may see their own interest, vote for their interests, capture the legislative bodies of Canada, and change the whole system of laws so that the capitalist class will be able to own the means which the workers need to produce wealth with."

We attack the laws as fundamentally unjust.

The new society in Montreal does not attack the laws at all. It simply provides means whereby poor people—the robbed producing class, can find out just what the law is without cost to them.

Socialists say the unjust laws should be abolished. The new Montreal society says it will be of great benefit to the poor robbed workers to be told just what unjust laws are in force.

The free law society of Montreal is as far from being Socialist as the devil who lets his subjects know what the rules of hell are is from being an angel of heaven.

When a preacher or a newspaper writer or a politician denies that the interests of capital and labor are antagonistic, he lies.

Capitalists hold the purse strings of the churches, and those purse strings connect with the preachers' tongues.

Socialism will make every man stand on his merits, instead of riding to the front on a stack of dollar bills.

If the workers were good at figures their average income in Canada would be more than \$418 per year.

Socialism will not prevent the survival of the fittest, but it will abolish the survival of the slickest.

A master class never voluntarily freed a slave class. The slaves had to free themselves.

Socialism is a political movement of the working class, and for the working class only.

Study Socialism and understand why it will give a fair deal to everybody.

The class struggle is a fact, not a theory.

The Unemployed

At a recent meeting of the Associated Boards of Trade of Eastern British Columbia, a resolution was put through advocating the formation of a government-controlled continent-wide system of public labor bureaus. The idea is that under such a system unemployed labor could be drafted to places where labor was wanted by employers.

This is the type of capitalist reform. The unemployed army, save enough to eat, and break against the employed workers demanding more pay, brings no profit to the masters. Hence the master class want the workers when hung out of work in one place, to be drafted as quickly as possible to some other place where the masters are ready to use them.

City License Inspector Frank Kerr, of Vancouver, was very outspoken in favor of free labor bureaus. He declared, "I don't think any man should have to pay for getting work."

Frank Kerr talks radical, but it is not radical. He supports the capitalist system under this system every worker has to surrender all the wealth he creates by bare living wage, to the capitalist class in shape of rent, interest and profit.

Every man who believes that he should not have to pay to get work for a revolutionary Socialist and works to rid of the plundering.

Corruption and Capitalism

President Wilson fought corruption in New Jersey Legislature when he was governor of that state. In speaking of his fight against legislative corruption, he said, "It is not a party but a class. It is not even a great body of citizens, it is a few corrupt influences upon the political parties are only a small fraction of the business men of the country."

Wilson is an "honest" president. He fought corruption. But he does not fight the under which the great mass of American slaves.

The capitalist class rob the government of a state, the lawyers' take of a United States or of a would be nothing, is the executive committee of the capitalist class.

These capitalists want rent, interest and from the robbery of the workers, the capitalist class want robbery from the capitalist government see to it that robbery is exacted.

Now if one group of capitalists sends the government to legislate whereby they get share of robbery, they will the other sections of the mass injured. Hence certain sectional interests to the detriment of the mass.

The honest capitalist legislator resists these corruptors and the capitalist class, save the disgraced and call him blessed.

As far as the workers are honest capitalist legislator is exactly the pound of profit for the workers to capture.

The fight of the working class against capitalist politics is so as to be a capitalist labor skinner, but system whereby the working class is reduced to a parasite owning.

Vancouver Island Defence

Cotton's Weekly has received the following appeal from the Defence Vancouver Island striking miners. A good plan for the comrades would appeal on a piece of paper, and tackle Socialists and union men for them forward to the Secretary of the Defence Fund.

FELOW WORKERS:—

We, as brothers of the two hundred miners at present in jail and Vancouver Island, at this time appeal to you as members of the work and financial help, that we may free from persecution and the brand of whose chief offence is their prominence and activity in the labor movement of the Pacific Coast.

The miners, in their dealings as individuals with the corporations realized their utter helplessness. Time and again explosions occur with life. The mining laws provide for the appointment of a Gas Committee committee on examining the mine and reporting gas, was discharged, lining up with the mine owners, refused to enforce the laws. They are laborers of their own laws.

The men were thus forced to organize, and on the 1st of May last of this Island came out for recognition of their union.

The governments, Dominion and Provincial, in their eagerness for (profits for the master class), encourage a constant stream of imperial countries. With the aid of this reserve army of labor, whose w ed with those of white men and the enactment of drastic criminal law to render the workers powerless during a strike, all the forces of the j posal of the capitalists involved.

Today the militia are encamped in our streets, and bodies of t strikes patrol them, and act as a shield to hundreds of special police w strikers-breakers.

The jails are crowded with our most active workers. With the bail has been refused.

Among the men in prison are many earnest and active workers, provincial and municipal office. Also J. Place, M.P.P., the working e the Provincial Parliament. The workers of this district have attained political position of any in the Dominion. In the event of these men are deprived of all political rights for five years.

FELOW WORKERS:—

In this life and death struggle with the Master Class, help us to keep the Labor flying triumphant over what we have already attained. It is our turn to may be yours tomorrow. In the name of the solidarity of the working class, gently needed at this time. Do all you can, and aid us to hurl those from power who, in their greed would force us to the standard of Oriental, or to be less tramps.

Forward all monies to Defence Committee.

G. A. Moore, Secretary, Box 830, Nanaimo, B. C.

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Identical Interests? No!

By R.W. Northley

That hoary old lie that "the interests of Capital and Labor are identical" is pretty well played out now, and the wonder is that the workers believed it as long as they did. The average capitalist believes it yet, and he never ceases to emphasize his belief whenever and wherever possible, but thanks to the arbitrary manner in which he has held on to his part of the said identical interests and ignored the interests of labor, there are very few working men who are still ignorant of the fact that the interests of Capital and Labor are diametrically opposed.

Whatever business the capitalist engages in, with the sole idea of making profit out of it, and the greater the profits the greater the business. But the man who employs receives a share of these profits, he they ever so small. They receive a fixed wage, just sufficient to support them from week to week, and the owner keeps for himself all they produce over that fixed wage. If he employs a man and their combined labor produces five hundred dollars a day he certainly does not recognize the "identical interests" of the worker when he pays them two dollars a half per day and keeps two and a half himself, although he may be laboring under the delusion that he does. He halves the product with each individual workman, employed only one man he would have the chance of covering up the steal better, each would have one half of the day's work, and two dollars and a half is not a bad thing for the average workman. But as the idea goes up with each of his hundred men he gets two hundred and fifty dollars a day, while the hundred workmen content themselves with two hundred and fifty dollars divided up between them! The same principle, if he employed a man and he would get ten times as much while the workman would get no more than his regular wage—two dollars and fifty a day. Great scheme isn't it? This is the way it has always worked. This is the way the interests of Capital and Labor are identical. It is the surplus taken from each man that piles up the wealth for the capitalist corporation or individual.

It is how the great industrial companies, the C. P. R., are able to divide such sums amongst their stockholders every year, and the dividends. These stockholders may never even see the property and they never do a tap of work on it, while the owners and take the lion's share, while the men whose toil these profits are compelled to keep them and pay off their debts. Some writers call this "exploitation" of labor, but they call it just plain robbery! The interests of the robbers are identical? A large majority of workers robbery they do not understand to remedy it. They are time against the bosses take care. They are quite willing to allow them enough to live when conditions are unbearable in many instances. They themselves desire. They themselves law; the strikers are out the law. The law (Governors, masters, free of charge, and regular troops to force the striking workmen, are looked upon as insurance against the law. They are called like so many cattle and terms of imprisonment for a strikebreaker.

Nothing the average working man does understand, and that is that the law is solely responsible for the things we know as a strike, or it is the capitalist knows that der which he thrives is to UST ALWAYS BE A SURVIVOR! Were there a job pitalism could not continue

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eral biases and enacted by class conscious politicians the governing class, which and as long as these class remain on the statute books so long he master class hold the power to do as please. They are backed by the Govern the courts, the army, the navy, police, press and a host of other syphonant ins that draw their very existence from present system. The masters' actions are legal; the strikers' actions are always al. And the workers it is who elect the government that is always "agin" them! The only remedy is for the strikers to capture the legislatures and Parliament—and as the workers are the vast majority of voters this would be no difficult as to be able to pass laws in their behalf. I do not mean class laws; I mean laws of the whole people. What the whole world needs is a system of plain LAWS FOR ALL THE PEOPLE.

only one political party that stands rights of all workers, for the freeing of its present servile condition, for the benefit of all humanity, for the real of men and women which the world yet seen. That political party is the party. (I don't want to emphasize of C. Moore than the S.D.P.

ers who are wasting your time in stubbing your toes kicking against the walls of the citadel of Privilege to the deproated immensity of the world means. To understand for it and to vote for it is to

Lands Speculation a Crime

By Irwin Friday, Fertility, Alta.

Were it not for the fact that many thousands of acres of land in Eastern Canada and the United States are in the hands of speculators who are holding said land for higher prices, much of the undesirable and unproductive land in the west would be unsettled. Driven west by the increasing price of land the homesteader takes up land that is absolutely unfit for him. In the State of Minnesota alone fifteen million acres are held by speculators. What a crime! Young men there, coming of age, are unable to buy the high-priced land, and must, like myself, go to the far west and take a claim. There is still plenty of land in the United States for all of those who have emigrated to Canada if the crime of speculation were prohibited. To allow a man to own land to rent to another is wrong, but the advance in the price of land thereby making it harder and harder for each succeeding generation to own homes makes it doubly a crime.

Personally I know of men in Minnesota who bought land from the Great Northwestern Railway Co. for five dollars an acre, twenty years ago. Today it will sell for forty-five dollars per acre. The taxes during that time amounted to about three dollars per acre. What value has the speculator given to society for the thirty-seven dollars per acre he receives above cost and expenses? Absolutely none. Some of the land has been rented and is becoming poorer each year, yet the price does not come down. It has steadily advanced. This is in violation of the simplest rules of common sense. Why? Simply this—that the value of an acre of land is represented by the amount of useful things the land will produce. When the price is allowed to go above its actual use value to make a few speculators rich, those unable to buy land must go where land is cheap. Hence we have a constant north and westward migration. To remain in the parts where land is high in price and rent means that you must divide up with the landlord. To go by the means that you may possibly be able to take a claim or buy cheap land and thus own your own home. Those living in the west, however, have tumbled to a few facts.

First.—An average price of fifty cents per bushel is paid in Central Alberta for wheat—good wheat.

Second.—Flour is now selling for three dollars and thirty cents per cwt. How is that for graft? Kerosene is forty cents per gallon, thanks to the generosity of Rockefeller and the Standard Oil Co. Common clothing is twenty per cent higher than in the east. Binder twine is twelve cents per pound. An eight-foot binder costs \$190 cash; mowers, \$65, and hay rakes \$35. Gang plows cost \$90. A good wagon with box sets one back just \$115.

Third.—Banks charge eight and ten per cent interest on real estate loans and demand good security at that.

Fourth.—Local dealers rob us by day and skin us by night.

Fifth.—Railroad rates are outrageous. They charge all that can be collected without a riot.

I am living in the west. I know what I am talking about, and if any land grafter wants to take issue with me through the columns of Cotton's Weekly, let him come to the front. He will be sick of his bargain ere I have finished with him. I know that the man who leaves the east to escape the curse of landlordism finds here in the west that he has escaped the clutches of the landlord only to fall into the clutches of the trusts. In one locality where I worked for a time, I found that about half of the land was in the speculators' hands and about half the remainder mortgaged. Prosperity? Yes, but not for the man who tills the soil.

Many of the cities of the west are scattered over three times as much territory as need be, because of vacant lots held for speculation. What a waste in unused land, extra drayage, street car fares, etc.

We must have a change. This wasteful and foolish system must pass away. Speculation must be prohibited. Landlords will naturally disappear. The earth is for use. Why not use it without paying toll (rent)?

Arouse, you slaves of the farm. Use the brain you possess. You must free yourselves by intelligent and peaceful methods. You are the salt of the earth. You are entitled to full value for all you produce. Vote the Socialist ticket. Join the party—the party of the working class. In a few years we will be free.

The Worker

By Berton Bralley

I have broken my hands on your granite. I have broken my strength on your steel. I have sweated through years for your pleasure.

I have worked like a slave for your wealth. And what is the wage you have paid me? You masters and drivers of men—Enough so I come in my hunger To beg for more labor again;

I have given my manhood to serve you, I have given my gladness and youth; You have used me and spent me, and crushed me.

And thrown me aside without ruth; You have shut my eyes off from the sunlight, My lungs from the untainted air.

You have housed me in horrible places, Surrounded by squalor and care.

I have built you the world in its beauty, I have brought you the glory and spoil, You have blighted my sons and my daughters, You have scourged me again to my toil; Yet I suffer it all in my patience.

For somehow I dimly have known That some day the Worker will conquer In a world that was meant for his own!

Do you love your wife? Do you love your children? Do you love your brothers and sisters of the working class? Do you love humanity? If you have love in your heart, you will not vote the Tory ticket nor the Liberal ticket. For these political parties stand for robbery. They rob the working class. They take care of the millionaires. They by their laws create slums and misery and prostitution. Borden and his government are the creators of prostitution. They are the great high leaders of the white slavers. They by their laws create the conditions which force women to prostitution, children into slums, and the workers into the breadline. He who votes Liberal or Tory is an enemy to humanity.

The capitalist will do anything for labor as long as profits are not hurt.

win your own industrial freedom, your emancipation from galling servitude that has kept you the under dog ever since the civilization began. You have nothing to lose but your chains; you have a world to gain!

How Comes It

By H. B. F., Brockville, Ont.

That in every city where there is plenty, there is plenty indeed. Plenty of money, plenty of business, plenty of poverty, plenty of unemployed, plenty of prostitution, plenty of vice, plenty of shacks, plenty of sickness and plenty of graft. How comes it? I ask. The present rotten system is to blame.

Notwithstanding plenty of money, thousands are penniless and in debt.

Plenty of churches, yet not one per cent of the people are fit for the heaven they preach so much about.

Plenty of business, but the machine and the children in many cases are doing it.

Plenty of poverty, notwithstanding the politicians are squabbling about giving thirty-five million dollars for useless battleships.

Plenty of unemployed, notwithstanding our boasted prosperity and marvelous increases.

Plenty of prostitution, and shiploads of poor wretches being dumped into the country to help swell the crowd of those driven to shame by starvation wages.

Plenty of vice, notwithstanding the up-to-date jails, Y.M.C.A.'s, community movements and other such soothing institutions.

Plenty of shacks, although the workers build fine houses, mansions, and summer cottages, and they themselves live in shacks.

Plenty of sickness, notwithstanding the country is full of doctors, health officers and sanitary inspectors (someone must be asleep at the post).

Plenty of graft, notwithstanding the work-ers put such alleged honest men in power to look after their interests.

I ask, why should these things be? Mr. Worker, you alone are to blame. You have the game in your own hands. Vote a workman and a Socialist into parliament and you will get your share of the property. The churches will become a blessing, instead of a curse. Make the parson economically free; help him to be in a position to preach the truth; his sermons may be based upon the brotherhood of man and against murder, called "war," against robbery, called "business." Also that he may do a little useful work for society.

Let us have plenty of business and an equal share for all, plenty of poverty, to the individual too lazy to work; plenty of unemployment, if two or three hours per day are found too productive.

Vice will be completely abolished when our children are raised in a pure and moral atmosphere.

If used Socialism there are shacks, they will be for those who have never done work, and hate to start. There are hundreds today in Canada who live in mansions who under Socialism would prefer to live in shacks because they won't work. Plenty of sickness if these same gents were allowed to have their way and become too tired to wash themselves and keep their place clean. Plenty of graft. Not under Socialism. One hates the other. One cannot live when the other exists. Graft stinks, and Socialism is sweet and pure.

Workers, awake from your slumbers. We are on the verge of a revolution. The coming winter will test the temper of the downtrodden workers of Canada. Already thousands are starving and homeless, notwithstanding the elevators are bursting open with grain, and the cold storages are full to overflowing.

Let every half-starved creature in Canada write to R. L. Borden or the Minister of Education asking for a little of your own money to tide you over this coming winter. Remind him that you can't wait until the new year before they do something. The snow will fly before then. Workers, for your own sake, for your children's sake, be men. Strike together and the blow will tell.

Resignation

Bertha Wilkins Starkweather

It is said that the sweetest sound on earth is a baby's laugh; and the saddest sight might be a babe folding its tiny hands with the patient resignation of a slave.

A babe without the lusty kick and the howl of protest against outrageous fortune is almost as terrible as a patient and subdued working-class. So let us not despair when the workers lose out against the entrenched forces of Capitalism!

As long as there is protest and action, there is hope! We need not give a chance to the workers fold their hands in patient submission to outrageous, inhuman conditions.

Schiller said, "And the great Opportunity found but a puny Race!" There are some among us who have not yet bended our knees to the God of Graft—but let us not be caught sleeping!

Little Slips of the Pen

Ralph Korngold

"Live in the future; regret nothing—leap!" Once the master hunted for the slave, now the slave hunts for a master.

The workers of Russia want to be free, but cannot. The workers of America can be free, but do not seem to want to be.

Some think that people are just as bad as they dare to be. I think that people are just as good as we are given a chance to be.

As long as you offer girls rags and poverty for honest labor and luxury for the sale of their virtue, you will not do away with prostitution.

Talk about equal opportunity! Capitalism ties a balloon to the shoulders of the rich child, a ball and chain to the foot of the poor child, and tells them that they have no equal opportunity to fly!

Under the capitalist system the men who control the industries of the nation have it in their power to make paupers, criminals and prostitutes out of their fellow beings. No man is good enough, great enough or great enough or noble enough to be allowed such power over the human race.

Los Angeles, Cal.

High Prices are Disturbing Their Sleep

Walter Huggins

It will not always be that the builders of homes will live in the worst, the makers of clothes wear the poorest, the producers of food stuffs eat the coarsest. This wrong will not last much longer.

We can hear the rumbling of the working class awakening out of their long sleep, and realizing for the first time that they are the makers of the world, and all things belong to them; and when enough of them are awakened and banded together in their own common cause, then will the workers get the full value of their labor, and life to them will be one of pleasure, and not one of eternal worry and toil.

In the capitalist system the soul has no business. It cannot produce profit by any process of capitalist calculation.

The Land Question

Comrade E. N. Crandell, in your issue of the 9th of October, has hit the nail on the head. But it shows how obtuse the Canadians are to allow the land of the country to pass out of their hands to land, railway companies, speculators and private individuals. It is the same in the United States. Is it any wonder then that in this new country with its wonderful potentialities, people should live in slums, and others be starving?

Land is the base of life, liberty and industry. Everything we possess from a thought to a shoe lace comes out of the land, and why any individual ever should be allowed to possess it as a private appendage only exhibits how foolish the human race has been. As Rousseau says in his Social Contract, the man who first fenced in a portion of the earth, and said, "This is mine," has been the cause of all the wars, murders, inequalities, and other miseries of the human race, from that day to this. I am an owner of 104 acres of land myself. But I own because under our present rotten system it is the only way to secure myself from some day perhaps being turned out propertyless into an owned world.

But, in addition for 25 years, I have been an English "Land Nationalizer" under the presidency of that grand old man, Dr. Russell Wallace. As a youngster I can call to mind the exhortations I used to see in Ireland, and as a middle-aged man I can call to mind the misery, the drunkenness, and unemployment caused by the want of land in England.

One of the big causes of intemperance is the want of land. Bad air, and unsanitary surroundings, are the greatest of depressants, and drive the slum dweller and the worker to the well lighted saloon round, and other sort of existence. The reformer and the clergyman trying by moral means to cure the drunkard, "it is to laugh." There is a physiological, psychological, economic reason for the drink habit, and that is want of sufficient land. I should like to see this question treated of weekly by such intelligent correspondents as Comrade Crandell till we awaken the people to the magnitude of this land question.

Thirty years ago we were laughed at in England. Today we have over 60 members of parliament, members of our society, and the policy of the government on land matters is influenced largely by our propaganda.—T. Connor, Hantsport, N.S.

The Basis of Socialism

Allan E. Rand, Brockville, Ont.

We often hear reformers, political economists and so-called progressive advocates, trying to impress upon the minds of the masses that there is no class struggle. But for the Socialist party and party tactics there is but one valid basis, the basis of the class struggle, out of which the Socialist party has sprung up, and out of which alone it can draw the necessary strength to bid defiance to every storm and to all its enemies.

The enemy who comes to us with open visor, we face with a smile and to set our foot upon his neck is mere play for us. The stupidly brutal acts of violence of police politicians, the outrageous anti-Socialist laws, the anti-revolutionary laws and penitentiary bills, these only arouse feelings of pity and contempt. The enemy, however, who reaches out the hand to us for any alliance or compromise and intrudes himself upon us as a friend and brother, he and he alone have we to fear.

Our tactics consist of keeping clear the class character of our party as a Socialist Party, to train it by agitation, education, and organization for the victorious completion of the emancipation struggle, to wage a systematic war against the class state.

The founders of the socialist party Marx, Engels and La Salle, impressed upon the minds of the working class the necessity of the class character of our movement, so deeply that down to very recent times there has been little deviation or getting off the track, but our party grows stronger and stronger, the old parties begin to realize that we are a coming party and a party to be reckoned with; then they will be seeking an alliance with us or a compromise of some sort as they did in Germany, in the time of Bismarck. Bernstein, I believe was also in favor of an alliance with one of the old parties to defeat the other. At the present time we must expect men like Roosevelt, with their progressive parties and social reformers, to get into the field, to keep down the rising tide of Socialism, but the institution of these reforms are only temporary alleviations of our bondage.

The correctness of the materialistic conception of history, which considers the political development as dependent on the economic, can not be brought more strikingly and convincingly to our minds than by the change which in the course of the 19th century, has been wrought in the Capitalist; it can be demonstrated with greatest precision, how with the change in the productive relations, a change of political views and attitude has taken place in the Capitalist class; every step forward in economic development has been a step forward, in the development of class antagonisms.

On the ground of the class struggle we are invincible; if we leave it we are lost, because we no longer are "Socialists." The strength of Socialism rests in the fact that we are leading a class struggle, that the laboring class is exploited and oppressed by the Capitalist class, that within capitalist society, effectual reforms which will put an end to class government and class exploitations are impossible.

We cannot traffic in our principles, we can make no compromise, no agreement with the ruling system; we must break with the ruling class and fight to a finish. We cannot expect class and ruling class, that it will give to itself and its dominations the death blow. The emancipation of the working class must be the work of the laborers themselves.

The internationality of Socialism is a fact that is becoming more evident and more significant. We Socialists are a nation to ourselves, one and the same international nation in all the lands of the earth. The Capitalists, with their agents, instruments, and dupes, are likewise an international union, so that we can truthfully say, there are today only two great nations throughout all lands that battle with each other in the great class struggle which is the new revolution.

While the masters' World of Capitalism continues and the Capitalists rule, so long are all states necessarily class states and all governments class governments, serving the purposes and interests of the ruling class and destined to lead the class struggle for the masters against the laboring class.

A Socialist who allies himself with any political party representing the Capitalist Class separates himself from us the militant Socialists. He may claim to be a Socialist, but he is no longer such. He may be convinced of his own sincerity, but in that case he has not

comprehended the nature of the class struggle, does not understand that the class struggle is the basis of Socialism. In these days under the rule of Capitalism, a government, even if it is full of philanthropy and animated by the best of intentions, can do nothing of value to our cause.

One must keep free from illusions. As Millard said, "If the way to Hell is paved with good intentions, then the way to defeat is paved with illusions." In the present society a non-capitalist government is an impossibility.

The question which confronts us today is unity and agreement. If the co-operative commonwealth is to be established we must strive for unity with all sacrifice; but while we are uniting and organizing we must keep free from all foreign and antagonistic elements.

Fits for poverty, enthusiasm for equality and freedom. Recognition of social injustice and desire to remove it is not Socialism. Condemnation of wealth and respect for property such as we find in Christianity and other religions is not Socialism. The communism of early times, as it was before the existence of private property and as it has at all times and among all people been the illusive dream of some enthusiasts, is not Socialism. The forcible equalization advocated by some of the so-called equalitarians, is not Socialism. In all there is lacking the real foundation of Capitalist Society with its class antagonisms. Modern Socialism is the child of Capitalist society and its class antagonisms; without these it could not be.

Socialism and ethics, are two different things. This fact must be kept in mind. The ethics of Socialism, in the sense of a sentimental philanthropic striving after human equality, with no idea of the existence of Capitalist society, is no Socialism, in the sense of class struggle without which modern Socialism is unthinkable.

Whoever has come to consciousness of the nature of Capitalist society and the foundations of modern Socialism knows also that a Socialist movement that leaves the basis of the class struggle, may be anything else, but it is not Socialism, growing out of the class struggle.

Our Party rests upon the class struggle as a condition of its existence. Though and with that struggle, the Party is unconquerable; without it the Party is lost, for it will have lost the source of its strength. Whoever fails to understand this, or thinks that class antagonisms are gradually being effaced, stands upon the basis of the Capitalist philosophy; therefore it is self evident that if the co-operative commonwealth is to be established it will be inaugurated by those who believe in Socialism. It is also just as evident that Socialism will not be established until a majority of the people of this nation believe in it.

No one can believe in that which they do not understand. Therefore it follows, that if we are to have Socialism in our time we must teach those who do not understand and continue this teaching until we have a majority and then a co-operative commonwealth could be established.

All trace of monarchist regime is being obliterated in Portugal. The throne room is being dismantled. A correspondent of the London Express visited the palace of the late king and entered the throne room. There he saw one of the workingmen sitting on the throne and lighting a cigarette. An omen that other monarchs might well observe.

Hard times are upon us. The slaves have produced too much. So the slaves are now masters gorge upon what the slaves have produced.

Each are has its peculiar work to perform. In years gone by men fought for intellectual, religious and political liberty. Our fight is for economic liberty. And let's go to it!

In the Socialist commonwealth there will be no incentive to congest the industries in one place. The health, comfort and welfare of the people will be of the first importance.

The preacher of today is not a leader, he is a mirror. He reflects the views of his wealthy parishioners. If he fails to reflect accurately, they smash the mirror.

"You can have breakfast once a week in our public soup kitchen," say the masters, "but you must provide me with four meals a day, and good ones at that."

Vote Socialist and send men to parliament who will make laws for the benefit of the working class, and not to enrich a favored silk hat brigade.

Sandon Perkins, F.R.G.S., of London Eng., says there is plenty of work in the Canadian west. Perkins is not a blanket stiff and is a cheerful liar.

The capitalist system is supported alternately by the Reform party and the Conservative party. It thrives as well with one as the other.

The British government forcibly feeds the delicate women with prison fare and starves many of the British children. Noble government!

The Socialist movement will abolish class rule by making the working class the owning class and the owning class the working class.

When a man's share of the empire the sun never sets on is contained in his children's ears, is it worth while spilling blood for it?

The members of parliament represent the worker about as much as the butcher represents the calf he buys for the market.

The man who believes in a quiet steady existence and refuses to be a rebel is better off in the cemetery. It is quiet there.

Socialists do not want to rob the capitalists; they want the capitalist class to stop robbing the working class.

The man with the big bank balance can't understand the unemployed problem. Yet he helped to create it.

The Socialists demand the ownership of the machinery of production and distribution for all the people.

Charity is only the giving back to the robbed a little of what has been taken from him by the robber.

The earth for all the people. That is the demand of Socialists.

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Warships and Hunger

Borden wants the Canadian government to provide \$35,000,000 for Great Britain to build warships with.

Great Britain does not take this as an insult. The gang of legalized thieves at the head of the British government and industry want to get their hands on that money as soon as they can.

In Canada the argument is being used that the mother country is staggering under the weight of her military burdens, that we should come to her aid. And the British politicians and financiers say, "Amen."

But suppose the workers of Canada sent workers to Ottawa to say how the money should be spent. And suppose these workers should endeavor to contribute money to feed the starving of Britain.

Supposing they should say that the old country evidently could not feed her people, the starving children in Dublin were suffering, the slums of the big cities contained British subjects who were hungry. Wherefore the Canadian government would provide \$35,000,000 as an immediate aid to the starving of Britain.

My, but the rulers of the old country would be wrathful.

And suppose that these Canadian working class lawmakers should provide funds to be applied yearly to feeding the families of striking workers.

The press of the old country would howl with rage. And the Canadian parliament would be told to mind its own business.

You see, the rulers of Britain rely upon starvation to make the British laborers work for low wages.

Consequently, any plan whereby Canada should attempt to provide food, clothing and shelter for the workers of England in time of industrial trouble would be considered a high impertinence.

But to provide warships and feed the armament rings with Canadian money is the height of patriotism.

Capitalism is so insane a system that it is a wonder any sane worker votes for it.

Vancouver Island Strike

The miners on Vancouver Island mine the coal that runs the railways, heats the houses and provides the British Columbia in activity.

The miners have gone into the mines and been blown skyward. They have been under the thumb of an employing oligarchy which has weighed heavy upon them.

The miners, rebelling against their slavery, struck.

Many of them thought the government was fair and just. They thought British law protected the worker in his freedom.

They have found that they had the freedom to work or starve.

When some of them did not like this Hobson's choice, and became restive, the troops were called out, they were arrested, flung into jail, and now judge has sentenced many of them to from three months to two years in jail for rioting.

Many of the union officials have been condemned to jail.

While the workers were on strike, while they were enjoying the miseries that arose from their own political foolishness in the past, McBride, the premier of British Columbia, was in Great Britain declaring how wonderfully prosperous British Columbia is.

British Columbia is prosperous for the owners of the coal mines.

British Columbia is prosperous for the land shark and the rent lord and the railway baron.

But it is far from prosperous for the coal miner, the construction worker, and the various sections of the producing class.

The working class have voted for McBride, and McBride with Bower and his fellow politicians, have been faithful servants of the class that has skinned British Columbia almost to a finish.

The members of the working class hurried and cheered and voted for McBride, and McBride rewards the workers with the bullet, the bayonet, the jail.

The Socialists of B. C. have been telling their fellow workers just that would happen when the workers surrendered the political power to the agents of the capitalist class.

The Socialists of B. C. have pointed the remedy. Let the workers capture the political power. Let them vote into power members of the working class who are pledged to abolish the control of industry by the present master class and put the working class into the collective ownership and management thereof.

When class conscious workers capture the political state through the intelligent votes of their fellow slaves, the rule of rent, interest and profit will be ended, and the workers will get the full social value of what they produce.

Until the workers do capture the political power, it is a safe bet the master class will use the state with its laws and its agents of force, the judiciary, police, militia, soldiery, to club the workers into slavery.

It is up to the working class to capture the political state and use its power, to club the parasite exploiters off the backs of labor.

The Double Standard

By Upton Sinclair

Once upon a time a Man married a Woman. Time passed and one day the Man said: "I love all women. I need a great deal of love."

And the Woman replied: "I love all men. I also need a great deal of love."

Said the Man: "If you talk like that I will hit you over the head with a club."

And the Woman said: "Forgive me, Lord and Master."

Ten thousand years passed and again the Man said: "I love all women. I need a great deal of love."

And the Woman replied: "I love all men. I also need a great deal of love."

Said the Man: "If you talk like that I will divorce you, and you will find it hard to earn your own living."

And the Woman said: "You are a Brute."

Another hundred years passed, and again the Man said: "I love all women. I need a great deal of love."

And the Woman replied: "I love all men. I also need a great deal of love. And as you know, I can earn my own living."

Said the Man: "If you talk like that I shall have to behave myself."

And the Woman said: "At last."

If a worker steals from the capitalist, he is sent to jail. If a capitalist steals from the working class, the working class house him in a palace and provide him all kinds of luxury and free him from any need to work for his living. The workers have voted for this. Queer ginks, the workers.

Municipal Candidates

At the weekly meeting of Niagara Falls local No. 60, held Friday, Oct. 17th, a great discussion was held around the question of running candidates for the municipal elections.

Civic affairs in Niagara Falls are, to say the least, in a deplorable condition; in fact they could scarcely be worse. So bad are they that the Bank last spring refused to handle the city's business, and as one prominent citizen who is familiar with the awful mess was heard to remark, "If the people knew the state of affairs there would be an uprising in Niagara Falls." That something should be done is the opinion of every member who attends the local, but the attendance is so small that there is some difficulty in deciding where we should tackle the next elections or wait for another twelve months. And even if we do decide to nominate candidates, it is doubtful in view of the meagre attendance at our weekly meetings whether any will accept nomination, and this in spite of the fact that there are upwards of a hundred subscribers to Cotton's Weekly in Niagara Falls. To sum up the whole situation briefly, here are the facts.

The people are complaining openly because of the increase in taxes, when they have every right to look for a decrease. It is frequently heard that mismanagement is a mild term for the present predicament. Many citizens are beginning to realize that it is hopeless to look for any improvement from the administration, as it is now constituted, and have promised to support Socialist candidates if they are nominated. There are upwards of a hundred subscribers to Cotton's Weekly in our city, and yet the attendance at our local is so small as to render the nomination of Socialist candidates doubtful. That is just how matters stand. Do these subscribers to Cotton's and others who are in sympathy with the Socialist movement wish things to go on as they have been going the last few years? Do they wish to see their taxes increase from year to year, and have nothing but practically nothing to show for it? Do they want the present regime of mismanagement to continue for another year? If so they will continue to stay away from our meetings. But if they want Socialist candidates, if they wish to see an attempt made to strengthen out the city's affairs, then they will make a point of being present at the meeting of the local every Friday evening at 8 p.m. in the band hall, corner of Ellis street and Ontario avenue. Comrades and men of Niagara Falls, we wish to enter the fight for your sake and for the sake of the people, and we feel that we can be elected, but we must have the first of all have your approbation and your support.

Notice how the machine age is closing in on you? Notice how every day some of your brother workers are thrown out of work by the introduction of new machinery? Years ago a shop fitted up with machinery was good for a long period. Today a shop will install machinery up to date, and in three or four years it is all practically obsolete. New inventions and new ideas are being crowded out the patent offices, and are adopted right and left. Many are great labor savers, and are the result of hard study and sacrifice by the worker. Who gets the benefit of the improved machinery? Not the worker who invented it. The workers send members to parliament who pass laws which enable the idle rich to grab and hold everything that tends to lighten the labor of the masses. The masters own the machinery, and own the slaves who operate it. Unless you will represent you and not the capitalists, you will not be prepared for the great revolution of industry which will obtain with the coming of the machine age. It is coming fast. Are you moving as fast, or are you resting and drifting till your slave head falls on the block?

The professional politician may be a nice fellow. It is his business to be nice. You may have a soft place in your heart for him, and think that one little vote cannot make much difference. It is such votes as these that help wonderfully to elect the bunch at Ottawa. Once they get there it matters not whether they are nice fellows or not. They are surrounded by evidences of wealth and luxury on all sides. The very air they breathe is permeated with the capitalist spirit. Big business agents are everywhere. It will not pay the politicians to fight for the people and neglect his business under the present system. He must mind his masters. Why do you workers not elect members who have spirit and courage and class consciousness enough to call no man master? Study the S.D.P. platform, select your men and send a Socialist parliament to Ottawa. This is the only way in which you can get rid of your slave chains. A Socialist will not make laws to benefit the capitalist class and oppress the workers. The Socialist recognizes that the producing class is the only class worth while, and is determined to stick to the fight until the idle parasites of Canada are shaken from the backs of the producing useful class.

New York pickpockets frequently plan a little scheme to work their profession. They will start a fight and get a crowd. All eyes will be centered on the scrap. The confederate dips will worm through the crowd relieving pockets of their contents. That is what the capitalists do. They arrange a royal government, and all the greedy flummery that goes with it, and the papers will give pages to the doings of the royal gentleman his royal spouse and his royal offspring. While the voters are reading this dope with mouths agape, the capitalists rob the people right and left through the ownership of the means of life and industry. The Socialists have their eyes on the thieves. They are not sidetracked by royal stunts nor flagwaving fervor nor Punch and Judy Grit-Trot shows. They are after the whole flummery system. The thieves fear and howl, atheists, seditious, disloyal, freeloader, and all the gutter-terms they have learned in their daily occupation of robbing the producing class at us. It is the nature of the capitalist creature to howl when you show him up.

A thief is a liar. He will steal and deny his theft. He will pretend to be good and moral while he is planning his thefts. The pickpocket will pretend to be your friend while his hand is in your pocket. The capitalist is a bigger thief and a bigger liar than the ordinary common variety of thief. He steals from the working class and pretends to be a friend of the working class. He will instruct his politicians to pretend to be your friends and help you with laws in order to get your vote, then they hit you with a law that will tie you faster to slavery like the Lemieux Conciliation Act. Why vote for the thief, lying capitalist class or their thieves, hypocritical Liberal and Tory politicians?

The Socialist movement is the only hope of humanity.

THOU SHALT NOT KILL

Gerald J. Lively, Islay, Alta.

Dedicated to the Canadian Militia, and their brothers in all lands.
(With acknowledgements to Tom Mann.)

Thou shalt not kill—know ye the old command As old as Cain, as fresh as yesterday, Say, be they gods who bid ye break that law? O sons of workers hear—Thou Shalt not Kill.

Thou shalt not kill—our mothers mothered ye, We've shared your labors, shared your pain and play.

Ye are our kith and we are of your kin— O sons of workers hear—Thou Shalt not Kill.

Thou shalt not kill—our fight is all your own, Why must ye stain with blood our upward way?

Why beat us down? We lift ye when we climb, O sons of workers hear—Thou Shalt not Kill.

Thou shalt not kill—They bid ye shoot us down, Pour your hot lead into our tortured clay.

Fire—and we fall—Oh, boys, ye fall as well, O sons of workers hear—Thou Shalt not Kill.

Thou shalt not kill—To kill is all in vain, Even in our blood is promise of the day.

Throw down those arms and join us in the fight, O sons of workers hear—Thou Shalt not Kill.

If ye must kill—who are your enemies, Who are your foes? Oh, ye must choose today.

Pause, boys, and think, then swing those rifles round, Still even then we'd cry—Thou Shalt not Kill.

Note—This can be sung to the tune "Abide With Me."

B. C. Executive

At the executive meeting on Sunday, Oct. 19th, the following was adopted.

Reports, resolutions and recommendations. Women's Organization. Referendum. Carried unanimously. Comrade Mrs. Burns, 561 Cordova St., East Vancouver, was elected provincial secretary of the women's organization. All locals are now required to elect their women's organization committee. Appoint one of the members as secretary, and immediately get into communication with Comrade Mrs. Burns, and arrange to place of active to utilize this most important branch of Socialist propaganda to the fullest extent.

By-laws referendum carried. Ordered that 1,000 copies of same be printed for use of the members.

Cotton's Sub Card Competition. This competition was won by South Wellington local, and the provincial treasurer was ordered to secure the three volumes of Marx' Capital and forward to the successful local. Great credit is due to this local for their active work not only in this competition, but in general active propaganda work.

Far—Comrade Sam Atkinson was appointed as the official party organizer, and an arrangement with Vancouver locals was confirmed whereby the executive pay a proportion of his salary and have the use of his services for two stated periods during each month for party purposes. Locals receive into communication for organization purposes will communicate with the executive stating requirements, and what can be done toward making a success of his proposed visit.

Active work throughout the party is now the order of the day. All workers, no shirkers.

Out of work stamps.—In view of the prevalence of lack of work which is seriously affecting the members of the party, a supply of out of work stamps are to be procured and supplied to the locals for use as intended, where needed.

Leaflets suitable for distribution for propaganda purposes will be supplied to all locals and the writers have been busy. A supply of leaflets will be supplied to all locals and the writers have been busy. A supply of leaflets will be supplied to all locals and the writers have been busy.

Supplies will only be furnished through your district organization committee, therefore get your district organization formed and working at once.—The Executive.

Suppose the Germans had invaded Great Britain and the newspaper writers declared there was no war, and the Germans were the friends of Great Britain. What could be their reason for such a statement? The only reason that one could possibly think of would be that the German bribers had been at work and the writers had been bought. When you hear alleged labor leaders telling the workers that the capitalist and the capitalist politicians are the friends of labor, the conclusion one naturally comes to is that those alleged labor leaders are in the pay of the capitalist class.

Just a hand! A human factory hand! Think of a hand with a soul in it!

Capitalism destroys the incentive to do one's best.

Bargains in Printing

For 500 1,000

Letterheads, on first class bond paper, any weight, while stock lasts, for the low price of ... \$2.75 \$3.75

Envelopes, Our Big Value, fine white laid ... \$1.75 \$2.85

Bill Heads, white wove, any size, to clear out stock ... \$2.00 \$3.25

Statements, Heavy White Wove, 5x8 1/2, good buying for you, at \$1.75 \$2.85

Note Heads, very best stock, while they last, at ... \$1.75 \$2.85

Business Cards. We have a large assortment which we wish to clear out. Here is a chance to save money and get good cards and the best of printing. Any size while they last ... \$1.50 \$2.25

The above quotations are based on such printing as is used by the average business house. Prices do not include special ruling, binding or numbering.

All the above stock is good, but we aim to clear it out and standardize our lines, therefore are willing to make a sacrifice on the stock in order to clear.

We have printed several orders of Window Cards lately, some in colors, and our customers write and tell us the work is the best they have ever had, and the prices are certainly reasonable. Want some?

Cotton's Co-operative Publishing Co. Cowansville, P.Q.

American Notes

Socialists of Frederick, Md., have been so active that the authorities have forbidden them to speak on the streets.

A thousand men and women engaged in a fierce battle in the streets of Calumet, Mich., following an attack upon a strikers' parade by imported thugs and gunmen.

Two machine guns are trained on the quarters night and day occupied by the strikers of the Trinidad, Col., coal miners. The miners have protested to the governor of the state.

Socialists of Seattle, Wash., have compelled Judge Humphries to back down and let up on sentencing street speakers. This judge has been very bitter against Socialists brought before him, but after a two years' fight the way looks brighter for the rebels.

Charles Edward Russell, Socialist candidate for mayor of New York, claims there is a concerted movement under way in Washington to segregate the negroes of the United States and subject them to all the humiliations and degradations of the days prior to the civil war.

The United States Steel Corporation threaten to shut down one of the mills at Gary, Ind., in order to force the government to withhold prosecution of the firm. The company is willing to force 8,000 men into idleness to have a clamor raised in order to make the government desist. True capitalist tactics.

Chief of Police Gillespie, of Detroit, lectured before the Twentieth Century Club recently on commercialized vice, or prostitution. Among other things he said: "If I were to choose between Scattered, Segregation or Elimination as the best way to combat this evil, I certainly would choose Scattered; and then I'd scatter them among the idle rich, who have plenty of time and money to care for them." Gillespie must have had his eyes opened, as the I.W.O., the S.P., and the S.L.P. have been allowed to hold street meetings ever since, and have taken advantage of their opportunity.

World Wide Notes

The German Socialist party has many thousands of dollars in the party treasury and a big reserve fund in the Bank of England. The members finance the party with cash resources, so that it is almost as powerful financially as the government. This is sense, this is stability, this is power.

In Dresden, Germany, a by-election was held recently to fill the vacancy in the Reichstag caused by the death of Deputy Kaden, a Socialist. The result of the election was heavily in favor of the Socialist candidate, Duck, who received more than 31,000 votes. All other candidates combined received only about 25,000 votes.

The first general elections in Italy under the new electoral law providing for almost universal suffrage brought to the polls more than 8,000,000 voters. The Socialists scored large victories in all sections of the country. The Reform Socialist leader, Deputy Leonida Bisolati, was elected in the district of Rome, which includes the Quirinal, the Royal Palace.

Col. Hall, of Nanaimo, says that the law provides life imprisonment for the civilian who insults a soldier while he is on duty. See how the masters have things nicely arranged for you. They can send soldiers to jail with bayonets and puncture you with bullets, and insult your women folk, yet if you yell "Soldier, will you work?" at the uniformed brute you are liable to life imprisonment. The Canadian worker has a whole lot to learn about the laws the master class have had fixed up for him.

You have no doubt heard the expression, "horse poor." A man has so many horses that he is kept poor feeding them. They are of no use to him. After the Roman conquests in the early centuries of the Christian era, slaves became a drug on the market. Slave owners became "horse poor." They had so many slaves with nothing to do that they were a nuisance. So they began freeing them. They did just what the capitalists do today. They sacked their superfluous slaves.

Are the Ontario comrades picking out their candidates for the next provincial elections? No matter who live in a community where only a few votes may be polled for your candidate, it will show that you are alive to your opportunities and mean to take advantage of them as often as the occasion occurs. No deposit is needed, and practically no expense whatever is attached to the running of a candidate for the provincial elections.

"Will I touch Montreal if I keep on this road?" asked a motorist of a Cowansville Socialist. "You will," answered the rebel, "but you won't touch it for much. The landlords, and the bankers, and the real estate sharks, and stockbrokers, have touched it pretty well already. You won't find much left for you can lay your hands on." "I've touched Montreal high," replied the motorist, "that's why I have the easy time."

Wages are governed by the cost of living. All reforms initiated by the capitalist class simply mean a readjustment of wages and a readjustment of the cost of living. The workers will only escape the constant readjustment of wages to income and income to wages by abolishing the commodity nature of labor power.

The janitor says:—"The greatest brain worker I ever met was a patient in an asylum. He kept running backwards and forwards, and every minute he would whet the padded cells with his brain pan. When the asylum barber came to cut his hair he had worked so hard with his brains that he had worn all the hair off."

Cold weather is coming. The soup kitchens of the masters will soon be steaming with a bowl of soup every Sunday morning to keep the down and out from starving to death. The remainder of the week he will have to burn his fodder from the back doors, or hit up the garbage barrel.

We Socialists are not anxious to beat the man Borden. We want to capture the political power, and prevent the capitalists making the laws. Whatever puppet they have at the time is a minor consideration.

The British capitalists have invested abroad \$13,000,000,000 upon which they receive \$600,000,000 annual revenue. The old thief across the pond is doing a roaring business in the plundering way.

Borden is the Punch and Laurie is the Judy of the political buncombe show specially staged by our masters for the voters of Canada.

The workers pay for their masters' politics, but they don't choose the chune.

Judge Wants a Remedy

Travelling men (and they are supposed to know everything) say there is more vice in the square inch in Montreal than in any in America. This is a broad statement, the reports of doings in the police and juvenile courts seem to bear out the belief that of Montreal has it on them all when it comes to a show down.

The Montreal Herald of October 24 has the following:

Tragic indeed were the stories unfolding in the Juvenile Court this morning when young girls, all from different parts of the city and not one of them over fifteen years of age, were brought before Judge Choquet on charges of immorality. When the judge asked his court this morning and found the girls of young girls, he was speechless with amazement. Some had been brought by their mothers and others had been gathered in the police.

"A girl will do a lot of things for a few violets," Judge, sobbed one pretty girl. Her story was the story of the other. "We are eight of a family and live in a room. I have a young man but he has place to receive him. He takes me to a supper and after that I am not to be what happens," she continued.

It was the same with the rest. U homes, a show, supper and then—mother, listening to her twelve year daughter, could stand it no longer and a faint on the floor of the court.

"Such a state of things," said a quiet, "is not only deplorable but it is realized. Nine young girls in or none of them vicious, but led into force of circumstances, that ends in the You cannot blame the girls but some will have to be found."

The judge says none of the girls are but are led astray by force of circumstance. The very force of circumstances which girls astray is responsible for the judge elected to his fat position. He helped his education, it supported him when practicing law, it controlled the power placed him on the bench, it supplies him with food before him for that force is the very life of the judge. But it he would have to crawl down the bench, for there would be nothing courts for him to do. The judge what that force is. It is capital knows it that capitalist system were ed there would be no juvenile court to preside over. There would be no the higher court charged with the of bread or a ball of dust. The courts would decorate the judge's bench, the lawyers' and the jury-box. There would be nothing in the criminal line. The parasites of courts would work with the workers, starve.

How would any of this lily-fingered of parasites like to exist with their fam eight (if they have them) in three ro The daughters of the law distributors have to sell their souls for a bun and a ticket to the mov lets and anything they ma them. They are not force room, and beds of down. This class possesses the working, useful class can

The judge wants a remedy the remedy. It is Soci cold feet when he thinks rupt, criminal-making sys When the capitalist sys his job will go with it. of his masters, the capit a long, strong pull to bench. The masters see and true servants,—those obey all orders,—are giver out "law" to those victim Judge Choquet may over the fate of the nine deplorable fact of their I suggest that a remedy such conditions. But he day, the next week, will bunch. He knows that the are full of girls of tender into a life of shame by c Everybody else can see dull of apprehension. I say a remedy must be f their words are carefully hehman of the capitali of the police reporter. I paper, but both the would lose their jobs if The only remedy for a real and all the rest of Socialism. Capitalism of the working class, forced into the gutter rise the masters. What their judicial hehmen does? Nothing. Their and reform suggestions thrown across the tr long as capitalism last and cities will be for boys to the saloons an will sit fat and serene out vicious sentences capitalist system. The remedy is Social only remedy.

Before the dawn of S will be granted by the stem the tide of the wealth. Reforms are o keep the people blind There is only one refo nized by the S.D.P., abolition of capitalist transportation and di be no half-way measu the present system vi forced.

Many Canadian members of pa year booked a first cabin passage the old countries. They all rejoyed a fine time. Many a worker and factories has been toiling to save enough to take a steamer pass see the friends in the old land. But illeg is denied him. The masters all just enough for a living, and he has hard for that. Trips abroad for the hehmen of the masters; plug, ph poverty for the useful producers.

A by-election has just been held in a union house in South Bruns. On ticians thrashed out the navy a hurled mud. The question of wh should be taxed for the navy wa forward. The big rakeoffs the getting was not discussed. The the owners of capital was kept The Tory and Liberal politicians banks in the pay of the capit Canada to fool the people w tricks.

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A Comrade of Pipestone, Man., rustles four.

A hustler of Niagara Falls, Ont., rustles twenty subs.

"These are four non-Socialists for Cotton's to convert." Ruscomb, Ont.

"These are five renewals. Times are very dull here." Advocate, N.S.

Dena, Alta., steps right up and orders four copies of the mental dynamite.

A new hustler of Toronto shoots in four likely victims of revolutionary fervor.

Six from Springhill, N.S., show that the reds are at work in this town of grinding slavery.

Montreal, P.Q., Carmanagay, Alta., Nainimo, B.C., Beachville, Ont., South Lookout, Ont., each send four subs.

A comrade of Webbsdale, Sask., shoots in two dollars and goes hunting the capitalist beast with eight sub cards.

A Comrade of Rainy River, Ont., shoots in an order for fourteen copies, while a Comrade of Kenora orders six.

Kakabeka Falls, Ont., rises to remark that there are four more slaves ready to feed their brains on revolutionary fodder.

"I wish scores of others had been daily canvassing the mills and factories in quest of work. Prosperous Galt, indeed!" Galt, Ont.

"I have read your paper for the last year with great joy. I am glad the working classes have one paper not afraid to speak the truth." St. Johns, Nfld.

"I receive" a letter from Cotton's long time ago, but have not had time to answer. I herewith enclose sixteen subs and a dollar for the Pattery, Bredebury, Sask.

"Enclosed please find \$3 for sub cards. The first lot went quickly. We think the sub cards are very convenient for taking subscriptions." Manitoba Executive, S.D.P.

One dollar for four sub cards from Westville, N.S. When these are sold and the purchasers get reading Cotton's, the plutocrats will vacate.

"I have been reading your paper lately and like the tone of it very well. Enclosed find five new subs. I hope each subscriber will bring along another list of subs." Sydney, N.S.

"Will have a much larger list in the course of a week. Am trying to get the local in the stock proposition," writes a Hamilton, Ont. Comrade as he comes bringing in four sheaves.

"Enclosed find \$5. Put me on for two years and turn the balance in to the Battery Fund. I hope the Comrades will see to it that Cotton's is kept going as it ought to be." Anacostia, B.C.

"Please send these eight as soon as possible. They are discontented, but do not know where they are robbed, so please send them the little old sheet as soon as possible." Brantford, Ont.

"Enclosed find order for thirteen subs. Am just getting the boys in line after pay day. The railroad workers are getting a little worse. They are on short time and have a little more time to do a lot of thinking." Winnipeg.

"Here is the sub blank out of this week's paper. Hope you get them all returned with a much larger list than this." Thus writes a comrade of Stratford, Ont., with the scalps.

"The sub blank went out Thursday from this office and got back Monday following.

"Please put these names on the list as soon as possible. Also give us information of a local. Many people here know nothing about Socialism. The majority of people, if asked, would give you the reply that a Socialist is a paid assassin carrying dynamite and concealed weapons and seeking whom he may destroy. We want people to find out their error by distributing literature, and forming a local." Truro, N.S.

"You can send me a bundle of fifteen copies for three months. I intend to deliver these and canvass for orders. I worked this scheme in England with success. Do you think it is time the paper was handled by the newboys of Yonge St? Boys ought to be put outside the big shops, like the Massey Harris and the Canada Foundry, to sell the paper. Jack Canuck sells readily at five cents, and Cotton's ought to go like hot cakes at a cent each." Toronto, Ont.

ORGANIZING MADE EASY

We are preparing an envelope to contain five copies of How to Organize. This contains the constitution of the S.D.P. In addition to this the envelope will contain five applications for membership. These applications contain the party sign, which all members of the party sign. In addition the envelope will contain a charter application form and letter of instruction stating where the application for charter should be sent and the charter charges, \$3 for charter, 10 cents for due stamp for each member for first month, etc.

We will sell this envelope for ten cents. If you wish to form a local in your locality, send ten cents for this envelope. It makes the organization of a local very easy.

W. C. Anderson, of the British Labor Party, reports that the committee appointed to investigate the British hand question has shown the tenderest consideration for the handiwork, and that whatever the Liberals under Lloyd George will do will be but a small fraction of what ought to be done.

Subscriptions

1913 has been a hard year for Socialist publications. The Appeal to Reason has become so disgusted with its declining circulation that it no longer publishes its circulation statement. The National Ripsaw says that during the first eight months of 1912 its hustlers poured in 120,000 subs, while in the same period of 1913 they shoved in 106,000 subs. So a declining circulation has been the experience of other papers.

Cotton's is no exception. Its circulation has declined and it is still declining.

However, is it not time to right about face again? The winter is upon us, you have had a breathing spell, and it is time to pitch into the fight again.

We look to you to become active again, and show the plutes you are fighting them to a finish.

Cotton's Receipts

Cash receipts at Cotton's for week of Oct. 24th, for subs, were \$85.63. Total receipts for same week from all sources were \$93.88. We sold one twenty-five cent book and received \$9 for job printing.

Our receipts for the corresponding week of 1912 were, from subs, \$190.70; from all sources, \$244.

You are sure giving your manager editor some bumps these days.

Receipts for subs during the past few days have been as follows: Saturday, Oct. 25th, \$17; Monday, Oct. 27th, \$12.25; Tuesday, Oct. 28th, \$18.25; Wednesday, Oct. 29th, \$7. The bumps you are giving your managing editor are keeping right on.

The editor does not mind the bumps one bit, but he does mind the way you are not fighting the battles of your liberty.

You as slaves are becoming more valuable to your masters with the perfecting of the machines so you can produce more wealth per day, and at the same time you are getting to be of less worth to yourselves with your frequent periods of unemployment owing to the machines taking your job.

There is lovely fighting everywhere you want to pitch in. There are slave minds to be awakened. Cotton's can do the trick.

Comrade, you who have been inactive, get at least a list of four subs and send them in this week.

Personal Appeals

We have been sending out personal appeals to our supporters under first class postage.

A personal appeal is about due. Yet we are trying to keep down expenses at this end. If we can escape sending out these personal appeals, if you reds of the Firing Line will buck the capitalist system and snatch victims of its tyranny as readers of Cotton's, we can save you at this end \$500 per year. This is a saving for you Socialists, as all the revenues we spend come out of you.

Comrades, will you let us save you this revenue by looking after the circulation in your town and keeping it on the increase?

Advice

A gentleman in the printing business wrote us saying that he wanted to offer advice, but he knew how advice was taken and so would put himself on the coco and subside.

We wrote back telling him his course was a wise one.

We, too, would like to offer our hustler advice as to how to get subs, but we too also put ourselves on the coco and subside.

You know the conditions, you know your own persuasive powers. You know how you can work.

Just go out and use your ability in your own way to get readers. Let us see by results that you know how to land your prospects.

Next Week

Next week we publish a poem by Comrade Gerald J. Lively on the Benediction. It is dedicated to the Christian churches that bless and pray for the butchersmen in the army.

We will also publish an article by Comrade Johnston of Lindsay on the address of the Rev. Hedley of Fort Arthur to the 96th regiment of Canadian butchersmen. Other good articles will also appear.

An Ontario comrade has written an article showing the waste, poverty, misery produced by the capitalist system. Cold, hard facts are given. The statistics are taken from capitalist sources.

Next week's issue will be one of the best Cotton's has ever put out.

Cotton's Income

"A scoffer has asked me what becomes of all the money you get at Cotton's, as they say a man and a boy in a western town can get out a paper with a few hundred circulation at \$1 per year and apparently live in luxury."—Shillingthorpe, Sask. Comrade.

The finances of this paper are examined every year by the directors, and representative of the shareholders. Last year our wage bill was \$3,022.09, and our paper bill and supplies for the paper were \$1,963.03. Our income from subscriptions was \$7,300.00. There were other expenses. Can anyone get rich on that?

Even if Cotton's should make money, it would not benefit W. U. Cotton. The paper is owned by Socialists and the stock pays no dividends. Should Cotton's ever prove a money-maker, the profits would be used for the Socialist movement.

The famous Krupp firm of Germany, the makers of war material, do not pay living wages. Heads of families earn the state \$25 per month. The employees are \$25.00 for bread.

Stock in Cotton's

Shares of stock in Cotton's Co-operative Publishing Company, Inc., are \$10 each, payable at once, or \$2.50 cash, and \$2.50 at thirty, sixty and ninety days.

Stock in Cotton's Weekly makes you a joint owner of Cotton's Weekly. Your money helps to finance the paper, and you can have the joy of knowing that you are one of the owners of one of the best little Socialist propaganda papers in the whole world.

Cut out the stock application form below and send in with the necessary cash. You can take one or more shares. Each share costs \$10.

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