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The distress and poverty in New York was exemplified the other day in a most striking manner. A new department store was to be opened and had advertised for employes. By 8 o'clock in the morning such a crowd had assembled begging for work that the police had to call out the reserves. Eight thousand poor girls and young men crowded the street in front, begging to be allowed to work, and the salaries in department stores range from \$3 to \$5 and \$6 a week. Without doubt many of these young people were sons and daughters of middle class people from whom the "captains of industry" had stolen the last dollar by selling them worthless stocks. To remember that not one of these thieves has ever been prosecuted is enough to make a bishop swear. Some of the money stolen from these poor, helpless creatures is being given to universities, churches and hospitals. But the bishops don't swear. They take the money.

The Chicago, Minneapolis & Omaha railroad is issuing a new kind of pass. One was sent to The Independent office on the back of which was printed a contract, signed by the one receiving it. The stipulation is as follows: "I am not a member or employe of any political committee in Wisconsin nor a candidate for, or incumbent of any office or position un-

der the constitution or laws of Wisconsin, or under any ordinance of any town or municipality of that state, and this pass was not requested by, and is not for the advantage of any such person or persons." As that pass was used in Nebraska and the conditions do not apply in this state where they are most needed, it is somewhat of a puzzle.

The controversy between the Brooklyn Eagle and the New York World about which was the first to suggest Cleveland, then Parker, as presidential candidates, is simply a contest about which is the greatest traitor to democratic principles and to the American people. The honors are easy.

Our colonial policy has pauperized the people of Porto Rico. Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, has just returned from a visit to the island and he declares that while thousands are dressed in rags and some have "only the atmosphere and sunshine for garments," that is not the worst of it. From 450 to 500 die every month from starvation. That little country about as large as the state of Nebraska has a government that costs millions and the people have not a word to say about it. Governors, judges and other officers get from two to five times as

much salary as like officers get in this state and there are a great many more of them. It is a carpet-bag government and it is wrecking Porto Rico just as carpet-bag government wrecked the south.

Chicago's notorious Judge Haney has issued an injunction which nullifies all the city ordinances in regard to automobiles. They now need not carry numbers, can run at any rate of speed that they wish and the friends of the mangled bodies left in their wake will have no recourse. Why are not some of these disreputable and infamous republican judges impeached?

The order of the supreme court in the merger case, when divested of its legal phraseology, is simply this: "Mr. Morgan, Mr. Hill and Mr. Harriman, you must do this thing in a different way," and those gentlemen having a great respect for the supreme court, immediately proceeded to obey the mandate of the court.

The Iowa legislature killed the bill to prohibit officers of all kinds, state, municipal and county, from receiving or using railroad passes—killed it so thoroughly that it is deadlier than a door nail, and that is the dearest thing that anybody ever heard of. What other result could one expect from a republican legislature?

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