

coming that it is interesting an increasing number of readers. The comments are admirable in tone and temper, and are provocative of further inquiry on the part of the readers.

Our purpose in calling attention to it is that it is a form of propaganda worthy of imitation. Not many may be able to equal Mr. Caffall in writing suggestive paragraphs. But this gentleman is not a newspaper man by profession, and what he is doing others may be able to do. Editors of town weeklies, and even of the smaller dailies, will welcome the contributing editor who will dress his thoughts in attractive newspaper setting, make it topical, give it a local interest, and supply the matter with some sort of regularity.

That many of our readers can do this we believe, and in this way the editors as well as their readers may be educated. It will be found that habit in this sort of composition will give unexpected proficiency in expression, and that many who doubt their ability to do this sort of work will be surprised how easy it will become after a time.

A Victory for Oscar Geiger's Son

GEORGE RAYMOND GEIGER, son of Oscar H. Geiger, won the Gold Medal First Prize at DeWitt Clinton High School last week in the Metz Medal Debate.

Their medals, gold, silver and bronze, are awarded each year by Herman A. Metz, former Comptroller of New York, to the best debates in "Clinton."

The subject this year was "Compulsory Arbitration of Labor Disputes," George Geiger being on the affirmative and his side winning the decision over the negative.

The judges in their award, declared this year's debate to have been the most masterfully handled and the most closely contested debate of any ever held in the High School, each argument advanced being taken up and squarely met by the opposing side instead of each debater making individual orations that pass each other as the "Ships that pass in the night."

The judges paid George the compliment of stating in their award that in all but the first prize they were divided in their opinions as to the relative merit of the prize winners, but that in their award of the gold medal to him as both the best debater and the winner for his side, their choice was unanimous.

George Geiger is a member of the Round Table Club, a class of ten boys, pupils of Oscar Geiger, whom he has developed to a high state of proficiency as public speakers and experts on economic and political subjects. The debates in which these boys have taken part have attracted large audiences and much flattering comment.

ALL the sufferings against which the civilized nations have to struggle may be referred to the exclusive right of property in the soil as their source.—PROF. LACHARIE.

A Stirring Appeal

THE following striring appeal has been sent out by Gerrit Johnson to many thousands of sympathizers with the California movement for the emancipation of the people of that State:

"There is every indication that kind Providence has set the stage so as to free the State of California from the curse of landlordism. Rents are soaring sky high, and the question is seeping through the minds of those who have to pay high rents—why all this vacant land?"

The Los Angeles daily papers of February 6th made the announcement that there would be two mass meetings that evening by the homeless people, to protest against high rents. In these same papers were still larger announcements that a man by the name of Clark had placed an order for a magnificent marble tomb to cost \$250,000, which was to be placed in one of our local cemeteries. What a lesson! One man spends a fortune for a marble hall to lay his useless bones, while thousands are protesting because they have no place to lay their heads.

Our present civilization is much like a soap bubble; it looks beautiful while it is afloat, but pick it with a pin and it bursts; there is nothing to it. It is hollow and has no soul. But why blame the rich? They are simply a product of our making. We cannot change the nature of man until we give the soul and not the hog in him a chance for full expression.

Single Tax is the only safe and sane solution for our economic and moral problems. It is not only a political measure, but a moral issue. It is a real religious movement, with the God of justice back of it. Single Taxers have heard the voice of God, telling them to strike the shackles off the earth and free the land.

Los Angeles is a city of many churches. A great many of them draw beautiful pictures representing Jesus with outstretched arms, saying: "Suffer little children to come unto me." Yet, if we want to rent an apartment or bungalow from one of the members, you are usually met with the words, "No kids wanted!"

The Los Angeles *Examiner* of January 25th contained a picture of a woman with her two children. She was publicly offering her unborn babe to anyone who could properly take care of it. Her mother love was great, but the demand of the profiteer was greater. In all our display of wealth such sights are common.

Los Angeles also has 29 dog hospitals with full-fledged doctors and graduate nurses. See them operate on a dog, so carefully and tenderly; and then see the hundreds—yes, thousands of human beings who are supposed to be made in the image of their Creator, struggling for an existence. Is it any wonder we sometimes feel the earth tremble? Some may call it an earthquake, but who knows. It may be the mysterious warning of a just God. The Anti-Single Taxers seem perfectly contented with these conditions. They are the ones who own the unused land. Their leaders live in the millionaire rows. See them with their millions.