

A ZEPHYR FROM THE CENT BELT

Sensible Suggestions and Pertinent Observations Relating to Speakers, Writers and Other Active Participants in the Movement of the Proletariat Militant.

Editor Western Clarion, Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Comrade—In a recent issue of the Western Clarion appeared a Toronto article signed G. W. W., representing the view from G. W. W.'s standpoint of Comrade James Simpson's attitude in labor and Socialist movements.

The writer is very interested in the vindication of Comrade Simpson, or a criticism of the somewhat premature article of G. W. W., than in asserting his oft-repeated stand upon what he considers to be the essential shall live up to — what constitutes a compromise.

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people, than at last will these inventions be a blessing to all the people and give to all the people that culture and refinement that will be the mark of a true civilization.

Professor Carver in his debate with Wilshire stated that farm products are not being monopolized. The professor is evidently not well informed, as the following will show.

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The American working plug's heart should swell with patriotic ardor over the \$4,000 worth of diamonds in the hands of Mrs. Vanderbilt of New York's 400. This hard-working wench recently appeared at a "function" with her "mud boot" on, slippers with diamond studs, beads, although the slippers were, in themselves, merely a cheap \$25 article, the judicious placing of the \$4,000 worth of diamonds in the beads made her worth once both plugging the eye of the rubber neck, as well as extremely comfortable and serviceable to the wench herself.

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Sam Gompers' threat that the unions would resort to political action in order to secure the passage of laws that have been brought in by Congress is about to be carried out by a vengeance.

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PICKED UP ALONG THE ROUTE

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They would also respectfully suggest that the presence of a choir, an organ, and other musical instruments, such as those on hand, and administered as far as possible, the stimulus of their position, controlled by the moneyed class, and vicarious of that class, in the congregation, or the church at large, and on the other hand, free the pulpit from the social resting upon them, and their social or financial condition is a force which enables them, or the lack of the same, to determine, from occupying any position, or from being representatives in any way, in the affairs of the church which pertains to the laity.

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THE FARMER AND THE MACHINE.

Why the Farmer is at the Mercy of the Machine.

The one great dominant factor in changing social relations in the last century is the invention and development of machinery and its application to industry.

When the sewing machine was invented, it was hailed as a great boon to women to relieve them of the wearisome toil of the needle, yet no class of the exploited workers of this age are working under more distressing and unhealthy conditions than the users of this increased productivity.

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THE BLOODSTAINED CAUCASUS

The International Socialist Bureau Gives Graphic Picture of the "Little Father's" Tender Care of his Dear Children.

The following extract from the Report of the International Socialist Bureau at Brussels throws considerable light on the state of affairs in the Caucasus and affords a graphic picture of the "Little Father's" kindness towards his children.

The proletariat of the world will have to take into consideration the heroic struggles of their comrades against Russian absolutism. The Russian proletariat organized for International Socialist declared a general strike against the exploiters and oppressors and unrelenting war against the Czar's government.

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Two neighbor races, during which the government was enabled to concentrate its forces and carry out its policy of pillage and vengeance of this race, which has constituted itself the defender of absolutism and the labor for emancipation hand in hand with their comrades, Russian, Jewish, Polish, Georgians, Lithuan and Finn.

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EMPHASIZING THE INFAMY.

Probably no more infamous undertaking has been indulged in by the ruling class of the United States, than the unwarranted seizure of Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone, and their brutal kidnaping from the State of Colorado. No more glaring and arbitrary exercise of brute force to override and nullify the supposed rights of alleged free citizens, has ever occurred upon American soil. That it has been met with such a storm of indignant protest upon the part of workmen as to war against the conspirators responsible for the infamy, against being too coarse and open in carrying out their murderous schemes, is greatly to the credit of the workers. But it is by no means sufficient to avert the conspirators from their original purpose, as the present status of the case most clearly proves. The abducted men are still in prison, and with no prospects of anything like a hearing of their case in sight. This is made all the more criminal in view of the fact that the accused men have at all times since their arrest not only been ready for immediate trial, but have urgently insisted that such be given them.

The law's delay in the matter of bringing them to trial has not occurred through any fault of the accused men. Holding them in confinement upon mere suspicion of guilt, is, in effect, the punishment of men for crimes of which they have not been proven guilty. If at some future time these men should be brought to trial, and their innocence of the crimes charged be established, the spectacle is afforded of innocent men having suffered punishment, that even under capitalist law, is due only to actual criminals.

The holding of these men in confinement during these long weary months of the law's delay, is but emphasizing the infamy practiced upon them in the first instance. They have been and are still being, deprived of their liberty, not because of guilt established, but because the present ruling class professes to have evidence sufficient to prove them criminals. That they are not promptly brought to trial, their guilt proven and punishment meted out accordingly, is proof positive that no such evidence exists. The only conclusion to be drawn is that the entire case against the imprisoned men has been trumped up for the purpose of depriving them of their liberty, or perchance of their lives, in order to further the interests of that brutal gang of capitalists which has its fangs buried in the vitals of the American working class, and which is typified in Colorado and Idaho by the mine-owners' association.

Let the men of labor everywhere continue their protests against the infamy practiced upon Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone. Let the agitation in their behalf be increased and multiplied a thousand fold until, such a din is raised about the ears of the ruling class as to compel them to release these men and return them to their families, and if they have any case against them go about it in a reasonable, decent and legal way.

THE IMPENDING CHANGE.

All signs point to an upheaval in the not distant future that will undoubtedly result in no inchoate and alteration and readjustment of social and industrial institutions. Along what particular line such readjustment will be made, there can be little question. The ever increasing social character of wealth production is rendering it each day more imperative that such a transformation of property relations among

men shall occur as will enable the units of human society to obtain access at all times to the means of production for the purpose of supplying themselves, through their own labor, with the food, clothing, etc., necessary to their existence.

The productive power of labor at the present time, owing to the efficient and powerful tools and machinery in use, is something almost beyond human computation. But, in spite of this enormous productive power, that human society cannot longer feed, clothe and shelter itself under the present system of property is evidenced by the widespread and ever deepening poverty and misery that curses every land under the sun.

Capitalist property dominates the world. Capital is king. It rules with an iron hand. Its subjects include all who by their labor produce the wealth of the world. By their toil and sweat, the subjects (workers) produce wealth untold for their ruler (capital) while living in poverty and misery themselves, and oftentimes under conditions of squalor and wretchedness beyond the power of language to describe. At the same time the beneficiaries of capitalist property live in such magnificence and splendor as the world has never seen before. Capitalists and their hangers-on wallow in wealth as bees might wallow in a swill trough. The workers, their subjects and slaves, pay the bill by their privations and misery.

The impending change in social and industrial institutions will transform the means of production from capital, to collective or community property, and abolish the wage system. After such transformation the men of labor will no longer work for the profit of others. They will work together in their own industries for the purpose of supplying themselves and their families with the material things necessary for their comfort and well-being. Where they now work together for the profit of capital they will then work together for the common good.

The impending change is implied in the world-wide Socialist movement. That the modern machinery of production is forcing the change is attested by the widespread discussion of Socialism that is so prevalent to-day. It is the universal topic. It is being discussed through the press, from the platform and wherever men do congregate, and all of this discussion and agitation is forced by the machinery and methods of capitalist production; by the economic development of the present age.

Production is, at present, essentially social. The workers are compelled to work together because of the nature of the tools of industry and the consequent method of their operation. The labor of each individual is swallowed up in the combined labor of all. The product comes forth as a social product, i. e., something produced by the combined labor of all, and not by the labor of any individual. The individual only contributes his labor to the general process of producing all things.

While capitalist production is essentially social in character, the appropriation of the product is semi-social. It is appropriated by a part of society only. It is appropriated by the owners of the means of production, the capitalists, who subsequently have a regular "monkey and parrot" time in whacking it up among themselves. There can be no peace or harmony in human society until the method of appropriating and distributing the products of industry is made to conform to that of the productive process itself. Social production demands social ownership of the means of production, and social appropriation of the products. This, of itself, implies a proper and equitable distribution of wealth among those who take part in its production, which in turn implies that every one must contribute his share of labor-time to the common process if he is to partake of the wealth brought forth by it.

It is up to the workers to use every means within their power to bring about the requisite change with as little friction and turmoil as possible.

AN "AMOOBIN" CUSS.

The most amusing "critter" on earth is the chap who writes or talks learnedly about Socialism contemplating the common ownership of everything in the shape of property, even down to clothing and kitchen utensils. The fact of the matter is that the Socialist knows as well as anybody that everything required by the individual for his own personal use and comfort should be his private property, provided, of course, that he has obtained it in a legitimate way, and that no power on earth should be allowed to dispossess him of such property.

The things that men are compelled to use together in order to produce wealth should be owned together, or in common, so as to insure to each individual participating in production the oppor-

tunity of acquiring private property for himself, in such things as he may require for his own comfort and well-being. Social property in such means of production as require that workers shall work together in their operation, can alone assure to them the opportunity of acquiring such private property.

The residence, furnishings, horses, carriages, automobiles and other personal belongings of a capitalist work no further hardships upon his workmen, although their first cost, was wrung from them as capital, i. e., meaning exploitation. They are a source of expense to the capitalist instead of a means of revenue. The money expended upon them might otherwise have been converted into new or additional capital and thus used as a means of continued or further exploitation.

Garrulous upstarts who jump at conclusions might as well possess themselves with patience, and not work themselves into an early grave over the designs of Socialism in regard to private property. The Socialist purports to deal with capitalist property, by converting it into the collective property of the working class, which no more implies a denial of the right of an individual to own private property than the public ownership of an ocean would imply that a bather should not own a bathing suit.

The "amoooin" cuss" that knows it all and yet knows nothing will still be frequently heard from though. He will pop up now and again for the edification of the simple-minded, including himself.

GANGRENE.

Ask any of the leaders of conservatism in Vancouver and the adjacent districts and the answer of three out of five electors who voted for the return of conservative candidates will be unfavorable. "We are liberal-conservatives," not socialist-conservatives. "We have no sympathy with the man who is the flag of our country today, on a tour of instruction with McBride's scalp dangling from his girdle, boasting of the degradation of our Canada's fair domain, and threatening to haul down the British flag at the capital and run up the Red Flag of Anarchy in its stead."

In days of yore the hero Wolfe Britain's glory did maintain And planted firm Britannia's flag On Canada's fair domain; Here may we raise our boast and pride And join in love together The thistle, shamrock, rose and twine The maple leaf forever.

The maple leaf our emblem dear The maple leaf for ever; God save our King and Heaven bless The maple leaf for ever. So sang Alex. Muir who died on the 26th of June last; four days after Mr. Hawthornthwaite had told a Vancouver crowd that he intended to tear down the glorious flag of our country and substitute for it the Red Flag of Anarchy.

The above clippings are from the editorial page of the "Vancouver World" which is known all the way from J. Hill's depot to the Cambie St. dump as "the paper that prints the facts." As Hawthornthwaite is known to possess a large and varied assortment of pelts taken from animals of all kinds, including his own, he is, however, a man of faith, from pre-historic times to the present, it is more than likely that "Mr. McBride's scalp" is among the pelts. It is, however, of little consequence as capitalist politicians of whatever brand, are altogether too easy to snare to admit of any great value attaching to their scalp. It is well enough to admit, that in regard to this scalp matter, the World has probably not strayed away far from the truth.

In regard to the "Red Flag" it is somewhat different, however. The "Red Flag" happens to be, not the flag of anarchy, but of its very opposite. Socialism is the emblem of peace, labor and liberty. Its color typifies the blood that flows through the veins of all the race, indicating a common humanity and brotherhood among men. In its blitheness about the "Red Flag" and Hawthornthwaite's intentions in reference thereto, the suspicion that it does not always confine itself to the facts, but sometimes simply lies.

Webster defines gangrene as: "a term formerly restricted to mortification of the soft tissues which has been advanced so far as to produce complete loss of vitality and is applied to mortification of soft parts in any stage."

Whether caused by the rupture of an abscess, or by tearing his own virtues from the houses of his faceration of his feelings because the tantalizing political plums are "so near, but so out of the reach," the "World" is in a deuced bad way and gangrene has set in. Either that or senile decay.

MISPLACED CONFIDENCE.

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approach of danger to the particular class interest to which they are pledged, and the faculty of being able to play sneaky political tricks upon each other in the interest of the particular corporation or concern with which they are for the moment, in touch, their own self-interest and most mediocre of humankind extend. Without in their own narrow sphere they appear as veritable encyclopedias of wisdom, and in the next breath they assert it to be the dream of the selfish who desire to live in the sweat of somebody else's face. Each assertion is a direct contradiction of the other. If Socialism means "a division of all material things with regard to the value of the contributions made by individuals," then certainly the dream of the selfish who desire to live in the sweat of somebody else's face, if it is such a "dream" then it cannot mean a division of "material things" upon the basis of merit. The one statement plainly belies the other. In so completely stultifying himself this big Republican gun clearly establishes the fact that he is a smooth bore and long range in the field of political trickery and thimble-rigging, outside of that it is rusty and crooked of barrel, and will in range only sufficient to carry a shot from the muzzle" to the breach.

While workmen look to the political side of the question, the capitalist for wisdom and safe guidance, they will continue to get what is coming to them as easy marks and gullible suckers. Their confidence will be misplaced. However ignorant they may be themselves, as to the steps necessary to be taken to further their interests, they will continue to be the political henchmen of capitalism are even more so. Besides all this they are pledged in a contrary direction and must obey.

It is all off with the Standard Oil Company as far as Kansas is concerned. Governor Hoch proposes that the state establish a distillery for the production of denatured alcohol, to be operated by convict labor. Alcohol for light and fuel could be furnished to consumers so cheap that oil would be knocked out. If the workers in the oil industries that are to be shut down in consequence desire a steady job in the alcohol mill all they need do is to become convicts. The rest will do itself. Great is Kansas, and Governor Hoch is no lightweight terror. When he gets through with the standard there will not be enough left to hold an inequent over.

It is reported that the farmers of Kansas are finding it difficult to obtain sufficient labor to harvest their crops, although they are offering the fabulous wage of \$1.25 per day. The greed for wealth is becoming the predominant characteristic of the American workmen. Unless it can in some way be checked they will soon develop into aristocratic loafers, spending their time in riding around in automobiles, playing tennis or polo, or getting divorces from their wives. Remedial legislation is what is needed.

A Frenchman has written a book in which he clearly explains how to live 150 years. All that is needed, says the author, is the will to do so. This will be welcome news to those who have been led away with the idea that the matter of grub had at least something to do with the ability to live even 50, let alone 150 years. The dissemination of this knowledge will no doubt tend to have a depressing effect upon wages, and quite properly so if the author's contention be sound.

Hungary is threatened with a general strike that promises to bring industry to a standstill in harvest time. Eighty thousand laborers have agreed to strike for the purpose of forcing the government to grant universal suffrage instead of a modified franchise scheme as now proposed. If the strike of held laborers fails of its purpose a general strike of all trades is to be declared. That sort of a strike is well worth taking part in and should enlist the support of every workman.

London, June 18.—A curious story of King Edward's comment on the Liberal and Labor victories in the late elections is being told discreetly in political circles.

It is said that when the continual successes of the Radicals were announced to the King, he exclaimed "Amazingly, and the last King of England?"—News Items. And what will the people of England do, then, poor things?

Because of an article published in the Cosmopolitan Magazine, entitled "The Treason of the Senate," Senator Bailey, of Texas, declares such publications "should be outlawed by the united contempt of honest men." Just what particular trait of cunningness prompted the senator to attempt to drag honest men into a mix-up with the senate is unknown.

PLATFORM

WORKERS OF THE WORLD UNITE



SOCIALIST PARTY OF 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. Labor produces all wealth, and to labor it should justly belong. To the owners 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 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 capitalist an ever-swelling stream of profit, and 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 working class 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 the worker is rapidly culminating in a struggle for possession of the power of government—the capitalist to hold power to protect his 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, railroads, 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 everywhere until the present system is abolished, make the answer to this question its guiding rule of conduct. Will this legislation advance the interests of the workers and the working class? 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.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE SOCIALIST PARTY OF CANADA.

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, hereby apply for membership in the Socialist Party of Canada.

I recognize the class struggle between the capitalist class and the working class to be a struggle for political supremacy, i. e., possession of the reins of government, and which necessitates the organization of the workers into a political party distinct from and opposed to all parties of the capitalist class.

If admitted to membership, I hereby agree to maintain or enter into no relations with any other political party, and pledge myself to support by voice, vote and all other legitimate means the ticket and the program of the Socialist Party of Canada only.

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PARTY MATTERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

These columns have been placed at the disposal of the Party Secretaries of Localities as requested...

DOMINION ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

Vancouver, B. C., July 2nd, 1906. Present, Comrades McKenzie, Pritchard, Kingsley and the secretary.

The following correspondence was dealt with: From Toronto, Hamilton and Berlin locals in Ontario, Winnipeg and Vancouver locals and Comrade C. Towers, Inverclyde, Ont.

A warrant was ordered drawn to "Western Clarion" for \$2 for ad space.

Table with 2 columns: Description (local stamps, Winnipeg local stamps, etc.) and Amount (\$1.10, \$1.00, etc.)

FOR THE SINEWS OF WAR

As will be seen good use has been made of the money subscribed so far to the organizing fund...

DOMINION ORGANIZING FUND

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PROVINCIAL ORGANIZATION FUND

Table with 2 columns: Description (Balance on hand, M. Halliday, Ernest Profit, etc.) and Amount (\$24.50, 1.00, etc.)

PROVINCIAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Regular business meeting July 2nd. Present: Comrades Kingsley (organizer), Moran, Pritchard and the secretary.

Warrants were ordered drawn for the following sums: Printing receipt books, etc., \$17.00

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Communications were read from Bevestoke Local, Boundary Falls Local, Fernie Local, Chilliwack Local, Nanaimo Local, A. W. Herrod (Nelson), Kamloops, Ymir, Greenwood, Grand Forks, Kimberley, Sandon and Moyie. Comrades M. Halliday, M. Halliday and Philip Tobin admitted as members at large.

Notice received from Comrade Halliday of disbanding of Van Anda Local, the members having been dispersed and effective organization being impossible owing to the continuous working of the mine night and day seven days a week.

The secretary was instructed to notify locals to vote for place of convention.

Table with 2 columns: Description (Fernie Local, Vancouver Local, Chilliwack Local, Boundary Falls Local, Van Anda treasury, M. Halliday, member at large, Philip Tobin, member at large, donations to organization fund, donations to central campaign fund) and Amount (\$3.00, 3.00, 2.50, 5.00, 1.00, 1.00, 21.50, 4.00)

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AS GIVEN OR EXPRESSED BY SOCIALISTS THROUGHOUT THE DOMINION

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ONWARD MARCH OF CAPITALISM

On the wide, level reaches of the rolling prairie that lie within the shadows of the Alberta foothills—the last of the once so woolly West—the time, not in the drama of civilization on this continent is being played, and the last of the Canadian cowboys, the "last-punchers" of the real old kind, are being backed up against the western sky, with the Rockies and the Pacific behind him.

No more do great herds of thousands of branded cattle roam the range; no more do the echoes of the pounding hoofs rumble in the ravines to mingle with the rich creak of "Curley" and "Shorty" or "Scotty" and the rest. "Cinch" up and "cuttin' out" and "rutlin'" and "mavericks" will soon be forgotten terms of a forgotten past. The star of empire is taken from the west, and cities and factories and hamlets are effecting one last stand "roundup."

Every train from the South and East is bringing in its fullest capacity of new settlers, and where a few short years ago could be heard the wild "hollers" of the cowboy can be heard the nasal twang of the "Yankee," the burr of the Northerner, mingled with the jargon of Southern Europe in its many dialects. Where before the cattle grazed in peace, warmed by the chinook, thousands of acres of wheat fields now lie, driving the rancher before them.—Daily press.

That civilization—capitalism—is reaching out after all the undeveloped territory in Canada is self-evident to any observer; but that such a move is one of the last acts in the drama of capitalist domination is plain only to the socialist. Canada is now in the throes of capitalist development, and must pass through the industrial history of the United States in much less time than the latter.

The sooner, the better. In the process thousands of human lives will be ground into profit, but that is a part of the price the workers pay for their economic ignorance. The world market is now an accomplished fact. All nations, whether capitalist, propertyless, are seeking market-places in which to get rid of the products stolen from the workers of their respective countries—through the wage system.

When there is no longer a market for this stolen product there will be no profit in such thievery; capitalist property will renounce itself into an unprofitable investment; hence must fall of its own weight.

This peculiar form of property—capital (that particular property used to exploit labor)—must never be expropriated by a system of property conforming to existent industry and the needs and requirements of the only useful class in the world, the working class, be it by robbery or by force. This transformation necessitates a social revolution—a complete change.

The enslaved working class must get ready to industrialize and to take the reins of government, the instrument used by the present capitalist ruling class to hold them in subjection. As all the old parties—Liberal, Conservative, Independent, etc.—stand for the perpetuation of the present form of property, and the consequent destruction of the property they are to fill the bill and must be wiped out the map.

The only party on earth voicing the interests of the great robbed class in the international arena is the Socialist party as big and as broad as old capitalism itself. In fact it is, but the reflection of the growth of capitalism upon the lives of the workers.

After securing the aid of government, the Socialists propose, by legal enactment, to convert capitalist property—collective property used to rob labor—into the property of the working class.

This accomplished, the production of food, clothing and shelter will be carried on for the use and pleasure of the people or at least that portion willing and able to divide up the work and hours of labor. Did you ever think that to do everything there is no profit in it, at ready owned and operated by the government? Roads, trails, canals, bridges, harbors, mills, post-offices, schools, etc., are all foreign countries, weather and crop bulletin bureaus, immigration agents, etc., in fact everything, there is no profit in it.

which to live. I would choose from now till 1920. During that period society will have made the change above noted; not because socialists say so; but because to watch its opponents squirming and making weakly efforts to stem the onward tide of socialism; and to see the international rearing of the flag of Brotherhood (the name color veins) is indeed most interesting. Especially so, to the worker who can appreciate that for the first time on earth since the advancement of human slavery, the members of his class are to be liberated from the chains of slavery and stand forth free men and free women.

Vancouver wage slaves will do their part in the coming Provincial campaign. The Vancouver Local of the S. F. will have five straight uncompromising revolutionists in the field, and enough votes will be added to the 1540 votes already polled in this city to help make matters mighty interesting for the ruling class of this Province.

The printers' ink of the paid press and decoy old-party labor-slaves, will avail the job-owners little comfort. The workers of this city are determined to hold the reins of rule, and rid themselves of the political rubbish above referred to. And I believe they will. We shall see what we shall see.

HAWTHORNTHWAIT'S MEETINGS

REVELSTOKE, B. C.

Address to the Citizens of Revelstoke on the Political Situation.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite began his address by stating that the Socialist Party had determined to send himself and other speakers on a campaign of the Dominion, but since then it appeared there is to be a general election in British Columbia necessitating a change of programme. He was now addressing a series of meetings throughout the Province, and would probably also hold some meetings in Revelstoke.

The subject of socialism was a scientific one and one of the most difficult problems with political economy. It consisted of the surplus value added to the cost of production but amounted to what was termed "surplus value." Labor power created value greater than its own, and that "surplus value" went to the capitalist. Socialists were sometimes accused of using hard language because the capitalist class of being ROBBERS AND THIEVES.

He intended to repeat that accusation, but he was not to do so. He was to be content with pointing out that the workers were not paid for the surplus value resulting from their own production. In the United States the workers were paid for one-fourth of their own production, that is to say of all the product of a day's labor over and above two hours per day, went to the capitalist, and the worker was not paid a cent for that surplus product.

Socialists argued that capitalism had completed its development, and the theory of evolution; that they would be compelled to accept and adopt was Socialism. Capitalism must fall down, whether or not.

IN A SEA OF BLOOD or by peaceful methods. In Vancouver they had a sea of blood, trying to make a city. What was the result? A society of big cities. In New York there were 600,000 women and children compelled to work in the mills. In this country the women who lived in the homes which were little better than 24 shacks not fit to house a dog, of 600,000 homes in New York only 6,000 were owned and the balance were rented.

Capitalism not only ROBBED PEOPLE of the product of their toil, but destroyed private property, entitling men not only total enslavement but economic degradation, as witnessed by the fact of large families being forced under capitalist conditions to live in one room where "decent" conditions could not be maintained. They were then turned up to the men and an longer submit to the degradation to which they were subjected. Their homes were nothing more nor less than hovels.

THE CAPITALIST LEADER. They were educated, it was true, but just as far as was necessary for the uses of the capitalist. He believed the necessary changes would not come by peaceful means, but by force. He wished to avoid the bloodshed of the American Revolution, but he was satisfied capitalism would go down in a sea of blood.

classes to be compensated for the misdeeds of the past. The adaptation they had borne under the yoke of capitalism? When the capitalists answered that question he was prepared to consider compensating them.

HIS POSITION AS LEGISLATOR

He came now to discuss with them his position of himself as a legislator who had been sent to the Legislature to represent the Socialist Party. Until they were returned in sufficient force to capture the reins of power they COULD NOT INAUGURATE THE REFORMS which they wished, and all they could do was to try to carry through the provincial legislature some palliatives and try to relieve the pressure. There was but little they could do. They could not improve their wages. All they could do was to protect the living and limbs of their fellow-workers as well as they could, and that had been their principle object and aim. A number had said, "Why don't you line up with other laboring men of the party? By that means you can do more than at the present time." His answer was that they could not reform capitalism. Hon. John Burns, a labor M. P. supposed to be a labor representative, refused to meet a labor deputation the other day, and told them he could do nothing for them.

THE OLD PARTIES

The Liberals said they proposed to make reforms and did not do so. The Conservatives said they were willing to grant such reforms as did not interfere with capitalism. Neither party proposed to introduce or force through a single bill that interfered with capitalist progress. The working classes are desiring the great Liberal reformer, John Oliver. What did he do? He introduced a bill to prevent poisoning tom cats. (Laughter.) Take that, that great Liberal reformer, W. D. McInnes. What did he do? He proposed a bill to prevent the wandering of scrub bulls. (Renewed laughter.) How could he line up with such men? (Cheers.) McInnes proposed to be a labor representative, believed in the eight-hour law; but did not believe in enforcing it. The Liberals were their opponents. The Conservatives said, "Capitalism is good enough for us." Better to be allied with a party whose position they knew definitely than with one definitely opposite to their own.

HOW HE RAN THE LEGISLATURE

He introduced more legislation, and passed it than all the Liberals (cheers). He introduced sixty or seventy bills and passed half of them. (Renewed cheers.) Coal Mines Regulation Bill he introduced a proviso that foremen and managers should pass an examination in giving first aid to the injured. These reform people protested against it, but the foreman and manager might not be able to stand the sight of blood. Paterson, another reform member, said the working class were too much educated. One bill he introduced was a good word for the Liberals was that conferring the FRANCHISE ON WOMEN.

They also had a good supporter of that measure in Revelstoke in A. D. Tappin, who was in the Legislature in support of the measure. If they did their duty to A. D. Tappin, they would see that he was a candidate for election. (Laughter.) He selected as one of the great reforms wanted, and considered it an outrage that the majority of the population should be denied the right of franchise. He talked about civilization. Why? They were not emerging from barbarism; and he carried out civilization. He talked about the enfranchisement of their mothers, wives and sisters. He hoped we time would come when that measure would be carried out. He said his efforts until it was a good word for the Liberals was that conferring the FRANCHISE ON WOMEN.

OLD RUFF. He introduced a bill to kill the (Laughter.) He thanked the Liberal members of the House for their support of that bill. That was not the purpose of the Liberal party however, because Premier Macdonald, who had been the leader of the opposition, voted against it. Neither of the old parties stood for the enfranchisement of women.

TRADES UNIONS. He carried a bill to the effect that unions to exist without the trade being liable to attachment on account of strikes as the result of the Tax Act. He carried it, and he got this done before the other members had a word to say about it. He introduced a bill to make an employer liable to a penalty of \$1,000 for discriminating against a member of a union, but failed to make it law.

HE DID MORE. He got the eight-hour day in coal mines made law, but could not get it in the rest of the province. However, it would be carried. Cheers. He accused Mr. Macdonald, leader of the opposition, of blocking that, as he had told the smaller people that they had had a long struggle, and that it would be made law, and the gentleman had provided the argument which was successfully used against him. Don't blame him or Comrade Williams for any failure to do more.

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"DOG CONSCIENCE"

"Golden Crown and Harp on One Side, and Perdition on the Other."—A Darwinian Professor; But Falls to See That Criminology is Product of Capitalism. "Logical elimination" of the criminal, not capital punishment, but simply putting out of the way a menace to society, was the plan advocated by Dr. Frank Lydston of the College of Physicians and Surgeons last week at the West Hill Auditorium. To this he added that the child primarily has not moral sense, is a little animal, a little monkey, and can, if set alone, use its toes and fingers as well as any of its simian ancestors. He asserted the child sometimes has a "dog conscience." It realizes there is a spanking on one side and candy on the other, and by that compass it guides its conduct. Later, there is a "golden crown and harp on one side and perdition on the other," and the child is taught to keep the same sort of "dog conscience" in some cases.

TURN THE RASCALS OUT

He advised them to turn out both parties. They were all rascals. They did not care for the people, but for the benefit of labor that were before in the history of the Dominion. There was a provincial election coming on. It had been said that he was the virile and energetic candidate for the election; and he knew the Liberals were also getting ready. So far as he was concerned the working class and every laborer would be aroused. He asked them to AROUSE YE SLAVES! Get up and be men and they would find who the cowards were. These capitalist cowards came to him and said, "Mr. Hawthornthwaite, we are looking for a candidate for the election. Would you like you to take a favorable view of this and that?" He asked them to do their duty at the coming election.

FROM REVELSTOKE, B. C.

The Other Fellow's Opinion. Says the Mail-Herald: It is stated that Mr. Courtenay, who is selected as the socialist candidate for Revelstoke at next election. Mr. Courtenay will be with the exception of Mr. Bennett probably the strongest man the party could bring forward.

STRAWS, ETC.

Joseph Martin, K. C.: "Your paper is certainly a good one. I think it is one of the best in the province. Please put my name down on your subscription list, and send that I got it."

SOCIALISTS SHOULD GET READY

"There is the danger that if we remain inactive in face of the favorable conditions, the various middle class reformers, who have already made their appearance in the important centres of the country, will take advantage of the popular sentiment, and will divert it from our path. It is our duty to get ready to meet them ever to attain all our energies to an energetic and effective campaign of Socialist education, and to carry our propaganda to every part of the country. I believe that with proper work and enthusiasm, we can succeed in organizing 'almost every district in the province. Have no doubts that if our Provincial Executive Committee displays a proper spirit and activity in conducting the campaign for Socialist education in British Columbia, affiliated and unaffiliated, we should be able to do it that the necessary funds are provided."

And now it has been discovered that a supply of bombs has been manufactured for the purpose of holding the King of Italy over the great divide. The King is in a position to be no danger, but it is better to be on the safe side. It is better to be a man, or a woman, or even a worker in a power-mill. And besides it is more useful without.

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