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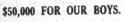
BOARD OF CONTROL BY-LAW.

On June 7 the ratepayers will be asked to decide by by-law the question of appointment of a Board of Control; and there is some doubt as to the outcome. A fear is expressed that the public does not fully understand the import of the change proposed, and that there are many who will on principle vote against increasing the machinery and cost of municipal government.

Briefly stated, the Board of Control is intended to take important parts of the civic management out of the hands of the Council and place it in the hands of a board composed of four men and the Mayor, elected at large, and paid a salary, in this case \$1,000 each per an To be more specific, this board is authorized to do such work as to prepare the estimates of expenditure and send them on to the Council; to pre pare all specifications for contracts and call for tenders; to inspect and report on municipal work, to nominate heads of departments and sub-departments, to dismiss or suspend eivic officials, to submit by-laws to the Council and to amalgamate or regulate the departments. The Board of Control's decision must be accepted unless it be reversed by a twothirds vote of the Council.

It will be seen that to all intents and purposes the Board in many important matters is the Council: the aldermen's functions being mostly concerned in saying ditto, unless two-thirds protest by dissenting votes. To what extent the administration of civic affairs would be affected, and whether beenficially or detrimentally, is a matter for the elucidation of experience. There is a chance with a Board of Control composed of good men, of getting improved civic government. There is also a danger of establishing ring rule.

The hard fact stares the ratepayer in the face that with the Board of Control as without it, he will get service according to the men that he chooses to represent him. If by paying \$4,000-or even \$10,000-a year in salaries he could get intelligent, capable, public-spirited muni cipal rulers, it might pay. But it is just as well to bear in mind that given incapable or unfit men, the Board of Control is as likely to aggravate the muni cipal evils as to ameliorate them. It can never be a substitute for that care ful oversight of municipal affairs and that wise selection on business lines which each ratepayer owes to himself, and to his fellow citizens. And the kind of men sent to the Boards of Control by sister cities, and some of the work they have done, do not show well as evidence to prove it to be a paancea for municipal iNs. If the people of Hamilton determine to pay a Board of Control to do their work, or to prevent the aldermen whom the people elect from doing it as they would, they must see to it that they get a good Board of Control, if indeed they would ont wish their latter state to be worse than the former one.



Fifty thousand dollars by July 1. That is the mark the Young Men's Christian Association has set, and the directors have run a blue pencil through word "fail" in their dictionary. Fifty thousand dollars for the boys of Hamilton! Are they worth it? Is there a father or a mother who, looking at the lad in whom the hope of future years is centred, will not say, that that one particular boy is worth it all?

It has been estimated that in a city of 70,000 there may be between 8,000 and 10,000 boys between 12 and 18 years of age-the plastic age, when they can moulded for good or for the opposite. How many of that large number are surrounded by influences one-half as good as those which the Y, M. C. A. affords? Surely the proportion is small. The home, the Sunday school and the country will not soon forget day school help to form the character of the future men, but the street is the

Sir Robert W. Perks talked to th ounced. It is feared that the depositors Empire Club yesterday in a manner to of the wrecked bank will lose heavily. which it has not become accustom From most of the towns and cities His plain language may serve to dispel of Canada come cheering reports of in-creased activity in the building trade. some apprehensions which have existed in nany of the foggy-minded politicians of For the month of May the increase in Toronto. One one question Sir Robert the value of permits taken out approxispoke with clearness and emphasis, Brimates \$4,000,000. tain is no dving or decadent nation

PERKS' PLAIN TALK.

controlled by the Tory party.

in favor of unrestricted free trade with-

in the Empire. Hon. George E. Foster

interpolated: "You will have to be your

Robert accepted as indicating his hostil-

ity to such an arrangement. He declar-

ed, however, that he looked forward to a

time when the Empire will be federate

for defence and trade purposes, Possibly

that time may be still distant, and the

conditions of such a pact may be brought about gradually; but that it is

coming, and that it will form the basis

of a greater Empire bund is the feeling

of intelligent men of broad view in all parts of the British dominions.

SIMULATED ANXIETY.

The Toronto News' pretended anxiety

as to the future of the National Trans-

continental Railway leads it into some

peculiar contradictions. Day after day

ing its fear that the Grand Trunk Paci-

fic Company will refuse to operate the

Winnipeg to Moncton section. Of course

the News has no such fear. No railway

man has any doubt of the success of the

road. But the operation of the Eastern

division is not left optional with the G.

T. P. Company. It is the natural, all-

the G. T. P. is bound by its contract to

rail outlet to the western division; and

it tries to scare its readers

own guarantor," a remark which

such fallacies were put forward for poli The sale of \$377,000 worth of Hamiltical effect by the hereditary opponents ton 4 per cent. debentures at 99.11, while of the Government now in power in still lower than the prices Toronto has Great Britain. The statement would been securing, is an improvement or not bear examination. He directed at some recent sales. The fact that Hamil tention to many evidences of British ton has a very large bonded debt rensolidity and progress; and pointed out ders the improvement in price particuthat the remedy proposed for the alleglarly gratifying. ed national deterioration was "Turn the

Government out and put us in." The British nation, Sir Robert averred, Australia's Labor Government has been defeated, a majority of 39 to 30 would show in time of trial the same made up of Free Traders, Protectionists pluck and stamina as in the days of and anti-Socialistic parties combining to the Commonwealth. bring about its downfall. Australian He shed a significant sidelight upon

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politics is in a state of flux, and a lot the newspaper despatches served up to of dangerous experiments had recently Canadians by pointing out that most of been proposed. the leading newspapers and press agen-

cies of Great Britain were owned and A man who was cating a clam dinne in a lock-up while awaiting removal to jail the other day found a \$100 pearl it of the alleged "news" and press opinions are thus mere partisan pleas for the his food. Now, from Mannie, Ill., come the story of a man whose shoe lace party out of power. Observant Cana-dians cannot but have noticed how hitched on a mussel as he was being baptized, and on freeing it he found a \$500 pearl. What luck! If some men time-sometimes a matter of a week or so- gives the lie to many of these cabled sensations. There can be no such were blown up in a coal mine explosion their chance would be good to come thing as a free press when its soul resides in the pocket of a political party Sir Robert asked his hearers if he might go home and say that we are all

Association is another step forward in a novement that has for its object the prevention of a serious class of evils in the community. It deserves to succeed.

It is a great deal better to raise boys under conditions which produce healthy, order-loving men than to reclaim the dissolute and criminal, Supervised playgrounds have been proved to be an important factor in the education of the city youth. They cost money; but on principle that prevention is better the than cure, dimes spent in this way may save dollars later

man OUR EXCHANGES

DODGERS

(Guelph Herald.) Hamilton's Chief of Police wants all tracts placed in the same category as dodgers. Seeing that most men try to "dodge" tracts, this is not so remarka-

A MASTER MIND. (Toronto News.) ow great and marvelous the mind Which saves up all its "cases," o take them down to Queen street east And lose them on the races.

NON-INTOXICATING (Guelph Herald.)

PAINFUL READING

(Toronto Star.) Those clergymen who petitioned the Governor-General not to countenance horse-racing by attending the Woodbine meet, will be pained to read that King Edward's horse won the Derby. FIRECRACKERS.

the con (Stratford Beacon.)

this morning, but it is not expected that for 1909. For those who have the land in fit condition, and the facilities for giving the necessary attention, an in-crease in area devoted to potato-growing may be profitable. An increased supply naturally has a tendency to lower prices-but, on good soil, the yield generally is sufficient to leave a handsome profit, even at prices lower than have been ob-tained during the past few months. In addition, proper cultivation leaves the soil in ideal condition for other crops in 1910. for 1909. For those who have the land in fit condition, and the facilities for it will prevent sentence from being pro-

off in finder contribut of out out off in 1910. It would be, folly, however, to al-low the prevailing good prices to induce the planting of potatoes extensively on land that has not been prepared for the crop, or that is not in condition to give good returns under ordinary condi-tions. With judicious planting of good seed, and proper cultivation and spraying during the season, the re-turns will not likely be disappointing, but it is easy to exceed the reasonable limit when prices are encouraging.

THE IMPERIAL BANK

Prosperity of the Country Reflected In Its Annual Report.

The Times to-day prints the annual report of the Imperial Bank. The state-ment is a most gratifying one. It shows that since the end of April, 1908, the bank's aggregate deposits have increas-ed from \$30,150,000 to \$366,000,000, a gain of about 20 per cent., and the cir-culation has increased over \$200,000. Or-dinary discount loans have increased dinary discount loans have increased from \$23,862,812 to \$26,571,958, a gain from \$23,862,812 to \$26,571,958, a gain from \$23,862,812 to \$20,014,607 rofits of close on 12 per cent. The net profits for the year, after allowing for all bad and doubtful debts and the expenses at-tendant on opening new branches, amwere blown up in a coal mine explosion their chance would be good to come down on a mocket of gold nuggets or diamonds! The good sense of President Taft is shown by his desire to cut down the foolish and reckless military expenditure in which prodigal congressmen wish to indulge. That attitude and the growing popularity of the suggestion that the British and United States naval authori-ties co-operate in policing the coasts of both oceans are good omens for the fu-ture. Great Britain and the united States might by such co-operation set the work da splendid example and do a grand work for peace and the relief of their peoples from excessive taxation for military and naval purposes. The organization of a Playgrounds 'Association is another step forward in a movement that has for its object the set and an increase of source of the last total to the state state station for military and naval purposes. same comparison shows that during year deposits increased from \$551,871,-116 to \$657,489,753.

116 to \$657,489,753. Mr. D. R. Wilkie, President and Gen-eral Manager, in dealing with the state-ment, attributed the results in part to a fairly good crop in the Northwest, valued at \$126,000,000 in 1907; to large expenditures on public works, and to ex-tensive borrowings abroad by the Dom-inion, Provincial, and municipal Gor-ernments, as well as by railway and other corporations. The President gave an interesting review of the salient fea-tures of Canada's growth during the past year, an increase in population from 6,863,500 to 7,145,040, an increase in the area under crop in the three Northwest Provinces from 10,336,070 acres in 1908 to 11,200,000 acres for the present year, and a marked record in the output of animals and their pro-ducts. While not emphasizing the opin-ion that the new taxation in Britain would drive capital away from that country. President Wilkie pointed out the need of improving any possible op-portunity for opening safe investments in Canada for the moneyed men of Bri-tain. The Imperial Bank has sustained the view of President Wilkie pointed out D. R. Wilkie, President and Gen-Mr in Canada for the moneyed men of Bri-tain. The Imperial Bauk has sustained the views of President Wilkie as to the opportunities and also the duties of a great financial institution in keeping pace with the development and grow-ing needs of an expanding country. Can-ada's system naturally produces a num-ber of stable banking institutions with many branches at widely separated lo-calities. These banks owe a duty to the business community as well as to their business community as well as to their own broader interests, and it is fortunate that they both appreciate their pos-ition and rise to its demands and its ition possibilities



On Chest, Back, and Head-Pain, Heat, and Tingling Were Excru-ciating-Nerves in Exhausted n-Sleep Badly Broken.



\$12.50 to \$15.00 Suits on sale for \$7.50 \$18.00 to \$20.00 Suits on sale for \$10.00 \$22.00 to \$25.00 Suits on sale for \$12.50 \$27.50 to \$35.00 Suits on sale for \$15.00

ella Cloths, swell French Serges, Panamas and Satin Cloths; all

the good shades and tones. These are the cut prices:

Unequalled Bargains in Dress Skirts

A \$4.50 Skirt for \$2.59 Perfectly cut and finished garments, made of splendid materials, new styles and all the good colors. Lustres, Panamas, serges and fine cloths; pleated, kilted and plain gored; full \$4.50 to \$5.50 values, on sale Saturday for each. \$2.05 Women's Skirts \$6.95 for \$3.95 Made of Panamas, serges, French poplins, plain gored, the off etraphings and large self-covered buttons; \$6.00 kirts, Yolle Skirts, all sizes up to 44 length, \$12.95 for \$3.75

and \$3.50, worth a half more.

Made of Panamas, serges, French poplins, plain gored, with self strappings and large self-covered buttons; \$6.00 to \$6.95 values, on sale Saturday for each \$3.95 Women's Silk Coats \$10.00

\$12.95, for Women's Spring Coats \$3.95

Stirring Bargains in Millinery

Nearly 100 Untrimmed Shapes in all the newest and latlear prices and less. All high class goods.
 \$3.50 Shapes for
 \$1.50

 \$5.00 Shapes for
 \$2.50

 \$2.00 Shapes for
 \$2.50

 Children's Hats on sale at cut prices, \$1.75, \$2.50

Trimmed Hats at \$4.50 Hats in small, medium and large sharpes, for all ages, a collection that is worth from \$6.95 to \$8.50, all go on sale at one price, each \$4.50

Pattern Hats

operate it and to pay the Government 3 per cent, interest on the cost of the An eastern contemporary asks: "But supposing that the News and that the company had both the de sire and the power to abandon the eastern section. What then? The most that could happen would be the reversion of the road to the Government and its operation as a government railway And that is precisely what the New and the Conservative party have pro fessed to desire all along. The only ference between this result and the out-

by intimat

come of the Conservative policy advo cated in 1904 would be in the cost of the road. The Liberals are building (trueph Herald.) A Hamilton druggist was fined for selling chocolates on the Sabbath. No, not the brandy kind; just the plain, or-dinary variety that are alone safe for Hamiltonians to take. through the instrumentality of a Com nission whose work is keenly supervised by the company, which must pay the increst, and is consequently concerned in keeping down the cost. If the Conservatives had been given their way th

oad would have been constructed by the politicians, with no safeguards. The country will not so nforget the con spiracy by which a combination of politicians and capitalists endeavored to force the Conservative policy upon the

great school house for an unfortunately large number. These the Y. M. C. A. seeks to reach to develop the physical. moral, social and spiritual in them, and give them to the world men four-square. Up to the present time the local asso

ciation has been struggling along with cramped quarters and inadequate equip ment, having a membership in the neigh borhood of 400 in the boys' department and being compelled to limit its efforts because the boys' work already hampers the operations of the young men. The directors hear the cry of hundreds who would be bettered for time and for eternity by membership in the "Y." and are determined that provision must and shall be made for them. That is why they ask for \$50,000 by July 1. Their plan is to erect a new building exclusively for boys, providing ample accommodation for 800 or 1,000, where now the 400 cannot be adequately ac commodated. They already have the land and \$10,000 or \$11,000 of the money in sight-\$40,000 more to raise! Tt should be no herculean task.

The association is especially fortunate in having the right man at the head of the boys' department-one in whom the mothers and fathers have implicit confidence. The moment seems to be opportune for the effort, and it is now for every citizen to do his share. A plan of campaign will soon be unfolded, and it is hoped by united effort that when Dominion Day comes the entire \$50,000 may be on hand. It will be one of the best investments Hamilton ever made il it contributes to the character of the boys who are to be the men of a few years hence.

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trying to discredit the project has a ten-dency to increase the suspicion that its dissatisfaction is largely caused by the very care which has been taken to pro-vide for a first-class road and against the graft which has marked such enter prises under the management of the News' friends.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

But we shall probably learn what the railway people intend doing in time to dodge the engine.

The Street Railway Company is mak ng good progress with the retracking. A great deal can be accomplished when quarrelling ends and work begins.

According to stories to hand, Roosevelt's slaughtering expedition is doing its share to exterminate the wild life of Africa. What a consuming thirst to kill possesses some people?

The story of a bank president attempting to commit suicide by shooting himself in the ankle, suggests the thought that his knowledge of anatomy nust be somewhat deficient.

It is all very well to demand that our legislators enact anti-gambling laws which "can be easily and readily enforc-ed," But those most familiar with legislating best appreciate the difficulty of such a feat.

President Roy, an ex-Speaker of the Quebec Legislature, and ex-President of the Bank of St. John's, Quebec, has been

the Bank of St. John's, Quebec, has been found guilty of falsifying the returns made to the Government. The amount involved is said to be \$500,000. Argu-ment on a reserved case was set for

ROOF PLAYGROUND. (Brantford Expositor.)

A playground has been established on the roof of the Waldorf Hotel, New York city, the object being to give pleas-ure, healthful exercises and vent for ani-mal spirits to the pampered darlings of that famous hostelry.

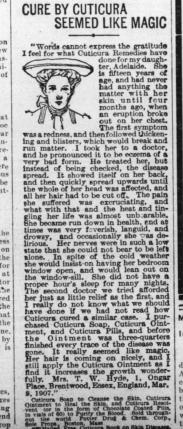
BIRDS' NESTS. (London Free Press.)

(London Free Press.) Let it be known far and wide that the boy who robs a bird's nest is a foe to his kind. About this time of year the instinet grows acute with opportun-ity. The birds are nesting, busy to re-cruit the species. They are doing a good work for humanity. Why interfere with it? The small boy's predaceous habit in stealing the eggs should be made a criminal offence, as it is the ut-most folly of wantonness.

SHIMONESE'S WIN

(Toronto Saturday Night.) The King's Plater, Shi-monese Japanese name for the new smo powder), repeated her dam's victory on Saturday. Six years ago, Lyddite, the clever Hendrie filly, came in a leader for clever Hendrie filly, came in a leader for the plate, and great joy reigned at Helmstead in consequence. A spectator of Saturday's vietory said "How the good old President would have enjoyed seting Shi-monese do that!" and the sigh which followed told eloquently that Hendrie of Holmstead is often in the thoughts of his friends at the Woodbine. After so many seasons made brighter by his hearty enthusiasm, his memory is still kept very green.

FAIR PRICES FOR POTATOES. (Caledonia Banner.)



Special Corsets at \$1.00 New Directoirs style, made of fine percale 19 inch backs, 4 web elastic Hose Supporters, white only, 18 to 30, special at per pair	Pattern Hats that have furnished ideas for our trim- mers, are now on sale at about ½ price, \$8.95 to \$12.95 Hats, Saturday for
Big Bargains in Silk Gloves 50 dozen Women's Black Silk Gloves, extra heavy quality, 24 inches long, the kind that always sell for \$1.00; a special purchase of this lot makes 50 Women's Fancy Parasols Made of fine silks, and fine white embroidered linen, fancy colors and plain blacks, at very special prices 	Men's Fancy Handkerchiefs 15c 100 dozen Men's Pure Linen Hemstitched Handker- chiefs with fancy colored borders, good generous size, and worth 29c, on sale Saturday for each 15c Bargains in Men's Underwear Men's Fine Bilko Shirts and Drawers, all sizes, 34 to 40, worth 75c, on sale Saturday for per garment 19c Men's Fine Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers, double thread, Egyptian cotton, worth 50c, on sale Saturday for per garment
Staple Dept. Bargains Bleached Sheetings at cut prices— 25c for 20c 40c for 32½c 33c for 25c 40c for 37½c Unbleached Sheetings at Equal Cuts 25c for 19c 37½c for 30c 35c for 27c 45c for 35c Bleached Linen Sheeting, 90 inches wide, regular 90c value, on sale for	Saturday Sale of Lace Curtains A clearing up of odd lines of 1, 2 and 3 pairs, some have been used as samples, all splendid value at regular prices, to be cleared on Saturday as follows: \$3.50 to \$4.00 Curtains for \$2.50 \$2.50 to \$2.05 Curtains for \$1.50 \$1.50 to \$2.25 Curtains for \$1.60 Splendid Values in Wash Goods 33-inch Suitings, neat stripes
In Garb of Wee She Attended Fun- erals and Robbed the Sorrowing. Originally arrested on a charge of drunkenness, a woman who says she is Annie Allen, sometimes of Camden, Glou cester and Philadelphia, was arraigned before Magistrate Gallagher in the Twen- tieth district police station yesterday on suspicion of being a "funeral thief"	ation the woman dar- ag, which on being to contain more than tets, together with er mourning apparel, y she used in attend- ofessional "mourner." found in her posses- so it wenty-four dif- with places of busis- of the city. Many been received from

corp. who has been much sought by the au comparints have been recent recent rob- Record.

ommitted while the gress, and the police w in custody admits n her black veil and nd attended funerals cubhery. Paulisind attended funeratis (robbery. Pending n of her career and time to find out the f. the articles called ickets found in her used was held in \$500 pearing.-Philadelphia