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#### For a Business Era

thing could be better calculated destroy any hope of getting the at men in the city to serve the city in the administration of its civic afairs than an attempt to defeat Con-McCarthy, merely because in matters atterly unconnected with city government certain people had a difference of opinion with him. For years Toronto has been trying e tempt out a better class of busine en, and to get them into the city acil and to devote themselves to nagement of city affairs, Conller McCarthy has given a numbe I years to the service of the city and to the study of its problems, and it is itted that there is no man in the

today better qualified to assume office of mayor, more familiar ith the problems at the city hall, or re capable of conducting the city friends without raising the cry of irs thru the tangles of finance treachery except among a few inept which the war has created, and which persons. will be more complex than ever next The World was in the front rank in

upport of the hydro policy and will etter men than Con continue to be, but there is no reason,



# The Civic Campaign

One hears a great deal of irrespon-sible talk on the street regarding the alleged attitude of the liquor men in the present civic campaign. It is variously stated that they will sup-port this candidate or that candidate, but as a matter of fact, the botelmen, whatever may have been their course in previous years, are this year hold-ing absolutely aloof from the fight. There are no issues before the public likely to jeopardize their interests and they have no intention of engag-ing in the campaign. There have been rumors that they would like to see certain interests oppose McCartiy because of his well-known temper-ance principles, but talk of this kind emanates from sources more inter-ested in seeing that gentleman de-teated than are the hotelmen, who at this critical juncture are content to stand aside and do nothing towards the defeat or election of any candi-date now in the field or likely to en-ter the fight.

ter the fight. Ex-Ald. Geo. Ramsden is the latest aldermanic candidate to announce his candidature. He has entered the field in ward 3. Mr. Ramsden represented the ward for two years, 1903-4 and in 1905 was retired from public life thru the medium of an unsuccessful fight for the board of control. Since that time he has not aspired to civic honors until this year. Mr. Ramsden, during his two previous terms in council, was particularly active in measures that affected the north end of the ward and it was thru his ef-forts that the Metropolitan Railway was forced to take its station from Tonge street to its present site. He was sent to council on his promise to force the railway company to cease making the company indicted be-fore the grand jury. He was also in-strumental in securing a low valua-tion of Ramsden park, which, in hon-or of his service to the city, was named after him. He points out that several very important matters af-fecting North Toronto will be dealt with next year, including the Yonge

and has in all served seventeen terms against Ald. Dunn's nineteen. The latter has been in continuously since 1894, while there have been several breaks in the course of Ald. Graham's terms at the hall. The longest period which he was out of council was be-tween 1899 and 1907. He was a mem-ber of the board of control for one term, 1907. The next oldest member of council is Ald. F. S. Spence, who has served twelve terms, divided cvenly between the board of control and council. Controller Church has served ten terms. Ald. McBride comes next with nine years to his credit, while Mayor Hocken has been eight years at the hall. Controller O'Neill has been six years there including two tecting North Toronto will be dealt with next year, including the Yonge and Teraulay streets widening, and for this reason believes the people of the north end of the ward should give him their support. He has been in Toronto 25 years, fifteen years of which he has been a resident of York-ville avenue

years at the hall. Controller O'Neill has been six years there including two terms as controller. Controller Mo-Carthy, Ald. Rowland and Ald. Ma-guire have given five years service to the city, Ald. Spence four, Ald. Rob-bins, Ryding and Wanless three each, Ald. Meredith, Risk. Walton and Wick-ett two each, while Ald. Cameron, Hiltz, Singer and Whetter and Con-troller Simpson are just ending their first year in public office. ille avenue. GRUW IN NUMBER Ontario Department Has Been Encouraging Ju-verile Activity of the Guard. Tore is a striking absence this per of large mastings called in the interests of individual candi-dates. It is hardly likely that any will be held. Of late years the rapid probe Appropriation to Home Guard. troller Simpson are just en first year in public office, number of ratepayers' associations than can perhaps any other city on the northern continent boast of. Mem-bership in these bodies is an indica-tion of the deep interest taken in municipal matters and as a result the candidates realize that in going be-fore "tie various organizations they are reaching the men who are all powerful in the various' wards or sections, the consistent voters," the men who sway their neighbors in matnumber of ratepayers' nen who sway their neighbors in matters pertaining to city hall affairs. As a result the various candidates are content to confine their meetings largely to representative gatherings of this kind and, for the hest, house to house and personal canvass of the electorate goes largely to make up their campaign activities. Immersed as they are in business affairs and in war interest it is really doubtful whether the citizens could be attracted in any large numbers to mass meetings called by candidates and the result is that the men in the field are confining themselves to the smaller meetings thruout the city. The entrance of John A. Cooper to the field adds interest to the fight in Ward Two, where Aldermen Wickett, Rowland and Risk will again be can-didates. Ald. Wickett's course in council seems to nave aroused the antagonism of some interests in the ward, but there is a feeling in the district that experience is sure to be a bis that experience is sure to be a big factor next year in civic matters, and that the aldermen who possess the knowledge gained in previous service at the hall will be able to best serve the interests of his constituents and the city. Ald. Wickett has already served two terms, Ald. Risk the same, while Ald. Rowland has been five years

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d said he had thoro ared the ome to the c taking another year Many regrets are expr Rowland's decisie t his capable administration as it will man of the board of health. It will always remain to the credit of Al Rowland that he introduced the res ution which led to the estab civic abattoir.

JUST ONE CONDITION

scrap of paper" variety. And it This will in all likelihood be one of the few years that the Socialists will not nominate a man for the mayorality. The consistent manner in which Me-Carthy has during his long term of office put forth his best efforts to fur-ther measures that were in the inter-est of the workers appears to have satisfied all sections of the labor inter-est, and the indications are that he will have their undivided support at the polls. An indication of this may be gleaned from the fact that the work-ers at several large industries have invited the mayorality candidate to ad-fress them at noonday meetings. He has accepted a number of such invi-ations, and beginning next week will visit the factories and lay his views before the employes. The Ald. Singer will be opposed by yone of his own race in Ward Four this the alderman has done an excellent work in council during the year just closing, and the prospects are that Mr. Singer will be given the hearty support of the large number of level hard. Singer will be given the hearty support of the large number of level hard. Singer will be given the hearty support of the large number of level hard. Singer will be given the hearty support of the large number of level here solutions, and the prospects are that Mr. Singer will be given the hearty support Singer Singer Singer Singer Singer Si before the employes. The Ald. Singer will be opposed by the alderman has done an excellent work in council during the year just to file large number of Jewish rest-dents of the ward, while the Gentile population have admired his straight-forward course and are likely to sup-port him better than a year ago, when a vote of 1804, Ald Cameron being second with 2107 and Ald Wanless head of the poll with 2707 votes. In this ward the candidature of John cowan is being endorsed generally by been a life-long resident of the cityte thas the support of many years. The withdrawal of Ald. Wanless has left a vacancy thas the support of many business men forwar to in the sace. Support in the sace. Support him better than a year ago, when the was returned as the third man with a vote of 1804, Ald Cameron being second with 2107 and Ald Wanless the ad of the poll with 2707 votes. In this ward the condidature of John forwar is being endorsed generally by that fur. Cowan could nicely fill. He has the support of many business men the district and should prove s big factor in the sace. Hence a further are and should prove s big factor in the sace.

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Here's another little story of

They have, certainly not while maintaining the strongest feel seen willing to oppose him in the ings of loyalcy to the Hydro Commispresent contest. No good business sion, why we may not point out spots on the sun. The spots are not maman in the city would desire to oppose him. No reputable politician terial, as some of the alleged faults, would be willing to oppose him for which enemies of the hydro pointed out would be willing to oppose him for merely party purposes. The only op-position that has been suggested is from certain cliques, and none of these have come to anything. The personal ambition or conceit of one mere varied partonage. The have no qualifications for the new schedule of rates illuspersonal ambition or conceit of one or two who have no qualifications for the office but their own conceit may be impored. The new schedule of rates illus-trates this broadening of the scope of the number of fairs held has in-creased from 25 to 148, and 1391

the operations of the system. With It is one of the satisfactory things

about the city this year that such a the extension of business new probsene and reasonable temper exists. lems are constantly arising, and to at-The crisis in the world's af- tain perfection, many changes will fairs has perhaps brought about a have to be made, even in the new pervision of the district representa-tive of the Ontario Department. Plots of ground are cultivated and poultry and cattle raised by the youngsters are shown. The work will be extended next year. area, many injustices must be encounsolve to let a man like Controller Mc-

Carthy have the opportunity to de- tered. The equalizing of the incidence on vote his large experience, confirmed by the undoubted success he has dia- all consumers according to their conplayed in handling the finances of the sumption is what is aimed at. But city during the past critical year, bethe floor space method falls heavily tokens the growth of the wiser and more practical spirit which it has been hoped for many years would be minimum of 1000 feet. A small conintroduced into civic politics.

Controller McCarthy has given all sumer with a floor space of 500 feet the time to the city that men usually would be better off under the old rates. give to their professions since he has been on the board of control, and as a result the board of control, and as a result he is in the unique position a maximum of 3000 feet allotted him. which he occupies today, enjoying the It may be said that it is impossible confidence of practically every mem-ber of the council. His election as and this we freely admit. But it mayor for next year will be a guar-antee to men of similar mould that who are so captiously critical of the the city will not be ungrateful nor unlocal Hydro Commission, for instance, recognizing of their services. We that an honest effort to get rid of all trust it may be the beginning of a The sneers that have been directed business man's era in the city hall. against the local commission might

Under Which Flag?

local rates are presented. It has been The bills before both houses stated several times that the provin-Washington to prohibit the export of cial and the local engineers were in munitions of war to belligerent na- consultation on the matter, and it is tions will of course be defeated, but probable that the new schedule for the they are being more strongly pressed city will be available before very long. than we may imagine. Several sena-

tors and representatives are supporting them vehemently and a lobby is undoubtedly at work under the direction New York World: Corregidor is an island at the entrance to Manila Bay. of the German ambassador. The island at the entrance to Manila Bay. It is strongly fortified. For several months, beginning with May. 1913, the waters adjacent were mined. The gar-rison was strengthened and provisions and ammunition sufficient for a two years' siege were collected. Manila might yield to an enemy. but Corre-gidor is believed to be impregnable. For once in his life. Representative Hobson, who made the statements epitomized above. has had something to say on the subject of preparedness. legislation is justified on the ground that only by its passage can the United States remain truly neutral, but the pretence is torn to pieces by

The New York Sun, which says: Senator Hitchcock's embargo on American goods is designed to de-prive Great Britain and her allies of the advantage their superior naval power has won for them. It is as unneutral as a German corps commander, as partisan as the most feroclous Herr professor. It is planned to accomplish for Germany in the American capital a part of what Germany could not to for herself on the high seas.

The New Hydro-Electric Schedule Whatever else may be deduced from the new schedule of rates for the provincial hydro-electric system, it is clear that the project has been a deoided sugcess, and that all the early ations of disaster had no situation. Brognosti

tary of the Navy Daniels heard Mr. Hobson's testimony before the house committee on naval affairs and when asked to corroborate it remained silent. We must therefore accept it as rue. true. The activity at Corregidor in 1913, of which the people how learn for the first time, was in progress when the controversy between the United States and Japan in regard to the land laws

of California was most acute. To have made such preparations for attack, the authorities at Washington must have taken a very serious view of the .

well have been held over until the new

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ON THE BRINK OF WAR?

The education of children thruout Ontario in the rudiments of success-ful farming and market gardening has

venile Agriculture.

schools were interested. The attend-ance at those for the year totaled 95,310. They are held under the man-agement of local organizations of boys and girls, and under the general su-

PREMIER GOES TO TARA.

Hon. W. H. Hearst is enjoying a constant round of festivities and com-plimentary banquets following his ac-cession to the premier's desk. Last evening he left in company with Hon. I. B. Lucas to attend a banquet and multic demonstration in The president public demonstration in Tara, an old home town. He will be in Toronto again on Saturday.

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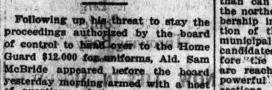
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Home Guard



Guard \$12.000 for aniforms, Ald. Sam McBride appeared before the board yesterday morning armed with a host of questions relative to the transac-tion. After a whispered conference with Acting Mayor McCarthy the alderman seemed somewhat mollified, but nevertheless read off his dozen questions. According to Ald. McBride he was assured by Controller Mc-Carthy that the city treasurer had re-fused to pay over the \$12,000, holding that the proceedings ware irregular. "I see this matter has to be threshed out in council," said Controller Mc-Carthy.

Carthy. Controller Simpson took exception Controller Simpson took exception to the whispered explanation and re-minded the alderman he was speaking to the board and not to the vice-chairman. "I don't consider you on the board," shouted the alderman. The controller, in reply, intimated he was very much on it and told him to put his questions in writing and the board would deal with them. If the matter comes up for discus-sion at council the vote will be inter-

sion at council the vote will be inter-esting, as altho sixteen members sign-ed the round robin intimating their favorable attitude to the grant, a number have since expressed regret at their

action. Ald. McBride wagered Controller O'Neill a hat that the controller's name appeared twice on the paper. The con-troller did not think it did and ac-cepted the bet. McBride won the hat. Wants Vegetables Grown. Controller Simpson asked the board yesterday to consider the advisability of utilizing all city vacant lands dur-ing coming vacat for vacatable grown.

ing coming year for vegetable grow-ing in order to some extent to help out the poorer class next winter. "I am advised that there are something like a million and a quarter feet of vacant hand in the city and the mount of land in the city, and the amount of vegetables this would raise is im mense," pointed out the controller. "I understand the mayor was offered

the use of forty acres for just such a purpose," agreed Controller Mc-Carthy. "And the land was splendid

for growing purposes, having but late-ly been used as a market garden." "Good business," agreed Controller "Not in favor," echoed Controller

Church. "You will compete with business men. Let the people buy their vegetables."

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in the civic service.

And talking about service it is in-And taking about service it is in-teresting to recall that Ald. Graham, who will retire this year, first entered council back in 1837, just seven years before Ald. John Dunn, the so-called dean of the council. Ald. Graham, howfactor in the race. teresting to recall that Ald. Graham, who will retire this year, first entered council back in 1887, just seven years before Ald. John Dunn, the so-called dean of the council. Ald. Graham, how-ever, has had less continuous service

In the sessions In the seasions court yesterday, Leo Mulhall was found guilty of breaking into and entering 24 Ryerson ave. and stealing three sweater coats. Judge Coatsworth sentenced him to one month in jail. Thomas Long, charged with him, was discharged.

