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The World's opinion is that the railway trainmen are not the chief sinners.

HARBOR STREET COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.

While the affairs of the Harbor Collegiate Institute were in an acutely personal stage, the World refrained from interfering, deeming it right that such entanglements should be straightened out by the board of education. Many of the features of the recent embroilment are regrettable and could have been avoided if a little more tact and consideration had been shown in some quarters. The mistake of the whole affair was in endeavoring to override the wishes of the people of that district by detaching their children from the collegiate institute at their own doors and forcing them to form a nucleus for a new high school, which could never be erected in that locality. If the original recommendation of Principal Hagarty had been acted upon and these pupils had been treated as their parents wished them to be (namely as pupils of the Harbor Institute), with Mr. Cox as senior master in charge, none of this trouble would have arisen. The board has at last become seized of the true situation, and it is to be hoped that the principal will be allowed to pursue his way in peace and that there will be no further bad feeling over the matter.

A PUBLIC RIGHTS POLICY.

If the staggering figures that represent the profits drawn by the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey from its endless subsidiary corporations produce in Canada nothing more than a passing sensation, their publication will be of little avail. Certainly this many limbed octopus has managed with remarkable success to make itself the arch-enemy of every form of extortion possible in the case of an organization holding a practical monopoly of a product which supplies at the same time a public necessity. These great natural reservoirs of oil, utilized on right principles and their exploitation properly controlled in the public interest, would have brought untold benefits to the masses of the people, and enormously added to the country's industrial prosperity. But, alas! the hands of unscrupulous capitalists and masters of the means of levying a cruel tax on the people in order that vaunting and unholy ambition after unparalleled business success might be gratified.

Now, after years of more or less patient endurance, when the burden has become intolerable and the appalling results of trust business methods can no longer be denied, the state has set itself to remedy what it could far more readily have prevented. Belated though the effort is, it has already done some good, and will accomplish more if steadily pursued. With a legal system and a court procedure that afford endless scope for expert ingenuity, the way of final reckoning for lawlessness is far enough distant, and when it does arrive, will probably fall a long way short of poetic justice. And nothing can retrieve the losses that have already been sustained or redress the injury inflicted on the body politic of the state by the demoralizing corruption introduced into legislatures and municipalities for the purpose of securing immunity from interference.

Canada and her older provinces could scarcely escape a share of the same experience that has come to the United States. Fortunately for the future of the Dominion, enlightenment has come while opportunity remains to profit by the errors and mistakes which are costing the United States so dear. The plain way of escape is the adoption of a straight and clear policy that will secure the people of the Dominion in the full enjoyment of their national resources, services and utilities. Private exploitation of the public franchises and of the public domain has landed the republic in its present dilemma, and only the open revivets of the electors against corporation rule has compelled its legislatures to recognize the demand that public rights must hereafter be respected. Similar independent determination on the part of the people of Canada can preserve them from the worst of the evils now troubling the United States. This is not a time for giving up to outgrowth and misadventure party names which should be solely yielded to the real interests of the country. If the people insist upon direct and plain pledges to protect public rights and look to it