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Single Tax Movement in Philadelphia

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GOOD WORK OF THE HENRY GEORGE CLUB— A PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR OF PENNSYLVANIA OPENLY PREACHING SINGLE TAX.

A successful series of lectures at the Henry George Club has been held during the past five months and will close Sunday evening, April 8th, with a lecture by Hon. Samuel Seabury on "Monopoly and Democracy."

These meetings began November 12th, and the managers, Charles D. Ryan and John Gould, have shown much enterprise and enthusiasm in raising the necessary funds and in securing a first-class list of speakers. Among those who spoke were the following: Henry George, Jr., Gustav Buscher, of Switzerland; Frank Stephens, James A. Robinson, Wm. L. Ross, Hon. Robert Baker, C. Oscar Beasley, Wm. M. Callingham, Peter Aitken, Dr. Edward Burleigh, Wm. Ryan, A. W. Hetzel, Francis Fisher Kane, John C. Marsh, R. F. Powell, H. V. Hetzel, H. D. Albright, Miss Anita Trueman, Harold Sudell, A. J. Boulton, Bolton Hall, A. M. Molina, Hon. John S. Crosby, Hugh O. Pentecost and John J. Murphy. The Rev. Dr. Torrey, the Evangelist who has been preaching to immense audiences composed of thousands of people at each meeting, declared his belief in the Single Tax in a letter written to the club. The letter was read at a meeting and published in the North American. Messrs. Ryan and Gould deserve great credit for the way they have conducted these meetings, and they intend to follow them with open air meetings in various parts of the city.

Hon. Wm. H. Berry, who was elected State Treasurer on the Democratic ticket last Fall, has been advocating the Single Tax in several speeches since his election. He is noted for his honesty, is a fine speaker and is immensely popular. After he had made a radical speech before the Liberal League after his election, the writer congratulated him on being more radical after election than before. He is being talked of for Governor, and told me the temptation

was strong to sing low, but he guessed he would stand by his principles.

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