# WU NEW STORES! Meven 

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In reading the press dispatches concerning the great labor uprising in Spain, I notice that if the printers re-
fuse to work, they are dealt with by fuse to work, they are dealt When one reads of this unjust method of discipling honest labor, he can easily account for the existence of the bloody anarchist. The nearst approach to anarchist. United States was when Gen. Merriam established his Bull Pen in Idaho. In speaking of the Idaho trouble, one of the leading dailies of the country said: "The United States troops, sent ostensibly to maintain order in a disturbed district, acted entirely for the mine owners, arrested the local officers, influenced the courts, and generally did the dirty work of one faction of a wage controversy." The troops sent to Idaho took as a special duty the disruption of labor unions, but our Spanish brothers can find consolation in the fact ther then they ever were previous to the visit of Merriam and his brigands

A minister of the gospel has asked, through the labor press, the be the working people in general. the working people inswer all his questions, would take much thought and a great deal of space. However, I believe a little more practical Christianity and a little
mon to say the working people alone, a deal of good. It has always been a great wonder to me why the church fails to give assistance and encouragement to
labor organizations, for while the labor organizations, for while the church prepares one for eternity, the that is, the labor union relieves one's burdens while on earth, while the
church points out the best method to be without burdens in the hereafter.

There is little doubt but that some of the good people of this city class the burglars, who criminals. They are, to say the least undesirable citizens, but I have unearthed the worst of all criminals, in a earthed the worst of who distributed poison to kill person who distributeats, etc. This, claim, to be an outrage on our boasted civilization, and I must confess that I fear to sleep in a community infeste by such people, expecting any night to awake and find my house wrapt in flames. Certainly the dog or cat is
much more valuable to a community much more valuable to a community
than the individual who destroys them

One morning, during the recent snow storm, a group of small children wer seen standing at the door of the Ral eigh Hosiery Company's mill, waiting for the toot of the whistle to gain ad mission to the well-warmed reams
within. There is scarcely any reason
to doubt that the man who formulated the rule which kept these innocent lit-
tle tots standing out in the snow and the tots standing out in the snow and
the sleet until the hour should arrive when they could commence their senwhen of eleven or twelve hours of
tence of drudgery, was, at that moment, snugly
ensconced in the bed the children as ensconced in the bed the children assisted him in buying. But let the mat-
ter pass, as we have snow storms very ter pass,
rarely.

## CHILD LABOR

Almost every day the columns of the newspapers are.filled with accounts of horrible accidents on land and sea, in which many lives are lost.
Right here in our city quite recently there was a most terrible and death-dealing explosion.
All of these cause one to shudder with horror at the terrible loss of life; but none of them thrills with such sickeniug feeling as did the news sent out by the Associated Press the other ay of a little eight-year old girl in Huntsville, Ala., losing several fingers of one of her hands in the machinery of a cotton mill.
This little girl, nothing more than baby, was forced by her parents to vork in this dangerous place in orde that they may enjoy the fruits of he
labor, and, no doubt, the first thought strongly censure the parents
But the question is, were the parents to blame? The answer is, No! The laws of the State that allowed this lit le girl to work in the cotton mill is o blame. The law which is enacted by the Legislature has said to parents, "You have a right to sell your chil dren to the factories. Their hire is to say so much, and no one has a sell the bloom of their cheeks and the lustre of their eyes, and make them old men and women before they be come of age. Send them down to an early grave, and I will protect you Alabama is not the only State that is cursed by such a law being on her quitons. Georgia has the way with it are frowned down by the men-if they can be called men-who are sent to the Legislature to repre sent the people.
Human flesh and blood is placed
a cheap value by these men, and they as committeemen, that they would rather see the young children slave their lives away in the cotton mills than to stop the cotton mills from locating here.
In the great and final day these men will, from the regions of eternal darkness, view the almost endless procession of little children as they pass before the Great Throne, and they will see the smile of submissive sweetness and compassion of the Great One as these children, maimed and dwarfed by the cotton mills, as He looked upon them. When it becomes their time to tand before the judgment bar, they ast frown and them, as they approach closer, they will hear in thunderous tones their awful sentence: "Depart The ye accursed."-Ma Fanchinese Six Companies of San fight the Geary law at Washingto fight the Geary law at Washington.

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