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state-owned roads so as to enable or unreasonable freight rates as the Yet some of them their "Morte d'Arthur" them to meet operating expenses and penalty of public ownership. "huge" fixed charges. To quote:

Railway fares and rates on all Railway fares and rates on all the state railways must be such as to meet not only operating costs, but all fixed charges. There is no equitable reason for the continuation of a system under which passengers are carried and goods shipped at less than cost, and the loss to the national treasury is made good by an excessive income tax or customs tax levied upon all the people, many of whom may never use the national railways.

tional railways.
This is self-evident, but there may be a disposition in certain parts of the country directly affected by the momentous changes that have taken place to load a part of the inevitably huge fixed charges of the state-owned roads on the taxpayer. That is no longer possible. Railway rates in Canada hereafter wil! have to be the government railways to pay their fixed charges without having recourse to the public till.

This was plain language, but when The World pointed out its utter absurdity The Globe began to back the National Transcentinental nor the for work on this pursuit, seven Intercolonial have any fixed charges to meet. It says:

The people of Canada have invested \$160,000,000 in the National Transcontinental and \$106,000, 000 in the Intercolonial, but the bulk of the money is not owed to any lender, and there are no fixed charges to be met.

As a matter of fact The Globe on Friday specifically declared that the Intercolonial must hereafter earn straw gas research aims, at the salenough to pay interest and sinking fund charges on the capital invested. If it then believed, as it now declares, that neither the National Transcontimental nor the Intercolonial had any use in the St. Lawrence. The prefixed charges to meet, why was it so vention of sulphite waste entering wociferously bellowing its demand streams and rivers and poisoning the

Railway fares and rates on all the state railways must be such as to meet not only operating costs, but all fixed charges But let The Globe split hairs all it

wants to over fixed charges and interest on capital. We will pass that point and come to the case of the Canadian Northern. The Globe says money standards, and so it is well to

to enable the national railways to meet their "fixed charges," that is to say their outstanding obligations to capitalists who have advanced money to build and equip the railways and have taken the bonds of the C.N.R. or of the Dominion of Canada as their se-

These fixed charges in the case of the Canadian Northern, for example, cannot possibly be earned for the present at least without a startling intrease in freight rates. The Globe as- Fraser River salmon question, plant sumes that the national system can and animal diseases and underground charge whatever rates may be neces- waters for western plains. Other comsary to meet operating expenses and mittees have been organized to deal fixed charges, but does not The Globe with individual industrial problems, see that the passenger and freight including hydro power development, rates upon our national system of rail- rotash and phosphates, nitrogen fixaways must be based, not upon their tion, after-the-war use of munition cost of capitalization, but upon the plants, the utilization of the lignites reasonable value of the service ren- of the western plains, industrial power dered? If the government roads co-ordination of the technical societies tharge exorbitant rates, the traffic will of Canada, land classification and soil go to the Canadian Pacific, which can survey. The thoroly practical nature we compel the Canadian Pacific to these lists. charge exorbitant rates so as to pretional system, we still have to reckon of immediate interest in view of the

is extremely difficult for any of the roads to make ends meet. Net earn- Britain is quoted with approval on ings, and even gross earnings, de- page 23. "If law is the mother of clined in a startling way during the reedom, science to the labor party first six months of the present year. must be the parent of law." Advancing freight rates 25 per cent. One of the interesting researches increase in net earnings is anticipated. extraction of nicotine from waste to The demand that the Canadian North- bacco, of which in 1916 there were ing the coming year to pay operating found not only could nicotine be obby The Globe at \$18,000,000, is a de- an insecticide, but that potash could be

mand calculated to embarrass the gov - profitably extracted to the extent of ernment and to awaken public discon-

The Globe is playing a curious game. policy of railway nationalization. Then when the Canadian Northern was being taken over it bitterly assailed everyone suggested for chairman. Now that the national system is under way, it cries for an immedate and startling advance in railway rates. One day it wants the Intercolonial to earn enough the National Transcontinental and the Intercolonial alike there are no fixed charges to be met. The only article of faith to which The Globe always And adheres is a blind idolatry of Lord

Up to Its Old Tricks.

The Globe is playing a curious the machinery of the national railway system. On last Friday it proclaimed editorially that rates must be increased on the state-owned roads so as to enable the system alone for the bids us "not be ignorant concerning them asleep."

Who pass from hence on battlefield or deep.

As she packed her things to go the doubly welcome.

So thus our synods halter, hesitate, and frown the bleeding, stricken women of the same the shought came to her that the way she doubly welcome.

Who pass from hence on battlefield or deep.

As she packed her things to go the doubly welcome.

Who she as the shought came to her thought came to her way and rates will be advanced if necessary. No good purpose can be deep.

Who the assertion as the shought came to her the way she heaves the double the shought came to her way and rates will be

The Globe would be in better business holding up the hands of the government, wihch is honestly trying to inaugurate a national railway system, than in muddying the waters with daily disquisitions about the great advance in passenger and freight rates which is bound to follow and accompany railway nationalization. If The Globe's heart is on the side of public ownership, it will do what it can to help the government and the new board of directors of the Canadian Northern by words of encouragement, if not of commendation. But why ownership, it will do what it can to if not of commendation. But why block the experiment of public ownership if it believes in it as it professes?

Industrial and Scientific Research.

industrial research was founded a great many people began to wonder what there was to investigate, and people who have not learned to think are still wondering. Enough has been water. We asked how the National done, as the report for the year end-Transcontinental and Intercolonial ing March 31 last sufficiently indiwhich fell short of earning operating cates, to show that the chief object expenses by \$5,000,000 last year, could of all our research is a better way to in one bound not only pay working live. Our present ways and habits expenses, but interest upon some are ignorant, wasteful, inconvenient, \$300,000,000 of capital. The Globe en- and in a large degree painful, or at deavors to evade the point by way- least disagreeable. Science can reing that it used the phrase "fixed veal better, more economical, more charges" and by asserting that neither healthful ways, and the council exists ent lines of activity being enumerated.

Grants in aid of special research work have already been made and progress has been achieved with several problems such as the research on eral problems such as the research on tar fog in plants engaged in the destructive distillation of coal, wood and liquid products resulting from the liquid products resulting from the of magn manufacture of producer gas. The vage of 20,000,000 tons of straw burnt yearly on the prairies simply to get rid of it. Fog signal experiments foreshadow a new type of siren for fish will be assisted by research which aims at reclaiming the sugar in it. A rust-resisting wheat is sought by another effort, success in which would prevent such a loss as that of \$19,-000,000 in one year in the prairie

provinces from this cause. We are still judging things by understand that there are millions for the nation and for the people as the result of these researches. It would them carried on for the mere sake of gaining knowledge. Both purposes are served, however, and the cumulative effect of knowledge is remarkable, as one new discovery constantly leads to production record of which their citi-

Temporary committees have been established to deal with Sex cultivation, call storage research, the afford to and will charge less. Or if of the work in hand is apparent from

A special report on the briquetting vent undue competition with the na- of lignites appears pp. 15-19, and is with the powerful competition of rival fuel situation. It is estimated that lines in the United States, whose rates from every two tons of poor lignites cannot be controlled by the govern- carbonized by a process described, Unquestionably our aim should be rish, when treated, one ton of fuel te have the government railways pay equal to anthracite. The cost would turn upon the capital invested. But products being disregarded. A plant not exceed \$7 a ton, the value of bycare should be taken not to associate costing \$400,000 could supply 30,000 in the public mind extortionate rates tors a year, and the product would not with public ownership. At present it cost more than \$11 a ton in Winnipeg. The manifesto of the labor party of

has increased gross earnings, out no that have been completed was the ern system should earn enough dur- 2,000,000 pounds in Canada. It was expenses and fixed charges, estimated tained at economical rates for use as

The report contains a large amount of other valuable and interesting mat-Not long ago it featured an Ottawa ter, and is both a credit to Prof. Macdespatch denouncing the Union gov. allum, F.R.S., the administrative ernment as Bolsheviki because of its chairman, and striking testimony to the value of the work being done under his supervision.

Prayer for the Departed and the Anglican Synod.

(1 Thess. iv., 13)

to pay all fixed charges, and the next day we are told that in the case of I go to church, some comfort there to But priests and prelates tell me, pray

And home I take my Bible up to read, And find a greater Bishop speaks to those in need, And bids us "not be ignorant concerning them asleen."

must know,
And what a parson's son there said about this passing show.
And made his dying friend cry out, "Not sheep or goats."

"More things are wrought by prayer" than by dullards in black coats.

The from his actions of the night before.

"Don't mope!" she said when she kissed him goodbye. That was as much as she could bring herself to say.

She hoped he wouldn't spend his time with Mollie King.

When she left that afternoon Ar.

And there they sit and argue, ending perfect day by day.

Reductio ad absurdum—contra mundum's creed can't stay.

And wonder, blindly, also, why the people do not pray

Today, the "Ordo" says, is that of Theodore, the "Ordo" says, is that of Theodore, That man of God, whose mind much knowledge stored,
And all are asked to pray for freedom from a state
That renders things of faith a matter of red tape.

J. F. M.

And like most men of the world, Mandel put his own construction on what the had seen, knowing nothing at all about the circumstances.

He insisted upon stopping at one of the avenue fruit shops and buying Ruth a basket of fruit. Then when the late matter of process the presented the station he bought the late matter of the world. ndustrial and Scientific Research.

When the council for scientific and

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And all are asked to pray for freedom from a state

That renders things of faith a matter of red tape.

—J. F. M.

A Line of Cheer Each Day of the Year By John Kendrick Bangs

THE SEED. If I am but a seed
That's planted here on earth
To meet some human need,
L'il be a seed of worth.

I'll try to grow each day,
As seeds of value should,
And may the Reaper say,
"This crop looks pretty go

From Canadian Papers

survey at this time with legitimate pride and which commands the admiration and gratitude of her allies.

Taking a Risk.
Edmonton Bulletin: After three years in a German prison, Dr. Beland dared to preach tolerance in Toronto.

Up to the Huns. Halifax Chronicle: Violence as well liation is only to be escaped by timely submission. It is for the to elect. The allies have nothing further to say. President Wilson has spoken the last word.

A Blue Ruin Artist. Kingston Whig: Government ownerthing but blue ruin everywhere since

continual lobbying at Ottawa. No Kick in the West. Calgary Herald: Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba have a war and zens may well be very proud. It is true that there was some dissatisfaction last year over the fixed price of wheat. But there has been none this year; no objections have been raised by any responsible bodies, and altho-

has a short crop, the western

farmer is doing no calamity howling

Will Die in Harness. Calgary Herald: For about the venty-seventh time comes a report that Sir Wilfrid Laupier is about to Liberal party. Our guess is that the old "white plume" will die in harness.

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Ruth Plans to Bring Her Old Nurse to Live With Her.

CHAPTER XLIV. Ruth had been planning for some time to bring old Rachel north as soon as she could afford it. It seemed to her, now that she had a dainty place to live, she longed for her "mammy" more than ever. While Mrs. Crawford was a good cook and kept the place very clean, she never had been accustomed to waiting either on the table, or helping her mistress. Ruth missed the little attentions Rachel always had given her, and now that she

in a much better humor than she expected from his actions of the night before.

'Don't mope!" she said when she

Reductio ad absurdum—contra mundus.

creed can't stay.

And wonder, blindly, also, why the people do not pray.

Cui bono? says the mother-wife, you've failed to point the way.

Thus, failing them in sorrow, sin and joy.

Mandel knew that Brian was with Mandel knew that Brian was with Mollie King when she was in Philadelphia; or that he also had seen them in Washington delphia; or that he also had seen them together that day in Washington square. Yet all these things were so. And like most men of the world, Man-

> the late magazines and papers. In every way possible he looked after her comfort, and she was grateful. But one word from Brian, a simple tele-phone message, even, bidding her goodbye, would have meant more to her than all Arthur Mandel could have done, more than all he did. Yet It was but patural that she should be

peach, and opened a magazine.

That she herself was the cause of

this kindness, she never dreamed. It was because of her value as a busi-No Change of Heart.

No Change of Heart.

Now York Herald: In support of his next proposals, Hertling most wonderful chance. So she thought, for a bit, after Mr. Mandel left her, then her mind reverted to Brian, as usual. She wondered what he was doing. It was near dinner time. Would he go home and have his dinner? Or would he take Mollie King and go to some restaurant and spend the evening? She never yet had visioned him as spending the evening at Mollie's spending the evening at Mollie's must be distinctly understood by Germany, however, that a government and spending the evening at Mollie's must be distinctly understood by Germany, however, that a government and tarliament which recognizes even in a diminished and constitutionally re
Not an Cutstanding Figure.

New York Evening Post: Mr. Davis (named as United States ambassador to England) is scarcely known in this country outside of the official and professional realm. His name means absolutely nothing to the mass of probably will be followers in the lique professional realm. His name means absolutely nothing to the original regulation movements, corrective salon New York Evening Post: Mr. Davis (named as United States ambassador to England) is scarcely known in this country outside of the official and professional realm. His name means absolutely nothing to the original regulation movements and local option of the professional realm. His name means absolutely nothing to the original regulation movements and sountry outside of the official and professional realm. His name means absolutely nothing to the original regulation movements and local option of the professional realm. His name means absolutely nothing to the original regulation movements and local option of the professional realm. His name means absolutely nothing to the original regulation movements in the sountry outside of the official and professional realm. His name means absolutely nothing to the name of the

But Ruth was young, vitally alive, and easily interested. She never had traveled west before, and soon gave thority of the men who made up all thoughts of home and business this war cannot be dealt with to watch the shifting scenery. Until by the entente governments. There it was too dark to see, she looked from has been no change of heart in great majority of American brewers the window upon the new country constantly unfolding to her gaze. Then she went into the dining car and had her dinner.

But after she had gone to bed in the narrow berth in the state room Mr. Mandel has secured for her, her thoughts again sought out Brian, and she lay wondering what he was doing. ship of railways meanst a reign of fraud and graft, declares The London not want him to be happy if it meant Advertiser. The 'Tiser has seen nobeing with Mollie King. Ruth was jealous of pretty Mollie.

the Union government came into More jealous, perhaps, because she power. Conditions under private own- had hidden it from Brian. She did result of these researches. It would ership were not free from fraud and not underestimate Mollie's charm, even probably be hopeless to try to have graft, with the additional menace of the she had no understanding of her Bohemian, one of that class with whom Brian had associated before she, Ruth, had known him

What was the fascination about such men as Claude Beckley? she wondered, her thoughts shifting. To her he had seemed such an outre sort of a creaseemed such an outre ture. She recalled her determination if they would have her.
"If they were all like the Curtises it

wouldn't be so bad," she said to herself. "I wish I knew that nice couple across the hall," once more her thoughts straying. "They both look good, as well as intelligent. They look like the right kind of people," then she thought of Mrs. Clayborne. Would she ever forgive her for going to work? Her letters, since Ruth had refused to stop, to give up her position at her be-hest, had been few and very short. "I hate to have Aunt Louisa cross at me," she murmured sleepily. But her last ughts again veered back to Brian. pered: "I hope he isn't with Mollie King." And before she finally slept, she whis-

Tomorrow-Brian Spends Another Evening with Mollie King.

From the Papers of the United States

Save Farmerette Movement. New York Pribune: Women of comparative leisure—nobody is really idle these days—must take up their turden, not only to save the food, but to save the farmerette movement from being branded as a haphazard, unre-liable source of farm labor.

Pershing's Peace Overtures, New York World: Whether or not the German general staff desired the kind of reply that the president made to the Austro-Hungarian proposals we have no means of knowing, but it is certain that the American people issired it and that they are unanimeus in supporting the president in the uncompromising position he has taken. American peace overtures are now under the personal direction Gen. Pershing, who is to be assis y an American army of 4,800,000 men.

FOLLIES OF THE PASSING SHOW—By Mitchell

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No Change of Heart.

New York Times: There will be completed the sentiment that we no peace by negotiation with a Hohen-zollern or a Hapsburg.

Cespised the sentiment that we the country of the un-Americal drinking custom and the un-

tion with it, his standing will all have

pleased at the attention her employer gave her.

"I must be doing well or he wouldn't be so kind to me," she said to herself as she sunk her teeth in a delicious self as she sunk her teeth in a delicious general staff, let it make the most of New York Times: There will be the country of the united States is going to win it. If that is any comfort to the German Social ideals political aspirations. They have the country of the united States is going to win it. If the country of the country of the united States is going to win it. If the country of the united States is going to win it. If the country of the united States is going to win it. If the country of the united States is going to win it. If the country of the united States is going to win it. If the country of the united States is going to win it. If the country of the united States is going to win it. If the country of the united States is going to win it. If the country of the united States is going to win it. If the country of the united States is going to win it. If the country of the united States is going to win it. If the country of the united States is going to win it. If the country of the coun

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