

man to boast or make statements of a serious character lightly. He has said "*The will of the people shall prevail.*"

Clearly we have stirring times ahead of us.

F. SKIRROW.

NEW ZEALAND—AUCKLAND.

Hon. George Fowlds in a recent speech at Grey Linn, referred thus to Sir George Grey, the great statesman whose foresight helped to make New Zealand what it is today as well as the greater New Zealand it is yet to become: "Apart from pastoral leases, only 778,087 acres of Crown lands remained. During the three years ending 1906, the land parted with totalled 1,158,861 acres, so that what was left would only do for another two years at that rate. Was it not wise for them to make some provision for endowments, before the whole of the Crown lands passed away to private holders. (Applause.) He was not enamoured of leasehold, because there was another way of securing the benefits of the land for the State. (Laughter.) His own feeling was in favor of a graduated land tax. The second point of the bill was to prevent the aggregation of large estates, hence the £50,000 limit. There were two kinds of farmers; the man who farmed the land, and the man who farmed the farmer. (Laughter.) The last principle of the Land Bill was that of making endowments for education, charitable aid, and old age pensions. Did the people think Sir George Grey was unwise when he set aside the valuable endowments for the City of Auckland? No, Sir George Grey's forethought was frequently extolled. That being so, why should not the present Government set aside further endowments?"

THOSE who have not read "The Digger Movement," with its fascinating account of the career of Gerrard Winstanley, by Lewis H. Berens, of England, should hasten to secure a copy.

THE latest converts to the principle of the referendum are Senators Foraker and Dick of Ohio. For this work in converting the two Senators to this doctrine Rev. Herbert Bigelow is to be credited.

DEATH OF JOHN F. BAKER.

From the *Canadian Single Taxer* we are pained to hear of the death of John F. Baker, of Kingston, long a subscriber to the REVIEW, as well as a contributor to its columns. This tribute to his memory by W. A. Douglass appears in the columns of our contemporary:

Mr. Baker was a man whom to know was to admire, respect and love. His face bore the imprint of sincerity, honesty and earnest purpose. From the time he made himself master of the sublime truths taught by Henry George he never failed or flinched in his efforts to make known these truths to his fellow men. No lofty monument, no ostentatious pageant, accompanied his remains to the last resting place. Those outward and meaningless displays attend the men who have won fame, often by the accident of birth, or by the destruction of their fellows on the field of battle. But Mr. Baker has left behind him a monument more enduring than that in the good that he has accomplished, and in the share that he contributed towards the inauguration of that civilization which, Moses like, he toiled for, but which he was not permitted to see.

MAX HIRSCH writes us from Melbourne, Australia, that he has been compelled to postpone the writing of the handbook on political economy for which he has been collecting material. With the completion of the task now imperatively calling for all his activities he will be in a position by the beginning of the present year to resume his work with his pen, which will include one or more contributions to the REVIEW.

WORK FOR THE ORGANIZATION.

The following letter has been sent out by the General Secretary of the American Single Tax League, outlining the plans for work:

The responsibility for organizing ourselves, however, rests largely with those who are now working independently, and we are appealing to every known Single Taxer for his active and sustained assistance.

In furtherance of the expressed desire of