LABOR DAY IN PARIS.

May Day is always a more or less anxious anniversary in the French capi-
tal. It is the annual occasion on which labor makes an organized
outburst, with processions, bands, banners, speeches and the accom-
paniment of all kinds of rockers of cheers. In the matter under
hand, there is nothing to make the less significant effort for mili-
garianism, and all Paris would gather to the spirit of the festival.
For the devotees to labor unite in all lands alike, and the spirit
inspired as forming the bedrock founda-
tion of national prosperity. Every
right-thinking man is acutely con-
scious of increasing the earnings of the
working classes, reducing the working hours of toil, raising the standard of
living, inducing comfort, happiness and the sumnble of life over the
very widest sphere that is possible. So when the pro-
tests of Paris march by in peaceful
procession, there are only tearful witnesses to greet their passing.

The trouble lies in the fact that the
annual demonstration has been seduced on by those members of society
who have the least right to expect the
self-same honest workingmen. May Day
then chosen the day for an appeal to
display their red flag, and for the So-
cialist to declare their socialism.
Electricite. So there is always the danger of a clash during which authority
and the lawless elements that would, could, or should, not
recognize their own or any precedent
Insult. And, unhappily, this con-
dition of things is quite from having
any advantage of by other sections of
the people. There are the League of
the Bonapartists, who are ready es-
cetically to assist any form of
beast that might strike a blow at
republicanism. Then there are political
opponents of the government that hap-
pens to be in office, although they
themsevles be good republicans, do
not scruple to encourage displays of social
discontent that may serve to denounce
as a ministry whose overthrow is sought.
These are the political doc-
tors in the recurring May Day

But this year there are fortuitous
factors that greatly complicate the
situation. The law of separation be-


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