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## **(SPARGO AND HAYWOOD.)**

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N an interview, published in the Chicago *Daily Socialist* of the 9th of this month, Mr. John Spargo, a member of the National Executive Committee of the Socialist party, in the course of remarks concerning his party's presidential possibilities, speaks of Haywood, another member of the N.E.C. of the S.P., as "of course, out of the question, for which relief much thanks," and in the same interview, referring to Haywood's Anarchist I.W.W., says: "The Socialist movement in this country needs to be very sharply divided from the shamefaced Anarchism of a sect which deliberately appeals to the degenerate and criminal elements of the underworld." With these sentiments what Socialist is not in hearty accord? And what being, whether Socialist or not, with a heart in his buzzum, will not sympathize with Mr. Spargo's sad plight, considering that the said Haywood, whose "shamefaced Anarchism deliberately appeals to the degenerate and criminal elements of the underworld" was elected to the said N.E.C. of the said S.P. with 3,767 votes more than Mr. Spargo, who, himself, was elected at the bottom of the list, by barely one-fourth of those who voted?

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