

one State was worked last year. If you live in other States, this book may prove suggestive of how your own legislature is worked. And please note that the "representative" system usually is worked. It seldom works—not as a representative of public interests. As Mr. Haines has made it his business for several years to keep tab on the Minnesota legislature, and with a tab system as effective as it is unique, his book is one of the most useful in all the literature of efforts at compelling honest representation.

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A SINGLE TAX STORY IN SPANISH.

Del Modo de Hacerse Rico sin Trabajar. Por Eduardo Homer Bailey. Traducida por Antonio Albendin. Precio, 25 centimos. Ronda (Spain), Imprenta Rondena, Plaza del Ayuntamiento. 1911.

All who have read Edward Homer Bailey's admirable little story entitled "How to Get Rich Without Working,"* first published in 1897 in an edition of 10,000, will be glad to know that it has been translated into Spanish by Antonio Albendin, an agricultural engineer whose name is well known to readers of *The Public*. The translator has furnished an introduction in which the doctrines of Henry George, whereof the story is an illustration, are related to the financial reforms of the British Chancellor of the Exchequer, David Lloyd George. In an appendix Mr. Albendin invites his readers to join the Spanish League for the Singletax (*Liga Espanola para el Impuesto Unico*), explains briefly the theory of the Singletax, and tells what has already been done in other countries to bring the theory into practical realization. This excellent little book is sold at "25 centimos" (5 cents) by the publishers, Imprenta Rondena, Plaza del Ayuntamiento, Ronda, Spain. The publishers announce in preparation "The Modern Physiocrats," an extract from Henry George's "Science of Political Economy."

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*Sold by the book department of *The Public*, for five cents, postage prepaid.

BOOKS RECEIVED

—Political History of New York State During the Period of the Civil War. By Sidney David Brummer. *Studies in History, Economics and Public Law.* Whole Number 103. Published by Columbia University, Longmans, Green & Co., Agents, New York. 1911. Price, \$3.00.

—A Survey of Constitutional Development in China. By Hawking L. Yen. *Studies in History, Economics and Public Law.* Whole Number 104. Published by Columbia University, Longmans, Green & Co., Agents, New York. 1911. Price, \$1.00.

—Collections of the Illinois State Historical Library. Volume III. Lincoln Series, Volume I, The

Lincoln-Douglas Debates of 1858. Edited with introduction and notes by Edwin Erle Sparks. Published by the trustees of the Illinois State Historical Library, Springfield, Ill., 1908. (The Secretary of State is obliged to announce that because of the limited number published, this volume is not for general distribution.)

PAMPHLETS

Los Angeles Playgrounds.

Recreation centers for children and adults have become a much appreciated part of life in Los Angeles. The report of the Playground Commission from December 1, 1908, to June 30, 1910—text, pictures, ground plans, programs, financial statements and all—lends its evidence to the truths in the "Constructive Creed" of the Playground Association of America. The habit of playing together promotes health, home and democracy.

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Labor Legislation.

The second quarterly issue of the American Labor Legislation Review (1 Madison Ave., New York) is a thorough compilation of the State laws now in force for "Comfort, Health and Safety in Factories." The States are listed in alphabetical order, comparisons are made systematically by columns, these hundred pages offering to the investigator complete information in very useful form. Brief and authoritative topical criticism of these laws closes with an essay by John and Irene Andrews on "Scientific Standards in Labor Legislation," a plea for "laws so formulated as to be readily enforced." And, strange experience for the Illinoisan, he finds his State's "new Labor Code," "in the front rank of the most progressive."

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Pamphlets Received.

Among the pamphlets recently received are the following:

The Lorimer "Jack Pot" Exposure: The Youth Who Made It and His Crucifixion. By William Prentiss. Chicago, June, 1911.

Electrolysis of Water Pipes in the City of Chicago. Report Prepared by the Chicago Bureau of Public Efficiency, 900 Masonic Temple, Chicago. July, 1911.

The Use and Abuse of Things. Straggling Thoughts on Human Struggles. By Daniel W. Martin. Published by the Author, 2132 Beverly Road, Flatbush, N. Y. July, 1911.

Savings and Annuity Plan Proposed for Retirement of Superannuated Civil-Service Employees. By Herbert D. Brown. Presented by Mr. Cummins, January 10, 1911. Senaté Document 745. Washington, D. C. 1911.

Report of the New York City Commission on Congestion of Population. Transmitted to the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen, February 28, 1911. Printed by the Lecouver Press Co., 51 Vesey St., New York.

Report submitted by Mr. Underwood, from the Committee on Ways and Means on the Bill H. R. 12812 To Reduce the Duties on Manufactures of Cotton. July 26, 1911. Printed at the Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. 1911.