

### ELECTRICITY FOR THE PEOPLE.

The United States claims to be in the advance of the world in the matter of caring for its citizens and for advanced ideas on economical machinery, but it will have to give way to England in the matter of using electricity. While in this country we have seen experiments in heating and cooking by electricity, Londoners are now in a position to make practical use of the new element in economical living. The establishing of an immense power plant and distributing electricity over the city at such a cost as to put it into the hands of the poorest for heating, lighting and cooking is away ahead of America. It shows that while we have theorized English people have gone ahead and utilized the ideas.

If the power of waterways can be utilized for the purpose in England, there is no reason why it should not be used here. If the English companies can furnish electricity at such rates that it can be used by workmen at the wages they get over there; and still give a profit, there is no reason why it cannot be furnished here as cheaply, or nearly so, with a good profit to those establishing the plants. What with the companies organizing for supplying electrical power to farms and all sorts of light and sound appliances, it looks as if it were time for a heat and power company to be started.