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It seems to me that your search for an eventual leader of the forces of Free Italy is, on the one hand, the transposal of a military necessity into the political field, and, on the other hand, the projection of an American political custom into European affairs. The anti-fascist movement in Italy is too differentiated, in its present phase, to allow of a single leader. Besides, could you tell me who is the leader of Swiss democracy? Or of Swedish democracy? Something inconceivable in America, namely a democratic public opinion represented by a large number of men, parties and newspapers, is on the contrary possible in Europe. The problem must therefore be stated as follows: what are the motive forces of the Italian democratic revolution, and how can they be coordinated? In broad terms, it may be answered that, in the present pre-revolutionary phase, the political currents tending towards democracy in Italy are three:-

1. The Socialists, who represent the democratic and active part of the working class in the North and Centre of the Peninsula, and the poor peasants in the South;
2. The Catholics, who represent the peasants, more especially the small landed proprietors.
3. The "Action Party" (Partito d'Azione), "Justice and Liberty" (Giustizia e Libertà), the Republican Party, and a large number of other groups of the same kind representing