

son of a Welsh peasant, but during every phase of this controversy his superiority in temper and manners to the gentlemen of England has been not less conspicuous than his advantage in brains.

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THE COMING DAY.

For The Public.

Yes, the world is growing better,
 Better with each passing day—
 Clouds of darkness growing brighter,
 Clouds of hatred growing lighter;
 Greed and jealousy will vanish,
 Love and kindness surely banish
 Every lurid ray!

For the world is growing wiser,
 Wiser with each passing day—
 Learning that each man's a brother;
 Learning, when to one another
 Sympathy and help are given,
 Man is making earth a heaven,
 Glimpsing now the way!

Eyes that see, now greet the dawning;
 Ears that list, now hear the morning
 Call, "What cheer? What cheer?"
 While from every clime, glad voices
 Answer, 'till each heart rejoices,
 Banishing all fear:
 "False foundations now are shaken;
 Soon a sleeping world will waken;
 The promised Day draws near.
 Good cheer, good cheer!"

SARAH MARTYN WRIGHT.

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THE BRITISH REVOLUTION.

Augustine Birrell, of the British Ministry, at Bristol,
 England. From the Boston American
 of July 24.

The budget may be a revolution, as Lord Roseberry and his friends declare, but it will be a glorious revolution.

When I first entered Parliament, in 1889, our national budget called for eighty-nine million pounds. Today we need a budget of one hundred and fifty to one hundred and sixty million pounds. Those are present here who will live to see a two hundred million budget. The people of this country have just got to make up their minds, rich and poor, that in order to maintain this great empire, in order to provide for the poor, in order to preserve ourselves from attack, they will have to make sacrifices and to feel the pinch of taxation.

Had the proper land tax been imposed one hundred years ago, heaven only knows how rich we should have been today. However, that money has gone. But for the future we will value the

land at its present value and hereafter if it should be shown on death or on transfer that the value of that land had increased, not in consequence of labor or material expended or of drainage or of other improvement as the result of expenditure, but simply and solely because it bordered on a town full of industrious people, all heavily taxed, we say it is not too much to demand for the safety of the country, for its defense against foreign invasion, that those people be asked to contribute some proportion of that accrued wealth, for which they did not labor, to the necessities of the state.

I say further, that no speaker among our opponents can stand before any audience in this country, unless it be composed of great landlords, and deny that this tax on unearned increment is a fair tax.

The government is determined to go on. It means to see this thing through. We will not speculate upon what may happen in the House of Lords. That body possesses in a marked degree the instinct of self-preservation, and I do not think it will rashly thwart the desire of the people to raise the money necessary for the conduct of the affairs of the country.

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A MESSAGE TO ENGLAND.

Address of Hon. Wm. H. Berry, Ex-Treasurer of the
 State of Pennsylvania, at a Meeting Called in
 Philadelphia, August 1, 1909, to Con-
 gratulate the British People on
 Their Budget Fight.

Gentlemen of Philadelphia, Fellow-Citizens of this Republic, and Brethren in the Fellowship of Man: I greet you on this occasion, and join you heartily in the purpose of this meeting. It is more than fitting—it is a matter of course—that here under the shadow of Independence Hall and within the sound of the Liberty Bell—in the very cradle that guarded the infancy of this mighty nation—an assembly of her citizens should send a greeting to the men and women of England in commemoration of the greatest step toward the establishment of justice and the guarantee of human rights that has been taken in a hundred years.

To those who have given the subject careful thought, the monopolization of natural resources, the common heritage of man, and the diversion of values created solely by the community into the coffers of individuals, enabling them to amass enormous fortunes and to lay a tribute perpetual and upon generations yet unborn, is a question of the deepest concern.

In this country land has been so relatively abundant that the evil of its monopolization by individuals has escaped general attention; but the prophetic soul of Henry George, a native of this city, saw the growing evil, and with matchless