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Saturday ..... March 24, 1906.  
Shoddy Civilization.

In reviewing Upton Sinclair's book the Springfield "Republican" says: "The jungle puts into concrete form the common charges that have been becoming unpleasantly frequent in recent years, as to the decline of honor, not to say common honesty, in American business. A shoddy civilization fed on garbage—such is the American that the Trusts have created—As Mr. Sinclair pictures it."

With all due respect to that eminent respectable and conservative journal it might be well to remark that there has been no "decline of honor," in American business. It is now what it always was. Its underlying principle has in no sense been altered. As business becomes more highly developed and its operations assume a greater magnitude it becomes possible to more effectively apply the principle upon which all business is founded, and more completely effect its underlying purpose. The fundamental basis of business, in the modern acceptance of the term, is the plunder of the working class, for the purpose of converting the proceeds of the robbery not only into sustenance for the robbers but into additional means of plunder as well. This latter expresses itself in what is termed additional or new capital. In the first place the plundering of the producers of wealth is a dishonest act. To such action honor is of necessity a stranger, except it be such as is said to obtain even among thieves. That particular brand is an extremely elusive and uncertain quantity has been clearly proven by recent insurance, Amalgamated Copper, Standard Oil, Beef Trust and other exposures. Among thieves though there be a sort of code of honor that is as a rule observed by the members of this precious fraternity, it by no means alters the fact that the calling itself is a dishonest one.

The cornerstone of American business, or that of any other country in fact, is the robbery of the working class. The after details work themselves out in a world-wide scramble among the thieves and their hangers-on over the division of the spoils of the robbery. This is called trade and commerce, and is usually summed up in the one word, business.

In the earlier days of the present system, while capitalist production was yet in a comparatively primitive stage and consequently business was as yet carried on in but a small way, the underlying principle and the motive which prompted its appreciation were of necessity so completely hidden beneath the intricacies of the operation of industry and business as to escape the observation even of the man who profited by the transaction. During such stage business and its devotees were logically garbed in what appeared, even to the most critical observer, to be the garb of honor. In these later days, however, with the instruments of labor grown into the huge mechanisms of to-day, and the consequent increase in the magnitude of industrial operation, and business transaction flowing therefrom, the system unmasked itself to even the most careless observer and capitalist production and business stands revealed as a colossal scheme of pillage and outrage perpetrated upon the only useful portion of human society, that portion that by its toil and sweat makes even present civilization, as bad as it is, possible—the working class. It is complete has now become the development of capitalist production, and its operations have assumed such gigantic proportions, that the robbery of labor at its hands can no longer be disguised.

Capitalist property is now openly brutal, arrogant and merciless in its process of grinding the flesh, bone and sinew of the workers into profit with which to swell its already enormous bulk. As shown by the exposures of Sinclair in his story of Packingtown, capital is just as conscienceless and unscrupulous in disposing of its plunder as it is in the matter of taking it from its wage-slave victims in the first instance. There is as much honor in selling rotten meat, dead rats and poisonous chemical wastes, as there is in the extraction of surplus value from the toil and sweat, and agony of a lot of wage-slaves. Either is a legitimate transaction under the beneficent rule of capital, for they are but the expressions of its life.

The exposure of capitalist methods and business which are becoming so frequent of late, are by no means an indication of any "decline of honor," in business. They only indicate that in these later days of capitalist development, the real purpose and motive underlying capitalist property are coming so clearly to the surface that they are being readily seen by those who are at all observing. Business is no more devoid of honor now than when in its infancy. The basis upon which it rests—the plunder of labor—was the same in its infancy as now in its old age. The present is not "a shoddy civilization fed on garbage," nor has it been created by the "Trusts." It is a capitalist civilization, fed upon the plunder of an enslaved working class. Instead of the "Trusts" having created it, they are the legitimate products of capitalist civilization. They represent the associated thieves who have been forced to band together in order to successfully conduct the gigantic industrial marauding expeditions that only a capitalist civilization could make possible.

Present civilization might perhaps not inappropriately be termed a "shoddy" one. At least it is a shabby one. But shoddy, shabby or rotten to the core, it is just as clean and pure as the fundamental crime upon which its shoddy, shabby or rotten structure is build. That crime is human slavery—a slavery that can no longer be made to pass for freedom by the singing of National Anthems, nor the reading of Declarations of Independence. Wage-slavery is as real, as atrocious, as vile, and even more degrading than any that preceded it. Any civilization resting upon slavery is of necessity without honor, without morals, and without decency. "Ye cannot gather grapes from thorns, nor figs from thistles."

**Cheap Melodrama.**  
For melodrama that is both cheap and nasty the states of Idaho and Colorado at present head the list. The ridiculous swag, bluster and nonsense indulged in by the officials of these states in connection with the recent arrest of Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone could not be duplicated outside of the stage of a bum 10-cent show in some tendorium basement.

At 4:30 on the morning after their arrest, Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone were brought into the jail corridor, where some contemptible cur in human form, dubbed a deputy warden of the Idaho penitentiary, proceeded, in most melodramatic and stagey fashion, to place a pair of handcuffs upon each man, shake their legs together so that they could only step a short distance at a time, and pinion their arms at their sides. This was done in preparation for taking them to the special train that had been provided to convey them from Denver to the Idaho beetle. Every human caricature above the level of the third grade idiot knows full well that the arrested men were subjected to this humiliating and unscrupulous treatment merely for the purpose of impressing the public mind with the idea that they were most dangerous and desperate characters. There has as yet nothing occurred in the history of the institution of these men to warrant even the supposition that they would attempt to resist an officer of the law, acting in his official capacity, or escape from his custody once placed under arrest. In fact, no one other than an insane person would attempt anything of the sort, and these men are far from being mentally unbalanced.

Just as the cheap and nasty show of the plums affords the opportunity for the bum actor to display that lack of talent which so eminently bests him for a place outside the pale of the "legitimate," so does the stage of governmental repression afford the opportunity for degenerate rascals to make coarse and vulgar displays of that lack of human, of mainly calibre and quality that so eminently bests them for the carrying out of the contemptible and dirty schemes of rulers whose vile and conscienceless tools they are. As the painted strumpet parades her counterfeit charms among the audience soliciting patronage for herself while

the bum hero treads the boards, so does that painted thing known as the capitalist press cater to the basest of human passions by extolling the merits of these official sleuths and thugs, and applauding their action in heaping insults upon these arrested men, and through them insulting the entire working class.

All of this cheap claptrap of shaking men against whom not a shadow of suspicion rests except in the brain of ignorance and prejudice, all of this accusation of guilt when no crime has yet been proven against the accused, all of this swag and bluster and buncombe upon the part of the sleuths, thugs and ruffians can have but one effect, and that effect will be good. It will tend to destroy that reverence for capitalist government and respect for capitalist law, upon which the security of ruling class economic supremacy, their fellow victims be of good cheer. The louder the benches of capital and its dirty press proclaim their guilt the more convinced will every sane person be of their innocence. They have already been tried as by fire. Let the workers of America see it that if this Idaho-Colorado melodrama buffonery being played by official sleuths and thugs is to be converted into a tragedy, the working class does not furnish all of the victims. Above everything else let the workers bear in mind that so long as the powers of government be left in the hands of their capitalist masters, the humiliation and insults heaped upon Moyer and his fellows will continue to be dealt out to all who dare to do battle in the interest of the workers and the upliftment of labor.

At the recent municipal election in Seattle, the fighting S. L. P. backed by a "revolutionary economic organization based upon the class-struggle," polled nearly 90 votes. Much satisfaction is felt by the stalwarts over the encouraging growth of "class-consciousness," and the increasing militancy of the purified battalions.

A Spokane capitalist is to have a 2,000-acre tract of land near Cheney Falls, converted into a huge peach orchard. Thus does large production gradually invade all fields and lines of industry.

An exchange states that John R. Walsh, who wrecked a couple of Chicago banks, not long since, also committed perjury in making false affidavits to the government about the bank's affairs. Well, what of it? It was all strictly business and John R. is a business man. Besides it's none of the workmen's business anyway.

It is reported that a Moscow, Russia, bank has been looted of some thing like half a million dollars. If it be true that the trick was turned by a party of revolutionists, it is to be hoped they will make better use of the proceeds than to spend it in riotous living. Doubtless they will, too.

Once upon a time the lambs in convention assembled decided to select only such wolves to prelude over the fold as would not use their teeth too harshly in dealing with their faithful subjects. A movement is said to be on foot among the typos to elect as judges only such men as will not abuse the use of the injunction in case of labor troubles. All of which is too serious to joke about.

Now that the session of the local house is over it would be well for every Socialist in the Province to get busy in preparing for the next Provincial election which will be upon us in about 18 months. There are 43 districts in the Province, and there must be that number of Socialist candidates in the field. British Columbia is easily in the front rank in the class war upon this continent and will be the first State or Province to be captured by the revolutionary proletariat. The next Provincial campaign will be a warm one. There is much work to be done in preparing for the fray. Let every Local and individual get busy.

Five bills, embodying a scheme for universal suffrage and other electoral reforms, were introduced in the lower house of the Austrian Parliament today by the Premier, Baron Gautsch von Frankenthurn. The Premier was subjected to noisy interruptions on the part of pan-Germans, while explaining the details of the plan, but the majority of the deputies heartily applauded his speech. The bills provide for the election of every Austrian 24 years old, and domiciled in a constituency for at least a year will be entitled to vote, and every one possessed of Austrian citizenship for at least three years will be eligible to election. Plural voting is prohibited and a division of the electoral districts is designed so as to give the Germans 205 representatives, the Slavs 280, the Italians 16, and the Rumanians 4. The introduction of these bills by the Government mark a distinct victory for the Social Democrats, who have during the past year carried on a most energetic popular agitation against the prevailing restricted suffrage. Having failed in its attempts to suppress this movement and being embarrassed both by the Hungarian action and by the conflict of the German and Slav elements in Austria, the rulers now see their only position in offering concessions. Of course, the victory will increase rather than slacken their activity.

### PROVINCIAL ORGANIZATION FUND.

Calls are coming in from various parts of the Province for speakers and organizers. The Provincial Executive desires to arrange for complying with these demands during the coming summer months. To accomplish this end we have provided several tours can be arranged for speakers whose services have already been promised. It is confidently expected that such tours, if properly managed, will do largely pay their own expenses through sales of literature, collections, and contributions along the route. It is, however, also necessary to provide an organized fund in advance to enable the committee to outfit speakers so that they may not be compelled to go forth empty handed. Such fund can be easily obtained if every person interested will do his little share towards such end. It was decided at the last meeting of the Committee to issue a call for contributions to this fund. The call, through the columns of the Western Clarion, such call to remain standing in its columns. Acknowledgement of all moneys received will be made through the next number, which will be published in the name of the donor, or such name as he may choose. Moneys contributed to this fund need not be used for the purpose above stated. Contributions should be sent to  
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### DOMINION ORGANIZING FUND.

The Dominion Executive Committee has decided to set out to be used for the purpose of pushing forward the work of organizing such parts of the Dominion of Canada as have not yet been reached. There is a very few men, which will of necessity entail considerable expense. The necessary funds can, however, be obtained if Locals, individuals comrades and friends will take the matter up by gathering and forwarding such contributions as may be forthcoming. As soon as the requisite funds be gathered it is the intention of the committee to arrange trips, for one or more organizers, covering as large a section of territory as possible. With energetic action in the matter of raising funds and judicious application of the same by the committee a much needed work may be carried out that will bear fruit in future election campaigns.

All money received for this fund, will be used solely for the purpose stated, and will be put at its disposal on Feb. 27, appropriated from the General Fund the sum of \$25, to be applied to the Organizing Fund. All moneys received for this fund will be acknowledged through the columns of the Western Clarion.

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### SOCIALIST PARTY CANADA

We, the Socialist Party of Canada, in convention assembled, affirm our allegiance to and support of the principles and program of the International Revolutionary Working Class Party. Labor produces all wealth, and to labor it should justly belong. To the owners of the means of wealth production belongs the program of labor and 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 class. 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 proletariat an ever widening stream of profit, 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 end the economic 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 the worker is rapidly culminating in the 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 Canada with the object of conquering the public powers for the purpose of setting up a social revolutionary 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 by the workers.
3. The establishment, as speedily as possible, of production for use instead of production for profit.

The Socialist Party, when in office shall always and everywhere until the Socialist Party has gained the making rule of conduct. Will this legislation advance the interests of the working class and aid the workers in their class struggle against capitalism? If it will, the Socialist Party is for it; if it will not, the Socialist Party is absolutely opposed to it.

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

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**I. THE UNDERSIGNED,**  
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There appears in the British Museum the body of a human being taken from a shallow mudstone grave on the west bank of the upper Nile. This man is supposed to have lived along the banks of the Nile long before the time of the earliest mummies. It is not suggested, however, that this ancient man is in any manner closely related to Captain Fawcett, British Columbia's able and august Minister of Finance, although the latter is somewhat antiquated in his ideas.

### Union Directory

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Every Labor Union in the province is invited to place a card under this head. \$1.00 per month. Secretaries please note.

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Provincial Legislature

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Mr. Oliver then moved that "five-class engineers might be authorized for the purpose of maintaining steam."

Hawthornthwaite protested against the motion, and it was agreed that the engineer would be able to hire a night watchman at \$50 a month to do the work that they would have done as an engineer \$70 or \$80 a month.

Boiler Inspection Act

Vancouver, B. C., March 11, 1906.—Mr. Hawthornthwaite, M. L. A., Victoria, Dear Sir, I had the honor to receive this morning with Mr. A. H. B. McEwain your objection to amendments to the Boiler Inspection Act.

I have written Mr. Gurney a long letter on the subject, and am sorry I have not time to explain the matter more fully to you, but I have explained to him and have no doubt he will lay the matter fully before you, if you are unable to have the changes made as we suggest, you would do us a great favor if you could have the amendments before the committee till we are able to go more fully into the matter.

1431 Robson Street.

W. A. Robertson, Secretary. Vancouver, B. C., March 11, 1906.—Mr. P. Garden, Esq., M. L. A., for Vancouver, Victoria, B. C., Dear Sir, I had the honor to receive this morning with Mr. A. H. B. McEwain this morning relating to the amendment to the Boiler Inspection Act of 1901, and he has explained to me to which you refer the reason of our objections.

I understand from Mr. McEwain that he has informed you of our objections, but I think it is better to explain the matter fully to you from our point of view.

This Association has no desire to play the dog in the manger, nor will we oppose any honest endeavor to improve the present Act, and we wish it understood that we have taken the following objections solely because we consider the amendments injurious.

We have no objections to a fifth-class or grade certificate being issued provided it is applied properly. In fact, in the month of June, 1905, this Association proposed the following to Chief Inspector Peck:

That all small plants where it was necessary to have the engineer able to specialize in other work, such as mechanics, where a man may be engineer and butcher, or a man may be engineer and farmer, logging engineers where a man has to be both a bookkeeper, and other similar plants where it seems to us to be an injustice to the owner to have to supply two men to do one man's work, we suggested that a special grade certificate be granted on payment of a small yearly fee of \$1.00 or \$2.00 each year by the party wishing to operate such a plant.

And that such time acted as engineer under these conditions would not qualify an time to count for applying for any other grade.

tioned. We quite agree that the schedule ought to be amended, but do not assent to the proposed change.

It is true that the words "responsible engineer" are a very vague and does not place the responsibility where it belongs.

We understand also the foolishness of the same in the certificate, as it now is, in charge after he has left the plant, so we suggest the amendment read thus, "where the one who signs certificate changes in the plant is in charge."

This will also cause the engineer to see that his certificate is hung in a conspicuous place instead of his tool chest, as is often the case at present.

As this matter seems to us to have been unduly rushed through the House, we have not been able to be as explicit as we liked to be, but we trust that you will be able to have our views in the matter laid before the proper quarter.

If you cannot have this matter altered as we suggest, we do not see any reason why it cannot be laid over for another session, when we are of the opinion the steam users who now object to it will be more fully informed. Trusting you will grant us your most favorable consideration in this matter, we are yours very truly,

Per W. A. Robertson, Secretary.

P. 8. I find I won't have time to explain the facts fully to Mr. Hawthornthwaite, so have referred him to you for our opinion on the subject.

He thought the suggestions of the Engineers' Association were good, and he stood for another session. It might be stood over for a few days, anyhow, and he moved that the committee rise and report progress.

Mr. Oliver was defeated, and Mr. Hawthornthwaite then moved that his amendment to the Bill should not apply to engines kept for heating and drying purposes, but he was defeated.

He pointed out that as a result of the appointment of incompetent men, and his only desire was to protect life and property.

The amendment was defeated, but by this time the hour of 6:30 was reached, and as the Bill was not yet through committee, it was practically closed at Mr. Hawthornthwaite's motion, and he had thus so far won his point.

At the evening session the Bill was taken up again, and Mr. Hawthornthwaite moved that the whole of Section 3, Subdivision 5a, which reads as follows, should be struck out: "A fifth-class engineer may take charge of any plant where steam is kept for heating or drying purposes, or of any logging engine or boiler."

The resolution to strike the passage out carried, and he then moved in substitution: "A fifth-class engineer may take charge of any logging engine or boiler or any engine used for farm purposes not exceeding 20 horsepower, provided it is kept for heating or drying purposes, or of any logging engine or boiler."

Mr. Oliver thought that the provision in the latter part of the amendment was absurd, for, while a boy of 15 could qualify for a fourth-class certificate, it would deprive a man of the right to be a fifth-class engineer, and he moved that the words "provided always that such service shall not count on application for a higher grade certificate," should be struck out.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite said if they were going to turn a lot of hayseeds loose to manage engines they might as well have no regulations at all. He moved that a complete list of tools that it required a small skill to manage a steam engine 250 miles away from civilization, and a man that could do that, would be able to qualify for a certificate on his experience.

His amendment being put to the committee, he was defeated by 12 to 11. Mr. Oliver said the "Ember for Delta," said Chairman Murphy, and Mr. Oliver's amendment carried amid a general titter.

The Powers Which Oppose Us

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continent, 2,600,000 children have been forced into the labor market through poverty. What a proud position do they hold, who in the name of law and order, who in the name of religion, defend that thing which robs children of their childhood, which grinds up their flesh and blood into profits, and which robs humanity with an ever increasing harvest of misery and crime.

It is evident that the more conventional education one has absorbed the more he is opposed to revolution, and this is why the full grown scoundrels and parasites, hypocrites, of this generation are quite as antagonistic to proletarian interests as they were 2,000 years ago, before the Christian era.

Not only does the economic interest of the educated classes determine this opposition, but also the moral and political that society and civilization is really based on legalized robbery, to say nothing of such supports as adulterated foods, watered stock, corned pork, etc., is not compatible with that society and civilization which characterizes high grade capitalistic culture.

To almost any member of the "respectable" and the "well-to-do" education is distasteful, but the bourgeois female will usually spurn the idea of overthrowing established forms and institutions of this world as violently as she would reject the idea of the hell of the next, and for the same reason. Physically she is more free, mentally more enslaved than the women of the working class.

The idea of a double code of morals, and that it is "not proper" for her to vote or take an active interest in the great social questions appeals alike to the bourgeois and aristocrat, and she much prefers a pretty life to an ugly truth.

When we consider the determining influence of woman's education we no longer wonder that, as often seems, as Edward Carpenter says, "a woman is between an angel and an idiot," but while her folly is due to a perverted education and is by no means confined to her sex, her true goodness actually endures in spite of it.

The attitude of the educated mind toward Socialism is a study in itself. To many the juggernaut of capitalism which is sweeping the body and soul out of millions is a thing too holy to overthrow. They prefer a world of masters and slaves, of paupers and parasites, to one in which poverty would necessitate the breaking of idols. If this is not so, then why do they not examine Socialism before condemning it?

One would suppose that those respectable people who stoop so gracefully in their works of charity would eagerly examine the claims of those who tell them that under co-operative production for use, all poverty would be abolished, and that the "impersonal robbery" is this but an opiate to keep the laboring class quiet, a cloak by which the thieves can pick a pocket at Saratoga.

The fact now admitted by the capitalist press, that the increase of poverty keeps pace with the increase of the productivity, is the best proof of the fact that the management of our social life is a colossal crime. This fact seals the damnation and destruction of capitalist civilization!

The great information is corrupted by the same powers which corrupt our legislature and courts, and which determine all other conventional institutions, but a system built on robbery can only be maintained by deceit, and intellectual prostitution is one of the fine arts and most powerful agents of capitalism. The capitalist class, who in its generation is well aware that to state the facts regarding our social conditions and publish articles by their own pens, would be ruinous to their cause.

The result is the educated classes live for the most part in a fool's paradise, and know little of the real world and nothing of the under world of the present. Naturally those who wish the people to put their head in the sand and imagine that all is well. They lack the courage to face the facts.

Mr. Natchez will not accept the doctrine of economic determinism or investigate the Socialist movement, for to do so would be to admit that the major part of their curriculae and literature are statutes and morals—all their gilded domes and lofty turrets must go down with a crash as soon as its foundation of wage labor is replaced by co-operation.

Naturally those who wish the people in our political, judicial, financial and military worlds do not rely the proposition that the "man in overall" will in a few years dump them and their kindred into the social ash barrel. We cannot blame them. Self preservation is the strongest law of life, and it is the force behind the Social movement. The death of society has at least a glimmering of the truth, and have forever left behind them the warm precincts of sentimental Socialism, sentimentalism and sympathy.

Those who do not stand up against economic forces, and we have evidence that even "brother" and "sister" is mostly a question of "does it pay?"

In the coming order the intellectual miners and literary antiquarians will have to get down and dig while the pedagogical varnishes and whitewashers—those whose function it is to "polish pebbles and dim diamonds"—will find their occupation gone. Those who today are paid for tinkering with some of the eruptions and blotches of our social smallpox will not be needed, as the social severs and cesspools from which the symptoms develop will be abolished. It is quite natural that the Socialist movement should have many enemies. The teachers in the coming civilization will deal with real and living things, and not with the dead letters of the past. Those who today are paid for tinkering with some of the eruptions and blotches of our social smallpox will not be needed, as the social severs and cesspools from which the symptoms develop will be abolished.

reversed, and the basis of education will not be dead, and dying things and things that should have been buried centuries ago, but will teach us how to live in the greatest freedom, and surroundings, which show us how to live the deepest, broadest, highest, happiest life, and because of this the development of our mental faculties will be of first importance.

We as socialists believe in that equality so great that it is altruism. We believe in the "self-love" guide, and we know the world embraces with its mighty arms the whole human race. Socialism is more than class-conscious—it is race-conscious.

If the educated classes would only look they would see that they too are enslaved. "Follow the chain of the world," said Emerson, "and it will be found upon the wrists of the master, and it is even so. The rich are rotting at the top and the poor are starving at the bottom. It is as Paul Lafargue says: 'The leading capitalists are sad specimens of the human race. The mark of degeneracy is upon them. Satiated and disgusted with everything that is followed everywhere with enmity as by their shadow. They yawn at rising, and when they go to bed they yawn. They yawn at their feasts and at their orgies. They begin yawning at their mother's tomb.'"

Socialism Working-Class Movement. It is evident that Socialism must be a working-class movement, since all the powers of church and state are opposed to it, and to this class we must first appeal.

A revolutionist we should ever be alive to the fact that on the world's great stage we now take the leading role in the most momentous act of human history, and when we realize this glorious privilege which is ours, we should be inspired with the highest energy in the most momentous act of our lives.

Every moment of our responsibilities, we should use every effort to destroy prejudice and create interest in the Socialist movement—support lecturers and speakers, hold meetings in every town and village in the land. We should spread Socialist literature far and wide and turn on a flood of revolution so deep and wide and swift that the workers who are not lifted by the flood will be swept away—so deep and wide and strong that even the educated classes may be swept off their feet and forced in self defense to fight for or against the new day which is surely coming.

Today the very air is vibrating with revolution. Everywhere we hear the tramp, tramp of coming armies of labor driven to revolt through want—a world movement sweeping onward with irresistible force.

In the coming revolution we witness the resultant of aeons of evolution and dissolution, the consummation of myriads of births and deaths, of struggles and defeats, and we believe and are assured that this tragic act, the

The Montreal "Witness" says that when representatives of the working class enter public life, their title is usurped one. Canada is altogether a workmen's country. It has no leisure class. The question is not whether the capitalist works or does not work. The question is does he render to society services equivalent to the reward he obtains. The "work" of the capitalist class in Canada mostly consists of scheming to get every inch of the hide from the laborer and then further scheming to extract from the other capitalist his share of the pelt. Such work merits no reward save such as is given at the end of a rope slung over a convenient telegraph pole.

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