False, or altruistic, socialism is the endeavor to make ability maintain inability by the club of the law.

The boss forges the manacles of slavery while a subservient press clinches them upon the people.

Respectability lies down in the flames of truth but has so little vitality as not to know that it is being consumed.

He who prides himself on his ancestry and has no ability himself enters himself in the "free-for-all-class" of fools.

The ill-bred "duffer" quits in the ditch of adversity, while the "thoroughbred" is to be depended upon in an emergency.

The ill-made son of a self-made man is cursed at birth. Communism seeks to over-load him with the burden of other men's inability.

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