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If it was put to a vote,
not to try to answer them. All the Millionaires
and stock = gamblers, and Railroads = Kings and Express =
Messengers, and Oil = monopolists and Coal = Kingsters,
and all whom they could hire or buy or frighten
with threats of ^{hunger, want and} starvation, or deceive with protestations
of love and charity, would vote upon one side of
and who would be left to vote upon the other.

* Millionaires are good things. They endow schools, and
build churches, and run railroads, and buy aldermen.
They own fine houses and drive fast horses and
let live fast lives. That benefits the poor who build
the railroads and houses, who take care of the
horses and pick up the change they scatter in
fast living.

How would the poor of New York live if there
were not so many millionaires to work for?
How would they get ~~the~~ what the western farmer
raises if the millionaires did not run rail-
roads to bring it to them? What would be =

come of the poor farmers if there were no good millionaires to build railroads now to take their crops to the poor people of the East? They could not live. They would starve. The farmers would have to burn their corn as they used to do. The poor would not be able to pay the millionaire for coal and kerosene and gas and food.

Then what would become of the millionaires? Hush! Do not ask that question. It is wicked. Perhaps the Millionaires would live "an Change." They have Bulls and Bears there and bear-meat is very good especially in the Fall. And ~~the~~ bull-meat, though a trifle tough is very nutritious. The Millionaires would live. — They must live. We could not get along without them. And the Poor people? Oh they must live too — as long as they can — to help the millionaires, who help all the rest of the people.

Who are the rest of the People? Why, You and I.

The Very Rich

There are a ^{great} good many very rich people. They all belong to the best classes of society. They print their names in blue books and they are all very good. Why should not rich people be good? A very rich man can have all he wants and does not need to every any body else. I love very rich people. They have pleasant houses and servants and carriages, ~~and comforts~~ and they have good things to eat and wear and are always good natured. There are some people who think the very rich grow fat upon the need of the poor man. But they are very bad people. Very rich people grow fat by eating and drinking. They have a right to eat and drink because they pay for what they get. Any man has a right to what he can pay for. It is the poor who live upon the very rich. They hire them for servants and laborers and pay them. They hire them for what they can afford to pay. If the poor are not satisfied with what they get they can hire other poor people. There will always be a supply. The Good Book was written for very rich people. It says, "The Poor ye have always with you?" What would become of the poor

Very Poor People

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It is unpleasant to be poor and very poor people are very disagreeable. They do not wear good clothes nor live in good houses. They ride in the horse-cars as if very poor indeed and go about blaming of them do not have enough to eat and what they do have is of very inferior quality. They are not clean and nice like the rich and are not so good-natured either. They are often boisterous and rude and sometimes do very wrong things. The rich are very kind to the poor. They give them cold viands and old clothes. They visit their houses and give them tracts and good advice. They also found hospitals and establish many very elegant institutions for their benefit. The poor have many things for which they ought to be very grateful to the rich, but the rich employ them to do all sorts of work and pay them a great deal of money. Sometimes instead of paying them money they rent them houses or sell them food so that their poor families will need not suffer from the recklessness of dissolute husbands and fathers. This is so very kind and of course the rich cannot afford to be so kind without some little profit. But the

poor are very ungrateful. Sometimes they think the rich do not pay them enough. Then they strike which makes a great deal of trouble and is very ~~harmful~~ ^{bad for} to business. A great many people have their business broken up by strikes. This is very sad. It is very bad for the poor people too for then they cannot give them any ^{more} work ^{to do} when they do. So they suffer but as it is the result of their own folly nobody pities them ^{much}. It is generally believed that is the only way to cure them of their folly. It is very unkind to be poor. This is the reason all the bad people are poor. "Birds of a feather flock together". If the poor would use all the money the rich give them to the best advantage they would not be so poor. But instead of that they spend a great deal in bad whiskey and cheap tobacco and ~~cheap~~ flash clothing and cheap jewelry and excursions and holidays and things of that sort.

If they would sign the temperance pledge and wear plain clothes like the work people in other countries and go to church on Sunday at the neat little Mission Chapels which the ~~poor~~ rich build for them, it would be much better. Of course, they might go to the ~~real nice~~ fine churches where the nice rich people worship God, but they would want to sit on the best seats in the middle aisle if they did, and then they would not feel at home because they do not have good clothes.

It is not good for the rich and the poor to try to go together. The rich people know this and keep to themselves so as not to cause the poor people to feel envious of them. Envy is very sinful

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