

TRANSPORTATION REGULATION.

In the matter of regulating by the general Government the great corporations engaged in interstate commerce so as to do justice to the general public and the corporations and to please all is a great and difficult undertaking. To suggest a complete remedy can not be done instantly, or when suggested it may not be one that can be relied upon.

So broad and grave is the question that it is doubtful if there is any man who could suggest a remedy until after months of investigation and then when it was thought complete and the details were being carried out still other differential details would have to be added to the plan in order to completely mark the limit of human thought and plans necessary to work complete results. It has been suggested as a remedy to properly regulate and establish equitable and just systems of freight rates that the government should build, own, equip and operate a railroad across the continent from ocean to ocean. The plan has been suggested by eminent gentlemen who disbelieve in the general proposition of government ownership, but who claim that the end would justify the means in the government owing one particular line of railroad. How or in what particular the one road could have the effect to properly regulate freight rates all over the United States or in any particular part thereof, except transcontinental freight, has not been explained.

A road from New York or Chicago to San Francisco would have a decided effect upon regulating freight upon other roads leading between the two points, but no effect upon other roads leading from New York to New Orleans, or Florida, or to Texas, or on any road leading in any other direction, except parallel with the road owned by the government.

It would seem that in order to completely regulate the interstate carrying roads, that the government would finally have to build a road parallel with every other road in the United States doing interstate commerce business, which would undoubtedly lead to government ownership of all railroads. How could the Government own the roads? She has no money with which to buy or build railroads, except as she collects it from the people, or issues the bonds of the government upon which the people must be taxed to pay the interest thereon and finally the principal. Such a gigantic issue of Government bonds is probably what many of the owners of the large corporations desire in order that they may be able to sell the railroads to the government and in return become owners of government bonds. Such a large ownership in government bonds would afford the large owners of corporations a rich harvest in speculating and booming such bonds on the board of the stock exchanges where they buy and sell stock and bonds and manipulate the market raising and lowering the prices thereof at pleasure. One of the greatest wrongs of the day and age is the gambling so commonly carried on in buying and selling stocks, bonds and dealing in the products of the country on stock exchange. Some of our reformers should devise ways and means to control and put a stop to that kind of business. If three or four people sit down to a table and gamble in a small way, if discovered they are punished, but in gambling in what is commonly known as buying and selling on stock exchange thousands of people may be drawn into the deal and ruined in a day and there is no law to prevent or punish the offense.

RELIGIOUS THOUGHT.

Dr. Charles Cuthbert Hall, President of Union Theological Seminary in New York, treating of an increasing demand for religious education in the university and out of the control of any denomination or sect, says: "There is apparently a large and desirable place for the teaching of theology under conditions of emancipation from ecclesiastical control with the other great disciplines of the university. The teaching of theology exempt from ecclesiastical tests presents the treatment of a great science according to the canons most revered in modern university life. Its major interest is truth in the region dealt with by theology. Without discriminating against local and sectarian schools for ministerial training it is desirable that there be an adequate recognition of the teaching of theology in the circle of university scientific pursuits over which churchly authority has no jurisdiction. This may tend to remove obstruction from the path of truth and to advance the progress of unity and religion. Many of the denominational schools of theology contain teachers in sympathy with this larger consensus, and more interested in promoting it than in defining the grounds of difference. The gracious influence of such lives and in particular their appeal to young university graduates and to the graduated laity at large suggests the direction in which non-clerical thought is moving. That this age movement may advance beyond an unorganized groping, into complete theological self realization, it must be directed from centers of religious thought where the science of Christian theology is studied and taught in an atmosphere exempt from ecclesiastical tests or conventional theological doctrines."

Coming from so eminent authority as Dr. Hall, it would seem that the ideas of adopting methods to investigate and spread the great truths embodied in religious teachings and thought, is undergoing serious consideration keeping pace with other lines of a progressive world. To be able to install these principles into the minds of those not heretofore accessible under older and less attractive methods seems to be in accord with other lines of progress.

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