

LAND VALUE TAX PARTY NEWS.

On the Saturday evening before election Joseph F. Darling, Land Value Tax party organizer, was addressing a street crowd from the party's movable platform at 125th Street, New York. A lot of mischievous college boys of rowdy instincts made a rush, upset the stand, knocking Mr. Darling to the ground. His head struck something in the fall and he was rendered unconscious for a time. The stand was utterly demolished.

OPPOSED TO HENRY GEORGE, JR.

As is well known the Land Value Tax party opposes the acceptance of appointments or nominations to office of Single Taxers by Tammany or any other old party organization, especially if it is intended to silence the favored one. During the recent campaign the party organization opposed the election of Henry George, Jr., to Congress. The editor of the REVIEW asked Mr. Wallace, chairman of the executive committee, for an explanation. Mr. Wallace said:

"It is a fixed policy of our new organization not to encourage any professing Single Taxer to seek office from any old party organization unless the party doing so will adopt the principle of a Single Tax on land values only as a part of its platform. Both of the parties which nominated Mr. George refused to do so. Further, we sent people to hear Mr. George's addresses in the early part of the campaign, and found that he entirely overlooked the Single Tax propaganda in his public speeches. Further, he had espoused the income tax policy, which is flatly contrary to the philosophy of his father, the great Henry George.*

"So we determined to issue a circular

*There is at least one error of fact in Mr. Wallace's statement. Mr. George has not espoused the Income Tax. He believes, as we also believe, that it is far preferable to a tariff tax. Mr. George believes—and in this belief we concur—that an Income Tax Law might be made—much to the surprise of some who favor it—to bear upon unearned incomes to an extent that would whet the appetite of the people for more. It is conceivable that an Income Tax might be made to include a large infusion of the Single Tax—the tax on privilege. We do not expect to hear Mr. George defend it on any other grounds.—EDITOR SINGLE TAX REVIEW.

to voters of the district. This was not done with the hope of defeating Mr. George. With the two nominations he received, we regarded his election as certain, and were indeed surprised later at his plurality being so small as it was. His Republican opponent, with the nominee of two parties opposed to him, seems to have run better than any stand pat Republican in the eastern part of the state, when compared with the vote of previous years. But we wanted to let the people in the district distinctly understand that we did not regard Mr. George's campaign as connected in any way with the propaganda for Single Tax on land values. We decline to support any candidate, even Henry George, Jr., who lays the Single Tax cause on the shelf in his effort to secure an office. Further, we believe that in his office as Congressman Mr. George will be utterly useless to the Single Tax cause.

"In urging the principles of the new organization we are constantly met with the objection that the Single Tax movement is a Democratic annex, and that the Democratic party controls the so-called Single Taxers. This may be a fact as to some of them, but we wish it distinctly known that it is not true as to the Land Value Tax party and its members. Our object is to make a vigorous fight against land monopoly, not assisting any old party in its fight against any other party, neither of which will do anything to help the cause of humanity.

"We believe our course is right; at all events, it is well to have it understood."

The Party has formed a club which will be known as the Land and Liberty Club. Its headquarters are 55 and 57 West 125th Street, this city, where Single Tax literature is kept on sale. There will be meetings and discussions every Sunday evening at 8:30, when ten cents admission will be charged. All are welcome.

The Women's Henry George League holds weekly meetings at the Single Tax Committee rooms, 46 East 29th Street, N. Y. City, for readings and discussions, on Monday afternoons from 4 to 5 o'clock. The Theory of Human Progression, by Patrick Edward Dove, abridged by Julia A. Kellogg, is now being read.