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MATERIALISTS.

No, the Socialists are not inbow chasers. The opponents of Socialism re rainbow chasers.

Frequently some opponent of Socialism, in one breath, charges us with being rank materialists, who are concerned only with base, physical, mater to escape physical starvation. ial things.

And, in the next breath, he iously for money enough to pro charges us with being rank idealists and rainbow chasers who are attempting to establish an impossible heaven on earth

Of course, these charges do not hang together very well. But then, as our critics are in the wrong, we cannot expect them to be reasonable.

We Socialists are neither rankmaterialists nor rank idealists

We have high ideals but we do not spend our time dream-We recognize the fact that ism.

the reason men cannot approach their ideals, but are curban unfavorable environment. We have our knife out for

that environment.

When we lay that environment in its grave we propose to replace it with a better one.

Men are chiefly the product of their environment, and of heredity, which is chiefly composed of inherited environment

The nature of the environment of men is determined chiefly by economic conditions. the necessities and comforts of the rainbow chaser. life.

To make a radical chauge in the environment, you have to change the mode of production and distributon.

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The economic conditions now prevailing make the environment of the average man such that he is condemned to starve himself mentally, mor-He is compelled to scrambe fur

vide a bare existence.

We know that under a rational system the world's industrial work can be done in half the time spent upon it under the present wasteful, unscientific, chaotic system.

We want men to have the time and the means and the opportunity to cultivae their high er natures.

But we know that this can only be accomplished by chang italism and introducing Social-

Therefore, when we are ed and thwarted, is because charged with being rank mattheir actions and aspiratons erialists or rank idealists, I reare limited and governed by ply that the Socialist is the only materialist who is not ra nk and he is likewise the only idealist who is not rank. He is neither a materal groveler nor a rainbow chaser.

The man who makes material ends his ultimate object is the material groveler.

And the man who spends his . life, as some opponents of Socialism do, in trying to get men to be decent under the present impossible conditons, of spending his life in abolish-Economic conditions are de- ing those conditions and replatermined chiefly by the mode ing them with conditions of producing and distributing wherein men can be decent, is

The Socialist is practical.



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