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[Henry George, Jr., is perhaps the ablest, and certainly the most diligent, living expounder of the single-tax theory so forcibly impressed on the world by his famous father. Mr. George has written much on his favorite theme, but nothing better nor more characteristic, than his newly issued book, "The Menace of Privilege," which comes from the press of the Macmillan Company, of New York. This work is "a study of the dangers to the republic from the existence of a favored class." It aims to show "how privileges granted or sanctioned by government underlie the social and political, mental and moral manifestations that appear so ominous in a republic." Mr. George deals with the inequality of the distribution of wealth, which occasions the formation of two belligerent elements in the nation, viz.: leagued privileges on the one side and labor unionism on the other. He shows how

Privilege seeks to control politics by corruption and to secure for itself the support of the press, the university, and the pulpit. All this, he argues, leads to centralization of government and foreign aggression, and to conditions that tend to bring disaster and ruin on the republic. But, notwithstanding that he draws a strong picture of present and prospective evils, Mr. George is still hopeful of the future, because he is sure that the single-tax system offers a remedy and a preventive which must some day be employed. The work is thoughtful, well written, and temperate in tone, and as an earnest attempt to solve a difficult problem deserves careful and respectful study.]
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