#### Anderson's Great Housing Scheme.

Editor Evening Telegram.

zens who are much interested in bet- That in order to prepare for the poster houses for workingmen, I have sibility of their being any unemploybeen asked to let the general public ment, either in the course of demobilknow how the matter stands at the isation that the Government should

made with plans for suitable houses, rural districts, mining villages and and conveniences for workingmen. lems, will be asked to co-operate with \$2,000,000,000.

those best qualified to give an opinion

its solution will neither be forgotten \$15.00.

citizens. Among them are His Excei- a cost of over \$42,000,000. E. President Methodist Conference, cf \$2,000,000,000. over fifty others whose names are at- houses.

3 was first mooted. hairman. Our scheme calls for 600, lions more. 250, 150, 100, 16, 20, 10, 10-in all 1156

issued contains the report of the com- comfortable homes. mittee appointed by the Local Govern-

gramme, which is practically the same Dear Sir,-At the request of citi- as that of the Premier of England. make all necessary preparations for 1st.-Nothing will daunt us to putting instantly in hand, directly or launch the scheme at a public meeting through the Local Authorities, such urgently needed public works as the 2nd.—Every preparation is being housing of the population alike in town slums, to the extent, possibly of

as to what will be a suitable house of Manchester City's special committee of a large number of workpeople, he sewers, rates being \$1.80 to every for a workingman and his family—of was adopted, and they will build 17,000 came to know the life histories of \$5.00 rental (exclusive of water rate). small and grown-up children of boys houses at a cost of \$1500 each, handreds of men, and was profoundly The vital statistics of the village are 4th.—The public can rest assured, the cost of brick in pre-war time was age at which many were placed by the comparison, we give them together

down for want of public support, and tor of the Irish Local Government on the housing problem. It was not five years. the people who require better homes the housing question in Dublin, sets something he had read or heard out the necessities of their case by about, but an actual fact in the lives England and Wales-13.9. 5th.—In the great housing scheme asking for 16,000 new self-contained of men whom he knew and visited for this city, as shareholders, we are houses to prevent overcrowding and to again and again in the midst of their births—average for five years:

lency the Governor Sir Charles | To meet the demand of houses for one man-and that man-Geo. Cad-A. Harris, Col. Knox-Niven, Capt. workingmen in England, Scotland, bury, to whom I had the pleasure of indicates the rural surroundings, the Campbell, His Grace Archbishop Ireland and Wales, it will take about being introduced during my visit to close contact with the facts of nature. Roche, The Lord Bishop of Newfound- one million houses for general distri- the Village of Bournville, a few years that to have a healthy children, they land, Rev. Dr. Curtis, M.A., D.D., M.B. bution, if built by the State, at a cost ago. To avoid misunderstanding, it must have decent homes and fresh

Rev. Dr. Jones, Rev. Gordon Dickie, The Government of the United reserved for Messrs. Cadbury's work- you going to face the housing problem M.A., Rev. Dr. Bond, Rev. D. B. Hem- States by a thorough system of or- people, the scheme not being intended with courage. We can never tackle meon, Colonial Adby, S.A., Sir Edgar ganization will probably spend five primarily for their benefit, but as a successfully a job of which we are Powring, Sir Joseph Outerbridge, and hundred million dollars in workmen's contribution towards solving the afraid. Our effort must be equal to

6th.—In launching a scheme so col- ada that the Federal Government are these houses are occupied by em- operation of all classes to assist in ossal to build over one thousand fully alive to their duty, and what ployees of Messrs. Cadbury's-the ot- this great work of reconstructing the houses it requires much thought, and they owe to the soldiers who are re- hers being employees in the neighbor- city of St. John's. careful consideration to make the pro- turning back to the land. In the ing villages or in Birmingham, which With the co-operation of His Excelposition a triumphant success-the Telegram of Wednesday last, I note is easily accessible by rail, electric lency the Governor, who will be a public can rest assured, those who are the Canadian Government has created car or bicycle. associated with this huge housing a fund of \$25,000,000, which will be By co-operation, thrift and common cheme are as keen to-day as the day available by way of loan to the several sense, we can build in St. John's a 7th.—At a meeting held in my house rying out of a programme for better Bournville—where there are about Church and State and every gentlefew weeks ago, Mr. Wm Linegar, housing conditions for the people; seven houses to the gross acre, for men whose names are appended to resident of the Coopers' Union, was this will probably be increased by mil- workmen with growing families. The our prospectus, with the co-operation

addition to the ordinary demand of from 1895 onward. No person knew so as to form a table, or arranged so the slum conditions of Birmingham as to work on a hinge and shut up The policy of the Labor Party in better than Mr. Cadbury, although a into a cabinet. Great Britain rings out with no un- distance of four miles from Bourn-

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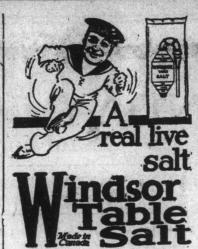
qualities which mark to-

day's good housekeeping.

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3rd.—A committee of thirty ladies, a million new cottages and an outlay a largely attended Men's Bible Class, who are interested in City Social prob- of 300 or 400 million pounds stg. going into Birmingham every Sunday The report of the housing conditions In this way, and also as an employer by Birmingham with gas, water and amounting to \$24,500,000, although impressed by the grievous disadvant- of great interest. For purposes of the housing problem, or a scheme for \$5.00 per 1,000 and now the price is adverse conditions of insanitary and with the figures of Birmingham and slum houses. In fact, Mr. Cadbury those for England and Wales. nor turned down, except it be turned | The report of the Engineer Inspec- found himself in direct contact with the solving of the housing problem by England, Wales-109.

Coming nearer home we find in Can- ists in large cities. Less than half of ing problem boldly. We ask the co-

provinces in connection with the car- new model village after the fashion of land, distinguished representatives of majority of the houses have two sit- and support of every organization in Every assistance will be given the ting rooms, a kitchen or scullery, town, and the powerful support of houses—and not less than one thou- people of Canada by the Federal and three bedrooms and the usual con- the general public. sand. I repeat again, the public can Provincial Governments, and incor-veniences. There are others with one rest assured no time will be lost in porated bodies. Dominion-wide co- large living room instead of two ernment, City Council, lumber mills, making every preparation for the pub- cpera on are asked to solve the hous- smaller ones, a few with only two bed- carpenters and plumbers, we ask a ing problem, and give the industrial rooms, and recently two quadrangles united co-operation of all on similar Housing of the working classes in and labouring classes a new start in of small bungalows have been built lines to that which are being carried the Old Country. A white paper just life, by providing better and more for single women. In some cases they are occupied by two friends living to- the United States. The year before the war I visited gether, and in several instances by ment Board to consider questions of Bournville, near Birmingham, Eng- married couples in receipt of old age been living through momentous times. building construction in connection land. In this little town, there is what pensions. There are also some houses with the provision of dwellings for is known as the Bournville Village of a larger type—several of the the working classes in England, Wales Trust founded by Mr. Geo. Cadbury houses have bath rooms, with hot and stronghold of savagery is broken, and Scotland. The report states that of Cadbury's Cocoa fame. It was in cold water, in others the bath is in the at a moderate estimate a leeway of 1879 the first cottages were built, but kitchen or scullery, either set at the above might. The dominant feeling 599,000 houses has to be made up in the greater part of the building dates side of the room, and fitted with a lid to which expression has already been

The average plot allowed to each certain sound in their housing pro- ville. For over fifty years he taught house is about 500 square yards. The

oads are 42 feet wide and are planted with trees. The houses are set back at least 20 feet from the roads, so that there is a space of 82 feet from house front to house front. As a land and property owner there is no finer type of hanhood in Great Britain toype of manhood in Great Britain toental of these houses that I have een trying to describe vary in price. The following rentals were before the war broke out and I believe continue

The cheapest houses are let at \$1.00 er week. \$52.00 a year. \$1.10 per week, \$57.20 a year. \$1.60 per week, \$83.20 a year. \$1.70 per week, \$88.40 a year . \$1.95 per week, \$100.00 a year

Houses including shops, \$100 a year. Taking all together there is over .000 houses with a population of about 5,000, many of these houses have been sold and are now occupied morning at 7 o'clock for that purpose. by the owners. The village is served

> Death rate per 1,000-average for Bournville-5.5. Birmingham-14.50

Infantile mortality per 1.000 live supported by over sixty of our leading permit the separation of the sexes, at very surroundings. Here then was Bournville-37, Birmingham - 125,

> The evidence shown here plainly should be said that the village is not air. What are you going to do? Are housing problem, especially as it ex- the task. We must handle the hous-

shareholder, and other shareholders, including His Grace Archbishon Roche. The Lord Bishop of Newfound-

With the co-operation of the Govout in the British Isles.

joices. It rejoices because the because right has been enthroned given in Cathedral, Church, and Chapel, and that beats in every heart, is thankfulness—thankfulness for the courage and bravery of our sailors and soldiers-thankfulness that those who marched to death. "Like knights invested with a high purpose," did not die in vain; thankfulness that those whose privilege it was to hear the ougle notes: "Cease firing," will come back to us and take a share in the building of a new and happier world, and a bright and cheerful home to live in. With the tenants who live in the houses that we propose to build, at a low rental, we hope to create a sinking fund that after ten years occupancy the house that cost \$1,200 will be sold at a reduction of twenty-five

Take the case of a tenant who occupies a house that cost \$1,200 the annual rental would be \$120, or \$10 per month, during the period of ten years by paying in addition to rent \$100 each year, interest 3 p.c., he would own the house and have money coming to him. Concord, Co-operation, Thrift and Common Sense, four great constructive elements that in ten years will re-build a new city of St. John's that will be a living memorial to the dead, and an everlasting monument built by the living in perpetuation of the greatest and bloodiest war the world has ever known.

Mr. Editor, I thank you most cordially for the interest the Telegram has taken in the great housing scheme. I also thank you on behalf of the ladies and gentlemen who are ssociated with the housing problem, I again thank you for the publication of our letters. The task is no light one. We are determined to succeed, nothing will daunt us. Co-operation and support of the public success is assured. We hope before this time next year that over one hundred families will occupy our new houses. that will be a credit to the city and a blessing to the people.

We hope all arrangements will be complete before long and be ready to begin building in the spring. Yours truly,

JOHN ANDERSON. St. John's, Dec. 13th, 1918.

Conductorettes in Hallburg, Denmark, have refused to give up their jobs, now that peace has come, unless

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LADIES'	COATS	@	29.00	for					 	 			22.00
LADIES'	COATS	@	26.00	for					 	 			20.00
LADIES'	COATS	@	24.00	for	٠.				 	 	٠.		19.00
LADIES'	COATS	@	23.00	for	•				 	 			17.00

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