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M'NAMARA'S TRIAL ON.

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HE howl, that's being raised in several bourgeois quarters against the Indianapolis Judge Joseph T. Markey's refusal to allow the alleged evidence, held in Marion county and allegedly incriminating John J. McNamara, to be transferred to Los Angeles, is perfectly natural.

Already the law was strained out of shape by the summary, the illegal transportation of McNamara to Los Angeles.

Why not strain the law some more, and allow the prosecution an opportunity to manufacture false testimony at the trial, under the pretense that the evidence came from Indianapolis?

Why not?

For the simple reason that even Capitalism is not omnipotent for mischief. Even it is restrained by some sense of propriety.

Of course, the bourgeois elements whom no sense of propriety whatever restrains, and who fatuously imagine themselves absolutely omnipotent, are howling with rage at the discovery of their error.

The present bourgeois and their detectives' howl, a sort of overture to the trial of McNamara, justifies the expectation that the issue of the trial will, in turn, be the overture to a grand "fanfare finale" howl in which bourgeois and their detectives will merge their sorrows into one turbid puddle—as did four years ago McParland, and his Orchard, the Governors of Idaho and Colorado, and the Western mining Interests who conspired to boost themselves at the cost of the lives of innocent men.

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