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This List is intended to afford a ready-to-hand guide for the *ordinary* investigator to writings for and against municipal ownership and to material showing conditions in various municipalities. It is not presented as anything like a complete bibliography or as a guide for the specialist, who is, of course, familiar with the literature of his subject. An attempt has been made to represent all shades of opinion, but not all of the writings from any standpoint.

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