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César De Paepe, [*Credit and the
Emancipation of the Working Class*]³¹

The question submitted for your Commission to examine was *how the working classes can use for their emancipation the credit they give to the bourgeoisie and the government*. [...]

‘Congress urgently requests members of the International Association in the various countries to use their influence so that trade unions apply their funds for cooperation in production, this being the best way to employ, for the emancipation of the working classes, the credit they presently give to the middle class and to governments.’

‘Those trade unions that do not think it appropriate to commit their funds to the formation of cooperative establishments on their own account should employ them to assist the establishment of productive cooperation in general, and endeavour to establish a national credit system corresponding to the means of those who ask for its help, independently of metallic values, and to establish a system of cooperative banks.’

³¹ This is a resolution introduced by César De Paepe (see note 22) in the same report set out in note 15. This is located in PI, I: 201.