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SATURDAY MORNING, SEPT. 30.

Shall We Have Up-to-Date Express Service in the City of Toronto?

The city is to be commended for taking the leadership in the movement to secure an up-to-date service from the express companies. Generally speaking there seems to be no reason why these public service corporations should not deliver the parcels they carry to any house within the city limits. The postoffice not only delivers mail to every householder in Toronto, but extends house delivery to contiguous suburbs.

Prior to 1906 the express companies did about as they pleased in this country. In that year, however, the house of commons gave a second reading to a bill, which had been repeatedly pressed upon the attention of Mr. W. F. Maclean, M.P. for South York. That bill placed express, telegraph and sleeping car companies under the jurisdiction of the Dominion Board of Railway Commissioners. The bill then went to a special committee, which recommended certain amendments to the Railway Act, which are now on the statute book.

Some time later the railway commission made an order requiring the express companies to collect and deliver without extra charge everywhere within the corporate limits of the city, but the late Judge Mahee, then chief commissioner, intimated that this sweeping order might be modified if a proper showing was made by the express companies. Such modification followed in due course, and the order of the commission, now effective, was made March 6th, 1912. It modified the previous order by requiring express companies to give free collection and delivery service on streets and avenues "reasonably passable by express wagons" in certain zones and districts therein defined, and described. The order gave proper express service to the greater part of the city, but certain populous districts like Earlscourt, Oakwood, North Toronto, West Toronto, Little York and the beaches were and are still excluded.

At least fifty thousand citizens are denied reasonable express facilities. When goods consigned to them arrive in Toronto they are notified by postcard and must go clear down town and fetch the packages home themselves. The companies do not even go to the trouble of unloading at the Little York, North Toronto, West Toronto and Davenport Stations, express packages consigned to people living outside the collection and delivery zones, but contiguous to these respective stations. In the case of perishable goods, great loss is entailed, and in every case considerable inconvenience.

The application filed by the Citizens' Express and Freight Campaign Executive Committee makes out a strong case that may well challenge the attention of the railway commission, while the answer of the express companies really puts up no defence beyond the allegation that many thopofanes in the outlying districts are not reasonably passable for vehicular traffic.

While the case for proper relief has been admirably prepared by counsel representing the citizens most aggrieved and by the city law department, the mayor and corporation are to be commended for retaining Mr. K. Cowan, K.C., and the hearing before the railway commission should not be proceeded with until Mr. Cowan is able to present the city's case. What the commission may decide will be final in the sense of there being no appeal, and The World wants to see the case decided right.

Germany in Extremis

Chancellor Von Bethmann Hollweg is beginning to find what a thorny path the way of transgressors always proves to be. History will record the

wonder of generations to be at the gigantic folly of the German Government, which, under the most favorable auspices, had almost conquered the world of commerce, and stood supreme in the respect and admiration of the scientific, philosophical, musical and educational world generally, but, not satisfied with the unparalleled progress of the last forty years, determined to make a devil's bargain and stake everything for a false ambition. Had Germany been satisfied to continue the competition she had inaugurated on commercial lines, it is probable that in twenty-five years more she would have become so strong that many lesser nations would have come under her sceptre by the way of peaceable absorption. It is true that many historians declared Germany was bankrupt, but it was her army and navy which produced this condition. Germany on peaceful lines could have satisfied every legitimate ambition of her people. But when the policy of forceful greed was adopted, and the kaiser staked all on a war of conquest there was nothing for humanity to do but revolt against the monster, who would enslave the world.

The precipitancy of vanity and overweening ambition has proved to be the vital defect in the German program, and it is impossible to attribute this precipitancy to any other agency than the kaiser himself. The German nation was in no hurry. Everything was coming its way. A nation can wait fifty years or a century, and find the time short, while it draws on to its goal. But human individuals have a limitation which they cannot transcend, and the kaiser has always the fear before him of the shadow that sits and waits. There were other reasons that appealed to the party of force, and led them to make the wrong and fatal choice for a world war.

The chief weakness of the chancellor's speech yesterday was the fact that as he lives his own life, he judges his neighbors. He can see no other reason for the objection of the entente allies to be dominated by Germany, than a desire on the part of Britain to dominate Germany. He accused Britain of being Germany's "most egotistical" enemy. What has the kaiser and the German Government chiefly been in their relations with others?

He declares that "the desire for territorial conquest by Germany's enemies is responsible for the daily piling up of mountains of corpses." This would be incredible on the lips of any other than a German, who perhaps is unable to remember that it is Germany and Germany alone who is fighting on foreign soil. He accuses England of desiring to see the existence of Germany as a nation crushed. He dare not tell the truth to his people that all Britain and her allies have asked for is the crushing of kaiserism, of militarism, of tyranny. The chancellor's speech is of course intended for home consumption, hence he is not patriotic enough to tell the truth. In the same vein he assures his hearers that it was impossible for the British and French troops to break thru the German western defence. But all this comes with little sparkle after the boasts about the seizure of Paris and the Christmas dinner in London, of 1914.

The true temper and fears of the chancellor were revealed in his bitter suggestion that no weapon that he used by Germany should be left aside. There is no instrument of war, legitimate or not, of which Germany would not avail herself in her present plight. It would be wiser for her people to learn something of the lessons of civilization and democracy, and so deliver themselves from the captivity in which the kaiser has bound them.

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Political Intelligence

Why is The Ottawa Free Press jumping on Major-General Sir Sam Hughes? Last session The Free Press was the general's most ardent supporter. It denounced Hon. William Pugsley and Frank B. Carvell, M.P., for demanding an investigation of the shells committee, the purchase of fuses and the activities of J. Wesley Allison. Mr. Carvell returned by saying that The Free Press was practically owned by Conservatives, and attempted to read that journal out of the Liberal party. This, of course, only made The Free Press more vehemently pro-Hughes.

Now, like a bolt from the blue, The Free Press is out in a front page article, declaring Sir Sam to be the nightmare of the cabinet, and predicting the utter defeat of the Borden government unless he is promptly ejected. The thing is as strange as The Montreal Mail's attack upon Hon. Robert Rogers!

The Toronto News hears that Sir Thomas White is going to England, where he will receive a great ovation on account of the war in which he has handled our finances during the war. A good deal is coming to Sir Thomas, which he should receive in generous measure from his fellow-countrymen of Canada when the war is happily over and the end has crowned his work. No doubt he could discount the note by going to England where colonial statesmen are often honored, dined, decorated and otherwise rewarded. But a man cannot discount paper abroad and then collect what is coming to him at maturity from the people at home. Sir Thomas is working for Canada and from Canada he should await the need of praise that is due him. This country will not prove ungrateful. But don't discount the note before it is needed for an election, and pull in the duets in Canada, not in England.

In Montreal they are talking about an early Dominion election, perhaps the last of November. Ottawa says no election is in sight, but Ottawa was the only place taken by surprise when Sir Wilfrid Laurier dissolved parliament in the summer of 1911. It certainly looks like the ministers of the crown were busy feeling the pulse of the country. Sir Robert Borden has been looking over his fences in Nova Scotia, and yesterday was said to be meeting influential people in Montreal. Hon. Mr. Cochrane has gone to Sudbury, where nickel abounds, and even more precious metals may be obtained. Dr. Reid is sizing up the country west of Lake Superior, and Sir Thomas White came up to Toronto from Ottawa Thursday prepared to spend some little time in this part of the province. Before long these doctors will no doubt come together, compare notes and decide on a course of action. An election before Christmas is not out of the question.

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Thirty-Two Thousand Shares Sold on Montreal Exchange.

BIG AMOUNT FOR N.Y. Brokers Are Beginning to Talk Par in the Near Future.

Special to The Toronto World.
MONTREAL, Sept. 29.—Thirty-two thousand shares of Dominion Steel common were sold today on the Montreal exchange and at the close there were more people to predict a further rise of fifteen points than when the \$2,000,000, Parrell, Seely, purchased twenty thousand shares for New York account, and Mr. G. W. Parrell stated this evening that this was for investment and would not come back on the market for a long while.

He said there was nothing that he knew in the amalgamation stories, and it was also denied that J. K. N. Ross had sold Civil and put the money into Dominion Steel, also a close business friend of Mr. Ross was in New York all day today and it was rumored on the street that the young millionaire had purchased ten thousand shares of the popular stock.

It is now announced that Mark Workman has secured the services of one of the best steel makers in America, who will take charge of the Sydney works early next month. Workman puts no pretence in the theory of the New Yorkers buying for control, saying that they would have to possess themselves of a lot of stock yet to get anything like control of the company.

The most sensible theory is that a good many big men in New York and other cities of the union, who have made money out of the war, fear their own institutions and take it for granted that such an investment would not only be remunerative but absolutely safe here. The brokers are talking par in the near future.

Report Large Business in Russian Government Bonds
Since the tremendous success of the Canadian war loan, investors have turned their attention to Russian Government bonds which, by reason of exchange rates, can be bought at about two-thirds their par gold value. Messrs. Murray Mathew & Co., investment bankers in the Toronto Stock Exchange Building, report a large business in these securities. Russian rubles are worth \$1 45-100 cents in American gold at par of ex-1914, the lowest price for rubles in New York was 51 cents, and the average was 51 70-100, and the average by two-thirds their par gold value. Present exchange value in New York is about 33 cents.

Purchased now, the bonds would yield 5 1/2 per cent. If coupons are cashed at present exchange rates, if held till exchange rates become normal the yield would approximate 9 per cent. The price in the principal would be about 55 per cent.

Special One-Way Fares to Pacific Coast Points, Sept. 24th to Oct. 8th.
Those contemplating a trip to Pacific coast points, including Victoria, B.C., Vancouver, B.C., Seattle, Wash., Portland, Ore., etc., should consult Canadian Pacific ticket agents for particulars of low fares in effect Sept. 24th to Oct. 8th.

REST AND RECREATION WHEN SEASON IS OVER

James T. Powers, Famous American Comedian, Coming Soon in "Somebody's Luggage."

James T. Powers, the original and inimitable "Jimmy" Powers of many famous stage recollections—is coming to the Alexandra Theatre, Monday, October 9th, with his latest successful fun vehicle, "Somebody's Luggage," a farcical comedy by Mark Swan. This starring comedian is a firm believer in rest and recreation as a means to maintaining his efficiency as a creator of laughs. He insists upon a certain amount of rest each year, and would not prolong his season past a certain length for any monetary consideration. To this habit he attributes his propensity for keeping up the same standard of work throughout consecutive seasons.

As soon as the season is ended Mr. Powers hurries across the ocean and seeks the quiet and restful atmosphere of a town that may have caught his fancy. He sometimes stops in Paris, London or some other capital to see what tricks the laugh creators overseas are using. If he has any spare time upon his return from Europe he spends it in the solitude of the mountains. Then he is in close touch with his managers, and also enjoys the beautiful air of the country. Loon Lake has been his favorite place for his "second" vacation for several years, and he and Mrs. Powers have selected a site for a bungalow along the lake. "Loon Lake is appropriate for a comedian, don't you think," he asked. "It suggests the opinion some people have of a comedian."

Canadian Officers Are Sent to France to Fight

LONDON, Sept. 29.—The following have left for France: Captains W. A. Hope, of Perth; J. Johnston, Medical; De Waller, of Virden; H. S. Cooper, of Oakville; C. J. Marshall, Vancouver; G. E. Scott, Vernon; P. V. Graham, Medical; Lieutenants L. J. Stuart, Port Hope; J. L. Gibson, Calgary; H. A. McBurney, Regina; J. Alexander, Nova Scotia; H. A. Gibson, Royal Canadian Mounted Police; Ontario: F. S. Huntley, Nova Scotia; W. H. Bissett, Yorkton; G. H. Dell, Kemptville; H. Gooday, Quebec; N. V. Walker, Ontario; R. P. Thompson, J. R. Patterson, A. D. Laviolette, Quebec; J. K. Wiggins, N. T. White, Pioneers; N. Y. Sinclair, Toronto; M. Webster, headquarter; W. H. McKim, Ontario; H. C. McMorris, Winnipeg; A. T. Marks, Ontario; R. Mansell, Prince Albert; J. B. Duncan, Ontario; D. M. Gillingwood, Halifax; T. Halsbeck, British Columbia; C. D. Kenyon, B. F. Allen, British Columbia; A. W. Ruston, Toronto; D. A. Bissett, Western Canada; N. C. Tutton, Ontario; W. H. Bob, Ontario; R. W. Fordham, Ontario.

The following chaplains are posted to Abkhaz Camp: C. G. Fox, J. R. Hay, T. Harrison, T. A. Mosley, H. N. Leimner, E. M. Burwash, E. Church, J. O. Watts.

Sir W. Henry Dunn Elected Lord Mayor of London

LONDON, Sept. 29.—Sir William Henry Dunn was today elected Lord Mayor of London.

The new lord mayor, who will take office in November, will be the third Roman Catholic Lord Mayor of London in recent years. He was closely associated with Sir William Treloar in the work of improving the condition of thousands of London's poor cripples and is treasurer of the Aston Cripples' Home.

NEW O.C. FOR BRANTS

Special to The Toronto World.
BRANTFORD, Sept. 29.—Lieut. Col. W. O. Norris, new officer commanding 21st Battalion, and Capt. Ferguson, quartermaster, arrived in Brantford today to arrange winter quarters for the battalion. This is the first visit of the new commander.

SASKATCHEWAN BANK ROBBED.

MOOSE JAW, Sask., Sept. 29.—The Bank of Hamilton, Caron, 18 miles west of here, was robbed of \$9000 by a gang of burglars last night. The watchman was held up by four men. All telephone and telegraph wires out of the village were cut and the safe blown.

LONDON OFFICER MISSING.

LONDON, Sept. 29.—Major N. A. Ashplant, city engineer of London, says an official message to his brother, Aimerman Ashplant, is wounded and missing. Major Ashplant had only returned to the firing line after recovering from a wound in the head. Fourteen Londoners' name appear in today's list of casualties.

BOWSER MAY QUIT IF HE IS NOT RETURNED

Conservative Leader in British Columbia Will Not Seek Another Seat.
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BACK FOR CONSIDERATION.

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Seven York County Companies Ask Railway Board for Uniform Rate.

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The companies were the Home, Bethesda and Stouffville, Mount Albert, Exbridge and Scott, King, Scarborough and Canadian Independent Telephone companies. They plan to arrange a system of circuits by which people living near one another may avoid paying long distance tolls because they happen to be on different and independent lines. The hearing will probably take some time.

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