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PUBLISHER'S NOTES.

This is mid-summer, and the varied activities of the movement are more or less quiescent. But the REVIEW must uphold the standard whether the days be hot or cold. In the time when the movement languished it was the REVIEW that kept the flag flying, and it proved itself an effective method of holding the workers together. No matter who else faltered by the way the REVIEW plodded along, trying, not always successfully, to overcome the apathy which seemed at one time to have overtaken the movement.

There is a change now. But the REVIEW is none the less useful to our progress. Now that the princely liberality of a famous manufacturer has instilled new heart of hope among the American followers of Henry George, and the proposals of the new British Budget have turned the current of public discussion in our direction, the REVIEW has new and greater possibilities, which we cannot too strongly urge upon the Fels Commission and whatever other body or individuals may be interested in spreading the knowledge of our doctrines and the news of their progress throughout the world.

American newspapers still fight shy. Their readers are not enlightened. Our

political leaders are uninformed. Of the leading newspaper periodicals of the country the Springfield *Republican* and to a lesser degree the *Evening Post*, are almost alone in an intelligent discussion of the British Budget, and, more important still, of what is behind it. Now is the time therefore to send the REVIEW into the editorial rooms of periodicals, into public and state libraries, and to politicians and office leaders of every persuasion. It is a work the effectiveness of which is comparable to few if any other method of propaganda.

Among the events for which preparation should be begun now are appropriate celebrations in cities where Single Taxers can organize of the birthday of Henry George in September. The Single Taxers of Pittsburg are the first in the field and the celebration in that city promises to be worthy of the occasion. It is to be remembered that in this year more than in any previous one circumstances are working together for the success of such public demonstrations. Our workers will with some effort find a response to their call for volunteers in quarters where they could not previously have looked for them. And it will be excellent policy where possible to allow men of light and leading in the community to take the foremost places on the committees of arrangements. If this policy is pursued generally we may have some notable demonstrations.

DEATH OF LOUIS PRANG.

The death of Louis Prang at Los Angeles, California, last June removed from the scene of his varied activities one of the last surviving members of the Revolutionary movement in Germany in 1848. He came to America in 1850, and after having failed to obtain employment in the line of work he had pursued in Germany, where he had been employed in his father's print shop, he took up wood engraving. A few years later, 1856, he established the lithographic firm of Prang & Meyer. On the dissolution of this firm he started for himself on the career in which he won so brilliant a business and artistic success. It was not long

before his chromo reproductions of oil-paintings made his name famous throughout the world.

He was a member of many societies. His life was full of well doing. No broad intellectual movement ever failed to enlist his sympathies. It is in no manner singular that from the very inception of the Single Tax movement he hastened to proclaim himself a convert and to assure Mr. Henry George of his moral and financial aid and sympathy. He was long a member of the Mass. Single Tax League, and one of the stalwart upholders of our principles. He was present at the Single Tax Conference in this city in the Fall of 1907, and was intently interested in the proceedings. He was then entering upon his eighty-fourth year, and he carried with him much of the moral and intellectual suggestion of a life devoted to a conflict with the forces of material and spiritual oppression.

DEATHS OF MRS. AND EDWIN AUCHTERLONIE.

Many readers of the REVIEW will remember Mr. A. J. Auchterlonie and the good work he accomplished at open-air meetings in Newark and vicinity. Those who accepted Mr. Auchterlonie's ever ready invitation, "Come home with me to dinner," will well remember the unaffected hospitality of that home and the cordial welcome they received from Mrs. Auchterlonie, who presided over it.

Many will also remember his son Edwin, whose quiet manner was so attractive, and who so willingly helped in all kinds of work, giving out dodgers at the open-air meetings, pasting, wrapping and carrying to the post office large bundles of *The New Earth* (through which paper as its editor in chief his father helped to spread the light of the Single Tax.)

In fact no useful work was ever considered menial by Edwin and to know him was to love him.

Both Mrs. Auchterlonie and Edwin have joined Mr. Auchterlonie in the spiritual world where, as both firmly believed, they can better work for the spiritual and na-

tural enfranchisement of those who remain.

Mrs. Auchterlonie passed away on the 26th of May last, nine years and five days after her husband.

Rev. Arthur P. Mercer of the Swedenborgian Church, conducted the funeral services. He spoke feelingly of Mr. Auchterlonie, whom he had never met, but through whose writings he had been led to see that the Single Tax was, as Mrs. Auchterlonie had expressed it a few days previous to her death, the only foundation upon which a church could be securely built.

Mr. Edwin G. Auchterlonie passed away April 30th, twenty-five days before his mother.

By Edwin's request Prof. L. E. Wilmarth conducted the funeral services in a most impressive manner, reading from Swedenborg's writings many passages concerning man's life after the death of the physical and in his gentle way impressing upon his hearers, as Edwin had requested that he should, that our friend was not dead but better able to work for justice than when hampered by this physical body.

Mr. and Mrs. Auchterlonie are survived by one son, Wm. J., and a grand son Alexander J. Auchterlonie, whom we hope will in time be as well known in Single Tax work as was the grandfather whose name he bears.

M. C. H.

PHILADELPHIA SINGLE TAXERS WIN FOR FREE SPEECH.

An order having been issued by the Director of Public Safety Clay through the Superintendent of Police of the city of Philadelphia prohibiting open air meetings on Sunday night, when the Single Taxers hold forth at the City Hall plaza, a committee was at once appointed by the League to visit Director Clay and the Superintendent. This committee consisted of Mark M. Dintenfass, Chas. D. Ryan and James A. Robinson.

The Philadelphia *North American*, which has always been inclined to treat Single