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The session of the Trades Congress at Brockville gave the Toronto delegates the opportunity of displaying their qualifications as entertainers. By special car the boys from Toronto embarked on Monday afternoon, after being joined by those from the west.

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Mr. A. W. Pettee, M.P. of Winnipeg, was introduced as one who had done considerable for labor in the House of Commons, and gave the delegates some very pertinent advice upon the duties to be performed, and no amount of personal enmity or bickering should be allowed to interfere with the delegates in performing their duty.

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As an effort on the part of the above-named association was made to protect the public against our unions and to pave the way for the introduction of legislation, such as has been introduced in the Senate, by Senators Lough and Brown, and passed by that body, if these measures become law, they would not have accomplished the object aimed at, but would have widened the breach between employer and employee, and engendered strife and bitterness, where harmony and good-will should exist.

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national work among both employers and employees is necessary, it is the crying need of the hour, and is very evident to those who have had experience in bringing about adjustments in industrial disputes.

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Directory of Union Meetings

Table listing various unions and their meeting schedules. Includes sections for COUNCILS, LOCAL UNIONS, and specific meeting times for different unions like Toronto District Labor Council, Amalgamated S. of Engineers, etc.

THE TELEGRAM AND THE EXEMPTION. The Evening Telegram, with characteristic disregard for the interests of the workers, registers a kick against the Single Taxers' plan for increasing the number of small dwellings by exempting houses from taxation to the extent of \$7500.

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LABOR WORLD News and Views of the Ever Advancing Army of Workers. BY UNKNOWN.

Because of threats and demands of labor organizations it is said that the railroad companies are considering a plan to establish a general employment bureau, which will engage all minor employees.

The important Scotch machinists brought to London by the Leonard Machine Company say they would not have come had they known there was a strike on.

The regular quarterly session of the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor opened in Washington, D.C., Sept. 21st. This session of the Council, it is understood, will be of much importance, as it is thought the labor congressional programme will be framed at that time.

The Trades Union Congress, at its session at Leicester, Eng., last week, adopted, by a large majority, a resolution declaring for an eight-hour day in the United Kingdom, and urging the subject to be made a test question at the next parliamentary elections.

The first break in the strike of the machinists in the shipping yards occurred the end of last week, when the Morgan Iron Works, known as the Beach yards, announced that it will take back some of the men who have been on strike since June.

No doubt the Toronto trade unionists were no more disturbed at the criticism of trade unionism by Bishop DuMoulin, of Hamilton, in his recent sermon in Toronto, than if the good bishop had preached about the rich man entering the kingdom of heaven.

Section 5 of the declaration of principles of the Metal Trades Association states: "Employees will be paid by the hour rate, by premium system, piece work or contract, as the employer may elect."

The housewives of the old union who have been working on the Butterick building on Fourteenth street, New York, west on strike last week because some of the firms of the housewives' union at work on the same building. This is the first

time members of the old union, of which Sam Parks is the business agent, have come in contact with the new union, which was organized under the supervision of the Employer's Association. Last week Parks called out the housewives at work on the building at Fourteenth street and Sixth avenue, which, with the Butterick building, is being constructed by the George A. Fuller Co.

In some places the time is now opportune for the workers to place their own class in the field for public office, and no longer to vote for the man who would by intrigue and legislation place them back in the medieval days, or the days of serfdom. For instance, such legislation as will, shortly, come before the House of Commons for ratification as has already been passed by the Senate, the Loughheed and Beque bills, one to practically compel unions in Canada to give up their international and national affiliations, and the other making it illegal to hold meetings during a strike, at which meetings the restrictions of free speech are such as a man would have to hesitate before every utterance for fear of violating the law, and not alone being liable to imprisonment himself, but every man, woman and child present are likewise guilty.

Professor Ely on INDUSTRIAL EVOLUTION. W. A. Douglas, B.A. Professor Ely has lately published a book entitled "Evolution of Industrial Society." He gives striking illustrations of the slow progress of humanity from the primitive state of the stone age to the only method of spinning up to the year 1500.

Truck economy. Independent producers, each family performing the various industrial processes among its own members. Money economy. Town producers with division into traders, but with trade narrowly confined.

Mr. Ely's discussion of competition might not well be much more satisfactory. He discusses the force of competition as a department of evolution and the survival of the fittest. He says not one more of the laws which give to one set of men the absolute control of the town sites, the coal mines, the forests and the agricultural lands, so that a host of other men must come and beg for the chance to go to work.

He says that competition must always have its dark side, but he does not tell us what that is or why it should be so. Where adjustments are so arranged that every man will do his best for his fellow man, how can that condition have its dark side?

He quotes Dr. Charles H. Spahr as to the bad distribution of wealth in the United States. The showing is as follows: 1 per cent. of the population own more than 51 per cent. of the wealth. 11 per cent. of the population own more than 25 per cent. of the wealth. 34 per cent. of the population own more than 12 per cent. of the wealth. 44 per cent. of the population own more than 1 per cent. of the wealth.

THE LAND AND THE PEOPLE. (Continued.) If there is no land there will be no people. The land is just as necessary to the existence of the people as the air and the light, and should be just as free to all mankind, and is so under natural conditions. The principle of simple justice which is contained in this natural condition is that the land which the Almighty is incontestable and should be carried into the artificial conditions under which society exists to-day.

Where are we to draw the line between the rights of the individual and those of the community? Clearly the rights of the community are paramount; the community, therefore, is authorized, by the natural law, to restrict the rights of the individual as far as the rights of the community are concerned. Now, what are the inherent and God-given rights of every man? Nothing less than life and liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Free access to earth, air and light sufficient for his every need, and as air and light are movable, as it were, and can be freely used, anywhere and everywhere, all without hindrance to any individual or community, no legislation or human arrangements are necessary to the fullest enjoyment and use of those elements.

and altogether and our aim will be accomplished, but in the meantime our legislators, who are really our servants and are paid by us to do our collective political business, take upon themselves the role of masters and treat us with contempt, subsidizing whom they will, and regulating at pay we, their masters, shall give them.

THE PRINCIPLE OF UNIONISM. We are not solitary beings, but social. As we depend upon others and receive from them, so they look to us for in exchange of one kind and another. We should keep in mind that God-given law which demands from us the protection and assistance of our brothers and neighbors.

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AN EXTORTIONER

By MARTHA McCULLOCH-WILLIAMS

Janet sang as she spun, because her heart was in the spinning. It was so shady out under the big oak she had hung off her sunbonnet.

Janet had never seen anything so slightly deft as her motion in running the thread even on the branch. In spite of the classics he had thought vaguely of spinning as clumsy drudgery.

He had been in hot haste. Judge, then, of his astonishment to find himself surrounded and sitting upon the piazza watching Janet spin.

Presently, finding her father still a truant, she took the hand from her wheel, slid the full branch off the spindle, flung it in a basket half full of other branches and went sedately within by the end-door.

"We had as well eat these," she said a little regretfully, setting the dish upon the flat piazza rail between them.

"I wanted to make a cherry cobbler for dinner—that's why I climbed up in the very tippy top after those ripe ones—but Mammy Liza locked up every dust of sugar and flour before she went to Aunt Vin's funeral."

"Why did you let her go?" Rushton asked. Janet looked at him in amazement and said, a cherry between her lips: "Let her? You don't know Aunt Liza? We have to ask her about doing things, dad."

"If you did not mind her, what would happen?" Rushton asked, laughing in spite of himself. Janet looked thoughtful. "I don't really know," she said, puckering her forehead. "Aunt Liza is the best cook in the county. Loads of people want her—would pay her double what we can afford. But all she will ever say to them is: 'Shoo tukker! I know when I've well off, an' of Marse Tam Weakley I don't do an' I've des bound ter stay yere till I learns him.'"

"Such things are all riddles to me," Rushton said. "I have spent so little time here. My parents were northern. That reminds me, I am taking it for granted that you know me—"

"Oh, I do—and why you came," Janet interrupted, flushing faintly. "The last thing Aunt Liza said was that you'd be here this morning to say you'd shoot our cows next time they were caught ravaging in your cornfields. She had heard it from the hands on your place. Whatever one negro knows all the others within miles roundabout will hear before morning."

HER ONE OPPORTUNITY

By JAMES BASCOMB

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"That's the Londoner. 'I'll bet you 10 bob I don't get a civil answer from the first porter I ask a question of.'" "Done!" replied the old farmer.

Looking out of the carriage window he spied his green friend, and calling him over, asked in his most polite tone: "Would you kindly tell me the name of this station, porter?"

"Gang awa, 'e' been faced old b'f' Pit yer daft heid in!" was the answer.—Tit-Bits.

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