A LESSON FROM RUSSIA

The Democrats of Russia are deanding a voice in the affairs of govmment. They are opposed to centralvation; they are opposed to taxation ithout representation; they are oposed to one-man rule; they are oposed to "administrative arbitrariness."

They are in favor of a government f the people by the people, for the eople; they are in favor of the unretricted expression of public opinion, f freedom of conscience and speech ind of the press and also freedom of neeting and association. They hold

that "self-reliance is the chief condition of the proper and successful development of the political and economic life of a country" and therefore they are in favor of the greatest possible liberty to the individual consistent with good government, law and order. They are in favor of equal rights and opportunities to all and special rights and opportunities to none; that every other man may have the same rights that every other man has to improve his condition and pursue happi-

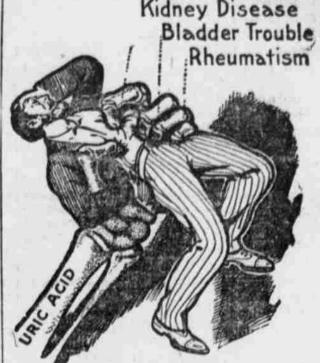
asking for themselves those "inalienable rights," which the Democrats of the United States enjoy, and there is a lesson in this plea of the Russian Democrats for the Democrats of the United States. We are enjoying the blessings which they so eagerly desire, and by contrasting our situation with theirs we should have a keener appreciation of our blessings, and we should be all the more careful and diligent in maintaining them. They are ours by inheritance. They have come to us through the blood and sacrifice of our To state it all in a sentence they are forefathers, and we are apt to take

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them for granted. But it is always to be remembered that these blessings will remain to us only so long as we ourselves maintain them. "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty."-Richmond Times- Dispatch,

BOTH

Isidor Raynor, the new senator from Maryland, has been a leading lawyer in that state for thirty years. He was in congress while the McKinley tariff bill was under discussion. One day, while arguing an amendment, he causually remarked that "everything is either a luxury or a necessity." Here he was interrupted with a question from a member who generally kept himself in most unkempt condition. "I understand you to say that everything is either a luxury or a necessity," said the disheveled member; "now, I have just taken a bath. Which would you call that?" Angered at such a trivial interruption, Mr. Raynor replied, icily: "In your case it is both a necessity and a luxury; a necessity because you need it so badly, and a luxury because you take it so rarely." -The Argonaut.

The Primary Pledge--Organize Now.

From The Commoner, Lincoln, Nebraska, March 17, 1905

Newspapers favoring the plan outlined are requested to reproduce this editorial together with the primary pledge as it appears below. They may request their readers to sign this pledge and forward the same either to The Commoner or to the office of their local democratic paper. In the latter event these pledges may be then forwarded in bulk to The Commoner office where they will be duly recorded.

St 38 38 38 38 38 38 38 38 38 38 38 38 The Pledge Outlined

The following editorial appeared in The Commoner of March 17:

"Mr. Bryan has been in receipt of a multitude of letters since the election urging organization for the campaign of 1908. The rank and file of the party are ready to begin the fight; they only await a plan of co-operation. and each delegate represents tens of ing the object of the organization, and This plan has been under considera- thousands of democrats. The state con- asking to have their names entered on tion for some weeks and is herewith submitted.

party to be held between now and the these in turn represent hundreds of unless unavoidably prevented, and to speak for themselves; there democuse his influence to secure a clear, hon- racy has its citadel. est and straightforward declaration of

the party's position on every question sufficiently advanced, a time can be upon which the voters of the party set for the meeting of the members desire to speak.

writing of a platform in advance of pledged to but one thing-namely, atthe primaries; it does not rest upon tendance upon the primaries-are the paramount importance of any one urged to co-operate among themselves issue. It recognizes the right of the for the support of every effort put mine its position upon public ques- nently that does not appeal to the tions. It also recognizes the import- moral sense of the country, and the ance of honesty and sincerity in poli- moral sense of the country is now be-

"This proposition will appeal to all purifying politics. who believe in the rule of the peoplemean that those who exert themselves forcement of that will. to secure a good platform will be voice to the prevailing sentiment of sistance to every worthy cause. the democratic party, and that the vention is also attended by delegates, and these represent thousands of dem- the blank which is printed below. "Let each democrat pledge himself ocrats. The county conventions are,

"When the work of organization is tion."

in their various localities. The mem-"This plan does not involve the bers of this organization, while democratic voters to control the policy forth to eliminate corruption in poliof the democratic party, and to deter-tics. No cause can prosper permaing awakened to the importance of

"The Commoner will do its part in to all who are willing that the ma- aiding every movement that has for jority shall govern in party manage- its object the ascertainment of the will ment and in the nation. It does not of the people and the scrupulous en-

"The Commoner will also furnish all bound to support a bad platform—that the information that it can upon the is a question which each must deter-questions which are before the public mine for himself-but it does mean to the end that its readers may be prethat the democratic platform shall give pared to render the maximum of as-

"Who will be the first to make this party shall take the country into its pledge? A record will be kept in The confidence. The pledge proposed is a Commoner office of the name and adprimary pledge-because the people dress of each person who enters into speak at the primaries. The national this movement. Those who desire to and it will surely do it for you. Write to the convention is attended by delegates be enrolled can either write approvthe roll, or they can fill out and mail

"The Commoner will be pleased to to attend all of the primaries of his as a rule, attended by delegates, and publish a limited number of brief letters on this subject. Mr. Bryan is next democratic national convention, democrats. At the primary the voters encouraged by his correspondence to believe that there will be a prompt and hearty response to the above proposi-

THE PRIMARY PLEDGE

I promise to attend all the primaries of my party to be held between now and the next democratic national convention, unless unavoidably prevented, and to use my influence to secure a clear, honest and straightforward declaration of the party's position on every question upon which the voters of the party desire to speak.

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