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LABEL YOUR HATS WITH THIS

"Do unto others as you would that others should do unto you."

Being in a religious frame of mind today I take the above as my text for this day's sermon.

We have several thousand members engaged in business for themselves; they are operating co-operative establishments or they are working for firms which employ Knights of Labor or members of other organizations, and they use trade marks or labels to distinguish the goods manufactured from others. Are you engaged in such a branch of business? Yes; then of course you will buy articles bearing the trade mark or label of the Knights of Labor. If you are not working in such a place, will you look for articles which display the label of your order? No; Why not? Because I am not engaged in that kind of business myself and am not interested. But you are interested; you are a man or woman and you would like to have other folks buy articles which you manufacture, would you not? Oh, of course. Well, then, buy articles which bear the Knights of Labor label. Go further than that and ask for them; create a demand for them; encourage those who use the label to make the best article on the market.

I heard it said not long ago that a certain article bearing the Knights of Labor label was not a first-class article. Of course it would not be bought on that account, but you will buy as poor an article from some one else and never grumble.

Until the laboring people learn to appreciate their own work it will not be possible to make a first-class article. It cannot be done on the start. If you are working at a business that makes use of the Knights of Labor label, buy goods which bear that mark in preference to others. If you are not working where the trade mark or label is used, do as you would be done by and seek for the label when making your purchases. Look for the label, ask for it encourage those who use it, and remind your neighbors to ask for it.

A word or two to those who use the label. Why not make out a brief sketch of your label and the establishment using it and send it on to the Journal for publication, so that all our members will know what you are doing? Or how would it do to have the names of each firm manufacturing Knights of Labor goods sent in and printed in a supplement for the Journal and have it posted up on the walls of your assemblies? Do that and you will engage in real sensible boycott, for you will be purchasing the articles manufactured by your friends. Don't strike and stop the manufacture of goods, but create a demand for more by purchasing goods which show the Knights of Labor label or the label of some other organization. Ask the editor of the labor paper nearest to you to give your label a puff. He will do it cheerfully. Do everything possible to boom the label. Label this on your memory.

T. V. POWDERLY.

Talk about every man we elect "selling us out" is all bosh. We don't elect anybody. We go about flitting away our strength voting against one another and ratifying the choice of monopoly at the ballot box and when these men are elected they carry out the promises made to monopoly before the election.

POWDERLY'S POLICY.

General Master Workman Powderly last week issued a lengthy circular addressed to all assemblies of the Knights of Labor. Referring to the experience gained from the recent strikes, he says:

"What combination of hungry men could fight a battle against a combination of dollars? When a workman ceases to earn, his stomach feels it, and unless charity is given he starves. Lay a gold dollar away on a shelf, let it lie for a year, or a decade, and at the end it is as bright and as useful as ever; it has lost nothing from idleness—the dollar is supreme. We must control the dollar, control the power of money; not kill the trusts, or they will extort the last cent from labor and kill the people. We must have legislation which will compel individuals and corporations to transact business on a basis of real property (dollars and cents) instead of what the world calls paper credits, or fictitious values. How can this be done? By whom will it be done? It has been demonstrated that the order will not support strikes. Will it now make an effort to place the real issues on which we base our claim to recognition equally before the people? Will a vigorous policy of educational work be sustained?"

Through some singular oversight the General Assembly never established an educational fund. Will our members consent to establish such a fund by contributing ten, fifteen or twenty cents apiece? If so a number of good competent speakers can be sent at once through the order to educate and instruct in the principles on which this order is based. Put the following questions before each assembly, and give me your answer—yes or no—as quickly as it can be done.

1. Does your assembly believe in cutting at once upon an active educational campaign?
2. Do you believe we should send out good competent brothers to teach the principles of the order?
3. Shall the general master workman levy an assessment of fifteen cents per capita to defray expenses of a lecturer?
4. Will the general master workman be sustained in enforcing discipline in all departments of the order?

If the vote on these propositions is in the affirmative the general master workman pledges himself to do a work for the order such as has never been done before.

From the edition of Geo. P. Rowell & Co's "American Newspaper Directory" published April 2nd (its twentieth year), it appears that the Newspapers and periodicals of all kinds issued in the United States and Canada, now number 16,310, showing a gain of 890 during the last 12 months and of 7,136 in 10 years.

The publishers of the Directory assert that the impression that when the proprietor of a newspaper undertakes to state what has been his exact circulation, he does not tell the truth is an erroneous one; and they conspicuously offer a reward of \$100 for every instance in their book for this year, where it can be shown that the detailed report received from a publisher was untrue.

Boy—"Teacher, I wish you would make that girl quit winking at me." Teacher—"Why don't you look somewhere else?" Boy—"Because, if I do, she'll wink at some other boy."

ALLIANCE SONG.

BY DR. A. E. MORRIS, BURTON, TEXAS.

[Tune—"Hold the Fort"]

Ho! ye toilers! hear the anthem
Ringing in the sky!
Face the conflict, hail the triumph!
Victory is nigh!

Wave the flag, for we are ready!
Hear the farmers cry!
Raise the banner high defiant,
Victory is nigh!

Rings are raving, trusts are trembling
Combinations reel;
Speculators wild with frenzy
Love their gambling "deal."

Politicians lose their reckoning,
Demagogues at sea;
The party lash has lost its power--
Men again are free.

We will make the combinations;
Right and truth we trust;
We will grind the speculators
Into smallest dust.

We will have no more conventions
Packed with pot-house cliques;
We will choose our own defenders
Spite of party tricks.

Farmers will in firm Alliance
Stand together true;
Rally all the busy toilers--
All their foes subdue!

Knights of Labor, swell the army!
Let your peans rise,
Joined with ours let the chorus
Echo to the skies.

Wave the flag, for all are ready!
Hear the toilers cry
Raise the banner high defiant,
Victory is nigh!

A dry goods clerk of Waterbury, Conn., had a dream the other night. He dreamed he was measuring off dress goods and actually tore the sheets on his bed for pieces, so real was his dream. But that is not so bad as if he had dreamed he was winding up a Waterbury watch.

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