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MITCHELL REPUDIATES DEMOCRATIC POSTERS

I Never Authorized Any Endorsement of Democracy.

Has Had Nothing to do with Any Party, Has Not Authorized Any Statements, Refuses to Be Drawn into Any Affiliation with any Campaign Management—Advises Non-Partisanship.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Oct. 21.—John Mitchell, former president of the United Mine Workers of America, last night gave the lie direct to the efforts of Bryan's managers to show that he had urged union workmen to vote for Bryan in the coming election.

A few days ago a poster was put in circulation throughout the Middle Western States bearing a picture of Mitchell and quoting an alleged statement from his pen as follows: "I wish to state that, in my judgment, the election of Bryan would be for the best interest of the nation."

Simultaneously an alleged statement from Mr. Mitchell was printed in a Buffalo newspaper, purporting to quote him to the same effect.

In reply to these Mr. Mitchell has printed the following signed statement in the United Mine Workers' Journal yesterday:

"During the past few days I have received numerous inquiries from secretaries of our local unions in reference to a poster containing an alleged statement of mine, below which is printed what purports to be an interview with me bearing upon the present political situation.

"In order to remove any misunderstanding, I take this means of informing our members that I have not mailed or authorized any one else to mail any poster containing my likeness or giving expression to my political views, except so far as these views are expressed in the official circulars authorized by the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor.

"Only a short time ago a weekly paper, published in Buffalo printed what purported to be a telegram, signed by me, declaring unequivocally for one of the Presidential candidates, and with equal emphasis voicing opposition to another. That telegram—which has been given wide circulation—was not written by me or by my authority. I never saw it or heard of it until it appeared in the columns referred to.

"Matters have gone so far that I cannot remain silent while others use my name in this unauthorized manner. As I understand the policy of the American labor movement and the action of the United Mine Workers of America, it is that the organizations of labor are not committed to any political party, the workmen of America are endeavoring, so far as lies in their power and without regard to political affiliations, to elect to public office bona fide members of trade unions or other candidates who are known to be in sympathy with the political and industrial reforms necessary to the protection and preservation of the interests of the wage earners.

"I am sure that I shall not be charged with partisanship when I advise each citizen to examine carefully the principles and policies of the various political organizations; to investigate the character and standing of the candidates; and having done this, to cast his ballot in accordance with his best judgment and with the dictates of his conscience."

HILLQUIT ON IMMIGRATION.

Morris Hillquit, Socialist party candidate for Congress from the 9th District, will lecture to-night on "Immigration" at Clinton Hall, 151 Clinton street.

Great interest is being shown in this lecture, and all those who attend are sure to leave with a clear understanding of the position of the Socialist party upon this most important subject.

Special Call to Hustlers.

The City Executive Committee of the Socialist party requests that Assembly districts, branches and party members make a special effort to distribute the campaign issue of The Call of Saturday, October 24. This issue will contain articles and cartoons of splendid propaganda value. A widespread distribution will be of great service to the campaign. Every party member should do his utmost to make this distribution a success.

FOUR MEN PERISH

In Fire Which Destroys Steamboat New York

NEWBURG, Oct. 21.—Four men of the crew of the Albany Day Line steamer New York were burned to death on board the boat early today and the steamer itself was totally destroyed. One of the men, a negro waiter, lost his life in a dash aboard the blazing vessel, from which he had once been rescued, in an effort to save \$200 he had left in his bunk.

The fire started from an exploding lamp. Forty-three men, including Captain A. H. Harcourt, were asleep when the fire started in the crew's quarters astern soon after midnight. Many of the men escaped wholly unscathed. Many were rescued from the water. The dead are:

Joseph Matthews, Frank Simmons, J. Jenkins and H. J. Smith. All members of the crew were paid off yesterday afternoon, and few managed to save their pay envelopes from the New York. The loss to the company is estimated at \$750,000.

Captain Harcourt refused to discuss the cause of the fire. His subordinates were equally reticent. It was said that President Olcott of the line was on his way here, and would issue a statement after he had made an investigation of the disaster.

The New York was built in Wilmington, Del., in 1887, and has been one of the most conspicuous passenger steamers in the Hudson River service for many years.

GOLDFOGLE DENIES THE STATEMENT

Congressman Goldfogle, representative from the 9th Congressional District, who will be defeated at election in November by Morris Hillquit, the Socialist candidate, is reported in yesterday's "Tribune" as saying:

"The Socialists have been colonizing in my district in large numbers. A large part of the colonization is illegal."

Following this publication the Congressman was sought. He made a denial of everything, characterizing the interview with him as a "lie." "I made no such statement," he said.

SOCIALISTS BRAVE THE COLD.

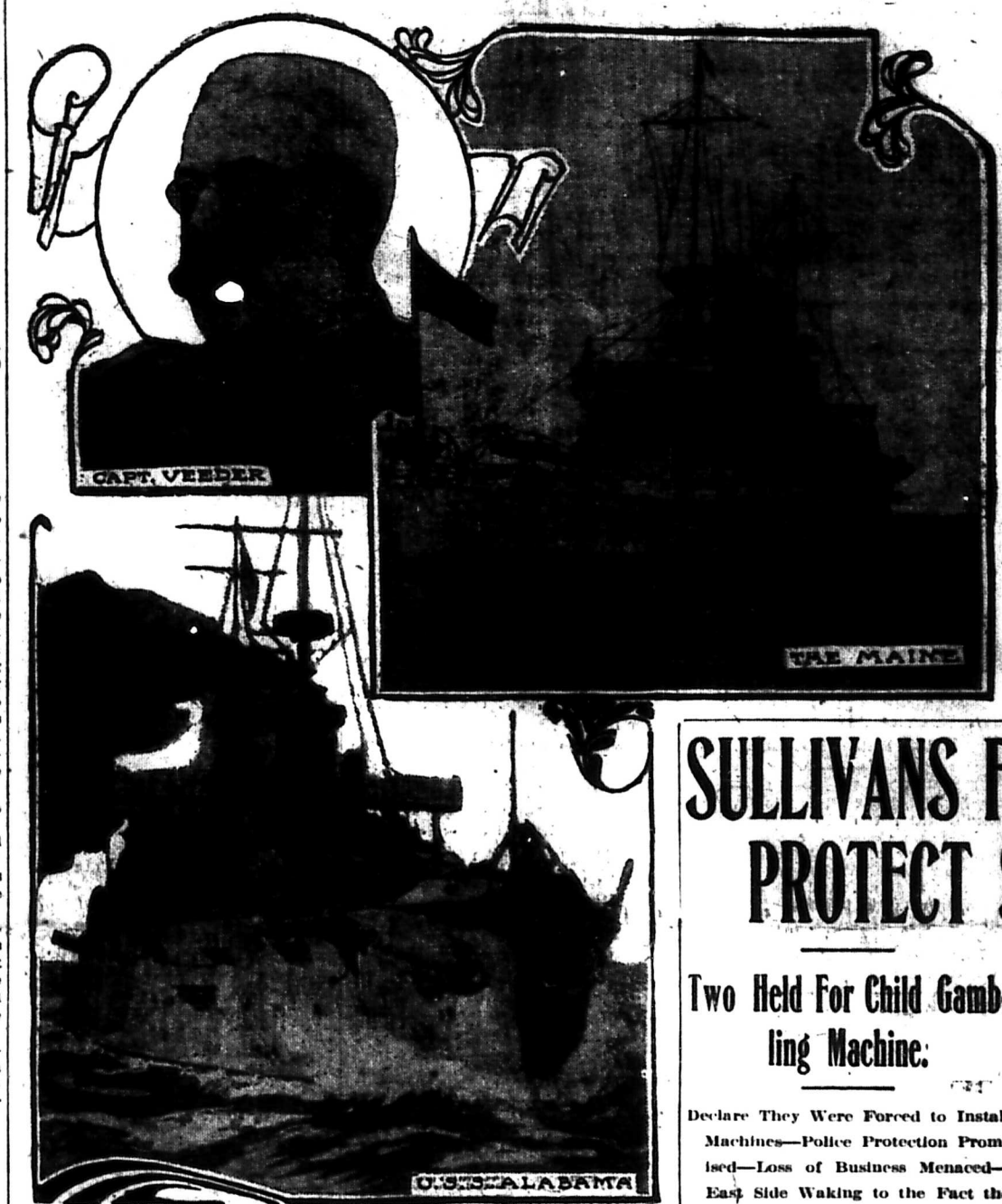
That the cold breezes from the Hudson do not chill the revolutionary ardor of the West Side members of the Socialist party was shown last night by the fact that several good open air meetings were held by them.

At the corner of 125th street and St. Nicholas avenue, in the 21st Assembly District, a crowd of 150 citizens listened attentively to an exposition of Socialism by Mrs. C. W. Allen, W. A. Patterson and Chairman Fred Harwood.

Down at 16th street and Seventh avenue, in the 9th Assembly District, an officious cop chased the Socialist speakers from the southeast corner, which was partially sheltered from the icy wind, over to the west side of the avenue, where, despite the cold, Chairman E. J. Dutton, aided by P. L. Quinlan and P. H. Donhoe, roared the police and expounded Socialist doctrine to about seventy-five interested hearers.

Considerable literature was disposed of at all the meetings and a number of questions were satisfactorily answered.

Captain Veeder, U. S. N., and Two Warships That Have Just Circled the Globe



The big guns at Forts Hamilton and Hancock and all the steam vessels in New York harbor joined in a noisy welcome to the battleship Alabama when she steamed up the Narrows yesterday, having completed her wonderful cruise around the world. She parted from her sister ship, the Maine, in midocean, the latter going to Portsmouth, N. H., and headed for New York still in command of Captain Ten Eyck D. W. Veeder, who stood on her bridge when she steamed out of Hampton Roads last December in Rear Admiral Evans' bat-

tleship fleet. The Alabama is to be thoroughly overhauled at the New York Navy Yard. She has been in commission seven years. During that time she has never been repaired, and the fact that at the end of six years she was able to undertake and successfully complete the most wonderful voyage ever made by modern battleships is a matter of great pride with American naval constructors. The Alabama and the Maine left Hampton Roads on Dec. 9 last and continued with the fleet in its visit to the Pacific Coast. There they were detached and ordered home.

SHELDON BATHED IN ICE POOL

Sold Out a Winner While Others Lost.

Not Called, It is Alleged, Because of Effect on Taft's Election—Whole Prosecution Part of Roosevelt's Bid for Popular Approval to Land Taft in the White House.

It came out to-day that George R. Sheldon, treasurer of the Republican National Committee, was associated with Charles W. Morse in at least one of his ice pools, and, moreover, got out of it with large profits.

Documents which show Mr. Sheldon to have been a member of Morse's ice pool and which also show

his profits are in possession of the United States officials who are prosecuting Morse and Curtis. Why he was not called to tell on the witness stand of his membership in one of the Morse ice pools, characterized by Judge Hough as "an association of adventurers," and placed on the same level with John F. Carroll, Isaac Guggenheim, John W. Gates and Charles M. Schwab, has not been explained.

Wouldn't Help Taft's Cause. Unofficial explanations are to the effect that it would do the candidacy of Mr. Taft no good, especially as his collector of campaign funds emerged a winner, whereas others lost.

The prosecution of Morse is being directed by Attorney General Bonaparte, head of the Department of Justice. It was planned to have a conviction before election, because of its supposed vote-getting effect on the administration's candidate, Mr. Taft.

The plan was to try Morse, F. Augustus Heine, the "Copper King," and Theodore Price before election. Heine and Price, however, cannot be tried until after election.

If the governors of the New York Stock Exchange would really like to get conclusive proof of the "matching" of orders by several of the most eminent firms belonging to that institution, all they have to do is to inspect sales and purchase sheets prepared by the brokers themselves now in possession of United States District Attorney Stimson.

SULLIVANS FAIL TO PROTECT SHOPKEEPERS

Two Held For Child Gambling Machine.

Declare They Were Forced to Install Machines—Police Protection Promised—Loss of Business Menaced—East Side Waking to the Fact the Sullivans Are Falling in Political Power.

Promising police protection that they could no longer "deliver," "Big Tim" and "Little Tim" Sullivan's child gambling company forced their penny thieving devices on the shopkeepers of the East Side, according to the testimony of two convicted yesterday in Special Sessions.

No steps have been taken to arraign either of the Sullivan family for their participation in the ownership of the device.

"Little Tim" Sullivan, who is the Board of Aldermen, and in the absence of the president of the board and of the Mayor, the Acting Mayor of New York, who derived part of his income from the company which stole pennies from school children, will retain his position in the city administration just as long as the East Side citizens refuse to oust him. The plan to install the machines

SPECIAL CAMPAIGN ISSUE.

The issue of The Call of next Saturday, Oct. 24, will be a campaign issue. There will be special articles on the campaign by prominent Socialist writers and candidates, including Eugene V. Debs, Ben Hanford, Joshua Wanboer, Morris Hillquit, Robert Hunter and Franklin H. Wentworth.

There will also be special cartoons by Ryan Walker, John F. Hart, Will E. Call and other favorites.

There will be a full page photograph of Eugene V. Debs, specially prepared so that the page can be used as a poster.

The issue may be eight or ten pages—according to additional orders received.

Rates for bundles of this issue are as usual: Fifty cents per hundred. Orders must reach The Call office not later than Friday, October 23, in order to guarantee being filled promptly.

Party locals and branches should place orders at once. This will be an invaluable paper for distribution. Address The Evening Call, 442 Pearl street, New York City.

ROOSEVELT SERVED OIL TRUST IN PANAMA

THOUSANDS WELCOME DEBS TO CINCINNATI

CINCINNATI, O., Oct. 21.—Over 5,000 people filled the great Music Hall last night to hear and applaud a powerful speech by Eugene V. Debs, Socialist party candidate for President, who arrived here yesterday on his famous "Red Special."

Debs has fully recovered from his recent illness and his brilliant epigrams carried the audience off its feet and caused a scene of indelible enthusiasm.

A great parade preceded the meeting and tens of thousands of citizens cheered the marching hosts of labor, whose steps were enlivened by the music of three bands, including that of the "Red Special."

The Debs train left this morning for Louisville, Ky., where an evening meeting will be held.

Place your order at once for a bundle of next Saturday's special campaign issue of The Call. 50 cents a 100.

Granted Standard Monopoly Over Commission's Veto.

Trust Gets Exclusive Rights to Enter Colon and Panama Cities from Republicans, and, Closing Out Others, Will Operate as a Rival of the Canal and of the Panama Railroad.

While William Nelson Cromwell, attorney for E. H. Harriman, was adviser to President Roosevelt and Secretary of War William H. Taft in Panama Canal matters, President Roosevelt, against the wishes of Theodore P. Shonts, chairman of the Canal Commission, signed, on June 10, 1906, a concession, amounting to a monopoly by which the Union Oil Company built a pipe line across the Canal Zone on the Isthmus from one ocean to the other.

The Union Oil Company is a California corporation owned by the Standard Oil.

Likely to be Perpetual.

The monopoly gained by the Standard Oil Company is likely to be perpetual. The lines run from the city of Panama on the Pacific to Colon on the Atlantic side. These two cities are in the control of the Republic of Panama, and the agents of the Standard Oil Company obtained exclusive rights.

Even if there were space for another line—and engineers declare there is not—there would be no reason for another company to compete with the Trust, because of the exclusive rights to enter the cities it obtained from the republic.

There have been rumors that at least one member of the Standard Oil group of capitalists was in the American syndicate which is reported to have made a huge sum through the sale to the United States in 1904 for \$40,000,000 of the property of the French Panama Canal Company by William Nelson Cromwell.

Will Reduce Canal Earnings.

The concession across the Isthmus by the subsidiary company of the Standard Oil Company not only cuts into the earnings of the Panama Railroad, which is owned by the United States, but will reduce the earnings of the canal. Oil which would now be transported by the railroad and which would go through the canal when completed is sent through the monopoly pipe line.

Chairman Shonts, in a letter to Secretary Taft, opposed the granting of the monopoly.

He wrote: "To grant it to the Union people would be an exclusive concession, contrary to policy, when others are undoubtedly anxious to secure the same privilege."

"As a railroad business proposition the granting of a pipe-line concession might in effect take away business from the Panama Railroad and in future from the Panama Canal."

He enumerated some of the other companies who were anxious to compete for the oil business on the Isthmus. The concerns he named were the Texas Company, the Associated Oil Company of California, the Gulf Refining Company of Pittsburg and the Higgins Oil and Fuel Company of Texas.

Cromwell in a Monopoly.

Mr. Cromwell, it has been learned, is making some money himself out of his connection with Isthmian affairs. He owns about one-fourth of the capital stock of the Electric Lighting and Power Company of Panama. This, like the Standard Oil's pipe line, is a monopoly, but it is controlled by the republic and not by this Government.

It is asserted that Mr. Cromwell got his stock in the electric company at practically no cost to himself. It has become very prosperous since the American occupation of the Canal Zone and pays handsome dividends to its stockholders.

William Nelson Cromwell, counsel for E. H. Harriman, whose Southern Pacific and Union Pacific roads will lose heavily if an Isthmian Canal is ever built, and the lawyer who sold the French Panama Canal Company to the United States for \$40,000,000, was, it is said, in his capacity of chief adviser on canal matters to President Roosevelt and Secretary of War Taft, responsible for the removal under most humiliating conditions of Gen. George W. Davis, member of the Canal Commission and first Governor of this canal zone.

General Davis was first Governor

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RACING GONE IN KENTUCKY

LEXINGTON, Ky., Oct. 21.—The State Racing Commission after a lengthy session revoked the license of the Latonia Jockey Club for permitting other than pari-mutual betting, and Governor Wilson will cause the arrest of the track operators.

The meeting is to be stopped at once. The track betting has recently been conducted by the pari-mutual system, but at a recent meeting the Latonia stewards decided to abolish that method and to again open the track to bookmaking.

News that the Kentucky Racing Commission has decided to close the Latonia track was received by turfmen here as a final blow to racing. With the passage of the Hart-Agnew bills in New York, the elimination of gambling at the Benning track and the new laws enacted by the Louisiana Legislature, Kentucky has been the only State east of the Mississippi where racing with the gambling feature has been allowed.

Under the pari-mutual system there have been no bookmakers at the Latonia track recently, but the stewards declared that this system did not prove a profitable one, and so they decided to invite the bookmakers again, and in doing so defy the Racing Commission of the State. The Latonia track is one of the largest in the country and until recently it has been a gambling stronghold.

POLICE STOP BOUT— FIGHTERS ARRESTED

The Longacre Athletic Club at No. 155 West 29th street, was raided last night by the police of the West 30th street police station. Two fighters, the referee and other officials were bundled into a patrol wagon and hauled to the police station. They were charged with prize fighting, of aiding and abetting prize fighting, the big crowd present to see the bouts heated the police when the arrests were made, but did not interfere. The fights were stopped and the audience was hustled into the street.

It was in the middle of the third round of what was to have been a six round bout between George Mitchell and Joseph Fisher, both of this city, that the police arrested the two principals. Mitchell seemed relieved. He had just been knocked down and was getting the worst of the bout when the police saved him.

SULLIVAN-SCROGGS DRAW.

Paddy Sullivan and Harry Scroggs fought a fast six round draw last night in the star-bout at Brown's Gymnasium. Sullivan started off in the early proceedings to try to send Scroggs to slumberland, but the latter was too clever and gave Sullivan all he could do to avoid taking the same route.

In the last session both boys stood in the middle of the ring and swapped punches until the gong sounded. The finish found both very much tired and glad the battle was over.

In the semi-windup, Eddie Rector and Jim Evans went six rounds to a draw. In the preliminary Tom Murphy stopped Mike Sanger in two rounds.

WRESTLING MATCH.

A catch-as-catch-can wrestling match between Tom Jenkins and Yusif Mahmut, the Bulgarian champion, may be arranged to-day. Harry Polak, manager of Jenkins, will meet Mahmut's manager at the Hotel Metropolitan at 2 P. M. to post forfeits.

MUTTERINGS OF A MUT.

By M. B. C.

The Locke bill prohibiting betting on race tracks in Louisiana is so elastic that there will be racing there this year under a system almost as desirable to the "bookies" as before. The passage of the bill will probably be sufficient for the anti-race track people for they, like the prohibitionists, never like to see their pet laws enforced. It usually pinches them first. Perhaps, after all, "it's a poor rule that don't work both ways."

Never mind, the Giants will win the pennant next year—if they don't lose it.

After Cross and McFarland get through "bat" Nelson will "wallop" the winner. It will at least be a satisfaction to the loser that he missed a good thumping.

Harvard had a light practice the other day—only three legs broken.

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McFARLAND-CROSS BATTLE IS TO-NIGHT

Packey McFarland, the Chicago lightweight, who is conceded to be the one man who has a chance to wrest the championship from Battling Nelson, will make his first appearance in New York to-night at the Fairmont Athletic Club, 127th street and Third avenue. McFarland's opponent will be Leach Cross of the East Side, who has had a whirlwind career in the ring. The battle in a way will be an elimination contest, as it will decide which of the boys is to meet Nelson. The champion probably will be at the ringside ready to sign for a match with the winner at the same club.

PRINCESS' NEW BUILDING.

The Princess Building at 29th street and Broadway, having been fixed up to meet the full requirements of the Buildings Department, the Princess Athletic Club, with headquarters on the top floor, may now continue its regular Thursday night boxing stage for members without fear of further interruption such as necessitated calling off the Gardner-Sieger bout last Thursday night.

SAVED HIS NECK.

CHICAGO, Oct. 21.—The training of George C. Lytton for his proposed boxing contest with Anthony J. Drexel-Biddle of Philadelphia for the amateur championship of the United States, ended abruptly last night when Mr. Lytton fractured his shoulder blade while wrestling in the Illinois Athletic Club.

DOUBLE PLAY.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Oct. 21.—"Slick" John Hummell, of the Brooklyn Nationals, who has little to say in a ball game, carried out the same idea along matrimonial lines, and to all but his intimate friends and relatives in Bloomsburg, near here, his home town, it was a surprise to learn that he had wed. The ceremony was performed to-day at the home of the bride, Miss Julia Sullivan, at Holyoke, Mass., where they first met four years ago while Hummell was playing with Holyoke.

BALTIMORE RACES TAME.

BALTIMORE, Md., Oct. 21.—The racing on the second day of the fall light harness meeting at the Gentlemen's Driving Park was considered tame. In the 2:35 trotting stake nine of the eleven starters were scratched, leaving only Inner Guard and Rose Mary Chimes. The latter proved the steadiest. The fast class was the 2:11 racing, and Reck C. had no difficulty in winning the first and third heats and the race in 2:10 1-4.

GIANTS LOSE AGAIN.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., Oct. 21.—The local athletic club team defeated the Giants yesterday, 5 to 1. McGinnity and White pitched for New York and Snodgrass caught. Knapp pitched effectively for the home team and the major leaguers could not bunch hits off him.

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LEXINGTON, Ky., Oct. 21.—Senator McNichol, of Philadelphia, has bought from the Patchen Wilkes Stock Farm Company for \$7,500 the yearling bay filly Lady Greenroods, by Peter the Great—Cocoon by Cyclone. She is a full sister to Robert C., winner of the Lexington Stake at the recent Lexington meeting, and has a mile record as a yearling of 2:30. She is the highest priced yearling bought this season.

FIGHT IS OFF.

So few of the members of the Colin A. C. turned out to see the fight scheduled between Jack Blackburn of Philadelphia and Jack Robinson of Chicago last night that the club officials declared the fight off and announced that they would put on Leach Cross and Willie Fitzgerald in the star bout one week from to-morrow night.

EICHLER AND SULLIVAN.

Paddy Sullivan and "Butch" Eichler will meet in the star bout at the stage of the New Polo A. C. on Friday night. Both are sturdy hitters and each is a hard fighter. There will be several other good bouts.

CUBS WIN AGAIN.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Oct. 21.—In an exhibition game between Chicago and Detroit yesterday, the Cubs won 7 to 1.

CROKER WANTS BRYAN ELECTED.

Richard Croker cabled yesterday \$1,000 to the Democratic national campaign fund and \$500 to the State committee's fund. Chairman Norman E. Mack, of the national committee, thinks that if his fund should run short Mr. Croker would be willing to cable over even more. "I know that Mr. Croker," said Mr. Mack, "is anxious to see Bryan elected. He will do anything he can to help Bryan to win. If we run short of money in the last days of the campaign Mr. Croker would be one of the first to come to our assistance. But we are doing comparatively well now and I don't think it will be necessary to call on Mr. Croker or anyone else for a second subscription."

EFFECTIVE WORK.

An extremely active campaign is being carried on by the 20th Assembly District organization of the Socialist party of Kings County. Many new members are joining the party and a big increase in the vote is assured. Thousands of pamphlets and copies of The Call are being circulated.

The Call of next Saturday will be a great issue for campaign purposes. Special articles by best Socialist writers. Order it once. 50 cents a 100.

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WALL STREET INVADED

Socialism has invaded Wall street. It has been carried into the stronghold of the mighty capitalists and has taken root. Yesterday an open-air upon-day meeting was held at the corner of Wall and Broad streets. It was attended by the hundreds of wage slaves who work for the Rockefeller, the Morgans and the Vanderbilts, during their lunch hour.

There were two speakers, namely: Andrew Sator and Charles S. Vanderporten. Before the meeting was called to order the wide street was black with people who, when they saw the Socialist emblem in front of the stand crowded up close, intent on hearing every word. When the meeting opened every building poured out its quota to the throng who soon numbered more than a thousand. As the lunch hour of some expired and they left, others came to take their places, and almost all but the capitalists themselves seemed interested, and they were, too, but did not care to show it.

There was absolutely no disorder. The police did not in any way interfere with the meeting, but assisted in keeping the crowd from being run down by trucks and other vehicles.

The crowd consisted mainly of the clerks from the nearby brokerage offices, who eagerly took the proffered literature and for the most part put it in their pockets for future reference. They did not throw it away, as is the case at other political meetings, for after they had listened to the speakers they seemed convinced that there was more than just politics behind the movement and were intent to learn the truth about Socialism.

"DRY" CANDIDATE BEFUDDLED.

SCHENECTADY, N. Y., Oct. 21.—Considerable amusement was caused here when Eugene Chafin, the Prohibition candidate for President, in a speech advised the unemployed to save their money.

He was asked: "What measures would you suggest for the relief of the unemployed who are willing and eager to work?" His reply was to the effect that if the workers had saved the money spent for rum in the past year they would not be suffering now.

He also stated that such queries usually came from Socialists who did not know the first thing about economics or they would not ask such foolish questions. This puts Chafin in the same class with "God Knows" and "Maybe."

He lost his temper and made a bitter tirade against the Socialists, saying they took no interest in moral questions such as the oppression of the liquor traffic, etc.

QUEENS COUNTY CAMPAIGN.

At the last meeting of the Queens County Campaign Committee of the Socialist party arrangements were made to hold a big mass meeting in Wyckoff Heights, October 24, and another in Glendale, October 31. There are 35,000 pieces of literature to be distributed, and the organizer asked that every active Socialist, as well as the branches, get busy in helping in this work. Every Sunday morning distributing work is done. Branch 59 of the W. S. D. B. J. has donated \$100 to the campaign fund, and Branch 99, of the Children's Society, \$7.50.

ORGANIZATION WORK.

A meeting will be held at New Utrecht Hall, Bay Ridge avenue, Brooklyn, to-night, to organize Branch 5 of the 9th Assembly District of the Kings County Socialist party.

All party members and sympathizers are asked to attend.

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SCHURMAN SEVERELY SHOCKED.

ITHACA, N. Y., Oct. 21.—J. G. Schurman, president of Cornell University, received a shock when he debated the question of Socialism with Morris Hillquit of New York two years ago. He received another when the organization meeting of the Cornell Socialist Club was held.

The meeting was held in competition with a Fairbanks meeting, and the Cornell "Daily Sun," a typical capitalist paper on a small scale, refused to give the announcement of the meeting more than three lines notice, while devoting a column to the announcement of a Republican meeting the day before.

In spite of these obstacles the hopes of the organizers were surpassed. A largely attended meeting was held and over twenty charter members were enrolled. Reports indicate that this number will be doubled at the next meeting.

Plans for an active campaign are being arranged with weekly meetings to be addressed by prominent Socialists, and the faculty of Cornell will learn in the near future of the existence of some "perniciously active" members among the student body. Prof. V. P. Karspatoff was elected as temporary chairman, L. Crandall as secretary and Miss Blitstein as treasurer.

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Roosevelt Served

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at Porto Rico when the island was taken from Spain, and worked out a thorough system of government there. He was also Military and Civil Governor of the Philippines and out of the chaos they brought order and a government.

Worked Wonders in Panama.

When Gen. Davis reached the age limit he was sent to the isthmus to establish law and government. The only laws there were those of Columbus, from which the isthmus was created by the revolution manufactured by Cromwell so that he could make the \$40,000,000 sale to the United States and give the clear title demanded by the Spooner act. Gen. Davis worked out a civil government which is a marvel of perfection. He wiped out yellow fever, for one thing, and converted one of the pest holes of the earth into a sanitary, healthful place of residence.

Blames Cromwell for Removal.

No complaint over his humiliating dismissal has ever been uttered by General Davis, but he attributes his removal to the strange power wielded by Cromwell, the Harriman lawyer, over the then Secretary of War and President Roosevelt. Had he not felt it his duty to report his discoveries of seeming misconduct on the part of Cromwell, General Davis is convinced he would not have been dismissed.

General Davis as Governor of the Canal Zone has supervision over the Panama Railroad, which was part of the property turned over to the United States as a result of the purchase.

In going over the affairs of the Panama Railroad, General Davis discovered that, after the United States had agreed to buy all of the property of the French canal company for \$40,000,000, and while the title was being examined William Nelson Cromwell and his fellow directors and stockholders of the Panama Railroad declared and paid to themselves a large dividend out of the funds of the company which had not been earned during the preceding year, and which, it is claimed, had been set aside for repairs on the road and the steamships it owned.

Claimed Money for Government.

General Davis held that this money, normally if not legally, belonged to the United States, as this Government had to at once spend several hundred thousand dollars to make repairs, which this fund should have defrayed. It was held that the money being in the treasury of the company at the time the United States contracted for the purchase it was as much the property of this Government as the cars, locomotives and roadbed.

In a report he made to his fellow-members of the Isthmian Commission, General Davis devoted considerable attention to exposing what he regarded as questionable methods on the part of Cromwell in depleting the treasury of the Panama road after its sale to the United States had been agreed upon.

These adverse references to Cromwell in an official report which was to become a public document incensed the New York lawyer greatly. It is said, and also brought Secretary Taft and President Roosevelt to his rescue. General Davis was arbitrarily ordered to eliminate from his report all of the offensive references to Cromwell. He was told that what had happened prior to the actual acquisition of the canal properties by this government did not come within his scope and that the matter did not belong in the report.

Obedient Superiors' Orders.

Obedient to the orders he took out the references, offended Cromwell, and the report was filed. Then Gen. Davis committed a great sin in the eyes of Cromwell, Taft and Roosevelt.

An army regulation calls upon all officers to report to their superiors anything which comes under their observation, which they believe should be known to the Government. This rule applies to retired as well as to active officers.

In his capacity as a retired officer, subject to army regulations, he made a detailed report to the Secretary of War of the very matters which he had been compelled to cut out of his report to the Isthmian Commission. That report had to be received, but pains were taken to keep it from the public and it was pigeonholed in the archives of the War Department.

Dismissal Came Quickly.

That brought about the undoing of General Davis. Soon after he had made this report Secretary Taft wrote the brutal cablegram which dismissed him as a member of the Canal Commission and also as Governor of the Canal Zone.

That there was basis for General Davis' criticism of the looting of the treasury of the Panama road is shown by a statement made to the United States Senate by the late Senator John T. Morgan when he wanted that body to punish Cromwell for his failure to answer questions about the American investigation which was interested in the French canal company and other matters. In this report Senator Morgan said:

"The minute books of the railroad company show two instances of unjust and dishonest conduct in which Cromwell participated, by which the United States was deprived of several hundred thousand dollars. One of these transactions was in declaring and paying dividends to the stockholders of the railroad company in excess of the receipts for the preceding fiscal year, and the other was in relation to the repairs on two ships, whereby a heavy debt was imposed unjustly upon the United States in the purchase of the railroad, all of which is shown by the records of the hearings before this committee and need not be repeated on this motion."

Other matters relating to the anti-trust and fraudulent dealing of Cromwell with Colombia and with the Government of the United States, in

STEEL GUN WORKERS DEMAND FEDERAL WORK

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20.—The President received a delegation yesterday from South Bethlehem, Pa., which came to ask for Government contracts for the ordnance department of the Bethlehem Steel Works. Representative Broadhead headed the delegation. The envoys represented the views of a meeting called to consider the condition of the 5,000 unemployed workmen in Bethlehem, let out of the ordnance department of the Bethlehem Steel Works because of the lack of Government contract work.

The President arranged an interview for them with Secretary Metcalf of the Navy Department. The matter will be taken up at the Cabinet meeting to-morrow. The President and the Secretary of the Navy were told that an ordnance plant costing \$20,000, such as the Bethlehem plant, could not be maintained in idleness and unless active work would eventually go out of business. They called attention to the fact that it was an independent concern and if it went out of business the Steel Trust would have a monopoly.

The Secretary of the Navy replied to the committee that he could not give contracts when there were none to let. But an effort will be made by the Administration to find some way to increase the amount of Government work in the Bethlehem plant.

SOCIALISTS GET POLICE PROTECTION

The Socialist party scored a victory over rowdism last night by holding an open air meeting at the corner of Oliver and Madison streets, where a meeting was broken up by toughs last Saturday night, evidently acting under inspiration from Tammany headquarters half a block away. The police were "on hand" last night and rendered such protection that the meeting was conducted without interruption or interference.

The Call had called the attention of Police Headquarters to the incident of Saturday evening, and a copy of the report which appeared in the Call was sent to Captain Toole at the Oak Street Station.

Captain Toole dispatched four policemen and four detectives, in charge of Sergeant Cronin, to Madison and Oliver streets early last night, where the Socialist had announced that another meeting would be held.

When the truck with the speakers arrived, the police surrounded it and rigidly maintained order for the entire evening. A big audience was present and the fine meeting was very successful. The speakers were W. B. Killingbeck of New Jersey, William Malloy, candidate for the Assembly from 2d Assembly District; J. C. Frost, Thomas O'Shaughnessy, Emil Meyer and Louis Kopelin.

Captain Toole sent for Louis Sardofofsky and Louis Kopelin, who were present at the previous meeting, to come to the Oak street station and there he expressed regret at the "unfortunate occurrence" of Saturday night. He informed the two Socialists of the steps they could take to prosecute the policemen who had failed to render the proper protection at the disturbed meeting.

The Socialists told the captain that they are willing to let the matter rest if the police would in the future furnish proper protection to the Socialist meetings in that district. The captain assured them that he will send extra men to all Socialist meetings and would do all in his power to prevent the recurrence of a similar affair as that about which the complaint was made.

his double capacity of general counsel for the Panama Canal Company and of the Panama Railroad Company, are strongly suggested and indicated by the statements of himself and others that are set forth in these hearings. It is those matters and his participation in the Hay-Varela treaty that he attempts to conceal by his refusal to answer questions propounded to him on his examination, under the false pretense that his duty to his alleged client—the Panama Canal Company—requires him to make such refusal."

Get your branch to order a bundle of next Saturday's campaign issue of The Call at once. 50 cents a 100.

ANOTHER BIG RATIFICATION.

There will be a big Socialist party ratification meeting at Terrace Lyceum, 96 East Broadway, Thursday evening, October 22. This meeting will be held under the auspices of the Young Friends' Socialist Literary Circle, and a big crowd is expected. A number of well known speakers will be present, among whom are J. G. Phelps Stokes, Morris Hillquit, Jacob Panken, Rose Pastor Stokes, Meyer London, Alexander Irvine, Ed. Cohen and David Soffen.

The campaign issue of The Call next Saturday will contain a full page picture of Eugene V. Debs which can be used as a poster. Order at once; 50 cents a 100.

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Socialist Notes.



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Wednesday Meetings.

- MANHATTAN AND BRONX. 1st A. D.—Canal and Hudson Sts. P. L. Quinlan, Thos. O'Shaughnessy. 2d A. D.—Market and Monroe Sts. Max Myssell, M. Price. 4th A. D.—Willet and Grand Sts. W. A. Patterson, Thos. Potts. 6th A. D.—4th St. and Avenue C. Mrs. Carrie W. Allen, Albert Abraham, Robert Hunter. 8th A. D.—Eldridge and Grand Sts. C. S. Vanderporten, H. Iavdeon. 11th A. D.—44th St. and 8th Ave. Robert T. Payne, A. B. De Mill. 14th A. D.—2d St. and 8d Ave. Henry Kugel, Fred Paulitich. 19th A. D.—116th St. and St. Nicholas Ave. Jennie Butler, A. Xeros. 17th A. D.—96th St. and Amsterdam Ave. Wm. G. Lighthown, Miss F. M. Gill. 20th A. D.—81st St. and 1st Ave. Louis Baum, G. B. Sachana. 27th A. D.—35th St. and Broadway. Jack Britt Gearity, P. H. Donohue. 31st A. D.—125th St. and 7th Ave. J. C. Frost, J. G. Doherty. JEWISH. 2d A. D.—Clinton and Rutgers Place. N. Stuppaker, L. Davidson. 3rd A. D.—Governor and Madison Sts. Chas. L. Fromer, Miss Newman. 6th A. D.—Houston and Norfolk Sts. B. Gottlieb, J. Bernstein. 8th A. D.—Rivington and Suffolk Sts. Louis Siockin, Phillip Flanzer. ITALIAN. 10th A. D.—12th St. and 1st Ave. A. Cravello. 2d A. D.—Oak and James Sts. Ugo Lupi. LECTURE. At Clinton Hall, 151 Clinton St., Morris Hillquit will deliver the third lecture of a series for Republican, Democratic and Independence party voters. YOUNG FRIENDS. Shapiro E. Cohen and Soffer will speak at Suffolk and Houston streets from 8 to 9:30 and at Eldridge and Rivington streets from 9:30 to 11 o'clock, under the auspices of the Young Friends Socialist Literary Circle. MASS MEETING. Robert Hunter, J. G. Phelps Stokes, Morris Hillquit and others will address a great mass meeting to be held under the auspices of the "College Men's Hillquit Campaign Club" at 319 Grand St. BROOKLYN. 1st A. D.—Atlantic Ave. and Henry St. M. T. Neben. 3d A. D.—Court and President Sts. S. Schwartz. 5th A. D.—Broadway and Green Ave. H. C. Miller, B. Wolf. 13th A. D.—Graham Ave. and Stagg St. N. Zwart, Fred Schaefer. 16th A. D.—Bath Ave. and Bay 10th St. J. Chant Lipas, L. Baker. 17th A. D.—Herkimer St. and Bedford Ave. J. T. Hill, H. W. Laidler. 21st A. D.—Stagg and Leonard Sts. L. Pinsky, F. L. Lackemacher. 21st A. D.—Cook St. and Graham Ave. D. Oshinsky, Schick, Orenburg. 21st A. D.—Moore St. and Graham Ave. Cohen, Goldblatt. 23d A. D.—Herkimer St. and Rockaway Ave. Abramson, Smith, Well. 23d A. D.—Hocheater Ave. and Fulton St. H. D. Smith, H. Miller. ITALIAN. 7th A. D.—20th St. and 4th Ave. Masella. 13th A. D.—Lorimer and Frost Sts. Special. BUSINESS. 19th A. D.—949 Willoughby Ave. Very important. 14th A. D.—New Plaza Hall, Grand and Havemeyer Sts. QUEENS. Ocean Ave. and Broadway (Ozone Park).—M. Peiser, J. Burgher, W. Heennessy. HUDSON COUNTY, N. J. JERSEY CITY.—Montgomery and Bergen. W. L. Oswald, G. W. Woodley; Bayview and Ocean, G. E. Geider. HARRISON.—Harrison and 3d St., H. B. Kearns. WEST HOBOKEN.—1st Ward. Business. 307 Demott St. NEWARK, N. J. Oxford and Market.—Sol. Fieldman. Broome and Montgomery.—Miss Newman, Klein. RIVERSIDE, N. J. Daniel K. Young, of Philadelphia, will address an open air meeting. SCHENECTADY, N. Y. The Socialists are carrying on a very active campaign, as the following report of a few days work will show. On Saturday evening Alexander Irvine spoke on Socialism Christianity in State Street Methodist Church to a full house, seating 1,200 people. Sunday afternoon Rev. George R. Luss delivered Socialist talk to a good crowd in Y. M. C. A. Auditorium. Sunday evening Spargo preached in First Reformed Church to a good audience. Monday evening Spargo spoke to a crowded house in Turin Hall. Tuesday afternoon new members were added to the Local. Wednesday a mass meeting of Italian Socialists. Thursday, a mass meeting of Hungarian Socialists. Saturday evening, Guy N. Miller addressed a big crowd at Crescent Park. Sunday afternoon, a mass meeting of Polish Socialists was addressed by a Socialist from New York in Polish, Guy Miller and Harvey Simmons, Schenectady county organizer, in English. Sunday evening 3,000 copies of The Call were distributed and \$12.00 worth of literature sold. ROCHESTER, N. Y. Stanley J. Clark, of Texas, will lecture in Plymouth Church, Plymouth Ave. and Tross St. Thursday evening, Oct. 22. a

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FIELD FOR ITALIAN MUSIC IN AMERICA

By HARRY CHAPIN PLUMMER. It is a fact decidedly to be regretted that the American public seldom, if ever, is afforded opportunity to hear and, for itself, to consider other than the operatic music of the Italian composers.

FAMOUS MUSIC COMPOSER WHO IS VISITING AMERICA



The visit to America of Mme. Cecile Chaminade, the world famous composer, is of interest to the lovers of piano music all over the country.

those who have observed the drift—rather, the progress—of public opinion here are not program music in the last decade. Certain it is that the music brought forward which possessed the true Italian character of inspired melodic and harmonic thought and expression would early come to be known and loved as are now the romantic and modern operas of the Italians.

Orchestral works of symphonic or chamber music for piano and much chamber music for piano and other instruments have been composed by several of the great masters of Italian opera. Among this production may be mentioned a D-major symphony, a concert overture in G-major and three string quartets, the work of Luigi Carlo Z. S. Cherubini, a composer of the Napoleonic reign; a symphony for full orchestra and a quartet for two violins, viola and bass, and four other quartets, written by Ottavio Respighi, creator of the musical "William Tell," the overture to which opera ranks as a worthy example of symphonic scoring; twelve quartets for strings, concert overtures, sonatas and minor pianoforte compositions by Gaetano Donizetti, whose lyric drama, "Lucia di Lammermoor" and opera buffa, "Don Pasquale," "La Figlia del Reggimento" and "L'Elisir d'Amore" are favorite works in the repertoire of American operatic institutions; a quartet for two violins, viola and cello from the pen of "Papa" Verdi; a funeral march for military band or orchestra, scored by Amilcare Ponchielli, the composer of "La Gioconda"; for the obsequies of the late Italian poet, Alessandro Manzoni; and a military fantasia by the same composer; a tone poem, entitled "Serafita," and a ballet suite, "La Vita d'una Marionetta" (Life of a Marionette), the compositions of Ruggiero Leoncavallo, whose music dramas "I Pagliacci" and "La Boheme"—especially the former—are universally popular.

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THE THEATRES

Julius Steger and Co. in "The Fifth Commandment" is the headline attraction at the Fifth Avenue Theater this week. La Petite Adelaide, assisted by four clever girls, contribute a very pleasing dancing number. The Empire City Quartette makes both music and fun. Robertello, a wonderful wire performer, is a sensation. The Ellis-Nowlin Troupe in an acrobatic pantomime, "A Night at the Circus;" Smith and Campbell, sidewalk conversationalists; Watson's Farmyard, and Billy Beard, a black face comedian, complete the bill.

Percy G. Williams has never had a more excellent bill than that which is headed this week at the Colonial by Clarice Mayne, who is called the "Erie Janis of England," and whose American debut Monday more than proved her claim to the title. Miss Mayne received a warm and friendly reception from a large audience. McIntyre and Heath began their second week, changing their act to another favorite of their repertoire, entitled "The Man from Montana," in which the two burn cork comedians appear as "Two mad men from the West," and which gives them even greater opportunity for making fun than that accorded by their famous Georgia Minstrel specialty. The Fallette Orchestra of twenty-five women musicians is another attractive feature of the program, and a novelty which earns deserved success is Miss Charlotte Parry's protean sketch "The Comstock Mystery," in which the young woman plays seven different roles, making lightning changes from one character to another. Other acts are: William Macart, late of "The White Cat Co.," in a monologue and some songs; Les Silvas, the human fire ladders, gymnasts; Ward Bros. in some clever dancing; Spencer Kelly and Frederick Rose, in a singing act, and the Vitagraph.

"Paid in Full," Eugene Walter's true to life drama, now in its second season in New York at Weber's Theater, under the management of the Wagenhals & Kemper Co., has been translated into several foreign tongues, including German, Danish, French and Navajo. Now it is to be done in no tongue at all, but in up-to-date sign language. On next Thursday, the 24th instant, before the League of Elect Surds at their hall on West 125th street Professor W. G. Jones will read "Paid in Full" with his fingers to an audience of deaf people. Professor Jones is the deaf mute son of the late Mrs. W. G. Jones, and is celebrated as an educator of those who have lost their hearing and power of speech.

The headline attraction at the 125th Street Theater is Valerie Bergere & Co. in a clever sketch, "Billy's First Love." The added attraction is Gus Solhke's \$5,000 production of "Western Life," with its cowboys, Indians and horses. It proved an unusually ambitious attempt for vaudeville. Irene Franklin and Bert Greene are entertaining. Joe Hart's Rain-Dears, Willie Pantzer's acrobatic trio, the Hawaiian Trio, Emil Scubers and Le Dent form the rest of an exceedingly attractive bill.

Miss Eva Tanguay began her farewell appearance in New York as "Salome" at the head of the bill at the Alhambra, where she shares honors with Thomas E. Shea, who is duplicating the success which he has already had in the other houses under Percy Williams' management, with the one-act version of "The Belle." Laddie Cliff is amusing Harlemites with his eccentric dancing and his comic English songs. The Artois Bros. are here with their laughable and clever bar act. Foster and Foster are giving their comedy pianologue; O'Brien, Havel & Co. add to the fun with their laughable skit, "Tick and Click." Other features are: Barry and Wolford in their tropical songs, Mueller, Chumm and Mueller, hoop rollers; Murphy and Francis, and the Vitagraph.

NOT SOCIALISM, HOWEVER. New Zealand Government has gone into the saw-milling business, and now supplies all timber required for the railways. A recent balance sheet of the operations of the Government mill shows that, after paying for all the plant, several thousand pounds have been saved to the people which otherwise would have gone as profits to private enterprises. All the same, profit making is not Socialism, even when a State is the profit monger.—Brisbane Worker.

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THE MODERN "SAMSON" A WEAKLING

By HYMAN STRUNSKY. William Gillette, the ingenious Sherlock Holmes and the admirable Chrillon proved himself a rather weak Samson last night at the Criterion Theater. A Samson with his locks shorn; with no power left to handle a jawbone, kill Philistines or rend a lion; but with just enough strength in him to "place firebrands in the tail of foxes." True, he pulled down the pillars which supported his enemy and brought about his downfall, but they were of such flimsy material and so theatrically constructed that the spectacle was witnessed without a thrill.

The foxes were a mother-in-law who induced her daughter to marry a man for his money, a silly father, a deceiving wife, and, last but not least, a polished, dandified villain, and Samson caught the 300 foxes and took firebrands and turned tail to tall and put a firebrand in the midst between two tails," so the Bible tells us. Last night, however, the firebrands were nothing but cheap and ineffective firecrackers that went out before they reached the dignity of flames.

The story is neither new nor startling—in France Maurice Brachard, a self-made man, is deceived by his wife, who is in love, or is about to be in love, with Jerome Le Gouvan, a society favorite and a regular heart-breaker. When the husband was expected to go to London the seducer gets the wife to go with him to a "lively resort." An eavesdropper, who is a victim of the villain, "puts the husband wise" and he merely pretends to go. He comes home and finds his wife gone. Also the parents of the unfortunate wife are there, and when the "beguiled" returns she is confronted by the family, the husband—and a scene. The next morning the husband—who is the Samson—gets his rival into a room of the hotel and there strangles him, but only after he has caused a drop in copper, which ruins everybody, the villain and himself included.

In the last act Maurice is poor, and is ordered to leave France. The mother and father see the advisability of the daughters leaving him. But she changes her mind and after a few melodramatic maneuvers, falls into his arm.

The story is a very unpleasant one. We do not mind listening to an unpleasant story of the kind told by Ibsen, Shaw and Strindberg, where the unpleasantness is focused on a vital point in our social order of human inefficiency. We have no objection to seeing ourselves and our little world in a true light, no matter even if the sight is as unpleasant to us as the sight of his own image to the Moor. But Henri Bernstein, the author of Samson, makes no "point." He simply tells an insipid story and shows us a piece of that kind of life that is flavored by intrigue.

The characters of the play are all theatrical. There is not one real, living type. There is the good husband, the wicked villain, the erring wife, the shrewd mother-in-law, the foolish and henpecked father-in-law and the smart son—a wise young man, so wise a child that he knows his own father and his faults. We have seen these "characters" many times—when we were children. It seemed last night that the moving, jabbering figures had been dug up, together with some old scenery, and given enough links and story to "stick." Constance Collier played the difficult part of the erring wife with much dignity, and William Gillette was good at certain moments. The young son was played by George Probert with exaggerated smartness that made the boy foolish when he was intended to be humorous. Arthur Byron, as the villain, was the conventional seducer to whom things, and wives, come because of the many charms that are his—the kind of villain that is created by the author rather than the actor.

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By OTTO McPHERSON. (Workers' Press Association.)

On October 17 at 9 o'clock the "Red Special," carrying Eugene V. Debs, stopped at Harper's Ferry, where John Brown made his stand against chattel slavery. The sun was shining brightly and the temperature was benign. Fifty townsfolk, including a few negroes, gathered about the band that had made music twice across the continent in the great effort to call the working class to the standard that means their own freedom.

"It is fitting that the 'Red Special' should stop here," he said, "and that we should do honor to John Brown. He was the greatest liberator this country has known. He dared the whole world and gave up his life for freedom. What more can a man do? A few years ago I came and followed his steps from this spot all the way to Charlestown, where he was hanged. All the way he was the only man I met. Kindly, sweetly and not once hating those who hounded him, he went his way."

"Even members of the poor despised race for which he had done so much were taught to despise him and to look upon him as something vile. On that bright, sunny morning when he was led upon the gallows, he smiled. 'This is a beautiful country,' he said, 'I had not seen it before. He went to his death without fear, knowing his work was done. For, as I stand here on this spot where he stood, I can see him as he stood here with a rifle in his hand, and his sons of the ground, one dead and the other dying. What a heroic figure he is! I see him. Even to-day he is not appreciated. But as time goes on the fog that obscures the acts of great heroic men will be swept away, and he will stand as one of the most heroic figures in the world. Emerson has said: 'The time will come when John Brown will have made the gallows as glorious as Jesus Christ made the cross.' The Socialist party is carrying on the work begun by John Brown."

The candidates of the working class seemed inspired in the presence of the mountains and river made historic by the great liberator and conscientious statesman, and rapidly and easily. Fortunately they all were taken down by a coroner, and probably will be published in the Socialist press.

The members of the National Campaign party gave three cheers for John Brown and for the emancipation of the wage slaves of to-day.

BAD LABOR CONDITIONS IN PENNSYLVANIA

By ISAAC COWEN. Special Correspondence to The Call.

READING, Pa., Oct. 16.—I arrived here yesterday on the Socialist party "Red Special," having boarded that famous train at Lansford, and helped address the crowds who met the special at every stop.

Debs' auditorium and his visit is regarded by the local Socialists as epoch-making in the history of the north here.

At Lansford I secured a number of subscribers for The Call, and the outlook for a big circulation is bright.

Pottsville is a Republican stronghold, and it shows the earmarks of Republican prosperity everywhere.

The machinists in the Reading Coal and Iron Company's shops have been on a piece work, but they did not know, in many cases, what they were to receive for their work till pay day. When that time came many received from \$1.50 to \$7 less than they had received for day work for the same period of time. There is no organization, no united kick, because there are so many looking for jobs.

I spoke both noon and night to good audiences. The Call is being sold by one of the leading newspapers. The workers were eager to take the sample copies I had after the contents had been explained to them, which will surely boom The Call's circulation in this section.

THE SOCIALIST INSPIRATION OF THE WORKING CLASS.

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The high and world-wide honor of this destiny must occupy all your thoughts. Neither the load of the oppressed, nor the idle dissipation of the thoughtless, nor even the harmless frivolity of the insignificant is henceforth becoming to you. You are the rock on which the church of the present is to be built.

It is the lofty moral earnestness of this thought which must with devouring exclusiveness possess your spirits, fill your minds and shape your whole lives, as to make them conformable to it, and always related to it. It is the moral of greatness of this thought which must never leave you, but must be present to your heart in your work-hours during the hours of labor, at your meetings, and even when you stretch your limbs to rest upon your hard couches. It is this thought which must all day occupy your minds till they lose themselves in dreams—dreams, in "The Workingmen's Program."

He—You say Mr. Talks makes friends wherever he goes? She—I said "whenever"

IN THE MAGAZINES.

"Rich and Poor in America" is an article by John Martin in this month's International Socialist Review, which discusses the accumulation of wealth and the average wage. From 1860 to 1900 the national wealth increased from sixteen billion to ninety-four billion dollars, though the population had increased but two and a half times. Millions have multiplied and multi-millionaires came into existence within the half century and still the average wage paid the eight-million workers in the United States is \$490, and more than ten per cent are buried in paupers' graves.

"Only one form of organization," says Mr. Martin, "can secure for the worker the big slice of the national cake which is now eaten in idleness by the bondholder, trust manipulator and 'city landlord.' By only one form of organization can the startling inequalities of fortune that have marked recent decades be cured, the highest average of well-being attained, degrading poverty and debilitating luxury alike prevented. That organization is the co-operative form, the democratic assumption of ownership, risks, management and profits, a form culminating in the co-operative commonwealth, the glowing goal of Socialism."

Dr. Henry Smith Williams writes in this month's "McClure's" on "Alcohol and the Individual." The writer repudiates the idea that one can be a "moderate drinker." He says: "If a reply the reader shall say 'There is some quantity of alcohol that constitutes actual moderation; some quality that will give me pleasure and yet not menace me; I answer thus: 'Conceivable that is true, though it is not proved. But in any event no man can tell you what the safe quantity is—if safe quantity there be—in any individual case.'"

Beth Low writes in the October Century on "The Writ of Injunction as a Party Issue," giving a comparison of the Republican and Democratic platforms in their treatment of the labor question. Except for the explicit endorsement of the bill passed by the United States Senate in 1896 when the Senate was under Democratic and Populist control, the plank in the Democratic platform bearing upon the question, might fairly be described as meaning anything or nothing, according to the wishes of the reader. In other words, in its platform Democracy says first that it does not propose to weaken the dignity of the courts, and, second, that the injunction should not be issued in any cases in which an injunction would not be issued if no industrial dispute were involved. This probably means nothing, because injunctions cannot be used in labor cases or in any other except upon the allegation that irreparable injury will be done if the injunction is not issued.

"Mr. Roosevelt and His Future," is the title of an article in this month's "Forum," by Harry Thurston Peck. "From his own point of view," says the writer, "it must seem almost a pity that when he reached the chief magistracy, he was the youngest of all the line. At noon on the 4th of March, 1905, Theodore Roosevelt's word will no longer be law to a hundred thousand office-holders."

Those who have read Hanford Henderson's "Children of Good Fortune" and "Education and the Larger Life"—and they ought to be many—will welcome his latest work, "The Lighted Lamp," which embodies his sane and brave views of life in the form of a novel. It is gratifying to know that the advance orders have been unusually large.

Lovers of music will learn with interest that a book on the life and work of the gifted and unfortunate Edward McDowell, by Lawrence Gilman, who wrote the study of McDowell's art for the "Living Masters of Music," is soon to appear.

"The World I Live In" is the title of a book by Helen Keller, which will be published within a few weeks. In what sort of a world does one live who can neither see nor hear nor speak? The question must be an intensely interesting one for all who have read of what this woman the subject of such a combination of afflictions, has been able to learn and to do.

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