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SPECIAL NOTICE.

Comrades are asked to send in monthly reports of work done. These should reach the office not later than the last Friday in each month. Reports of special work done such as Demonstrations and No Rent Campaigns, etc. are always welcome, but should reach the office not later than first post on Monday morning. All communications in future should be addressed to D. J. Nicoll, 145 City Road, E. C.

THE CHICAGO CELEBRATIONS.

THE meeting at South Place was in every way a complete success. The hall was crowded and the enthusiasm was tremendous. In accordance with our usual custom, there was no chairman, but that did not prevent the meeting going off splendidly.

Wess opened the proceedings by reading a letter from Comrade Marsh, who was prevented by illness from being present. Our Comrade wrote as follows:—Dear Comrade,—I hope it will be clear to all our friends to-night that we do not meet here only to commemorate an act of capitalistic barbarity however much our indignation may be aroused by that unspeakable crime of 1887. If our only aim was to denounce the crimes of the present system we should meet here every day of our lives. The truth is that the present system is past denouncing, no honest man feels satisfied, with the state of things around him. We find people are turning in all directions to find some loophole of escape from the tortures of our present life. There is no peace to-day, for those who care anything for humanity. Let us then without fear examine the causes of misery, which surround us and decide for ourselves, what is best to be done. We ask you therefore who are not Anarchists to watch every day of your lives the evil workings of Government. To watch how its stupid laws stifle human development driving it into crime. To watch how it helps the strong and crushes the weak. To note how those, who are "wrapped in a little brief authority" not only make the angels weep, but make poor humanity bleed. Then you will see that freedom, a life without Government and law must be our aim, because man lives best where he is freest.

After reading telegrams of sympathy from the Anarchists of Walsall, Newcastle, Sheffield, Hull, Dublin and Manchester, Wess said, that each celebration of the murder of our comrades was more and more Anarchist in character. The first celebrations had been held by people, more with a feeling of generosity than of conviction of the truth of Anarchist ideals. At the earlier meetings, the mere mention of the fact that our comrades were suppressed Anarchists, and anyone purchasing their speeches, would be convinced, if he was honest, of their truth of their opinions. Anarchism is the idea, which declares that men must act for themselves without trusting their interests to any one else. Whenever they have entrusted their interests to a representative he has looked after his own interest better than that of the men who elected him. The part played by our comrades in the labour movement in Chicago, was not like that of the old and new Trade Unionists in England. Our comrades did not seek place and power, but fought like heroes' side by side with the workers in the fray, and it was because of their fearless honesty, that they were marked men, and at the first opportunity were seized by the capitalist classes and brutally murdered.

S. Merlino pointed out, that the Chicago Anarchists were murdered that Anarchy should not triumph but Anarchy would triumph. As to the throwing of the bomb he thought the capitalists had crimes enough upon their shoulders without crediting them with that. It might be that our comrades did throw the bomb. They might have killed some police ruffians who were advancing to attack a peaceable meeting but, was not that killing justified. For his part he should venerate and love these men none the less if instead of one bomb they had thrown a hundred.

Touzeau Parris said: We have met here to-night to commemorate the dead—No not the dead but the living. These men still live. They live in their ideas in our memory and our love. It was not by speaking but by acting that the flame was to be lit around the world. The men who murdered our comrades lived for property, we live for men. People said that, it was grand and glorious to be a poet or an artist, but there was something grander and greater and that was to lift up the poor and downtrodden. The workers of the world must learn, that their freedom must be taken and not given. The weak, the poor and downtrodden must be lifted up, and it is for us to do it, not by our words but our deeds.

Kropotkin thought that we had arrived at a crisis in the history of Socialism. We had recently seen at the Brussels Congress, a repetition of the events, which had destroyed the International Workmen's Association at the Congress of Hague in 1873. The present labour movement like that of the International was a purely economic one. The original idea of the new movement was to bring about a series of Great Strikes to end in a General Strike of all European workmen and the Social Revolution. But now their Social Democratic leaders had decided that the movement should in future be political, but in the meantime, what had become of Socialism. The workmen's party in Germany were advising the workmen to shoot down the poor Russian peasants of whom twenty millions were starving at the bidding of the young Imperial despot. These leaders were as much at service of the German Emperor as the English working class leaders were at the disposal of the Liberal and Tory parties. What could be done, when the best men were brought thus to abandon their flag and betray their cause. They knew that their only hope was the formation of an International Revolutionary party. It was not necessary in this party, that every one should obey and march like a soldier. A revolutionary ideal is the negation of every part of the present system. For the coming revolution, we must accustom, every man to act on his own initiative, and take all the responsibility of his own acts.

After Kropotkin's speech a collection was made and then Mrs. Tochatti sung "Annie Harris" amid loud applause.

Miss Henry then spoke as follows: We have heard for eighteen hundred years, that mankind should be as brothers, but this sublime doctrine as interpreted by the capitalist class seems to be letting your brother starve while you have plenty. We are told that Government exists for the benefit of the people. But Government does not exist for the benefit of the people, but to rob them in the interests of propertied classes. Government was not only the cause of misery but the cause of crime. If people could be brought to believe that a beautiful society was possible where want crime and misery would be unknown, then they would rebel and there would be an end of capitalism and government.

D. J. Nicoll said, that our comrades at Chicago were murdered because they were honest and sincere. Because they did not seek places on the Labour Commissions seats in Parliament, nor did they preach the latest gospel according to Fabian Society, that salvation of labour is to be achieved by running sweaters as Labour Candidates, but told the people boldly to help themselves, by taking possession of the wealth and the means of production. The capitalist classes had not crushed the movement by murdering these brave and devoted men, any more than they had crushed the Socialist movement in England by driving away a crowd of starving men by bludgeons and bayonets from Trafalgar Square. Some people condemned the throwing of the bomb at Chicago, for his part he thought it, would have been well in London, if a man had been so bold and courageous enough to hurl death and destruction among the ruffians who had attacked a peaceful meeting and brutally murdered four workmen. The police had to wait for their lesson here and if they were not careful it might not be long in coming. The Social Democratic leaders not only in Germany, but throughout Europe had betrayed the labor movement. [Cries of dissent from Social Democrats.] These men had everywhere endeavoured to crush the spirit of revolt among the workers to curry favour with propertied classes to get in Parliament. (More dissent from Social Democrats.) Surely Social

Democrats would admit that this was true in England of the leaders of the present labour movement. Our comrades at Chicago were not like these men, they did their best to spread the spirit of revolt among the people, instead of dragging them back and for this reason, they were brutally murdered.

Louise Michel said: The martyrs who fall on the scaffold are much smaller in number than those who die every day of starvation. After all to die for a great cause is a noble death. There is a great monster capitalism, who must be destroyed by seizing on his riches. The accumulation of wealth in the hands of a few has destroyed all education and culture and has degraded and embroiled mankind. Let us remember to-day all our martyrs. The noble Russians who have perished in endeavour to overturn the despotism of the Czar. Reinsdorf who fell beneath the murderous axe, and when we heard the news in prison we felt that we could have stood beside this noble man and died with him. Since the day when our comrades fell at Chicago their blood has spread over all the world, which will rise in hosts of armed men, and will crush their murderers of our comrades. Anarchy is all to us. Anarchy is humanity itself. Everyone must fight in the battle that is close upon us, the women as well as the men. We all have our work to do in the great Revolution.

Yanowsky then addressed the meeting in Yiddish. We regret that we are unable to give a translation of his address, which drew frequent laughter and applause from our Jewish and German comrades.

C. W. Mowbray said: We had heard much of the doctrine of brotherhood and love to-night, but the doctrine of hate and vengeance was just as necessary and right. The soldier is thought to hate the enemies of his country, let us teach to our children our enemies, the rich men and rulers. Look here the Anarchist movement had spread in England since the death of comrades. Three years ago, no message came from Sheffield now the movement was spreading and growing there, as it did everywhere where our comrades were bold and spoke plainly. This evening some Social Democrats had been offended because Social Democratic leaders had been denounced from the platform, but they should remember that we did not attack Social Democrats of the rank and file but the leaders; the gentry with the high hats, frock coats and stiff collars, who not only deceive you but thousands of other workers. To prevent these "leaders" betraying the Labour movement, we must teach the people not to allow their own work to be done by others but to do it themselves. If they left all the work to a few propagandists, they were not Anarchists, but the enemies of Anarchism for they had failed to learn the lesson taught by the deaths of our heroic comrades.

Cyril Bell declared that we must become more and more daring in our action. Not only must we go in for the No Rent Campaign, but we must tell the people to help themselves in the shops. Not only must we preach dynamite, but we must learn how to make it, and use it.

Tochatti objected to the wild language. We must not indulge in wild talk about dynamite and pillage. [Cries of dissent.] As to dynamite, he was as ready to use it as any man, when the time came but any talk of its present use was madness. [Oh!] If we wanted to learn how to preach Anarchy let us study the speeches of our Chicago Comrades, and learn to explain our noble principles in same clear and plain fashion.

Leggatt said that people might object in to physical force, but he had been to Trafalgar Square and had suffered from the brutal blows of police, who afterwards dragged him to prison. For his part, if force was used against him, he would use force in return.

Fröhlich then said a few words in German, and a most successful meeting concluded with cheers for Anarchy.

HULL.

On Sunday evening last (Nov. 8th) we had the most successful indoor meeting ever held by our party in Hull. Speeches in vindication of the lives and principles of the Chicago Martyres were delivered before an audience of 1800 people by comrades C. Reynolds, G. Smith, G. Cores, A. Hall, G. E. C. Naewiger, A. Campion, Mrs. Saunderson and H. Orbell district sec. of the Dockers Union who accidentally came in during the meeting and—to his credit—supported us. The audience were most enthusiastic and a thoroughly working class one. Altogether we can congratulate ourselves on a grand culmination of our season's propaganda work. A resolution was unanimously adopted declaring the meeting's sympathy with the relatives and friends of our martyred comrades and protesting against the continued imprisonment of Neebe, Schwab and Fielden; slet while believing in the innocence of these men, so cruelly murdered in cold blood and imprisoned for daring to take the side of the workers against their enemies the Capitalists. Applauds all resistance, either individually or collectively, against physical force attack on the people's liberties. The meeting also pledged itself to vindicate the memory of these martyrs of labour by studying those principles and teachings for the propagation of which they were killed and imprisoned. This meeting is also of opinion that the poverty and enslavement of the working class is the consequence of the present unjust system of society whereby an idle landlord and capitalist class enriches itself at labour's expense. A reference to the Trafalgar Square victims was also included in the resolution. Two Revolutionary songs were sung. £2 2s. 8d. was collected, all in coppers.

On Sunday, Oct. 11th C. Reynolds lectured under our auspices in the same hall on "Revolutionary Socialism" to an audience of 1300 Comrades Georges Cores and Gustave Smith moved and the meeting adopted the following: "That this meeting of Hull workers is of opinion that nothing short of the entire abolition of the present system of Capitalistic Monopoly will benefit the toilers, pledge them-

selves to do all in their power to bring about the Social Revolution, there by destroying all forms of slavery, and thus give to all the enjoyment of the right to live, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Comrade G. E. C. Naewiger presided at this meeting which was most successful. £2 14s. 6d. was collected and subscribed on this occasion. These meetings have greatly encouraged the comrades although we lose several pounds on them. Meetings have been held on Drypool Green every Sunday by Reynolds, Cores, Campion, Naewiger and others, and a hall has been taken in the Hedon Road for the Sunday morning meetings during the winter. A Hall delivered the first lecture on Sunday morning last. Comrade Reynolds lectured before the Hull Sunday Association on October 11th, J Sketchley on November 1st, and Mrs. Saunderson on November 8th. Comrade Geo. Cores lectured to the Hull National Secular Society on November 1st. Gustav Smith has also lectured to the Alliance Cabinet Makers, and Reynolds to the Lightermen. We believe in working amongst the organized workers and have done great good already in this direction.

We are certain that the vigorous efforts we have recently made will be productive of the greatest good to our movement.

We send our best greetings to our comrades everywhere.

GUSTAV SMITH.

ANARCHIST-COMMUNIST MANIFESTO

THE present juncture is one of great moment for the working classe of this country. They have come to a turning point. The issue of the struggles in which they are engaged against Capitalism depends entirely on the path they may choose. They may either turn into the road of compromise: it will lead them to defeat. Or they may stick to their guns, give up not one inch of the ground they have conquered, listen to no advice tendered by their enemies: and the end, nearer perhaps than even the most sanguine dare to hope, will be the victory, the complete, final, conspicuous victory of justice over social iniquities, of Labour over Idleness and the vices of civilization,

As a section, and the most advanced section of the socialist party; as pioneers of a principle which is coming more and more to the front; a principle the, immense influence reserved to which in coming social changes is acknowledged by our very opponents, it behoves us to address

A FEW WORDS OF WARNING AND ADVICE

to our brothers and companions in suffering and strife. And it is their duty, the duty of every honest and intelligent man, to listen to us in all earnestness, and with an unprejudiced mind.

We Anarchist-Communists are distinguished from other parties, political or social-democratic, in as much as we are not organized, nor intend to organize for political power. We have therefore

NO INTEREST IN CHEATING ANYBODY.

We don't court popularity, nor do we want to control and master the labour movement. We rely exclusively, in dealing with our fellow workmen, on their rightly appreciating their own interests, and on the truth of our Principles. Besides there is many

A LESSON OF THE PAST,

which ought to lead workers to pause, before engaging afresh in political or legal reforms.

In 1848 the genuinely socialistic element in the broken Chartist movement, was drowned, as it were, in politics. It was broken and turned aside by middle-class politicians who concocted the Charter. It disappeared in the Anti-Corn-Law agitation got up by middle-class politicians to divert the workers from their own more thorough-going demands. In 1832 the same thing occurred. The economic agitation of the workers, directed into an agitation for the Reform Bill, and the workers got nothing but the New Poor Law! Now-a-days, as the workers are again becoming restless, powerful attempts are being made

TO DODGE THEM INTO SUBJECTION

and perpetuate their slavery. Such attempts are made not only by their masters and rulers, who are

"ALL SOCIALISTS NOW"

as occasion serves, but even by weak friends, who play into the hands of their avowed enemies. The object is to divide the working community into a large, destitute, pitilessly sweated majority of casual workers and a small minority of regular, hereditary toilers, working a legal time at legal wages, in legally inspected factories, with a prospect of a legal pension after an active life, thus never spent; their children being reared in the meanwhile to serve after them. The very effect of any law protecting the upper ten thousand of the working classes, would be to drive the destitute majority into a more and more helpless situation whilst the privileged minority would be lulled into

A STATE OF GILDED SLAVERY

disciplined into an industrial army, with the inevitable appendix of coercion and punishments. Such is the latest scheme planned by cunning politicians and merciless slaveholders to thwart the efforts of the Proletariat for their own emancipation. Every so-called reform is meant as a step in that direction. Such

BENEVOLENT EMPLOYERS

as the South Metropolitan Gas Company, have offered their servants a nest egg after a certain number of years of "faithful service". Other employers have formed insurance schemes with a view to taking the workers out of their unions, thus isolating them, so that afterwards they may dictate their own terms. Political parties have their "nest eggs" also, to offer to the workers in order to snatch their votes at the elections, whilst sowing the seed of corruption, of ambition, and of discord in the ranks of the people. But the ideal is represented by the

German labour laws, which to certain people appear as almost an incredible inroad in the way of State Socialism.

Now to limit the hours of labour in factories to 18, whilst making a strike an offence, to coerce the workman to contribute week after week towards a starvation pension, which is promised to him when he is almost sure to be dead, this it must be avowed, betrays no superhuman generosity. But perhaps more is in store; the work thus started will be roofed in and completed when the state becomes the almost universal employer, the workman turned into a soldier of industry dressed and fed by the State in lieu of wages, the capitalist a Government official, the shareholder into a bondholder. Such a system of

STATE SOCIALISM,

(which is not unlike that put forward by the Fabian Society) would undoubtedly put an end to capitalism, but it would we are afraid, have all its evils with a vengeance, but none of its rare advantages.

However this may be, the way which leads to such reforms, has been paved with all sorts of stupendous promises to the workman. Conservatives, Liberals, and every sort of

POLITICAL MISSIONARIES

are being sent as messengers of peace to the working classes day by day, and show an unusual interest in their welfare, and the leaders of the people are being allured into the House of Commons and County Councils, cajoled by superior authorities, put on Commissions, converted; to law and order, and then sent out to preach it in the street.

(To be continued.)

NOTES.

Saint Munro A1

Munro, the ex-chief of London police, has gone to India; where he intends opening a mission, as a "simple evangelical" in Bengal. What a pity he has not got Warren the bold "bloody" murderer, of Trafalgar Sq fame with him. There are some more policemen equally eligible instance Endacott, Bloys, Brown, not to mention others who have recently distinguished by perjury and brutality. With these he could then have founded a very typical christian mission, ex-bloodhounds make good christian preachers, they are adepts at the game of lying, which is one of the principal requirements of a gospel grinder.

Glorious Competition.

Board of Trade returns show that out of nine men who start in business one succeeds and eight become bankrupt. What a fine thing competition is even for the capitalist. But bad as it is for them; it is worse for the workers. We leave them to judge, when for every one who makes a fortune, there are 2000 paupers. Glorious system!

Police Outrage at Chicago.

The Chicago police are up to their old tricks. We have only the reports of the capitalist press, but it is quite evident that they burst into the anniversary meeting at Chicago with the express purpose of causing a massacre, and not succeeding, they attacked a private meeting of our friends on the following night, and dragged twenty five of them to prison. The only crime they can be charged with is that of carrying arms for self-defence against the brutality of the Chicago police. Surely a very necessary precaution. "Society" has been once more "saved"

But the day is coming when not even Bonfield's bloodhounds will be able to save the rich from the vengeance of the poor.

The Death of a Tramp.

Edward Haynes was a tramp. He had wandered up to London from Tunbridge Wells, in search of work, but found none; and after wandering up and down for six days, he sank down in the streets from sheer starvation and was taken on an ambulance to Stepney Workhouse where he died. He had previously sought refuge in the London Congregational Union's Free Shelter in the Burdett Road, where the starving unemployed have the inestimable privilege of sitting on a chair, or lying down on the hard boards to sleep. Yet so great was the rush for even this wretched accommodation, that ninety persons were turned away one night last week. to sleep in the recesses of the bridges, or on the cold stones of the streets. But poor Haynes was fortunate, that he was allowed to die of starvation. If he had only been brought before some kind-hearted magistrates, they would have saved him at least from this fate by giving him "three months hard" for being "without visible means of subsistence". But how wicked it is, to cause strong language against a state of society where these things are possible. Just think of it: While poor Haynes was dying of hunger, the Lord Mayor and other city thieves, were making themselves ill with over-gorging at the Guildhall. Who but madmen or criminals would desire to overturn such a beautiful society where the starved haggard tramp, and the fat over-fed capitalist, stand side by side as prevailing types of our sham civilization.

Serious Illness of Prince George of Wales.

Prince George of Wales is ill. "What is the matter?" we enquired. "Too much gorging? or too much Gaiety girl? Is it excessive grief at the suicide of a certain young lady, to whom his royal highness was greatly attached, or what? We are informed that it is typhoid fever, the same complaint as the Prince of Wales suffered from some years ago. Dear me! in some families "typhoid fever" seems to be hereditary.

Sweater Bedford in the Chair.

Mr. Bedford took the chair at the Congress of the Railway Workers Union at Liverpool on Monday. We hear that John Burns was in attendance. Is Sweater Bedford going to be the Brunner of the new unionism? We hope that Mr. Burns has no intention of playing Broadhurst or he may make the same shipwreck of his reputation. We believe Mr. Burns is favourably inclined to legislation against what are called "foreign paupers." We have at present time a letter in our possession which proves that Bedford not only sweats wretched Russian Jews, but that in one instance at least a poor fellow, who could not speak English has had great difficulty in getting his wages, out of this immaculate "labour candidate." Mr. Bedford is very eloquent upon the Eight Hours Day. How long does he work his own employees? Fifteen! This is the time, the East End Tailors have worked since Bedford so kindly intervened in their behalf. Mr. Bedford has made a lot, of the support that he has received from Mr. Louis Lyons. Yet it is a notorious fact in London, that Lyons and his "union" have been "suspended" from the London Trade Council, because the said union is a "bogus Trade Union body" consisting principally of Mr. Lyons and one or two familiar friends. Meanwhile Mr. Lyons like Bedford dare not show his face at a meeting of East End Tailors. So furious are they at his "mismanagement" to use the mildest word of their strike last summer. Lyons support of Bedford is the best proof, that he is a sweater. The president of a "bogus union" and the sweater are usually found in the closest connection.

LATER. We hear that the Congress with one dissentient finds that the charges of "sweating against Bedford are unfounded." No wonder with Sweater Bedford in chair. Comrade Mowbray was not asked to attend to state his case. Of course not. The Executive Committee did not wish to see then darling proved a sweater. Why does not Bedford bring the case before the London Trades Council? Would that tribunal be TOO IMPARTIAL?

IN MEMORIAM

Parsons, Spies, Fischer, Engel;

Legally murdered at Chicago, 11th November 1887.

Murdered! That Greed may gather gold unchecked,

And Labour's lot be naught but hungry strife!

With every gaud of infamy bedecked,

Then slain—to show the sanctity of life!

O Law, at whose approach true Justice fled,

Must calumny increase thy victims' pain?

Say, is it not enough to leave them dead,

That thou woulst brand them with the mark of Cain?

Murdered! The whispering leaves takes up the cry,

Trembling to think what oak and hemp have done;

The fitful breezes, as they venture nigh

The gallows, start, then shuddering hasten on

To bear the ghastly tale of outrage forth,

In tones that terrorism cannot still,

Till all the earth, east, west and south and north,

Learns the fell tidings of the deed of ill!

Murdered! Resentful thoughts our minds engage,

The murmur swells into an angry roar;

And strong men's tears, of mingled grief and rage,

Blend with re-echoing groans from shore to shore.

Weep on! Yet know that sorrow's scalding rain,

Though it should mount and whelm th'accursed land,

Will not avail to purge the crimson stain

From fierce Authority's bespattered hand!

MARTYRED! The light of Truth begins to break,

Grey sadness takes the tings of roseate hope;

Fair Freedom bids her every friend awake,

'Twas for her sake our comrades braved the rope!

Shall we then spurn a sacrifice so great,

Or shrink when Tyranny uprears its head?

No! Snap the chains we all have learned to hate!

And thus avenge our unforgotten dead!

H. S. C.

ANARCHISTS AND ANARCHY.

(Concluded from page 146.)

Now it must be evident to all, that when strikes against Landlordism or Capitalism, whether they take the form of No Rent Campaigns in the slums or General Strikes in industries or groups of industries, become common: they will show the people how a Universal Strike against Landlord and Capitalist might be possible, far better than any amount of talking. And in preaching these ideas we are not giving vent to any wild theories of our own: both the notion of the Universal Strike, and the No Rent Campaign, are born of the people. They first saw the light during the greatest labour struggle of modern times, the Great Dock Strike of 1839. When they saw how thousands of men threw down their work, not merely to gain a slight advantage for themselves, but to benefit their fellows then the possibility of a Universal Strike flashed

upon the popular mind, and even found utterance from the lips of their Social Democratic leaders.

Who was it too, who hung that memorable motto, in black letters on a strip of white calico, across a narrow street, "No Rent in the East End till the Docker gets his Tanner". It was neither Anarchists or Socialists, but the PEOPLE. The natural bent of the workers is towards Anarchy. All the cant of their leaders concerning Legal Eight Hours and all the rest of it notwithstanding.

But neither the No Rent Campaign nor the Universal Strike, would make the revolution alone. When the people universally cease to pay rent to robber landlords or to work for capitalist thieves, something more is necessary. *They must take possession, not only of land, houses, and stored up wealth of all kinds, food, clothing, etc., but must seize upon factories, railways, and all the other means of production, distribution, and exchange.*

But what if the rich resist? What if they send their police and soldiers to bludgeon you and shoot you down? What will happen then? Well so much the worse for the rich. Thanks to cheap chemistry classes, the workers may know quite as much about the "resources of civilization" as the capitalists, and there is a very great possibility, that the rich may be swiftly translated to paradise. Besides, already Anarchist and Socialist propaganda has had such an effect upon the soldiers, as shown by the smouldering fire of mutiny which is continually breaking into a flame, that in the case of a universal revolutionary movement on the part of the people, we don't think the army would prove a serious obstacle. In any case however a knowledge of chemistry is very useful, and all young men with a taste for chemistry should join a class at once. There is no need to proclaim the fact, that you are Anarchist, but study diligently and quietly, till you have mastered all the secrets of modern explosives, then if rich order their soldiers to shoot down the poor—when they revolt against their tyrants,—the rich may find, that their Lessons in Massacre will not be list upon the people. There will be very few of the rich left alive to witness the last act in the revolution.

The aims therefore of the Anarchist-Communists are the destruction of government and placing all wealth and all means of producing, land, capital, and machinery in the hands of the people. The No Rent Campaign and the Universal Strike to be followed by the expropriation of the rich by the direct revolutionary action of the people themselves. And we believe that the society of future will consist of free voluntary co-operative associations of workmen, owning land, factories, etc., who will manage their own affairs with rulers of masters. There, as all wealth will be produced, so it will be enjoyed, BY ALL. While therefore we say "Down with the State! Away with Government! Down with capitalist and landlord robbery. Land capital and wealth, for all. From each according to his abilities, to each according to his needs. Hurrah for Anarchy and Communism."

INTERNATIONAL NOTES.

BELGIUM.

We have still in mind at the beginning of this year a large quantity of Dynamite, a full cartload, was seized in Seraing, by the police. The authorities did not seize all and that what was left in the hands of our comrades has been used at different times, and now, three of them have been sentenced, from 7 to 12 years hard labour. They have blown up a Police Station. This will show our friends how foolish it is to organize, and that it is better to do these things as Padlewsky has given us so successful an example. A. C.

FRANCE.

Last week whilst the gendarmes of Fourmies were called away to bludgeon poor strikers in a neighbouring village, some "miscreant" gave them a scientific lesson by trying to blow up their barracks with dynamite; one room was totally wrecked. No one was surprised except the gendarmes themselves, and they thought it was very foolish to go to mind other people's business instead of minding their own.

Paul Lafargue the new deputy for Lille has been released from gaol to attend the comedy in the aquarium but he says he will do more work in the provinces by speaking in public than in the aquarium where he is afraid of being corrupted.

If members of parliament acknowledge they can do nothing for the worker inside the house, we Anarchists are right, and if this week's "La Justice" does not say much about Lafargue it is because his candid confession is a protest against those S. D. S. who want to sit on the cushions of the lower house, to be gazed at by the fair sex in the galleries and let the poor worker outside believe that THE Revolution can be accomplished otherwise than by expropriation. A. C.

SPAIN.

The peasants have formed an Anarchist group in El Rubio; it is called "El desesperator del 91" (the awakening of 91). Their numerical and moral strength is shown by the fact that they will have a congress in Cordoba in the first week of December.

Here you have the Spanish Agriculturists stepping direct in Anarchist ideas without passing through the ordeal of Social Democracy.

Good luck to our Spanish farm labourers and may their example stimulate the downtrodden in every land.

The stonecutters of Madrid are on Strike, they have received 2000 francs from different parts of the country, up to the present.

The Hatters of Barcelona have now been several weeks on Strike. One incident is worth noting.

A municipal guard formerly a hatter by trade, is working as a black-leg during his short holidays; on a protest being lodged with the Alcade (Mayor) he told the strikers he would not interfere with the blackleg. Why should he? Is he not elected Mayor to protect the robber-class? A. C.

NOTICES.

LONDON.

Socialist Co-operative Federation 7 Lambs Conduit Street W.C. Lectures every Sunday evening, at 8 o'clock.
Club Autonomie.—6, Windmill Street, Tottenham Court Road. Young Anarchists meet every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.
International Club.—40, Berner Street, Commercial Road, E. Discussion Class every Tuesday evening at 8.30.
South London.—Socialist Society, 149, Manor Place, S.E. All communications should be addressed to F. A. Fox, Secretary.
Forwards Club.—Charles Square, Hoxton. "The Commonweal Group" meets every Wednesday at 8 sharp, for business and discussion all comrades are asked to turn up. D. J. Nicoll, Secretary.
Manile Cutters and Pressers Union.—Falcon Hotel, Falcon Square. Business meetings every Monday at 8 p.m. H. Green, Secretary; D. Morgan, Treasurer. Members please make this known.

PROVINCES.

Aberdeen.—Revolutionary Socialist Federation. Meetings are held in Oddfellows Small Hall, Crooked Lane, on Tuesday evenings at 8.
Dumfries.—Anarchist-Communist Group. For information apply to Wm. Reekie, 15 Ann Street.
Edinburgh.—Scottish Socialist Federation. Club Rooms, 333 High Street, Edinburgh. J. Pearson, Secretary.
Glasgow.—The Socialist League meets in the Hall 20 Delphi Street, S. S., every alternate Friday evening at 8 p.m. Lectures and Discussions.—French Class every Wednesday evening at 8.30 in 105 London Street. Fee (voluntary) to be devoted to the Anarchist School.
Hull.—Club Liberty, 1 Beets Court, Blanket Row.
Leeds.—Socialist League Club, 1 Clarendon Buildings and Front Row, Victoria Road. Open every evening. Business meeting Fridays at 8.—International Educational Club, near St. James's Hall, York Street. Open every evening. Lectures every Saturday at 4. All kinds of Socialist literature for sale at both clubs.
Leicester.—Room No. 7, Co-operative Hall, High Street. Members meet on Friday at 8 p.m. Lecture in the Spiritualist Hall, Silver Street, every Sunday at 6.30.
Leytonstone.—Anarchist-Communist Group meets at Gouldings, 2 St. Georges Villas, Montague Road, every Sunday at 8 p.m. Green, every Sunday at 7.30.
Manchester.—International Club, 25, Bury New Road, Strangeways. Open every evening. Weekly meeting on Tuesdays at 8.
Newcastle.—Anarchist-Communist Group. Open-air meetings every Sunday morning on the Quay. Discussion every Monday at 8.30 p.m. in Lockhart's Cocoa Rooms, Bigg Market.
Nottingham.—Socialist Club, Woodland Place, Upper Parliament Street. Club contribution, 1d. per week; Dancing every Wednesday, 8 till 10.30—fee 3d.
Norwich.—Members' meeting held every Tuesday at 8.30, at 65, Pitt Street.
Oxford.—Temperance Hall, 25, Pembroke Street. First Friday in every month, at 8.30 p.m.
Sheffield.—Socialist Club, 47 Westbar Green. French Class, Tuesday at 8.30. Discussion Class, Wednesday at 8.30.
Walsall.—Socialist Club, 18 Goodall Street, Walsall. Meetings every night.
Yarmouth.—Socialist League Club, 56 Row, Market Place. Open every evening Business Meeting, Tuesday at 8. Singing Practice, Wednesday at 8.30. Discussion Class, Thursday at 8.30. Elocution Class, Friday at 8.30.

OPEN-AIR PROPAGANDA.

London.—Sunday: Regent's Park and Tottenham at 11.30; Hyde Park and Victoria Park at 3.30. Walworth at 7.30 Saturday Hyde Park at 7.30 Thursdays; Hoxton Church at 8.15
Aberdeen.—Sunday: Castle Street, at 6.45 p.m.
Edinburgh.—Sunday: Leith Links at 2; Meadows at 6.
Glasgow.—Sunday evening, Parkhead Cross and St. George's Cross at 5 p.m.
Leeds.—Sunday: Market Gates, Kirkgate, at 11.30 a.m. and 7 p.m.
Leicester.—Sunday: Russell Square, at 10.45 a.m., Market Place at 6.15, and Humberstone Gate at 8 p.m.
Liverpool.—Landing Stage, Sundays at 11.30 a.m. and 3 p.m.
Manchester.—Sunday: Phillips Park Gates, at 11.30; Stevenson Square, at 3.
Nottingham.—Sunday: Sneinton Market, at 11 a.m.; Great Market, at 7 p.m.
Norwich.—Saturday: Haymarket, at 8. Sunday: Market Place at 11, 3, and 7.30.
Sheffield.—Sunday: Monolith, Fargate, at 11.30; West Bar, at 11.30; Newhall Road, Attercliffe, at 11.30; Grimesthorpe, at 11.30; Rotherham, at 3; Woodhouse, at 3; West Bar, at 8; Attercliffe Road, at 8.
Yarmouth.—Sunday: Priory Plain, at 11; Fish Wharf, at 3; Hall Quay, at 7.

A GRAND CONCERT and distribution of prizes for the Benefit of the Commonweal will take place at the Autonomie Club, 6 Windmill Street, Tottenham Court Road, W, on Monday November 23rd at 8 p.m. The principal prize will be a valuable silver watch, an English lever, a jewellers certificate, that is worth £2 will be given with it.

Tickets of admission to the Concert, 6d. each, can be obtained of the Secretary, Commonweal Group, Forward Club, Charles Square, Hoxton, and all Anarchist Groups and Clubs.

THE LONDON ANARCHIST GROUPS hold their monthly meeting at the Socialist Co-operative Federation, 7 Lambs Conduit Street, next Sunday, November 22nd, 3 p.m. The manifesto "Anarchists and the Labour Movement" is to be considered. All Comrades are asked to attend.

ATHENÆUM HALL, 73 Tottenham Court Road, Concert, Comedy and Dance will be take place at the above on Monday November 23rd, at 8 p.m. for the benefit of the No Rent Propaganda in France. The play will be the popular comedy "The Adventures of the Père Peinard." Dancing to the music of a grand orchestra. Admission by Programmes 6d. each.