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'If any man must fall for me to rise, Then seek I not to climb. Another's pain I choose not for my good. A golden chain, A robe of honor, is too good a prize To tempt my hasty hand to do a wrong Unto a fellow man. This life hath woe Sufficient, wrought by man's satanic foe; And who that hath a heart would dare prolong Or add a sorrow to a stricken soul? That seeks a healing balm to make it whole? My beam owns the brotherhood of man.'



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Publishers Announcement.

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The transaction that took place on these Capitol grounds on the first day of this month was a scene worthy to take place in St. Petersburg, or in the Capitol of any Eastern monarchy, but was entirely out of place in an orderly, civilized Republic like ours.—From W. V. Allen's Senate speech.

THE "wagon brigade" convention plan has been adopted in Georgia.

EIGHT THOUSAND people in Paterson N. J., are in enforced idleness or on a strike for living wages.

THE Pullman Car company's works at Pullman, Ill., are closed indefinitely, all employes being out on a strike.

TRAMPLE on the people all you please, squeeze the life out of them for your profit; but keep off the grass.

TWO months in jail and a hundred dollars fine, for attempting to speak for the poor and walking on the grass.

THE wagon brigade is a go all over. Ohio, Indiana and Georgia have already adopted it, and the other states stand ready to.

FORTY-FOUR thousand unemployed people have petitioned the New York legislature for work. They should go to Albany to get it.

EX-CHIEF JUSTICE MAXWELL has expressed himself squarely and strongly in a newspaper interview in favor of the free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1.

SEE on our fifth page the double column prospectus of the new song book, "Armageddon." Send in your orders and they will be placed on file and filled as soon as the book comes from the press.

THE Nebraska State Sunday School convention will meet at York, Neb., June 5, 6 and 7. Every school is entitled to one delegate besides the superintendent and pastor. Each county association is entitled to two delegates.

SENATOR ALLEN has made another great speech in favor of a resolution he introduced calling for a senatorial committee to investigate the action of the police and the courts in the treatment of Coxe and his marshals. We shall print extracts next week.

WE have received a number of letters from our subscribers asking us for information about procuring infected chinch bugs. Directions for obtaining and applying the chinch bug infection can be obtained by writing to Prof. Lawrence Bruner, State University, Lincoln, Neb.

WE call attention of our readers to the Industrial Legion circular elsewhere published, and ask the Populist papers of the state to reprint it. The Legion should be organized in all the towns. Its method of raising funds for the cause makes it the best possible organization for political work.

How would you like "the exhausting drudgery of doing nothing, loving nothing, living for nothing?" That is what "A Superbuous Woman" makes of life, the rich society woman, spoiling life for herself and spoiling life for hundreds and even thousands of others, who must as slaves heap up wealth for her.

THE STRUGGLES OF THE POOR.

The railroads with one exception are doing their utmost to keep the Industrials from moving toward Washington. The situation has been for the Industrials of the west and northwest a forced choice between degradation to the rank of paupers, or starvation where they were; or helping themselves to a ride over the mountains and deserts which could not be walked, the railroads having refused to allow them to ride even in empty box cars for pay. Col. Sanders and his band took an engine and some empty coal cars at Pueblo, Col., without violence, and started east. The railroad company ditched cars and engines on the track ahead in three different places to stop them, but each time the Industrials laid a track around the obstructions and steamed on. They were finally captured by a U. S. marshal and posse, who met them on a train, and they were transported at government expense across Kansas to Leavenworth, where they are to be tried. Meanwhile the fees for arresting them have amounted to \$18,000, and the ditching of cars and engines to stop them has cost the railroad company \$5,000. The U. S. government has also to meet \$70,000 marshals' fees in the northwest, part of the cost of the effort to keep the unemployed from congregating and moving across the country.

Kansas City is the meeting place where the score or more of industrial regiments and bands are aiming to come together. Some of the armies are temporarily broken up into squads to get through by rail. 226 from Oregon are this side of the mountains coming in box cars. General Carter's regiment of 300 has been for the time being broken into squads in Utah. He and 27 of his officers having been arrested, the commander without any offense whatever, without warrant and without authority of the law.

Two marshals and several Industrials were wounded in a conflict precipitated by the officials in Oregon last week.

Kelly with 1,350 men is floating down the river in Iowa. Gen. Frye is in Indiana with his men. Gen. Wilson of Montana has reached Minneapolis with 50 Industrials, and the city was greatly stirred at their coming. It is expected that several thousand recruits will join him there. Gen. Randall, leader of the Chicago contingent, has been jailed for alleged unlawful speeches. Free speech is a thing of the past—and the future—in this country. Randall's army is in Indiana. General Sullivan also has a band moving in the same state. Several of the Commonweal bands are now near Washington and in a few days will effect a junction with the Coxey army.

Cleveland has gone fishing. The senate is beginning on the batch of 400 Democratic amendments to the tariff bill. The House is killing time and getting big pay for not protecting the people.

LIES ARE LOSING THEIR POWER

We clip from the telegraphic news columns of the Chicago Inter-Ocean the following venomous misrepresentation of the Commonweal and its leaders, just to show our readers what diabolism is in and controlling the daily press, the associated news monopoly.

There are only pity and sympathy for most of the gang of timid, cowed, filthy, and ragged recruits who constitute the bulk of Coxe's pretended army. But there are growing indignation and anger in the community at the frothy, anarchistic, and blasphemous rantings of Coxe and his greasy aids.

The two columns and more of matter from which this is taken are crammed full of villainous, venomous lying that makes all who have in them humanity and respect for outraged manhood wish they could get near enough this reptile to get a heel over his head.

In another paragraph this slimy serpent with multiplied voice has this to say of the men who are poor but honest and law-abiding, the men who have been followed four hundred miles and night and day been watched by the secret spies of the plutocrats, and whose acts have offered the hounds not a single opportunity to arrest them. The rank and file are here lied about, as follows:

They for the most part were men whom one would cross the street to avoid, day or night. There are said to be among them a very few who are really workers out of work, but for the most part they seem to be the scum of the cities and country towns—men who will not work if they can help it, and only so long as they must; whose faces are more frequently seen in the police courts than in the workshops. The great majority of them are chaps, some of them not over 20, a large portion not over 25, the ignorance of all of whom is as dense as the dirt upon them. The police were not to blame that they sneered at this motley army passed by. The intelligent colored laboring men who were engaged upon their work along the line of march scarcely deigned to look at them as they moved along.

This matter, with columns more of the same sort, is first printed in the great dailies for all city people to read, and is then run in the great news weeklies, which the dailies all publish, to get their inhuman, devilish lies impressed as truth upon country readers. The foregoing clippings are from the Weekly Inter-Ocean of May 8.

It was this power of the old party press to deceive, itself a monopoly and in its interests inseparably tied up with

wheel with a power which could not be broken. The Commonweal movement is an inspiration which is forcing national attention upon the destruction of our liberties, and its power to call forth the sympathies of the industrial classes and bind them solidly together for political action is spreading consternation through the ranks of the proud rulers.

OLD MACHINES OBSTRUCT PROGRESS.

In commenting on the suggestion of the David City Press, that Democrats of this district should support the Populist candidate for congress in order to defeat a Republican gold-bug protectionist, THE WEALTH MAKERS says in part:

Party ties ought to rest so lightly on men that there would be no possibility of fastening voters to a mere office seeking machine.

We would respectfully re-submit this for the prayerful consideration of the editor of THE WEALTH MAKERS—Crete Democrat.

The idea expressed in the above sentence, re-submitted to us for consideration by Brother Bowby, is an idea which we have held for a long time, and it is what led us to cut loose from the Republican party ten years ago. Since then we have been politically, intelligently free, and shall never again belong to any party or party leaders. Whenever it is plain to our mind that we cannot get progressive legislation through the Populist party we shall leave it and help organize and build up a progressive party.

Old parties are never progressive. It is the law of old party existence, or success, that they cannot be. They always obstruct progress.

Parties are first created, men are drawn together to form them, by a moral principle, by a recognized need of new laws for the protection of individual rights and liberties. Office seekers would never create parties; they always stay in one or the other of the old parties until the new party draws numbers which seem hopefully near a majority, and coming then into a party created by principle and demanding certain definite progressive legislation, they find it is their interest to fall in with the party demands; and so new party organizations, crystallized around and controlled by great principles, in spite of selfish men which come to them, will accomplish the work they were created to do.

But as soon as that work is done they have no farther excuse for existence; their existence, prolonged by office-seekers, is the greatest possible national curse.

The party which lives after the work which called it into existence is accomplished, lives for the offices, lives by the offices, lives through the power of deception, lives to serve the professional politicians and business men who run it, lives not to protect but to prey on the wealth producers and to destroy the foundations of liberty by means of class legislation. These we declare to be invariably the objects of those who control old parties. Old party platforms are constructed to hold in the party all who have been voting with it. No real reform, no great unsettled question which would divide its members, lose it votes and destroy the chances of immediate success, is ever championed by an old party. Increasing corruption is the law of old party existence.

The Democratic, or Republican party as it was first called, came into existence to defend the equal political rights of the people, to oppose the monarchial and aristocratic ideas of the Federalists, who feared "the masses." It did a good work; it accomplished its purpose. But it lived too long. Its northern leaders for party success allied themselves with the slave holding power; and the party, then more than a score of years morally dead, ought to have been buried forever by the war that it made necessary.

The Republican party came into existence to limit slave territory and preserve the Union. It accomplished its great work, and a greater which the exigencies of war forced upon it. It brought chattel slavery to a perpetual end, and gave the ballot to the black man. But it allowed the Skylock class to dictate financial legislation for the country almost from the date of its accession to power, so that there is much more reason for calling it the slave-making party than the party of emancipation. There are three or four times as many propertyless people in America who have lost their freedom, their manhood, their independence since the war, as were liberated from chattel servitude by the war. And the millions of wage slaves who with hunger cravings seek and seek in vain to find a master, are far worse off than the black chattels, whom it was always the masters' interest to keep sufficiently fed and comfortably clothed and sheltered and in health.

And the Democratic party, held together till now by the old race question south and by office or the hope of office and senseless partisanship in the north, has made itself as a national party no less than its rival the tool of Wall Street. There has been no progress whatever toward the settlement of even the tariff question, if we except progress backward, the McKinley tariff being higher, notwithstanding Democratic opposition, than any previous Republican tariff; and the Wilson bill with its 400 Senate amendments, of Democratic origin, is confessedly a high

the Democratic party ever before enacted or proposed.

Therefore, in view of all we have shown above, to our mind there is no good reason for staying in either of the old parties; and it would be worse than folly to return to either of them. Progress by either is impossible. We need to vote not simply for honest men, but for men who stand on an honest platform in a progressive party. Fusing with an old party is death to a young party.

ONE man in Merrick county last week

sent in his views of candidates and proposed a state ticket made up of Populists and Democrats, naming the men. To him and to any others who may wish to fuse with the old parties we must say and say emphatically that our columns are not open for anyone to advocate what we are absolutely certain would destroy us as a party. We do not question the sincerity of our correspondents. But what are we out of the old parties for, and why did we organize a new party if either of the old parties would serve us? Another thing. Let one man seriously propose fusion in our columns, and we should be flooded with communications against fusion. It would be, we think, the worst possible waste of space to do it. The party that will trade and fuse with another party has no principles. And as our party is a party of principle, fusion cannot be considered a party question with us.

THE People's party state conventions dates already published are as follows: California May 22, Indiana May 24, Illinois May 29, Ohio June 4, Minnesota June 10, Kansas June 12, New Hampshire June 14, Texas June 20.

It is our opinion that we shall make a mistake if we put off our state convention later than July 4th, and we urge the executive committee to carefully consider the advantage of deciding on that date. We need to begin early in order to become perfectly organized and to provide for a thorough canvass of the state. The people are now wonderfully stirred up and ready to listen to the discussion of remedies for the hard times, low prices and increasing burdens of the working and debtor classes. Strike while the iron is hot. Place before the people definite, adequate, plain remedies and show them the causes of the present conditions, and they will flock to our standard.

THE KINGDOM, RUMAN, DIVINE.

We commented on a paragraph last week which we found in The Kingdom, a sentence indicating that one of its editors accepts and teaches the gold money superstition, an error which, accepted as truth, is the present economic and legal defense of usury, or interest, the immorality which has become respectable since the church teachers and preachers ceased to proclaim the law, allowed all in the church to take usury, and so made it respectable. It is of course optional with the individuals who possess the gold, the present so-called "honest" (!) money or redeemer of sinful money (!) whether they shall charge (Bible) usury for it or not. But it is not optional with the man who must borrow money whether or not he shall pay usury. And the man who supports the gold monopolists, like the priest and Levite goes by on the other side and leaves his neighbor to be robbed and wounded by them.

It was a great disappointment to us to find such social, fundamental injustice supported by the new paper, or paper with new name and widened purpose. But we wish to say to our readers that it is, nevertheless, the best religious paper they can find anywhere, and we advise every family taking our paper to subscribe for The Kingdom also so they are financially able to do so. It is only one man's writing which we consider unchristian and harmful, one man out of the twelve. The board of editors of The Kingdom consists of President Geo. A. Gates of Iowa College, a grand man with open unprejudiced mind; Prof. George D. Herron, whose lectures we are printing and who is tearing away the veil of unconscious tradition and formalism, and dispelling the ignorance of the churches regarding the real law and the true, embodied gospel; Rev. Thomas C. Hall of Chicago, a leader who is far in advance of those whose faith has no relation to life, to business life; Rev. Dr. Lester L. West, the Minneapolis preacher; Rev. Dr. Strong of New York City, author of "Our Country" and "The New Era"; Rev. Fay Mills, the most Christian evangelist; Rev. Dr. John P. Coyle, the popular Massachusetts preacher who is known far and wide by his lectures on Christian Sociology or true social science; Prof. Jesse Macy, Professor of Political Economy in Iowa College, and the leading Christian instructor

THE MAY MAGAZINES.

The Review of Reviews for May is an interesting number giving the news of the world, with editorial comments, and the substance of the articles in the leading reviews.

SCRIBNER'S for May contains choice fiction contributed by George W. Cable, and Octave Thanet, and interesting descriptive articles by Edwin Lord Weeks, Philip Gilbert Hamerton, John G. Bourke of the U. S. A.; a paper on Working Girls Clubs by Clara Sidney Davidge; a paper on The Ethics of Democracy by F. Stinson, and much other valuable matter.

The Cosmopolitan for May contains twelve principal articles, eleven of these being beautifully illustrated, also book reviews and several very interesting articles on the progress of science. Howells' Altrurian Traveler letter this month describes plutocratic housekeeping in New York. James Whitcomb Riley has a delightfully reminiscent illustrated poem of boyhood life, entitled "Up and Down Old Brandywine." Other interesting articles are "Slam and the Slamese;" "The Struggle for Freedom in Kansas" and "England's Latest Conquest."

The Arena for May is a most excellent number of that best of magazines. The most interesting articles to us are "Emergency Measures for Maintaining Self-Respecting Manhood," by the editor, Mr. Flower; "The Philosophy of Mutualism" by Prof. Frank Parsons, and "A Revolutionary Railway Company," by Albert Griffin. The railway referred to is The Gulf and Inter-State Railway. Mr. Flower's paper contains passages which we shall next week quote. The Arena is now the largest monthly review published. A young man at the Lincoln Nationalist Club Sunday before last said he had been reading the Arena but three weeks and it had made a Populist of him. He was just beginning to live, he said, and his intense earnestness and enthusiasm showed it.

TO THE POINT.

"Paternalism" is being used as a scare word by the goldbug press, just as they once used the words "socialism" and "anarchy," or as the word "abolitionist" was used thirty-five years ago. The time has come now when all intelligent reformers are proud to be called socialists. And it has become fully understood among the people that if any set of men may properly be called anarchists, it is the goldbugs themselves and those who support their traitorous policy. So "so called" and "anarchist"

of that principal branch of ethics; Rev. Geo. D. Black, recent editor of "Gospel Liberty;" Prof. John R. Commons of Indiana State University, one of the ablest of the young political economists, a strong advocate of Proportional Representation and the author of "The Distribution of Wealth;" Revs. H. W. Gleason of Minneapolis and Rev. J. N. Brown of Kansas City are the remaining members of the board of editors.

This paper, The Kingdom, is the only paper of its kind among the many religious papers. It is not infallible; but in its ethical teachings, in its discussion of applied Christianity, it is a vast distance in advance of the religious press and preaching of the rest of the world. We say this after reading four copies of the paper. And we urge all our people who wish to take a religious paper that preaches and teaches saving truth, truth for this life, truth that is needed to save society by detroning business selfishness, to send to the publishers of The Kingdom, Minneapolis, Minn., for sample copies of the paper. The price is \$1.50 a year. We shall propose a clubbing arrangement and shall probably be able to offer it with THE WEALTH MAKERS at a reduced rate.

WE are glad to see that The Representative, organ of the Farmers Alliance and Peoples party of Minnesota and edited in large part by Ignatius Donnelly, is greatly extending its light and influence. Any paper edited by the great litterateur must build up a large subscription list. Last week a special edition of 100,000 copies were printed from new type and sent out from its new office at Minneapolis. The office of the paper has just been moved from St. Paul to the greater business center.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL OLNEY would have the government loan a bankrupt, stock-watered railroad more money than it is worth at two per cent. per annum for 100 years. But when the People's party suggest that the government loan its citizens upon good security money at the same rate it is denounced as paternalism.

THE advantage of a government postal system and business is the advantage of getting the best possible service at cost. A government banking system and railroad system would save enormous profits to the people and preserve our fast disappearing liberties.

A MAN is in duty bound to obey just laws. But which is the more sacred, property or life? Is it better for the men who can find no work to preserve life by begging or stealing? Which is the more degrading?

MR. A. G. LEHMER says that the Populists of Valley county are on top and will stay there.

GET off the grass and die.

are fast disappearing from the list of epithets that abound in the columns of the goldbug papers. In applying the term "paternalism" to the principle advocated by the Populists our opponents show dense ignorance and stupidity. It is indeed paternalism when the government grants subsidies and bounties to corporations to enable them to carry on business, or when we "protect" certain manufacturers by the tariff law. But when the people organize for their own protection, a co-operative system of conducting business in which all are equally interested, as, for instance, the postal service or the public school system,—then it is not paternalism but fraternalism.

Many well meaning people object to the socialistic principles of the Populists on the ground that "if you could divide all the wealth equally among our citizens in a year some would be beggars while others would be millionaires." All this is true. But socialists do not propose to divide the wealth of the nation. They propose to consolidate it under one ownership, and the owner is the national government, which will hold it in trust for the people forever. It will therefore be impossible for men to squander their capital and become burdens upon the community, as they frequently do now, for all that any one can spend will be his proportion of the income, or product, of the capital of the nation. Socialism means "government ownership of all capital and government operation of all industries."

Some people thing that if the masses were educated there would be no such thing as want, and they refer to the uneducated horde which constitutes the various industrial armies. Here again they display their ignorance. The majority of the roving Industrials are highly educated, and much better educated than our lawyers and politicians and bankers. Better educated because usefully educated. Some of these tramps are educated to shoe horses—others are tallors—some are engineers and mechanics. Some can make shoes and build houses. The time is surely coming when all will hold in contempt that class of education that merely fits a man for over-reaching his fellows, but does not qualify him to add anything to the comfort and happiness of the race. As we now abhor the forger and monte man, so will we some day abhor the man who is skilled in negotiating deals in stocks and bonds, or who organizes syndicates and live in luxury off the products of other peoples toil.

Many thoughtless people think that because a man has worked hard to acquire his millions that he is rightfully entitled to them. This is an error. The pirates of old worked hard and took great risk in order to acquire wealth, but that fact did not justify them in the eyes of the people. The bank burglar works hard and takes great risks, but that does not entitle him to the wealth he acquires. It is not the particular process by which a man gets his wealth that constitutes the unfairness and injustice, but the fact that he gave no value to the world in return for it. Don't understand me as wishing to abuse these capitalists and corporation kings. They are merely the logical product of an illogical and unscientific industrial system.

IT IS COMING.

BY J. ARTHUR BRIGHTON. How bright, how sweet, this world would be If men could live for others! How sweet, how bright, How full of light This life, if justice, truth and right Were once enthroned, if men were free: If men would all be brothers, And is this nothing but a dream? Must wrong go on forever? Must poverty Forever be And selfish greed and tyranny Must hate and strife be still supreme, And love and peace come never? No, I will not believe it. No, God still reigns somewhere, brother, Somewhere, sometime, The race will climb Above its selfishness and crime Will gentler, nobler, happier grow: And men will love each other.

Favors the Plan.

SCHUYLER, Neb., May 7, '94. Editor WEALTH MAKERS: The Ohio plan for attending the state convention is just the thing. Nothing better could possibly be adopted, nothing that would more surely awaken the people, than to see long lines of team with wagons decorated, flags flying, bands playing, all converging toward a given center from every quarter of the state. It would be cheap. It would be pleasant. It would simply be grand. We must do it. (Respectfully, J. P. McFERRIN.)

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