SOME GREETINGS.

At the meeting in South Place Chapel, on Saturday, March 16th, in Celebration of the Anniversary of the Commune of Paris, the following interesting messages and letters were read from various bodies and comrades in this country and on the Continent:

**Dublin Socialist Club.**

"Irish comrades join in honouring the memory of the martyred dead, and in working for the realisation of the ideals of 1789 and 1917. Vive la Commune!"—

**Socialist League, Glasgow.**

"Greetings! Hurrah for the Revolution! The red flag will yet wave over Edinburgh Castle, and the march of the workers be heard on the mountains of lochaber!"—

**Socialist League, Norwich.**

"Revolutionary greetings! We trust you are having a successful meeting, and are certain that the worker's emancipation is near at hand. Vive la Revolution Sociale!"—

**Manchester International Workers' Society.**

"Greetings from Manchester International Workers' Society. Vive la Commune! Vive la Revolution Sociale!"—

**The League of Popular Instruction, Verviers, Belgium.**

"The League of Popular Instruction fully sympathises with you in your Celebrations, and we wish you to accept the most cordial expression of our sympathy and international solidarity."

—By order of the League, "Pierre Flicke."

**The Social Democracy of Denmark.**

"Fraternal greetings from the Danish Socialists to the English worker's meeting, celebrating the centenary of the Paris Commune. The heroic fight of the Commune has awakened the oppressed to a consciousness of their rights. A brotherhood of liberty, equality, and brotherhood."—

**The General Council of the Danish Social Democracy.**

"Kjekshus, Horder, Holm, Welsel, Mygten, Holter, Moller, Goerz, Andersen, Haugaard, Jensen, and Berg."

**The Socialists of Holland.**

"We are with you in celebrating the Anniversary of the Commune of Paris. The Socialists of the whole world are united on the 18th of March; then it is the memory of a triumph. Aye! it is not too short a time! But the blood of our martyrs was and is the seed of the church of the future, wherein there is a place for every one at the dinner of life. The past may tell us how to hold our own, but the future is to offer the choice of the slavery which Capitalism has caused."

"We are all for one, that shall be our sign, the sign of triumph. This century must not disappear before this triumph is obtained. When every one does his duty, he shall not end our efforts before the aim is achieved for which our French brothers died in 1871—the Emancipation of Labour! Vive la République Internationale et Socialiste!"

—In the name of your Dutch comrades,

"F. DUMELA NIEUWENHUIZEN."

**The Central Revolutionary Committee of Paris.**

"In my own name and in that of the Central Revolutionary Committee, I send this day a congratulatory expression of our solidarity, on the occasion of this grand anniversary of the 18th of March, on which day the Communards, for the first time of the Parisian revolutionary proletarian,—so short a victory and so soon followed by the defeat of the Commune,—and when we pledge ourselves to avenge that defeat by the next victory of the international revolutionary proletariat."

"In England, as in France, in all countries where the sufferings of the oppressed excite the popular wrath, where Socialist action and Socialist propaganda are organised and concentrated, the consciousness of the exploiters is everywhere in fact where the oppressed, the miserable, and the dispossessed struggle for their freedom, and against Capital, the Communist league shall have its revenge and the Revolution its triumph."

"To all friends of England, and to all you, who in this struggle against capitalism and against all bourgeois parties, never yielding, never giving in, are decided to march on without rest or truce until victory is gained, to you all, in my friends and for all comrades, Salut a fraternité!"

"En VAILLAN!"

(Ex-Member of the Commune.)


"On this day of glorious commemoration, we join you in celebrating that memorable event, the Proclamation of the Commune. As long as there are workers that raised the standard of social justice, they proved themselves the indomitable champions of International Socialism; and the fall of the Commune became a disaster for the entire world.

"Nowadays, when the revolutionary party has reformed its battalions in France, when, thanks to your valiant efforts, Socialism rapidly develops itself all over England, and that even among us, in the Slavonic countries, the struggle for emancipation becomes more and more active, we, the Polish Socialists, shall no longer be held by Reaction. On the contrary, upheld by the common sentiments of all comrades, it will be the decisive emancipation of the proletariat."

"Vive la République Universelle! Vive la Revolution Sociale!"—

**Stephanie Le swoowicz.**

**The PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION OF THE FRENCH SOCIALISTS, and the Organising Committee of the International Congress.**

"We shall celebrate at the very same hour as you the International Commemoration of the fallen Communards, those brave companions, who did in their hands the glorious Charterist movement, struggle with so much energy, and with so much perseverance prepare the proletariat of England for the coming 18th of March of the International Revolution."

"We invite you at the same time to take part in the International Congress which the Socialist Revolutionary Party and the Ounachte Syndicate of France organise for the 14th day of May in Paris."

—Paul Lafargue."

**The Polish Socialists of the Ghetto "Poznanka."**

"Citizens,—We join heartily with you in your demonstration to celebrate the anniversary of the Paris Commune.

"We regret that the proclamation of the Commune has been the dawning hope for the bettering of the lot of humanity, so much as it has been the greatest disaster for the human race.

"The worst of the Commune's destruction is in the hamstringing treaty of France, the enslavement of Alsace and Lorraine for long years to come, the germ of the Jewish nationalisation which has been welded in the hearts of all workers; in the disastrous bourgeois republic of France, and the growth of the Jewish State, which is to be enriched through the图形 of the masses of starving proletarians; and more than all that, it has been followed by the monstrous Franco-Russian alliance, the degradation of all Republics."

"Comrades, Europe makes great strides towards the Revolution. Following the example of these predecessors who struggled for the social and political development of all countries, who fought and perished for the Commune, the Polish socialists will always be on the spot where the blood of the oppressed flows, shed by the freethinkers of tyranny. Vive la Revolution Sociale! Vive la Fraternité des peuples! and greetings to all comrades!"

—FOLKOWSKI."

**The Central Committee of the Socialists of Ghent, Belgium.**

"Dear Comrades,—I have been asked to write you a few lines to be read at your meeting in honour of the Commune of Paris. I understand that you, though I feel that I have not the talent necessary for so great a task, I cannot refrain from mentioning two or three things. First, against the imposing spectacles of these popular demonstrations which are held at this time throughout the whole world in honour of the Commune, we do not clearly show that Paris, whilst fighting for the liberty of the people, and not for self-government in reactionary France, was working at the same time for the emancipation of the whole world.

"On the 18th March we celebrate the glorious event of the proclamation of the Commune with enthusiasm and fervour, with the great objective of the future. In the approaching week of May we shall shed tears of rage and sorrow over the massacre of so many thousands of victims, over the inhuman deeds of the reactionaries.

"If we have lived, fought, and suffered, it is not to join the fight of the great city and hope with her hopes. But do not, comrades, let us-day's France to forget the war of 1870. If the fall of the Commune, the reactionaries must be judged by the sympathy and support of the masses."

"To work, comrades! Do not let the 18th March be only the anniversary of the Commune, but a festival in which the people fraternize, preparing themselves to really round the same flag and to fight for the same principles, on the 18th of March.

—E. AMINDE."

**From William Morris.**

"Hammersmith, March 16th, 1888, 3 p.m.

—To the Chairman of the Meeting, Commune Celebration.

"Dear Comrade,—I find, to my extreme vexation and disappointment, that I am unable to leave the house this afternoon, being still immersed in the thanksgiving and guilt. I should be obliged if you would excuse me to the assembled comrades.

"I am very heartily sorry that this is so; I wished to be present and give the small signal of sympathy to this meeting. The efforts of Socialist propaganda during the last few years have had their effect, which is obvious not only in the organisations of men and women definitely professing Socialism, but also on the whole of society: so that it cannot be doubted that there are vast numbers of persons who are preparing for Socialism, and who will not lose their time in the least. That is one of more broad knowledge, though the masses of the masters are showing their unresponsiveness in other ways than the poverty and ignorance. The small signal of sympathy, though as they may think necessary. Many schemes are on foot for removing the discontent which our masters are beginning to feel as a burden on them and a thralldom between the present and the future. The French workers are happy by the aggregation of all fiscal burdens into one tax; from the National Organisation Societies to Mr. Henry George, through the Nationalisation of the land, and the abrogation of all idiotic evasions on foot; all of which have for their basis the improvement of the conditions of the poor, at their own expense, for the peace and happiness of their masters.

"While the middle classes are beginning to admit the horror of the miserable life they are living, they are perfectly opposed to any idea of the working class making the working classes happy—and well and good! But are we to pay for it? Now it seems to me that the Commune of Paris was prepared to answer this question with a simple yes, and that this is the reason why to-day we once more ask the defence as the herald of the victory which is to be, and on its appearance for it. If there were any amongst the defenders of the Commune who did not understand that its ultimate aim, its reason for existence, was the abolition of private property, its essence as a Republic, and not that of a Social State."

--William Morris."

Inspector Forster's anxiety to guard South Place Chapel during the Commune celebration on Saturday with a strong guard of the biggest boys in blue, has been a godsend to the illegal robbers, who managed two or three very successful raids in the neighbourhood of Long Lane and Queen's Square. NOVELISTS TO SAY, NO ONE HAS BEEN KILLED.—F. K.