### Socialist Columns

To the Citizens of St. Johns:

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Our desire is to be understood. Our purpose is to make clear our political doctrines as they apply to our city government as well as to state and national policies, well knowing that our bitterest opposition comes Open Evenings and Sundays by Ap from a misconception of our ideas, as most of us at one time believed a socialist to be a wild-eyed lunatic, until by having it made clear to us we at last caught the great idea.

We ask each reader to consider our arguments calmly and do not be influenced on one point by the fact that you have understood that the socialists believe in such and such another absurdity. It may not be so. Many people seeing the same occurrence will each have a different impression as to what took place. And a statement viewed from different standpoints will have a different meaning to different people.

So when we announce that we wish to abolish rent, interest and profits, many, perhaps most people, get an impression and jump to conclusions as to methods and processes which the socialist has not dreamed of. When we speak of the inequalities of wealth as a result of the present capitalistic system, many assume that we want to have it "divided up," and on account of this notion thousands have been prevented from trying to find out what we really do propose.

If the reader has any such absurd impression of socialism please to forget it as you read these columns during the next few weeks.

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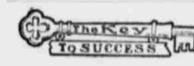
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