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DEFERRED ELECTIONS IN UP COUNTRY DISTRICTS

Kootenay and Yale-Cariboo Increase Socialist Vote, While Conservatives Win Out Against Labor-Loving Liberals.

The election for members of the Dominion Parliament was held in Kootenay and Yale-Cariboo districts on Thursday, November 12th. The Conservative candidate in each district was elected by a heavy plurality. Candidates, "Bill" Davidson in Kootenay and Charles Bullfinch in Yale-Cariboo, received 1373 and 416 votes respectively. This was in the former case about 20 per cent, and in the latter about 10 per cent, of the total vote cast.

These two districts are each of enormous area and the population is in a large part widely scattered and therefore difficult to reach with our propaganda. In spite of this, however, showing is an excellent one and shows, upon the whole, a persistent growth of the movement that is most gratifying.

The increase in the vote in the Kootenay district over that of four years ago is fully 100 per cent. In a number of places, such as Michel, Coal Creek, Fernie, Moyie, Silver Cup Mine, etc., the vote for Davidson was greater than the combined vote of the Liberal, capitalist, and Conservative candidates. In some cases afforded excellent illustrations of the overwhelming power in the hands of the working class once its units get sense enough in their heads to use it in their own behalf.

The showing made in the Yale-Cariboo, while not so good as in the Kootenay, was a most excellent one under the circumstances. The district around the Boundary, i.e., Phoenix, Grand Forks and Greenwood, has been more completely shot to pieces as a result of the industrial depression than probably any other part of the province. The metalliferous mines and the smelters were either entirely shut down, or their working force greatly reduced during the fall and winter. Many have not yet fully regained their normal activity. Large numbers of men were compelled to leave the district and search for employment elsewhere, and many of these came in later on were not in time to get on the voters' list. Then again, the discrimination against workmen and their discharge for political reasons has evidently been carried to a further extent in the Boundary district during recent months than in any other part of the province. Taking into consideration these facts and remembering that a considerable portion of Yale-Cariboo is agricultural, therefore rather inclined toward Conservatism, the showing made is a very creditable one and in every way calculated to urge the comrades there to push forward with renewed energy in order to be fully prepared for the next turn of the political wheel.

authority that no self-respecting don Nanaimo will longer desire to bark at him, or extend other canine courtesies, for fear of losing caste with his brethren. Then to round out this repudiation of labor-loving Liberal deceits and skates, the famously affectionate political old woman, Smith Curtis, got what was coming to her in the Kootenay. Thrown into the political discard, she can now give to a similar brand of anguist to those which wrang the heart of Venus where Adonis failed to respond to her wooing.

THE SATISFIED MULE.

I had a mule mit great big ears,
He lives to me next door,
For dere I haf a stable built
Against my grocery store.

I gif him corn, I gif him corn,
Und all vat milkes can eat;
I haf a blanket for his back,
Und shes broct his feet.

His saddle fits him all around,
His paper on the wall,
I take it off venter he calls
Inside his whitewashed stall.

His bed is made of stubble straw,
So in winter he don't freeze,
In summer he looks the winder out
Und enjoys de cooling breeze.

I broct him tight, mit lock und key,
De door he cannot pass,
If I did not, dot foolish mule
Woud get out on the grass.

He works from mornin till in night,
I do not let him stop;
So long he behaves dis way
He never loses his chob.

I didn't hear him grumble once,
He minds me as I like;
'Protection' makes him satisfied,
He doesn't want to 'strike.'

Vot fer do I broct dot mule,
Und gif him bricks vot good?
Vy stroke his ears and pat his head,
Vich looks like grattoot?

I tell you vy, if you keep still,
Und don't say it out of school,
I gif 'protection' efery time,
Because I ride dot mule.

It was so in de Faderland,
I finds it yed dis day,
He minds me as I like;
'Protection' makes him obey.

My mule is like some workin' man
Who gets a chob to pull the reins,
Or has a saddle on his back,
So his 'dinner pail' gets full.

Who vays de ticket efery time,
Whose heart it full of chaffy
For all the loafers riding him,
Who brag of 'our Prosperity.'

If my old mule had half de sense
Vot workmen did, dot yed good,
He'd lift his legs und take good aim,
Und kick my dam brains out.

'Vy don't he kick?' some people say,
'Und get out on the grass!'
My mule don't know how to help him
No self.

His fader was an Ass.
—Exchange.

THE SOCIALIST IN ACTION.

The Two "Possibilisms."

By P. M. Andre.

There is only one Socialism, but there are at the same time two ways of conceiving its realization: the scientific way—that of international Socialism—and the "possibilist." Quite a large number of French Socialists have for a long time been suffering from the latter. Scientific Socialism does not believe that the Social Revolution can be brought about by stages. It is waiting for the social change to take place through the forcible seizure of the political power by the working class, and it is with a view to that seizing by force that it is organizing the proletariat into a class party. The efforts it makes are all those of recruiting, educating, and organizing. To get the greatest number of workers, both hand and brain, to understand that, in the words of Tiers, "they are everything in the nation, and can be everything whenever they want to," to show them the inevitable necessity for socializing the means of production, to draw them towards Socialism by a propaganda they can understand, and suited to their respective spheres: to use, in order that this propaganda should be as effective as possible, every means at our disposal under capitalist rule, legal means being there understood; to repudiate any proceeding capable of doing harm to the recruiting and educating of the masses—such are the essential features of the methods of international Socialism.

This method has for reformers the serious inconvenience of condemning Socialism to what certain busy people call "inaction." It recruits, educates and organizes it, it seems, to do nothing. We must, perforce, wait until the recruiting, educating and organizing of the proletariat is far enough ad-

vanced for the revolutionary seizing of the "State" to be brought to a triumphant issue.

And those who, in imitation of Roy de France, are "afraid to wait," are full of praise for a swifter method, that of "possibilism." By virtue of this last they begin the revolution all at once. This beginning takes place in different ways: by peaceful penetration or by direct action. They pretend to "act according to one's temperament" but in fact, try to realize, from this very moment, in the midst of capitalist rule, all the immediate possibilities of slices of Socialism. On the one hand they are associated with bourgeois reformers, in order to make popular and vote for reforms which, if added together, end to end, all along the centuries, will accomplish the transformation of property "without a blow being struck." On the other hand, not having enough patience to recruit, educate, and organize their workmen comrades, they reckon solely on the "active minority" in order to reduce in succession the rights of the masters, and for the example of the masses, work by workshop and factory by factory.

Radical "possibilists" and anarchist "possibilists" have each in turn made trial of their own method. Every one of their experiments has proved an admirable lesson, in fact, for the French proletariat. The attempt made in 1883 by the railway union showed that merely proclaiming "general strike" and voting for it at congress was not sufficient for this pretended possibility of freedom to be actually realized by the will of a bold minority. Bonville's entry into the military proved that "peaceful generalization" of the Government laboratory changed the

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STREET RAILWAYMEN PASS IT UP TO GOMPERS

Reply of Vancouver Local Union to the "Elect-our-enemies-and-defeat-our-friends" Policy of the American Federation of Labor.

Vancouver, B. C. Oct 21st, 1908.
Mr. Samuel Gompers,
President A. F. of L.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir and Brother,—Your communication of August 1st, 1908, re political action having been duly considered by Division 101. A. A. of S. E. R. E. of A., we are empowered to make you the following reply:

While your advocacy of the Democratic party does not affect us so directly as it does our brother members in the United States, indirectly it does affect us as dues-paying members of the A. F. of L., and we find it incumbent upon us to manifest our unequivocal disapproval of your action.

We ask you, Brother President, that it is we, the members of organized labor who pay your salary and who we pay it for you to serve our interests and ours alone, and we distinctly resent your using the position we have conferred upon you to forward the interests of any political party whatsoever, unless instructed by us so to do. We would further have you remember that you are our servant to do our bidding and not our master to instruct us.

To quote your own words, "It is expected that every man in this crisis shall do his duty."

We urge that you apply this to your own actions. You may reply that in advocating the support of the Democratic party you are acting in the best interests, but the facts fully contradict this contention, for it is notorious that in no part of the United States are the conditions of labor more miserable, nowhere is organized labor weaker, nowhere is child labor in its worst form, more prevalent as in the South, the stronghold of Democracy. There your Democratic party has practically undeposited away, and we find all the powers of government, the legislature, the judiciary, the militia

and the police used against labor even more unmercifully than in the Republic of Texas. In this point, we would attract your attention to the manner in which all the powers of the state, of the press, and of the pulpit are being used against organized labor at the present time in Alabama, a state that is in the hands of the Democratic party from top to bottom.

These things cannot possibly be unknown to you, Bro. Gompers, and yet you represent this party as friendly to organized labor. Bro. Gompers, it is not advice that is due from you to us, but an explanation of your actions. You call our attention to the alleged labor measures incorporated in the Democratic platform, but whatever we may have done in the past, we have now passed the stage where we put our trust in the platform pledges of office-seeking politicians, or expect employers to legislate in favor of their employees.

In your circular letter you tell us that "whenever a man decries and discourages the efforts of the workers to unite and use political action, scan his motives."

Will you tell us, Bro. President, what your motives are in doing these very things until quite recently?

You urge us to study the platform of our friends, and to defeat our enemies, but we have never found the Democrats any more than the Republicans any more than the Socialists. We urge you to scan every candidate's record, and study his platform; why, then, do you pressure such silence as to the platform of the Socialist party, which declares unequivocally for labor and labor alone? We urge you to scan every candidate's record, and study his platform, but surely their platform is not to be ignored whether it be approved or not.

Signed,
J. FLETCHER, President.
W. W. BURROUGHS, Rec. Secy.

WHY SOCIALISTS LEAVE THE CHURCH

The Editor of the "Harp" Skillfully Diagnoses the Case of the Irish Catholic Who Breaks Away From the Church.

The editorial column of the Harp in its issue for November, 1908.

Let us take a case in point, one of those cases that are being paralleled every day in our midst. An Irish Catholic joins the Socialist movement. He finds that as a rule, recruited men and women are better educated than their fellows; he finds that they are immensely cleaner in speech and thought than are the adherents of capitalism in the same class; that they are devoted husbands and loyal wives, loving and careful fathers and mothers, skillful and industrious workers in the shop and office, and that although poor and needy as a rule, yet that they continually bleed themselves to support their cause, and give up for Socialism what many others spend in the saloon.

He finds that a drunken Socialist is as rare as a white rabbit, and that a Socialist of criminal tendencies is such a rara avis that when one is found, the public press heralds it forth as a great discovery.

Democratic and Republican jailbirds are so common that they do not regard their existence as "news" to anybody, nor yet does the public press think it necessary to say that certain criminals belong to the Protestant or Catholic religions. That Protestantism and Catholicism are nothing more than names, and that Socialists—that would be news, indeed!

large proportion of the campaign funds of the capitalist political parties.

Some Sunday he goes to mass as usual, and he finds that at Gospel the priest launches out into a political speech and tells the congregation that the honest, self-sacrificing, industrious, clean men and women, whom he calls "comrades," are a wicked, impious, dissolute set, desiring to destroy the home, to diminish the earnings of the provident among the idle and lazy of the proletariat, and all sorts of impure thoughts about women.

And as the Irish Catholic Socialist listens to this foul libel, what wonder if the hot blood of anger rushes to his face, and he begins to believe that the temple of God has itself been sold to the all desecrating grasp of the capitalist.

While he is yet wondering what to think of the matter, he hears that his fellow soul will be lost if he fails to vote for capitalism, and he reflects that if he lined up with the brothel keepers, gambling house proprietors, race track swindlers, and white slave traders to vote the capitalist ticket, this same priest would tell him he was a good Catholic and loyal son of the church.

THE BATTLE OF THE BALLOTS.

The battle of the ballots has been fought and King Capital sits upon the throne wielding the sceptre of supremacy. It did not matter that the Republican party, "the party of the land of the free and the home of the brave," and it did not matter that every large city of the country swarmed with idle hungry men.

The sophistry of quick politicians was the day, and the logic of reason and common sense was consigned to the junk heap.

The working class of America are yearning for more injunctions and love to hear the crack of the policeman's club, as it comes in contact with the cupola of the proletariat.

Little else could have been expected. The labor movement of America is honeycombed, with unscrupulous politicians. The interests of the working class are trampled under foot, that personal interest may be subserved and that "labor leaders" who love revenue and graft, upon the honor and loyalty, may secure some petty berths as a reward for the dirty political service rendered to the class of privilege, who knowing the treason of "labor leaders" must exclaim as they think of their duped dupes: "What fools these mortals be!" The recent campaign will relegate for all time the "poorless one," whose policies smack of the days of the ex-earl and who, in the hands of the Democratic party, has lost its strength, and is now disintegrating. Its disintegration in the future will be rapid, and it is only a question of a few years until the burial services will be performed at its grave.

A time is coming as no distant day when the real issue cannot be clouded. The future presages a great battle that will be fought by the Socialist party whose principles stand for the economic emancipation of the "Republi-lean" party, whose principles stand for the reign of capitalism—Mills' Magazine.

and the wall of hunger must grow

THE SOCIALIST PARTY OF CANADA

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LITERATURE.

List No. 2.

- The attention of Locals wishing to start a leading library is called to our published list of \$10.00 worth of books and pamphlets for \$5.00. By selling the pamphlets in this list the Local can get its \$5.00 back and will thus obtain its leading library free. Any other one dollar or fifty cents books will be substituted on request, if possible.
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SECRETARIAL.

The voting on the proceedings of the Ontario Convention has been very light, the larger number of locals receiving from express their opinions on the subject for some reason.

The result stands as follows: Proposition No. 1, for 131, against 46; No. 2, for 104, against 159; No. 3, for 112, against 61. All three propositions are therefore carried.

The following amendments to the constitution therefore come into force:

- 1. That Section 14 of the Bylaws be amended by adding the following words: "and individuals and committees receiving personal orations shall disclaim responsibility for same on the public platform."
2. That Sec. 5, Art. 3 and Sec. 3, Art. 4, be struck out.
3. That Article 2, Section 5, be amended by adding the words "notice of motion of special meeting due to charges being duly given" in lieu of the words "notice of special meeting." That the words "two-thirds" in the fourth line be struck out; that the words "good standing in a Local" be struck out and the words "attendance unexcused;" and that the words "two-thirds majority" be inserted before the word "majority" in the sixth line.

TIME WE GOT BUSY.

As a subscriber to your valuable paper, I must say that I am very pleased with the able manner in which it deals with the problem that confronts the world's workers. It is the only paper that is not content with the "Socialist Woman," that I have ever read, and so far I have never stopped to consider if it were "a man's paper" or not—the fact that it gives expression to the best interest of humanity is quite enough for me. It is the only paper that is not content with the "Socialist Because Some Man Is!" if some man had not taken the trouble to explain the capitalist system and why it does not work to me, I would not have been so interested in the ideas of Socialism springs from the development of capitalism, it is owing to this development, after all, that we are Socialists.

It is not scientific for us women to blame the men for the inferior position we occupy in society. This scheme of things has gradually grown up through long ages of industrial development, and now that we have arrived where we are, the question for us women should be how we may speedily take our place in this fight, shoulder to shoulder with our brothers. The men—our sons—are not to blame. They are not the cause of the poverty and unequal conditions in which we find ourselves. But they, with us, are to blame for the CONTINUATION of these conditions; and that is a lot to do in a world that is turning up in the way they are going. Let the men continue their work,

selves, will agree with Comrade Gribble in so far as the latter is right. The point seems to be this: "Is anything sold at the cost of production?" Under normal, social and economic conditions this holds good. But do we live under normal, social and economic conditions? No, we do not! Will Comrade Gribble say we do? I don't think so. Then how can it hold good? Although only a farmer and in the light end of the balance, let me say that farmers do come from all parts of the world and include teachers, preachers, merchants, former capitalists and wage-slaves, and most of them do considerable buying and selling. Also since in a while you'll find a farmer who does a little overworking. We know that on the average it costs less to produce machinery now than it did some years ago, but we pay more than we did some years ago. The price of beef was sold at by farmers is at beef cost of production. But is the price it was sold for by "butchers" at cost of production? If there was competition as in the days of Marx, no doubt there would be little ground for dispute. But competition is eliminated as far as possible by trustification and combination. In New York last summer the meat combine decided to raise prices two cents per pound. At the time the small firms could not sell enough meat to enable them to do business, so they went to the wall. These small firms could not sell meat as cheap as the combine, as it cost them more to produce it. Suppose they sold meat at cost of production. Would not the combine be selling above cost of production when it said at the same price as small firms? How would the case stand when the combine raised its prices?

I am not trying to criticise, as I hate critics. It always seemed to me that their main object was to glory in the extent to which they are able to do their work. I am not trying to fight and will be thankful if Comrade Gribble can give it. Hoping I shall not be guilty of causing the loss of more hair, I remain, Yours in the cause, PETER OLSEN.

Red Deer, Alta.

NANAIMO NOTES.

Editor Clarion:—Our last meeting, on Monday, was a very successful one. The attendance was comparatively small, owing doubtless to the dirty weather, but what it lacked in numbers was compensated for by enthusiasm. Comrade Dr. W. I. Curry presided, and read a paper on the "Address which full of facts and figures, all fresh and up-to-date, that appealed to everyone present and held the attention of all for nearly two hours." The doctor proposed the good wine will be aged, and in Victoria, I think he will be located, will certainly cut a considerable figure and be an important factor in building up a strong revolutionary movement that in the near future will meet much to the workers of that burg and the province. More power to his elbow or rather his jaw. Prior to the propaganda meeting a well attended business meeting was held, at which several very important matters of interest to the movement were arranged.

The economic class, carried on all the summer, will be continued during the winter, with very appreciable success. The movement is being carried by those who attend. We have secured headquarters on Commercial street, and they will be opened this week.

Amongst other matters discussed was the expulsion of Comrade Victor Grayson from the House of Commons, and after full discussion the bold, courageous and decisive course of Grayson's was unanimously endorsed, while the attitude of the S. L. P. members in refusing to stand by Comrade Grayson and their class was unanimously condemned.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted and copies ordered to be sent to the Clarion, also to Justice, the London Clarion, and Comrade Grayson:

Whereas the conditions now existing amongst the workers of Great Britain are most deplorable, there being over a million and a half unemployed, and the movement among wives and families the direct want of money.

Whereas such conditions call for prompt and effective measures by the only body capable of dealing with them—the Government through the House of Commons.

Whereas the Government neglected its obvious duty and proceeded to waste valuable time in the discussion of comparatively unimportant measures, while men, women and children were dying of starvation, and millions were suffering the agonies of want and misery.

Whereas Comrade Victor Grayson, rising in his place in Parliament, called upon the Government and the House, to suspend the rules of order and meet at once with the unemployed, and in strong and passionate

language denounced the Government and the House for their criminal neglect in delaying the moment of consideration of measures to deal effectively with this most pressing and vital question.

Whereas the Government, instead of dealing with the question as soon as possible to deprive Comrade Grayson of his rights and privileges as a member of the House of Commons and to drive him out of the House.

Whereas the member of the Independent Labor Party, instead of supporting Comrade Grayson and doing their duty to their class, sat, supinely, and by their silence aided the Government and the House to commit this outrage; be it therefore

Resolved, That the Local Nanaimo No. 3 of the Socialist Party of Canada hereby endorse to the fullest possible extent the action of Comrade Grayson.

Resolved, That we hereby condemn in the strongest possible manner the action of the Government and the House in expelling Comrade Grayson from their class when they did not support Comrade Grayson and their class in his expulsion.

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be forwarded to Comrade Grayson to the Western Clarion, to Justice, and to the London Clarion.

THE COMMITTEE.

J. Young, Secretary.

"THE RED FLAG."

(Words by J. Connell)

"The people's flag is deepest red, It shrouded off our martyred dead, And ere their limbs grew stiff or cold, Their hearts' blood dyed it every fold."

Chorus.

Then raise the scarlet standard high! Within its shades we'll live and die! Though sword and traitors sneer, We'll keep the red flag flying here.

Look round—the Frenchman loves its blaze.

The sturdy German chants its praise; In Moscow's vaults its hymns are sung; Chicago swells the surging throng.

It waved above our infant night

When all ahead seemed dark as night; It witnessed many a deed and vow— We must not change its color now.

It well recalls the triumph past,

It gives the hope of peace at last; The banner bright, the symbol plain, Of human right and human gain.

It suits today the weak and base,

Whose minds are fixed on self and place, To cringe before the rich man's frown, And hush the sacred emblem down.

With heads uncovered, swear we all

To bear it onward till we fall; Come dungeon dark or gallows grim, This song shall be our parting hymn.

Chorus:

Samuel Gompers did noble work for the Standard Oil and kindred interests during the late election in the United States by drawing a considerable number of his "meat" off on the wild goose chase after "something new." He will no doubt receive his reward, and the men who were led away by him will also get theirs.

Judging from the row being kicked up in Germany because of the latest outbreak of verbosity upon the part of "Kaiser Bill," it looks as though bribe-collectors might soon have an opportunity of getting a second hand emporer at a reasonable figure.

CALGARY.

Editor Western Clarion:—

Dear Comrade:—The election as far as the Fernie provincial district is concerned, is certainly a move in the right direction. Comrade W. Davidson certainly did jump to the top of the polls here. If the workers of the other districts had been awakened to their class interests no doubt we should have seen a Socialist heading the poll instead of a Conservative. However, it is not good to look for reflection, for it is instantly seen that with hard work, organization and education Fernie can send one Socialist member to the Provincial House. All Socialists should be their names put on the voters' list at their respective communities, and be ready for the fight when it arrives.

F. HATTAT, Calgary Local No. 4.

A REPLY TO BRUCE.

Editor Saturday Sun:— Sir:—In your issue of August 22nd, "Bruce" gives the "deluded followers of the sibbithoe of Socialism" rather a scathing touch. It seems to me, however, that he treats the subject rather lightly and superficially. As a general rule, the figure given us in Socialist newspapers are pretty near to being correct, and the men that publish them are not utter ingenuities. Be that how it may, we know that thousands of workers are being amassed by capitalists, and we know that these fortunes are the product of exploited labor. We know that the worker produces everything except the raw material in its natural state. We know that everything the worker produces is a source of profit to his employer, whether that profit be one per cent or fifty per cent. We know that the worker gives us light, heat, power; that he makes and operates railways and steamship lines and distributes his products all over the world; and from the worker, for each dollar of his operations, this total profit is exacted. Profit, in other words, is something-for-nothing, which means that the other end of the deal is nothing for something. Morally speaking, it is theft.

Just as Bruce states, the manufacturing concerns out of their profits pay a small dividend to their shareholders and devote the balance to increasing the size of their plant. To make more wheels turn and employ more men. He might go right on with the story. To employ more hands, to make more profits, to build more factories, to make more profits, and so on ad infinitum.

The Socialist has come into being, or evolved from these "hands" which he worked in. These "hands" are men and women, also children. The "wheels" which turn to employ more hands, unfortunately have the reverse effect. They do the work instead of the "hands." At the present time fifty per cent of the world's industrial workers are out of employment all the time as the result of the introduction into our factories of modern machinery, which instead of saving the worker, the laborer out of his job. The result is that the vast number of providing for the unemployed, half of their own class, as well as for the parasites who exploit them and themselves, falls on the fifty per cent who are in employment. Now, if modern machinery has got us into this condition, and science and invention still continues to improve machinery, I would ask Bruce what is to be the outcome in say 25 years from this? What will worker give us light, heat, power, and so on? The population of the civilized world is at the present time about 87 per cent of the working class. This being a large part of the earth's population, we suppose that they are the majority of the consumers. If we freeze them out of their employment by means of machinery, which does the work on a colossal scale, how are they going to get money to buy the necessities of life? If they cannot do so, where is the capitalist going to get his market? Per chance, science will have perfected some means of successful sky travel, and the moon or planets will furnish a market. Otherwise, workers, having been wiped out of existence, the capitalist must sell to his own machine.

No, friend "Bruce," it is not hubbub, neither is Socialism a shibboleth. It is the only cure for the conditions above mentioned, and is the child of education, springing, as it does, from the awakened mind of a class who otherwise would be driven off the earth's face by the workers.

Trusting, Mr. Editor, that I have not encroached too much on your valuable space, "C. R."

THE AWAKENING.

Down through the weary centuries A bitter lot they've borne. But the one ray of light to them, A night without a morn.

But see, the black sky turns to grey, The welcome dawn appears, Our class wakes from the fitful sleep It's slept in these thousand years.

They wake, they rise, the wide world o'er, By common interest stirred; By common hope their hearts are fired.

Their swelling shout is heard In fear by master, pope and czar, Who dared the end of night— As loathsome things in darkness bred Ashraken from the growing light.

Class rule's long night is soon to end, Our day is breaking fast, The day in which joys shall replace The miseries of the past.

Hail to the light of Liberty, Hail to the coming Day, Hail, Sun of Hope, before whose beams The horrors were away.

WILFRID GRIBBLE.

HERE AND NOW

By "Leeds"

The following subs exist with the next issue. RENEW NOW! Coal Creek, B. C.—D. Paton. Todd Inlet, B. C.—All subscribers. Victoria, B. C.—J. Harper, J. Russell, Vancouver, B. C.—J. Bryson. T. Turgeon, B. C.—H. F. Haldon. Calgary, Alta.—F. McDonald, C. Ogden.

Toronto, Ont.—W. Hadley. Can., Ont.—T. D. Dorman. Little Rapids, Ont.—P. M. Farrell.

Only one more issue and the Clarion becomes the property of the Socialist Party of Canada. From that date the life of the Clarion depends on the number of subs, that readers send in.

Local Brantford orders a bundle of twenty-five Clarions weekly, with prospects of increasing the number to fifty in the near future. That is the way to do it.

The film-gang of the capitalist class in having two parties in the field has worked to perfection, and the slaves of Canada have to face a pleasing prospect of not having a single representative at Ottawa. This is bad for the slaves, but good for the capitalists.

Two more yearlies added to Clarion! list this week by Comrade Dan. Ronald.

Four out of every five who voted the Socialist ticket are not subscribers to the Clarion.

Comrade J. B. Bernet of Vancouver handles up two more new readers, and hauls them in.

The size of the Socialist vote in Canada depends on the circulation of the Clarion.

Comrade R. W. Northey of Orlia, B. C. forwards the information that the Socialist vote at Keremeos polling station (including Orlia) less than two years ago was 8 out of 88. This year the ballots were marked for Socialism in the ratio of 1 to 10.

Have you read what Comrade Wilfred Gribble has to say in the last issue of the Clarion on "The Election and its Morale?" You will find it on the front page. What are you going to do about it?

The following comrades each added new names to the list this week: U. S. dit Blodign, Harris, Seak, G. Weston, Wrigley, Toronto. F. Hyatt, Fernie. E. A. Drury, Toronto. W. W. LePeaux, Revelstoke. J. H. dit LeBlond, Victoria. W. H. Stebbings, Winnipeg. Parker Williams.

A strong effort should now be made to put the Clarion into the hands of those who have voted the Socialist ticket. In breaking away from their political superstitions they show a certain moral courage and it may reasonably be expected that they will become subscribers if you ask them.

The only ones I find who are not satisfied with the work done are those who never lifted a hand to help or donated a cent towards propaganda.

'Twas a good thing the capitalists had John Schines candidate in those times of the election. If they had not had them there, the workers would have been obliged to vote for themselves or else re-elect the old candidates. Wise capitalists! Fool workmen!

If you are a member of the Socialist Party of Canada you are expected to be a reader and a hustler for the Clarion. In other words, you are to show that you are a Socialist.

The workers of Canada were fined some \$1400 for attempting to express their political connections at the polls. Russia is the only other country that can think of where they punish a man for voting.

GRAND FORKS, B. C.

Dear Comrade: Enclosed herewith \$2.00, renewal of subscription to Clarion. In regards to the election, I wish you pulled 67 votes for C. Bunting in Grand Forks. We increased our vote over last Dominion election and pulled less than last provincial election, John Schines polling act, that time 111. Taking into consideration that about 75 of our voters being about who are on the voters' list, we have nothing to complain of. The above refers to Grand Forks city only.

Yours for the next election and the fight for victory, THOS. J. BENNINGER, Secy. No. 12.

THE SOCIALIST IN ACTION

(Continued from page one)

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This, one after another, all the workings of "possibilities" reformist and moderate... christ preparation, far from being the beginnings of the social revolution...

Victories of a verbal preparation, which the lessons of experience discourage for a moment those amongst our people who "do not know how to wait"...

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PLATFORM Socialist Party of Canada

We, the Socialist Party of Canada, in convention assembled, affirm our allegiance to and support of the principles and programme of the revolutionary working class.

Labor produces all wealth, and to the producers it should belong. The present economic system is based upon capitalist ownership of the means of production, consequently all the products of labor belong to the capitalist class.

So long as the capitalist class remains in possession of the means of production and the workers 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, under which is created the misery of the working class at the point of production.

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, the worker to bear it by political action.

Therefore, we call upon all workers of the State to be organized under the banner of the Socialist Party of Canada with the object of conquering the public powers for the purpose of setting up and enforcing the economic programme 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, roads, etc.) into the collective property of the working class.
2. The 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 present system is abolished, make the answer to this question its guiding 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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