

peace-education, Zona Gale's "Woman in the Room," Bliss Carmen's truth-keepers, Maud Thornhill Porter's biography of an extraordinary canary bird, and Ida M. Tarbell's open-house observations, all contribute to an appetizing and well-balanced magazine banquet.



### The Spanish Singletaxer.

The August number of *El Impuesto Unico* opens with a translation of an address given by Henry George at "The International Congress for Agrarian and Social Reforms" at Paris in June, 1889. Mr. Baldomero Argente gives an able analysis of the universal high cost of living, in which the holding idle of productive land is named as the chief factor in boosting prices. Mr. José Capitan charges that the Canalejas Ministry has failed to give Spain any economic relief for the reason that it has adopted the almost universal method of ignoring underlying causes and merely temporizing with effects. No gain, he argues, can be expected until land monopoly is broken up. Mr. M. Gracia Oro comments on the attitude of the "New Regime," a Madrid publication, which in its issue of May 30 comes out strongly in favor of the Henry George land value tax. To the foreign news column, Argentina furnishes interesting items. In their 23rd Congress Senator Lainez pleads for the application of a land tax that has been held up for two years by the large land owners. And one of the leading daily papers of Buenos Aires, "El Diario," on June 24 editorially advocated the adoption of the Singletax as a remedy for the high cost of living. "The Standard," of Buenos Aires, prints paragraphs from President Saenz Peña's message to Parliament.\* It might be mentioned here that the President of the Republic of Uruguay is also a Singletaxer.

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\*See Public of August 2, page 742.



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