EDITORIAL

{MAX EASTMAN—ANARCHIST.}

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A GLIMPSE into the fix that the Socialist party is in is afforded by a member of that party, Max Eastman, who writes from Waterford, Conn., in the Call of May 30 and May 29 (the issue contains both dates). The Waterfordian says: “The Socialist party has run to cover, just like the worst part of the labor unions, although it has far less excuse. . . . It wants their [the capitalist newspapers’] respect—not in order to increase the class conscious power of the proletariat, but in order to win, even at the expense of that power, little political successes for its leaders”—which is to the credit of Mr. Eastman to acknowledge; and then he proceeds: “I also advocate sabotage and violence”—which, to the discredit of any man, ranks the gentleman with the Anarchists. Such extremes and contradictions are the consequence of putty faced S.P.-ism.