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SUNDAY, MAY 17, 1919.

HAVE THEY SOLD OUT? The Telegram-Herald is trying desperately to create the impression that the street railway company has a reasonable excuse for refusing to grant the demands of the strikers.

It also prints the company's "facts" fired a revolver at a striker Friday night, but finds space to exaggerate reports about cars being stoned and obstructions being placed on the tracks.

It also prints a white about strikers being "wrong in expecting the privilege of running cars without molestation, while by intimidation and illy-concealed acts of hostility they interfere with the running of cars."

The Telegram-Herald also prints an interview with somebody, who, it is not stated, in this statement appears: "Thursday night, I am credibly informed that the strikers advised people to keep off the street cars, which by special request of the Press club, we ran for the 'Poetry of the War' presentation."

The statement that the Press club made such a request is a falsehood pure and simple. If any such request was made it was unauthorized by the club and if it was made by any member, the Telegram-Herald should get his name from the man who made the request and give it to the public.

THE FIRST SHOT. It is fortunate for the Street Railway company that murder was not committed by its employes who recklessly drew a pistol and murderously fired upon a striker.

Whooping Cough! Whooping Cough! All over the country the question is what will cure it? ANSWER: Steketee's Whooping Cough Cure

Willson's Rhumic Powder. GUARANTEED TO CURE CHRONIC BRONCHITIS, COLIC, MONROE CITY DRUG STORE & OTTAWA

titles have it in their power to enforce your rights. Keep this thing in mind and do no violence to shamefully gain this strike with destruction of life or property.

The resignation of Green B. Baum, Jr., from the position of assistant to his father, who is commissioner of the pension bureau, is an event that vindicates the attitude of the street railway authority.

The treasurers of the St. Cecilia's and the Press Club ought to open a bank they are carrying by capital these days.

Police Court Notes. Walt R. Raymond, for being drunk was committed to the county jail for 15 days from Police court yesterday.

Those expecting to buy a Summer Dress will do well to come in during this week and save themselves money and have the dress made up before the hot weather comes.

Mangled by a Steeple. Charles Hoffman, 30 years old, living at 573 West Leonard street and employed at the Grand Rapids Mattress company's work, sustained a severe injury to his right leg yesterday morning while operating a steeple.

The Circuit Court. The only case heard in the circuit court yesterday was the assumption case of Frank J. Lamb against Joseph C. McKee, which was not completed.

Looking for Stevedores. D. D. Reed, under sheriff of Cass county, was in the city yesterday looking for a span of horses which he traced as far as the swamp near Muskegon, into which the team was driven.

Legislative Session. Lansing Republican: Senator Chaucer, winner, Saginaw's only Chaucer. "Woolly" know a Detroit street roller attorney if he could get away with Senators Stevens and Evans—rotto roller—Humm—hal. They fall should have introduced himself before he talked to Wisner.

Marriage Licenses. Number. FOUNTAIN. 440—Bert Gage, Big Rapids, Louis Bousier 33-34 City 441—John N. Bradford, Minnie B. Parry 31-31 442—John A. Stevens, Jennie Bradford, 36-36 443—John D. Frasier, Alameda, Adelle 36-36 444—John G. Gardner, Anna Sprague 37-37 445—James A. White, Anna Sprague 37-37 446—Walter H. Hollinger, City, Marjorie 41-19 447—John E. Speck, Stella D. E. Calhoun 41-19 448—William J. Brazier, Cora Belle Hunt 41-30 449—Henry Merritt, Mary Mara, both 41-38 450—Hessie J. Jonava, Mattie Vander Meer, both city 30-29

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Steketee's Whooping Cough Cure. Will cure every case if given according to directions. Never was known to fail. Try it, and be your own doctor.

WILSON'S RHUMIC POWDER. GUARANTEED TO CURE CHRONIC BRONCHITIS, COLIC, MONROE CITY DRUG STORE & OTTAWA

Special Bargains!

FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING Monday Morning, May 17, IN

Summer Cotton Dress Goods!

CHOICE ASSORTMENT OF CHALLIES TO BE SOLD AT 5 CENTS.

NEW EFFECTS IN PINEAPPLE TISSUE AND INDIA PONGEE.

FIVE CASES OF SATINES (NEW STYLES) AT 12 1/2 CENTS, WELL WORTH 20 CENTS PER YARD.

ABSOLUTE FAST BLACK INDIA LENS CHECKS AND STRIPES AND GRENADINE PLAIDS.

Those expecting to buy a Summer Dress will do well to come in during this week and save themselves money and have the dress made up before the hot weather comes.

VOIGT, HERPOLSHEIMER & CO.

78, 80 and 82 Monroe Street.

NO. 5 HARTFORD LADIES' SAFETY



LIGHT, STRONG DURABLE CHEAP, BUT GUARANTEED.

RIDING SCHOOL WILL TEACH YOU TO RIDE FREE.

PERKINS & RICHMOND, 13 FOUNTAIN ST.

What They Say!

We can always find the best assortment at STAUFFER'S. The goods at STAUFFER'S are always fresh and new. No other store is so conveniently arranged to trade in. Your Hosiery gives satisfaction, and is much lower in price.

Why Ladies are Appreciative! Strangers Are Invited to Call. C. B. STAUFFER, 110 MONROE STREET.

GO TO FLORIDA AND THE SOUTH. SPEND THE WINTER IN LOVELY SUMMERLAND. The Shortest and Quickest Line to all parts of the SOUTH.

TRUNKS, At Groskopf Bros., 89 and 91 Canal-St. Telephone 908.

Livingston Hotel. Best \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50 Hotel in the City. Open All Night! THE ONLY 15 Cent Restaurant IN THE CITY.

SPROUL & MCGURRIN, PLUMBING, Steam and Hot Water Heating, Instantaneous Water Heater, Hot Air Furnaces, Pasteur Filter.

WOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN PLUMBERS' SUPPLIES. 184 East Fulton-St. Head of Monroe Grand Rapids Mich. TELEPHONE 147.

McDONALD IS THE LEADER IN THE Shoe Line!



J. D. McDonald's LEADING SHOE STORE, NO. 30 MONROE STREET. Genuine Special Sale THIS WEEK ON Trunks and Traveling Bags!

PAUL EIFFERT. 41 South Division Street. COAL. ALL KINDS—HARD AND SOFT.

COAL. ALL KINDS. BEST BLOCK WOOD, 2.00 Per Cord Delivered. GOOD BLOCK WOOD, 1.75 Per Cord Delivered.

COAL. ALL KINDS. HADWOOD CUTTINGS VALLEY CITY ICE AND COAL CO 38 MONROE STREET.

A. E. BRONSON. MACHINIST AND MODEL MAKER. BICYCLE REPAIR SHOP. 25 Pearl Street, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.

Spring & Company

150 PATTERN SUITS AT HALF PRICE!

The important event in the history of our Dress Goods Department is the sale of the finest assortment of Ladies' Pattern Suits ever shown in this city.

40 Pattern Suits regular value \$25, at \$12.50. 60 Pattern Suits, regular value \$20 an \$22, at \$10.50. 50 Pattern suits, regular value \$16 and \$18, at \$9.50.

SPRING & COMPANY. Dress Fabrics for Evening Wear. Among the many new things to be found in our Dress Goods Department is an exquisite variety of materials designed especially for Evening wear and Graduating Dresses.

DOMESTIC DEPARTMENT. We call attention to our elegant line of Wash Sarafs. These are New Materials of undoubted durability and their effectiveness classes them as one of the most desirable wash fabrics.

FRENCH ZEPHYR GINGHAMS. Our assortment of Imported Gingham has been increased until at the present time it is complete in every respect.

DOMESTIC GINGHAMS. We have added to our usual large stock of Domestic Gingham 250 pieces of new and choice patterns. The products of American manufacture show evidence of increased perfection in the art of dyeing and weaving.

WHITE GOODS DEPARTMENT. We offer Special Prices on a Choice Assortment of Egyptian Diapers. Colored, Figures and Flower Designs on white grounds are the desirable novelties in this class of goods.

Spring & Company

# GENTLEMEN!

## THE GREAT CLOSING OUT SALE OF Men's, Boys' and Children's Clothing, Hats, FURISHING GOODS, TRUNKS AND BAGS CONTINUES AT 72 MONROE STREET, And We Guarantee a Saving to You of 25 to 50 Per Cent on Every Purchase.

### SUITS

We have a large and well selected stock in Cassimeres, Worsteds, Cheviots and Honespuns. Light and Dark Mixtures, Checks, Stripes and Wide Wales in all the Fashionable Shades of the Season. One, Two and Three Button Cutaway and Prince Albert Frocks. STRAIGHT AND SQUARE CUT SINGLE AND DOUBLE-BREASTED SACKS.

## 25 PER CENT REDUCTION ON FURNISHING GOODS

### 25 PER CENT REDUCTION ON HATS, TRUNKS AND BAGS.

## SPECIAL BARGAINS!

- 150 Dozen.—Silkey Fibred Combed Egyptian Shirts and Drawers at 39c Each. No Discount.—150 Dozen.
- 100 Dozen MEN'S WHITE SHIRTS, Full Sizes, Laundered, at 35c, or 3 for \$1.00. No Discount.
- BOYS' SHORT PANTS, 15c, or 2 for 25c. BOYS' SHIRT WAISTS, formerly sold for 50c, 75c and \$1.00, now 25c.
- BOYS' HATS, 15c, 25c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00. MEN'S LINEN COLLARS 5c, CUFFS 10c.
- MEN'S WORKING SHIRTS 38c, or 3 for \$1. MEN'S FRENCH BALBRIGGAN SHIRTS and DRAWERS, odd lot, 38c, worth \$1.
- Men's Dress and Street Gloves, 75c, \$1. Perrin's French, \$1.88. Men's Linen Handkerchiefs, all Linen, 7 for \$1. Colored, 6 for 25c.

# GEO. W. WOODBURN & Co.,

72 Monroe Street,

Grand Rapids, Mich.

### LOGE DIRECTORY.

**VALLEY CITY COUNCIL No. 511.** Royal Arch Chapter, No. 101, and three Tents, each month at Royal Arch Hall, No. 74 Waterloo Street. E. W. Fairbank, Secy. H. B. Baker, Secretary, 67 Jackson Avenue.

### THE PEOPLE'S COLUMN.

**Woman's View of the strike.**  
**Editor Morning Press**—As a stranger in your beautiful city I witnessed the magnificent parade made by organized labor Thursday, and the men may feel justly proud of the appearance they made. In regard to that iron-clad contract, suppose it has been in force since 1899? If that is true it simply shows that the men are getting their eyes open to the greed and avarice of corporations who have "no souls to save or ruin," and that in the future they propose to have more of the "gold that is sifted through the ladder than what sticks to the rounds," and they will secure it by demanding fair pay for ten hours a day, and a firm refusal to sign any conditions concerning hours. Have these men the same right to organize for their protection that the Street Railway company have? Did that company ever hear of that time honored rule, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you," and would they sign such a contract as that is for poor men, and the way to keep them in that wretched condition, that they will sign it, we must make them work as many hours each day as the "needs of the company may warrant." That will give them no time to read the labor papers, no time with their families, in fact no time for anything but an exhaustive work, that in time sinks them to the level of the brute on the physical plane, and to the level of the Street Railway company on the moral plane. The company, in giving organized labor a strike in the last clause, "reckoning without their host." Labor was never so well organized as today and the good work still goes on. If the company will open their eyes to something besides how to get the almighty dollar, they will read the handwriting on the wall, that corporations in free America have been "weighed in the balance and found wanting," and that sentiment of "equal opportunities for all special privileges for none," is growing.

With best wishes for the success of the boys, in order that justice may be done, I am, very truly yours,  
**SARAH R. CHAWFORD**

**Bucklen's Arnica Salve.**  
 The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, itchy, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cent per box. For sale by Thum Bros.

**FRESH fruit soda, White & White.**  
 A May Party.  
 Journeyman Horsebores' union No. 34 will give a Grand May party at 14 Hazelian hall, Ottawa street, Tuesday evening, May 19.—Eugene's orchestra will furnish music. Admission 50 cent.

**FRESH fruit soda, White & White.**  
 Freshments accurately prepared at moderate prices White & White.

**FRUIT in an Ice cream soda at Cooper's.**



**MINSTER**—Joseph, do you take this woman to be your lawful wedded wife? Promise that you will never object to her taking advantage of the bargain offered by Palmer & Orsler in footwear at No. 18 Canal street.

**PEACH CREAM Soda, White & White.**

**ATTENTION, ABOHEE!**  
 Meeting of Laborers Union Tuesday evening at Greenwood Hall, 64 Canal street. All laborers invited.  
**A. W. TORSON, Secretary.**

**Ladies and Gentlemen,**  
 You would be surprised to know how quick you can have your Lighter, Chip Mitts, or lace brads, hats and buttons colored or bleached and put into summer styles at 98 Pearl street.

**FRESH fruit soda, White & White.**

**Parties wishing instructions in sketching from nature, call at W. E. Wright's studio, 65 New Houseman block.**

**PEACH CREAM Soda, White & White.**

**CHAMBER OF LIFE, backache, monthly troubles, hot flashes, sleeplessness, dizziness, nervousness, are cured by Dr. Miles' Nervine, recom. discovered by the great Indian Specialist. Elegant books and trial bottles at E. R. Wilson and White & White's, or address Dr. Miles Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind.**

**FRESH fruit soda, White & White.**

**S. T. E. K. E. S. I. S.**  
 Systematic Rheumatic Treatment, of which Dr. W. H. Ross is sole proprietor and manufacturer; 1/2 gross was ordered for the use of the Lincoln Park Sanitarium of Chicago last week. What better recommendation could Dr. Ross have?

**OPEN all night. White & White.**

**THE first glass of ice cream soda in the city at Cooper's, corner Canal and Bridge streets.**

**ICE CREAM SODA, White & White.**

**JENNIE & HEADPOND give a fine line of tea and coffee. Give them a call. 26 West Bridge.**

**PEACH CREAM Soda, White & White.**

**Stream Bonnet Blachery.**  
 Gents' Panama, Manilla or Leghorn straw colored or bleached and returned into styles cheap, light, stiff or soft hats colored and trimmed equal to new. 98 Pearl street.

**It's Just Like This**  
 A good many of us simply can't get away—that is we can't conscientiously drop the thread of our business affairs for a month or all summer—not that our engagements are so arbitrary and not because perhaps matters would not run on pretty much as well, but the fact is we are identically intensely with the day-by-day progress of the affairs in which we are engaged (or which is about the same, we think we are) and so long as we feel convinced that we ought not leave, we can't find any enjoyment—that beautiful ease that vacation should give us—in going. This is the class of workers that will find in the new Ottawa-Macatawa management, 1st annex to Grand Rapids that merits their patronage. Comfortable nights—convenient services—in fact all features of far-away-by-the-sea, good living, pure air, summer resort a joy means, and all without intrusion on business routine. Cleanliness, too, that is a consideration—\$10 a month for a comfortable hotel good for a five each way every week day—only about 29 cents a ride.

**BE ADVISED.**  
 For you will get over this summer for a longer or shorter period, you will, if for no other reason than it will be the nearest attractive place—O here are all ready before you in engaging rooms. See Mr. Southwick at the L'Village Hotel—it is just as easy to get a choice if you apply early enough.  
**Geo. DeBary,**  
 Hotel, Pass Agent

**FRESH fruit soda, White & White.**  
 Our ice cream parlors are now open. Cooper's, corner Canal and Bridge street.

**FRESH fruit soda, White & White.**  
 Our assortment of beautiful flowers for trimmings is unequalled in this city or anywhere in Michigan.  
**COOK, KNOTT & CO.,**  
 New 2nd-Jord Building, 20 and 22 North Division St.

**LIGHTNING SPECIFIC**  
 Positively Cures Drunk, Dizziness, Headache, Stomach Troubles, and all ailments of the head, face, and neck. Can be used in ten, or twenty minutes. Has been used for years. All druggists have it. Price, \$1.00. Sold by W. C. T. U. A. and W. C. T. U. A. LIGHTNING MEDICINE CO., 224 2nd Ave., Grand Rapids, Mich.

**DR. LOUIS A. ROLLER,**  
 PRACTICE LIMITED TO EYE, EAR, NOSE AND THROAT.  
 1349 Monroe Street, Over Peck's Drug Store, Grand Rapids, Mich. Telephone 1400. Hours: 9 to 12 a. m., 5 to 8 p. m. Evenings, 7 to 8. Sundays, 12:30 to 3 p. m.

**Grand Rapids Book Bindery,**  
 29 Canal Street.  
 First Class Blank Books and Fine Books Binding of Every Description.  
 TELEPHONE NUMBER 1348.

## MORSE'S DAYLIGHT

### MILLINERY DEPARTMENT!

Buying in large quantities enables us to buy cheaper and sell lower than any and all others. The best talent in the West is at work in our Millinery Department and We turn out the most satisfactory work. Never have we any other house in this city had at Complete an Assortment of Bonnets and Hats, in Shapes and Shades and Millinery Trimmings as now, and our prices, in accordance with our motto, are lower than Others, for we are and will be the

### "LEADERS OF LOW PRICES."

## MORSE'S,

Corner Monroe and Spring Sts.

## H. HOFFMASTER,

78 and 80 West Bridge Street,

### Is Out With Something New Again

## Tomorrow Morning

We will inaugurate MORNING SPECIAL SALES, and continue to do so until we are again forced to advance something new. NEW BARGAINS will be offered EVERY MORNING. Announcement of BARGAINS will appear in this paper EVERY MORNING of the same day of the Sale.

**REMEMBER. PRICES QUOTED ON GOODS ARE ONLY FOR THE MORNING SALES, and IN EVERY INSTANCE WILL BE FOUND 20 to 25 PER CENT LOWER THAN USUAL QUOTATIONS.**

The old adage says: "THE EARLY BIRD CATCHES THE WORM." We therefore suggest an EARLY CALL EVERY MORNING, which will insure a full selection of ALL BARGAINS.

**BE SURE AND READ OUR ANNOUNCEMENTS EVERY MORNING IN THIS PAPER.**

## H. HOFFMASTER, 78 AND 80 WEST BRIDGE ST.

P. S.—No Copyright on these "Ads," hence no charges for copying.

**SCREEN DOORS AND WINDOWS**  
 Painted, Hung and Repaired. Doors and Locks of All Kinds Repaired. Keys of All Kinds Made. Gasoline Stoves Cleaned by  
**W. W. SECCOMB,**  
 LOCKSMITH,  
 24 1/2 Myrtle Court, Phone 172  
 Call me up or send card.

**ROSE & SONS,**  
 Fancy Steam Dyers.  
 Cleaning, Coloring, Altering and Redding done by the very best tailors, at reasonable prices. Shelf-worn goods sent by express will be cleaned promptly. Telephone 908, 79 South Division street, Grand Rapids, Mich.

### THIS LITTLE MAN

Would respectfully call the attention of all disappointed creditors and the widows, parents and children of deceased soldiers to some peculiar features of

### THE NEW PENSION LAW

Which they may not have fully considered. It is very liberal. Pensions are being granted with no other evidence save a medical examination! The majority of claimants are getting \$15 a month! It is so easy to get a claim under the Old Law and a claim under the New Law at the same time, so the claim does not conflict with the other! You can draw a pension under the new law, and then complete and draw a pension on your claim under the old law. You now stand two chances to get a pension where formerly you only had one, and perhaps a very slim chance.

**COMRADE, YOU CAN GET A PENSION**

If you served 90 days, were honorably discharged, and now have a permanent disability, no matter when or where you contracted your disability, while in the service, you are entitled to a pension. Then if you received any disability while in the U. S. service, you can draw a claim under the Old Law, and if you really were some help you can get \$75 a month.

**Why Not Apply at Once?**

Fee for increase claims \$2. File your claim for the sake of your family! Not for your own sake. Call upon or write, Yours in C. & L.,  
**CHARLES K. GIBSON,**  
 Late Acting Chaplain, Michigan Soldiers' Home, Room 58, New Houseman Block, opposite City Hall, Grand Rapids, Mich.  
**TELEPHONE 1278.**

**A. B. KNOWLSON,**  
 THE—  
 Coal, Wood, Lime and Cement  
**MAN HAS**  
 TO RENT Office Room 25 Pearl, House 23 Barclay street.  
**FOR SALE** One house \$600 in cash. One house \$1000 in cash. One house \$1500 in cash. One house \$2000 in cash. One house \$2500 in cash. One house \$3000 in cash. One house \$3500 in cash. One house \$4000 in cash. One house \$4500 in cash. One house \$5000 in cash. One house \$5500 in cash. One house \$6000 in cash. One house \$6500 in cash. One house \$7000 in cash. One house \$7500 in cash. One house \$8000 in cash. One house \$8500 in cash. One house \$9000 in cash. One house \$9500 in cash. One house \$10000 in cash. One house \$10500 in cash. One house \$11000 in cash. One house \$11500 in cash. One house \$12000 in cash. One house \$12500 in cash. One house \$13000 in cash. One house \$13500 in cash. One house \$14000 in cash. One house \$14500 in cash. One house \$15000 in cash. One house \$15500 in cash. One house \$16000 in cash. One house \$16500 in cash. One house \$17000 in cash. One house \$17500 in cash. One house \$18000 in cash. One house \$18500 in cash. 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THE RICH AND THE POOR

DIVERGING OPINIONS ON THEIR MUTUAL RELATIONS

The subject discussed by Matthew Marshall and Joseph Buchanan in our issue of May 11th.

In the North American Review for April Cardinal Gibbons, discussing the unhappy condition of the poor, says the rich have a duty to perform. In a recent issue of the New York Sun, Matthew Marshall takes exception to the cardinal's utterances, and hangs over a column on what he assumes to be the definition of the word "duty." Mr. Marshall is not usually so "fussy," and rarely stoops to quibbling, but in this case he certainly writes as though he lacked confidence in his cause or failed to recognize the question as at all a serious one. Let it be understood that the gentleman who has for years written on financial and social questions in the Sun over the name of "Matthew Marshall" is a rich man himself, a well known figure in the "street," and a fair sample of the offspring of capitalism. I make this statement that my readers may know in advance that the "rich" referred to in the man whose utterances we are now considering.

As before intimated, Mr. Marshall dislikes the use of the word "duty" in Cardinal Gibbons' article. He also objects to "obligation," "owe" and "ought." He is willing that the rich should give to the poor, but it must be understood that they are actuated solely by feelings of benevolence. The rich "owe" the poor nothing, and what they give to alleviate suffering must be labeled "charity." Here are his exact words: "The rich man owes no duty to the poor for the non-performance of which any other man has a right to call him to account. When a rich man pretends so strongly as this it looks very much as if his conscience had been aroused by the grip epidemic and was troubling him."

Cardinal Gibbons discussed the question from the standpoint of Christianity, and as religious men and all Mr. Marshall's juggling with words will never alter the fact that it is clearly the "duty" of the Christian to succor the poor to the full extent of his ability. I need not quote the gospel to prove this; its many utterances on the subject are familiar. Mr. Marshall knows what the Scripture lays down, but he says the "texts" will not bear the literal interpretation put upon them. I don't know if he is a Christian, but judging from his writings I think he is—one of the one-day-in-seven Wall Street kind. But leaving religion out of the discussion, and taking the

question on the ground of simple justice, I think it possible to prove Mr. Marshall in error.

He talks about "debts" and the processes of their collection. He does not pretend that it is a legal question, yet at times discusses it as if it were, and leaves the impression that if there was a law compelling the rich to give to the poor it would be all right and their duty so to do. It is really painful at times to witness how much respect the plutocrats and their spokesmen have for the law—right or wrong. If the rich "owe" the poor anything then they are debtors, and "there cannot be a debtor without somebody's being a creditor, and if anything is a duty it is a duty to some one who can insist upon its fulfillment." Agreed. The rich are the debtors of the poor, because they have become rich through appropriating the share of the poor in nature's gifts to all her children, and by withholding from actual producers the product of their toil. In other words, the rich "owe" the poor the wages they have withheld, the withholding of which has made them rich.

The land barons "owe" the poor for the millions of acres they have gobbled up; the transportation kings "owe" the people for the franchises they have obtained by bribery, and through which they have robbed the public; the manufacturing and mining lords "owe" the workers whose necessities have made them an easy prey for the selfish and unscrupulous. The rich "owe" the poor for the suffering they have endured under the rich man's system, not in damages that they could pay were they ten millions of times as rich as they are. I don't care for high sounding definitions; it makes no difference to me how Tom, Dick and Harry may have defined the word wealth, to me it means the things labor applied to nature has made. The real laborer has few of them; somebody "owes" him for what he produced and has not.

What Mr. Marshall means to convey by saying "if anything is a duty it is a duty to some one who can insist upon its fulfillment," is that it is impossible to tell which rich man is the debtor of what poor man; that you cannot determine the particular creditors of a particular debtor. Of course this looks like rubbish, but you must remember that he who lays it down is an economist and financier of high standing, and you must not expect the workings of the profound mind to be comprehensible to the common everyday man.

However, we must not be too hard on the gentleman. He is talking especially to those who say that "riches are a trust," and that the rich should help the poor as a sort of brotherly duty—a kind of moral obligation—and he is not so

ar as may appear at first reading. Now there is a class which fails to appreciate the difficulty seen by Mr. Marshall, but those who compose it are called "quacks." These "quacks" claim that they can locate the creditor and debtor without any trouble at all. They have a great deal to say about "rights" as well as "duties," and they delight to ring the changes on the word "justice," while "charity," as commonly used, is not in their vocabulary. They say that society (the whole people) is the creditor, and that every man who holds any part of the common heritage of mankind, or anything which itself or the fair equivalent thereof was not produced by him nor his ancestors, is a debtor to the full amount of such excess.

In another sense it is the "duty" of the rich to return to the poor what they have taken from them by means of an unjust system. They (the rich) "owe" it to themselves and their posterity to aid with all their power in the restitution. If a rich man is sick or maimed in any part of his body he feels it a "duty" to himself, his family and his friends to undergo the treatment necessary to make him well and sound again. He is to make (and take him collectively) and measured by his influence, a large part of a very sick body politic, a distressing diseased society. He recognizes this, and admits it by his prescriptions of "charity" remedies which, if he is wise, he can now see makes the patient well instead of effecting a cure. If the remedies which will work a cure are not applied in time death will result. Society cannot pull through a bad case of sickness without the proper treatment, any more than a man can under like circumstances.

The sting of Matthew Marshall's article is in its tail. After satisfying himself that the talk of the "duty" of the rich is all nonsense, he concludes with these words: "The prevailing error on this point is, I firmly believe, the cause of much of the discontent of the poor and their irritation against the rich. They hear and read so constantly of the duty of the rich to share with them their surplus wealth that they, naturally have come to think that the rich man who refuses to do it robs them of something which is lawfully their own, and they accept aims, not as a favor for which they should be grateful, but as the discharge of a debt for which they owe no thanks in return. How destructive this is of the good feeling and sympathy which should bind the rich and the poor together I need not remark, and I therefore modestly protest against the talk which gives rise to it."

Mr. Marshall makes the mistake of treating the discontented poor man and the alms receiver as one and the same.

As a rule, those who accept aims are satisfied so long as the receipts are sufficient for their needs. The discontented poor, those who work and receive for their labor less than they are entitled to. They manage to keep soul and body together, but believe they are entitled to more than just enough for that. Generally when one of these needs assistance he obtains it from those of his own class, and refuses to become a cringing beggar before those who have robbed him. And this appears to hurt the rich man's essayist more than anything else in the whole business.

Of course, those who receive aims "owe" thanks to the rich donors, and it is their "duty" to show their gratitude in the best way they can. This we may safely lay down as a rule for the pauper; but the poor man, the discontented fellow whose "irritation" Mr. Marshall thinks is due to the ill advised talk of a few benevolent cranks, cannot be under "obligations" to those who have made him rich and powerful through the labor that has left him poor and inefficient. As to "the good feeling and sympathy which should bind the rich and the poor together" it cannot exist. The words rich and poor are antagonistic; they represent opposites. A poor man may respect and even have a "good feeling" for individual rich men, but he cannot extend this feeling to the class. He believes that the few rich and the many poor because injustice has been done the many, and he has managed to make such a good case based upon this belief that the whole world is agitated over the question.

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The Farmers' Alliance.

Any consideration given to the question of presidential probabilities in 1892 would be venturesome which did not take into serious account the Farmers' Alliance movement. From a mere speck upon the western political horizon it has, with wondrous rapidity, grown to be a great cloud, which the astute politicians of both parties are watching with anxiety, not wholly unshared with alarm. Through the west and through the south the movement has advanced with remarkable celerity, gaining enormous numerical force day by day. Latterly it has found supporters in both the middle and eastern states, and legislation bearing the Alliance trade mark has been introduced not only in congress, but in almost every state legislature, including that of Pennsylvania. — Philadelphia Ledger.

An English North country church has published a scale for contributions expected for the collection plate. The church will be content if it receives two pence for every five shillings of income, or 8 per cent. A man in receipt of thirty pounds sterling a week is expected to give a sovereign.

MINING IN 1849.

How "Rockers" Separating Was Carried on in Pioneer Days in California.

The most expensive instrument of the early miner was the rocker, which, though simple in construction, cost in the mines from fifty to a hundred dollars. In general appearance it was not unlike a baby's cradle as used by our grandmothers and as still seen on the frontier. It consisted of a flat bottom with two sides that flared outward, and an end board at the head, while the foot was open save a riffle about an inch and a half high at the bottom to catch the gold that might pass another riffle across the bottom near the middle. At the head of the cradle was a hopper about eighteen inches square, with a perforated sheet iron bottom or wire screen. Under this was an apron, or board, sloping downward toward the head. Two substantial rockers under the whole composed the simple machine which gave to the world millions of dollars.

The modus operandi may be described as follows: Two sticks of wood hewn on the upper side were imbedded at the river's brink, one four inches lower than the other, on which the rockers were to rest, thus securing a grade in the machine to facilitate the outward flow of the water and sand. Two miners usually worked together as partners. One shoveled the earth into the rocker, while the other, seated on a boulder or block of wood, dipped the water from the river and poured it upon the earth in the hopper with one hand, all the time rocking with the other. When the earth was thoroughly washed, he rose, lifted the hopper from its place, threw out the stones and gravel, replaced it and then the work went on. As the ground about the rocker became exhausted to the bed rock, recourse was had to the bucket and the earth was carried sometimes a few rods, making laborious work for the miner.

To keep the rocker going another hand would be employed to carry earth, and each would carry two buckets at a time. Hard work of this kind suggested improvements in mining. At noon the gold and black sand collected above the riffles were taken up on a scraper and thrown into the pan, which was carried to the river and carefully washed to remove as far as possible all but the gold. The yield of the forenoon was carried to the camp, dried over a blaze, the dry sand blown out, and the gold weighed in scales or gussed at, and poured into the partnership purse and deposited under the bed or anywhere else out of sight.—Century.

Blazers in the Time of Alexander.

One of the most precious relics of the past is a bronze statuette dug up at Heraclea in 1751, and thought to be a copy of the Trojan statue known as the Palladium. It is a small figure of a man, and has been made of Alexander the Great

by Lysippus, after the battle of the Granicus, when statues of all the brave who fell in this initial victory were made by the famous sculptor. If it is truly a copy of Lysippus' work we can judge from it how the Macedonians managed their horses in a hand-to-hand conflict. The king is shown sitting on a blanket firmly held in place by a breast strap and girth. Without dropping the reins from his right hand he grasps this substitute for a saddle at the withers, and turning full half way to the right and looking backward, gives a swinging cut with his sword to the rear covering as big an arc of the circle as the best swordsman who ever sat in a saddle. The statuette is full of life and natural to a degree. If not Lysippus' work, it is that of a consummate artist. The position shows great freedom of movement on the horse, and a seat strong and elastic. That the Macedonians kept their heels well away from the horse's flanks, or rather that they did not rely on their heels to cling to him, is shown by their commonly wearing spurs, a thing the Indian usually avoids, and the same habit is shown clearly in this piece of art.—Colonel T. A. Dodge in Harper's.

The Model Factory.

A woolst factory in Newark, N. J., which employs 330 young women, is described by a correspondent as follows: They are treated not only like human beings but like civilized people. There are bath tubs in the factory, with an abundance of hot and cold water, linen towels and toilet soap. Did any one ever hear of such luxuries in a factory of any sort? In the girls' bathroom there are rugs under-foot, the finishing is done in oak, the trimmings are nickel plated, the sanitary arrangements are perfect, and everything is as bright and clean as it is possible to make it. Each employe is allowed thirty minutes for a bath, and if one is so fastidious as to need three-quarters of an hour no comments are made.

The "Model Factory," as it is called in trade, was erected about a year ago. The building looks more like a nursery than a factory. There are white curtains on every window in the house. Those who desire can purchase a noon-day lunch at actual cost of material. The cook in charge of the kitchen devotes her entire time to the work. Every day tea, with milk and sugar, is supplied by the firm free of charge; oaten meal is furnished three days in the week at the same rate, and every other day soup is served at three cents a bowl. The entire floor is carefully counted; it is light, warm and clean, and there are tables and benches for those who lunch in the building. An hour is allowed at noon, and while all are expected to be on hand promptly at 1 o'clock, the girls living at a distance from the factory are permitted to arrive at a later hour. An open fireplace is one of the attractive

Where Gold Comes From.

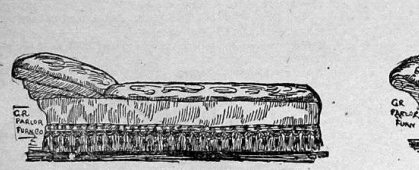
The gold taken from the river bars was mostly in the form of scales resembling crumpled seeds, and of varying size. It was most plentiful on the bed rock and in a few inches of soil above it, though sometimes three or four feet of earth would pay to wash. Where the bed rock was hard the miner cleaned it, for a shovelful of dirt might contain a few dollars in small particles. Where the bed rock was soft shale or slate on edge the miner picked away an inch or so and washed it, as frequently the scales were found to be driven quite thickly into the crevices. When the ground was very rich the rocker was cleaned of gold every hour or so.—E. J. Waite in Century.

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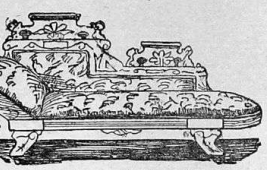
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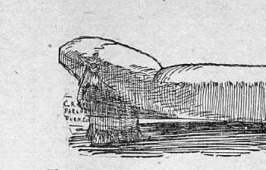
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