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ANARCHISM!

The Textile Manufacturer takes no great pleasure in criticism, but we feel it a duty, we owe to our readers, to express our opinions of men and things that have a bearing on matters in general.

There has been entirely too much legislation, recently, on matters affecting business enterprises, and along with this legislation has come new Bureaus, Commissions, etc., ad infinitum. There have been placed at the head of some of these new departments, men who are wholly unfitted to fill such responsible positions.

An example of this is seen in the new Commission on Industrial Relations. Frank P. Walsh who was recently appointed Chairman of this Commission (if reports be true, as to some of his recent utterances), should be plowing a steer in some lonesome valley, far removed from the activity of business enterprises. Mr. Walsh is reported as saying in a recent speech that:

"Every great fortune is a fundamental wrong. He who first gives bountifully to the poor must have first robbed them a-plenty. Every man with a fortune must at some time have crossed the line of ethics and of criminal law. The root of poverty comes because the workers do not receive the full product of their toil."

The very idea of placing a man with such sentiments at the head of a Commission to investigate "Industrial Relations." If Mr. Walsh is correctly quoted, he is the wrong man to be at the head, or in any way connected with, a public service so broad as that of the commission on Industrial Relations. He should be in company with Emma Goldman and that bunch of Anarchists known as the I. W. W.'s.

How can a man with such opinions give justice to the men at the head of our great industrial corporations?

The President has made a mistake in appointing this man, and, we trust he will soon realize this and fire him out before he has an opportunity to do a great deal of harm. Any man with such anarchistic opinions in his make-up is not only unfitted to hold an office of public trust, but he is a dangerous citizen.