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Oramittee (representing various organisa-tions) on behalf of the 12 LW.W. members who were recently sentenced to long terms of

who were recently sentenced to long terms of imprisonment:

Fellow Workers,—On December 2, 1916, Judge Pring sentenced 12 members of the organization known as the Industrial Workers of the World, to terms of imprisonment, ranging from five to fifteen years. Ceptaining throughout Australia whole-heartedly appland-

RELEASE AND DEFENCE COMMITTEE LITERATURE

The Defence and Release Committee The Defence and Release Committee are issuing leaflets and books dening with the bitter attacks upon the LWW.

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Following those we are printing.

News and Notes.

APPEAL

WHO WILL ASSIST? THE CAUSE IS A GOOD ONE

TWELVE MEMBERS OF THE ORGANISATION TO WHICH MOST READERS OF THIS PAPER BELONG AT PRESENT LIE IN JAIL; TWELVE MEMBERS OF THE CLASS TO WHICH WE ALL BELONG, THE WORKING

CONVICTED ACCORDING TO CAPITALIST LAW THEY HAVE BEEN, BUT AFTER A THAIL, WHICH MANY PEOPLE REGARD AS A FARCE. THAT THOSE WHO INCLINE TO THIS VIEW ARE NUMERICALLY STRONGER THAN AT THE TIME OF THEIR CONVICTION IS BORNE OUT BY THE HUGE ATTENDANCES AT PUBLIC MEETINGS OF PROTEST, AND THE MAGNIFICENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GIVEN BY UNDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, WHO ARE NOT MEMBERS OF THE ORGAN-

SATION.

YET, DESPITE THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GIVEN, MONEY IS
STULL REQUIRED TO CARRY ON THE FIGHT ON THEIR BEHALF, BECAUSE AN APPEAL HAS BEEN LODGED AGAINST THEIR COSVICTION,
AND THIS WILL MEAN A SUM OF MONEY ALONE THAT WILL RUN
INTO THREE FIGURES, AND NOT SMALL ONES AT THAT.

THEN, UNLESS THE CONVICTIONS ARE LEPHELD, A NEW THALL
WILL BE NECESSARY, AGAIN MEANING MONEY. NOW IT IS FOR
MONEY WE ARE APPEALING, MONEY WHICH WE WOULD CHARAINLY
RATHER SEE SPENT IN SOME OTHER DIRECTION, BUT WE ARE APPEALING.

THE CHOOSERS, WE ARE COSPECLED TO FIND THIS MONEY FOR THIS

PURPOSE THROUGH NO FAULT OF OUR OWN.

WHETHER THE MEN WILL ULTIMATELY REGAIN THEIR FREEDOM

MEANTIME WE ARE COMPELLED TO TAKE THE MATTER TO THE APPEAL COURT, AND, REFORE ANY OTHER ACTION CAN BE TAKEN, WILL PROBABLY HAVE TO FIND THE MONEY FOR A NEW TRIAL

THOSE WILLING TO ASSIST ARE. THEREFORE, REQUESTED TO SEND ALL CASH TO J. R. WILSON, BOX 98, HAYMARKET P.O., SYDNEY, ALSO TO JAKE ALL MONEY PAYABLE BY MONEY ORDER, OR POSTAL NOTE, AND TO REGISTER ALL LETTERS.

ALL MONEY RECEIVED WILL BE ACKNOWLEDGED FROM TIME TO TIME IN THE COLUMNS OF "DIRECT ACTION."

THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG.

Women and the I.W.W.

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Parliament and the I.W.W.

"If the I.W.W. was sufficiently strong to win seats in Parliament it would soon have at its bidding large bodies of willing aspir ants, ready to acknowledge its authority and to subscribe to its doctrines."

Just so! Apparently the "D.T." has found out something that the I.W.W. realized long ago, but the I.W.W. objects to becoming the dumping ground for fakers and frauds, and, therefore, no sign hangs out to entire these undersirables into the movement. We know from experience, long and bitter, that providing your consistence of the properties of the prope

sweet in getting enthusiastic recruits to a working class of each of the work which interests them.

The LW.W. is after quality not quantity, if our strength lay in our numbers then we should ofter parliamentary salaries freely to the workers and would easier freely to the workers and would enter long have at our command 90 per cent. of the people—including workers, union secretaries and bosses.

Welking by the tone of the "D.T.'s."

Melling by the tone of the "D.T.'s. and in the chance of a good, soft, push, financial job in Parliament.

Since we don't bother about the "big tony" that Captalism has made for us, the spokesmen of Plute and Co. wax sory and look upon us as dangerous sory and look upon us as dangerous struct society by the season of the tone of t

The Industrial Workers of the World exists for the purpose of educating and-organising the workers on the lines of modern industry; for we recognise that present unions to be out of dete, our present unions to be out of determined that a properly organised and canada laws.

Another and superior to any classical and the press, who distributed that the press of Parliament House.

During that quarter of a century the union movement has decayed, for the parliamentary organisation occupied the attention of the workers. The time has come when the mino house must be put in order; the LWW, is the organisation and that a going to do the reconstruction of the workers the PLL. LWW. In a continuation of the workers with PLL and the second when the mino house must be put in order; the LWW, is the organisation and the distribute of Parliamentary organisation excupied the treaths attending 25 years of industrial propaganda will have something of advantage to the working class.

The boss fears the result of such organisation and the "D.T." and Co. are straining every nerve to turn ought to be cause we will not yield we are a dangerous, criminal element who ought to be one.

use we will not yield we are a danger

Demand an Answer.

masters, lords and rulers in all lands, w will the future reckon with the man?

hour en the whirlwinds of rebellion shake the world?

v will it be with kingdoms and with kings?

With those who shape him in the thing

he is,
When the dumb terror shall reply to God
After the silence of the centuries?
EDWIN MARKHAM.

After the silence of the centuries?

EDWIN MARKHAM.

One may well ask the above questions, for we are living in a nad world at present, but the well ask the above questions, for we are living in a nad world at present, but the season of the

we have the might to enforce their opinions, and we have the might because of our Class Solidarity."

That is the answer the "boss" makes to the questions. You philosophers and sortimentalists may rave about chies and justice until Doomsday, but until adjustice until Doomsday, but until proceedings of the might to therefore the procession of the might of the might of the procession of the might of the procession of the might of the procession of the committee of the procession of the committee of society pression of the committee of society pression of the committee of the procession of the committee of society pression of the committee of the procession of the pr

ing the little liberty, that is left us, outside the prison walls, they are of too good material to be behind those walls; their organising abilities are too necessary to the working class movement, and the movement must suffer by their incar-

ceration.

So it is up to the workers, and all those who think there is still some dignity left to the worker, to stand on their "dig" and demand the liberation of their fight-

ers.

Let the boss know that you still be-lieve that "unity is strength," and that an injury to your class concerns you per-sonally. If it be a crime to preach a an injury to your class concerns you per-sonally. If it be a crime to preach a gospel that will strike the fetters of bon-dage from the limbs of suffering human-ity, then let'us all be criminals! JAMES POPE.

A Union Vision.

I was atting on the kerbstone waiting for a master to give me a job. I had waited a long while and at last fell into a trance. In this state I saw a vision. I was in a Union room; the room was full of workers, many of whom were boss's men bribed to act

The union had fined and consured one of the "charge hands" for remaining at work when his fellow unionists had decided to hold a "step work" meeting.

So staunch a unionist was the individual in

union. The strong point about many at the meeting was their desire and eagerness to show their harmony with and appreciation for the boss-the kind individual who daily disceed them, and yet britted them with a few extra hours' toil to condomn those agritators.

It was a glerious exhibition of fulsome harmony—the lion and the lambs lying side by side.

Then I saw the spectacle of a "bose" wor-shipper taking a subscription list round among the flock; the "boss" was to be presented with a gold medal, because of his enthusiastic

support of union! principles.

On looking closer I found that the collector was the same man that had scabbed on the stopwork meeting.

In the Dallot.

I stretched myself and reflected for a moment, then went away thinking how fortunate we are that no such situation could arise whilst we have our up-to-date strong unionism.

WYATT JONES.

Persecution.

The whole chain of events which led to the recent trial is—supposing the men for be guilty—only amender illustration of the familiar fact the trief. Illustration of the familiar fact the limit of the familiar fact fact familiar fact familiar fact familiar fact familiar fact familiar familia

shown his belief in it by acting upon shown his belief in it by acting upon at there and then. But in passing sentence on them he turned his brelt upon his own real faith to be the same as that which he had condemned the men in the dock for applying. His advice will sooner be for gotten than the principle he advocates so cloquently by his action. The most coloquently by his action. The most reddess members of the LWW. have this in common with their judges, either is the courts or the press or the pulpit, that they believe in the efficacy of violence in furthering a good cause. For the former, even if guilty, are no more to be confounded with common criminals that their judges are. They are not imprine in tintening a guilty, are no more to be confounded with common criminals that control the control of the contr

that policy provokes. REV. F. SINCLAIRE, in "Fellowship.

THE RED FLAG.

(By James Connell.)
The workers' flag is deepest red,
It shrouded oft, our martyred dead;
And ere their limbs grew stiff and cold
Their fire blood dyed its every fold.

Chorus.

Then raise the scarlet standard high Beneath its folds, we'll live and die, Though cowards flinch and traitors sneer, We'll keep the rad lag flaving have

Lock 'round the Frenchman loves its blaza.
The sturdy German chants its praise;
In Moscow's vaults, its hymns are sung.
Chicago swells its surging song.

It waved above our infant might When all ahead seemed dark as night; It witnessed many a deed and vow, We will not change its colour now.

It suits to-day, the meck and base Whose minds are fixed on pelf and place To cringe beneath the rich man's frown, And haul that sucred emblem down.

With heads uncovered, swear we all, To bear it onward till we fall; Come dungeons dark, or gallows grim, This song shall be our parting hymn!

THE TRIAL.

In solitude I spend the lagging hours;
Pain, suffering, and hunger are my lot;
Pain, weary pain, that ceases not,
And says releatiestly my mortal powers
Of fortitude. Temptation off recurs
To leave this arthous course; one thing delf
And that committee the strength that Gel
lampatrs so freely to fff teet that pled
The hard and narrow way of Christ's of
cause.

That strength enables me to firmer stand. Than ever in the cause of right; for laws of love 'gainst those of might. At His conuss \(\mu\) turn again unwounded to the strike. 'Gainst' war, for love; nay more, 'gainst deafor life.

H. E. STANTON, in the "Granite Echo

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The I.W.W. in W.A.

CONSPIRACY TRIALS.

The trials of the nine men charged with conspiracy commenced at Perth on the 7th December, 1916. How they were all found guilty and sentenced to two years' imprisonment, but released on their finding surties of \$25 ench to be of good behaviour for the two years is

their maning survey.

their maning survey of good behaviour for the two years is now history.

Below we ppend some interesting excepts for the trial, as reported by the Tay of the trial, as reported by the trial trial

efficiency.
You consider the present laws and conditions immoral!—Certainly they are

"The sab kitten sees better in the night time than in the day time?"—There may

to the control of the

spreading information regarding the LWW.

There is one "Go easy and see the bosses wear dungarees." That is a good one—A very good one. Laughter.)

Miller cross-examined Sawtell at length in order to make clear to the court their version of facts of the case on which stress was laid by the Crown, coat of arms behind the chair of the Judge). Do you observe the lion in the coat of arms—What do you hold to be the suggestive quality of the lion—It is the symbol of strength.

Exactly so. It symbolises strength and purity. What are the main attributes of the lion—Well, it is of the same trible as the cat: the sabe cat.

And the lion is chiefly the Great Britain. It is the Scottish lion you know.

Miller: I have a recollection of a perfect of the control of the same that the lion to Great Britain.

lion you know.
Miller: I have a recollection of a patriotic song about the British lion.
His Honor: Oh, a patriotic song. That is not the point. It is the lion of Scot-

miller: Very well, I will leave that point. Mick Sawtell, what is the black cat of sabotage?—I do not know where it comes from, but it symbolises strength

Then the kitten is the diminutive form of the embodiments of those qualities?

or the emponiments of those quanters—Yes.

This Hamor: If the sab kitten means going slow, then the sab kitten means going slow, then the sab kitten means going slow, then the same of the same slow of the same

workers' lives. Both classes practice con-tage.

Then you repudiate the contention that the destruction of life and property is included in the term sabotage!—Yes. There are, of course, extensiting circumstances when, to my mind, the workers of the content of the course of the course, the course of the cours

mean!—Merely a complete change in many ways.

These revolutions have been accomphilade without bloodshed or violence!—
There have been such revolutions, or changes, in philosophy, art, literature, architecture, and in many other fields.

You remember the Wagnerian revolution in munic!—Yes; they called Wasser und, as all reformers are deemed to

he.

And Oscar Wilde?—Yes. He was a revolutionist in aesthetics.

What do you mean signing yourself "Yours in revolt"?—That I am actually and actually engaged in carrying out new

ideas of social reconstruction.

What is force as we understand it?—
It is something to be controlled, like the
public means the controlled, like the
public means and be controlled, like the
public means and be comes force.
There is force of character, you know.
Shortly after 11.30 a.m. the case for
the defence was concluded. Mr. Walker
addressed the jury on behalf of all the
was in good form and traversed the field
of English history and literature in make
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Sawtell commenced a forceful address,
and defended the artitude of his fellow
work of the LWw. He said they were
seeking to after the existing state of affairs industrial and social, and unfail
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the LWW were not concerned in any
conspiracy. "You will remember, gentlemen, that all the witnesses for the
Crown admitted that the propaganda
work of the LWW. was all done in the
northing score was based on fear. People feared the I.W.W. because they did not understand it. As the wealth of the world got into fewer hands so the worlders of the world were compelled to organise with larger unions. Twenty years ago they were all many and such a strike taken place, and to protect the working taken place, and to protect the working class interests. He appealed to the jury to say whether he looked a criminal of the deep-dyed character he has been represented to be. "All his spare time in his life had been devoted to improving his mind and the condition of his class. It was ingrained in him, and he was compelled to do it. One would have thought that the conspirator he was represented blocks with such world with the conspirator he was represented. Diocks with such world with the construction of the classies, with such world with the constitution of the classies, with such world with the constitution of the classies, with such world with the classies, in his swag. One great writer had said, "I will judge the man by the books he reads." Gentlemen, continued, Savtell. I am content to be judged by the books I read. He, by his action, showed that he was only too conscious of his clause in the was only too conscious of his clause in the was only too conscious of his clause in the was only too conscious of his clause in the world with the was only too conscious of his clause in the was only too conscious of his clause in the was only too conscious of his clause in the was only too conscious of his clause in the was only too conscious of his clause in the was only too conscious of his clause in the was only too conscious of his clause in the was only too conscious of his clause in the was only too conscious of his clause in the was only too conscious of his clause in the was only too conscious of his clause in the was only too conscious of his clause in the was only too conscious of his clause in the was only too conscious of his clause in the was only too conscious of his clause in the was only too conscious of his c

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Under the new Railways Amendment Act, which came into operation on the lat inst, the railway slaves have been granted therel concessions.

The new Act provides that where a railway servant has been employed for 20 or more years he will be entitled to a month's believe on full pay.

Just thick of a reward for 20 years and the control of faithful slavery and crawling—and scabbing if required!

No chance of organising those men now! They've been years and years fighting for that ideal, so it is alleged. Fancy fighting years and years for an ideal like that! Twill be about a million years before the railway servants—whatever they are—will have an ideal approaching social enancipation!

Direct Action in Pastoral Industry

The shearers' strike committee of the A.W.U. held a meeting on the 29th December last, at which they decided to still use direct action as a means of the conditions of the purpose of winning further demands.

It was also the purpose of winning further demands.

It was also the workers in the pastoral interest of signing agreements. Signing agreements of the workers in the pastoral that the shearing contractor thrived. The decision to sign no agreements in the future will be the key to intelligent action towards improved conditions for the workers in the pastoral industry.

The squatter with rough sheep, had machinery and hut accommodation could not get his sheep shorn at current rates until the introduction of agreements, for where he shore them privately few men signed on before the day of roll call. Those who turned up at the roll call demanded increased rates where the sheep theory but under the agreements or contract systems the squatter found a way of the months of the contractor who signs men on in the city often months sheat. These men known other conditions about that partial shed. Few ask any questions with the whole of the sheep, the huts, etc., are the best in that district.

Satisfied with this table the poor duped shearing slave signs his death warners.

trict.
Satisfied with this tale the poor duped shearing slave signs his death warrant; from it there is no escape, for even though be afterwards finds out that the conditions are bad he cannot withdraw.

Should be the man 4, the sheaf good.

conditions are bad he gamed withdraw. Should he turn up to the shed and then refuse to start he will be fined heav-ily, and should he fail to turn up at the date of roll call he can be fined for that also. The agreement has been made for one season only, but that is sufficient to suit the purpose of the squatter and the contractor, since a fresh set of men can be duped into signing up for the mext season.

he duped into signing up for the next sensors.

The big contractors are purposely out to destroy organised labor. The Federal Shearing Co. is a federation of expitalist organisations and cliques. In almost every shed where this company runs the when the same sheds above purposed to the show, there are less shed-hands than the same sheds above part of the show, there are less shed-hands than the same sheds above part of the shearers were get and 30%, per hundred for which were taken over by a contractor, and the consequence was that shearers, who had never shorn there before and perhaps knew nothing of the advanced rates, signed on at 24%, per hundred, thus cutting the rate down by 6% per hundred.

dred.

A resolution from one shed was as
A resolution from one shed was as
A resolved that this shed
be condemned as we have to sleep in a

follows: "It is resolved that this shed be condenned as we have to sleep in a stable."

Undoubtedly this state of affairs was brought about through the practice of signing ascenerate, for had these men would not have started while the accommodation had been fixed up or they were given substantial compensation for suffering such inconvenience—if such a mild word is pardonable.

I will explain later on how the strike committee, if they wish, may remedy inferior hut accommodation how the strike forior hut accommodation and suggestions re not a strike committee, if they wish, may remedy inferior hut accommodation and suggestions re not not be sufficiently as the sufficient of the sufficient in the sufficient of a century, but the accommodations is in many cases as bad as ever, even though there has been a law on the Statute Book, dealing with the question, fevers. Since this law on the Statute Book, dealing with the question, fevers, since this law on the Statute Book, dealing with the question, fevers, since this law have been pourties in the sufficient of the

of official, of press and of plute's opposi-tion. You have decided to use it again this season to gain further ground; it is through direct action, and direct ac-tion alone, that improved hut accommo-dation will be won. Next season you will turn up at the sheds as free men, therefore before agree-ing with the boss, either verbally or otherwise, inspect the huts, the machin-ery, the shed and the sheep for your-selves.

cry, the shed and the sheep for yoursolves we have a considered to the sheep for yoursolves and the sheep for yoursolves we have a considered to the sheep for youring the sheep for yourthe sheep for yoursolves are not far enough apart make
shillings per week per man; if the machines are not far enough apart make
a charge on this also. Badly or inconveniculty swung pen gates, had sanitary
arrangements, both rooms and bath tube
stee, may all be dealt with in the same
manner, and you will force the boss to
attend to them immediately.

By charging him a substantial sum
per week you will set him thinking; a
punch in the pocket book is a good cure
for a bad memory, especially where a
squatter is concerned, and you can bet
your life he'll have decent huts, etc.,
creeted before the next shearing.

In short, by refusing to sign agreements you hold the squatter in the hollow of your hand.

"Hereditary bondsmen! know ye not,
who would be free, themselves must strike
the blow?

By their right arms the conquest must
be wromath."

By their right arms the conquest must wrought !"

ARTHUR GRAHAM.

MR. DOOLEY ON LIBERTY.

It takes vice to hunt vice. That ac-

No matther whether the Constitution follows th' flag or not, th' Supreme Coort follows the illetion returns.

Laws are made to throuble people, and th' more throuble they make th' longer they stay on the stachoo books.

Th' pope, imprors, kings, an' women haven't th' right to make laws, but they have th' privilege iv breaking thim, which is betther.

Di-plomacy has become a philanthropic persont like shopkeepin', but polities, me lords, is still the same of spoort iv high-way robbery.

Why is it that the fair seet wudden't be seen talking to a polisman, but if ye say "sojer" to thim, they're all out iv the window but the feet?

EMANCIPATED.

Stated by the press that Harry Hoyle, ex-Minister for Railways, is to take a round-the-world they have been as the state of the state o

NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS

Others' Views.

me the charges levelled against accused LW.W. men alleged conspir-part of the police. Of course, Mr. ag could not accept that allegation, is significant to note that it was himself who once intimated in the use that he would not trust the

Economics.

As many young and new members of As many young and new memors of the organisation are auxious to under-take the study of Economies, we propose to reproduce week by week a chapter on the subject, from Mary E. Mary's splen-did little booklet "Shop Talks on Econo-

A study of these lessons will not, of course, make the reader a therough Marx-ian. Beonomist. "The lessons are," as Mary Marcy says, "only an attempt to say in the language of working men and women, the things Marx says in his books."

To become a sound economist will absorb months or, maybe, years of close application to Marx's three vols. of "Capital."

Consequently the lessons here reproduced must be taken as elementary.

SHOP TALKS ON ECONOMICS. (Mary E. Marcy.)

What You Sell to the Boss.

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If you are a working man or womân, no matter what you do in the shop or factory, or mine, you know that there are two kinds of power used in the plant—human, or labor power, and steam, or water (or perhaps—gas explosion) nower.

—human, or hoor power,
water (or perhaps—gas explosion)
power.

The owner of a new barrel mill decided it would be cheaper to have some
company furnish power to run his mill
than to install a power plant himself, so
company furnish power to run his mill
than to install a power plant himself, so
the company furnish the city.

The first man cane from the company
that offered to run the mehines in the
mill by steam power; the second came
from a firm which wanted to sell him a
gasoline engine to furnish the power by
the explosions of gas, while the third
came from a great water-power
to run the mill machinery at a lower
pirce than the others asked. Of course,
he cented the contract.

The man offered to supply power
to run the mill machinery at a lower
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he cented the contract.

More than the others asked. Of course,
he cented the contract.

The hand logs (or raw material) ready to
start or; he had machinery and power to
start or; he had machinery and power,
more was needed to start the plant runming and to produce staves and hoops
for barrels. This was the commodity
which you workers supply. It is human
power, human labor-power,
machines, run by steam, or water-power,
machines, run by stea

And you sold him your labor-power, Just as a stockman sells horses or a baker sells bread. You went to the boss with something to sell. He was in the market to buy human labor-power, and if your price was low you probably got a job. Some of us work many years before we realize the

Some of us work many years before we realise that even wage workers have one commodity to sell. As long as we are able to work we like the base that year of our labor-power. We used to have no other many and women who have no other many and women who have no other many and women who have no other many and women to live. A commodify a something that satisfies some himself that the power of the many as the many as the many of the many and the many as women for some of the many of the many and the many as women for horself is not a commodity. A dress commodity. It is not made for use, but for sale.

ic, p are commodities, as are shoes, gloves, bread, steam-power and sower, when sold by one man to r. And your strength to make your human laboring-power (or, x says, your labor-power) is also mandity when sold to an employer one.

their prices whenever they can. And when you strike the boss for a job, you ask him as high a price for your labor-power as you think you can get. High prices for labor-power is what wage.workers want. Low prices for labor-power is what your employer wants.

labor-power is what your employer wants.

Your interests identical?

What happens when there are ten men competing to sell their labor-power? Who get to jeb?

What happens when there are several jobs and only one worker? Will he receive higher or lower wages?

When workingmen are searce and manufacturers are forced to pay a high price for labor-power (high wages) in a certain locality, does the scarcity of workers last long? If not, why not?

When men are hunting jobs towards which cities do they go? Why?

Does supply and demand have anything to do with the price at which you are able to sell your labor-power?

Why is the steel trust putting up in fity million dollar plant in China? Will they be able to make more profits manufacturing steel there than in America?

Why?

Why do Chinese workmen come to

Why?
Why do Chinese workmen come to
America to sell their labor-power?
Karl Marx talks much of commodities
—their value and their price, and in
order to understand his teachings, we
must know first of all that we are sellers
of a commodity called labor-power.
In the next lesson we shall take up the
question of what determines the value
of your labor-power and the value of all
ether commodities.

THEY WON'T STICK!

THEY WON'T STICK!

I have often heard the above voiced by many a worker, who, having the feeling of revolt stirred within him by commic conditions, is appalled at the task confronting the worker in his march tawards industrial emaigration. Unwise to the commic conditions, is appalled at the task confronting the worker in his march tawards industrial emaigration. Unwise to the commic the consolidation of the various phases of our social structure, they excuse their own apathy by condemning the efforts of others.

But, "Mr. They Won't Stick," there are twenty-one of our fellow-workers lying in the gaols of capitalism, because of their sticking to their own and your class interests; because at all times, to the best of their ability, they preached the best of their ability they preached tweethers of their ability of their ability. They have been supported to the best of their ability of the preached the second their ability of the preached the second their ability of their ability of the preached these working class salvation.

How does that strike you "Mr. They Won't Stick!"

How does that strike you are beyon won't Stick! I' You might not have understood these mean, but the master-class did, and it is mean, but the master-class did, and it is in fear that their teaching may show you clasped them behind the bars. The master class know full well that the workers stick with grind etermination when they are wise to their interests. And also, brother in slavery, by mouthing also, brother in slavery, by mouthing the mouthing and that you desire it, but if you cause your apath by such a fallney, it is evident you realist and that you desire it, but if you cause your apath by such a fallney, it is evident your desires will never be accomplished.

Never mind about the other fellow, Mever mind about the other fellow,

complished.

Never mind about the other fellow,
it's up to you. The men in gool have
stick to the last, thousands of others
are sticking and now, brother, it's up to
you.

—PETE.

THE LIBRARY.

Fellow-workers,—The library is one of those acquisitions which is absolutely necessary to the sound education of members of the LW.W.

Members will realise with me that it is necessary for all of us to gain as much knowledge as is possible, and books give us a chance to look back on the past, and thereby understand the present and possibly see the future more clearly.

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Being one of those individuals who has a great lave for books I was desirable to find, when looking through the bookseth and when looking through the bookseth and when looking through the bookseth and the see third of the values are missing. Full sale's monumental work "The Mysteries of the People's has been brutally dealt with, enjayed the volumes remaining on the shelves, and had the volumes remaining to the shelves, and had the volumes remaining on the shelves, and had the working the shelp of the shelp of the shelp of the working the shelp of the shel

to remedy their greenances by bringing a four-bour day.

Bidders are mostly looked upon as a arrogant idots, and no doubt they have much to warrant it, but they are not all, their vote on the concription issue a that, and shows that they are waking an I think I am in a very fertile spet for concious education, and will do my be keep the Red Flag flying—Yours, etc.,

BUSINESS LOGIC

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The proprieter of a small subarban on basiness, who generally enter (f) short as weak clear profit, recently fail to his term on his own delivery earl between the who had been employed grew threat and inclined for a holiday.

For a week or as the gangley stuck to the on his own earl, but was, as he admitted to the sown early, but was, as he admitted to sleep at night. The work was calculated after the day's work that he unable to sleep at night. The work was adventised. A young man unations to exist the the ask his labor power answered the call. Every his label prover answered the call. Every his label prover answered the call.

wages.

The business spirit of the grocer now activities and the declared that he was think of the same and the fall wage. As the work wasn't hought a boy about 16 years of age want him plendidly.

The grocer still draws his £10 a week

STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES.

The working class and the employing chave nothing in common. There can be peace so long as hunger and want are for among millions of working people, and I few who make up the employing class-sail the good things of life.

Between these two classes a struggle murgo until the worker of the world organism a class, take possession of the earth at the machinery of production; and abolish 0 wages system.

wage system.

We find that the contring of the manament of industries into fewer and fewer has makes the trade unions unable to cope with the ever-growing power of the employing classics. the ever-growing power of the employing das The trade uniona foster a state of addi-which allows one set of workers to be pitt against another set of workers in the sau industry, thereby helping to defeat one at unions add the employing class to mislead the workers into the belief that the working dish have inturests in common with their es-lowers.

Oyers.

These conditions can be changed and the creats of the working class upheld only by rganisation formed in such a way that all nembers in any one industry, or in all incomes in any one industry, or in all incomes in the condition of the c

of production must be organised not only the every-day struggle with capitalists, also to carry on production when capital shall have been overthrown. By organia By organis

SYDNEY LOCAL.

Meetings, &c.

Street Propaganda at Bathurst and Liverpool Streets every Friday and Sal-urday Evenings, at 8 p.m.; also Sunday Evening, at 7.

Meetings in Hall:

Sunday, 8 p.m.—Propaganda.
Wednesday, 8 p.m.—Economic Class
Thursday, 8 p.m.—Business Meeting.
Saturday Evening.—Speakers' Class

WANTED