

haps. But other cities have slums. Commissions have investigated, reported, had laws passed, houses demolished, even a few alleys wiped out—and rents have risen 15 and 20 per cent! A cat is roaming at large in the alleys of Washington. Mr. Weller quotes that “a dwelling house policy is essentially a land policy”; speaks of the opinions of Benjamin C. Marsh about congestion of population and closes one paragraph thus:

The settled and proper respect which all Americans have for private property and for the protection of every citizen in the enjoyment of the products of his labor, does not entail any veneration for the protection of private land values which the holder has done nothing to create. Without subscribing to the “Single Tax” theory or any other general philosophy, it must be obvious to every one that land values in a city are mainly created by society itself. It is inevitable that society will grow more and more to demand for all the people an increasing share of these values which the people have produced.

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**GUARDING THE CHILD'S HEALTH**

*The Health Index of Children.* By Ernest Bryant Hoag. Published by Whitaker & Ray-Wiggin Co., San Francisco, 1910. Price, 80 cents.

The object of this little handbook—written by the medical director of schools in Berkeley, California—is to instruct parents and teachers how to co-operate intelligently with school health officers in keeping the children well. Part I contains eight chapters of simple description of the child's possible defects and diseases, with their early symptoms. The pages about defective teeth are most startling. Dr. Hoag finds conditions appalling and results disastrous. Part II adds a few chapters on methods for physical examinations, administrative measures, and the like. Parents and teachers would do well to read and keep the book for reference despite the lack of index.

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**BOOKS RECEIVED**

—*The Fourth Physician.* By Montgomery Pickett. Published by A. C. McClurg & Co., Chicago. 1911.

—*Pay-Day.* By C. Hanford Henderson. Published by Houghton, Mifflin Co., Boston. 1911. Price, \$1.50 net.

—*Problems in Railway Regulation.* By Henry S. Haines. Published by the Macmillan Co., New York. 1911. Price, \$1.75 net.

—*My Attainment of the Pole.* By Frederick A. Cook. Published by the Polar Publishing Co., Cambridge Bldg., New York. 1911.

—*History and Organization of Criminal Statistics in the United States.* By Louis Newton Robinson.

Published by Houghton, Mifflin Co., Boston and New York. 1911. Price, \$1.00 net.

—*Essential Elements of Business Character.* By Herbert G. Stockwell. Published by Fleming H. Revell Co., Chicago. 1911. Price, 60 cents net.

**PAMPHLETS**

**Danish Land Values Pamphlet.**

“*Jordskyld Reformen i Udlandet*” (Land-Values-Due Reform in Foreign Countries), by P. Larsen, is published by the Committee for Land Values Taxation in Copenhagen, 1911. The author is a well-known Danish Singletaxer, who in highly intelligent and comprehensive manner describes the progress in the practical introduction of Land Values Taxation in the United States, Canada, England, Germany, Kiautschow in China, New Zealand, South Australia, Victoria, Queensland and New South Wales. The word “*Jordskyld*”—“Land due”—has a significance worth special notice. It was introduced some years ago into Danish single tax literature by Mr. Sophus Berthelsen, editor of “*Ret*,” known to Singletaxers the world over. The word is an attempt to overcome the rather general idea that the Single Tax is just a mere taxation measure, by substituting “due” for “tax,” thereby implying that the appropriation of the rental values of land by society is not at all a tax burden, confiscating property produced by labor, but rather a value due society because produced by its presence and activities, and that in taking it society thus simply takes its own.

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**Pamphlets Received.**

Among the pamphlets recently received are the following:

*Taxation of Land Values in American Cities. The Next Step in Exterminating Poverty.* By Benjamin C. Marsh. Published by the Author, 320 Broadway, New York City, 1911.

*Socialistic Tenets. A Criticism.* By John Smith, 1911. Department of Landscape Architecture, 1911-1912. Official Register of Harvard University. Published by Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.

*Administration of the Office of Recorder of Cook County, Illinois.* Report prepared for the Judges of the Circuit Court by the Chicago Bureau of Public Efficiency. September, 1911.

**PERIODICALS**

**From Swedes in America.**

The August number of *Budkavlen*, of Stockholm, Sweden, contains excerpts from two letters to the editor from Swedes who had emigrated to the United States. To both of them the editor had sent the question: “What can be done by legislation to stop emigration?” Both answers are in the main pretty much alike. Says the one: “The chief economic reforms which are necessary are the abolishment of the tariff, and a new foundation for the fiscal system which would leave the individual's wealth in