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From one having so closely  
studied the status of the old slave, both  
in bondage & since we can expect  
a word of explanation of his condition  
of servitude, contrasted with that of  
the great army of labor black & white  
of to day.

Now the condition of "Chattel  
Slavery" of the black man, whose  
entire life was one of labor labor labor,  
with not a single thought, but set as  
little work he gives for a lifetime  
of labor, entirely controlled by his owner,  
as could possibly be contributed to his  
masters demands, ~~worse~~ than is  
that of the "usage slave" of to day, whose  
master cares nothing at all for him  
but to grind as much work out of him  
for the least possible pay, that he  
can keep himself & family on what  
slave or piece to-death? The black  
slave had nothing to think of but his  
lifes task to be accomplished - Food  
Clothing - Home, family - sickness or in

death his body was provided for by his owner, by the law of the land, he had naught to think of providing for "rainy days", nor for sickness or death of self or family - nothing but a life of work to eat & sleep & to die - his mark being compelled by law to provide something however little it be to keep body & soul together in health or in sickness - & to bury the "poor carcass" when dead -

The law refused the owner of the laborer, the privilege of turning out the poor soul to die, like an old horse when too old or infirm to labor longer. - How is it with our predy mine owners & double corporations with their work men?

They can, by reason of monopoly laws, corner all avenues of employment & force thousands to give them a life of labor, at a bezzardly, or near to starvation - Yes, just sufficient to keep death at bay, for a few short years, when sickness or old age claims the laborer for his victim, although the poor worn out workman had given a life to his service, the law allows the employer to turn him out to die, or

drive him "over the hills to the poor house"  
to be a public charge until death is  
kind enough to claim the victim of bad  
law & worse humanity!

Then - when the poor wage slave  
dare to combine with his fellow slave  
to secure a living wage for his labor,  
that has often enriched his master to  
a many times millionnaire, the law  
is called on to protect the slave mas-  
-ter in his robbery of the laborer of  
the only capital he possesses, & shoot him  
down in murderous blood for daring  
to assert the right of a man to pay  
for his labor for the support of his  
life & that of his family - Ballot boxes  
are swindled - Legislatures bribed and  
Courts prostrated to the continued enslave-  
ment of the poor workmen, all well  
advised, now what is the labor's present  
condition compared with black slavery  
of pro-slavery times! - The great and  
good old Republican Party freed  
the negro slave - what has it done for  
the liberation of the white wage slave  
is the question? He knows the Democratic  
Party has done nothing in the past; promises  
every thing for the laborer but does nothing.  
Kill the Republican Party doing thing to

free the rest of the workmen  
from monopoly bondage?

Monopoly bribes the public press  
the pulpit and public sentiment  
made by these powers to everlastingly  
enslave the laborer if some sublime  
power like the Republican Party  
is not invoked to free him from  
his sad condition.

"The Dry-Boatman," who  
has so long faithfully labored  
for humanity and will battle  
successfully to this end & justice  
will be awarded at last to the  
poor ones so long deprived of it  
by Capitalists occupying a place  
monopoly so injurious to the people

Laws should be enforced to  
surround our people with such a  
combination of all circumstances  
as to bind <sup>them</sup> ~~our people~~ as slaves to my  
employer ~~people~~ or Confession, & then kill  
them if they attempt to throw off  
the shackles that oppress them.

Some laws can be enacted that  
shall say what a day's labor is worth  
if humanity does not. True ~~and~~ ~~ac~~ ~~qu~~ ~~at~~ ~~the~~ ~~l~~ ~~l~~ ~~e~~ ~~t~~ ~~t~~ ~~e~~