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### Christian Socialism.

To the Editor of the Christian Guardian.

Dear Sir:—In a recent issue of your paper there appeared a letter from Sundial, Alberta, on "Christian Socialism." The writer of that letter has evidently never taken the time to find out just what Socialism is. He believes it to be opposed to our religion; he believes it to teach infidelity; he thinks it is powerless to change present conditions, which latter result is achievable by Christianity alone.

As a result of a considerable degree of study of this question, I have discovered that that oft-repeated argument about infidelity is worth very little. It has nothing to say about man's spiritual affairs. If it had, it would cease to be Socialism. It is simply a theory of Political Economy, a diagnosis of modern industrial evils, a proposed cure for those evils and a political movement to realize the cure.

The term "Christian Socialism" is a misnomer. It assumes that Socialism can be un-Christian. It cannot. As it is purely economic and political how can it oppose Christianity, which has nothing to do with either of these realms? You can no more have "Christian Socialism" than you can have "Christian Arithmetic," "Christian Agriculture," or a "Christian Liberal Party in Politics." Amongst the supporters of the Liberal Party are found both Christians and Atheists. I have found on mission fields just as many opponents of our faith in the Liberal and Conservative as in the Socialist ranks. Ingersoll was a prominent Republican, but one would hesitate to oppose that party because it teaches infidelity. The Socialist Party does not oppose religion any more than any other party; not a word can you find in its party platforms anywhere in opposition to our faith. There is not a reputable and recognized organ of the Socialist Party on this continent that teaches it either. It is true many Socialists do disbelieve in Christianity, but one cannot hold their economic beliefs to be responsible for their theological errors.

What right have I, because I believe a certain method of farming to be wisest, to denominate it "Christian Farming?" What right has my brother of Sundial, because I believe Social Ownership of Public Utilities to be in the best interests of the race, to rank me as an infidel on that account? Christianity has committed itself to no economic theory or political party. It dare not. It has no more right to call my advocacy of Socialism, un-Christian, than his advocacy of private ownership by the Trusts.

Socialism finds that many of our economic evils come from poverty and the unjust distribution of wealth, and it aims to produce a better social or-

der by the abolition of poverty, at least in its grosser forms. It finds that our present increase of poverty is the result of leaving the world's industries, the producers of the world's wealth, in the hands of a few who operate those industries, primarily, for private profit. It believes that the development of concentration of industry is forcing the hands of the people; and the Socialist movement, millions strong, aims to use the ballot to secure these entrusted industries to be operated by the people in the people's interests. That alone is Socialism. The Church had better refrain from interfering in politics and economics. All its past interference has resulted in bungling. By opposing the rising demand for Industrial Democracy, the Church may find a repetition of what happened when she opposed emancipation for the negro, and burned witches at the stake.

I may lack, and probably do, those powers of clear thinking and sound judgment which have been so lavishly bestowed upon the enemies of Socialism, and so sparingly upon its advocates; but I cannot see why my support of the economic and political theories of Socialism should make me less a Christian than those who do not so believe. There are thousands of devout men and women in the ranks of Socialism; men and women whose adherence to its principles is a very strong argument against these supposed infidel tendencies. If we, I presume, would only sacrifice our convictions and cease demanding political emancipation for the race and come back and say, like obedient children, that we are sorry and won't do it again, then our brother will grant us absolution and restore us to our position among the dear old orthodox saints, whose god is not God, but Antiquity.

My brother's ideas on some subjects are highly reactionary. His advocacy of a Church censorship over our investigations after truth smatters of Roman Catholicism. What right has he to shut us from reading infidel, let alone Socialistic, literature? He is guilty of a most unworthy insult to our faith, when he is afraid to let the light shine on us lest we lose our faith. If Christianity does not dare to come to the light of candid investigation, it is of those "who love darkness rather than light."

It is an unworthy political manoeuvre to draw Socialism out of its element, and to try to strangle it where it has no chance for life. Socialism, as a much-needed revolution in the tenure of capital and manner of production of wealth, is inevitable, and it seems a strange Christianity which goes out of its way to oppose that whose only fault it is that it is pro-

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