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THOSE ELUVIVE EMPTY CARS. City Engineer Rust repeats the story long ago concocted by the Toronto Railway Company, that one of the chief causes of overcrowding is an insane desire on the part of the people to take the first car...

remarkable and rapid change which ensued to the relations of the centuries old enemies upon the conclusion of the arbitration treaty. And even in the few months which have since elapsed the sentiment of fraternity has been deepened and intensified by the numerous visits of public bodies and deputations which have been exchanged...

Italy, bound in a special manner to both countries, has not been long in following the good example of her neighbor. The arbitration treaty just concluded between Italy and France has, it is estimated, become tripartite by the adhesion of Great Britain...

Citizens of Toronto have no vivid recollections of empty or nearly empty cars whizzing along the streets in the hours when the traffic is heaviest. City Engineer Rust, it seems, is a more acute observer and he is in a position to give the statistics that will decide the point he is in the final authority. It is for him to show that the people of Toronto deliberately choose a crowded car rather than wait the few seconds or the few minutes that would enable them to ride in comfort.

The point to be made is that the second car is so crowded as the first car, the third car so crowded as the second car, and so on down the line until a car is reached that would take the patient citizen home to a cold dinner. If these conditions are purely the result of the Toronto Railway Company is not to blame. It would be folly for the company to put on more cars if the whole trouble is due to a unanimous public desire to ride down the same car. The remedy would lie in police regulation, aided by a few officials from the city, to enforce the law.

THE WORLD'S CONTENTION THAT MID-WINTER ELECTIONS IS AN UNDEMOCRATIC TIME FOR HOLDING ELECTIONS HAS MET WITH SOME CRITICISM. It is argued that the farmers' interests would suffer if the elections were held at any other time of the year. This is a mistaken view.

Mid-winter elections are as objectionable from the farmers' standpoint as they are to other sections of the community. In the United States, where the farmers' interests command a slight attention November elections are the rule. The most populous states of the union have a climate very similar to that of Canada. What to the New England States is the most favorable time for holding elections is the best for Ontario and Quebec. The date that best serves the purposes of Minnesota, Dakota and Montana would be most acceptable to Manitoba and the Northwest.

As the experience of the United States has proved the soundness of the judgment that selects November for the Congressional and Presidential elections. The farmers' interests are not adversely affected by autumn elections in the United States, and they would not be injured in Canada.

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When the ex-husband of the Countess Russell, A. E. Stuart, alias Prince Athabald de Modena Stuart, alias William Brown, etc., comes up for trial to-day before Magistrate Denison some interesting developments are anticipated. He has employed T. C. Robinson, K.C., and to the charge of vagrancy which will allege he is a man of large income—\$5000 annually—which is big per cent for a man of his rank.

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FOR UNIVERSITY SOCIETY

Executive of Association Never Considered the Grants to Greek Letter Societies.

A seismic upheaval is threatened in university circles over the matter of Greek Letter Societies, of which there are five, namely: Kappa Alpha, Delta, Kappa Epsilon, Alpha Delta Phi, Delta Upsilon and Zeta Phi. Two years ago a site was granted to the Kappa Alpha fraternity for the erection of a chapter house, which now stands on the corner of Hoskin-avenue and DeWitt-street.

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POLITICAL NOTES. To-morrow the Liberals of North Oxford will get together at Woodstock to name their candidate for the vacancy in the legislature, caused by the resignation of Andrew Pattullo.

Going to Mexico. Montreal, Jan. 10.—James Ross, president of the Montreal Chamber of Commerce, is expected to leave for Mexico, where he will be in charge of the work of construction.

The East Simcoe Farmers' Institute will be in session at Orillia today and to-morrow. The speakers will be G. C. James, M.P., and J. M. Macdonald, M.P.

It is reported that orders have gone out from headquarters to all the faithful in North Oxford to close up their ranks, drop all dissensions and save the government. It is admitted that the Conservative government is in a very weak position in the field as indicated by a report from Woodstock.

Mr. McWilliam's Thamesford Order. Mr. McWilliam is expected to be a candidate, and Dr. Holton declares that he will not take the field as a probable candidate. In an interview he said he believed the entrance of a prohibition candidate against the straight liquor ticket might result in the election of a Conservative, and this would mean a hard blow to the temperance cause.

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