

CASUAL COMMENTS.

THE old idea that a common education is good enough for the common people, long ago, I had supposed dead and buried...

I know that there is a few working men who share this view, who think that they are taxed to pay for the education of "doctors," as they call anyone who gets his distaff with laborious work...

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I have said a good deal on this subject because I feel strongly upon it. I am, unfortunately, one of those whom society practically deems are incapable of receiving a higher education...

THE atmosphere surrounding royalty does not seem to be getting any clearer, if the cablo's sayings are correct...

steps, many of them striving to outdo "the first gradation of the kingdom." These are our rulers, our upper classes, in reality, our examples, for society, as mentioned today, looks upon the labor class as the highest product of civilization...

Passing down York street one of those hot days we have been having, I saw a poor little baby lying upon its back in a baby-carriage literally gasping for breath...

THESE are mutterings in the air which, if he is wise, Dr. Norman Allan will do well to heed. The appointment of a butcher to an important position on the health staff in lieu of an experienced man is being talked of considerably...

THESE things, three of them right at home, the other seemingly far away, seem to show how, no matter what party in our municipalities are elected with, the same false system is the root of them all...

WATCHING TORONTO. A STEP in the direction of state socialism has been made at Toronto, where the municipality has bought out the street-car corporation and purposed to own its lines...

It is no unusual thing for a vessel plying between Japan and San Francisco to bring 1,000,000 fans as a single item of its cargo.

LOCAL NEWS.

The Single Tax Association held its usual meeting on Friday evening last, Mr. O. P. Pursey occupying the chair. A number of letters regarding the progress of the movement were read...

On Wednesday, the 30th inst., a meeting was held of the joint committee comprising delegates chosen to represent the "Labor and Labor" Council, District Assembly of the Knights of Labor...

At the usual weekly meeting of the Nominating Committee on Thursday evening the 11th, a resolution on "Publicity in the Municipality" was delivered by Mr. Stewart Lyon. The speaker pointed out that municipal government concerned the interests of the voter much more closely than did national or provincial government...

AN EXAMPLE ALL CITIES SHOULD FOLLOW. We hope that the account, in this number of The New Nation, of the assumption by the city of Toronto of the street-car system...

There are few, if any, cities large enough to support a street-car system at all, in which the change from private management for the purpose of paying dividends on (usually) watered stock, and municipal management in the interest of the cheapest and best service...

A WELL-KNOWN mechanic of Portland is about making an attempt on an invention for converting the sawdust and other waste from mills into a wood pulp of peculiar strength and quality...

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