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#### THE WORK OF AN ENEMY

The Standard is deliberately trying to prejudice St. John people against the commission plan by quoting from its enemies. It is useless for the Standard to attempt to discredit the Des Moines plan. Des Moines is one of the best governed cities in the United States. Other cities are learning from it. The Des Moines plan puts the bosses and the partisans out of business. No plan that must be carried out by man is perfect, but as far as the city of Des Moines is concerned the evidence in favor of the commission plan is overwhelming. The Standard betrays its animus by the methods it adopts. It does not want to enlighten the people but to create prejudice and if possible kill the present reform movement.

#### THE DES MOINES PLAN

The Standard this morning quotes more hostile critics of the commission plan, this time from Des Moines. There have been persons and papers which hated the commission plan because it dethroned the party and the boss. The Standard has diligently sought for comfort in that quarter. But let us see what Mr. John J. Hamilton's book, "The Dethronement of the City Boss," says of the results of the adoption of the commission plan in Des Moines. He says:

"The most noticeable effect of the change of system in the city of Des Moines was a remarkable improvement in the methods and results of street cleaning; while the alleys, previously noisome receptacles for garbage and filth of every description, were for the first time kept clean. The placing of signs naming the streets at every crossing, a convenience forgotten for two years in vain, was accomplished without delay. The city had had no uniform policy regarding sidewalks, signs, arcways, depositing of mercantile wares and building materials on sidewalks and scores of like matters; favoritism and undue harshness alternating as this or that official accepted or refused to exercise jurisdiction respecting them. Now, however, there was a firm, wise, fair and moderate policy, commanding the cheerful acquiescence of all and enhancing the neatness of the business streets. The wrangle which had been going on about the permission or prohibition of open gambling for many years gave way to a settled policy of law enforcement. A red-light district, owned and controlled by a 'social evil' of appalling cruelty, greed and wickedness, was turned into a respectable neighborhood by the vigor and vigilance of a well-directed police force. The books and records of the city were brought up to date and kept in intelligible form. The appointive offices of the city were promptly and without 'deal' or scandal, filled with clean and competent men. Positions calling for expert technical service, such as those of city engineer, corporation counsel, and solicitor, were filled to the extreme satisfaction of the best judges of competency and with general approval as well.

"Above all, the general administrative work of the city and also the daily routine of petty and unexpected affairs affecting individuals having petitions to offer and complaints to make, received in all departments practically immediate attention. 'We never saw it on this fashion' was the constant exclamation of the people, used to being sent from pillar to post unendingly with kindred matters.

"As to the work of the employees of the city and contractors having relations with it, the unanimous verdict has been from the outset that the city was never so well served and its right to receive the worth of its money so uniformly enforced, or with so little friction and irritation.

"At the end of the first year, it was found that for this superior service the city had paid less by \$12,949.65 than inferior results had cost it during the last year of partisan rule and ward politics, the saving in the better work done by contractors on improvements paid for by the owners of abutting property being no doubt greater than that revealed in the city's direct operations.

"The relations between the city and the franchise-holding corporations became calmer, friendlier, freer from mutual animosity and more businesslike.

"The advantages of having five responsible men, fairly paid for their whole

time, daily at the city hall were found to be very great.

"The unity of spirit resulting from organic unity was an intangible but immensely valuable outgrowth of the change. The people took on new hope and grappled with new and larger enterprises; and additional population was rapidly attracted to the city. The new buildings and other improvements were on far the largest scale ever undertaken. It was as if the city had been freed from bondage."

#### WHERE IS MR. ROBLIN?

It is said that the Hon. Robert Rogers of Manitoba is to enter federal politics and become the Dominion organizer of the Conservative party. The St. John Standard describes this as "another step taken in march of victory," and informs its readers that Mr. Rogers is "virtually premier of Manitoba."

When was Premier Roblin deposed? It will be remembered that prior to the last federal elections Mr. Roblin came to St. John. He was one of the galaxy of provincial premiers who were to sweep the country for Mr. Borden. We all remember how Mr. Hazen did it in New Brunswick. But Mr. Roblin's star appears to have set, and Mr. Rogers is "virtually premier." It was said that Mr. Roblin had ambition to succeed Mr. Borden as Conservative leader at Ottawa, but now Mr. Rogers leaps into the arena, and the Standard tells us he is "a whirlwind campaigner." It adds that others are to follow him from the provincial field to offer their trusty blades to Mr. Borden in the "march to victory."

This is all very interesting. It may be that when all the giants from the provinces have joined Mr. Borden at Ottawa the party may be able to discover a policy, and have something to offer to the people. If, however, the other champions are to be of the Rogers stamp, the country at large will not be impressed by their doings.

But what will Manitoba do without its "virtual premier"? It may be very well to send help to Mr. Borden, who is certainly in sore need, but what will the unhappy Mr. Roblin do when his tower of strength is removed in a whirlwind?

#### MAIL ORDER COMPETITION

The Maritime Merchant has a very interesting article of the mail order business. It notes the fact that one house in Chicago does a mail order business of over sixty millions of dollars per year, and does no business except by mail. Even a Chicago customer must order by mail. The lesson is, says the Merchant, that the mail order business probably has some solid reason for its tremendous power, and that no happy results will come from abusing mail order houses.

Continuing, the Merchant says:—

"We make take it for granted that there is something in an intelligent mail order system and if we can get that into our heads we have made the first step in the direction of a true solution of the difficulty. And we may be sure that no happy results will come from abusing the mail order houses. The dealer who complains from mail order competition needs to broaden his field of vision. He needs to gather information and to study it. Only in a searching investigation, which will reveal what the mail order houses are actually doing, is there hope for final success in spite of the mail order houses. He should certainly have the catalogue of the houses whose competition he feels and he should endeavor to find out something of their service from his friends who happen to do business both with him and the catalogue house. Investigation and study should take the place of complaint."

There is a recall provision in the charter of Seattle, and it is to be used against the present mayor of that city. He is charged with permitting gambling and other vice to be conducted by syndicates who pay for the privilege. The necessary signatures to the petition have been secured and a new election will be held, unless in the meantime he resigns. At Los Angeles two years ago a recall movement was started against the mayor of that city but before the election could be held the mayor resigned.

#### CORDOVA LEATHER

Specimens of the leather of Cordova, occasionally found among the hoards of antiquaries, bear witness to the rare art of ancient Spain. Cordova gave its name to the first shoes made wholly of leather, and from Cordova came the goffered, painted and gilded hangings or tapestries of the twelfth century, seen in the Alhambra and in ancient palaces.

The leathers of Cordova were first boiled to a condition of soft pliability and then worked in a dozen different ways. "Boiled leather" is mentioned in a song 1199. Having boiled their calfskin or sheepskin, the ancient artisans tanned its surface with a sharp tool like an engraver's style, and having given it the look of soft-piled velvet, they stamped or painted it and used it in different ornamental ways. Then, as now, leather-workers preferred a medium quality of calfskin or sheepskin, not too fine or too thick to be supple.

Modern imitations of the antique product tan their leather with tannic acid and extract from the bark of certain species of color dye. Leather tanned with acid takes all color dyes; but sumac gives a reddish rose and sumac-dyed skin is refractory to color dyes. As iron spots leather, the tools used by leather decorators are of polished brass or steel.—Harper's Weekly.

#### DO YOU REMEMBER

(By L. M. Montgomery.)

Do you remember that long, ancient shore  
Whose irised waters, stretching towards  
The west,  
Into uncharted realms of sunset bore  
Our vision and our quest?  
We stood together . . . over land  
and sky  
A silence like a benediction fell.  
But the sea wore its immemorial spell  
And would not cease to sigh.  
A gray ship went adown the dusky east  
Drifting in phantom fashion past our  
kay.  
And a white gull soared where the heaven  
was fleeced  
To wide, free waters again.  
With lifted eyes we watched its glorious  
flight.  
And saw a sinking moon beyond the  
bar,  
A silver shallop moored unto a star  
In haven of the night.  
Behind us was a land all dim with pines  
To the city, the new buildings and other  
improvements were on far the largest  
scale ever undertaken. It was as if the  
city had been freed from bondage."

#### IN LIGHTER VEIN

To spoil pie crust—use too much water.  
To spoil cake—use too much flour.  
To spoil blanc mange—use too much  
milk.  
To spoil butter—keep it uncovered.  
To spoil children—rag at them.  
To spoil life—be discontented.

#### AN INJUSTICE

"And she accused me of retelling gossip  
about the neighborhood."  
"The idea!"  
"Positively insulting, isn't it?"  
"Yes; for you're no reteller."—Illustrated Bits.

#### HIGH FINANCE

Briggs—"Is it true that that girl who  
has your engagement to that hick lives  
in the suburbs?"  
Griggs—"Yes; they raised the com-  
mutation rates on me, and I have trans-  
ferred to a town girl."—Laf.

#### MILD

"Don't you think my new suit is a per-  
fect fit?"  
"A fit! Why, it's a perfect convulsion!"—Record Herald.

#### INHERITED

Knicker—"Jones has a bad memory."  
Rocker—"His mother never knew what  
were trumps, and his father couldn't re-  
member anything on the witness stand."

#### INGENUOUS

"Nuband—"Mending my trousers with  
sawdust paper? You must be mad."  
Wife—"You'll find it useful presently."  
Husband (fighting his pipe later)—"Ah,  
my dear, what a splendid idea that was  
of yours."—Pele Mide.

#### NOT ACCORDING TO TRADITION

"Once when I was up in Minnesota I  
had the greatest surprise of my life."  
"How did it happen?"  
Wife—"I was in the middle of the winter  
and the weather got terribly cold. The mer-  
cury went down, down, down, until it  
couldn't drop any lower. It was forty de-  
grees below zero."  
"Yes? Where did the surprise come  
in?"  
"Well, I was greatly surprised to find  
that the atmosphere wasn't so dry that I  
didn't notice it."—Record Herald.

#### ACHIEVEMENTS

I dream of deeds I mean to do,  
Of these there's quite a lot;  
I do not say these dreams are new—  
The fact is, they are not.  
I dare not say how many years  
I've known them now, and I'm  
beginning to be filled with fear—  
To do deeds I've no time.

#### Oh deeds of night and little deeds

I'm planning, goodness knows;  
But I am driven by my needs—  
My case depressing grows;  
I fear my dreams are bound to share  
A fate that's not sublime;  
I make no progress anywhere,  
I never get the time.

#### THE CHICAGO STRIKE

Marjaret C. Daly, one of the women organizers who has taken a heroic part in the strike in the clothing trades at Chicago. Her work has been chiefly among the women and children, particularly in superintending the distribution of milk for the younger children and babies.

#### A TIME EXPOSURE

(Winipeg Saturday Post.)

Testing about railways of the south is rather an overworked profession. Before mason-jarring the rope, however, let Senator Burton of Ohio have the floor.

"Speaking of railways," he says, "the ultimate work in my experience was a 'limited' on which I travelled in Georgia last summer. At a point where we were making our greatest speed, a man stood at the side of the track with a moving picture machine and I leaned out of the window and called to him:

"How are you getting on?"

"He stopped with an expression of deep disgust.

"It didn't seem to be no use," he said. "Hold your head still, please, I want to take a time exposure."

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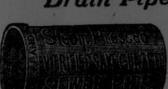
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All efforts to make the full-dress suit an article of splendor have failed utterly. Many ideas have been advanced to change the style of this garment, but all have been cast aside, and one dress suit is as like another as two peas in a pod. There is very seldom any radical change in the fashions for men in this line, but the novelty and newness insists a few slight changes now and then.

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### To Clean Furs

Furs are in most cases sent to a professional cleaner when this work is necessary, but they can be cleaned at home very easily. Ermine and chinchilla can be kept in a spotless condition with a paste made of white cornmeal and gasoline. The mixture is rubbed well into the fur, and then shaken out, with a fresh supply added until there seems to be no dirt left.

Then the furs should be shaken well in the open air. If necessary, use a vacuum cleaner for dark furs to get rid of the fur. Brush thoroughly with a clean brush. The hangings, as well as the fur, should be cleaned with gasoline.

The most effective afternoon dresses of those of black mousseline over silk or in oriental design, most of them have a deep lene of velvet. There are touches of white on these dresses. Trimmings are of black lace or tulle or cloth.