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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."

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JUSTICE has a terrible face for the oppressors, but a divinely beautiful face for the oppressed. The greed of the members who make up the majority led to a great strife over the spoils of the legislature.

RING IN THE RINGS

Had not the Pop legislature interfered, with a desire to get for the state the interest that the banks might be willing to pay for the deposits of state money, the collapse of the Capital National bank would not have caused the state any loss, for there was ample security in the treasurer's bonds, which were signed by the leading bankers of Nebraska.—State Journal.

The article from which the above paragraph is taken is entitled, "The Care of State Funds," and is called forth by the great defalcation of Taylor, the state treasurer of South Dakota. The South Dakota law is, we believe, exactly like the Nebraska law before the Populists got into power and passed the act requiring the state treasurer to turn the interest on state funds over to the state, instead of appropriating it himself and sharing it with his friends in the ring who thus were able to reimburse themselves several times for the campaign corruption funds advanced to elect their tools.

But the Journal of course is of opinion that "the state will do better to let the interest go and be content with the substantial safety of the principal under the old system."

"AHEAD OF THE TIMES." Some two or three weeks ago one of our subscribers complained that THE WEALTH MAKERS was about a thousand years ahead of the times. The idea he meant to convey doubtless was, that we are advocating political measures and applying moral principles that the people are not ready for.

Well, it is ahead of what we now have, and that is why it has value. But if the masses of the people cannot be made to see that its essential demands, viz: government ownership of natural and economic monopolies, as the means of deliverance, and be led to join the People's party, they cannot escape being slaves Politically we are simply intelligently up with those who oppose private monopoly control of the means of subsistence, the natural resources, capital and prices.

tional Conference of the party leaders at St. Louis, and we found THE WEALTH MAKERS in perfect touch and agreement with the great body of that representative gathering.

But is not THE WEALTH MAKERS going out of its way to preach socialism and communism; an industrial co-operation destructive of freedom and individual evolution; and is it not thus driving sensible people away from us by its dangerous doctrines? Has its editor not gone wild over "a new kind of corporation," a visionary project that fills his brain and destroys his practical sense?

There are questions of the greatest importance that are not of a political nature, questions of right and wrong that rise above any laws that men have made or propose to make.

"Ahead of the times?" Yes, just as far as the eternal past and present law is. If the people choose to call it impracticable and impossible to love one another, to fraternally co-operate, and suffer another thousand years the evils of the selfish struggle, they can do it.

THE BARRETT SCOTT CASE The Barrett Scott abduction case in Holt county appears to us to be a conspiracy on the part of his friends to get him out of the hands of the law.

VICTORY FOR THE PEOPLE Our song, entitled "The Taxpayers Settle the Bills," which has become so popular, was written by a Kansas City newspaper man who was taking a hand in the fight with the Gas company which was trying to get its franchise extended.

THE old Gas company in Kansas City had a monopoly and sold gas for \$1.60 per thousand feet. It tried to boodle an ordinance through to extend this rate and its monopoly, but met with opposition and later tried to get \$1.40 and a

new thirty year franchise. But a new company was formed which offered to furnish gas for a price not to exceed \$1.00 per thousand feet. The city has granted the new company a franchise for a period of thirty years, but retains the right to purchase the plant in twelve years, or at any time thereafter, at an appraised valuation.

The growth of public sentiment against allowing valuable franchises to be given away or purchased with boodle which enriches aldermen, legislators and congressmen, is healthy and strong.

BOOKS AND MAGAZINES

SOCIAL EVOLUTION, by Benjamin Kidd. This book is a landmark from which many men who have been in sore perplexity will take their bearings.

The writer is thoroughly committed to the doctrines of evolutionary science, and applies them with keen logic to the social problems of the present day. Those laws apply to the evolution of society as to lower orders of life.

THE ANNALS of the American Academy for January contains "Economics in Elementary Schools," by Professor Simon N. Patten; "The Break-up of the English Party System," by Edward Parritt, Esq.; "Wiesner's Natural Value," by Dr. D. I. Green; "Money and Bank Credits in the United States," by H. W. Williams, Esq.; and "How to Save Bi-Metallism," by the Duc de Noailles.

BULFINCH'S MYTHOLOGY. THE AGE OF FABLES, Revised by E. E. Hale.

Lee and Shepard have recently published a new edition of the above. The book has been revised and enlarged and is unusually attractive in print, binding and paper.

ELDER CONKLEIN AND OTHER STORIES, by Frank Harris. Is a collection of six stories bound together in an attractive manner, with good paper and type.

WE want you to notice every new "ad" in our columns. They are put there especially for your benefit.

life and has a strong grasp. There is a great field for fiction writing in western life, and he who stakes the first claim can have his choice of material.

WAYMARKS FOR TEACHERS, by Sarah L. Arnold. Nebraska teachers who have listened with so much benefit to Miss Arnold at two State Teachers' Associations will welcome this book.

THE NORTH AMERICAN REVIEW for January contains a variety of valuable papers by prominent writers and leaders, among which are "Problems Before the Western Farmer," by Governor Leffewell of Kansas, in which he gives the statistics of 1890, showing that the farming class of Kansas is being eaten up by an interest bearing debt amounting in the aggregate to nearly \$500 per capita.

ARMAGEDDON, THE SONGS OF THE WORLD'S WORKERS WHO GO FORTH TO BATTLE WITH THE KINGS AND CAPTAINS AND MIGHTY MEN.

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 Hears 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," "Jeans Pants a-Comin'," "The Money Power Arraigned," "Timothy Hayseed," and many more.

AN EXTRAORDINARY OFFER! THE Farm Journal of Philadelphia is the leading monthly farm paper of the United States.

IT is interest, or, as it used to be termed, usury, which is ruining the country. It is not alone the interest tribute that we pay on debts contracted which keeps us ground down, but the paying of this interest on tens of thousands of millions (thirty billions) of obligations makes it impossible for us to buy as much out of the market as we sell into the market.

THE work of the courts is all the time increasing, and away out of proportion to the increase in population. Four bills have been introduced in the legislature to amend our state constitution to increase the pay of judges and to add to their number.

THE money of the country must all be retained in the hands of the producers in order for them to be able to buy back in exchange all the wealth they have produced, and so keep the demand for goods equal to the supply, and all regularly at work.

THE State University needs to have its buildings enlarged to make room for the great number of Nebraska young people who are knocking at its doors. They must not be turned away. Economy is all right, but it is not economy to keep Nebraska brains that seek knowledge in ignorance. We trust the Populist members of the legislature and our first governor will be in favor of such a bill as will make the State University in room and equipment all that our needs require.

THE world lacks knowledge of what justice requires, justice in the matter of rights, justice in the matter of duties, justice in the making of exchanges. But they who make known what justice is will be hated, maligned and ridiculed by the unjust, and by their hiring tools.