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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 head to do a wrong. Unto a fellow man. This life hath no sufficient, wrought by man's selfish love; 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 bosom owns the brotherhood of man."

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"WHILE we go marching through Georgia."

BATTLE CREEK, Michigan has a co-operative colony.

It is reported that 8,000 women in Buffalo, N. Y., receive less than \$2.50 a week for their labor.

The Chicago Times publishes the statement that William Waldorf Astor's income is \$8,900,000 a year.

The New York city banks still have on hand, unloaned, idle, almost fifty-nine and a half million dollars above legal reserves.

The horsehoers, teamsters, harness and carriage workers of Chicago have banded themselves together in an allied council.

CHICAGO has 150,000 trades unionists. Most of the organizations to which they belong have decided to support the Populist ticket.

The Commission appointed to investigate the Chicago strike have nearly finished their work and will report the last week in October.

"THERE is a destiny that shapes our ends," whether we choose wisely or foolishly. The foolish furnish valuable lessons for the wise.

The Denver News reports that the Wyoming Republicans are badly scared. All the northern counties are Populist and the People's party will sweep the state.

The Illinois State Federation of Labor has committed itself to support the Populist party. The Populist party of Illinois has also adopted almost the entire platform of the Federation of Labor, which is a decided gain, the F. of L. platform being exceedingly staunch and strong, broad and deep, uninjured by the cutting and trimming politicians.

FACE THE TRUTH FEARLESSLY

There is "a cry and nothing but a cry" from many. There is a demand from others for legislative relief, and yet no intelligent comprehension of what legislation is needed, or what would be just. Let us consider. The people who produce loss what the non-producers or income receivers gain. And those incomes come without waste of substance or labor exertion on the part of the recipients, in the shape of rents, interest and dividends.

Well, what's all the noise about? Do you dare to say that rent, interest and dividends are morally and economically wrong?

If they are not wrong, it is not wrong for one man to labor and another to take his product. If they are not wrong slavery is not wrong, robbery is not wrong, stealing is not wrong. But if you hesitate to say they are wrong, quit complaining, for there is nothing wrong. Getting something for nothing, or more labor for less labor, is all right, if it is right to take rent, interest and dividends. If you haven't the clear unmythified moral sense to condemn the monthly, quarterly and yearly payments by which men are made rich without labor, quit denouncing in a vague, general way the monopolies, and the tyrannies of the capitalists.

W. W. Astor who lives in England draws a rent income from American workers of not less than \$9,000,000 a year, or \$28,757 a day, and charges no higher rent than others do. If it is right for any man to tax others rent for houses and lands (in excess of what is worn or taken out of them), it is right for Astor and all landlords to exact tribute. And if rent is right, interest, or usury, is right, and if these are right dividends out of wage earners, and speculating out of the necessities of the workers, are right.

But some will say it is exorbitant rent, interest and dividends which are not right. Ah! And will you be so good as to tell us what per cent usury, or tribute from labor, is righteous?

It is probable that such will say six per cent is reasonable. Let us see. Astor's income, taken without labor exchange from the annual labor products of American citizens, reckoned as a six per cent net rental, amounts to \$9,000,000 a year, as above stated. Now let us suppose this man earns a living on the newspaper he is publishing in London, and that he invests his American rent roll each year in real estate, which he goes on renting at a six per cent rate. In 13 years he will have doubled his \$150,000,000. In 26 years it will amount to \$600,000,000. And if the 4,047 known American millionaires, whose combined property is now \$12,000,000,000, do the same, in 26 years they will be the possessors of \$48,000,000,000, in 39 years it will absorb \$96,000,000,000, or fifty per cent more than the entire private and public property in the nation is valued at today. And in fifty-two years these 4,047 men and their sons will have heaped up for them, and secured in land titles, property amounting to \$192,000,000,000, which would be a value greater than that of all the real estate and personal property of both North and South America and the islands of the sea. The population of the entire western hemisphere would be wholly in their power, subject to any rental tribute terms it pleased this small landlord class to impose, and all, mind you, accumulated by a six per cent net rent charge. There would be no American republic left, or if left in name they would be simply governments supported by the renters to furnish military and police power to keep themselves in peaceable subjection.

The power of rent or usury, even at six per cent, it is thus seen, would gather up into the hands of the present millionaire class the entire earth in about fifty years and when they own the earth they practically own the people who must live on the earth. The reason that usurers did not ages ago absorb the entire earth and reduce all its working inhabitants to a state of most miserable slavery, was because the conquerors have in turn been conquered, nation after nation going down and their laws perishing, and for the further reason that the vast new world was reserved for the poor and oppressed. In all old nations the workers are practically slaves. In Great Britain, the oldest of commercial nations, the masses have been virtual slaves through all the centuries of the national life. But with the introduction of machinery, the rise of capitalism and the contraction of the currency to a gold basis the land owners of Great Britain were reduced in number from 150,000 to 30,000. And we are much more rapidly following in the pathway of the people of Great Britain.

How shall we save ourselves from the money and land and liberty absorbing power of usury (rent, interest and dividends), which, with the present concentration of capital in the hands of the few, is certain in a generation more to bring all, except a very small millionaire class, into bondage, into poverty the most dependent, degrading and labor-exacting?

Would remonetizing silver put a stop to wealth concentration?

It would scarcely make an eddy now in the mighty current of wealth concentration, which has become like the rapids above Niagara, because the rich now own so large a part of the resources and the means of transportation and exchange. The railroads, the mines, the oil wells,

the timber tracts, the city real estate of increasing value, the principal patent rights and big manufacturing plants, the enormously valuable monopoly franchises, the vast issue of bonds, the real estate and chattel mortgages, the big holdings of farm lands,—all these have a power and a momentum in the matter of gathering wealth into the monopolists' hands that is absolutely irresistible by anything less than a new sort of legislation which will stop rent, interest and dividends. And this sort of legislation would be to nationalize every monopoly. There is no robbery, no repudiation, no injustice in this. No one of the stockholders would be unjustly dealt with if the government condemned and purchased the railroads, telegraphs, coal mines, oil wells, street railways, city real estate, etc.

ALL ABOUT KANSAS LOANS

Ex-Mayor Hardy of Lincoln got a letter a few days ago from his nephew, L. H. Patterson, who lives 8 or 10 miles north of Manhattan, Kansas, which furnishes perfectly reliable evidence on the question of the effect of the Populist rule in Kansas.

Mr. Patterson has a large farm of 800 or more acres, and in branching out in stock raising some years ago got into debt \$10,000. Mr. Hardy visited him two years ago and advised him to get out of debt, lest in the event of the next period of hard times so large a debt should ruin him. The letter received from Mr. Patterson by Mayor Hardy last week answered his question, "How about your debt?" by stating that he had taken his advice and paid off \$4,000 of the \$10,000, and had renewed the other \$6,000 for a period of three years at a reduced rate of interest. He had been paying 6 1/2 per cent, but under Populist rule was able to renew at 5 1/2 per cent. This is a fact, and no mythical story. It is not manufactured for campaign purposes. And it indicates a general fact, or condition. What Mr. Patterson could do any other man in Kansas having security can do. Money can be borrowed at a lower rate in Kansas today on the same property than when the Republicans were in power, at a lower rate than ever before in the history of the state.

The statements of Republican loan agents in Kansas are simply political lies, gotten up for campaign purposes. If eastern people with money to invest should go to these same men and ask them for advice regarding loaning money in Kansas, whether it had ceased to be safe to place money there, or not, their answer would be that the people in Kansas in energy, economy and old-fashioned honesty compare favorably with any equal number of people on the face of the earth; that Kansas is unsurpassed in natural resources, and that money placed by such honest (?) careful agents as themselves on Kansas farms is subject to no risk whatever, except in that caving-in locality where the land pillars seem to have dropped from under.

THE PARTY OF PROGRESS The tune which all the Republicans are singing, from McKinley and Harrison down to every cross roads post office aspirant, is this: "The people wanted a change, and they got it." This is their entire campaign contribution for the solution of the great social problems. They deliver themselves of it with great satisfaction, and an air of having swept the field.

But let us see what ground they have for rejoicing. The people wanted a change, they say. Why did they want a change? When't very well contented with what they were getting under so-called "protection," it seems. Prices of everything the poor have to sell had been going down for twenty years, and debts, measured by labor, had been doubled by the same cause. Rents had raised. The cost of living had not decreased proportionately with the wage and price reductions, because between producers and consumers there had risen up a large number of Republican and Democratic made monopolists. It was not so much the tariff that made them as it was a reckless giving away of monopoly franchises to the railroads, and special privileges, such as farming out the business of making money (currency) for the people to the national banks, control of streets to street railway corporations, gas companies, etc. As a result of all this the wealth and resources of the country had been concentrating into few hands with amazing rapidity and the majority of the people were having exceedingly hard work to keep their noses above water. It isn't surprising that they felt it was time for a change. And they were foolish enough to believe the promises of the Democratic politicians who charged all evils to the tariff.

Well, the people voted for a change. But all the change they got was a change of office holders. Not a single monopoly has been forced to loosen its grip since the Democrats went into power. And what ever new legislation the monopolists have demanded the Democratic administration assisted by the Republican senators and representatives, has granted them. The President, at the dictation of the Associated Bankers, called an extra session of congress and by official patronage, party pressure and the assistance of ninety per cent of the Republican senators and congressmen, repealed the purchasing clause of the Sherman act, to prevent the coinage of silver. It also spent a year trying to pass a tariff bill

that was at least a "protective" measure which hurt none of the trusts which are of the number supported by tariff duties. The people voted for a change and did not get it, that is, they did not get relief from the grip and robbery of the established monopolists. The Republicans and Democrats are in practical accord on all really great questions, and they are on the wrong side of them. We can't get any change from either of them. They propose no railroad legislation. They both oppose the national ownership and operation of the railroads. They both oppose government banking, or any legislation which would do away with or lessen in any degree the vast sum of interest which is now drawn from the wealth producing class. They are both the warmest possible friends of capital, especially combinations of capital, and they have no word of sympathy even for the unemployed who demand of congress legislation to set them at work.

The people with short memories may again be fooled. But in our opinion the Democratic party has elected its last president, and the Republican party, defying as it does the party of progress, will go down swiftly before the coming champion and gathering army of the people. The Populist party is the only party that cares for the poor of the land and is determined to give them the change that justice will bring. If you want a change that will insure you regular work and the just reward for your labor, vote the People's Independent representatives into power.

O Bixby, what an everlasting pity That one so keen, original and witty Should sell his soul to soulless corporations, And serve the Shylock class who rule the nation! How could you do it, how begin your lying, When brothers poor for equal rights are crying? Monopolies oppress us, and you know it; Yet ridicule all men who rise to show it. You've surely read of Faustus and the devil— It doesn't pay, my friend, to trade with evil.

Humanity is one, all wrongs we suffer The rest to bear but make our own way rougher. There is no wealth except the love of brothers. There is no joy except in serving others. There is no manhood known among oppressors, There is no love for those who help aggressors. The lowest slave is hired to rivet letters On other slaves, to make them always debtors. The meanest men are they who lie for shirkers, And fasten leeches on the arms of workers.

The kings and captains, rich and mighty classes, As in the past, tread down the struggling masses. "By sword and flame," oppressive laws and lying; By hiring wits and sophists, mystifying The ignorant ones, misleading and dividing; By slandering reformers and deriding Their means and motives,—by "the almighty dollar." The classes down us, and affix their collar. But woe to him who seeing all the evils, Hires out his wits to do the work of devils.

MUSIC FOR THE MASSES.

Our song book, Armageddon, is what our great industrial political movement has been long in need of. Its value is recognized and its songs will be the songs of the workers everywhere, in their homes and the social and political meetings. They alone furnish a very thorough education in social questions, an education for both heart and head. We believe no book of any sort placed upon the market has more than a fraction of its power to do good at the present time; no book has in it so much power to stir the hearts of the people and kindle determination and enthusiasm; no presentation of truth can be made to reach and effect so many as the truth that is set to fine music and sung to the people.

The Commander-in-chief of the Industrial Legion of America writes under date October 4th, as follows:

"Your song book is the very best, and fills a long-felt want in the party. It is a song book; it is not machine rot, but genuine high grade words and music. I shall issue a circular in a few days and recommend it to the Industrial Legion. I congratulate you on your great work. The whole country will sing this music if you can reach the people."

From the New York Voice we clip the following notice: Armageddon, The Songs of the World's Workers Who Go Forth to Battle with the Kings and Captains and Mighty Men. By George Howard Gibson. Manilla 130 pp., 35 cents, \$3.60 a dozen. Lincoln, Neb.; The Wealth Makers Publishing Company.

This is a collection of songs for the times, with bright, catchy words and good, stirring music. Among these are: "Get Off the Earth," "We Have the Tariff Yet," "The Taxpayers Settle the Bills," "Battle Hymn of the Workers," "God Save the People," "That Honest Dollar," "Hayseed in His Hair," "If I were a Voice," "A Politician Here You See," "It Stuck in His Crop," "Sunrise on the Hills," "The Road to Freedom," "A Drowning Cry," "Armageddon," "The Rallying Cry," "The Pauper's Last Smoke," "Only a Penny a Loan," "Our Line of Defense," "Plenty of Room," "Old Error's Mists are Sweeping By," "American National Hymn," "Jesus Panta-a-Comin'," "The Money Power Arraigned," "Timothy Hayseed," and many more.

The coming to our party of such men as Senator Jones, the venerable judge and ex-United States Senator, Lyman Trumbull, and other strong leaders presages great things for us in the near future. An enormous and enthusiastic audience greeted the venerable Judge Trumbull on the evening of Oct. 6 at Central Music hall, where he spoke under Populist auspices. The largest audience that has come together in Denver since Gen. Weaver spoke there came out to hear Hon. I. N. Stevens, Oct. 9, when he gave in a two hour and a quarter speech his reasons for just previously resigning his position as chairman of the Republican central committee of Denver, and joining the Populists. And these are but a beginning of the break that will follow them.

RUSKIN, Tennessee, is the name of the nationalist town and colony now being founded by The Coming Nation under the leadership of J. A. Wayland, the "one boss." Wayland is a man of wonderful ability as a socialistic teacher and destructive critic of the selfish, competitive, anarchistic strife of the present. If his community enterprise is not a success it will be because the law of sacrifice is not recognized by its members as the law of life. There must needs be a supreme Lawgiver recognized, a divine Being and a more clearly understood, perfect law, by which the greatest shall serve most, and each be loved and honored for giving forth all the service of his divinely created and God-reflecting personality. A disposition to shirk and criticize, to exalt one's own worth, and compare with depreciation the best service that another differing personality can give, is sure to disrupt and destroy the bond of union.

The old party press frequently asserts that as there were no silver dollars in general circulation in 1873 the demonetization of silver did not reduce the volume of the currency, and was not, therefore, an injustice. Why were not silver and gold in circulation in 1873? Because of the exception clause on the greenback. Why did the money power get one of the money metals demonetized? Because they were planning to have Congress call in the greenbacks and destroy them, and with silver demonetized the greenbacks under their law would have to all be redeemed in gold, and the increased demand for gold, which the resumption of specie payments would make, would lower prices of everything and greatly increase the purchasing power of their money. See!

The Christian corporation which we advocated in editorials a few weeks ago has met with earnest response. Eight or ten families stand ready to mass their means, energies, skill and experience, and in all these resources they are, considered as a whole, very well supplied. The peculiarity of our plan, so far as it is worked out, is to organize, not as churches now are organized, to profess, or by professing, Christianity, but as an acting, practicing working body of Christ, our law being to "by love serve one another."

BOSTON garment workers will run co-operative shops. Now here is an idea. What is the reason that we cannot cooperate in the west and raise food for them, while they are making clothes for us? Let us establish commercial relations with co-operating groups which will at least keep us all at work supplying each other's varied needs. The railroads will go on taking unjust tolls from groups so exchanging their surplus products, but with a steady demand of our own arranging we can be sure of a demand for our labor and enough to live on.

UNCLE SAM has 50,000 union printers. Don't ask for any profits out of them. Distributes no dividends of their earning among idle stockholders. The boys do good work, get good pay, and prefer Uncle Sam to any other employer. Being paid the full value of their labor product their earnings can not be drawn off and hoarded, as dividends, and their purchasing power reduced below the value of their production. Think of this, and you will be made a believer in Populism and Nationalism.

ONE of the planks adopted by the labor unions of Bridgeport, Ct., who last week organized politically under the name of the Independent Progressive party, reads as follows:

We hold the right of human beings to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness to be paramount to the rights of property, and we declare private property in the sources and machinery of production to be incompatible with economic and, eventually, with political liberty.

ONE of the congressional nominees of the Chicago Populists is L. W. Rogers, editor of the Railway Times, organ of the A. R. U. Mr. Rogers was associated with Mr. Debs in the recent railroad strike, and is a man of very marked ability as a writer and speaker, and will command the enthusiastic support of organized labor in Chicago, where he has long been known as a reform newspaper editor.

The latest news from Georgia gives the Democratic majority at 15,000. In '92 it was 72,000. The Populists have increased their representation in the legislature from 12 to 90. And they have carried four congressional districts. In '92 they carried none. Tom Watson's district went Populist by 500 majority.

SENATORS JONES and Stewart of Nevada, and General A. J. Warner, president of the American Bimetallie League, are coming to Nebraska as the special friends of Hon. J. M. Devine. They will deliver campaign speeches for Mr. Devine in the Third district.

WRITE to Gen. Van Dervoort, 1110 South 32nd street, for his very excellent book, "The Case for Bimetallism." It contains collected statistics and authorities of great value, besides much original matter, truth made easy. Fifty or one hundred copies at 10 cents each.

PROF. JONES and Hon. H. W. McFadden are holding large meetings in south west Nebraska.

Subscribe for THE WEALTH MAKERS.

MR. I. N. LEONARD of Lincoln who is a member of the state horticultural society reports that the flat-headed borer is doing greater damage to young orchards at this time than it has at any time during the past 25 years. He says prompt and thorough action will save many orchards from almost entire ruin. The remedy is to cut them out and where the insect has embedded itself deeply in the body of the tree follow up the excavation with a small wire probe and destroy the insect. Then cover the wound with mineral paint made as thick as it can be spread with a small brush. Pure linseed oil thickened with oxide of iron is the most practical paint he has found.

HON. H. E. TAUBENECK, our national chairman, writes us that the national committee will furnish Senator Jones' celebrated letter, giving his reasons for leaving the Republican party, in pamphlet form at \$5 per thousand, postage paid. He urges our legislative candidates and local committees to order and distribute at least 1,000 copies of this letter in each county. Five dollars so expended for each county, placing the pamphlet in the hands of Republicans, would have a great effect. There is time, but no time to spare, to do this between now and the first week in November. Our advice is, do it.

VOTE for perjurers, forgers, usurers, thieves, railroad tools and yellow dogs, the ones we have selected, or we (the eastern millionaires) will cut the heart out of you. We will have such men elected as will serve us and suit us, or we will bring ruin upon the great state of Nebraska by forcing the people to pay their debts before they are due. We won't have any uprising of the fool Populists at the ballot box. They are all anarchists, disposed against monarchies and monopolies, and they must be kept down by threats, by force, if necessary.

We think a discussion of great moral political questions is not out of place on the Sabbath, but the Republican party has no such questions to discuss, and Strode's campaign address to a gathering of irreligious traveling men on Sunday a week ago gives another side view of the man. A man who cares nothing for the laws of God, is not the sort we want to make laws for men. Let us have a man who at least pays outward respect to the Divine institutions and laws.

The labor unions of Bridgeport Connecticut have formed themselves into a political organization, adopted a platform, nominated representatives and taken the name of the Independent Progressive party. Their platform differs but slightly from the platform adopted by the Illinois State Federation of Labor, which last week endorsed the Populist party.

As another straw to show how the fear of Populistic control is injuring the credit of Nebraska, it may be pertinent to mention that the town of Syracuse has just sold \$10,000.00 waterworks bonds bearing 6 per cent, for a premium of \$150.00. Evidently the money loaners in this case are not alarmed at the possibility of a change in our state government.

The People's party is socialistic, or it is nothing. But a government that is not socialistic, that does not use the means of all for the equal benefit of all, is not a good or just government. Socialism is the antithesis of selfishness. Selfishness is the source of all social evils. Socialism is the source and provision for all individual good.

THE DAWN is a Christian Socialist monthly publication edited by Rev. W. D. P. Bliss, pastor of the Church of the Carpenter, Boston, Massachusetts. It is a teacher of pure primitive Christianity, and is a very valuable publication in these days of awakening conscience and anxious inquiry. Christians seeking light cannot afford to be without it.

We call attention of all our readers who live in the Sixth congressional district to three columns of matter concerning Mr. Kem and his work, found on our sixth page. Three columns more will be given next week.

WHEN there are willing workers living in enforced idleness it is evidence of a great crime or aggregation of crimes on the part of legislators. Legislation for and in defense of monopolists, is what it is.

We have it from a reliable source that a considerable number of the Lincoln members of the bar who are Republicans, this year will vote for Holcomb and Gaffin. Majors and Moore are more than they can stand.

The Culberson led Democracy of Texas has found it expedient to repudiate their own money platform and are now trying to run in on a half Democrat and half Populist conglomeration of stump declarations.

We advise all our subscribers who wish to take a religious paper in addition to THE WEALTH MAKERS to subscribe for The Kingdom, published at Minneapolis, Minn. Dr. Herron is one of the editors.

INDIA has ceased buying silver altogether, and the country buys very little of anything else. All round the world, New Zealand excepted, times are what they are in the United States.