

## LETTERS TO EDITOR

### PROTECTING YOUNG MEN

Editor Day Book — Jane Addams has been interviewed by Jane Whitaker and asked if she thinks prostitution can be done away with. In her answer, printed in The Day Book Jan. 2, she says in part:

"The closing of the segregated district may have resulted in scattering the evil, but at least that is a protection to our young men, because they do not know just where to go and the segregated district symbolizes vice, visualizes it."

What kind of young man is Chicago bringing up that they need such "protection"? Are they really worth protecting? And is Miss Adams sure the closing of the worst dens in the "district" has saved any one? There were "houses" in the old district where women's bodies were exhibited and sold by the "matron" like an auctioneer sells cattle. A big room would be filled with "our young men," and older ones, too, who viewed these women and then made their choices. Their moral sense wasn't shocked for the reason that they had none.

When the houses of prostitution are closed men of this kind will know where to go. They will get their desires gratified somewhere, somehow. They are lacking all moral sense and all human sympathy, and when they cannot find prostitutes (because they are scattered!) they will hunt and find innocent and pure girls, as is happening every day. And they will treat them as heartlessly as the prostitutes, as is also happening every day.

Chicago, with all its "religion," its Sunday schools and other schools, is bringing up a generation of cold, cruel, soulless, selfish young men, devoid of all human sympathy, and a generation of silly, foolish and weak young women. The "religion" of the churches is as dead as a herring and

doesn't touch a single problem of human conduct. It deals in prehistoric and medieval superstitions and does nothing else. The public schools fail to develop a moral sense or any human sympathies in the children. The purpose of our so-called "higher education" is only to enable the individual to live off the labor of others, to "get on" in the world without doing any useful work, even to the extent of trampling the other fellow down.

Miss Addams and others, please don't say that any laws and restrictions can save, protect or change the men and women brought up under the influence of such institutions.—  
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### CONCERNING JUSTICE

Editor Day Book — The general tenor of your article of Dec. 5 is to be commended. You endorse the demand of the unemployed for Justice. That is all that any human being is entitled to demand, and if justice prevailed in all the relations of life, and in all the relations of all the people to the earth upon which we must live, if we live at all, there would be no such thing any where upon the earth as unemployment.

If justice was the rule in human institutions there would be no poverty and no fear of poverty upon earth anywhere, for organized human forces, based upon justice, would be able to produce and distribute wealth enough to place every human being in comfort and ease.

But if justice prevailed there would be no millionaire or multimillionaires upon earth. There would be no human being foolish enough to desire to be a millionaire.

To establish justice we must discover it. To make justice effective we must go to fundamentals and begin there. Otherwise our efforts will be ineffectual.

This is where the single tax comes in. It goes to the root of injustice