

Mr. Keith says, however, that he thinks Major McDowell will be ready to make a proposition of some kind to his men in a few days.

### AN APPEAL FOR THE IDLE.

#### People of America Asked To Aid Gotham Sufferers—Black Flags at Newark.

NEW YORK, Aug. 22.—The following appeal, signed by President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor, and other labor leaders of this city, is made to the people of the United States:

A hundred thousand men, women and children are nearing the verge of starvation in this rich metropolis of these free United States. Hundreds of thousands of others are within but a short distance of want and suffering and crime. From all the manufacturing districts comes the anxious demand for work, soon we fear to be followed by the desperate, despairing cry for bread. We, therefore, call upon all to contribute funds for the unemployed, who seek for work in vain.

We call upon the mayor and the board of aldermen of the city of New York to convene in special session and there devise ways and means in the same manner and to the same extent as they would in case of pestilence. We ask the authorities to provide ways and means for the employment of the unemployed directly and not by contract.

As humane men and women we entreat you to listen to the cry of labor for work and bread. As patriotic citizens we proclaim that as those who control the industries and finances of the United States are responsible for the employment of labor, we demand from them immediate relief for the victims of a system inherited from the ages of wrong with which the poor have been oppressed.

In Newark, N. J., yesterday the unemployed workmen made a parade with mounted police at their head. A feature of the procession was two black flags with bitter mottoes. The mayor ordered the flags removed but the bearers merely furled them until the center of the city had been passed. After the parade a meeting was held at which Anarchist Emma Goldman advised the men to steal bread if they could not get it by working. Resolutions were passed asking the mayor for bread and asking him not to allow tenants to be ejected for nonpayment of rent.

### HELPED BY THE NEEDY.

#### Unemployed Workmen of Chicago Heed a Piteous Appeal for Assistance.

CHICAGO, Aug. 22.—"I'm hungry, I haven't eaten a bite for two days and my wife lies at home sick and starving. I've looked for work till I'm worn out and where is it to end?" were the words spoken in tones of sheer despair at yesterday's meeting of the Citizens' club.

The speaker was a strong, healthy man and as he stood facing Chairman McCune tears ran down his cheeks and his words were frequently checked by the sobs which he strove in vain to control. Most of the men in the room were of the army of unemployed, but they were not yet staring hunger in the face and before the stranger had finished nearly every right hand in the room was thrust deep into trousers pockets and a moment later there was a goodly relief fund.

The man gave his name as C. N. Reed, a piano finisher. Others present were in as bad condition. A collection was taken up and divided among them.

#### A Small Demonstration in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Aug. 22.—About fifty men in a body marched through the downtown streets yesterday afternoon calling: "We want bread!" After marching a few squares, they halted a

Alderman Frank Muehlschuster of the upper house is made a defendant in a case in which Peter Bliss of Atebison is sued for \$2,800 on a tax bill issued in payment for repairing a sidewalk. Mr. Muehlschuster is Mr. Bliss's agent here and did not know that tax bills had been issued against the property until this morning, when he received a notice from Justice Brown to that effect. The notice also contained a little item of "justice fees already accrued \$5.40" and "constable fees \$7.50." The total for both is \$12.90, not quite five times as much as the tax bill. Alderman Muehlschuster's eyes were suddenly opened to a fact with which not a few property owners are familiar. Of the thousands of tax bills issued yearly nearly all are sold for speculation and a large share of the people against whom they are issued know nothing about them until surprised just as Mr. Muehlschuster was this morning. The constables and justices are the only ones who are benefited by the system.

Alderman Muehlschuster said, as he looked at the notice in disgust: "This is an outrage. I suppose there are many similar cases, but I never had it brought forcibly to my attention before. I believe we can pass some ordinance that will compel the city or some one to give the owner or agent notice when the bills are issued.

"There were people living in the house all the time who could have told them I was the agent, and I guess they could have found me. I am going to see what can be done to remedy the evil and stop such abominable practices."

P. S. Brown was in the city engineer's office at the time protesting against a similar suit. He hailed the conversion of the upper house alderman to his way of thinking as a hopeful sign and a promise of better things to come.

### COUNTY JUDGES DELAY.

#### No Resident Physician or Extra Nurses Provided for the Poor Farm Yet.

The county court has not yet appointed a resident physician for the county poor farm where over 100 insane persons are confined. When a committee of charitable women recently went before the court to protest against keeping the insane at the poorhouse instead of at the asylums, they were put off by the judges with the promise that a resident physician and more attendants would be employed. Thus far, nothing has been done, although the judges say they are "negotiating" with a physician. While they are pondering, the lunatics at the poor farm are without sufficient care and in a deplorable condition. Should the court fulfill the promises it made to the women who appeared before it, the saving by the removal of the insane from the asylums will be almost nothing, and this fact is beginning to impress itself on the minds of the judges. It is therefore quite probable that some of the more troublesome patients at the farm will be returned to the asylums. Judge Murphy never favored the removal and his consent to it was only a tacit one. The other two judges stand out stubbornly against a return of the lunatics and it is a question whether they can be induced to send them back.

### Tax Deeds About to Be Issued.

Auditor Henry Crawford is sending out postal cards announcing to owners of property sold in 1901 for taxes that unless the taxes are paid and settlement is made by the original owner before November 1 tax deeds will be issued.

only affect the live stock and but would have a tendency to every line of business. The point turn out a product of millions annually and they hogs and sheep each year the runs from 40 to 50 millions.

were employed ranges from 60 to 70. The packing house manager on the side of the case, say that they

by reason of the depression finances to make heavy recouping expenses of their part the packers have accomplished off large numbers of others have been working and others still have undertaken their retrenchment by reducing their employees. In this way they will be enabled to keep an old employees as possible, and be thrown out of work. In reductions they have applied who can best stand it, the un receiving small wages not being Reid Bros., successors so King announced no reduction in the men, and it is stated no such a pated. No reduction in wages at Fowler's and at Dold's, the retained and the working time the volume of business.

### A ROAD TO INDEPENDENCE.

#### Grading and Macadamizing Independence Avenue Proposed.

A petition is being circulated by owners in Kansas City and asking that the county court order grade Independence avenue to the Blue river and It is then proposed to macadamize over the newly graded pavement make a macadamized highway dependence. As it now is the a macadamized road between Independence and the Blue, as the macadamizing ends at the Blue. John A. Keefe circulating the petition here many signatures. It will be presented to the county court next week.

### TO DISPLACE DODD.

#### St. Louis Business Men Object to Pacific Man.

OMAHA, Aug. 22.—George acting general manager of the road, and Vice President Warren have been called to New York by the strength of a petition business men to displace George Doddridge, with whose policy is satisfied, in favor of Smith.

### Killed With His Own Hand.

FULTON, Mo., Aug. 22.—late yesterday afternoon Fred character who has, according to reports, met George Martin, a well known man, in the road and after of having had him indicted for killing Martin over the hood with his grappled with the man and succeeded in pulling away from him and through the beast, killing him as wanted in Morris, (Gasson) killing of a man in that place was