

EDMONDS, WASH. JAN 6 1898

Henry Kuehn 184 William Street
New York

Dear Sir and Comrad

I will make a report of the Strength and condition of Section Edmonds I.L.P.W. Started with 13 Members and now have 17 but 2 or 3 of them should be suspended for non payment of dues. One of them promised to pay up the first time he see me. It seems repulsive to get them to take any interest as it they will not turn out to business meeting or agitation meetings. I have a fine speaker engaged for the 3rd Sunday in this month and hope they will turn out to hear him. I have had it all to do so far we appointed our Officers but they all wanted me to keep all the books and do all the business and I have done it so far. We have only made the dues 10 C per Month meet us my office free of charge and the Hall rent for agitation meetings and Literature that we have used 3 of us have paid it all they seem to want to keep up the Section But

do not want to bother themselves any to do it and
it is discouraging work for one to do it all over he
knows he is getting no thanks for it and yet last Month
I was elected by popular vote for the long term on the
City Council and was informed to day that I would
be appointed on the Board of School Directors and this is
a large District with 4 School houses one of them cost
10,000 dollars they are not paying jobs of course but I am
such a Rank old Socialist I was surprised at being
chosen for such places they are not very desirable offices
But I would not refuse them and will now try and
do justice as far as lays in my power they have proposed
to me now that we pass an Ordinance to punish
every Tramp that asks for food in this Town lock him up
and put him to work on the Streets for a time
I told them I would fight any such Ordinance as
there was no justice in Society making tramps and
then punishing them for being tramps But if they
could provide them any work and pay them for it then
I was with them On the Other Sheet is the names
of our members and the amount now due at 10¢
per month up to Jan 1st 1898
Yours Respectfully

R. L. CHASE, M. D.
Edmonds, Wash.

June 1st 1878

No	name	PO address	amt due
1	R L Chase	EDMONDS, WASH.	00
2	Henry Brown	EDMONDS, WASH.	00
3	Frank Langill	EDMONDS, WASH.	30
4	J P Shuster	EDMONDS, WASH.	10
5	W ^m Yates	Richmond Wash	40
6	A E Hill	EDMONDS, WASH.	00
7	L C Engle	EDMONDS, WASH.	30
8	S J Motterhead	EDMONDS, WASH.	10
9	J S James	EDMONDS, WASH.	20
10	H M Yost	EDMONDS, WASH.	20
11	Chas Johnson	EDMONDS, WASH.	10
12	W ^m Trees	EDMONDS, WASH.	Brokers leg never paid any
13	M W Holloway	Richmond Wash	40
14	John Clapp	EDMONDS, WASH.	30
15	Frank Spurlin	EDMONDS, WASH.	00
16	Frederic Jones	EDMONDS, WASH.	00
17	C W Grayhans	EDMONDS, WASH.	10
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now I propose to collect these dues if I can and keep
the Section alive till the campaign for Nov 1878 we
want a ticket in the field then