SATURDAY MORNING float and that Mayor Ellis was con-idering the advisability of holding an

The Citizen questioned the motives of the two aldermen who descried the Bell Company, and went over to the Canadian Telephone Company. What has The Citizen to say of its own con-duct in descring both municipal ownership and telephone competition and going over to the Bell? Its change of heart is more remarkable than the conversion of the aldermen whose of heart is more remarkable than the conversion of the aldermen whose good faith it impugned. The Citizen's record in the telephone question is given for the reason that it is the subject of much discussion in Ottawa. It is also important, as indi-cating the mediums of information upon which public sentiment in Ot-tawa is formed. The Citizen is no worse than the two other Ottawa news-papers, both of which have done their apers, both of which have done their apers, both of which have done then throat to give the Bell telephone honopoly a new grip on the city. Its ensational flop, however, has given particular prominence in discussions n the telephone situation.

The Citizen questioned the motives

It is freely admitted by some of 'he eading citizens of Ottawa that the press of the city has made a renewal of the Bell's franchise possible. If The Citizen had stood by its colors, if The Citizen had stood by its colors, if The Journal had been true to the principle of public ownership which it has ad-vocated for many years, cheap tcle-phones would now be within reach of the people of Ottawa. Thanks to the subserviency of the newspapers to the Bell Telephone Company and the electrical interests, Ottawa is 'to be tied up indefinitely to an oppressive ring of monopolies. M. E. Nichols.

NEED ONLY A MAJORITY. Ottawa, May 13 .- (Special.)-Altho for

while it seemed that it would require a two-third vote of the city council to give the Bell Company its franchise, it now appears that a simple majority vote will be sufficient. It is likely, therefore, that the company will be voted its two years' franchise when the rouncil meets next Monday night. There is a humorous touch in the ru-nor which is current to-night in civic

circles, in connection with the Bell Company's struggle for a renewal of its phone monopoly. It is said that a position was offered to the brother of one of the aldermen, but when the can-didate looked into the offer the position was so petty that he declined it with disdain When expert estimates of the cost of

When expert estimates of the cost of civic lighting were published here the Ottawa electric interests declared them to be absurd. At that time the tender of the Ottawa Company was in for \$57 per light. The estimate for civic light-ing was \$40 to \$42 per light. But the company's pooh-poohing of this figure as absurd must have been the sheerest bluff, for it is said they at once began to scale down the figure, and when at the next council meeting an amend-ment is to be moved offering the company \$48 per light, no doubt that figure will be accepted. The Free Press says to-night: "To-ronto's little Daily World proclaims the 'Ottawa press muzzled on municipal matters.' just because The Free Press requested it to gaze into its conscience when looking for bribery and corrup-tion. The well-known hatred of The World for the Bell Telephone Com-pany robs that journal's statement of any weight.

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NOT OBSERVED.

Engineer Rust reported yesterday to the board of control that the street railway did not observe the new time table which was supposedly in force between April 25-29. On only two out of 105 divisions was the service as required and the Queen, King, Broad-view, Dundas and Bloor and McCaul cars did not change their routes as ordered

Nothing has yet been done to take daily action against the company.

Praise for Perth. Perth Expositor : A commercial traveler who made his first visit to Perth last Monday was very pronounced in his views on the town. He said he has visited almost every town in Ontario, and no place did he see more taste displayed in the keeping of private grounds than here, while the streets were cleaner and in better condition than those of any town he ever visit-ed Yes we have heave figurity private ed. Yes, we have beautiful private residences and grounds, and our streets are in good condition.

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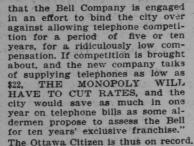
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the city council, presided. So strong was the condemnation of the Bell Co. at this meeting, so effective were the declarations in favor of municipal own-ership of telephones, that Ald. Cham-pagne finally left the chair. As 'The Cutizen observed in referring to the in-cident: "Ald. Champagne little realized the proposition he was going up against. His committee was put on the spit and roasted to a turn." It was at this meeting also that Thomas Birkett, M.P., one of the leading business men of Ottawa, showed how by owning its own telephone system the city could give \$40 business and \$20 residence phones and have a surplus of \$9500 a year. The Citizen printed Mr. Birkett's estimate of installing and operating a municipal system in black letters and made it the feature of the proceedings

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bur meeting was called in Orlawa for the purpose or reconsidering the telephone situation. Ald. Champagne, the lead-ing friend of the Bell Telephone Co. in the city council, presided. So strong was the condemnation of the Bell Co.

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"It is not desirable this year to enter into a contract that will bind the city to a renewal of the Bell Telephone Company's monopoly." Again, when the city ouncil seemed disposed to grant the Bell Co. a renative newal of its franchise for five years, The Ottawa Citizen rushed to the breach. In its issue of Sept. 24 it said: "There is no possible argument favorable to the city's interests which can be advanced to justify which can be advanced to justify the action of twelve of the city ai-dermen in voting away the city franchise to the Bell Telephone monopoly for a further period of five years. . . The people by vote have declared in favor of a municipal telephone system. At municipal telephone system. At present experiments in establishing such systems are in progress in Canada, notably in Hamilton, where they expect to have \$15 and \$10 telephones. It WOULD BE THE LIMIT OF IMPRUDENCE TO BIND OVER THE CITIZENS OF OTTAWA FOR FIVE YEARS TO PAY THE BELL MONOP-OLY \$40 PER YEAR FOR TELEPHONES. By refusing to bind itself to the Bell monopoly now, the city leaves itself FREE TO ESTABLISH A SYSTEM OF

now, the city leaves itself FREE TO ESTABLISH A SYSTEM OF ITS OWN or to start competition by another company." A Few Months Ago. The foregoing expression of opinion shows clearly that a few months ago with an expensive dual system." The Citizen regarded both municipal ownership of telephones and competi-tion by an independent company as pre-ferable to a renewal of the Bell Com-pany's franchise. Anything was to be phone Company, is now berating its chosen before a continuation of the enemies. At the public meeting above fncnopoly. In April, 1903, a little over referred to. Ald. Champagne tried to.

a year ago, The Citizen said: "It is announced that a number of American capitalists propose to organize a company to fight the Bell monopoly, and will make Otta-wa its headquarters. The chief interest for Ottawa lies in the fact

CORN SALVES OFTEN CAUSE BLOOD POISON. POISON

They are prepared by unexperienced people, and are dangerous to use. You bend to the Bell Company its curiosity as to whether friends of the company had been "seen" suddenly ceased. should be careful to select a reliable treatment like Putnam's Corn Extrac- A few days ago, when the inde-

treatment like Putnam's Corn Extrac-tor, which is antiseptic, healing and guaranteed to cure any corn in twenty-four hours. Putnam's Corn Extractor has been in use more than thirty-five years. With-out an equal for painless cures. Per-fectly safe because guaranteed. Sold by all druggists in United States and Canada. A few days ago, when the inde-pendent telephone company won a victory in the telephone committee, The Citizen went into paroxysms of indignation. It pointed out that two members of the committee, who had formerly been supporters of the Bell's proposition, had voted in favor of en-franchising the independent company. It discovered that grave rumors were

It was the same newspaper that warned the people against allowing the Bell Telephone Company to renew the grasp on its monopoly, which denounced the company's reckless and unprincipled efforts to secure a renew.

denotinced the company's recards sum unprincipled efforts to secure a renew-al of its franchise and recommended either municipal ownership or indepen-dent competition as a desirable alter-ATLAS SECURE FROM ELGIN.

The master-in-ordinary yesterday de-Has Never Explained.

cided that the Elgin Loan cannot rank in the assets of the Atlas Loan to the extent of \$50,000 debentures held by the The Citizen has never explained why The Cluzen has never explained why the policy which it so earnestly ad-vocated less than a year ago is no good to-day. It has not told the people under what circumstances municipal ownership suddenly revealed indicate level telephone commetition Elgin. It was decided that the deben-ture was not regularly issued and that the clause in the agreement to secure against loss was illegal. The debenture was takn in reality to cover an in-vestment by the Elgin, thru the Atlas, its defects and telephone competition grew into an unmitigated evil. What has happened during the year to make in Dominion Coal shares. the transac tion being to evade, the master said, the statutory limitation of the borrow-ing power of the Elgin. has nappened during the year to many a a renewal of the Bell Company's franchise desirable in the interests of the people of Ottawa? A year ago The Citizen favored: (1) a municipal tele-phone system, (2) competition by an

MISS BOOTH GOES EAST.

independent company, and failing either of these, a bargain with the Bell Company as a last desperate re-sort. A renewal of the Bell's fran-chise, which was third on the list of Commissioner Eva Booth of the Salva tion Army left last night on a tour in the east. She will give her address on "The Two Loves" in Windsor Hall. Montreal, to-morrow night. She was accompanied by several of the Knights of the Cross, who will provide special music. She will return on Tuesday. the alternatives discussed by The Citi-The alternatives discussed by The Chi-zen a few months ago, now ranks first. Municipal ownership of telephones is no longer defended in the columns of that journal. It is bitterly assailed. Competition by an independent com-Chancellor at a Loss.

London, May 13.—In yesterday's par-liamentary papers appeared a question which Mr. Morrell had addressed to the chancellor of the exchequer. Could le state, aproximately, asked Mr. Mor-rell, the amount of indirect taxation

explain The Citizen's hostility to the Bell on the theory that it had not been "seen." This imputation prompt-Aylmer Sun : When the editor arriv ed in front of this office Monday morn-ing he concluded that an anti-spitting bylaw could not be passed too soon by ed The Citizen to ask if any of he supporters of the Bell Company had been "seen." Charges of improper d our municipal council. We are getting tired of having the front steps used as a roosting place for tobacco chewers every evening, and something will drop with a dull thud before long unless the discussion provide a discontinued. peen "seen." Charges of improper dealings between the Bell Telephone Company and certain aldermen were lying very thick then, and The Citidisgusting practice is discontinued.

Cor Coupler Inventor Dead. Chicago, May 13.-James A. Hinson, president of the National Car Coupler Company, and one of the most promi-nent inventors of the car coupling de When the Change.

vices in the country, is dead. No Selection Made Yet.

Indianapolis, Ind., May 13.—President John Mitchell of the United Mine Workers said to-day that no selection has been made as yet of a man to take the presidency of the National Civic Federation.

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much winter-kining of fair wheat in southwestern Ontario be somewhat dampening to the spirits, nothing of the kind characterizes the news from Manitoba' and the Northwest. Our telegram of yesterday noon from Win-

telegram of yesterday noon from Win-nipeg states that reports obtained from 125 different points thruout the west-ern prairie country indicate that the increased area under crop will be 12 per cent. None report any falling off, increases being from same as last

increases being from same as last year to 200 per cent. greater. Seeding is practically completed and the weather considered most favorable. In





fuge and now by a previous contract it is taken away from us. We'll have to reduce stock to get over the difficulty, and reducing stock means reducing prices. So we start Monday with the bulky Bedroom Furni-

