

pathy the work of our brothers elsewhere who are engaged in spreading the truths of "Progress and Poverty", and shall always "rejoice with them that do rejoice and weep with them that weep."

Registration closed last night with something less than 19,000 names on the list in Providence, which according to the *Providence Journal* of this morning leaves 12,000 who failed to qualify. The registration this year falls 1,050 behind that of 1904, the last presidential year, and doubtless the population has increased many thousands during these four years. During the five year period, 1900—1905, the increase was 23,000 or 13 per centum.

This shows a woful degree of apathy on the part of the electorate, which nothing but a clear conception of their rights as members of the human family can remove. Nothing exists, so well adapted to give a clear conception of those rights as a knowledge of the Single Tax philosophy. In trying to extend this knowledge we need all the help we can get, and we shall be very glad of the assistance of any Single Taxers who may find it convenient and agreeable to spend a part or all of their vacation season in this vicinity. They will, if they come here, be able to judge for themselves of the value of the opportunity afforded to secure that object lesson which will lead to the restoring to every one everywhere his equal right to the use of the earth.

GEORGE D. LIDDELL.

PROVIDENCE, R. I.

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#### FROM EX-GOVERNOR GARVIN.

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The campaign begun in Rhode Island by the American Single Tax League is progressing. The bill before the legislature, providing that any town or city might apply the Single Tax, failed of passage. This did not surprise us here, because, of the numerous important reforms effected in this State, not one was enacted without the support of a wide and aggressive public sentiment.

The attempt, however, to secure complete local option in taxation has been of great value, because of the endorsement

it received from leading men of the State. Since the adjournment of the legislature the R. I. Tax Reform Association has been endeavoring to bring to the attention of the public the merits of the Single Tax. That our campaign has not produced more noise in the world is due to the fact that we have been badly handicapped for funds. The dull times so affected contributions that we cannot offer to pay the expenses of visiting Single Taxers, not even the two dollars required to bring the speaker from Boston. And thus far, since Mr. Stephens was here in March, we have been obliged to depend upon local talent.

Every Sunday the two great daily papers of Providence have contained letters dealing with some phase of the Single Tax. On three Sunday evenings discussions have been held at headquarters.

Labor and business organizations have been addressed, but our chief efforts have been given to open air meetings.

Cathedral Square, Providence, was fixed upon as the best location for such meetings. It lies west of the centre of the city at the junction of the two principal streets. Beginning early in June these meetings have gone on every night. For several weeks, although good audiences would gather, the hearers seemed unresponsive. Invitations extended to the crowd to ask questions went unheeded, except now and then by a socialist. But before the end of June all this has changed. The attendance is larger, much more alertness is shown, and searching questions are the rule. "What is the Single Tax?" "How long has the Single Tax been known?" "What can we do about it?" "Why can't we have a headquarters?" and like earnest inquiries.

The result has vindicated the plan adopted of holding the meetings continuously in one spot rather than peripatetically. Without abandoning this location, we have in mind to occupy at once another site, which will accommodate residents of the east side.

The field is ripe to the harvest. Billy Radcliff could do an immense work here. Unlike Oregon, Rhode Island has no extensive rural sections difficult to reach.

But propaganda work of every kind, which calls for any expenditure, is at a

stand still. We are trying to make bricks without straw. If Single Taxers who cannot afford large contributions would each send one dollar a month to Mr. George D. Liddell, 61 Meeting Street, Providence, R. I. the total would be sufficient for an effective campaign. Every contribution will be acknowledged at once, and the "Bulletins" issued by the R. I. Tax Reform Association, of which Mr. Liddell is the secretary, will be forwarded to each contributor.

Some steps have been taken towards addressing the crowds at the shore resorts. For this purpose speakers from without the State are especially desirable.

LUCIUS F. C. GARVIN.

LONSDALE, R. I.,

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#### SEATTLE SINGLE TAXERS TO CELEBRATE HENRY GEORGE'S BIRTHDAY.

Seattle Single Taxers are making arrangements to celebrate the birthday of Henry George, on September 2nd next, with a dinner at the Y. M. C. A. of that city. Single Taxers from a distance who expect to be in Seattle on that date are requested to communicate with Frank S Southard, Secretary of the Committee on Arrangements, whose address is Room 55, Haller Building, Seattle, Washington. On the occasion of this celebration Edward S. J. McAllister, of Portland, Ore., will be one of the speakers.

The Committee desires to reach any Single Taxers who may be in Seattle at this time.

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#### RESOLUTION OF THE WOMEN'S HENRY GEORGE LEAGUE.

At the annual meeting of the Women's Henry George League, which took place last month, a committee was appointed to frame resolutions to be presented to the Board of Education. The resolutions are appended hereto:—

Whereas, appeals have been made to

charitable people for funds to feed children attending the public schools who are suffering for food, and an effort is being made to induce the school Board to supply free meals; and

Whereas, government alms should not be substituted for parental care, nor children supported out of the taxes, which are in the end paid by the workers; and

Whereas, the only help that does not degrade is that which leads to self-help; and

Whereas, there are 326,000 dark rooms in New York in violation of the tenement house laws, and miles of sidewalks before vacant lots not paved as the law requires; therefore

Resolved, that while the Women's Henry George League heartily approves of supplying the immediate needs of the children by private enterprise, the League protests against the Board of Education doing this work, which is a step towards State Socialism, and urges instead that the tenement house and sidewalk laws be enforced so that the unemployed may find employment, and support their own families.

E. M. M. Frye, Chairman.

Lucy A. Yendes.

Amy Mali Hicks.

For the Women's Henry George League.

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WHILE you are considering the question of campaign literature suppose you pick up that old classic on the tariff question—Henry George's "Protection and Free Trade." Read it!—New Haven (Conn.) *Union*.

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THERE is no other class division than that of the privileged and the unprivileged, and the war is not between these two classes, but between privilege and justice, and in this war men will divide not according to class, for among the soldiers of justice will be found many of the privileged and among those who fight for the maintenance of privilege will be those who neither possess it nor profit by it.

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ALL wars for human freedom are long campaigns.