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SANITARY INJUNCTIONS, NOW.

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A MAN may do wrong; an organization may tolerate wrong; and yet the one and the other may be pure. The test is their attitude on the wrongful act. If pure, they will admit the act openly; there will be no attempt at concealment, doubling or quibbling. In such a case while their judgment would be condemned, their motives would be respected. Otherwise if impurity is the motive. Knowing themselves guilty, such organizations and individuals will seek to lie low and slink off in the darkness, like the sneak thief. The guilty conscience seeks concealment. Judged by these unquestionable principles, the Volkszeitung Corporation party, that styles itself Social Democratic Party, stands again convicted of corruption, of base betrayal of the working class.

Two of its shining lights, L.B. Boudin, alias Boudjianoff, alias heaven only knows what, and Simon Pollock—both of the gentlemen habitual stars on the political ticket of the Volkszeitung Corporation Corporation Party, both of them, as a matter of course, flannel-mouthed slanderers of the Socialist Labor Party—figure just now in a typical role. In the capacity of notary public and lawyer, the two worthies figure in the proceedings of a capitalist tailoring firm securing an INJUNCTION against its employees, the Ladies' Waistmakers Union; as fit candleholders and employees of the Volkszeitung Corporation Party, the Social Democracy, they are lying low and trying to hide their malfeasance, while pocketing their Judas pence; and finally, the Volkszeitung Corporation Party helps them to conceal the facts, finds "excuses" for their crimes, and keeps them on its ticket!

Thus the story of Morris Eichmann and the Armory building Carey are repeated, underscored and refreshed. No doubt we shall presently be told that the Boudjianoff-Pollock injunction against the Waistmakers Union is but a "sanitary injunction," and like the brazen Social Democratic corruptionists that the crew are,

they will, while slandering the S.L.P. as “Union wrecker” for its fearless denunciation of the union-wrecking fakirs, pocket all the fees they can from the injunction-suing capitalist. No doubt the viper’s hiss will resound all the louder from the Social Democratic camp; all the louder seeing that *The People’s* exposure of the scamps compels them to raise their “ante” of hush-money to the *Volkszeitung*. But be that as it may, the Socialist Labor Party knows nothing would suit the capitalist class better than to have Socialism preached in the abstract and conceal the labor-skinning crimes of such Socialist abstractionists. Knowing this, the S.L.P.’s twisted chord will not stop humming over the backs and across the faces of these Social Democratic traders on Labor. It will brand them, as it has done in the past, and does now, until, as walking exhibits of corruption, they will be known and be marked men to the proletariat, struggling for emancipation.

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