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AS TO ANARCHY.

The officials of Illinois and Chicago are very properly busy unraveling the supposed plot which led to the murder of the Chief of Police, a few days ago. They are making important arrests, and are obtaining some important information. They are also considering measures for the suppression of the propaganda of anarchy.

One of the precautions decided on is, it is said, to prevent Emma Goldman from addressing her associates in Chicago. It is a delicate matter in this country to interfere with free speech, but when free speech is abused to the extent that it comes to mean an appeal to the passions in the interest of murder and robbery, there can be no doubt that the law must interfere.

Free speech is necessary in the service of liberty, and the law permits its use in that service, but not to aid murderers in their crimes. A knife is a necessary implement in the service of industry, and so is a match. Their use for legitimate purposes is freely permitted, but that does not prevent the law from interfering with the "rights" of the assassin, or the incendiary, to use those implements for purposes of their own. Free speech legitimately used is helpful; turned against society it becomes a menace, as has been abundantly proved.

Emma Goldman is an enemy of society. She is an unscrupulous agitator. In her public addresses she cares more for effect than truth. And the effect she aims at is nothing less than violent revolution.

If it is doubted that this is the avowed aim of anarchy, let the anarchists themselves testify. Kropotkin says that "to prepare men's minds for the approaching revolution is the task of those who foresee the course of evolution. This is especially 'the task of the secret societies and revolutionary organizations. The anarchists, he says, 'are today as yet a minority, but their number is daily growing, will grow more and more, and will on the eve of the revolution become a majority.' But how is the revolt to be brought about? Kropotkin says, 'the spirit of insurrection must be aroused; the sense of independence and the wild boldness without which no revolution comes about must awake.' Further: 'What form is the propaganda to take? Every form that is prescribed by the situation, by opportunity, and propensity will be used. It is never a fact of public life unobserved, to keep minds alert, to give aliment and expression to discontent, to stir hate against exploiters, to make the government ridiculous, and to demonstrate its impotence. But above all, to arouse boldness and the spirit of insurrection, it must continually preach by example.' Preaching insurrection 'by example' is just what murderous anarchists believe in.

Kropotkin tells of the French revolution. He recounts the acts of the mob that hanged, burned, quartered in effigy, and reviled and jeered those in authority. He describes the way in which the leaders trained the mob to defy the police and the military. He sets forth the awful deeds of the masses that were inflamed beyond control, and then he characterizes his story as "a precious instruction for us." That gives some idea of the dangerous character of the agitation of which Emma Goldman is one of the leaders. Can society afford to extend liberty of speech and hospitality to the promulgators of such doctrines?

And yet, the class to which Miss Goldman belongs is not the most dangerous. There are others who would resent as an insult to be called anarchists, though they are uniting in preparing the soil for the seeds of anarchy. They tell the workmen of this free country, that they are but slaves. They preach the doctrine that all who have succeeded in business are thieves. They tell the unfortunate that the laws are made to oppress them and grind them down; that the courts are corrupt, and that all are soundreeds and rascals but the incompetent, the unfortunate, the dissipated, or the agitators. The teachers of such doctrines are more dangerous to society than Emma Goldman and her associates. For they preach anarchy in disguise. Instead of appealing to the people to seek redress in law against the abuses of the commanders of wealth, they preach lawlessness. If the question is of fighting anarchy, the evil must be pulled up by the roots.

Everyone who sows the dragon teeth of strife and contention in society is a promoter of anarchy. For that is the logical outcome of strife. "Blessed are the peace makers," Law and order can be maintained only when the influence of the peace makers prevails. The professional strife-breeder is an anarchist, no matter what disguise he adopts. Very often he has murder on his conscience, and is no better than the wretch that killed the priest in the sanctuary at Denver. He is bad enough at all times, but when he assumes the role of a reformer, he is dangerous and should be suppressed.

TO PENSION TEACHERS.

The movement recently inaugurated by the teachers of this city for the establishment of a fund for the retirement of disabled teachers is one which should find a great deal of favor, not only among pedagogues themselves, but among the people generally. The act-

tion is taken in conformity with the provisions of a law enacted by the last session of the State legislature, under which a fund is created to be used for pensioning those of the craft who have become incapacitated mentally or physically, to perform the exacting duties of a teacher, after thirty years of service. And as the money is provided principally by their own donations, the success of the movement rests largely in its first stages, with the teachers themselves. Any addition to the fund would of course be welcomed in the shape of bequests, gifts or contributions.

There is every reason why wealthy philanthropists should encourage this movement. If there is any feature in life which should give every man and woman much concern, it should be the welfare of the children of the race. It has been said that the child is the father of the man, and the early training of the youth will result in developing, for better or worse, the qualities going to make up the man. The teacher who devotes his life, talents and abilities to the welfare of the child, is well worthy of consideration. Usually, a teacher remains a teacher all his life, and when, after serving the public faithfully for years—thirty years as indicated in the legislative act—in developing the minds of the young, to say that he is entitled to live as a pensioner from money largely of his own earning, is surely not asking too much. Rather should it be that the body politic of itself and without aid from the poorly paid pedagogue, provide a fund for the retirement of aged teachers, and without the requisite requirement that they be either mentally or physically incapacitated for further labors.

BUSY JAPAN.

Representative Hobson, of Spanish war fame, believes that a war between the white and yellow races is logically inevitable and that America and Japan will begin this war over an attempt to control the Pacific for commercial reasons. We have said that such a war seems to us most improbable, at least in the near future; yet in this belief Mr. Hobson aligns himself with the views of the experts of several nations as expressed in the world dispatches to the newspapers. He states these startling facts or conclusions: That Japan has ordered \$125,000,000 worth of warships since her war with Russia; that she has added five divisions to her army and doubled her military activities; that she has just bought from our own American factories 750,000 rifles; that she can put 200,000 trained soldiers on board transport ships in four days; that the Japanese could land 400,000 soldiers on the Pacific slope in four months, another 400,000 in six months more, and a million men in a year; that they could put ten soldiers to our one on the Pacific Coast; that they will soon have ready for service eight new battleships, any one of them equal in effectiveness to three of ours.

Now if these really are the facts, perhaps America should beware; but other and stronger indications point away from war. Japan is rapidly gaining trade in the Orient. The Chronicle of San Francisco says she is rushing emigrants into Manchuria as well as Korea, and expects to hold the trade of her own nations. China likes this even less than we do, and the Chinese Government does all in its power to get Chinese into Manchuria. Japan has got railroad and telegraph "concessions." Our government would not touch them. Our people do not want them, and the management of such concessions as have been obtained by Americans in China has not been satisfactory to China nor calculated to make us popular there. There was too much speculative exploitation and, the Chinese claim, some bad faith. At any rate, the Chronicle thinks, we are out of it, while Japan is there to stay, so long as the concessions endure, and they will of course be managed in the interest of the Japanese people who own them.

Now, if British and German trade falls off, in consequence of Japanese industry and persistence, it is not probable that public opinion in Great Britain will compel the government to support China in her efforts to withstand Japanese aggression in Manchuria, and that the situation in the Far East will eventually settle itself by the emergence and reemergence of China itself, which is far more powerful than Japan, and seems in a way to organize and utilize its power.

Germany, too, will be anxious to maintain and extend her trade in the Orient.

In the end it may be China rather than Japan with whom America will have to reckon. At any rate, the financial state of Japan and her anxiety to gain trade and to recuperate seem entirely to negative Mr. Hobson's fears and estimates. As for America, she will have as good an opportunity as other nations for extending her trade in the East. And we do not think war preparations in Japan need concern us at present.

RUSSIA YIELDS.

The Swedish government seems to have gained a diplomatic victory over Russia, in the matter of the proposed fortification of the Aland islands.

When the announcement was made some months ago that Russia contemplated fortifying the islands, Sweden immediately protested that such an act would be in direct and flagrant violation of the treaty of Paris of 1856. Sweden declared such an act would be a standing menace to her own territorial integrity. She further pointed out that such a fortification could be no protection to Russia, but that the act appeared a wanton one to provoke a peaceful neighbor.

The Russian government took the view at first that the Paris treaty was no longer binding after the dissolution of the Scandinavian union, but the Swedish view has at last prevailed, and Russia announces that the islands will not be fortified, or used as a military base. Whether this conclusion has been arrived at by gentle pressure from other governments, or not, the Swedish government has gained an important point, temporarily at least. What Russia may do when nobody is looking, is another question.

The Alands lie at the opening of the gulf of Bothnia, less than seventy-five miles from the Swedish coast, and for this reason would command access to several important Swedish cities. Their fortification by Russia would compel the Swedes to fortify their coast nearest the islands. But Europe wants to have the Baltic kept open to the commerce of all nations, and not dotted with fortifications.

LABOR AND LAW.

We commented recently the attitude of Mr. Hearst in defending the decision of the Supreme Court when it held that boycotting is illegal.

Immediately thereafter the dispatches announced that over the signature of Samuel Compers, an editorial in the American Federationist for this month attacks the recent decision of the Supreme Court of the United States in the case of Loewe & Co., popularly known as the "hat case," which is declared to be "the most drastic and far-reaching decision which it has ever handed down," and as affecting directly all labor, and hence the whole people.

It is noticeable, however, that the current issue of the Federationist omits the usual "we don't patronize" list, but instead a paragraph at the end of the editorial declares "it should be borne in mind there is no law, aye, not even a court decision, compelling union men and the friends of labor to buy"—naming the particular articles which form the basis of the Supreme Court decision.

We would advise labor leaders to drop the boycott issue and to discountenance the boycott spirit. At best it is an unfair and underhanded way of punishing an adversary; and we believe that it reacts upon and finally injures the cause of organized labor.

THE FRENCH WAY.

The way they do some things in France is an object lesson to Americans.

In fifty years the railroads of France will all become national property—many of them are the people's property now. In 1960 the French people will own every railroad in France, and the value to the people of that possession is beyond calculation. Nobody will be injured, for prices of shares have always been based upon gradual extinction of private ownership.

When the French people granted railroad and lighting franchises they so arranged matters that these valuable properties should come back to them after giving to individual energy reasonable reward.

The people will soon own them all. A vast wealth that will pour into the public treasury, cutting down taxation and making possible the system of old age pensions that the French have apparently decided to create.

Municipal ownership of public utilities continues to gain in foreign countries to the advantage of the people and the silencing of the demagogue.

PIUS X FOND OF NEWSPAPERS.

Sacramento Bee.
According to a dispatch from Rome, the pope is an enthusiastic reader of newspapers and formerly contributed many editorials to the Vicenza Verico, whose editor was a personal friend. His holiness is a busy man, but is said personally to read all the Roman newspapers. For the other Italian papers he has a secretary who reads and cuts out anything likely to interest him. Such attention to the press indicates strong interest in human affairs and the problems and events of everyday life. It gives any man, no matter how high or low, a greater enjoyment of life and a keener sympathy with humanity. Only those persons whose range is narrow and whose sympathies are contracted affect to despise the newspapers.

THE VIEW OF A VOCALIST.

Emma Eames.
Thanks to anaesthetics and antiseptics, more people can now be operated upon by surgeons for more alleged troubles than ever before. In no country in the world is a surgical operation looked upon as lightly as here. The first thing that is done nowadays is to resort to the knife on the slightest provocation, whereas, it should be resorted to only when unavoidable.

A TRAGEDY FORGOT.

New York World.
Capt. Van Schaick of the Gen. Slocum has begun to serve his sentence of 10 years in Sing Sing. A petition to President Roosevelt for the prisoner's pardon has been taken to Washington. Thus the sentiment of the present obliterates the memory of the past. Sixty-seven years of life count for more than one thousand eternities of death, sympathy for one unfortunate wife outweighs justice to hundreds of widowed and childless, a few tears of immediate misery quench the scorchings of forgotten flames, and a nearby sob deafens man's memories to the sounds of a thousand drownings. The fact that justice has sadly underreached herself in not stretching her arm further and higher than Capt. Van Schaick does not mean that she has overreached herself in claiming him for retribution.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS.

The March number of The North American Review opens with an important article by Baron von Speck-Sternburg in which the German ambassador announces "The Truth about German Expansion." George V. L. Moyer, Postmaster-General, pleads "For a Parole Post." Professor Simon Newcomb discusses the "Prospect of Aerial Navigation." Archibald R. Colquhoun gives "An Englishman's View of the Panama Canal." The Rev. Dr. R. P. Coyle, recently Moderator of the Presbyterian Church, examines "Some Conclusions of a Free-Thinker," which appeared in the Review last October. Sir William Crookes contributes an interesting article under the title "The Romance of the Diamond." Dr. Allan McLane Hamilton writes of "Psychopathic Rulers." George W. Perkins, the well-known financier, describes the place and function of "Corporations in Modern Business." Sidney Brooks contributes "The Literary Danger in the Colonies." By J. H. Coates; Lepelletier's "Paul Verlaine," by Christian Gauss. The department of World-Politics contains communications from London, St. Petersburg and Berlin—Franklin Square, New York.

A SERMONET FOR WORKERS

[By H. J. Hagood.]

College men are more in demand than twenty years ago. Business houses insist on their young men coming to them with a trained mind, and a university education is looked upon as original capital invested.

A senior in the academic department of a well known eastern college wrote his father last month for advice as to which of six offers of positions he would best accept after graduation. All the places are with good companies, offering excellent opportunities for advancement and paying at the start from \$12 to \$16 a week. They had all come to him unsolicited. "You lucky fellow," the father began his reply. "When I left college twenty years ago, I think I was every bit as capable as you—perhaps more so—but I had to hunt three months before I could find an employer who would take a chance on me at \$6 a week."

The senior is not a man of extraordinary ability nor is his case exceptional. Many men in his own class and at other institutions have even more opportunities open to them. The head of the employment department at one university prides himself on the fact that last year every member of the graduating class received at least six offers of employment and this year he is confident of beating this record. The truth is that the college graduate no longer has to force his way into the business as his father did or as did many young graduates even ten years ago. His value as an employee is now generally recognized and he is eagerly sought after by employers.

JUST FOR FUN.

Wisdom With Years.

He—Young girls always want to marry for love, but when they grow older they want to marry a man with money.

She—You're wrong. They don't grow older, they merely grow wiser.—St. Joseph (Mo.), Press-News.

More Than a Hint.

"John, I met a woman today I hadn't seen for five years."
"Did she know you?"
"Yes, she recognized me by my hat."
Then the silence became oppressive.—Kansas City Journal.

No Thanks.

"I broke a record today. Had the last word with a woman."
"Didn't think it possible. How'd it happen?"
"Why, I said to a woman in the car, 'Madam, have my seat.'—Philadelphia Ledger.

When Women Claim Age.

At two periods in life femininity declares itself to be older than it really is—before it has reached 15 and after it has reached 35.—Health.

No Other Course Open.

"Now," said the physician, "you will have to eat plain food and not stay out late at night."
"Yes," replied the patient, "that is what I have been thinking ever since you sent in your bill."—Catholic News.

Fate of the Naughty Fish.

Deacon (meeting a boy on Sunday morning carrying a string of fish)—Johnny, Johnny, do these belong to you?
Johnny—Yes, sir. You see, that's what they've got for chasing worms on Sunday.—Pick-Me-Up.

A Failure.

"Was your novel a success?"
"I'm afraid not, judged by modern standards," answered the woman who writes. "All my old friends continue to speak to me."—Washington Star.

A Natural Progression.

Lawyer—Mr. Dabble, at the time these papers were executed you were speculating were you not?
Mr. D.—Yes, sir.
Lawyer—You were in oil?
Mr. D.—I was.
Lawyer—And what are you in now?
Mr. D.—Bankruptcy.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

Willing to Buy.

"Haven't tasted liquor for 39 years."
"Well, sir, is that a boast or a hint?"—Washington Herald.

The Test.

Knickner—What makes a successful politician?
Bocker—The ability to tell a bandwagon from a hearse.—Judge.

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