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## CIVIC ANNEXATION POLICY.

"We are not sanguine enough," is the reason based presumably on their judgment given by Assessment Commissioner Forman and City Solicitor Johnston for their views on the annexation problems before the city, as embodied in reports presented to the board of control yesterday.

Some time ago The World said "the suburban opposition to the assessment department to progressive measures, proposed by the city, points to the necessity for an investigation there as well as on other departments."

We never imagined that anyone would find in this suggestion of corruption or anything that was not perfectly honest and well-intentioned. But unfortunately, good intentions are often more fatal than anything else when they are unaccompanied by that extra sense which lifts men out of the class of bureaucrats into the ranks of the successful administrators. What we meant and what we still mean is that the policy of the assessment department requires investigation and overhauling.

"We are not sanguine enough," is the clue to the necessity.

We believe that it is an utterly mistaken view that the department takes in such a matter as the improvement of the city's park system by the acceptance of the Humber River, its driveway and boulevard, as a gift from the Home Smith Syndicate. The reasons given are quite as speculative. If negatively speculative, as anything one hears in a bull stock market. The commissioner does not think that the property adjacent to the proposed gift to the city will attract residential builders. In this he disagrees with the most successful expert real estate opinion in the city. But even were it true, what has this to do with accepting an offer which saves the Humber River for all time to the citizens, gives them a magnificent boulevard and parkway, and also the right of way for a street car line to the northwest?

It was thought at first that the expense of making the roadway would be half a million, but the park commissioner estimates that \$25,000 a year for five years will cover the cost of making the necessary roads. Even were the cost double this, or \$50,000 in all, the property acquired would be well saved to the city.

The point of view of the assessment department is the point of view of old residents of Toronto who were bitten in the boom times which burst all round. They all have the same story to tell to-day—"We are not sanguine enough."

We have no objection to the officials of the department expressing their views on every phase of the matters brought before them, but it must not be forgotten that several other departments, perhaps even more in touch with the opinion which is moulding and must guide and control the city's future: the opinion which is furnished by those who invest their money and develop their property here, and do not merely sit in judgment on other people who adopt progressive courses; these departments, represented for example by the treasurer's, the hydro-electric, the park commissioner's, the medical health officers, are not only favorable to the project, but see great advantages to the city.

For some reason or other, but mainly, we believe, from obstinate adherence to a policy engendered in panic, which Mr. Forman would do himself justice to abandon, he has steadily opposed all annexations. A welcome change is to be noted in his report on the North Toronto proposal. He suggests an alternative, which provides for the annexation of everything south of Eglinton-ave., about 2000 acres, and the Moore Park district of about 400 acres. He thinks if it were possible to detach the southern part of North Toronto from the rest, drawing the line at Eglinton-ave., that this might also be included. We do not wish to do Mr. Forman injustice or to charge him with inconsistency in this report. We believe that when it is evident to him that the alternative he suggests is commendable, there can be no possible objection raised in any other quarter. All that divides him from the board of control and the majority of the council on this matter is the northern portion of North Toronto. There will be no hesitation about the inclusion of the whole town when Mr. Forman is willing to annex half of it.

It is probable that the board of control will not find any obstacles in the assessment commissioner's report. In the way of the annexations proposed, either in the north or the west. The time is ripe to carry out the work, and there should be no delay in putting it

## MERGERS AND OVER-CAPITALIZATION.

In an editorial leader yesterday The Globe again declaims with most petulant vehemence against the enormous over-capitalization consequent on company mergers. It quotes the list of the chief industrial combinations, launched during the past two or three years, compiled by Mr. Fred W. Field of The Monetary Times, which it says shows one feature in common—the issue or authorization of an excessive amount of stock, in some cases fourfold that of the companies gathered into the merger. "Speaking generally, however," The Globe continues, "there were many millions of common stock and in some cases even of preferred, that represented nothing more substantial than the hope that the public would be forced to pay higher prices for the merger's products or that expansion of business would enable dividends to be earned upon this fictitious capital."

It is evident from this amplification and endorsement of an article along the same lines which appeared some little time ago that The Globe has carried its previously expressed contention that stock watering only affects and concerns the stockholders and in no way injures the public. The World has for years argued to the contrary effect that it is absolutely necessary to place the capitalization of public service companies and monopolistic combinations under governmental control. Every argument The Globe employs against the over-capitalizations that accompany mergers was equally applicable and pertinent to the new stock issues of the Canadian Pacific Railway at a price to stockholders of record far below the market price at the time and still further below the price to-day. Yet Mr. W. F. Maclean received almost no support in the house of commons, the Dominion Government, thru the Hon. A. B. Aylesworth, declaring it was no concern of the public's, and only a few independent newspapers aligning themselves with The World in denouncing the actions of the federal government and parliament.

The report of the United States commissioner of corporations on the steel industry of the United States showed that capitalization of the U.S. Steel Corporation was vastly in excess of its property values, and that the underwriting syndicate netted a clear profit of about \$2,500,000 in cash. Little wonder Judge Garry, the chairman of the corporation, told the congressional committee that he would be very glad if it could go to some governmental service and be told just what prices it should charge. This proposal, as The New York Evening Post remarked, in this particular instance is to lock the stable door after the horse is stolen, since this trust has already affected its combinations and watered its stock. The Globe now asks for a royal commission to examine into and report upon the circumstances attending the Canadian mergers of the last three years, and particularly as to the disposal of bonus stock and other securities that have passed into the possession of the public. This is all very well, but it would have been far better had anticipatory action been taken and all these mergers prevented except on terms safeguarding the public interest. But, however belated, the necessity for protective legislation is urgent, and a preliminary investigation is accounted necessary if it should be accompanied by a prohibition of all future mergers pending the commissioner's report and the passing of a regulating act of parliament.

## DOMINION DAY HORSE PARADE.

Every year of its existence has shown the open air horse parade of Dominion Day to be the most public-spirited, useful and interesting free show in Canada. So much self-sacrificing work is required in organizing the great spectacle, and so little reward in the way of the provincial reward of virtue, falls to those who bear the brunt of the work, which includes discharging up to \$1500 for expenses, that citizens generally should make a mental note of those gentlemen, who have assumed this burden. Their services, often onerous, are given freely, and Toronto should be grateful. Noel Marshall, the president, R. W. Davies and H. C. Cox, vice-presidents; Dr. W. A. Young, treasurer; J. D. Montgomery, H. C. Tomlin, J. J. Dixon, George Pepper, O. B. Sheppard, T. A. Crow, members of the committee, are to be included in this honorable company; and H. J. P. Good, the secretary and manager, has been an indefatigable promoter of the parade.

## COMPULSORY VOTING IN ITALY.

Whether voters in a country which representative government should be compelled to exercise their franchise is a question now under consideration of the Italian chamber of deputies. A bill has been introduced for the purpose of compelling every man who has a vote, to use it and it is part of a general measure of electoral reform connected with a proposal for a general extension of the franchise. Italy has hitherto confined the right of vot-

ing to males able to pass a test based upon the compulsory elementary course of education—it is now proposed to give the franchise to all who can read and write. This it is calculated will raise the electorate from less than three millions to about four and a half millions, but as the change will be gradual some time will elapse, should the reform pass, before the extension is completed.

Discussing the proposal to make voting obligatory the ministerial report says: "If the indirect participation of the citizen in the government of the state by means of the vote is a political right, it is at the same time a public duty and the non-fulfillment of this obligation results in frustrating those principles and those reasons upon which the electoral right itself repose." Reference is made to its successful introduction in Belgium in 1893 and to its existence in other minor states, including Bavaria. The government also compares the proposal to other duties of social co-operation that have been made compulsory. At the last general election in Italy only 65 per cent. of the electorate voted, and the large proportion of abstentions is held to have been due to the penal prohibition. By making the exercise of the franchise obligatory the percentage voting will, it is contended, be considerably increased.

## TOWN PLANNING.

When in Germany investigating the most recent developments in town planning the deputation sent out by the city council of Birmingham had their attention called to the far-reaching policy adopted by the municipality of Ulm. Faced by the necessity of extending its boundaries, the authorities in 1891 bought 1210 acres adjacent to the town for \$1,435,000. Since that year it has sold 405 acres for \$1,685,000 and has still 800 acres on hand in addition to the profit of \$250,000. As the immediate result of this provision the rates at Ulm are only about two-thirds of the rates current in any other town in Wurtemberg.

The conviction is becoming increasingly prevalent that the utilization of undeveloped areas in the neighborhood of expanding cities ought to be in the hands of the municipalities interested. In this way profits arising from increasing values due to civic expansion become available for public purposes, and not only so but the authorities have a free hand in framing and carrying out town planning schemes in accordance with the general interest of the community. Planning in advance is attracting a large measure of attention just now in the United States, and Canadian and particularly Ontario cities should be given ample power to secure their future.

Rev. A. W. K. Hawkins is to be congratulated.

Dr. Orr is evidently going to break the record at the exhibition this year. Two members of the British cabinet, a facsimile coronation procession, the finest art collection yet, and the hydro-electric illumination of the grounds will all make a great show.

## STREET CAR RECEIPTS STILL SMASH RECORDS.

Returns for Month of June Will Show a Profit of About \$15,000.

Smashing records month after month, the Calgary Street Railway keeps on its progress. This month will again be larger than ever, as the total receipts will be found to considerably exceed \$30,000.

Judging from the records of previous months, about half of this will be profit, and it is likely that the city treasury will be increased by about \$15,000 from the street railway department. The full particulars of the operation of the department for the month have not been compiled yet, but this above figures are approximately correct.

Rushing work whenever possible, and being interrupted by frequent rains, the Crescent Heights line of street railway extension has at last got so close to completion that it is announced that the service to this portion of the city will commence tomorrow. It was expected that the cars would start running to-day, but unfavorable weather again intervened. Now arrangements are so far completed that it is confidently predicted that the cars will be running tomorrow. Two cars will be run on the line, and a half-hour service will be provided.

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Cuticura Soap and Ointment are sold by druggists and dealers everywhere. For a liberal sample of each with 32-page book, send to Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Dept. 37, Boston, U.S.A.

## AT OSGOODE HALL.

4th July, 1911.  
Master's Chambers.  
Before Geo. O. Alcorn, K.C., Master in Ordinary.  
Re Monarch Bank—Clarkson v. Graham, J. H. Spence for plaintiff, liquidator of Monarch Bank, v. Monarch Bank, by the liquidator of the Monarch Bank A. Gordon, garnishee, and T. H. Graham, judgment debtor, (2) against D. A. Gordon, garnishee and H. Livingstone, judgment debtor. Orders made.  
Morgan v. Johnson—Du Vernet & Co. for plaintiff. Motion by plaintiff for leave to serve notice of a writ on defendant, who is not a British subject and lives out of the jurisdiction. Orders made.

## ISLAND SMELTING COMPANY.

Dr. Island Elected President at Meeting Yesterday.

The first general meeting of the Island Smelting and Refining Co. was held at the Walker House yesterday, when officers were elected for the year and general business transacted. Dr. Island was elected president; Horace J. Davidson, vice-president; W. A. Brodie, treasurer, and E. B. Ray, secretary. All the old board were re-elected.

Strong efforts were made by Dr. Island and the officers to induce W. K. McNaught, M.L.A., to accept the presidency, but unsuccessfully, the latter claiming that in some other capacity he could do more effective work for the company. Mr. McNaught is actively identifying himself with the work of the Island Smelting and Refining Company and this fact is giving satisfaction to his fellow-associates and the shareholders generally.

At a subsequent meeting of the board an executive committee was named, composed of Dr. Island, H. J. Davidson and W. K. McNaught, with the latter as chairman.

## REORGANIZATION IN THE AIR.

Controllers Send Sweeping Motion of Control Church to Council.

The board of control yesterday sent on to the city council a motion of Controller Church regarding the reorganization of the works department. Controller Church asks for the appointment of a commissioner to have charge of the entire department, and has proposed to the idea of making the waterworks department a separate one. Subordinate to the commissioner the controller would have a board of engineers composed of the heads of the various departments, retaining C. H. Rust, the present city engineer, as consulting engineer. The resolution also includes the appointment of a purchasing agent and the abolition of the works committee.

## WILL COOL OFF IN BRUCE.

Old Boys Running Timely Excursion to Lake Huron.

The Bruce Old Boys and Girls are going home in style this year, with two special trains, a first-class equipment of coaches and an express service right thru to the terminals on Lake Huron and Georgian Bay. Toronto people have an unexcelled opportunity of escaping from the heat wave and spending a week-end on the cool lake shores. Very cheap fares are offered, and the excursion lasts from Friday morning at seven o'clock, until the following Monday afternoon, giving a splendid outing at minimum cost. The towns on the lake have ample accommodation for visitors, and there will be reunions in all of them to welcome back the exiles.

## WARD SEVEN REGISTERS KICK.

Ald. Anderson Complains of Lack of Water in West End.

Ald. Anderson, on behalf of the ratepayers of ward seven, made a protest to the board of control yesterday against the inadequate supply of water in his ward on Monday. He said the situation was the worst in all the history of that section of the city.

Acting Mayor Spence said that the trouble was caused by inadequate pumping facilities and that as soon as the new apparatus was installed, further trouble would be obviated.

In the afternoon Controller Spence stated that arrangements had been completed for chlorinating the water, the old West Toronto pumping plant was being put into operation to augment the water supply to ward seven.

## TORONTO'S MILK SUPPLY BELOW SAFE STANDARD.

Water Situation is Much Improved—Long Pond Sidetracked—Plans For New Laboratory.

Dr. Hastings yesterday presented Dr. Nasmit's report re Toronto's milk and water supplies to the local board of health. The city bacteriologist states that present conditions in both regards leave much to be desired.

"46 of the 109 specimens of milk taken from retail shops and examined by the laboratory for butter fat, have been below the Dominion legal standard of 3 per cent.; while 18 or 16 per cent. have been below 2 per cent," says Dr. Nasmit. "It is very doubtful if any herd of cattle gives an average of over 3 per cent. butter fat, and one is therefore forced to the conclusion that we are getting adulterated or separated milk in Toronto."

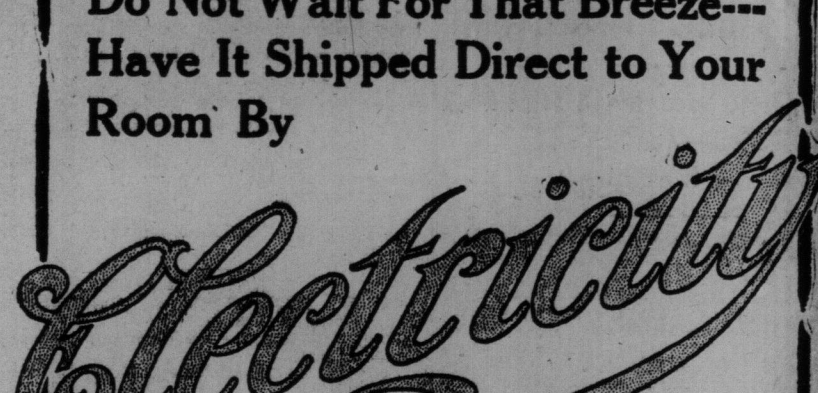
"From the bacteriological standpoint, the milk supply is even worse, as will be seen by reports of specimens examined in the laboratory. These figures justify a radical change in the handling of the milk supply from the time it leaves the producer until it reaches the consumer."

"The water supply of Toronto Island is now being satisfactorily chlorinated by means of an injecting device brought to our attention by the chairman of the local board of health, Alderman Rowland. A similar injector has been installed on the duplicate island pump by Mr. Henning, the engineer in charge of the plant, and he is now attaching a third injector to the existing pumping plant, in order that this supply may be rendered safe, and the pressure in West Toronto kept up."

"A series of analyses made for me by Mr. Race, the analyst at the island filtration laboratory, showed conclusively that Long Pond did not improve the water, either from the chemical, bacteriological or sedimentation standpoint. The city engineer has, therefore, discontinued taking the water thru the pond, and the whole of the city supply is now coming thru a temporary intake in the lake."

The plans for the new laboratories are now complete, and have been approved by the city engineer, and tenders for the steel work are being let.

## Do Not Wait For That Breeze—Have It Shipped Direct to Your Room By Electricity.



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## LABOR MART MISREPRESENTED?

Charge Laid Against President of Carpet Company.

James P. Murray, president of the Toronto Carpet Company appeared in police court yesterday, charged with "publishing false representations of the labor market."

The charge was laid by Henry Packwood, a carpet worker. He declares that he was induced to come to Toronto from Arr, Scotland, by an advertisement published by Murray, which said that his company needed men and that labor conditions were normal and undisturbed. When he arrived here he said he found that a strike was in progress and was at the time that the advertisement was published. The case was adjourned a week.

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