

Independent School of Political Economy



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Do you want to understand the aims and objects of the single tax? If you do, you can obtain literature on the subject free of cost by writing to the Brooklyn Single Tax League, 1467 Bedford ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

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F. D. I, Hartington, Neb.
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"A SPOIL OF OFFICE."

Some time in 1892 Hamlin Garland wrote a political novel entitled "A Spoil of Office." This treated of the grange, the farmers' alliance and the peoples party, and is especially interesting to those who lived in Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska at the time when the alliance grew up. In a revised edition, published in 1897 by D. Appleton & Co., New York, Mr. Garland says in the preface:

"The three great movements of the American farmer, herein used as a background—the grange, the alliance and the people's party—seem to me to be as legitimate subjects for fiction as any war or crusade. They came in impulses with mightiest enthusiasms, they died out like waves upon the beach; but the power which originated them did not die; it will return in different forms again and again, so long as the love of liberty and the hatred of injustice live in the hearts of men and women."

The Independent believes that Mr. Garland is mistaken in believing that the peoples' party died out "like waves

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upon the beach;" its identity as a party organization has been overshadowed by the democratic organization, but, as he truly says, "the power which originated it did not die," and although the wildly enthusiastic stage has passed the populists may yet be numbered up beyond the million mark. The present co-operative movement, especially in marketing grain and live stock, is simply another manifestation of the power which called the grange and the alliance into being. The "impulses of mightiest enthusiasm" have not yet been reached, but they will be.

SINGLE TAX.

The Director acknowledges receipt of six neat little pamphlets on the single tax, from the Brooklyn Single Tax League, whose notice appears elsewhere under this department head. They are from the press of Frank Vierth, Cedar Rapids, Ia., and are good specimens of the "art preservative."

The titles are: "A Single Tax View of Trusts," by Louis F. Post, editor of The Public, Chicago; "The Causes of Business Depressions," "Thy Kingdom Come," "First Principles," and "The Single Tax—What It Is and Why We Urge It," all from the pen of Henry George; and "Objections to the Land Tax," by Thomas G. Shearman.

In view of the fact that our issue of May 14 will be devoted exclusively to the single tax, The Director will not at this time review these pamphlets. Members of the school can secure copies free of charge by writing to the league at 1647 Bedford ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

"HOW TO TREAT THE TRUSTS AND HOW TO WIN IN 1904."

Hon. J. Haggerty, Titusville, Fla., has written a book on the trust question bearing the above title. This was reviewed in The Independent some time ago. Mr. Haggerty has issued it in pamphlet form recently and writes The Director as follows:

"Will make a gift of 100 of the enclosed for your School of Political Economy, if you wish.—J. Haggerty."

The Director gladly accepts Mr. Haggerty's kind offer and will mail the pamphlet to members as long as it lasts, as fast as the members are enrolled. The list of trusts and their capitalization is alone a valuable feature of the book, and Mr. Haggerty's pronounced views on the necessity for direct legislation will be welcomed by all who believe that the majority should rule.

Editor Independent: Please send information regarding the Independent School of Political Economy.

FRANCIS LEANDER KING.
8 Downing st., Worcester, Mass.

BOOKS BEING READ.

Del Mar's "Science of Money," Leonard, Ferguson.

Parsons' "The City for the People": Caskey, Hathaway.

Ghent's "Our Benevolent Feudalism": Hathaway, Ellingston, Ferguson, Dean.

Ely's "Outlines of Economics": Dean, Plain.

On April 6 a copy of "Political Egypt" was sent to each enrolled member. And as soon as they are received, copies of Mr. Haggerty's book will be mailed to enrolled members.

Schedule for the route of Henry George's "Land Question," Mr. Shandrew's donation, will be announced next week. The Director would like a few more applications to read the book. It will cost you nothing except postage to mail it to the next reader.

The Church and Politics

The line between things secular and things religious is too sharply drawn in these days. If a man is to be truly religious, he must exercise his power conscientiously in every department of life. He must be loyal and obedient to his highest impulses in the discharge of his duties as a citizen. He must do this if he would be truly faithful to his church. It is because men have created the artificial line referred to that we have bad laws, incompetent and corrupt administration. The smaller the governmental division the more likely we are to find evil conditions. Municipal administration, as a rule, is the worst. The interest in national elections is always greater than in any other, while the interest in municipal elections is generally the least of all. It is because of this that we have usually more incompetent administration in municipal government than elsewhere.

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politics. Do not consent to the ruin on this word. The "boss system" is not politics; it is a conspiracy against politics. Politics is authoritatively defined as "the science of government." We have no more right to call this conspiracy against the freedom of the people known as the "boss system" politics than we have to call common, stupid lying by the name of diplomacy. The remedy for bossism is to be found only in the hearty and intelligent co-operation of men of all parties and of no parties in the work of destruction. This, I insist, is pre-

NOTICE OF INCORPORATION.

Know all men by these presents: That we, Charles L. Meyers and Charles T. Hill do associate ourselves together for the purpose of forming and becoming a corporation under the laws of the state of Nebraska for the transaction of the business hereinafter described.

1. The name of this corporation shall be the CITY GARBAGE COMPANY.

2. The principal place of transacting its business shall be in the city of Lincoln, county of Lancaster, and state of Nebraska.

3. The nature of the business to be transacted by said corporation shall be to do a general scavenger business at the city of Lincoln; to buy, sell, own, lease, and encumber real estate, and execute the necessary papers therefor; to buy, sell, own, and encumber personal property; to erect, own, and maintain a crematory, and any other buildings and structures necessary to the conduct of said business.

4. The authorized capital stock of said corporation shall be Fifty Thousand (\$50,000) Dollars, in shares of One Hundred (\$100) Dollars each, to be subscribed and paid as required by the Board of Directors; Provided, however, that said corporation may enter upon the purposes of its creation whenever the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000) Dollars of its capital stock has been subscribed.

5. The existence of this corporation shall commence on the first day of March, 1903, and continue during a period of fifty years.

6. The business of said corporation shall be conducted by a Board of Directors, not exceeding five in number, to be elected by the stockholders, such election to take place at such time and be conducted in such manner as may be prescribed by the by-laws of said association.

7. The officers of said corporation shall be a president and secretary-treasurer, who shall be chosen by the Board of Directors, who shall hold their office for the period of one year, and until their successors are elected and qualified.

8. The highest amount of indebtedness to which this corporation shall at any time subject itself shall be not more than two-thirds of the capital stock of said corporation.

9. The stockholders of said corporation shall hold their annual meeting on the first Monday in March of each year. The necessary notice to stockholders of annual and other meetings, and the method of conducting the business of the corporation, shall be regulated by by-laws to be adopted by the Board of Directors.

In witness whereof the undersigned have hereunto set their hands this 3d of February, 1903.

CHARLES L. MEYERS,
CHARLES T. HILL.

Meier & Meier, Attorneys, Lincoln, Neb.
NOTICE

Lois O. Doyle will take notice that on the 4th of April, 1903, P. F. Greene, a justice of the peace of Lancaster County, Nebraska, issued an order of attachment for the sum of twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars and costs in an action pending before him, wherein James E. Burleigh, is plaintiff, and Lois O. Doyle, defendant, that property of the defendant consisting of one table, three dressers, one iron bedstead and springs, one walnut bedstead and springs, one lounge, one rocking chair, one wash stand, one center table, one kitchen table, and the contents of dressers, has been attached under said order. Said cause was continued to the 26th day of May, 1903, at 9 o'clock a. m. at which time defendant is required to appear, or plaintiff will take judgment for \$25.00 and costs.

Dated at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 14th day of April, 1903.

JAMES E. BURLEIGH,
By Meier & Meier, his attorneys.

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eminently a religious duty. If the church has not enough influence to make us perform this duty, then there is something radically wrong with the church.

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