

ington, and the church, through the old People's party, called a constitutional convention in session to frame a constitution which was to be presented to the President and Congress with a petition for statehood for Utah.

The convention was solemnly convened, all the committees were appointed, each committee brought in its completed work, then the sections were taken up in regular order, amendments were introduced and motions to add to and strike out were made; the debates sometimes became tipped with passion, and the thing ran on for two or three weeks. Then the ragged ends were woven together, and finally agreed upon. The News praised the wisdom and patriotism and single-minded disposition of the body as all, apparently intent only upon framing a constitution which was not only an honor to Utah, but as an instrument which could not fail to receive the approval of the wise and fair men of the East.

It will all be found in the files of the News. We are trying only to give the spirit of the thing. But when the work was finally completed it leaked out that the constitution which had been agreed upon was a fac simile of the paper that had been prepared by Representative Scott of Pennsylvania, given to Mr. Caine and brought by him in his grip from Washington.

But every member of the convention had his say, just as Mr. Sutherland demanded on Tuesday last. It did the members good, it did not change a word of the foreordained constitution.

### The Fallacy of Socialism.

**S**OCIALISTS claim that they will cast 1,500,000 votes in November, so rapidly is their system gaining the endorsement of men. Of course, we cannot foresee much that is to be, but so absurd seems the claim that vast numbers of men are being converted to socialism that we cannot believe it. For the real aim of socialism

is, first, to level mankind, which cannot be. This is the dream of honest socialists. They will tell you that all they desire is an equal opportunity among all men. When we tell them that all men in this country have equal opportunities, they reply that it is not true; that A has a large capital to begin with which he did not earn; that with it he can oppress and handicap B from the start. That brings out the fact that in the thought of the socialist the accumulated wealth of the world belongs to all the people alike; their reasoning being that, as labor has produced everything, everything is due the laborer. But labor by itself has never accomplished anything. It has been the directing minds behind the labor that has produced the results. The mind that invented the shovel and the hoe doubled and quadrupled the effectiveness of labor in a day. The old-fashioned loom wove fabrics for 3,000 years. Arkwright, by his invention, increased the capacity of the spinner a thousand-fold. The Creator said: "Let there be light!" and the universe was flooded in splendor in a moment. Must Arkwright or his heirs divide with the world?

Had that been the rule, would Arkwright have wasted years of toil to perfect his invention?

When Lord Erskine made his first wonderful speech in court, and all were entranced by it, a friend asked him what the impelling motive behind him was. He replied that as he arose to address the court, he felt the hands of his little children clinging to his robes. "But," says the socialist, "we would give an Erskine all that he could make." But for how long? Suppose he had made half a million and bequeathed it to his children, in gold. It would be part of the wealth of the world today, and would not the socialist claim it as a part of the inheritance of labor? A socialist said to the writer recently: "If the Socialist party were to obtain power, we would parallel the overland railroads, pay for the work

and material in paper money, and then run the road, charging only enough for fares and freight to meet current expenses and repairs." And he asked what would be wrong about that? Well, there are 800,000 stockholders in that road, many of them decrepit men and women, that would be penniless were the road to be made of no value.

There are two kinds of socialism, one seeks to confiscate the gathered wealth of the world, for that is the real aim, no matter what derails are made. Then there is a Christian socialism, and a clergyman who is an evangel in the cause, after admitting that no two men are alike in their attributes and acquirements, explains that Christian socialism "does not aim at making men equal in respect of their ability, for to do that would be quite impossible; but it aims at producing an equality of a practical kind by inducing the men whose abilities are the most efficient to forego all personal claims which are founded on their own exceptional powers; so that the wealth which is at present secured by those powers for themselves, may in the future be divided among the mass of their less able brethren."

Is it not clear enough that such doctrines, if espoused by a majority in any country, would lead straight to chaos? General Lew Wallace made a fortune out of his book "Ben Hur." According to this clergyman, it was his duty when the returns came in to divide, or rather give up, the proceeds of his brain and his patient labor for years in preparing the book, or never to have written it in the first place. Fads come and go. A good many men who are honest believe in the Utopia of socialism, that something can be got for nothing; that there is a divinity about labor which makes it the rightful heir to the world's gathered wealth; the genius and ambition which finally enables a man to employ 100 or 1,000 men loses all its distinctive rights the

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## HOW TO ACQUIRE CAREY ACT LANDS AT OASIS, UTAH

### SEPTEMBER 28, OPENING and DRAWING

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The opening and drawing of the land for entry is conducted by the State Land Board. Names of intending entrymen are placed on slips of paper in a box and drawn out one at a time. The person whose name is first drawn has first selection of available lands; the second name has the next selection, and so on until all are drawn.

The lands remaining after the drawing may be entered at any time.

**THE CAREY ACT** permits one person to file on land for another, so that by giving Power of Attorney one may secure land without actually going upon it until time to make final proof.

We furnish Power of Attorney blank free upon application. We also have printed forms of water contracts for your inspection.

All necessary blanks are ready and representatives of the Oasis Land and Irrigation Company and representatives of the State Land Board of Utah will direct you in every step.

Any citizen of the United States 21 years of age or over, except married women, may file on 40, 80, 120 or 160 acres of land, even though he has used his homestead, desert or other right to file on Government lands.

Filing on less than 160 acres does not exhaust the Carey Act right; you still have the right to file on the unused portion of the Carey Act right. The title secured by this process is absolutely perfect.

**FIRST:** The land is patented to this State by the Federal Government.

**SECOND:** The State presents it to you as an original entryman.

The water right forever belongs to the entryman, his heirs or assigns, and is appurtenant to and a part of the particular piece of land to which it was dedicated.

**FINAL PROOF:** When an entry is made the entryman may, if he so desires, begin clearing his land, and if he has one-eighth of it in cultivation, seeded and ready for irrigation when the water is ready for delivery he can at once publish his notice of intention to make final proof. This notice must be inserted five times, during which time he must reside on the land, with his wife, if married. After final proof residence on the land is no longer required to hold title. The law requires that the entryman must establish a residence on the land within six months after water is available and maintain such residence until final proof is made. Final proof may be made at any time after reclaiming one-eighth and within three years. The right is granted to make full payment for land upon proof of its reclamation and irrigation by the entryman.

**OWNERSHIP BY THE SETTLERS:** The purchase of a water right entitles the entryman to a proportionate interest in the irrigation works. These works are built for his use and are turned over to a corporation composed of all the settlers under the canal upon the completion thereof and the settlement of the land. This conveyance is provided for under regulations made by the State of Utah.

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Water rights to serve these lands are sold on the ten-payment plan similar to those that apply to Carey Act lands, evidenced by the Company's contract on file with the State Land Board.

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