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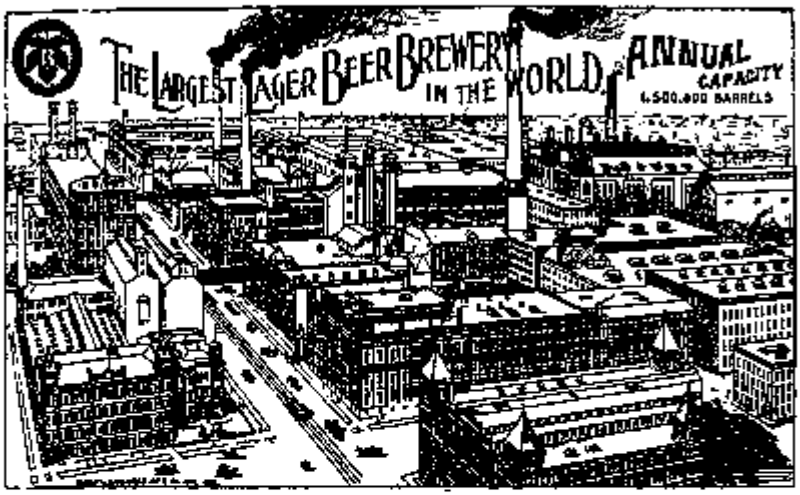

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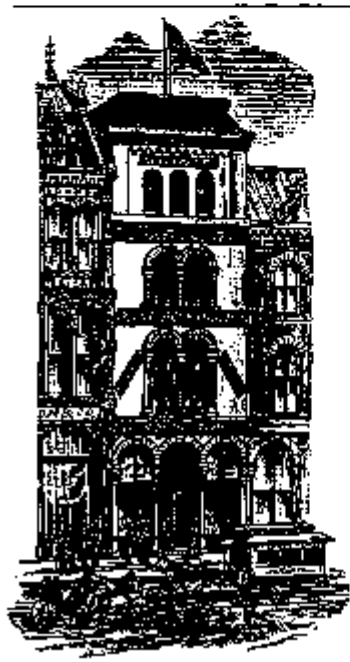

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belongs to the laborer. He has neither landlord nor master to share with him.

"Had this state continued the reward of labor would have increased with all the improvements of its productive powers. All things would gradually become cheaper. They would have been produced by less labor and in shorter working time. The commodities produced by equal quantities of labor would naturally in this state of things have been exchanged for one another." The original state of things referred to by Adam Smith ceased with the appropriations of the land and the accumulation of labor products (capital) by capitalists. The advent of the landlord and the capitalist created two distinct antagonistic classes—first the laborers who create all wealth, and, second, the "masters," including first the landlords who owned the land containing all the raw materials necessary to the production of wealth, and the capitalist who had secured the means of labor necessary to the laborer.

The laborer, separated from the means of labor (land and tools), became dependent upon his master for employment and existence; instead of receiving as a reward for his labor all that he produced, he received "wages" not equal to the value of his labor, but barely sufficient to supply his wants from day to day, the surplus being of legal right the property of his employer, who had also the right to hire

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Coal Heavers Union—Meets every 2d and 4th Friday in the Hall 170 Reed Street.

Coopers Union No. 1—Meet the 1st and 3d Friday at the Hall corner 12th and Vine Streets. Henry Mensing, 377 Sumner Street.

Cooper's Union No. 30.—Meets the second and fourth Friday, at Schoff's Hall, Twelfth Street. Wm. Ratke.

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Drivers Union—The 1st and 3d Monday at 298 4th Street.

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him whenever his services were profitable, and to discharge him at pleasure. "Labor" becomes a commodity to be purchased in the open market by the master as cheaply as possible, like corn, hogs or any other commodity.

The helpless dependence of the individual laborer upon the employer for his daily bread, and the right and power of the employer to refuse employment, placed the individual worker entirely at his employer's mercy. The necessity of the workers combining for mutual help and protection against the overbearing employer was a natural consequence of the conflicting interests of the two classes.

It is not essential to our purpose to trace the organization of labor into the remote past; the following will suffice to illustrate the orthodox trade union conception of the necessity of organization:

EXTRACT FROM THE FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS OF OHIO.

The following were the reasons set forth in 1859 for the organization of the National Union of Iron Moulders:

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Hod Carriers Union—Meets Saturday in Casino hall corner of State and 7th Street. Fred. Neitzel, Sec., 857 14th Street.

Iron and Steel Workers Amalgamated Association—Meets every Saturday at Puddler's Hall, Bay View.

Iron Molders Union No. 166—Meets the 2d and 4th Friday of every month at the Hall corner of 7th and Chestnut Street. Julius Roller, 605 Greenfield avenue.

Lasters Protective Union—Meets the 2d and 4th Friday, at 244 West Water Street. James Crotty, Sec., 1221 Lee Street. Box 12.

Lathers Union—Meets first and third Friday at 390 4th Street. Anton Kranch, 345 16th Street.

Lithographia No. 7—Meets the first Wednesday of each month at 298 4th Street.

Local Union No. 1, United Brotherhood of Tanners and Curriers of America—Meets every 1st and 3d Saturday at Lipp's Hall cor. of 3d and Prairie Streets. Wm. Eastman, Sec., 140 Lloyd Street.

"So says an able writer in a treatise on Association; and in studying the history of the past, the impartial thinker must be impressed with the truth of the above quotation. In all countries and in all times, capital (the land, the tools, and labor's surplus products) has been used by those possessing it to monopolize particular branches of business, until the vast and varied individual pursuits of the world have been brought under the immediate control of a comparatively small portion of mankind. * * * * If those possessed of wealth were all actuated by those pure and philanthropic principles so necessary to the happiness of all, there would perhaps be no reason for complaint; but alas, for poor humanity, such is not the case."

"'Wealth is power,' and practical experience teaches us that it is a power too often used to oppress and degrade the daily laborer. Year after year the capital of the country becomes more and more concentrated in the hands of the few; and in proportion as the wealth of the country becomes centralized its power increases, and the laboring classes are impoverished. It therefore becomes us, as men who have to battle with the stern realities of life (the employers), to look this matter fair in the face; there is no dodging the question. * * * * What positions are we, the mechanics of America, to hold in society? Are

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Lumber Vessel Unloaders Union.—Meets 4th Saturday at 187 East Water Street.

Machinery Molders Union No. 125—Meets every 1st and 3d Thursday at 244 W. Water Street. Geo. H. Wiggins, 814 Clybourn Street.

Malsters Union No. 89.—Meets the 2d and 4th Saturday, Senn's Block corner of Third and Chestnut Streets. W. Vogt, 1201 4th Street.

Masons and Bricklayers—Meet every Saturday, corner of Chestnut and Sixth Street. Ernst Schultz, Sec., 648 Sixth Avenue.

Marble Cutters Association—Wm. Koch, Sec., 2605 Walnut Street.

Metal Polishers Union—Meets the 1st and 3d Friday of every month at 290 4th Street. Wm. Brandt, 1028 Center Street.

Mill-wrights Union—Meets every Tuesday at 518 Wells St. Al. Smith, Sec., 709 Booth Street.

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we to receive an equivalent for our labor sufficient to maintain us in comparative independence and respectability, to procure the means with which to educate our children, and qualify them to play their part in the world's drama, or must we be forced to bow the suppliant knee to wealth, and earn by unprofitable toil a life too void of solace to confirm the very chains that bind us to our doom?"

"'In union there is strength,' and in it lies our only hope. Single handed we can accomplish nothing, but united there is no power of wrong we may not openly defy." * * * * "We are no theorists; but, eminently practical, we take no undue advantage of our employers. There is not, there cannot be, any good reasons why they should not pay us a fair price for our labor.

"If the profits of business are not sufficient to remunerate them (the masters) for the trouble of doing business, let the consumer make up the balance."

Pages 31-32, Report 1877.

That those who wrote and adopted this declaration were "no theorists" must be admitted; the question of their eminent practical character we will not raise, but simply call attention to the leading paragraph which serves as a basic reason for the organization of laborers, not alone in America, nor in any particular trade or occupa-

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Plasterers Union No. 1—Meets every Tuesday at 244 West Water Street. Wm. Raasch, Sec., 704 19th Street.

Plumbers Union No. 75.—Meets 2d and 4th Thursday, at District Hall, 320 Third Street. Wm. S. Nicholson, 575 Island avenue.

Rail Road Telegraphers Society—Meets the 1st and 3d Wednesday of each month at 244 West Water Street.

Rulers' Association of Wisconsin—Meets every second Wednesday of each month, at Schlinsooks Hall, corner of Seventh and Harmon Streets. A. J. Hass, Sec.-Treas., 404 Fifth Street.

Stone Cutters Union—Meets the 1st and 3d Tuesday in the Hall corner 3d and Prairie Streets. Geo. Neubauer, Sec., 600 Island Avenue.

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tion, but wherever the antagonistic relation of the wageworker and his master exists.

"Labor has no protection; the weak are devoured by the strong. All wealth centers in the hands of a few, and the many are their victims and bondsmen." There is no inquiry as to why this is so, no theory set up as to the cause of the condition here recited; there is simply a recognition of the truth of the declarations made, and this is set forth as the necessity and justification of trade unionism.

The full truth of this declaration is not realized by the non-unionists and is emphatically denounced as false by the employing classes. Hence it is incumbent upon the trade unionists themselves to reinforce this declaration by facts, the authenticity of which cannot be successfully contested. It may be advantageous to state here, that as trade unionism is a product of the industrial system it is therefore as universal as the causes that create it, and to the impartial mind, facts gleaned from the various parts of the civilized world are just as valuable in their relation to this subject, as those which are of local existence. The most indisputable and complete collection of facts relative to the injustice and cruelty practiced by employers upon the helpless laborers, are those which have been gathered in Great Britain by the Commissioners and Factory Inspectors of the British Government. England

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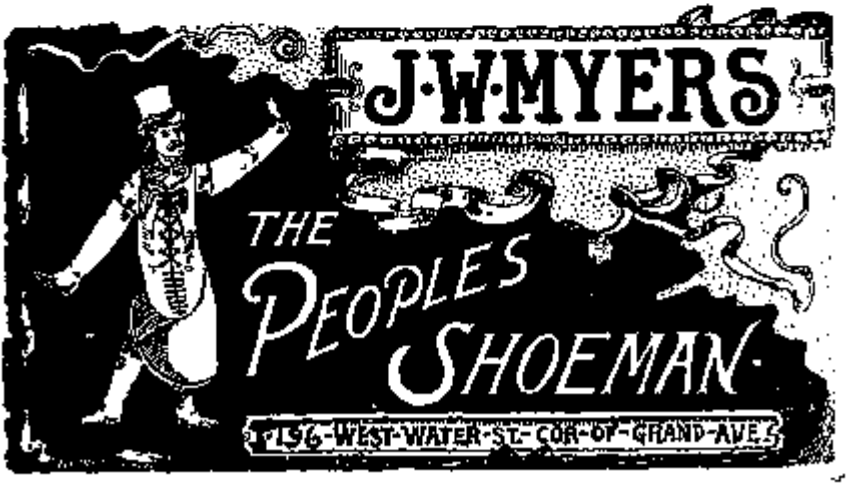

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being practically the birthplace of the modern industrial system, its logical effects, together with the efforts of trade unionists to modify them, were there first noted and inquired into. The following were either extracts themselves or statements raised upon the facts contained in the reports of these officials, and the discussions incident thereto in the British Parliament.

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"The slave owner buys his laborers as he buys his horse. If he loses his slave he loses his capital. Consideration of economy affords some security for humane treatment by identifying the master's interest with the preservation of the slave working force and life, but in some cases the value of the slave's labor forced to the utmost without consideration of health and life, is the most economical. It is accordingly a maxim of slave management, in slave importing countries, that the most effective economy is that which takes out of the human chattel in the shortest space of time the utmost amount of exertion it is capable of putting forth. It is in tropical culture, where the annual profits often equal the whole capital of plantations that negro life is most recklessly sacrificed. It is the agriculture of the West Indies, which has been for centuries prolific of fabulus wealth, that has engulfed millions of the African race. It is in Cuba at this day, whose revenues are reckoned at millions and whose planters are princes, that we see in the servile class the coarsest fare, the most exhausting and unremitting toil, and even the absolute destruction of a portion of its numbers every year."

"When the exportation of cotton became of vital interest to the Southern Slave States of North America, the overworking of the negro and sometime the using up of his life in seven years of labor, became a mere matter of calculation, not a question of humanity."—*Cairne's Slave Power.*

The negro was a commodity to be bought: so is labor, with this difference, the wage laborer's body is not bought, only his labor force is purchased, hence the life of the laborer is of no consequence, of no

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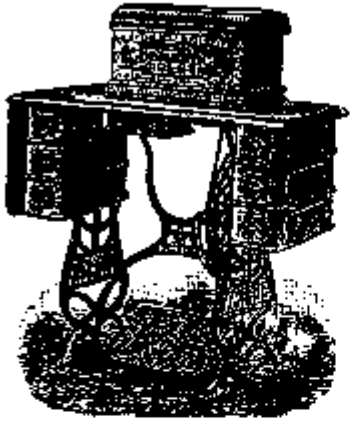

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value, to the employer; the destruction of the worker's power to labor by accident, or overwork, is not a matter of calculation by the employer, he being free to buy the labor power of only the able bodied laborers and discharge them as soon as worn out by overwork or incapacitated by violent injury. Hence the employing class has ever sought to get the utmost out of their laborers without regard to either age, sex, health or life.

The inhuman action of employers in this enlightened 19th century, undermined the vitality of the workers of England, France and Germany to such an extent that the standard for the height and chest measure of recruits for the armies had to be lowered several times, thus creating alarm and forcing investigation into the cause.

Destruction of Mental and Physical Vigor by Overwork. Some Illustrations.

Extracts from the London Daily Telegraph, January 17, 1860: Mr. Broughton Charlton, county magistrate, declared as chairman of a meeting held at the Assembly Rooms, Nottingham, on the 14th of January, 1860, "That there was an amount of privation and suffering among that portion of the population connected with the lace trade unknown in the other parts of the kingdom—indeed in the civilized world. * * * * Children of nine and ten years of age are dragged from their squalid beds at two, three or four o'clock in the morning and compelled to work for a bare subsistence until ten, eleven, and twelve o'clock at night, their limbs wearing away, their frames dwindling, their faces whitening and their humanity absolutely sinking into a stone-like torpor, utterly horrible to contemplate. * * * * The system, as the Rev. Montague Valpy describes it, is one of unmitigated slavery—socially, physically, morally and spiritually. * * * * What can be thought of a town which holds a public meeting to petition that the period of labor for men shall be diminished to 18 hours per day? * * * * We declaim against the Virginian and Carolinian planters. Is their black slave market, their lash, and their barter of human flesh more detestable than this sacrifice of humanity, which takes place in order that veils and collars may be fabricated for the benefit of capitalists?"

Mr. Charlton was in error when he assumed that the privation and suffering, this horrible sacrifice of infant life by employers, were of a local and exceptional character. The various reports of the Parliamentary Children Employment Commissions show that the conditions cited by Mr. Charlton were common in all the great centers of industry.

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In the manufacture of paper hangings one witness testified as follows: "That boy of mine, when he was seven years old, I used to carry him on my back to and fro through the snow, and he used to work 16 hours a day. I have often knelt down to feed him as he stood by the machine, as he could not leave it or stop.

"A railway accident in which hundreds of human beings are killed and injured brings out the fact that the 'train bands' during the holiday times (when extra care, because of the extra traffic, is necessary), are worked for forty and even fifty hours without a break. At a certain point their labor power fails, torpor seizes them, their brain ceases to think, their eyes to see, with the inevitable accident, destruction of life, followed by the outrageous conviction of the overworked 'train hands' for manslaughter, and the farcical admonition to the railroad magnates to be more careful in the future."

E. G. Wakefield, in his work "England and America," says: "The overworked die off with strange rapidity; but the places of those who perish are instantly filled, and the frequent change of persons makes no alteration in the scene."

The following extract is from the speech of Mr. Ferrand, member of parliament, made in that body. "The Cotton Industry of Great Britain has existed for three generations of the English races; and I believe I may say that during that period it has destroyed nine generations of factory operatives."

A Committee of the English Government reports that employers "induces their working people through fear of discharge to violate their religious convictions, and their better feelings, to disobey the laws of the land and disregard public opinion, thus affording an example dangerous to religion, morality and social order."

EXTRACTS FROM THE BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS, STATE OF MINNESOTA, 1890.

"It is difficult for us to realize the awful conditions under which children have lived and worked during the present century in England; nor have we gained aught but the faintest realization of the conditions under which thousands of them are living at the present time, in the factory towns of our own country, and in the tenement districts of our great cities. In two papers submitted as prize essays to the American

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Economic Association, and published in March of the present year (1890), one by William F. Willoughby, A. B., and the other by Miss Clare de Graffenried, of the U. S. Department of Labor, these conditions, both for England in the past and America in the present, are vividly and, doubtless, truly set forth.

"Miss Graffenried, by virtue of her position as special agent of the U. S. Department of Labor, has been in possession of special advantages, during her travels, for the study of this question in all parts of the country, by direct observation and contact with the conditions of which she speaks."

Mr. Willoughby says:

"Children of all ages, down to three and four, were found in the hardest and most painful labor, while babes of six were commonly found in large numbers in many factories. Labor from twelve to thirteen and often sixteen hours a day was the rule.

"Children had not a moment free, save to snatch a hasty meal or sleep as best they could. From earliest youth they worked to a point of extreme exhaustion, without open-air exercise, or any enjoyment whatever, but grew up, if they survived at all, weak, bloodless, miserable, and in many cases deformed cripples, and victims of almost every disease. Drunkeness, debauchery, and filth could not but be the result. Their condition was but the veriest slavery, and the condition of the serf or negro stood out in bright contrast to theirs. The mortality was excessive, and the dread diseases, rickets and scrofula, passed by but few in their path. It was among this class that the horrors of hereditary disease had its chief hold, aided as it was by the repetition and accumulation of the same causes as first planted its seeds. The reports of all the many investigations showed that morality was almost unknown. It was not an uncommon thing, in the mines, for men to work perfectly naked in the presence of women; who in turn were bare to their waists, and below covered only by a ragged pair of trousers. In the coal mines the condition of the children was even worse. According to the report of 1842, on child labor, it was estimated that fully one-third of those employed in the coal mines of England were children under eighteen, and of these much more than one-half were under thirteen. The facts revealed in this elaborate report of over two thousand pages, devoted chiefly to child labor in the coal mines, would be scarcely credible if they were not supported by the best of authority, so fearful was the condition of the children found to be. Down in the depths of the earth they labored from fourteen to sixteen hours daily. The coal often lay in seams only eighteen inches deep, and in these children crawled on their hands and feet, generally naked

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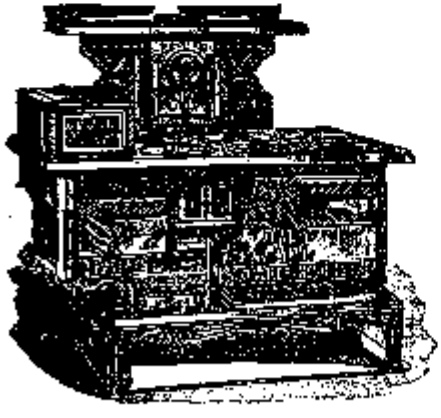

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and harnessed up by an iron chain and band around their waists, by which they either dragged or pushed heavily loaded cars of coal through these narrow ways. In nearly every case they were driven to work by the brutal miners, and beaten, and sometimes even killed. Law did not seem to reach to the depths of a coal pit. Thus these young infants labored their young lives out as if condemned to torture for some crime. But it is useless to dwell longer on their condition. Volumes might be filled in portraying their sufferings. Treated as brutes they lived with no regard to morals, religion, education, or health, in a condition that will probably never be duplicated. In the course of time a process of physical deterioration was seen to be at work among the factory population. They were stunted in size, pallid and emaciated. They were scrofulous and consumptive, and had an aptness for every disease. The foundations were rapidly laid for a population, feeble, shortlived, and ignorant, and in all respects debased. The recruiting sergeant already complained that men suitable for the army could not be found in the manufacturing districts.

"Where was the boasted freedom of contract of the Political Economists of that day in all this? To the babe of six, bound over to a factory lord, it meant an apprenticeship which left him or her at twenty broken down with consumption, scrofula, or with distorted and crippled limbs, if indeed death had not in the meantime relieved it of its misery. This is, and always has been, the history of employment of children wherever tried."

We quote the following paragraphs from Miss Graffenried's paper:

"However handsome and well equipped are some paper box establishments, the rule is that when a house is tumbling down and has become such a wreck that few companies will insure it, the box manufacturer pounces upon the structure and adds to the dirt of years the refuse of his shop day by day until the trash is a foot deep over the unsafe floors. The ceilings are low and begrimed, the light not unfrequently inadequate. Each worker is then provided with an oil lamp, whose smoke and fumes, combined with the odors of the glue pot and neglected water-closets, make the close room more harmful. Piles of inflammable paper and stacks of boxes await but a spark to kindle a fire that would sweep the building before the dazed inmates could rush to the dark and dangerous stairs, only to find the way barred by packing-cases. In such death-traps thousands of children labor."

In the packing houses:

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hundred pairs of lungs, and the emanations of as many bodies unused to soap and water. Indescribable is the assemblage; every tongue is heard; oaths in all languages resound; tobacco adds its poison. Women-of-eighty, yellow, tottering, and emaciated, are carried there and propped against the wall; babies scream: hungry and tired children fret. At least one-fifth of these workers are less then twelve years old; and the occupation being intermittent, the gain is often small."

In the tobacco industry:

"The quarters where tobacco is stripped from the stem are sometimes located in a damp basement, musty with mould or lurking miasma; sometimes in lofts on which the sun beats unsparingly; sometimes in spacious tightly closed rooms furnished either with benches along the walls, or 'pens' thickly placed about the floor. These pens are just what the name imports—spaces from four to six feet square, boarded off by partitions varying in height. Within each pen are a low bench, a pile of tobacco leaves, and from one to three workers. Sisters may be 'partners,' or an old woman and a young child, or a mother and two little ones, often a boy and a girl alone together. The indignity of being penned off like cattle is not diminished by the presence of overseers, who, while sometimes intelligent and kind, are as often ignorant, tyrannical, profane. The mere sight of these dirty, brutal creatures, ordering the daily lives of helpless women and young children, kindles disgust and indignation.

"The poison of the weed and the degrading conditions in the poorer work-rooms invite a class excluded from respectable places—besotted hags trembling on the brink of an unholy grave, debauched women, hardened and hungry children from the street, offspring of crime, homeless and friendless, if not already vile. This type of the working girl represents the lowest ebb of fortune, womanhood brutalized and revolting, childhood stamped with hereditary sin and disease, bereft of decency, without restraint.

"Sallow faces, skin begrimed with tobacco dust, hair matted, garments stained—these are the sign manual of the average tobacco stripper. The children wear their saturated garments into the street, covered by that pathetic badge of thriftless poverty, a blanket shawl, telling its tale of rags and penury, better raiment sent to pawn, drink absorbing the last nickel. The little ones carry all the filth of the day's occupation into their home—into their bed, even, for they generally sleep in the clothes worn at work. By night as by day the same fumes are breathed, and if the child lives to maturity, at thirty she is a broken-down, nervous, diseased old woman. The extent of this exposure of childhood to injurious toil may be imagined when it is

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remembered that, except in the dry goods and textile industries, more workers from 7 to 14 years of age are employed at tobacco than in any other pursuit. In many localities over 37 per cent. of the wage earners are young children, girls being more numerous than boys.

"Of the facts about cigar-making as carried on in some tenement-houses, the public has but faint idea. The background of the worst tenement-house practices cannot in common decency be plainly represented. A block seething with human life, four, five, six, and eight floors in each house; a second building rearing its squalid front behind the first, and a third behind the second; from eight to fifty families in one dwelling, from six to sixteen persons in each family; about two hundred souls herded into a space 14x40 feet, five stories and more, toppling skyward. Steep, often winding stairs in absolute darkness; sinks and closets contaminating the air at every landing; bedrooms 8x8 feet—mere dark cuddies, with only a square hole opening upon the black, unventilated halls, and each cuddy slept in by from two to eight persons, irrespective of sex. The kitchen is the living, eating, washing, cooking, sleeping, and working-room, where dirty children, cats and dogs disport. Here is brought tobacco for the whole household to work up, and every family in the huge structure must engage in this occupation or be turned out of their home. Parents and older sons and daughters roll cigars while the younger prepare the weed, even the school children being compelled to work in the afternoons and far into the night. Pale and feeble little souls of six and seven strip the stems during hot summer days. The writer beheld a baby girl of five years seated on a dirty lounge strewn with tobacco leaves, from which she was made to tear out the midrib, the parents working at a table beside her. In other tenements infants crawl in leaves scattered over the floor to dry, playing with and sucking them. Tobacco is spread out in bedrooms, on the soiled bed itself, on the kitchen table. Children delve in it, roll in it, sleep beside it. The dust seasons their food and befouls the water they drink, and the hands of the mother are seldom washed when she leaves the cigar table to prepare the meals or nurse her babe. In the cellar of the building the discarded stems rot, breeding pestilent vapors. Day after day, year after year, children are born into this poisoned air, take it in with mother's milk, wilt and die in it, or live through puny, wailing infancy into abnormal childhood, predestined to nervous excitation, disease, and depravity."

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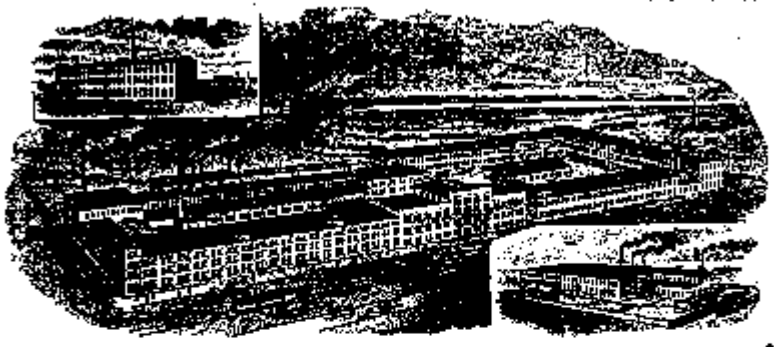

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otherwise models as to management, emit from their tower toilets sickening odors. In scores of large shops which the writer has visited, it is scarcely exaggerated to say of the stench from the closets, that 'it almost knocked one down.' Smaller, more crowded work-rooms, sin quite as frequently, presenting besides conditions fatal to modesty. Closets for the two sexes generally adjoin with but a thin partition between, or the one box-like affair is used indiscriminately by males and females. It is unusual to find these conveniences placed away from the working quarters, or screened in any manner, and a single one must often suffice for a hundred men and women. In some buildings the retiring-rooms disfigure the landings and the odors penetrate the whole edifice; again, the cellar or basement becomes almost a cess-pool. Hand in hand with the criminal negligence of employers goes the almost equally criminal indifference of the workers, who, from fear and ignorance as well, seldom complain to the health authorities."

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"Nor are such scourges the saddest phase of protracted and unguarded child labor. The New York Report of Factory Inspectors for 1888 dwells on the distressing 'tale of children crippled for life by machinery, which they should not be permitted to approach much less control. Their bleeding, mangled arms, legs and bodies are terrible witnesses of the cruel system which makes their play-time the time of toil and danger.' 'Carelessness,' says the manufacturers. Carelessness, not of the children, but of the law-makers to permit the helpless little ones to be dragged or driven into these grinding mills of destruction; worse than carelessness on the part of employers who see child after child crushed between the champing dies of the power presses, and yet take no step to prevent recurrence of these accidents.

"What care they for the battalions of cripples turned loose upon the world? But the law, the government, should care. It is its most sacred duty to step in and save the weak and helpless from being deprived of their limbs. No child should be employed around a machine or factory where natural lack of foresight or caution will lead it into

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danger. * * * A child is not supposed to be endowed by nature with a cautious, discriminating disposition or a thorough knowledge of the dangerous qualities of machinery. When an employer, in order to obtain the benefit of a cheaper class of labor, hires children to do work which men alone should do, he ought to be made to pay dearly for whatever loss the child may suffer. * * * It is wrong from any standpoint, moral or legal, to employ a child at a machine, where should he turn his head to the right or left, or neglect to press his foot upon a lever, the loss of an arm or finger is the penalty."

In The Christian Union, May 2, 1889, discussing "Factory Conditions in New York City," Miss Clara Potter says: "In an excellently ordered card factory, of which the girls have no complaint to make, a young friend of mine saw a companion's hand taken off at the wrist and dropped to the floor by the press she was working at." Girls state privately "the firm don't like it if you make much of a time about such things." Miss Potter continues: "In a large pencil factory, where children are employed too feed the pencils into a machine which smooths and shapes them, great dexterity is needed to prevent the fingers from being caught. Constantly children lose a finger, a joint, or the end of several fingers, but no notice is taken of these accidents, nor are the little ones paid while suffering from injuries and unable to work. They are employed at their own risk."

Said the bookkeeper in large print works lately to the writer: "We boiled a boy the other day." In response to a shiver of horror, he went on: "His work took him inside one of our big machines in which colors are set. The steam was turned on without anybody looking to see whether he had come out at the proper time. He was missed later, and at last found within dead. It is supposed he fell in a fit."

Paralyzing the Brain Power of the Laborers, Making Men Parts of Machines.

"The understanding of the greater part of men," says Adam Smith, "are necessarily formed by their ordinary occupations. The man whose whole life is spent in performing a few simple operations, becomes as stupid and ignorant as it is possible for a human creature to become, and corrupts even the physical activity of his body and the courage of his mind."

The intellectual desolation artificially produced by converting infants and young persons into mere machines for the fabrication of profit for their masters, threatens the speedy destruction of our republic.

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In several States the illiterate voters are clearly in the majority, according to the census of 1870. The evils that may arise from the ignorance actually in our midst no one can describe. Their premonitions are every now and then manifest. There is no greater source of social and civil disorder than ignorance. Writers of every age have used the strongest terms at their command to characterize it. Adam Smith likened ignorance, spread through the lower classes and neglected by the state, to a leprosy, and says, "Where the duty of education is neglected, the state is in danger of falling into terrible disorder." His declaration was speedily illustrated by the English riots of 1780. Macaulay graphically describes what occurred: "Without any shadow of a grievance, at the summons of a madman, a hundred thousand people rising in insurrection; a week of anarchy; Parliament besieged; * * * the lords pulled out of their coaches; the bishops flying over the tiles; thirty-six fires blazing at once in London; the house of the chief justice demolished; the children of the prime minister taken out of their beds in their night-clothes and laid on the table of the Horse Guards; and the cause of this calamity was the 'ignorance of a population which had been suffered, in the neighborhood of palaces, theatres, temples, to grow up as rude and stupid as any tribe of tattooed cannibals in New Zealand, I might say as any drove of beasts in Smithfield market.'" But we need not go abroad for such scenes of horror and their lessons. We have seen the police of the city and authority of the State powerless before the mob during the anti-negro riots in New York, Memphis, and New Orleans, and peace and security enforced only by the presence of national bayonets.

But the cultivated greed for wealth, makes the employing class as utterly indifferent to the interests and welfare of the nation as they are to that of their individual workers, and every effort, legislative or otherwise, made to increase the mentality of the workers, have ever been most vigorously opposed by employers, as unwarranted interference with their source of profits.

EXTRACTS FROM MASSACHUSETTS BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS, 1881.

"Ignorance in the manufacturing towns is on the rampant increase. We venture to assert that never till within these last few years, could it be said, that in a single establishment of about 1,600 working people, in one town in Massachusetts, there were more than 800 that could neither read nor write. And this ignorant horde is daily augmented by paupers imported from England expressly to be employed in manufacturing because of the cheapness of their labor. Our large cities and

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manufacturing centres are surcharged with younglings growing up in ignorance and to a heritage of crime, notwithstanding all our appliances of education. And one strong reason, among many others, is that there is no enforcement of the school laws.

"School boards of manufacturing centers are intimidated by the political and social influence of strong corporations and powerful individual manufacturers. In some instances, overseers of the very mills that violate the laws are placed upon the school boards for the purpose of making things go easy.

"When questioned on this subject, parties in superintendence of mills declare that they intend and endeavor to have the law regarded, but an endeavor is not compliance, nor is directing overseers, or others having charge, to observe the law, nor are posters put up in mills containg orders to obey the law anything but empty words, and words used for no other purpose than to give the ability to say, 'we are law-abiding people and endeavor to comply with the laws.' The whole thing is a farce, and the law mere words,

> ——'full of sound and fury,
> Signifying nothing.'

"The mills all over the state, the shops in city and town, are full of children deprived of their right to such education as will fit them for the possibilities of their after-life."

Wages.

The reward for labor under the conditions here set forth are fixed (so far as the employing class are left free to set the rate) with the same disregard of the principle of justice; in return for the life force of the child one or two dollars per week, for the girl or woman a pittance wholly inadequate to meet the requirements of an honest life for those unaided by parents or relations. Honor is bartered to secure the absolutely necessary addition to the weekly wages; many employers know this and take advantage of such knowledge. Sensual employers and others vested with the power to discharge the helpless female wage-workers, or to offer favors in the shape of better position and higher wages, make the seduction of daughters, sisters and wives of the poor a practice more common and extensive than the general public can conceive of. In one establishment in Chicago the employer is known to make the seduction of working girls a part of his regular business, after using them himself, selling them to his associates, from whom they are passed to the brothel of the employer's mistress and thence rapidly on the downward path. Nine girls under 13 years of age,

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ruined in this establishment, have been interviewed by friends of the writer regarding this phase of wage slavery.

Efforts have been made to stop this infamous practice, but the difficulties to be overcome make successful prosecution impossible.

Prof. Richard T. Ely, of John Hopkins College, in an article on the French Revolution in its relation to the working class gives the following foot note:

"To many a thoughtless man who has misused his wealth and social position to draw down women of the poorer class, it would doubtless seem like a new revelation to have the truths brought home to him that the fathers, mothers and brothers of his victims had precisely such feelings as his own father, mother or himself towards his sisters. But the labor agitation in Germany has brought out clearly the fact that this is true. Poor men hate the wealthy on account of their sins. Nearly all of the thousands and tens of thousands of fallen women in cities like New York and Berlin, it is said, come from the poorer classes. It is terrible to think of the anguish they have brought to parents whose only crime has often been poverty. If the wealthy use their superior advantage to oppress and afflict the poor, terrible retribution will some day be exacted of them as a class and the innocent will suffer with the guilty. The French Revolution should forever be a terrible warning to those to whom much has been committed."

The Woman's Alliance, of Chicago, in its report of an investigation into the condition of the working women and girls of that city, emphasize this foot note of Prof. Ely by the statement that their investigation proves to their satisfaction that inability to find employment at living wages is largely the cause of prostitution, and that their misfortune in this respect is further intensified by the action of the police and justices of the peace, who by a species of black-mail extort from them in fines, fees and direct levies, a large part of their "earnings."

The wages of the male workers are reduced to the *lowest point* by the avarice of employers, who take advantage of the competition of women and child labor and the reserve army of destitute, unemployed men, ever ready to take the place of the dissatisfied workers at any price or risk. The general average of wages given by the best authority, the United States census and the various state reports, are as follows:

Industrial workers $1.02 per each day in the year, farmers 82 cents, miners 71 cents. That the declaration "that all wealth and power centers in the hands of a few" is true, is shown in the following table published in the Constitution of the Machinist and Blacksmith's Union of Chicago:

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1860	16 "	43¾	56¼
1870	30 "	32¾	67¼
1880	48 "	24	76
1890	61¼ "	17	83

"The daily income of one Vanderbilt (a parasite) equals the daily earnings of 16,000 workers. Show these facts and figures to your fellow-worker, explain to him that the parasites are few but so well organized, that they rob the workers of 83 cents from every dollar of wealth produced by the numerous but unorganized and careless workers."

The injustices herein set forth practiced by employers upon the wage-workers, effecting them injuriously, physically, mentally, morally and financially, are the direct causes of Trade Unionism; the efforts of the workers to modify or entirely remove these injustices, illustrate the antagonism that naturally exists between the wage-workers and their masters; the orthodox method of adjustment of disputes is the strike of the worker and the lockout by the masters.

The third annual report (1887) of the United States Commissioner of Labor on Strikes and Lockouts (Industrial Warfare) from 1881 to 1886 (and these were peaceful years), there were strikes in 22,304 establishments, involving 1,323,203 persons. There were 2,214 establishments where lockouts were ordered, affecting 175,270 employes. New York had the largest number of establishments affected both for strikes and lockouts, there being for the former 9,247, and for the latter 1,528 (pages 11, 12 and 13); and yet political economists, so called, continue to write and talk of the identity of interests, and the harmonious relationship of employer and employe and the outrageous tyranny of Trade Unions. That such sophistry can delude the public, is possible; because the horrible conditions imposed upon the wage-workers are carefully hid from public view, and the all powerful influence of wealth wielded by soulless corporations, and equally soulless capitalists, silence those who could speak with authority, and thus closes the avenues of public information. Silence is a marketable commodity, and to tell the truth requires the highest type of human courage.

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2. The shortening of the hours of labor.
3. Free and compulsory education of children.
4. Regulation of the employment of women and children.
5. Inspection of factories and workshops.
6. Measures of sanitary reform.
7. To encourage the establishment of Trade Assemblies in every industrial center in the country.
8. To encourage the principle of arbitration wherever practicable.
9. Abolition of the contract system of contract labor, whereby a premium is put upon crime and honest labor degraded.
10. Assistance to each other in securing fair remuneration for labor and forcing recognition of our rights, as free citizens, to join and participate in any organization not in violation of the fundamental laws of the land, and enforce that right by withdrawing and using our uttermost influence to induce others to withdraw all patronage from any employer who seeks to control the mind as well as the labor of the workers.
11. To endeavor, to the best of our ability, to disseminate useful information, by means of lectures, pamphlets and industrial literature, among our people.
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workers) is the rapid and enormous concentration of wealth into corporations, combines and trusts. These forms of capitalistic organization destroy the individual employer and establishes in his place an "agent" who, so far as his relationship with the wage worker is concerned, has all the power of the individual employer, but without his personal responsibility.

The position and remuneration of these "agents" (managers, superintendents, etc.) is entirely dependent upon their ability to obtain a "dividend" for their masters, the stockholders, who are in an increasing degree either non-residents or subjects of foreign nations; and have no earthly interest in the physical or mental welfare of their "hands," from whom they derive their dividends; at the same time as private owners of the means of labor, with the dread power that ownership gives to discharge and refuse employment to the needy, they exercise a greater power over the "hands" than the state itself. This power as it effects not alone the hours of labor, rate of wages, etc., but also the social and political rights of the wage-workers, is illustrated by the famous "whisker's" order of the Reading Railroad Company, commanding all "train hands" on and after a given date to report for duty with all hair shaved off their faces, and by the commands of the North and West side street railroad company of Chicago dictating the character and color of the shirts, hats, etc., worn by their employes, and the particular store from which such articles must be bought.

The soulless and far-reaching power of these modern employers of labor crush the individual employe into abject submission; even the well-educated and high salaried employes, proud of their American birth and heritage of liberty, dare not give utterance to their honest opinions on public questions, or openly support such men and measures as their reason indorses, and their duty as citizens requires of them. The isolated unions of wage workers learning by defeat that they are incapable of successfully resisting these giant masters are forced in self-defense to organize into Local Councils, Trade Assemblies, Central Labor Unions, National and International Unions, and more recently into great federated bodies which include hundreds of thousands of members.

The basic principle of these consolidated organizations is, "That an injury to one is the concern of all." The full recognition and practical application of this grand principle of human brotherhood is dependent upon the intellectual power of the wage-workers and great efforts are being made to extend their knowledge of industrial and political economics.

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The results of this educational work are not so manifest here as they are in Europe or Australia, where favorable conditions force them upon the attention of the public.

In this country the fundamentally antagonistic relationship of employer and employe is generally accepted as natural and not to be questioned, but the rapid concentration of wealth which has placed all the mines and industrial establishments of this nation into the ownership and control of 250,000 persons, with every indication that this number will be rapidly decreased in the future, arrests public attention and stimulates discussion, which is intensified by the public fact that these few masters refuse employment to over a million destitute laborers, because their labor cannot be used for profit. This vast and increasing army of the unemployed is a reserve force from which the "masters" can draw the number of workers necessary to defeat and demoralize organized labor.

These developments of the system irresistably forces the members of trade unions to consider the fundamental question of the ultimate relation of capital and labor. Many large trade unions have already declared that the present private ownership of the mines and industrial establishments, cannot possibly continue.

In Great Britain, the right of a few to own and control the means of labor, to the degradation and enslavement of the laborers, is questioned everywhere, and "the labor question" disturbs and frets the most skillful politicians.

In far Australia labor has entered into practical politics with such vigor as to threaten the controlling power of wealth. In New South Wales, in a parliament of 137 members, labor has 26 representatives. In the congress of this "republic," labor has not one representative.

On the continent of Europe, the laborers have been educated to understand that they must not only strike against their masters, but also vote against them, with a clear realization of the necessity of political as well as economic action—both being essential to their complete defense.

The great strikes in this country in 1877 and 1886, and their subsequent results gave a tremendous impulse to the "labor question." The employing class aroused to the dangers threatened by a destitute and discontented laboring class, have sought greater security, not by any effort to remove the cause of discontent, but by provisions for its speedy and effective suppression, the powers of government, national, state and local, have been pressed into service. The national army must be located within easy marching distance of the great industrial centers. Fort Sheridan and the military road, "Sheridan's Drive,"

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have been built, and the United States troops are now within easy marching distance of Chicago. The militia are increased in numbers, have new, more complete and better located armories. Gattling guns have been purchased and new riot drills invented, all with special regard to expected labor disturbances.

The working class cannot fail to see that all this machinery of war is under the control and direction of the men elected by the votes of workingmen, and this knowledge must eventually teach them that the crude method of strikes must give place to the more scientific and American method of adjustment by legislation, by and through which all the usurped power of our masters, and the injustice under which the toiler now suffers, can be effectually abolished.

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We are assembled in an effort to better the conditions of human life. The more exalted our views of human nature the greater will be our inspiration. A false estimate of the importance of life in probation is the greatest hinderance to reform. I shall seek to lift that estimate to a higher plane.

The royal Psalmist gazing into the material heavens in the solemn night time, lifting his thoughts to that being who presides over them, exclaimed, "What is man that Thou art mindful of Him?" He uttered the question of the ages. Over it the intelligent of our age bends with absorbed attention. The vast discoveries made in the material

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realm recently, have intensified interest in the great problem. But two answers have been suggested worthy of notice. One by materialists and the other by the Bible. The materialistic hypothesis has been clearly formulated by three of the most noted scholars of that class. Mr. Darwin teaches man's evolution, without a break, from animal life. Mr. Huxley teaches that animals are automatons, that is, mere machines. Mr. Tyndal affirms that independent of an intelligent creator, matter contains the potency of all organisms and phases of life. Combining these suggestions, we have this answer: Man is an irresponsible organism, one of the ever shifting forms matter has power to evolve, and is destined to perish as a conscious existence when his body is dissolved. I shall not discuss this now, farther than to say it affords no motive for reform.

The "reign of terror" in Paris was its highest effort at bettering human life here. We turn to the Bible answer to our question. It affirms that man was created by an infinite intelligence in the image of his creator; that he is an immortal intelligence, within certain limits self-determining and therefore responsible; that he combines spirit, which is the essence of his nature, with mind, which is a body of faculties by use of which he gathers knowledge and evolves character, and a body composed of matter by which he reaches material things and communes with fellow-spirits inhabiting like bodies, and that this life is for him a probation for endless life in a far higher state.

This answer exalts a human life far above our powers of conception. Each individual is a child of God endowed with the attributes of his Father. God's attributes are infinite, ours are now just opening in germ life, but they are endowed with the dynamic powers of an endless life. A child is expected to grow to the full dimensions of his parentage. The normal destiny of a child of God is to grow toward the fulness of his Father eternally. The Bible estimates human nature by its sublime possibilities. We are wont to judge by what we see here, forgetting that our natures at best are only just beginning life. A cone just fallen from a tree that towers four hundred feet, and has reached a circumference of a hundred feet, gives no promise of such power, and yet we know that, give it right surroundings and time and it will rival the parent. An infant asleep in its mother's arm does not hint the transcendant powers exhibited by Mr. Lincoln. Here, at best, God's children are in the infancy of their endless life.

It is also a fact that our powers are chilled and dwarfed in their actions here, so that they manifest but a faint expression of their inherent forces. The Sapp, amid the stunted shrubs that scarcely rise above the moss of his meadows, can form no adequate idea of the

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power of life that developes the immense forests of our latitude. No more can we judge of the force of eternal life within us, while crippled by the degeneracy of our fathers.

When we turn attention to the groveling of the race, no marvel that our faith in the divinity of its origin, and in the sublime mission of Christ, and in the promise of future glory taught in the Bible, should be severely tried. I am not sure that we ought to blame a class, who glory in tracing their fatherhood back through swine, alligators, and serpents to frog spawn in a mud puddle. They doubtless judge from their trend and affinities.

Yet, by careful study we shall find in human history, demonstration that the Bible does not over-estimate the sublime possibilities of human nature. The recuperative energy which redeemed humanity has exhibited, amid all the disabilities of the present state, women of divine beauty of face, symmetry of form and grace of manner, men of noble features, stately mien and majestic bearing, have appeared, indicating that the body was direct from God's hand, and may again become glorious by change into the spiritual. Faces of even gross matter have been transfigured into celestial radience, by the occasional ecstasies of souls, hinting the possibilities of glorified bodies.

Intellectual achievements in this brief troubled life, are a higher range of evidence. Messrs. Darwin, Huxley and Tyndal, by wondrous success in enlarging the range of science have given the lie to their theories of human nature. Behold them, as by research, analysis, classification and generalization, they trace the laws of mineral, vegetable and animal organisms. Are they comparable with the forms of nature which, with such master powers they subject to their tests?

They find structures analagous to the "muddy nature of decay" with which they are swathed, but no parallel to themselves. Attempt the conception of a reversal of relations, and try to imagine the highest type of an animal being trained to analyze a man, and the utter absurdity of comparison is manifest.

Consider the astronomer, anchored by his body to this little isle, sending the fleets of his formulary to explore the continents that float in exhaustless profusion on the shoreless sea of space; behold his ships return laden with accurate maps of distant portions of the material heavens.

Is not that man who sends his thought on such expeditions incomparably superior to all creations which he visits?

Note the creations of the human mind in the realm of imagination. The Blind Bard of Greece carries us back over the wastes of ages and thrills us with a living scene of war in which gods and men mingle.

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The descriptions are so real that we see the movements of the combatants, hear the rush of their chariots, the whizz of their spears and clashing of their swords. Dickens and Thackeray lead us into the ideal worlds only less marvelous than the real one we inhabit which God created. Thus in poetry and romance the power of imagination is hinted.

Again, the executive force manifested by the will indicates the divinity of human nature. Nebuchadnezzar, Alexander, Cæsar and Bonaparte, each in his turn hurled the nations together in the crash of war, and made the world do their bidding and tremble at their tread. That silent man, who, after the dread slaughter of the wilderness, calmly ordered the "march by the left flank," which was toward Richmond, held in the grasp of his will that mighty host which, sweeping across the continent, moved restless and relentless as the fiat of God, and ground to powder the mightiest army that was ever conquered. One vastly his superior, for four years steadied the forces of the greatest revolution in human affairs, like a majestic rock received and dissolved to idle foam the perpetual surges of conflicting opinions, and, standing six feet and four inches, walked erect under the heaviest burden the Almighty ever laid upon a mortal. Abraham Lincoln was God-like and he was a man.

Mark the power of the human heart. Love is the essence of the nature of God, and is the core of the image Himself that He stamped upon Adam. Love was enthroned to rule will, intellect, imagination, and muscle. Its province is to diffuse light and warmth, imbue with its spirit and thrill with its subtle might the whole nature. Against this kingly snag, sin has pushed all of its powers, and yet love asserts itself ever and anon in the most fearfully wrecked natures. Dr. Guthrie met a wretched mother on one of the worst streets of Edinburgh, Scotland, and thus describes her:

"To appearance she was one of those homeless creatures that are tossed about our city like the sea-wreck, that, torn from its native rock by the rude storm, goes floating along the shore, washed in and out by each flowing tide. A threadbare shawl fell from her shoulders in scanty folds and covered something she held on her left arm. As, struck by her forlorn aspect, I was watching her movements, she stopped and raised the shawl, then, as when a flood of golden sunlight bursting through a rift in a cloud and suddenly falling on hillside or lake or village, brightens up the scene, such change came over her face as she turned her earnest gaze upon a babe that lay asleep and nestling in her bosom. You never saw a smile of more ineffable delight than that

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poor, perhaps guilty creature shed on her helpless charge. It was plain she would have died for it."

Like the Alpine flower shedding its fragrance on the chilly air near the glacier, love clings to the most desolate heart, and mingles its healing perfume with the fetid breath of the most depraved. No plummet ever fathomed the depths of a mother's love.

Mark the power of human nature to enjoy and to endure. Take the most wretched of the race, writhing in the slimy folds of vileness, tortured with shame, stung by guilt, shuddering with fear and shrouded in the gloom of despair. Only a God-like nature could suffer this. On the other hand, behold the noblest, purest, most deeply experienced and cultured of the race, rejoicing in innocency, conscious of integrity, enfolded in God's arms, thrilled with celestial ecstacy and bathed in the light of immortality. Look at the individuals who have shed lustre on human nature by superior living, who tower into the clear air and light, forming the majestic summits of human life. Abraham, Moses, Socrates, Plato, Paul, Wesley, Newton and Lincoln were mere men, who rose from the mass, impeded by all the disabilities of the present state. There is one lone elevation, massive, grand, ineffably glorious, towering into the skies, dwarfing all others as "Shasta" minifies the ant-hills of the plains. Jesus is the full embodiment of the ideal in God's mind when he said, "Let us make men in our image." If the Nazarene is not a historical character, then the biography is a creation of enfeebled humanity and exalts it as highly as the actual life could. He is the model after which we may aspire. Lastly I call attention to the achievements of the race in our civilization, which I need not stop to describe to this intelligent audience.

Thus, amid the dismantled glories of our sinning race, we trace evidences of the divinity of its origin and hints of its possibilities of evolution, as antiquaries delving in the debris of Nineveh, Babylon and Thebes—in prostrate columns, broken arches, lines of foundations, painted and sculptured scenes, find confirmation of the histories of the ancient civilizations.

The Bible opens immortality for man—It lifts the veil from another field of development, in which it is God's declared will that each individual should carry forward and work out a separate and distinct infinitude of interests. Eternal progress in knowledge, will force, love and joy is the normal destiny of each.

Let us turn thought to that field and tone up all our powers and bring to bear upon them the highest possible inspiration by its survey.

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all the past; perception is quick and incisive; judgment is unclouded; the area of truth spreads out to immensity. Thus endowed, inspired, active and surrounded, who can estimate the rapidity by which intellect shall augment its powers and increase its stores.

As the boundaries of knowledge enlarge the circle of imagery and scenery, outside of the actual and known, created by imagination, must also expand, and the child of God, while reveling in the real, shall project himself into wider ranges of the possible which are the fields of imagination.

The executive force of the will must augment with the increase of knowledge. God's volitions are resistless and He is therefore omnipotent. Man is little less than God in this regard. No power can force His will. Jehovah never attempts it, but pays the highest deference to the freedom with which he has crowned his own child. On the choice of each individual depends the high destiny we are considering.

If I will, I can send myself careering over the fields of an endless life; if I will, I can turn my nature into the outer darkness, the wastes of eternal death, a wreck too fearful for the compass of imagination.

It is because God has created me in his own image that my destiny is committed to my own hands.

What we shall execute as our wills move on in the plane of God's volition, though separate and distinct has not been fully revealed. That we shall be trusted with dominion up to the full measure of our augmenting power is clearly indicated. Christ has promised his saints that they shall be rulers over many things in accord with their several abilities.

Love shall unfold equal with the advance of knowledge and will force. It will gather to its endless galleries the images of all the intelligences with whom it comes in contact and each shall add to its treasures. Its highest pulsation will be inspired by the unfolding of God's nature, which is Love, as we attend His footsteps in His going forth to lavish His beneficence. Love is the fountain of joy. It is the essence of life. It is the life of God infused into our life. It constitutes "the joys which are at God's right hand and the pleasures which are forevermore."

It is a known law of spirit evolution that each exertion strengthens for a greater one, ever augmenting the ratio of advance. Under such conditions, eternal progress is the normal destiny of each child of the Infinite.

The measureless fields strewed with the monuments of God's creating energy, inviting our investigation and mastery are but faintly revealed to us here.

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"God called man in dreams to the vestibule of heaven, saying, 'Come up hither and I will show thee the glories of my house;' and to the angels that stood about his throne, He said, 'Take this man, strip him of his robes of flesh, cleanse his affections, put new breath into his nostrils, but touch not his human heart—the heart that fears and hopes and trembles.' A moment, and it was done and the man stood ready for his unknown voyage.

"Under the guidance of a mighty angel with sounds of flying pinions they sped away from the battlements of heaven. For a time they traversed spheres of darkness, wildernesses of death. At length from a distance computed only in the arithmetic of heaven, light beamed upon them, a sleepy flame as seen through hazy cloud.

"They hasten on in their terrible speed to meet the light;
With lesser speed the light came on to meet them.

"A moment and the flashing of suns and wheeling of planets were about them. Then came long eternities of twilight. Then other constellations appeared on the right hand and on the left. On a sudden as they swept from infinity to infinity, a mighty cry arose that 'Worlds more billowy, and systems more mysterious, vaster, mightier, more magnificent, were coming!—were nearing!—were at hand!' Then the man cried out, 'Angel, I can go no further! Let me lie down in the grave and hide me from the insufferable glory of God, for end there is none.' 'End there is none,' demanded the angel, and from the listening stars that shone around them came a choral shout, 'End there is none!' Then the angel threw up his glorious hands towards the throne,

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exclaiming, 'End there is none; lo, also, there is no beginning to the universe of God!'"

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The history of the intelligences innumerable, for whom all suns and worlds were formed and are controlled, will open a higher range of study. But we may not in the hour allotted us follow the breaks of light opened by revelation into the perspectives of an endless life.

Suffice it to know that as children of God we shall attend his goings forth amid the ever multiplying monuments of his creating and replenishing power.

Let us for a moment follow a human spirit careering onward, impelled by the power—dynamic force—of an endless life. He must reach a point where he will embody more that is glorious in the possibilities of free, progressing, endless evolution than has been reached by the whole range of intelligence, from the first-born eons of the morning down to the latest. On that far-off eminence the dew of youth will be as fresh on his brow as when he started, and infinitude will spread around and above him undiminished. Onward, outward, upward, with ever augmenting speed, he must sweep on, for within him throbs the power of an endless life.

With eye ever brightening, love unfolding, power augmenting, joy increasing, and splendor enhancing, he shall advance eternally, for he is a child of God, evolving toward the perfections of his Father. We falter; we can't follow him. His glory eludes all finite conceptions by hiding itself in the depths of that abyss, of that eternity which is the lifetime of God." The consciousness that such possibilities are wrapped in each child creeping out of huts of poverty, and from dens of vice to which rum and robbery dooms millions, makes us reformers. At much expense, of time, money and convenience, we have come together to derive means for bettering such hard conditions. I am sure you will patiently listen while I suggest merely the bearings of this life upon endless evolution. That the direction of eternal life is taken and the ratio of progress in it is guaged by conduct here, is clearly taught in the Bible and is confirmed by facts. There are three laws governing all living things. First, all are evolved gradually. Second, at the start there is a life principle, bioplasm, germ, evidently from the hand of an intelligent creator. Third, evolution is by the activities of that something.

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Allow me to suggest that a government can not rest permanently on the moral sentiment of a people, a majority of whom have no property or real home interests to be subserved by it, and that this grasping policy of the class now in all the seats of power is undermining our institutions. Again, this abnormal state of society does not bless the rich. Jesus made no mistake when he said, "How hardly shall a rich man enter the kingdom of God." To enter the kingdom of God is to become pure and noble, while undue accumulation of wealth, tends to make men selfish, sordid, sensual, cruel.

The gathering from the toil of others, without returning equivalents, is robbery. Combinations for that purpose are banditti. That the financial legislation and civil administration of our country is now controlled by the most gigantic banditti ever organized, no posted person questions. It drains into its coffers the enormous wealth evolved from virgin resources by an intelligent people, aided by marvelous machinery, driven by God's omnipotence, embodied in nature's forces. Andrew Johnson well said: "It goes for the last dollar the people have got, and with a vast machine as is this government under its control, that dollar will be fetched." With this mightiest band of robbers are associated others, who by aid of the government have seized the lands, mines, means of transportation and intercourse.

Between them they absorb all the product of toil above a bare subsistence for the toilers, and are rapidly gathering the capital created before their sway was fully fastened upon the nation. The leading bankers, the Vanderbilts, Goulds, Rockefellers and their lackeys in congress are piling up fabulous riches, ranging from $1,000,000 to $300,000,000. To supply them the great mass of farmers, mechanics and wage-earners drudge and die, leaving their children a heritage of drudgery and death.

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I affirm, with all the emphasis I can command, that this robbery by class government is one of the most gigantic evils, against which all regenerating forces should be arrayed. It is evil, and only evil, with not a single redeeming feature.

The rum traffic is the other great overshadowing curse of our civilization. I present this curse in the strong, comprehensive language of Bishop Forbes, of the M. E. church:

"The church (I add the civil power also) must take to its heart the duty of combining its forces against that gigantic atrocity, that diabolical conspiracy, that nameless 'monstrum horrendum' of Christian civilization, that mothers nine-tenths of the woes and sorrows which blight and curse our times—the traffic in intoxicants, which hides its deformity under forms of law. How long shall the face of our Christian age blister with this worse than pagan shame? Has the virtues of our times degenerated so low that we do not even blush at the legislated traffic in the souls of our own children? that by the very doors of homes and our temples an army of miscreants should, by authorization of laws made by Christian lawgivers, prosecute a work of murder and death? Are we reduced to the shame of admitting that a civilization that has grown up around our altars is impotent to cure the evil? * * If ever the pulpit had the right, the duty to flame with unsparing rebuke, it is here. If ever there was a cause which deserves to unite philanthropy and patriotism with piety in restless endeavor, it is this. The exorcism of this demon, this vampire that has seized and preys on the very vitals of the nation, demands the combined energy of the church and government."

I crave the power to throw before this audience of lovers of their race the ravages of rum, and flood the scene with electric light.

I would reveal an aceldama, lazaretto and madhouse combined, large enough to enclose the helpless misery of millions of human beings. If its doings this very night in our enlightened Christian country could be gathered into an amphitheater immense enough to hold them, and from an eminence we could look down upon them, we should feel that hell itself were uncovered, and that we were beholding the anguish of the damned and listening to their cries of rage and despair.

We should see brawls and fights, thefts and robberies, murders and nameless abominations. We should behold brutal husbands and fathers beating their helpless wives, and their shivering, screaming little children, some of them staining their hearths with the blood of

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those who have the most sacred right to their tenderest protection and care.

There would be bloated, leprous, loathsome men and pals, haggard, despairing women and filthy, ragged, diseased, starving children. We should see hundreds of dead bodies being borne to the most hopeless of cemeteries—the drunkard-charnel house; we should hear the piteous cries of blighted childhood, the moanings of crushed womanhood, and the shrieks of the victims of violence, mingling with the mocking mirth of convivial and fashionable revelry, songs of filthy ribaldry, fiendish laughter and horrid blasphemies. Such is but a faint description of this foulest, most abominable and hellish combination of which sin is capable. Can it be possible that any Christian philanthropist or patriot, would ally the government with this sum of all villanies and throw over it the deceitful glamor of respectability? You cannot lift the infinite vileness into decency, but you inevitably sink the government to its level by the infamous alliance.

These twin monsters, like Milton's personification of *Sin* and *Death*, guard the gates that shut from the way to the heaven of cultured, pure and strong characters. Satan, the father of both, took them into partnership and secured the opening. Such alliance was eminently proper, for his mission out was to drag down.

The two great political parties are the parents of the *centralization of wealth by class legislation* and of the *rum traffic*. They are in alliance with them by force of this intimate relationship, and their mission is in accord with that of the fallen arch-angel. Our sublime mission is to release and lead upward. We can have no union with these misshapen beasts. We must destroy them; they must die together. Their overthrow will be the greatest revolution in the world's advance. The late deeply lamented Bishop Peck thus characterizes its importance and its difficulties:

"At the beginning, the convention must be profound and abiding, that a great reform is imperatively demanded. I take it that the great revolution which has just revealed itself, is the concentration of the general feeling that in some way reform must come. But the thinking, talking, writing and acting must go on, which will harden this conviction into durable organic unity. Agitation and conflict are inevitable. This is no child's play. It will be the attempt of moral principles to assault and break down the power of untold consolidated millions of money, to challenge and defy the most enormous class interest which ever trampled upon a free people. It will be the most terrific conflict ever known on this continent."

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Further. "In every voluntary assignment hereafter made for the benefit of creditors, the claims of all servants, clerks or laborers for personal service or wages owing from the assignor for services or labor performed for three months preceding such assignment, shall be preferred over the claims of all other creditors, and shall be paid first by the assignee, after the payment of costs, debts due the United States or State of Wisconsin, all taxes and assessments levied and unpaid, expenses of the assignment, and executing the trust." (Section 1693c, R. S., enacted such section by sec. 2, chap. 48, Laws of 1885.)

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2. Where work is done as employe of any contractor or sub-contractor on building, etc.:

"Every person who, as sub-contractor of a principal contractor, or *employe* of any contractor or sub-contractor, performs any work or labor for, or furnishes any materials to a principal contractor or sub-contractor, in any of the cases mentioned in the preceding section, shall be entitled to the lien and remedy given by this chapter, if within *sixty days* after performing such work and labor, or furnishing such materials, he shall give notice in writing to the owner or his agent of the property to be effected by such lien, setting forth that he has been employed by such principal contractor or sub-contractor to perform or furnish, and has performed or furnished such work, labor or material, with a statement of the labor performed or materials furnished, and the amount due therefor from such principal contractor, or sub-contractor, and that he claims the lien given by this chapter." (Section 3315, R. S., first clause.)

"The lien given by this chapter," quoting the section above last referred to, "is provided for in section 3314 (R. S.), as amended, and is a claim against the land upon which the labor is performed, the lien to cover the land not to exceed forty acres, and if within the limits of an incorporated city or village * * * not to exceed one acre."

Such lien shall be prior to any other lien which originates subsequent to the commencement of such work.

"No lien hereby given shall exist, and no action to enforce the same shall be maintained unless within six months from the date of the last charge for performing such work and labor * * * a claim for such labor shall be filed * * * in the office of the clerk of the circuit court of the county in which the lands affected thereby lie, nor unless such action be brought within one year from such date, unless within thirty

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days next preceding the expiration of one year, the person filing the lien shall make and annex to the instrument on file, an affidavit setting forth the interest which he has by virtue of said lien in the property therein mentioned, upon which affidavit the clerk shall indorse the time when the same was filed. The effect of such affidavit shall not continue beyond one year from the time when such lien would otherwise cease to be valid as against subsequent purchasers, liens or mortgages in good faith. Such claim for lien may be filed and docketed within such six months, notwithstanding the death of the owner of the property affected thereby, or of the person with whom the original contract was made, with like effect as if he were then living." (Sec. 3318, R. S.)

"Such claims for lien shall contain a statement of the contract or demand upon which it is founded, the name of the person against whom the demand is claimed, the name of the claimant or assignee, the last date of the performance of labor or furnishing of materials, a description of the property affected thereby, a statement of the amount claimed, and all other material facts in relation thereto. It shall be signed by the claimant, or by his attorney, and need not be verified, and may be amended, in case of action brought, by order of the court as pleadings may be." (Sec. 3320, R. S.)

From these provisions of law, then, it may be gathered that there are various steps for the laborer to take, which may be summarized as follows:

1st. Serve notice as required in section 3315, R. S., above given, on owner, or his agent, showing work done, at any time within sixty days after last work is done. 2d. File claim for lien with clerk of circuit court in the county where property is located, within six months after doing last work. 3d. Commence action to foreclose lien within one year after doing last work, unless, 4th. The affidavit called for by section 3318, above given, is made and filed with the clerk of the court, and then, 5th. Commence action to foreclose lien within one year after filing such affidavit.

The procedure to foreclose a lien is in many respects similar to that followed in foreclosing a mortgage. In all cases where a lien shall be filed by a laborer, it is the duty of the principal contractor to defend any action brought, and the owner can deduct the sum recovered from any sum he owes the principal contractor, or if he has paid the principal contractor he can recover back the amount of the sum recovered by the laborer in the action to foreclose his lien.

3. Generally, where work is done:

The laborer can bring, always, an action at law on his contract, that is an ordinary action to recover what is due him or her. In an

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action in the circuit or other court of record, he will not be required to give security for costs, although this is in the discretion of the court. In a justice's court security for costs may be required of him. (Sec. 3782, R. S.)

But, "whenever the plaintiff in an action commenced in justice court for the recovery of a claim for work or labor performed shall have been required to give security for costs and the plaintiff shall make oath before the justice that he has a valid claim against the defendant for work and labor performed and that he is unable to procure security for such costs, the action shall not be dismissed for want of such security. (Section 3783 a, R. S.)

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The exemptions provided for in said subdivisions are a library, the live stock mentioned, the provisions of debtor and his family, tools, implements and stock in trade, etc., the sewing machine or machines, printing materials, etc., all books, maps, etc. of an abstractor, inventions or interest in inventions, all moneys arising from insurance of any property exempted from sale or execution, including the homestead, when such property has been destroyed by fire, and all moneys arising on any policy of insurance on the life of a minor, payable to his father or mother or both.

The very last clause of section 2982 of the R. S. reads as follows: "Provided that the property mentioned in subdivisions 5, 6, 11, 13, 14, 15, 17 and 19 shall not be exempt from attachment or execution issued upon a judgment in an action brought to recover a claim for any female, manual or domestic labor rendered or performed by any person in or about the dwelling of another.

Now, the property mentioned in the subdivision last referred to is in subdivision 5, all wearing apparel of the debtor and family, stoves, furniture, etc.; in subdivision 6, cows, swine, horses, food for the same and farming utensils and those used in using such animals; in subdivision 17, the property of a printer as hereinbefore described; in subdivision 13 the books and plats of an abstractor as hereinbefore described; in subdivision 14 inventions and interests therein; in subdivision 15, the earnings of the debtor as hereinbefore described; in subdivision 17, the insurance money for property or homestead, as hereinbefore explained; in subdivision 19, the moneys arising from insurance upon a minor as above given. Thus it will be seen that there is scarcely any property that can be used by the debtor in keeping or providing for his family, or in and about family matters or affairs, that is exempt against female, manual or domestic labor rendered or performed by any person in or about the dwelling of such debtor. Servant girls, therefore, can scarcely ever be defrauded out of their just dues, nor can either man or woman where the work is done in the dwelling as a domestic.

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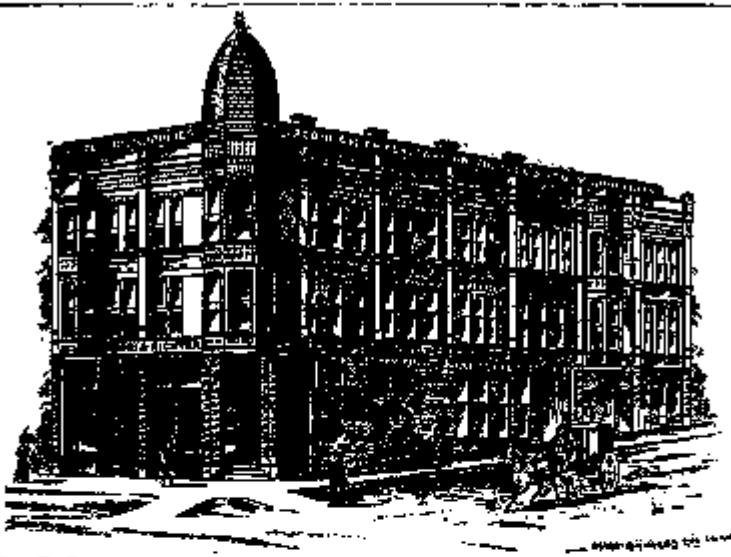

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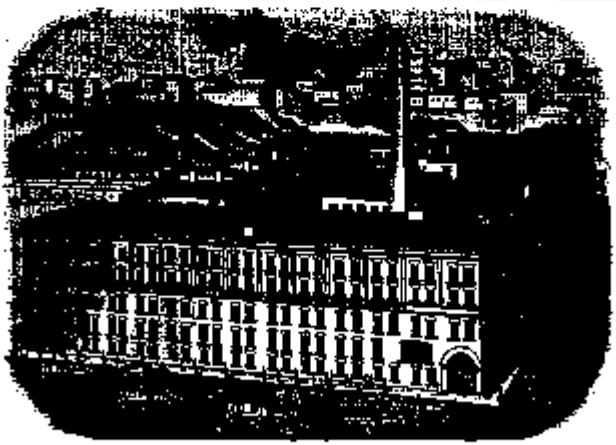

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The railroads, in 1882, took one-half of the wheat crop of Kansas for carrying the other half to market.—The Forum, p. 464, 1889.

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Extract from "Progress," of Boston, 1889.

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State Assessor Wood, of New York, in the Popular Science Monthly, November, 1889, p. 28, says that, in his opinion, in a few decades there would be none but tenant farmers in New York state.

From the North American Review for March, 1889, Extract from Article by Gen. L. S. Bryce, a Member of Congress.

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good will to consider how they shall receive it, so that its coming may be peaceable?"

Intellect—Cunning. Extract from Caesar's Column.

Is it not right and necessary that intellect should rule the world? Certainly. But what is intellect? It is the breadth of comprehension, and this implies gentleness and love. The man whose scope of thought takes in the created world, and apprehends man's place in nature, cannot be cruel to his fellows. Intellect, if it is selfish, is wisely selfish. It perceives clearly that such a shocking abomination as our present condition cannot endure. It knows that a few men cannot safely batten down the hatches over the starving crew and passengers, and then riot in drunken debauchery on the deck. When the imprisoned wretches in the hold become desperate enough (and it is only a question of time), they will fire the ship or scuttle it, and the fools and their victims will perish together. True intellect is broad, foresighted, wide-ranging, merciful, just. Some one of old said that the "gods showed what they thought of riches by the kind of people they gave them to." It is not the poets, the philosophers, the philanthropists, the historians, the sages, the scholars, the really intellectual of any generation, who own the great fortunes. No. But there is a subsection of the brain called Cunning. It has nothing to do with elevation of mind, or purity of soul, or knowledge, or breadth of views; it is the lowest, baser part of the intellect. It is the trait of foxes, monkeys, crows, rats and other vermin. It delights in holes and subterranean shelters. It will not disdain filth. It is capable of lying, stealing, trickery, knavery. Let me give you an example:

It is recorded that when the great war broke out in this country against slavery, in 1861, there was a rich merchant in this city (New York) named A. T. Stewart. Hundreds of thousands of men saw in the war only the great questions of the Union and the abolition of human bondage—the freedom of four million of human beings—and the preservation of the honor of the flag, and they rushed forward eager for the fray. They were ready to die, that the Nation and Liberty might live. But while their souls were thus inflamed with great and splendid emotions, and they forgot home, family, wealth, life, everything, Stewart, the rich merchant, saw simply the fact that the war would cut off communication between the North and the cotton-producing States, and that this would result in a raise in the price of cotton goods; and so, amid the wild agitations of patriotism, the beating of drums and the blaring of trumpets, he sent out his

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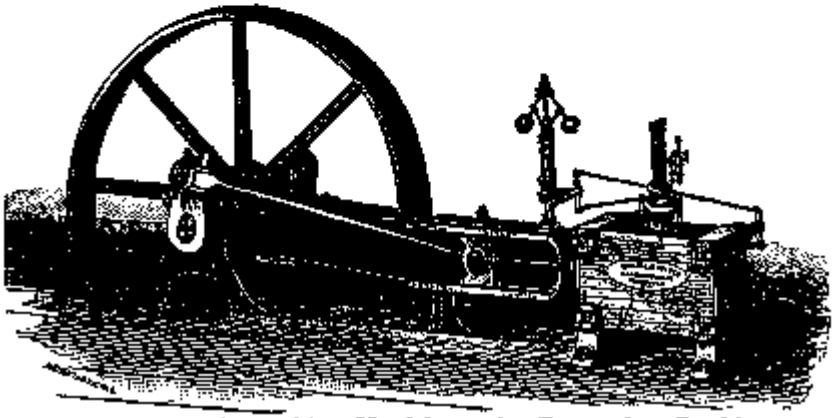

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agents and bought up all the cotton goods he could lay his hands on. He made a million dollars, it is said, by this little piece of cunning. But if all men had thought and acted as Stewart did we would have had no Union, no country, and there would be left to-day neither honor or manhood in all the world. The nation was saved by those poor fellows who did not consider the price of cotton goods in the hour of America's crucial agony. Their dust now billows the earth of a hundred battle-fields, but their memory will be kept sweet in the hearts of men forever. On the other hand, the fortune of the great merchant, as it did no good during his life, so after his death it descended upon an alien to his blood, while even his wretched carcass was denied, by the irony of fate, rest under his splendid mausoleum, and may have found its final sepulchre in the stomach of dogs!

This little incident illustrates the whole matter. It is not intellect that rules the world of wealth, it is cunning. Muscle once dominated mankind—the muscle of the baron's right arm—and intellect had to fly to the priesthood, the monastery, the friar's gown for safety. Now muscle is the world's slave and cunning is the baron—the world's master.

Let me give another illustration. Ten thousand men are working at a trade, one of them conceives the scheme of an invention whereby their productive power is increased tenfold. Each of them, we will say, had been producing by his toil property worth four dollars and a half a day, and his wages were, we'll say, one dollar and a half per day. Now he is able with the new invention to produce property worth forty-five dollars per day. Are his wages increased in due proportion to fifteen dollars per day, or even five dollars per day? Not at all. Cunning has stepped in and examined the poor workingman's invention; it has bought it from him for a pittance; it secures a patent, a monopoly under unwise laws. The workingmen still get their dollar and a half per day and cunning pockets the remainder. But this is not all. If one man can now do the work of ten, then there are nine men thrown out of employment. But the nine must live; they want the one man's place; they are hungry; they will work for less; and down go wages, until they reach the lowest limit at which the workmen can live.

Society has produced one millionaire and thousands of paupers. The millionaire cannot eat any more or wear any more than one prosperous yeoman, and therefore is of no more value to trade or commerce; but the thousands of paupers have to be supported by the taxpayers (workers) and they have no money to spend, and they cannot buy the goods of the merchants or the manufacturers and business languishes. In short, the most utterly useless, destructive and dam-

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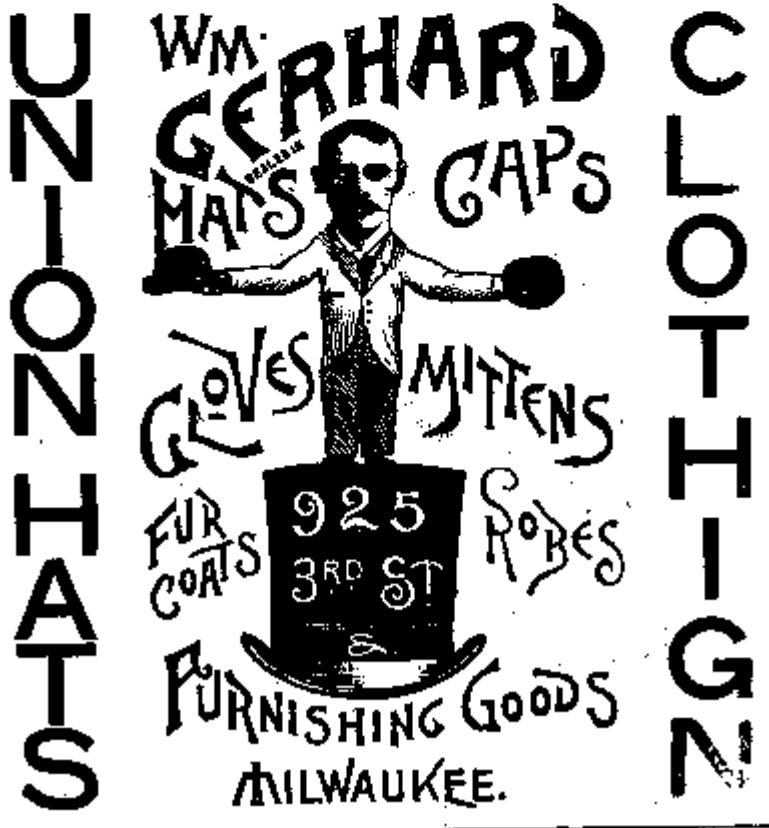

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