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P. Hendrick, Lyma, N. Y.—There are a number of men voting the democratic ticket under your leadership who do not believe the medicine offered strong enough for the disease; in other words, who think the trust a good thing for those in it and therefore want one large enough for all.

George W. Knight, San Marcos, Texas.—You say "We are in the midst of a great fight—a fight of tremendous importance to the country. The republican party has won a national victory," etc. All so true. We have been in that fight since Greely's campaign. We have never gained an inch. The people have won elections, no victories. The rise of the ruling and riding class over the ruled and ridden class has gone on as steadily as time. The masses, not able to understand how they are swindled, are powerless to resist. If you don't know the cause you can't effect a cure. Why can't they understand the tariff? Is work for work's sake what we want? Suppose the "ignorant foreigners" would make all our clothes and shoes and give them to us—no price at all—how would that injure us? A few, having taken the land in Europe, live in riotous luxury, consuming the products of labor with no pretense of service in return except to allow their serfs to live and work on their land. So it is to be here before another century passes. The democrats in congress are just the same class of men as the republicans in congress—no better, no worse—and a protectionist democrat from Texas will "go over" to Cannon or anybody else, if he thinks his official life is in jeopardy. A "new alignment" is necessary and it must be on a more substantial basis than the names, democrat and republican, if anything is to be accomplished for the people. There is no relief in sight at present. It is no use to say, "if." Taft is going to "consider" the southern man in making appointments. The negro has been eliminated and southern men can now vote the republican ticket, and they are doing so in protection districts. This talk about Taft breaking the solid south means that there is to be a union of the aristocrats, north and south, for the common purpose of plunder.

W. W. Young, Liberty Center, Ohio.—I am very sorry to see postal savings banks so strongly urged. If these be established the guarantee of bank deposits receives a black eye, at least for some time to come, and the latter is certainly the thing to be desired by the country at large. Postal savings will take the money out of the rural communities and it will flow to the cities and to large banks. This country is dotted with small towns and they have their own banks which receive deposits and make loans from and to the people of its own community and thus its own community improves and grows and can have some of the conveniences of modern life. These towns and the country surrounding these towns will suffer with postal savings facilities and centralization will receive another valuable aid. Great contraction will follow or at least improvement will seriously cease in all rural districts, and are not the rural communities the life of this thriving land? People of the large

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