

The Hour for Working Class Political Action is Now Striking!!

Workmen of all Countries Unite, You have Nothing to Lose but Your Chains, you have a World to Gain.

More attention will be centered upon the present campaign in British Columbia than in any other part of the Dominion. It is here that the giant of labor is beginning to realize his strength and make preparations to first assume the bonds of political supremacy that have so long and successfully been used to bind him to the chariot wheels of brutal and senseless capitalist rule. Will you not ask why these bonds should not be broken. The only useful class in human society is the working class. It is the working class alone that makes civilization possible. It is that class alone that feeds, clothes and shelters the race and thus assures its continued existence. It is through that class alone that all human progress has come, and that all future progress must be brought about. Labor can not long remain enslaved once the working men and women are quickened to action by the severity of the economic pressure brought to bear upon them by the present system and vicious and merciless labor market. That this economic pressure is becoming so great as to force them to act is in evidence throughout every country of the earth where capital holds sway. The most striking phenomenon in evidence in every country to-day is the intelligent political activity of the men of labor. As their conception of things become clearer these toilers of the world become less prone to follow their former course of rebellious action and turn their attention and expend their energy along the line that leads to deliverance through the abolition of the wage system. No longer rebels protesting and complaining against the miseries forced upon them at the hands of a master class, they become revolutionists by proceeding to seize the reins of power for the purpose of detroning that master class and transforming the present system of property ownership into one more calculated to satisfy the needs and requirements of mankind.

As the political activity of labor increases that of capital becomes more and more important, and its spokesmen are each day forced to resort to reprehensible methods of falsehood and deceit. As the former is the expression of a living, a veritable principle economic life of the race it is to survive and continue its march along the highway of progress, it can only submit its program in the open, there to stand the test of reason. It cannot falsify. It can only set forth the

The one day in the year on which we should make no mistake in approaching The men who for the Next four years will constitute the Dominion House of Commons are to be elected upon that day.

The material welfare of the working class of Canada will be largely under the control of that body during the period of its existence.

The members of the Dominion House, as of all parliaments, can be elected only by the votes of working people. We should be particularly careful to know that those for whom we vote clearly understand our interests, and know how to protect them.

He who does not understand our interests, and know how to conserve and protect them, should be elected to remain at home.

The working class is to-day ruled by capitalist property.

The function of capital is to make profit by exploiting labor.

All profit is made at the expense of those out of whom it is made. As labor produces all wealth, the profit of capitalists is of necessity wrung from the working class.

The volume of capitalist profit measures the extent of the robbery practiced upon the working class.

Capital neither produces, nor assists in producing wealth.

The means of wealth production acting as capital furnish the means, or instruments, whereby the owners or capitalists seize the wealth produced by the workers.

Out of this plunder of the working class all the beneficiaries of the capitalist system draw their sustenance.

After all these have consumed of this wealth to meet their requirements the balance is turned into additional capital to add to the burden of misery resting upon the back of the working class.

As capital becomes more powerful labor sinks to greater depths of misery and despair.

With the means of wealth production as capital, labor power is forced into the market as a commodity.

As a commodity it is subject to the "iron law" of the market.

With a surplus of labor power in the market the owners (workers) are forced to accept a low price.

They cannot successfully demand a high price because they must sell in order to live.

Under the pressure of necessity the weaker ones are forced to submit and offer themselves at a lower wage.

No power on earth can prevent the downward trend of wages in the face of the present world-wide condition of the labor market.

Under the rule of capitalist property the wage earner is forced to surrender his labor power, and the farmer his products, to the tender mercies of a world-wide capitalist market.

From the moment of such surrender all control over the wealth they have produced is lost to the workers.

By that one act their robbery is made final and complete.

So long as the instruments used collectively by the working people are held as capital this stupendous robbery must continue.

The Liberal and Conservative parties are the political expressions of differing factions of capitalists.

Fundamentally they are a unit, as they both stand for the present system of property, and its exploitation of labor.

The Socialist Party is the political expression of that economic class in present society that produces all wealth, the working class. It asserts that as labor produces all wealth, to labor it should properly belong.

Its purpose is to capture the reins of power, i. e., government, for the purpose of transforming capitalist property in the means of wealth production into the collective property of the working class.

With this transformation effected the workers are no longer forced to surrender their labor power or the products thereof but retain all the wealth they create for their own use and enjoyment.

The end of capitalist rule marks the end of the present world-wide robbery that is practiced upon the working class.

The Socialist Party proposes to bring to an end the present class rule by substituting a co-operative commonwealth under the hand of the only useful class in human society to-day, the working class. With the working class in control of its means of living, labor will, for the first time since civilization was born, be free.

When the working man casts his ballot he should bear in mind that a vote for the candidates of his class is a vote for the full product of his toil.

A vote for the candidate of capitalism is a vote for the continuation of his exploitation.

The former is a vote for freedom, the latter for slavery.

Let no workingman be in error as to the meaning of his ballot. Use it to strike the shackles from your limbs, by voting the Socialist ticket.

Use it to more securely fasten your chains by voting the ticket of capital, either of the Liberal or Conservative brand.

Take your choice. Be wise in time. Make no mistake.

fact and the truth. The latter upon the contrary being the expression of a principle, the continued application of which to the economic life of the race is a bar to human progress, and absolutely destructive of the highest and best interests of mankind, must depend for support upon falsehood and deceit. Its program cannot be set forth in the open. It cannot stand the test of reason. It is compelled to fall back upon bribery and fraud, in a desperate effort to justify its existence and perpetuate the rule of capital whose expression it is.

The political atmosphere is at present "overcharged with the electricity of a coming social storm" of greater magnitude, and more far reaching consequence than any recorded in history. He who can read the signs of the times is assured that the present system of property in the means of wealth production, which is even now being shaken to its foundations, must go down and give way to a system upon which may be built the commonwealth of labor. The revolutionist will ever press on with the object in view of reducing the discomforts and distresses incidental to such a stupendous change to a minimum.

The introduction of representatives of revolutionary labor into the parliamentary system of property in the means of the dissolution of capitalism and the emancipation of the working class.

The function of labor is to make wealth. The function of capital is to take it.

Conservatives may come and Liberals may go, but under the rule of either the labor skinning process goes on forever. Workers, take a tumble!

Did the defenders of the present system of property dare to explain its losses to the men of labor, not a worker on earth would be so stupid as to support it at the ballot box.

Wages for slaves. Profits for masters. The profit of capital is the price the workers pay for their slavery.

Conservative and Liberal candidates have, during the present campaign, exercised rare tact in avoiding any allusion to the labor problem. Evidently these working men realize that the cry of "hamboulshment" has passed, at least in British Columbia.

OUR TICKET

The candidates of the Socialist Party of British Columbia, for the Dominion House of Commons, at the forthcoming elections are as follows:

Vancouver District
JOHN T. MORTIMER, of Vancouver, Tailor.

Nanaimo District
WILLIAM FENTON, of Nanaimo, Engineer.

Victoria District
J. C. WATERS, of Victoria, Boiler Makers' Helper.

Yale-Cariboo District
ERNEST MILLS, of Greenwood, Miner.

Kootenay District
JAMES BAKER, of Slokan, Miner.

If the workers do their duty the whole bunch will go to Ottawa.

POLITICAL STEEPLECHASE

To be Run in Vancouver on Nov. 2nd.

SOCIETY 1st
TUFFY 2nd
SCOTTY 3rd
PADDY 4th

The order is that the result will be in the order named, unless Scotty should come a cropper at the water and be drowned, which would let Paddy in the third place. The latter is said to be a stayer, but not in condition for that work. Betting: 2 to 1 on Scotty; 3 to 1 against Tuffy; 4 to 1 against Paddy; 5 to 1 against Paddy offered and wanted.



And hereafter any member of a Labor Organization found on the platform, or advocating in the interests of any of the old political parties, Liberal and Conservative, shall be regarded with suspicion as "Decoy" to the wage workers and an opponent of the advanced labor movement.

The above is an extract from a resolution passed at the Montreal session of the Dominion Trades Congress September 1899 and subsequently re-affirmed at the session held in Ottawa the following year in spite of a powerful effort by the Liberal Labor office holders in the pay of the Liberal Party to resist the resolution.

The above is an extract from a resolution passed at the City of Vancouver Trades Congress in 1904. It is to be noted that the resolution is in the City of Vancouver remains true to its traditional policy towards labor generally. Refuse to the unscrupulous mercenary "Decoy" in return for their influence in the unions.

All indications point in this direction.

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BREAKERS AHEAD.

That the "strenuous life" led by organized labor in a many struggles during the past summer is to be made even more strenuous next year may be gleaned from the following from the International Socialist Review:

"In the latter part of September a prominent manufacturer (who is thoroughly in sympathy with the unions and socialism as well, but for obvious reasons cannot proclaim that fact from the houseposts at this time) told me that the iron and steel barons had decided that the old Amalgamated Association must be destroyed or at least be made helpless. He also claimed to have it from the mouths of Pittsburgh and New York capitalists that some of the railway brotherhoods are to be "squeezed until they are brought to their senses," and that when the present truce between the anthracite miners and operators expires next year the latter will make another effort to run their business to suit themselves.

According to the Herald's own confession "Mr. Smith has always contended for the most active protection for invested capital." Now what is this capital? Property or wealth used for the purpose of exploiting or robbing labor of its products.

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will be driven into the camp of revolution. It requires no keen observer to see that the trade union is weakening its one time power rapidly slipping away, and its complete collapse marked for the near future.

If it is to retain any of the value which is supposed to attach to organization it must speedily abandon its present unsound and therefore untenable position, and boldly enter the revolutionary program, with the "abolition of the wage system" as its battle cry.

SMITH'S POSITION.

Those workmen who are firm in the belief that so-called independent labor representatives are anything else but Liberals or Conservatives in disguise will be interested in the following item from the Nanaimo Herald, the organ of Ralph Smith, the once best labor leader, and now running as a straight Liberal for Nanaimo electoral district. The item is headed, "Why Why Why?"

"The question is anxiously asked by our esteemed Conservative contemporary, 'Why, why, why are all the large employers of labor in this district, except Mr. A. Haslam, supporting the candidature of Mr. Smith as opposed to Mr. Wolley.' The answer is plain. Mr. Smith has always contended for the most ample protection of invested capital.

It is true also that he has fought for the establishment of trades unions and at one time on this island he was employed and considered himself by the very employers who are now supporting him. That was because they misunderstood his position. The fast few years has proved that Mr. Smith is just as ready as any district, to consider or tyrannical action on the part of workmen as on the part of employers, and it is this fairness of action that has commended Mr. Smith for the support of the employers of labor in this fight.

Why, indeed, should not the employer of labor support Ralph Smith? Has he ever threatened or ever failed to stand by and defend the interests of capital? Did he ever advocate anything which could be of any benefit to the working class? Those who are acquainted with the record of this gentleman and who understand to any degree the needs and position of the working class will be forced to answer in the negative.

And how could it be otherwise? According to the Herald's own confession "Mr. Smith has always contended for the most active protection for invested capital." Now what is this capital? Property or wealth used for the purpose of exploiting or robbing labor of its products.

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SQUAWK AND CATWALK.

Though it were difficult to find out just why a dog barks at the moon, it is presumably affords satisfaction to the dog and does not disturb the moon to any appreciable extent. The ridiculous "ha-haw" of a jackass may perchance play a very prominent part in the great scheme of things in some mysterious manner quite beyond ordinary comprehension. It might even be alleged with a degree of truth, that James McGeer is a "legitimate political proposition," and had he not

"shied" his caster into the political arena, but stuck to his milk wagon instead, some serious hitch might have occurred in the otherwise fairly well ordered plans of creation. However ridiculous it might appear, at first glance, the "shooting" made from the Yukon, who attained such recent fame as an authority on "bums" might upon investigation prove to be the kingpin of a world's process that would be a failure without him.

The squawk let out of the Province on Monday, Oct. 25, when it learned that a demand for the release of three innocent men from custody was being made by citizens of Vancouver, coupled with the further demand that the police magistrate responsible for their incarceration be sent about his business, was truly a pitiful one. It could scarce be equaled in political circles except by the caterwaul of the World of Friday, Oct. 21, because of an alleged combination of Socialists and "hall market Conservative heeled," to break up the Liberal meeting in the City Hall the night previous. It goes without saying that he who takes seriously anything found in the columns of these detestable squawkers and caterwalkers is short on reason and lacking in judgment.

As their position becomes more completely unmasked, and therefore more untenable, the sheets of capitalism will become more vociferous in their squawks and caterwalkings. However discordant the sound let charity be exercised. Like the dog barking at the moon, or the hee-haw of the donkey, it may do them some good and does no one else serious harm.

GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP.

That the Conservatives of this electoral district are becoming seriously disturbed over the prospects of Morimer's election is plainly in evidence. Their ridiculous chattering of government ownership is intended to mislead at least some working men into the belief that it is right in line with the Socialist program. Nothing, however, could be farther from the truth. Government ownership under the capitalist state merely means that the state with all of its powers shall be used as the exploiter of labor, for the benefit of the capitalist class.

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PRIVATE PROPERTY.

The writer of this has many times been accosted by men who were firmly of the opinion that Socialists were bent on confiscating the private property of people and "dividing it up among those who possessed it not. If there are any more who hold this peculiar idea it is high time that such misconception was explained. We define private property as property which by its nature makes it privately used, such as houses, furniture, food, clothing, shelter, etc. There is nothing in the program or platform of the Socialist Party which would warrant anyone asserting that we in any way threaten private property. The thing we quarrel with is capitalist property, i. e., property used for to rob us of the products of our labor.

When capitalist property in the means of wealth production are the social or collective property of we who use them it will be possible for the great mass of the common people for to obtain and private property of the very best and what is more, be secure in the enjoyment of it.

The New-Advertiser propounds a question for Mr. MacPherson to answer with regard to the Allen Labor

Act and the "Rossland strike. The Tories are real solid about working people—at election time. What we would like to know is whether either Grit or Tory will come out and explain what the labor market is and what it means to those who are forced to sell their labor under its merciless decrees.

CAPITALIST REFORMS.

On the statute books of New Brunswick, there are no efficient laws to protect employes from accident and death while working, none to make the employer sufficiently careful of his operatives interests. Last year the Fabrian League (a Socialistic but scarcely Socialist organization) founded in St. John in March, 1901, asked for an Employers' Liability bill along similar lines to the act already in force in Britain and other countries. The government took the matter into consideration, deprecated haste and promised to do something the next year. Accordingly, this year, the attorney-general introduced a lengthy and imposing bill which, on the principle that half a loaf is better than no bread, was accepted as temporarily satisfactory by the Fabian League and the Trade and Labor Council.

The proposed law was quite stringent in many respects, but on the main points was inclined to be lax. Its conservative tendency was well shown in the clause relating to child labor. That clause provided that no child under sixteen years of age should be employed in a factory, UNLESS HE WAS STRONG AND HEALTHY, AND HIS WORK WAS NECESSARY TO SUPPLY HIS PARENTS NEED.

A clause more elastic than this could not have been desired even by a South Carolina mill owner. Still the act did not do the manufacturers and millers of the province, and the government did not press the measure to a final vote. It compromised on the appointment of a commission to prepare a new act—the usual way of killing anything beneficial to the working classes.

This commission consists of three employers of labor, one representative of union labor and one of women's societies. The preparation of an act to protect workmen is entrusted to a commission at least three-fourths capitalistic. The result of their deliberations can be easily anticipated.

This neutralizing of important reforms by capitalistic influence has long been carried on. How many years longer will workmen submit to it?

In 1843, after many years of agitation by wholesale humanitarians for negro freedom, the slaves in the British empire were freed. But the freedom was only partial; for, while personal servitude seemed to be abolished, the free man was given no land. He therefore was compelled to remain on the estate of his former owner to work for whatever wages the latter might choose to give.

The Socialist Party, when in office, will no longer responsible for a negro's care in infancy and old age and certain of being able to replace him when he became weak or old, gained financially by the overthrow of slavery. And while the black's social standing was raised considerably by the change the practical advantages gained were few. Similarly in the United States in 1865, the capitalist influence of the north which helped to emancipate the slave in order to break the south's monopoly of cheap labor was not prepared to give the negro land and thereby make him economically independent. It preferred to keep him landless, thus merely transforming him from a chattel slave to a wage slave—a gain, it is true, but far from what should have been.

So in Russia in 1861, driven by public opinion, the government freed the serfs and gave them back their land—apparently. But the nobles were to be compensated for their loss of the serfs. The latter were to repay them by a mortgage on the land. This mortgage was so heavy that only the interest has been paid, and the peasants are still practically landless.

Canadian public opinion in 1878 demanded local option prohibition of the liquor traffic. While appearing to grant the demand, the government gave us an act which allows the importation of liquor into countries supposed to be under prohibition. The brewers and distillers managed this in ways unknown to the average voter.

of all countries to cease expecting any real reform from any government controlled by capitalists. Where the money interest reigns, reform measures are always killed or so deformed as to be useless. If the workers want reforms they must cease to support any and all capitalist parties and rally around the Socialist Party—the only one that will not betray their interests. Real reforms granted by the old parties are soon rendered ineffective by not being enforced. Only the complete revolution that will be brought about by a majority of ballots cast for Socialism will work the laborer any permanent benefit.—Henry Harvey Stuart, Harcourt, N. B., Fredericton, N. B.

SOCIALIST PARTY OF B. C. PLATFORM

We, the Socialist Party of British Columbia, in convention assembled, affirm our allegiance to and support of the principles and program of the international revolutionary working class.

Labor produces all wealth, and to the laborer justly belongs the full ownership of the means of wealth production belongs the product of labor. The present economic system is based upon capitalist ownership of the means of wealth production; therefore all the products of labor belong to the capitalist. The capitalist is master; the worker is slave. So long as the capitalists remain in possession of the reins of government all the powers of the state will be used to protect and defend their property rights in the means of wealth production and their control of the product of labor.

The capitalist system gives to the capitalist an ever-widening stream of profits, and to the worker an ever-increasing measure of misery and degradation. The interest of the working class lies in the direction of setting itself free from capitalist exploitation by the abolition of the wage system. To accomplish this necessitates the transformation of capitalist property in the means of wealth production into collective or working class property. The irrepressible conflict of interests between the capitalist and worker is rapidly culminating in a struggle for possession of the power of government—the capitalist to hold; the worker to secure it by political action. This is the class struggle.

Therefore, we call upon all workers to organize under the banner of the Socialist Party of British Columbia, with the object of conquering the public powers for the purpose of setting up and enforcing the economic program of the working class, as follows: 1. The transformation, as rapidly as possible, of capitalist property in the means of wealth production (natural resources, factories, mills, railways, etc.), into the collective property of the working class.

2. Thorough and democratic organization and management of industry.

3. The establishment, as speedily as possible, of production for use in lieu of production for profit.

The Socialist Party, when in office, shall always and everywhere use the present system is abolished, make the answer to this question its guiding principle. It will the workers' political advance the interest of the working class and aid the workers in their class struggle against the capitalist. If it will the Socialist Party is for it; if it will the Socialist Party is for it; if it will the Socialist Party is for it.

In accordance with this principle the Socialist Party pledges itself to conduct all its affairs placed in its hands in such a manner as to promote the interest of the working class alone.

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Local Vancouver, S. P. of B. C., No. 1, Business meetings every Wednesday evening at 8 p. m. at headquarters, Ingleside Block (room 12, 2nd floor) 313 Cambie street. Educational meetings every Sunday evening in Oddfellows' hall (3rd floor), Victoria. Address: 106 Broadway Street. Secretary: O. P. Mills, box 836, Vancouver.

Union Directory

When They Meet, Where They Meet. Every Labor Union in the province is in this directory. Secretaries please note.

Greenwood Miners' Union, No. 25, W. F. M. Meets every Saturday evening in Union Hall, J. R. Ritchie, president; Ernest Mills, secretary-treasurer. Phoenix Trades and Labor Council, Meets every alternate Monday. John Riordan, president; Edward J. W. F. M. Meets every Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock in Murray hall, Wm Barnett, president; John Riordan, secretary.

Nanaimo Miners' Union, No. 177, W. F. M. Meets every Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock in Murray hall, Wm Barnett, president; John Riordan, secretary.

The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers—Local No. 215, Meets second and fourth Thursday 1 P. M. in E. W. Hall, Room 3, Ingleside Block. President, J. Dillabough; recording secretary, Geo. A. Farr; financial secretary, A. H. Seiler. Address all communications to the hall. All ex-joining brethren cordially invited.

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WORKINGMEN OF VANCOUVER.

In the cruel sentence which was recently passed upon three unfortunate members of the working class by the Police Magistrate of this city there is a lesson which the wage-working population should take seriously to heart.

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We see on every hand mills and factories closing down and men destitute of means of subsistence. The highways of the land involuntarily tramp, and in many cases to run up against just such a just, charitable, heart-hearted gentleman, who so creditably ornaments the bench in this fair city of Vancouver.

One particularly noticeable feature of the meeting was that none left the house until the speaking ended. This is of itself a proof that Mortimer's speech a collection was taken up to assist in defraying campaign expenses, which netted the sum of \$50.05.

A few more such meetings and the worn out political huggery of the ruling class will no longer be tolerated in Vancouver.

It is quite evident that the profit mongering class of this province and Canada have having troubles of their own. The oppression under which the working class of Italy has suffered for centuries has at last resulted in forcing the working class to intelligent action along the line of its own interest.

Rome, Saturday, Oct. 22.—The political situation in Italy regarding the general election set for November 6 is such as to cause serious anxiety both at the Vatican and at the Quirinal. The Socialistic movement has made enormous strides in the last few years among all classes.

Fearing the enormous majority of Socialism among the voters, the government has entered into a secret understanding with the Vatican, by which some Catholics of monarchical proclivities will be allowed to run for parliament in districts where religious feelings are strong.

The government's principle hope of success lies in the fact that nearly all the wealth of individuals and institutions is invested in government bonds and that the Vatican ministry through its influence in parliament could obstruct all legislation.

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was listened to with the most careful attention, and as he set forth the political standpoint and neatly punctured the absurd pretensions of Conservatives, Liberals and Labor party political leaders, the cooperation and approval were heartily given as to make positive the assurance that his huge audience was closely in touch with him.

One particularly noticeable feature of the meeting was that none left the house until the speaking ended. This is of itself a proof that Mortimer's speech a collection was taken up to assist in defraying campaign expenses, which netted the sum of \$50.05.

A few more such meetings and the worn out political huggery of the ruling class will no longer be tolerated in Vancouver.

It is quite evident that the profit mongering class of this province and Canada have having troubles of their own. The oppression under which the working class of Italy has suffered for centuries has at last resulted in forcing the working class to intelligent action along the line of its own interest.

Rome, Saturday, Oct. 22.—The political situation in Italy regarding the general election set for November 6 is such as to cause serious anxiety both at the Vatican and at the Quirinal. The Socialistic movement has made enormous strides in the last few years among all classes.

Fearing the enormous majority of Socialism among the voters, the government has entered into a secret understanding with the Vatican, by which some Catholics of monarchical proclivities will be allowed to run for parliament in districts where religious feelings are strong.

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The "beast of property" has again displayed its disgusting and civilized working class. It has announced its will by the same token as throughout all history. It has spoken as it always speaks, through the medium of shot and shell and the echo of its voice may be heard in the shrieks and wails of its millions of victims.

will be a shorter period, however, as thousands of Russian workmen already know that such governments are purely capitalist and must eventually be upset by the workers.

workers in lurch for further unbridled and merciless exploitation at the hands of their masters. This is as it should be. No land as slaves to remain in such their will should be granted, and the lash laid upon their servile backs to drive them through and complete satisfaction.

and file of the unions who indulged in the little break-away of a year ago known as the Labor party returned to their homes as a dog returns to its vomit.

A NEW RICHMOND IN THE FIELD

An Asiatic Warship Portends the End of Capitalism

The history of events of the past year in Manchuria has culminated in the capitulation of Port Arthur. It was with which the little brown man has adopted himself to the handling of modern military armaments, and the "barrying on of so-called civilized warfare" is something marvellous when it is remembered that half a century since the feudal system still held sway in Japan, and her doors were yet practically closed to the Western World.

of handling the modern implements of both industry and war with even greater skill than the capitalist who actually devised them from their most humble beginnings. Having taken these into their hands, they have made, male, they prove themselves even more at home in their use than those whom which grew up with them.

MORE INDUSTRIAL HOCUS FOCUS.

Another Attempt to Inseize New Life Into a Dying Cause.

We note from an eastern exchange that a manifesto (7) has been issued by the galaxy of labor agitators, and in essence to Geo. Estes, and as he is being called a convention to be held in Chicago during the month of June for the purpose of effecting industrial organization "based on the class struggle."

LIBERTY WORKS OVERTIME.

Enlightening the World on Ellis Island

The following account of a recent happening within the shadow of Bartholdi's famous statue is clipped from an eastern exchange. It is given as a warning to the laboring class against the "land of the free," to keep their "trap" closed as to their political convictions at least until after they have got into the hands of the protection of the island has given the latest illustration of the lawless and usurpation methods of the law in the American government.

A MODERN STATESMAN.

Governor Estlin on Sweep Back the Tide With a Broom.

A worthy gentleman who bears the cognomen of Albert E. Mead, by the grace of God and the ignorance of his fellow citizens was recently elected to the office of governor of the State of Oregon. He is the son of a poor man, and his education was obtained in the common schools of his native land. He is a man of simple habits, and his only claim to having attained the stature of manhood.

BONNIE SCOTLAND.

In the northwestern counties of Scotland there lies a large area of land upon which agriculture is carried on upon strictly capitalist lines.

Just who has been guilty of assuming the name of "fallacious" principles to be based on "fallacious" principles is not known. That the government of the United States, like all others, is but the instrument of a ruling class is beyond question. The very term government implies some one to rule and some one to be ruled.

AFTER THE STORM.

Some Reflections Concerning the Outcome of the Dominion Election.

The political storm after raging furiously in the districts of Victoria, Nanaimo and Vancouver City for a couple of weeks has subsided with the counting of the ballots and things have returned to their normal quietude. The approval of the electorate the political tools of merciless and unscrupulous capitalists have been meted out and authorized to exercise their power to the fullest extent holding the

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