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# Introduction to Fourth Edition of Our Manifesto.

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Since the first issue of the Manifesto, many events have transpired of more or less importance, but all to have transpired of more or less importance, but all to be diverted into insignificance by the outbreak of the most colossal and destructive war of all time—a war which has all the appearance of being the opening of a new chapter in human history, not on account of those of its aspects which loom largest in the popular eye, but for the underlying social and economic changes it is hastening and the valuable lessons it has already writt large for the workers' reading. Yet it is precisely while the former are given an attention altogether beyond their merits.

beyond their merita.

This war is not being waged because an Archduke was assassinated in Beania, nor because a treaty, was violated in Beignim. The issue is greater than that if is a war for the world markets. The "place in the sun" the Teutons seek is a place to sell their wars. The British outery against the peril of Prussian militarism, is inspired by the fear of German commercial competition. The German military machine, like the British naval machine, is but the Jemmy wherewith the capitalist price his way into his neighbour's domain. The world market calls for world mastery; without the latter, the former is a dangerous ambition.

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As a war for world marketa it is a matter of concern only for the various capitalist interests involved. Yet the workers of each country have flung themselves into the conflict, vegardless of the consequences to themselves. The have heen stampeded by the two faces of the Ones bogey that has been conjured up before them all. The Teutons have railled to the defence of the Fatheriand from Russian barbarism; Briton and Frank, slav and Boman have risen to breast the on-trush of Prussian militarism. Regardless of the fact within the gates—the most to be feared by each is already within the gates—the master class whose battles each is fighting. Regardless of the fact that they have more to lose by victory than defeat—for, in any war, the victorious state has ever been the stronger to oppress its own workers; the defeated state ever the weaker to resist their demands.

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Also, at the first blast of war's trumph fell the walls of our "International" Jericho; an event of no little import to the working class. Justifying the S. P. of C.s. long resistance to any movement to Join the International Socialist Bureau on the ground that it was neither international nor socialist, it points the valuable lesson that Internationalism is born not made if the working class is to be internationalised, it is the capitalist system, not Social-Democratic statesmanship, that will do it.

manship, that will do it.

Another illusion that has been dispelled is that of the strength of the European Social-Democracies arising out of their opportunist-mode of propaganda. These parties have waged their campaign upon the political issues of the day thus aligning themselves with that section in the Socialist movement which would sacrifice sound principles to immediate successes. They have numbered their adherents by the million, and have educated them not at all. They have sown the wind—they are reaping. In conflict with them for generation are those who would sacrifice immediate successes to sound principles, who have been content to be fewer in numbers if clearer in understanding, who have given transient political issues the go-by and have barped upon the social Revolution, who have expounded economics and the class struggle, when the

others were shouting against taxes and tariffs, who have earned for themselves the name of impossibilist, and have been content therewith. The war has justified them. Where there are any impossibilists or lear-impossibilists in Europa, they have stood firm the "practical socialists" are cutting one another's throats in the trenches.

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This war is by no means to be regarded as an accilental and regrettable cataclysm. It is a fundamental and inevitable part of a World Process. A page in the era in which we live—Capitalism—an era in the evo intion of the human race from the simple unorganized communes of savagery, toward the complex, highly organized Commune of Civilization, wherein the forces of Nature are to be harnessed to the wheels of Man. The shaughter may seem appalling to us. To an era is is insignificant. To the Process it is of no moment:

"It slayeth and It saveth, nowise moved, Except unto the working out of Doom. Its threads are Love and Life, and Woe and Death, the shuttles of its

At any rate, "Peace has its victories no less than War." A period of peaceful capitalist prosperity will kill and maim as many as a periodical war.

And the outcome? Just as the outbreak of the war was foredoomed by causes within the capitalist system, so is the outcome, whatever it may prove to be, foredoomed. Just what it will be none may yet say. Only this is certain—forward it must carry us towards the social Revolution. How far forward one cannot see. But the signs are most promising.

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On the one hand, debt is piling upon debt and capitalist industry must pay the tax, and the tax will be hard to collect; which is hopeful. For when the state is in financial straits, the revolution is at hand. That is one lesson of history.

On the other hand, the influx of women into the fields of wage labour hitherto occupied by men is remarkable. By virtue of their cheapness they will stay. And, at the end of the war, some twenty million men will be thrown upon a glutted labor market, in an industrial system staggering under its incubus of war taxes. It looks well.

The longer the war continues the more do the "war conditions" of society and industry, outside the war zone, tend to become the normal conditions. The more unsettling, therefore, will be the settlement of the war. It will be an outbreak of peace, as calaclysmic as was the outbreak of war.

On the face of it, uprisings of a more or less revolutionary character seem not unlikely. Whether they will be successful or not is problematical. If they are it will not be the fault of the master class.

One more illusion, indeed, we may put from our minds, if we ever had it—that of a peaceful Revolution. A master class, capable of sending millions to slaughter in the field for the extension of its profits, is capable of making a shambles of an industrial city for the retention of its property jin the means of production. To expect them to give up their rulership with any good grace, is to credit them with grace beyond reason. It is only that, when a secial system is about to pass, the resistance of its parasites seems to collapse.

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At any rate the moral is for the workers to prepare. The worst, or the best is about to come. Let us hope for an early victory—for the working class.

#### POLITICAL ECONOMY AND HENRY GEORGE.

(Continued from December issue.)

Proceeding with our analysis we come to page 123, where we find the following:

depend upon the produce of labor and capital, but upon what is left after rent has been taken out."

To this we can give a flat denial. Wages are not affected by the rent of land. Instead of this being the case we find that wages hover about the cost of the laborers subsistence. whether rent is high or low. Supply and demand may temporarily affectwages, but it is that social regulating principle known as the law of value, which determines wages. Of course, historical conditions and a moral element may entre into the question, but as a general ruling we can safely say that wages are determined by the cost of the food, clothing, and shelter necessary to the reproduction of labor power.

This brings us to our next point. If wages are not affected by rents. and as rent represents a part of the invested. He owns his factory, ma- there is a chance of getting good reploys 100 workers. If he is an Onprobably receive \$500 per year each. or approximately \$2 per working day. Now, the capitalist when he commenced to employ these workers bought from them the use value of their labor power, at its exchange value, which as stated was \$2. The working day we will say is on the average 10 hours. In that time of course the worker produces, not only the \$2 or the equivalent of his wages. but more values still. Hence the name surplus values. This surplus is owned by the capitalist class, but not as a general rule by the individual exploiter. Very often he, as an individual, may have to share part of this surplus with other capitalists. He may have to pay interest on money loaned to him, or, if he does not own the land upon which his factory stands, he will have to pay

continual paying out in taxes, interest, and rent, the profits of the industrial capitalist do not come anywhere near to the total amount taken ation of the workers has taken pla from the slaves. Hence his great Machinery only means capital wh grievance against the landlord, who it is used by the owner to expl "Thus wages and interest do not if eliminated would leave the rent labor power. that had been previously taken, ... the hands of the industrial capitalist. In this way his profits would swell, for the worker would still receive wages; the equivalent to his subsistence standard.

> Turning over a few pages we come across another of George's gems. in which he states that "interest springs from the power of increase which the reproductive forces of nature..... give to capital. It is not an arbitrary, but a national thing: it is not the result of a particular social organisation, but of the laws of the universe which underlie society. It is, therefore, just." (Emphasis

According to this, one would imagine that to extract interest from industry, was, and is, a God given right. The financier, of course, knows different. When making insocial wealth extracted, where can it vestments he generally leaves 'God come from? To illustrate the pro- out of the question. What he does is cess of extraction, we will assume to see for himself what kind of a busthat a certain capitalist has \$20,000 iness the debter may have, and if chinery, raw material, and he em- turns on his loan. The total loan may be lent for a period of time, say tario capitalist, these workers will -10 years. At the end of that time the debtor is liable for that amount, no more, and no less. But for the use of the loan, interest has to be paid, and this does not grow on frees, away until it can be sold, or, as but comes out of the surplus prev. the case often, it may be destroy iously stolen from the slaves employed by the debtor, who would be termed an industrial capitalist. So then, in the last analysis, interest represents a certain amount of wealth produced by the application of labor power to the natural resources of the earth and transferred by the industrial capitalist to the financier.

> Machinery and buildings do not and cannot produce wealth. They only make labor power more productive and also tend to make it more intensified. Moreover, when we speak of capital we presuppose a social relationship, where we have exploiters and exploited. If there

part of this surplus as rent, with this was no labor power to be exploite then there could be no capital ... any "increase" in the shape of real interest or profit, means that expl

On page 188 we again find and selves at variance with George statement this time is, that indust depressions are due to land spice tion. This of course is absurd understand what a panic really have to know the working of car alism. We have pointed ou alread the fact of there being two class one of which is parasitic upon other. We have also seen that class takes a very large portion of total wealth. This wealth w first extracted is not money. It's be 1000 pair of boots or stocking it may be 1000 bushels of wheat the capitalist is in the farming ness he will not require all the plus wheat. . Apart from a second percentage for home use, he tries convert the rest into money, so as continue exploiting, and also increase his banking account. In reality surplus wheat that he sells, resents so much exchange value. W sold, and ready for consumption ceases to be exchange value, but use value. In short it is of utility

In the event, however, of too man articles being produced for wh there is no effective social deman the surplus over and above the mand is useless. It must be stor-As illustrations of the latter we contake perishable goods such as from fish and many dairy products. I capitalist as a general rule is wisthis matter, and so it is his businto watch the barometer of exchange very closely. When he sees a fall off in his sales, the first thing does is to cut down his working st Unemployment grows by leaps at bounds, and we have what is known as an industrial depression.

The real cause for this can be as eribed to the contractions capitalism. We have the worker producing \$2,500 worth of wealth in (Continued on page 12.)

## POLITICAL ECONOMY

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BEING PART II, CHAPTER VIII OF "ANTI-DUEHRING" BY F. ENGELS. (N.B.-This work was written in 1877-8.-Ed. Clarion.)

#### II THE FORCE THEORY.

Herr Deuhring argues that the auses of class subjection are to be sought in political conditions and hat political force is the primary and economic conditions merely the econdary, cause of class distinctions. Engels makes the following reply to these arguments):

This is Herr Deuhring's theory. It is set out, decreel so to say, here and in several other places. But we cannot find the slightest attempt to prove it or to disprove the opposite theory in the three thick volumes. Moreover if there was an abundance of proof we should get none from Herr Deuhring, for the matter is proven by the famous fall of man vin that Robinson Crusoe made Friday his slave. That was an act of force and so a political act. And this slavery, constitutes the point of departure and inoculates the heirs of sin with injustice so certainly that only lately it has become milder and "transformed in to the more indirect forms of economic dependency," Since the whole of the remaining actual "forcepossession' rests upon this original enslavement, it is clear that all economic phenomena can be explained from original causes, that is from force. And whoever is not satisfied with this is a secret reactionary

be as much in love with himself as Herr Deuhring is to consider this idea as "original" since it is not so by any means. The idea that the political doings of monarch and states are decisive events in history is as old as the writing of history itself and is the reason why we are so little aware of the real and quietly developing progress of the peoples which goes on behind these noisy and spectacular activities. This idea has dominated the whole of history in the past and got its first shock at the hands of the French bourgeois his- that the political groupings of the torians of the Restoration period.

To proceed, let us grant for the present that Herr Deuhring is correct when he says that all history up to now has been the slavery of man by men, and we are still a long way from the root of the matter. Let us ask now how it was that Robinson came to enslave Friday. Was it merely for the pleasure of doing sof Surely not. On the contrary we are informed that Friday "was subjugated as a slave or mere tool for economic service and was kept in subjection merely as a tool." Robinson only enslaved Friday that he might work for the benefit from the labor of Friday. Only by virtue of the fact that Friday produced more means of livlihood by his labor than Robinson had to give him to keep him able to work. Robinson has therefore, contrary to Herr Deuhring's pretty prescription, made, by the enslavement of Friday, a political organization, not just because he wanted to, but simply as a means of providing himself with food, and he ought to see how little he has in common with his lord and master Herr Deuhring.

The childish example, therefore, which Herr Deuhring has discovered "historical fundamental" proves that force is only a means to further an economic interest, and in history the economic side is likewise more Let us first remark that one has to a fundamental than the political. The example therefore proves just the opposite to what it ought to prove And, as with Robinson and Friday. so it is also with all the examples of Slavery, to use Deuhring's own elegant expression, always implies a means for supplying sustenance (using the term in its broadest sense) and never merely implies a political organization which has been developed by its own will. One would have to be a Herr Deuhring to venfure to call taxes only a secondary feature of government, or, to say

subjugated proletariat are purely voluntary and not made to serve the material interests of the bourgeois. namely profit making and the accumulation of capital

Let us give our attention again to our two men. Robinson "sword in hand" makes Friday his slave. But to do this Robinson uses something else besides his sword. A slave is not made by that means solely. In order to be able to keep a slave one has to be superior to him in two respects, one must first have control over the tools and objects of labor of the slave and over his means of subsistence also. Therefore, before slayery is possible, a certain point in production has to be reached and a certain degree of inequality in distribution attained. And when slave labor becomes the dominant mode of production of an entire society a higher development of the powers of production, of trade and of wealth, accumulation occurs. In early tribal communities which had common ownership of the soil, slavery is either non-existent or its role is very subordinate. So it was at first in Rome. as a state of farmers, but when Rome became the capital city of the world in order to show that force is the and the soil of Italy came more and more to be owned by a numerically small class of enormously wealthy property owners, the population of farmers perished in front of the slave population. When at the time of the Persian war, the number of slaves in Corinth was 460,000, and in Ægina 470,000, and there were ten slaves to every freeman in the population. the explanation must be sought in something other than force; there were a highly developed art and handicraft and foreign commerce. Slavery in the United States of America was much less due to force than to the English cotton industry: where there was not cotton grown or where slaves were not raised as in the border states, for the cotton producing states, it perished of its own dominant bourgeois of today and the accord and without any employment

of force simply because it did not of communal ownership for a thous-

When Herr Duehring therefore calls the property of the present day property resting on force and designates it as "that form of domination which does not merely signify the exclusion of one's fellow beings from the use of the natural means of sustenance, but implies in addition that the subjection of man has lain at the foundation of human slavery" he puts the matter upside down. The subjection of humanity to slavery inall its forms means the control by the master of the means of labor by virtue of which alone he can employ his slaves upon them and the disposal of the means of livelihood by which he can keep his slaves alive In all cases therefore it implies a certain power of possession which transcends the ordinary? How did this arise? Occasionally it is clear that it was seized and can therefore be said to rest upon force but this is by no means essential. It can be got by labor, be robbed, be obtained by trade, or taken by fraud. It must be worked for generally before it can be stolen.

Private property does not historically come into existence by any means as a rule as the product of robbery and violence. On the contrary. It arises from the limitation of certain things in the early tribal communes. It developes in the first . by force. We have already mention place within the tribe and afterwards in exchange with peoples outside of the tribe in the form of wares. In proportion as the products of the tribe assume the form of commodities, i. e., the less they are produced for the use of the producer and the more for the purpose of exchange the exchange destroys the original form of distribution in the commune itself, and the more unequal become the shares of the individual membcas of the community with respect to material possessions. So the old communal ownership of land hecomes more and more invaded, the communal property is rapidly converted into a village of farmers, each tilling his own piece of ground. Oriental despotism and the changing government of conquering nomads had no power to alter the old form

and years. But the continual destruction of the primitive domestic industry through the competition of the products of the great industry is bringing about its dissolution. The thing has little to do with force as has lately appeared in the matter of the division of the communal property of the feudal societies on the Moselle and in Hochwald. The peasants are finding the substitution of individual for communal holdings to their interests. Even the growth of a primitive aristocracy as among the Celts, the Germans, and in Mesopotamia, is a result of the communal ownership of landed property and does not depend upon force in the slightest degree but upon free will and custom. Especially where private property arises it appears as the results of a change in the methods of production and the development of commerce and therefore arises from economic causes. Force plays no role in this. It is clear that the institution of private property must have already existed before the robber is able to possess himself of other people's goods and that force may change the possession but cannot alter private property as such.

But to explain the "subjection of men to slavery" in its modern form. in wage-labor, we can make no use of either force or property acquired ed the part which the transformation of the products of labor into commodities, their production not for use alone, but for exchange, plays in the destruction of the primitive communal property and therefore in bringing into existence directly or indirectly the universality of private property. But Marx has proved in his "Capital" and Herr Duch ring does not venture to intrude upon the matter-that at a certain stage in economic development the production of commodities is transformed into capitalistic production and that at this point "the law of appropriation resting upon the production and circulation of commodities the law of private property, by its own inevitable dialectic becomes changed into its opposite, the exchange of

equivalents, which appeared as it. original mode of operation, but he now become so twisted that there only an appearance of exchange since. In the first place, the port of capital exchanged for labor for is itself only a portion of the production of another's labor taken without equivalent, and in the second pla it is not only supplied by its proders, the workers, but it must be sur lied also with a new surplus. Original ally property seemed to us to be tablished on labor only proper now appears (as a conclusion of Marxian argument), on the side the capitalist, as the right to una labor and, on the side of the w ingman, as an impossibility, the o ership of his own product. The ference between property and la is the result of a law which appear. ly proceeded from their identit n other words if we exclude the sibility of force, robbery, and chiing absolutely, if we take the p. tion that all private property orig ally depended upon the personal bor of its possessor and that equi lents are always exchanged we ne theless come, in the course of development of production and change, of necessity to the mocapitalistic methods of produc to the monopolisation of the meaproduction and livelihood in hands of a single class few in n ers, to the degradation of the consisting of the immense maof producers to the position of pertyless proletarians, to the per ical alternations of swindling options and trade crises and to whole of the present anarchy in duction. The entire result rests purely economic grounds with robbery, force, or any intervent of politics or the government being necessary. Property resting on forbecomes a mere phrase which merely serves to obscure the understanding of the real development of thing-

This course, historically expressed is the story of the development of the bourgeoisie. If "political cond tions are the decisive causes of economic conditions the modern bourged isie would necessarily not have progressed as the result of a fight with feudalism, but would be the darling

child of its womb. Everybody knows that the opposite is the case. The bourgeoisie, originally bound to pay feudal dues to the dominant feudal nobility, recruited from bond slaves and thralls, in a subject state, has in the course of its conflict with the nobility captured position after position, and finally has come into possession of the power in civilized countries. In France it directly attack ed the nobility, in England it made the aristocarcy more and more bour geois and finally incorporated it with itself as a sort of ornament. And how did this come about? Entirely through the transformation of economic conditions which was sooner or later followed either by the voluntary or compulsory transformation of political conditions. The fight of the bourgeoisie against the feudal nobility is the fight of the city against the country, of industry against landlordism, of economy based on money against economy based on natural products. The distinctive weapons of the bourgeoisie in this fight were those which came into existence through the development of increasing economic force by reason of the growth at first of hand manufacture and afterwards machine manufacture and through the extension of trade. During the whole of this conflict the political power was in the hands of the nobility, with the exception of a period when the king employed the bourgeoisie against the nobility in order to hold one in check by means of the other. From the very moment, however, in which the bourgeoisie still deprived of political power began to be dangerous because of the development of its conomic power the monarchy again turned to the nobility and thereby rought about the revolution of the ourgeoisie first in England and then in France. The political conditions in France remained unaltered until the economic conditions outgrew them. In politics the noble was everything, the bourgeoisie nothing. As a social factor the bourgeoisie was of the highest importance while the nobility had abandoned all its social functions and yet pocketed revenues, social services which it did not any longer perform. Even this

is not sufficient Bourgeoise society. was, as far as the whole matter of production is concerned, tied and bound in the political feudal forms of the Middle Ages, which this production, not only as regards manufacture but as regards handwork also had long transcended amid all the thousandfold gild-privileges and local and provincial tax impositions which had become mere obstacles and fetters to production. The bourgeois revolution put an end to them. But economic conditions did not, as Herr Duehring would imply, forthwith adapt itself to the political circumstances,-that the king and the nobility spent a long time in trying to effect-but it threw all the mouldy old political rubbish aside and shaped new pointical conditions in which the new economic conditions might come into existence and develop. And it has developed splendidly in this suitable political and legal atmosphere, so spiendidly that the bourgeoisie is now not very far from the position which the nobility occupied in 1789. It is becoming more and more not alone a social superfluity but a social impediment. It takes an ever diminishing part in the work of production and becomes more and more, as the noble did, a mere revenue consuming class, And this revolution in its position and the creation of a new class, that of the proletariat, came about without any force-nonsense but by purely economic means. Further more, it has by no means accomplished it by its own wilful act. On the other hand it has accomplished itself irresistibly against the wish and intentions of the bourgeoisie. Its own productive forces have taken the management of affairs and are driving modern bourgeois society to the necessity of revolution or destruction. And if the bourgeoise now appeals to force to ward off the ruin arising from the decrepit economic condition it proves thereby that it suffers from the same error as Herr Duehring, in that it thinks that "political conditions are the distinctive causes of economic condition" and that by the use of the prime factor of mere political force it can manufacture the second-

ary factor of economic conditions.

It thinks that it can shape economic conditions and beir inevitable development, and Anerefore eliminate the economic freets of the steam engine, and the modern industry which has proceeded from it. It thinks that it can about the world commerce and the bank credit development of to-day from the universe by means of Krupt guns and Mauser

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### CHARITY.

THIS is the season when the workers position is most plainly seen. A mere apology for food, wearing apparel, and habitation can be made to suffice, while climatic conditions alternate between warm breezes, showers and sunshine. Naturally, then, at this particular season, when poverty (the normal condition of the wage workers) has reached its most acute form, the usual remedies must be prescribed by the various institutions concerned with the maintenance of human exploitation.

Religious bodies, from the powerful Roman Catholic Church to the filthy little waterfront missions, are contributing their usual supply of progress and admonitions. The Press, no matter whether political or secular, government or opposition, Orange or Catholic, greatly deplores the poor workers' condition and, after pouring forth its motherly exhortations to practice economy, lovingly ends up by opening a "fund for the poor." The women's mission circle, bodies of St. Elizabeth's guild Sisters of Mercy, and daughters of pity, composed of daintily decorated and prettily powdered females are making every effort to appease the hungry, with kind words and oceasional dinners.

If the annual Christmas "feed" so generously donated to the poor by

# EDITORIAL PAGE

cupy the attention of the gastric juices for a period of three months the matter would soon be satisfactorily settled. But it won't. The stomach (that great preventative of working class pleasure) must be continuously replenished. But "manna" doesn't fall from heaven as it did in the "good old times."

In order to secure life's bare necessities the worker must have something to offer in exchange. What is that "something" which we of the bottom strata must daily peddle in order that life may not entirely desert us? It is our power to labor: the mental and physical energy stored up within us; in fact we are offering ourselves at so much per hour, or day, to our masters for a pittance that barely suffices to bring us back the next day to repeat this colossal

When business is good, real estate booming, and the building trades active, then a considerable percentage of the workers are given the opportunity of selling themselves for wayes. The jobs they so greatly adore are fairly plentiful. But, when conditions resume the normal. when markets are glutted with the wares which willing-workers have abundantly produced, when real estate values vanish and industry becomes disjointed. then the situation doesn't appear so lovely. The number of hands required is small. The unemployed army assumes amazing proportions. But work or no work. the stomach is calling for food.

Were such a condition as this to be left to adjust itself, either the workers would become extinct. through starvation, or else, under the impetus of hunger, they might have courage enough to satisfy their requirements with some of the articles of food and clothing which they produced. In either case the result would be detrimental to the masters' interests hence the aforementioned institutions with their intense anxjety to relieve conditions. Cheerful givers, altruists, philanthropists and the like are soon in the limelight. and workers. The collective efforts

the Salvation Army would only oc- Generosity of heart is only excby their zeal to preserve intact : masters property and institution Benevolence instead of being are tised for the purpose mentioned of assisting the deserving lielola is inspired by a mean, low, sordid interest that must be advanced.

The workers of the world are numerous, too highly productive function for any great length of in the system constructed as today. The commodities procannot be disposed of, the whee industry will not continue revolwhen the demand for the output vanished. Industrial stagnation sults. The conflict of interest comes plainly marked. On the hand those who produce the wo wealth existing in a state of a misery, on the other hand in the and comfort, those who own wealth.

While the exploiters are wa for markets to absorb the comities piled up in elevators, houses and factories some conation must be given to the "stamultitude" who produced those modities -

Several ingenious methods ar sorted to in order to keep a ! iful supply of "hands" aroun machines of production, but greatest of these is charity. the individuals, and private it tions, who scatter crumbs of eco to the needy are always lauded honored by their fellow beings. this source no longer suffices for distribution of charity.

As the capitalist system beard more fully developed the necessity for assistance to the workers bears more pronounced Bourgeois omists are already shouting for the State to come to the rescue and self, become the nerve centre from which charity radiates But. while we realize this to be the log cal move for the masters to make " cannot lose sight of the fact that whatever may be the source which pittance supplied to workers is derived, it will never move the conflict between masters

of the dominant class is only a further development of their individual efforts, both equally deficient to hold the reins of power when the workers

J. A. McD.

### MILITARISM.

M UCH has been said of late regarding militarism, the assumption being that the phenomena is of recent growth; but however modern the term itself may be, the institution it designates, is of very ancient origin. It arose with the appearance in the history of the human race of chattel slavery and was practically co-incident with the institution of organized religion. It is a fact that armed forces together with religious beliefs had for their objective the same aim-the protection and maintenance of property rights. In accordance with the exigencies of each successive economic period, whether of chattel slavery, feudalism, or modern capitalism, the two institutions have ceaslessly supported each other in the interests of the ruling class to the end that the slave class might always be hell in. subjection.

Militarism has grown in proportion to the expansion of the economic interests of the ruling class , and whatever outery there may be against it now, proceeds from a section of the exploiters of labor, who see in the increasing armaments a menace to their profits and consequent speedy extinction. Therefore, militarism must be destroyed and war ensues in Europe, Asia and Africa to carry out their aim. In short they proceed to stay the flood by adding more water. Out of this terrible and absurd situation there springs into the arena of practical politics anti-military and peace parties and ere long the cry is eagerly seized upon by deluded workers as a way out of the economic darkness.

Just at present, however, it would seem as if the big army and navy proposition was exeremely popular. and, looked at from the standpoint of the unwise proletarian, the greatest

him within reach of his chief object The capitalist system is a slave sysof worship-a steady job. It cannot be gainsaid but that the great war has certainly relieved the unemployed situation among a very large proportion of the world's population and already many, many, thousands have been furnished with a life job and retired for ever.

Perhaps this is why not so much

is heard as of yore about "peace and goodwill." Time was when these words had great popularity along about the tail end of each year. Maybe the preachers whose business it your orders now! was to mouth them have different orders of their masters. Certain it in that the wonderful adaptability of Christian doctrine has once again manifested itself, so that it may retain its position as the premier religion of the world in the service of modern capitalism, outdoing the frankly warlike Mohamedanism. It is reported that recently in the British House of Commons Mr. Robt. Outhwaite said in debate "That as there is nothing doing at present in Christianity isn't it important that clergymen should enlist?" The reply was not given, but Mr. Outhwaite appears to hold the conventional notion that outside of churches Christianity and clergymen do not function. This is not so, as is amply proved by the logic of events.

In adjusting themselves to capitalism, the clergy have demonstrated clearly that apart from the advisability of enlisting they have already "done their bit" and done it

system has discovered in Christianity, acre proposition, to put it into practthat can be used by its clergy with doubled vigor. We know it is hard, the righteousness of war under any sort of national or international Alberta Provincial Executive Comline up. A short study of present mittee will act as the Provincial day conditions in the light of the So- Executive of Saskatchewan for the cialist analysis will reveal to the time being. Also, Ontario locals working class that not militarism nor take note that pending the formation anti-militarism, not peace politics of an executive for that province. nor religious activities, will release the Dominion Executive Committee from them their burden of poverty. but capitalism itself, out of which thing that ever happened to bring all these evolve, must be overthrown.

tem and like all others the destroyer of the workers and by the workers must itself the destroyed.

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#### SECRETARIAL NOTES

It will probably be about three or four weeks jet, before the Manifesto is off the Press. As this edition is being thoroughly revised and brought up to date, we would advise everyone to get a copy. Send in

#### A PROPOSITION

The Manitoba and Saskatchewan Grain Growers Association, at their recent conventions, decided to give to the Government as an aid in the war, the crop from one acre of wheat per farmer. The working class are continually at war with their masters, and as an aid to this war knowledge is the first weapon. Comrade Thos. Foulston; of Eyebrow, Sask. makes the propositon of giving the erop of one acre of wheat to the Clarion in order that this weapon may be as widely disseminated as possible, and asks how many of the farmers of the praries are willing to do likewise. He also suggests that the mechanics and laborers of the cities should donate one per cent of their wages for a period of six

Dont swamp the office with your offers .- April, 1915, issue.

Now is the time for those revolu-Capitalism, founded upon the tionists in the Prarie Provinces, who graft and decit, covered by the wage agree with Comrade Foulston's one just that happy blend of hypocrisy ice. Let us push our fight with reequal facility to cry "peace, peace, but great will be our reward, when where there is no peace" or advocate the enemy are thoroughly subdued.

will furnish supplies direct.

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#### THE S. D. P. OF C., AND REFORM.

The following is practically all of W. A. Pritchard's opening address in the debate with Ernie Burns (S. D. P. of C.,) at the Empress Theatre, Vancouver, B. C., May 10th 1914 on the following ques-

Resolved that the platform of the S. D. P. of C., is not worth of working class support.

Several slight references to matter that would scarsely be appropriate at this time are left out, but no additions have been made. If any of our S. D. P. of C., "friends" think they are not being fairly treated in the publication of one side of an argument, they are at perfect liberty to use the columns of this paper in reply.
—Ed. Clarion.

If you noticed particularly the resolution for debate as announced by the chairman, you will have observed that the merits-or demerits-of the S. D. P. of C. platform are alone to be discussed.

Running casually through the first portion of that platform, we find very little that serious objection could be raised to. Yet, inserted in supposedly working class declaraof principles, mhich states that: "By virtue of the ownership of the means of production, etc., all the wealth the workers produce accrues into the hands of the capitalist class." we find the following:

"As a means of preparing the minds of the people for the inauguration of the Co-operative Commonwealth, the S. D. P. of C., will support any measure tending to better conditions under capitalism, such as:

- (1) Reduction of hours of labor The elimination of child lab-
- Universal adult suffrage with out distinction of sex or regard to property qualificacations; and
- (4) The Initiative, Referendum, and right of Recall.

Before I touch upon these specific reforms advocated in the platform of . the S. D. P. of C., I want to briefly point out the commodity nature of the worker's, life force-labor power, the only thing of value they have for exchange.

We are all pretty well agreed that at "value." which is measured in units of simple labor time, and that the price of any commodity is merely

"value." We are also agreed, I take it, that labor-power, being bought and sold upon the World market, possesses this commodity characteristie. The monetary expression of the "value" of labor power is termed wages. The value of a definite amount of the necessaries of life so much food, clothing, shelter, etc. These are purchased with the aforementioned wages and are sufficient only-taking one period with another -to enable the purchaser thereof to reproduce himself as a necessary factor in production. From which we argue, (and to my mind it is the only logical explanation) that so long as labor-power remains a commodity, -and it must inevitably do as long as the means of life remain the property of the capitalist class-just so long will the workers, as a class, receive in exchange for their labor power, value for value, that is, enough doughnuts, etc., to keep them sufficiently fit to function as the active factor in production.

I have given these few points so that we might understand the basis upon which the revolutionary program of the working class must be built. If the correctness of my crude outline of economic fundamentals be granted, it must necessarily follow that it is impossible, so long as capitalism remains, to make the position of the working class more tolerable, and all reforms to this system, therefore, whether introduced by avowed capitalist benchmen or supposed socialists, must look alike to the individual who takes his stand on the inexorable law of value.

We will now briefly refer to the paragraph read out a little time ago. In that paragraph the statement is made that certain reforms, afterwards named, are to be advocated by the S. D. P. of C., as a means of preparing the minds of the people for the inaugavation of the Cooperative Commonwealth

In the first place allow me to state that neither increasing misery, by it- men. self, nor yet the proposal to reform something which cannot be reformed commodities exchange on an average 'will prepare the minds of the workers for the inauguration of the Cooperative Commonwealth. Only the promulgation of sound knowledge, the monetary expression of such based upon the conditions now exist-

ing, can be depended upon from the revolutionary standpoint. We have but one objective to strive for :- the overthrow of the wages system, the demoralishing of the system of production known as capitalism. conflict of interests between master and slave, necessarily arising from the current antagonisms in society. will necessitate, more and more as time goes by, the introduction, by the henchmen of the master class themselves, of various reforms and prices of remedial legislation, which will be handed like sops to the work ers, for the very purpose of becloud ing the issue which we are endeav oring to uncover-the ownership of the forces of production and distri-

If we, purporting to voice the interest of the propertyless proletar: at, insist upon the inclusion in our program of any reform however beautiful it may appear, we must, in the first place, take the risk of hav ing persons who do not understand our position, subscribe to our platform merely because we advocate some reform which they imaging will benefit them in some particular way In the second place, we leave the way open for certain radical sections of the master class to step in and wipe" some of our dearly cherished ideals, such as "Woman Suffrage", clean blankets for hoboes," or any other palliative which cannot pails ate. And the moment this occurs, our beatiful dream of a large support turns into a hideous nightmare, for we will find we have counted heads that could not be counted upon (A glance at the German S. D. P., veri fies this assertion of Pritchard's, made two years ago-Ed. Clarion).

If the one and only plank-the overthrow of capitalism-remains in any platform, it is pretty certain that those endorsing it do so because of the object stated, and not because they desire the recall of judges, or dog catchers; Premiers or police-

Allow me the privelege of making quotation from an article written by a person well known in Canada. I make this only insofar as it touches upon the question raised in this discussion, and, therefore, I think, lies within the limits of this debate.

"Reforms at their best are but a makeshift, merely patching up, prolonging the system." That quotation is taken from an

article which appears in "Cotton's Compendium of Facts," and was written by H. Martin, National Sec. retary of the S. D. P. of C. It states emphatically, in direct contradiction to the inference given in the S. D. P. of C., platform that "reforms at their best." far from bringing the Cooperative Commonweith nearer, are only a makeshift, prolonging the system." But suppose it were possible to introduce these reforms and thereby better the conditions of the workers in any particular trade or locality, the unemployed would inevitably crowd into that trade or locality, and conditions would ultimately become as bad or if not worse than, before. This alone should be sufficient to show us that the workers are kept down to a miserable subsistence level, and as the machine develops, it becomes increasingly difficult to obtain even this bare subsistence. Our "friends." I. W. W., were wont to declare that an eight hour day would materially affect the worker's position, and in order to obtain this desirable thing. we must organize on the job. That cry is now silenced, for most of us are not attached to any job upon which we could organize. The pursarily gravitate to the cheapest marpower which now obtains. I want to and docile, or by mis-called socialists know just what kind of a reform for the purpose of making the condicould effect a reduction in the hours tion of the worker better, always of labor or a raise in wages, other. than those determined by the condition of the labor market.

I do not propose to waste any time with the reforms specifically mentioned in the S. D. P. of C. platform, because the wording of the paragraph' referred to is such that anything and everything is allowed for, from government ownership of railroads and mines to the municipalisation of peanut stalls and milk dairies, in the words, "such as."

After several decades of political reforms mongering by so-called work ing class parties in Great Britain, what are the results? Any differnce in the status of the worker? No! people for the coming social change? Again, no! Where any preparation can be observed, you will find that it arose out of changing conditions ing forces of production; and because certain workers have listened to the "song of the machine," to that extent are they prepared for the inaugaration of a new social order. Those who were to have been forms and political clap-trap are still mire of anarchy and reaction.

Reduction of the hours of labor! of England to introduce the "eight hour day" was Sir William Mother, before. The waste in starting and fast time, the cost of light, in the dark season, etc., were eliminated, and to that extent labor was displaced elsewhere, thus adding to the already fierce competition for jobs. Also by tallies kept by the foremen it was found that a man could be speeded up to produce the same amount in two periods of four hours each, as he could in three periods of one "two," and two "four" hours. One chasers of commodities, whether it could quote instances without numbbe doughnuts or labor power, neces. er to show that all reforms, whether introduced by capitalists, with a ket, and with the surplus of labor. view to keeping the workers good work out to the benefit of the masters and the greater exploitation of the workers

> We hear people talking of unemployment as a question which could be solved by itself within the confines of the capitalist system. Such persons have never understood the economic laws governing capitalism. and, consequently, always skim the surface of things. My time is almost up. I have attempted to show the commodity nature of the only thing the worker has, or thing that he must sell in order to live-his the mystery of the universe. He labor-power, and how he receives in deals with the results of modern

sistence; how reforms are made ne-Any preparation in the minds of the cessary for the capitalists by the growing intensity of production. becouse of capitalist concentration it becomes increasingly difficult for the worker to obtain even his bare generated by the constantly develop- subsistence, and how, in consequence of these things, reforms will be introduced by our capitalist maters, whether we trouble about them or not.

Therefore any program or platform which seeks to do the work of led into the fold by red-herring re- the master's political henchmen can not be a correct expression of revoto be seen floundering in the quag- lutionary principles and is, consequently of no use to the workers whose hope of emancipation lies in The first man, I think in the north the overthrow of this system and in that alone; and because the platform of the S. D. P. of C., advocates of Mother and Plott, Limited. After reform and thereby reveals its capitwelve months trial he was able to talist tendencies, I beg leave to state. declare a greater rate of profit than that, unequivocally in my opinion. the "platform of the S. D. P. of C., stopping the gigantic plant at break. is NOT worthy of working class support "

#### NO REFUGE BUT IN TRUTH.

S OCIALISTS who are still struglems might with profit read Goldwin Smith's "Guesses at the Riddle of the Universe," Is there another life?" and "No refuge but in Truth," Not only are the learned professor's studies typical of the modern man's views of orthodox the ology, but he also lets "the cat out of the bag" by developing the bourgeois idea that freedom of thought be granted the priver ileged few, while the masses must be held to blind belief, if the present order is to endure

Goodwin Smith says: "There is no longer any use in clinging to the untenable or in shutting our eves to that which cannot honestly be de-

Then why should he express the fear that it might be presumptious for the average layman to think for himself? That in spite of the fact of his expressed opinion, that the clergy cannot write with perfect free dom(!) Professor Smith states that modern man deeply ponders over exchange for it, only a bare sub- science, as having shown man his

true insignificannt position in a vast and must have satisfied his conscience potence and benevolence are to meet. it must apparently be at a point, at present beyond our ken." Of immortality he says: "The thought of conscious immortality is one which makes mind ache and it agination reel; yet the thought of annihilation is not welcome, nor have we by this time distinctly faced it." Nor is Smith sufficiently consistent to follow his investigations to their logical conclusion. A typical bourgeois philosopher he always compromises. So in the following: "These are troublous times. Trouble everywhere, in politics, in the social system, in religion. But the storm centre seems to be in the region of religion. The fundamental beliefs on which our social system has rested are giving way. (Emphasis mine). Of ourse Professor Goldwin Smith scorns the crude belief of heaven and hell. He is convinced that "no one has ever been seen or heard of after death." He feels "to fathom the mystery of the universe, the mystery of existence- that we cannot hope."

But the philosopher who so reasons, who ridicules belief in mir acles, who freely asserts: "If there was no fall, there was no need of an atonement; if no need of that, then no need of an incarnation, and that whole cycle of dogma apparently falls to the ground," he who entertains doubt as to the Christ being . historical character, this self-same apologizer for class rule exhibits all the poverty and cowardice of bourgeois ethics by asking :: "Supposing" religion would fail, what would the clergy do? Would they starve? What a void would the departure of religion and the closing of the churches leave in life!" Is it not like declaring that disease was an evil but a void would be felt, if illness were conquered and hospitals could be done away with! Smith realizes that elergymen as a class must ever compromise. He says: "They are learned, they read, they meditate: many of them must by nature have open minds. But they are bound by tests." He tells us: "I have even seen the pastorate of a large parish assumed by one who in private was an evident rationalist

universe. He concludes: 'If omni- (!) by promising himself that he would do o great deal of social good." Some consciences seem easily lulled to sleep -under the influence of a large stipend.

But the lesson for the proletariat

we find in the following opinions of

the brilliant essavist. "Orthodoxy has still hold enough to exert a great deal of suppression. There is fear of disturbing what is supposed to be and probably to a certain extent has been a security for social order. I have seen this feeling caried to the extent of building a church, by one whom I knew to be a most pronounced unbeliever. Nor is the fear of social disturbance, which imposes reticence, if not hypocrisy, unfounded. There can be little doubt that belief in the present state of things as divine ordinance, and in future retribution, dim as it may have been, has had considerable influence in reconciling the suffering classes to the present order of things." And giving a still stronger expression to his evident idea of truth being safe for the privileged few, but, that the gullible mass must be fed with blind dogma, he says: "We are confronted with the vital question, what the world would be without religion, without a trust in providence, without hope, or fear of a hereafter. Social order is threatened. Classes which have hitherto aquiesced in their lot, believing in divine providence and relress and compensation in a future state, are now demanding that conditions be levelled here. The nations quake with fear of change. The leaders of humanity. some think may even find it necessary to make up by increase of power of government for the lost influence of religion."

Does not Goldwin Smith's refreshing candor show us the viewpoint of the ruling class?

What need we add in conclusion, but that to us the lesson is obvious. "They who would be free, themselves must strike the blow."

#### SECRETARIAL NOTES.

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Comrade W. A. Pritchard Ceditor of the Western Clarion) is now on an organising trip through Alberta. His intention is to go as far east as Win nipeg, taking in the most important points on the way. Good results are expected of his visit, as far as a clarity standpoint is concerned, by the Dominion Executive Committee All those workers who have the emancipation of their class, as their main object, take note. . . .

On another page will be found a letter by the secretary of New Bruns wick P. E. C. regarding the case of Wilfrid Gribble. Now, as it is not Gribble, but the Socialist Party that is on trial, and been found guilty of seditious utterances, we would like to point out to our fellow workers that individuals like Armand Lavergne, M. P. P., and Henri Bourassa. both Canadian French Nationalists. have uttered far more seditious lan guage than any of our organisers. but have been allowed to go about their business unmolested. Why because they have powerful capital ist interests behind them, and there fore have power enough to creat serious trouble to the other factions of the master class; but we, representing only a small portion of the workers, those who realize their pos itnon in modern human society, in this part of the world, have, there fore, little power, and until we have enough members of our class educat " ed to the Socialist position, cannot look for anything but oppression Might is right. It is not our way ! ask for things but to take then which we can do when we, as a class realise our slave position, and express a desire to be free. To be a Socialist in this country means to be a pro-German, in the eyes of the rul ing class, just as, being a Socialist Germany means to be pro-British the eyes of the German ruling class We realise only one working class the world over, with one common enemy, the capitalist class. There fore, fellow workers, gain a know ledge of scientific Socialism, and act accordingly. -

THE REID CASE

Edmonton, Alta. .. Jan. 25th. 1916

A. MacLean, Avenue Theatre Building, Vancouver, B. C.

Arrange protest meeting Reid sentenced for fiften months. Principal charge repeating at public meeting he was British born, and was not proud of it, and had no country. It was a capitalists' war. This is a straight challenge against Socialist propaganda. Use this in Clarion.

Edmonton Local

The above night letter just arrived as paper goes to Press

#### MANITOBA MISCELLANEA

The following clipping from the Winnipeg Tribune of December 5th. 1915, has its amusing side when one takes into consideration the fact that amongst the "prominent citizens who signed Mayor Wangh's nomination papers the name of R A Rigg M. P. P., occupied a place of honor

#### City Will Refuse Responsi bility of Men Out of Work

At today's meeting, of the board of control, Mayor Wangh emphatically stated that the city refused to consider itself responsible for the supplying of jobs to men out of work whether or not they worked for the city at some previous time. There are less than 20 men seeking employment in civic departments at present, and the mayor does not think it advisable to open improvement works involving considerable expense. He suggested however that it might be possible to put some of the aplicants to work cleaning side walks

"The out-of-works should exercise thrift when they are not out of work and have an umbrella of \$1.00 bills for the next rainy day," he said. . . .

One can only offer up a silent prayer that the efforts of Mr. Rigg in amalgamating the Laborites, as represented by Mr. Puttee, the Independents as represented by Mr. Bayley, and the Social Democrats as represented by Norbert O'Leary, may yet be crowned with success. Ye Gods! how funny it would be to be alive on that great day.

of a local being formed in the near Club, and according to the capitalfuture are excellent, the material is already there, old differences have largely disappeared and now is the time for action.

An old frond of mine writing from the trenches tells me that while we must not doubt their patriotism there are many arguments on the firing line as to whether or not "it's all worth while " and the consensus of sopinion seems to be, to his mind; veering around to that great saying of George Bernard Shaw's in "Pvganalion: where you will remember the lady with a haughty look in her eyes, pours forth those noble words "Not bloody likely." . . .

Perey (new has a long article of adoration in the religious number of the "Voice" on the L.L. P. In it he states that after the war the workers will remember the message they dehvered in the war days. One can only wonder if he means the message from the recruiting platform of Jim Parker, and the wail for "Peace at any price" of the late Jas. Keir Hardie, the twistings and turnings of Ramsay Macdonald or the slippery soporitic dope peddled by Phillip Snowden. Then the question arises, if a worker remembers all those different ideas peddled by one party supposed to have a common aim and common tactics, can he do anything except denounce

The same issue of the "Voice' has a picture of Jesus on the front cover and on one of the back pages a nicture of Harry Geller. You are doing fine, Geller, getting presented with a gold watch by those poor little girls of the Garment Workers Union, and the next week getting your picture in the same paper as Jesus. Well you can both say "Suffer little girls to come unto me." only in one case it's for rest, and in the other it's join the union, it helps the per capita. But Geller "what about the label?"

The local S. D. P. are becoming more of a comic opera organization

The Reds in Brandon seem to be every day. Norbert O' Leary has awakening again, and the chances organized a "Public Ownership 1st Press he already has 20 followers. As a already have public ownership of telephones, elevators and fails in Manitoba, wescan expect a great future for the new organization.

> A. Beech (twice candidate on the S. D. P. ticket for North Winnipeg. speaking at one of the local forums early in the month, told a questioner that after his long experience in the Socialist movement he had come to the conclusion that there was no class struggle and it is now rumoured that he also has a new Socialist organization under way. It is a kind of a Fabian society, with the obrect in view of converting the "Peepul" to Socialism. In this society you can become an associate member if you are not an avowed Socialist. So you see it is an extremely respectable affair, and in the near future we may hope to see Premier Norris. Hon. R Rodgers, Percy Hagel, Tom Kelly and Nellie McClung patrons of this new and wonderful organization for the benefit of the dear

The following elipping from the Free Press of Jan. 8th, 1916, has, like the Cavell incident an effect on re-

#### LOOKING FOR WORK. French Reservist of Legion of Honor Finds Task Difficult.

Unable to find employment at his home town, St. Claude, Rene Raulin, a reservist of the French army, who fought during the early months of this war, and for his gallant work at the battle of the Aisne received the Legion of Honor cross from President Poincare, is at present in Winnipeg, where he hopes fortune will be kinder to him. Mr. Raulin has a large family to support, and when he returned from the war he found his wife and children almost destitute. The Returned Soldiers' Association stepped in and immediately stocked the larder for the gallant soldier, and supplied clothing for

Raulin was formerly postmaster at St. Claude, and also looked after the C. P. R. railway station there. Both positions he resigned when he left for the front; and he has been unable to get them back. His knowledge of English is so limited that he finds the matter of obtaining employment in this city a cery difficult task.

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#### THE WESTERN CLARION POLITICAL ECONOMY AND HENRY GEORGE.

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the course of 12 months, and only receiving about \$500. He, therefore, therefore, leaves \$2,000 to be consumed by the exploiters. How hard it is, for the master to consume it, can be more readily seen, if we multip! this sum by the number of their workmen. Whilst the masters are few in numbers, the workers are live to their one: therefore 20 per cent. if not less, have to get rid of 4-5ths of the total wealth. Much of it, of course, is reinvested in new countries. but eventually, in its turn, the I w investment brings more surplus.

Then again, if we look over a . dern atlas, we will see that new markets are getting fewer and st.a er. Soon the world will be developed if machine development continues to go on at its present pace, and we have reason to think that it will accelerate; owing to the keener con petition between sections of the master class due to a lack of new markets.

And what is the object of or aging better machinery into production. Obviously it is the aim of one firm to beat out the rest and also to increase relative exploitation. Values, on account of the increased p.oductivity of labor power, will drop, and the hostiity between use and exchange values will show itself more and more. Weaker capitalists will be crushed into the great mass of workers, whilst relatively, the ones left, will be fewer in numbers.

So then the future holds out no opening to overcome these depressions. Present tendencies point to more lasting and virulent panics in the near future. Try as the capitalists will by monkey dinners, and their like, to stave off these tencencies, they can only be futile.

Capitalism is growing old and its very essence, profit making, will be its undoing. Not even Henry George can save it, though his land scheme was carried out to the full.

T. MELLALIEU.

#### BALANCE SHEET, DEC. 31st 1915.

Western	Clarion,	Dominion	and	B.	C.	Prov.	Executive	Committee

Accounts collectable	Assets	Liabilities
Western Clarion Dom. Ex. Com. B. C., P. E. C. Accounts,payable Dom. Ex. Com. Camble Printing Co.	\$ 84.86 162.43 5.20	-\$252.49 30.06
Western Clarion, Issue for Jan., paid in advance Office Equipments Literature Party Supplies Mailing List and machine Dues Stamps Cash in hand, Dec., 31st, 1915	52 25 105.00 84.50 98.30 85.00 210.00 36.34	
Balance	\$000 pe.	\$893.88

Ralance	Acort o	\$893.5 \$30.6
1	\$923.80	\$30.0
Net w	orth	\$893.8

#### CASH BALANCE, DEC., 31st, 1915

#### Western Clarion, Dominion and B. C., Prov. Executive Committees

Western Clarion	Cr.	Dr.
Clarion Maintenance Fund	A017 15	\$213.10
D. C., F. E. C.,	\$247.45 67.90	
Cash deficit July 1st 1915		58.40 7.51
Cash balance, Dec., 31st, 1915		36.34
	<b>\$</b> 315.35	8315.35

Prepared by W. A. Pritchard Audited and found correct: C. Stephenson, Wm. Morris Auditing Committee.

#### DEMAGOGUES AND SOAP BOXERS!

On the evening of Jan. 10th, 1916, Dr. Westwood, of Winnipeg, addressed an audience in the Calgary Public Library, on "Karl Marx." Scott, Budden, Pritchard, and one or two others, went to hear what the learned gentleman had to say.

The character of Marx was such that it ranked second to none, not excepting the be-whiskered Jew of Nazareth. Marx' love story was a most pathetic one, and, although he had a somewhat atheistic vocabulary, say that the Doctor was like all othhe had deep religious understanding, and was a very religious character. More "tripe" of this kind was dished out and when the speech concluded questions were asked for.

Budden pointed out that three times had the Doctor blundered upon a half truth when he stated that the message of Marx was: "Workingmen of all countries unite," and three times had he evaded the real issue by not completing the message : You have nothing to lose but your chains, a world to gain."

Budden also objected to the silly statement that Marx was an evolutionist and not a revolutionist, but the chairman cut him off for trying to make a speech.

However, Budden did manage to er apologists and asked: "Why do you fellows always twist and evade the facts?" To this there was no

After one or two unimportant

questions, Pritchard pointed out that he, along with Budden, belonged to that unfortunate crowd of soapboxers, who, knowing economic terms, were not endowed with economic understanding; and that while he did not claim either acquaintance with the vocabulary or understanding, he was perfectly convinced that the Doctor was in the same boat The chairman stopped the talk and demanded questions, whereupon W. A. P. put the following

Did not Marx hold that "force was the midwife of progress "did he nor state that "religion was the opium of the people;" and since the Doctor had touched upon history whatewould be understand from a historical standpoint, by the term "evo-Intion "

No reply was given, but on the religious point the Doctor said that if Marx ever used the words quoted then this was one point in which he was false to his own conception

The meeting closed with the national anthem, the "Reds" remaining scated.

After the meeting the lecturer. tackled Budden as to why we were so bitter against religion Budden told him that religion was nothing more than the worship of corpses, and that not one priest, or parson, had, at the present time, the guts to say, " Workinkmen of all countries unite, etc." and do the only thing nossible to stop this bloody murder. in Europe.

"Can decent working stiffs have any respect for that tribe! Do they not earn the contempt of every thinking person ?"

But Budden's query was enough and His Reverence disappeared into the frozen gloom.

Keep the message clear and see that emasculators and demagogues are not allowed to get in their pernicious work.

With a straight message, a clarified party, and a determination to "spread the light," the S. P. of C. has, indeed, a great future before it.

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Ed Clarion Oour comrade Walfred Gribble's case finished yesterday with a verdict of GUILTY was the verdict after acren withe had festified that he did not use ex ons which were charged against h the Crown witness, while ez, the witness for the Crown. The Judge 391 ig the jury inferred that he eviden the witnesses for the deence cont be creditable as four were socialists and one was in sympathy with social sm and one was the son of is very easy to see that the socialist. o vement is on trial and

Comrade Gribble The press has been almost dumb during the wi trial which commenced Tuesday 1se th and was in progress s. A deliberate ade to crush the move ality, and I would not be surprised if my e forbidden to hold meet police Court ordered the Mormons ti of the City a months ago, for dding them to hold any meetings whater

Now Comrady this is going to be a The sentence is postponed untime Com Gribble is behind the prison walls and unable to do anything himself. It is therefore left for us to carry on the fight. Com, Gribble told me just before the Jury returned their verdict, that in the event of a conviction, of the scotence was six months, or less, he wished for no appeal, but would serve the sentence the Comrades here are considering an appeal if the sentence should be more than six months. The funds have not been coming in very fast Only two hundred dollars have been collected and only seventy of that has come in from outside. The other being collected from Comrades and Sympathizers in the City and district. The case has cost about \$400.00 up to the present, so the balance has been paid by Com. Gribble's wife. We hope to be able to make it up to het. I hope the whole party throughout the Dominion will be stirred to act and act promptly.

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Continued from page 11.

Regarding that old argument re Socialism breaking up the home, I'm afraid that it won't get the chance, as the following cutting from the Free Press plainly shows:

#### Woman Doctor Has Plan For Repopulation.

Washington, Jan-10.-By adoptone recent scientific discoveries, Europe can repopulate itself after the present war is over not withstanding the lack of able-bodied men, without degrading its women into polygamy, according to Dr. Elnora Folkmar, head of the Washington Women's Clinie

Dr. Folkmar not only believes repopulation can be brought about by scientific methods chief of which is artificial fertilization, but she also believes a better race of men and women can be produced through application of these methods than by adoption of polygamy or marriage of physically unfit men with physically fit womens

Talk about the destruction of individual liberty. I wonder what the suffragettes have to say about that. In the early days of machine production the slaves destroyed the looms etc., in the hope that by doing sethey could hold back the wheels of progress. One can only wonder if the women will follow suit and insist on the methods used by their mothers being adhered to; or will they stand for the abolition of this "historic right" of women.

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#### THE WESTERN CLARIOR

## :: Executive Committee Reports ::

#### DOMINION EXECUTIVE COM.

Convened at office of secretary, Dec. 28th, 1915, at 9 p.m. Present:-McLean, McDonald, Jenkins

Smith and the secretary. Chairman:-McDonald

Minutes of previous meeting read and .11th, 1916.

Correspondence — Chief Press Censor, Ottawa; C. M. O'Brien, Detroit; H. B. Seeley, R. C. McCutchan, Winnipeg; Wm. C. Currey, San Francisco; Alta. P E. C.; Camille David, London, Eng.; H. Adie, Calgary: Local Toronto; Paterson, Winnipeg: T. E. Scriven, Wolseley. Sask: Local Crawford Bay, B. C.; Local St. John, N. B.; Orgr Reid (2); Local Montreal: A. Watchman, Victoria, B. C.; C. J. Johnson, Eagle Hill, Alta: J. G. Randall, Royston Sta, B. C.; Geo. Moffett, Dunkirk, N. Y.; Local Roseland, Sask. T. Buick, Calgary; Orgr Connor.

In response to request from Alta P E. C. secretary as to position of D. E. C. with respect to CONSCRIPTION the conclusion was reached that conscription in this country dod not seem imminent, and that we do not consider it expedient to make any statement until that time is announced. Our manifesto published at the outbreak of the war states the position of D. E. C. on that question.

Secretary was instructed on motion (Ienkins-Smith) to write J. McInnis, of Fort George, B. C.; pointing out that we had requested a statement, as to his stand with respect to our Manifesto when B. C. Elections were last mooted. and as to whether he had received en-dorsement from S. D. P. and had not had reply; and further, to show the anti-socialist position now adopted by him (according to various press reports) and ask for an explanation

Instructions were also given secretary to reply to C. M. O'Brien that the stand taken by the D. E. C. recently, was for reasons already stated in January, 1916, issue of "Western Clarion" and was not intended for any particular individual, but was to apply generally. Adjournment

Convened at office of secretary, Jan. 4th, 1916 at 9 p.m. Present:-Smith, McLean, McDonald, Jenkins, Partridge, and the secretary.

Chairman: Smith.

Minutes of previous meeting read and

correspondence:—S. P. N. A. Toron-to: Local 24 Toronto: W. Gribble St. John, N. B.: Local Edmonton: W. Da-venport, Detroit, Mich; Chas H. Berg, Greenwood, Wis: W. J. Mitchell, Ed-monton, Alta; Alberta P. E. C.; A. Pa-resenn, Winninger, T. Mallallar, Toron-Correspondence:-S. P. N. A. Toronterson, Winnipeg: T Mellalieu, Toron-to, Local Victoria, No. 24: A. Harris, Sardis B. C.: Local Markerville, Alta, G. Paton Delburne, Alta.; R. C. McCutchan,

Winnipeg. Secretary was instructed to refer Local Edmonton to January issue of "The Western Clarion" for an explanation of our position re party members speaking under the auspices of other political part ies not affiliated with us.

Secretary was instructed along with J. A. McDonald to draft reply to communication of S. P. N. A.

Amendments submitted from Sub-
Com, W. A. Pritchard returns
Adjournment

Convened at office of secretary, Jan-

Present:-Jenkins, McDonald, Smith Bennett and the secretary. Chairman: Jenkins. W. Bennett seuted as delegate, vice Protehard out of

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Secretary was instructed to reply to communication from Winnipeg Local ce position of this committee regarding mations passed on Nov 16th 1915 Adjournment

Convened-at office of secretary: Jan 18th 1916.

Present: Jenkins, McDonald South Harrin

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cal Victoria; Local Rossland, British and Colonial Press, Ltd. Toronto; Canadian Patriotic Fund, Vancouver, A. Knott, Hailfax, N. S.; Alberta P. E. C. Edmonton: A. J. McCallum, Ottawa: Local St. Catherines, Ont. The Canadian Bank of Commerce, Vancouver: W. A. Pritchard: (3) Alta: Local Toronto (2)QA Paterson, Winnipeg: J. D. Houston, Montreal, P. Q: Local St. John, N. B. (2) and night

Secretary was instructed to give local Toronto copies of torrespondence he tween this committe and the S. P. of N. A. as requested-

Also to reply to communication from Local St. John, N. B. re our stand regarding party members speaking under of any other parties not affiliated with us.

Instructions were also given to secretary to reply to communication from Lo cal St. Catherines re Ontario and Quebec. PEC

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The Provincial Executive Committee of Alberta have started a strengons winter campaign and have already three orto start out immediately after the New

Organizers Connor; Kn g + and Red have done good work so to and pase held meetings in places that have not previously been visited by were he Socialist Party of Canada

An enormous amount of week necessary to get in touch with " ades through out the Provente 700 and 800 letters have been from this office during the months for organization with

So far the routes have the embracing only those places of the be linked up into a schril causing any loss of time organizers in going from the place

We have several calls to be come to who want speakers but not being in line with other places where my dropped It is important places should be visited bebe done under existing conditions as in gammers get no salary and batter the own expenses to pay, there are a min possible to send them any place where no other executors could be viriaged en route and where it is very probable that expenses would not be

Organizers are of the save class and have no private income more chiese expenses if meetings are Therefore the A. P. F. re ded a their last meeting to appear rades in Alberta to assist them to carry on this all-important work of organiza-

It was decided to start a cond Ferithia purpose which would enably this Executive to send an organizer to any distant point where a request 1 : a S 1' of C speaker had been receive open up new places and keing the knowledge of SOCIALISM

A fund whereby this Fire the could guarantee the organizer when going into a new and when going into a new and cour at end of month did cover his expenses (thich would include only railway late and hotel where necessary), won I greatly fa plitate the work of organization in this

This Committee depends on rely upon money received from Locals for supplies, to carry on it's executive work. Amounts received up to date have not nearly met expenses, which can clearly be seen if you bear in mind that between 700 and 800 letters have been sent out which means considerable expense in postage Also posters have been printed for all organizers and this together with post, age of sending same, besides a large amount of stationary supplies etc., have incurred a considerable outlay.

No opportunity has been missed to carry out a successful campaign this winter but to continue this work, funds must be at hand. WE THEREFORE ASK ALL COMRADES TO HELP US IN THIS MATTER. All donations to be sent direct to Mrs. S. I. Johnson-Knight, Box 785, Edmonton, Alta, which will be acknowled in the "Western Clarion." Full financial report will be published in the "Western Clarion" early in the New Year. Yours in revolt,

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# Socialist Party of Canada

e, the Socialist Party of Canada, affirm our allegiance to, and supt, the principles and program of the revolutionary working class.

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class. The capitalist is therefore master; the worker a slave.

So long as the capitalist class remains in possession of the reins of government all the powers of the State will be used to protect and defend its property rights in the means of wealth production and its control of the product of labor.

The capitalist system give to the capitalist an ever-swelling stream of profits, and to the worker, an ever-increasing measure of misery and degradation.

The interest of the working class lies in setting itself free from capitalist exploitation by the abolition of the wage system, under which this exploitation, at the point of production, is cloaked. To accomplish this necessitates the transformation of capitalist property in the means of wealth production into socially controlled economic forces.

The irrepressible conflict of interest between the capitalist and the worker necessarily expresses itself as a Class Struggle.

Therefore, we call all workers to organise under the banner of the Socialist Party of Canada, with the object of conquering the political powers, for the purpose of setting up and enforcing the economic program of the working class, as follows:

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