THE LEATHERWORKERS.

Little Trouble at Hastings Amicably Adjusted Last Week.

Fifteen leatherworkers on hors goods went out at Hastings, Nebraska, a short time ago to enforce a demand for better conditions. General President Baker went out there and succeeded in adjusting the trouble in a very short time. The men returned to work perfectly satisfied.

Since January three new locals have been added to the Brotherhood. Madison, Wis., Knoxville, Tenn., and Muscatine, Ia. Several difficulties have been adjusted and the membership strengthened in numbers as well as in enthusiasm

Locally work continues to be fair. with the outlook for better times unusually bright. The local union is in good shape.

PRINTERS AWAKE IN CUBA.

The work or organizing the printers of Cuba is progressing rapidly. Although Armand B. Rodrigez, the organizer for the International Typographical Union, has been only a few weeks on the island, a good-sized union has been already organized in Havanna, and another will soon be formed in Santiago. The Typographical Union of Havanah has 109 members and promises to be the largest local union in Cuba by the end of the year. There are about 800 printers in Havanah and 300 in Santiago .-Working Trades Unionist.

PRESSMEN SECURE ADVANCES.

Pressmen and assistants of St. Augustine have been granted an increase of 20 per cent. A contract has been closed for a 15 per cent increase in Hamilton, Ont.: 20 per cent increase on the newspapers. Columbus web pressmen will enjoy a 11 per cent increase. They have secured a slight increase in Elmira, N. Y., with the promise of another increase next year. Set

GOT IT IN THE NECK.

Rand, McNally & Co., Lose Suit and Are in for Heavy Damages.

"The mills of God grind slowly, yet more than three years since Rand, Mc-Nally & Co., one of the large Chicago publishing houses, refused to grant the eight-hour day and locked out its printers who demanded this concession. The company exhibited the height of arrogance in the matter, and since then has been running its plant largely if not wholly with non-union labor. It has had considerable trouble and close observers have been looking for the occurrence of some big disaster to its business; for as its output was

mult. Now the disaster has come A few days ago judgment was rendered againts the company at Glasby County Superintendent W. C. Turner to recover a forfeit which the combooks furnished to Barren county were not as good as the samples sub-

vocate.

GETTING READY.

The "Greenbackers" will not be seen in official action on the home Magnate Green, however, have rigged be worth seeing. The players have dispatches announcing wage cuts. about all reported and daily practice is being indulged in at Antelope park. Bonno has not yet shown up, and Pritchett is still holding off. But Bonno would not be missed. Johnnie Jones will show up late in April, as he has to finish that term of school in dear old Highland. The "rail birds" are perching on the park benches and geting a line on the team. It looks good.

THE BARBERS.

Shop Card Goes Back Into Pretty Shop on P Street.

The Star barber shop at 922 P street is again graced by a union shop card. This is the shop from which

the card was removed about two months ago-but it is not under the same management now. A week or so ago J. J Simpson, proprietor of the Apex shop at Tenth and O streets, bought the Star shop. He immediately put "Joe" Long in charge. It took Josephus about a minute to get the shop card back, right where it could be seen from every part of the shop and a good portion of P street. Then chair.

With the coming of the gladsome bit. In warm weather men do not let their hair grow so long, and when they grind exceeding small." It is out at the ball games without getting be called to the fact that, it tangled up in their whiskers,

The "Greenbackers" have won the 1909 pennant in every union barber shop in Lincoln since March 27.

Labor Temple Day, May 12. Be a Booster for the Temple.

DOWN GO THE WAGES.

Taft and Prosperity Working in the Back Motion Regularly.

Wage reduction after wage reduc below the required standard, owing to tion, especially in the unorganized the incompetence of its employes, the industries, is noted in the news dismurmurs of dissatisfaction from its patches. Carnegie the philanthropist,

patrons have been swelling into a tu- who managed to crush the steel workers, now has the satisfaction of see ing the steel workers handed "prosperity with the reverse English on it." cow, Ky., for \$10,000 in a suit brought And the steel workers who were goldbricked into becoming shareholders in the steel trust are getting just what pany had agreed to pay in case the they might have expected if they hadn't been easy marks.

Schwab serves notice that if the mitted. The evidence showed that the steel trust's tariff graft is disturbed books were far from being up to the the workers will have to make good standard of the samples and the judg- the loss. The big Laughlin-Jones comment followed .- Minnesota Union Ad- pany has issued notice of a 10 per cent reduction in wages. "On account

of dull times and tariff agitation." Un organized workers in railroad circles are getting the cut. Mill and factory employes are being handed the en grounds until May 12, Captain Fox and smalled wage envelope. Every day's issue of the daily newspapers con up a few exhibition games that will tains from a half-dozen to a score of

> They told us if we'd vote for Taft They'd overrun our cup of bliss; And with the help of tariff graft Would boost our wages

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They landed Taft in Teddy's chair And now they play the old game well.

They'll keep again the lion's share And drop our wages

> to zero

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SOCIALISM AND THE CHURCH.

Rev. Charles Stelzle Discusses the Question of "Meeting Human Needs. In no city or country in the world are the Christians in a majority. The men outside of the church control the courts and the legislature, but the progress which has been made is due to the direct and indirect influence of Christianity. The church has often been at fault and in some things it is he got a couple of good union barbers to blame today, but no matter how tied the grievance between the web to take charge of the other two chairs dark the age, the church has always pressmen and the Milwaukee Senti- while he presided over the first been the whitest light in history and when reform came to the church, it came from within and not from with spring the business is picking up a out. To quote from the significant resolutions passed by the great church

conference in Philadelphia, represent real summer comes they shave oftener ing nearly twenty million members. in order that they can let their voices the attention of workingmen should "The institution of a day of rest se

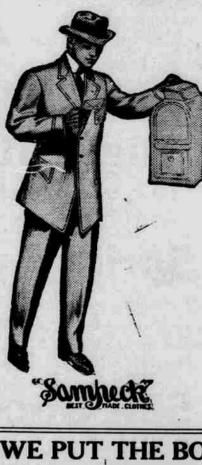
cured for the toilers of Christendom by the very charter of the church has been defended on their behalf by it throughout the centuries;

That the streams of philanthropy which supply a thousand needs have their springs, for the most part. in Christian devotion;

That the fundamental rights of men mighty group of commonwealths are consecration of men who acknowledge of the Church of Jesus Christ." Jesus Christ as Master:

That the free ministrations to the cialist that he is going to eradicate

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That in the quest for the forces by which the larger hopes of the work ingmen of America may be most speedily and fully realized, the leaders of the industrial world can better afford to lose all others than those upon which rest the pillars of this which are today and have been for nearly two thousand years at work in a heritage from the conscience and the faith, the motive and the devotion

Of course it will be said by the so

community on the part of tens of thou- the necessity for philanthropy and who have fallen by the wayside. It very much that the church is doing task it has unquestionably been withtoday and has been doing throughout out a peer in all history and for this the ages. But even in this respect the task it has unquestionably been with church has done more than socialism. outa peer in all history and for this However, in the meantime, it has been work the church. in all fairness, trying to alleviate the sufferings of should receive due credit. Not that mankind. While the world has been it cares for it particularly, nor is it getting ready to take an official step demanding such recognition, but in an in the matter of securing a larger unbiased consideration of the whole measure of justice for the workers, the subject these facts should be reckchurch has been ministering to those oned with.

> **The New** Woman and Divorce

Why is it that to-day so many more wives than husbands are securing divorces?

The official census report on divorce just published shows that two-thirds of the 945,625 divorces in the last 20 years were granted to women. The most common ground has been desertion.

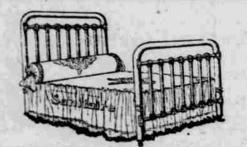
The fact that so many more wives than husbands are securing divorce is proof neither that husbands are growing in profligacy, nor that wives, because of their By Elizabeth Bacon Walling. "higher education" and interest in public affairs, are becoming more prone to free themselves from loving and faithful husband. One reason why more divorces are obtained by the wives is the fact that the court usually assigns the children to the mother. While this is one reason, the chief reason is that woman, by her more liberal education and by the improved economic situation which now prevails in this courtry, is better able to support herself. No longer is woman forced by laws, in the making of which she has had no part, to continue to live with the brute who beats her, with the gambler and drunkard who beggars her, deserting her in her distress, and with the culprit who deceives her, forsaking her for others. Factory, shop and university have opened their doors to her as avenues of escape. She is no longer denied the right to the wages which she has earned with her own hands, to the clothing which she has bought with her own earnings, to the children which she bears and brings up, and to her own body, which under an old dispensation in one of the New England states her husband was privileged to sell to his neighbor. By her higher intelligence and more refined conscience woman has come to question her right to cause to be born the offspring of husbands who are drunkards and eriminals. She is also wondering whether she should have more children than she can properly educate and prepare for the battle of life. She has come to ask herself whether it is not more fair to society for her to free herself from a relation which must but people the world with a race of degenerates and weaklings. One reason why so many more wives than husbands are securing divorces appears in the growing economic independence of women. Woman is now beginning to realize that her soul is her own. She is no longer an economic slave. At one time woman knew that outside of her husband's home she had no opportunity for self-support. Her property, her children, her wages, her clothes all belonged to her "lord and master." When a woman marries a man she gives him her youth, places her fate in his hands, and unless she has a fortune of her own, is dependent upon him till death for her comfort and well being. Therefore it is a solemn moment in the life of the wife and mother when she turns her back upon her only refuge from want ; and while we are not without examples of wives deserting their husbands for frivolous reasons, it is safe to conclude that in the majority of cases when wives desert their husbands they are following some honest conviction of conscience and principle.

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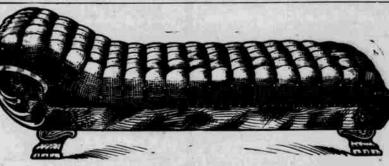
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