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TORONTO'S REAL INDEBTEDNESS

The Financial Post of Canada is as deaf as the ordinary post of any country to truth and fact when the defence of a corporation or the embarrassment of a municipality is concerned. It is a dirty bird, it is said, that fouls its own nest, and The Post, which is published at 111 University avenue, this city, makes an attempt to bedaub Toronto with some of the faults which it might more easily discover in its favorite corporations.

The object of an article which appears in the current issue on "Toronto's Heavy Indebtedness" is evidently to hurt the credit of the city, and, if possible, to drive the city into making an arrangement, advantageous to the Toronto Electric Light Company, whose interests are presented in an editorial article in the same issue of The Post.

"A carefully prepared article," says The Post, "suggests the conclusion that if the city proceed with its need-less expenditure of several million dollars, what may seem the popular course to-day may, before very long, be seen even by the not far-sighted, to have been a most egregious blunder. If The Post had not already made many most egregious blunders itself in its criticism of the hydro-electric policy, and made statements about the impossibility of the commission ever supplying power at rates which the private companies are now striving to meet, more attention would be paid to its present wails.

The Post does not recommend the Toronto Electric Light Company to sell out to the city at a price to be arbitrated. The Post only wants the city to accept the terms which the Electric Light Company chooses now to offer, as modified from previous offers pressed upon the city by The Post. The great argument of The Post, however, is that the city is horribly in debt and may not be able to borrow any more money. It is so much in debt that no United States cities but Boston and New York have been able to equal it in borrowing ability.

Toronto owes \$100 a head of the population, says The Post; Chicago only \$10, New York \$156 and Boston \$113. The Post states that the bonded debt of Toronto is close upon \$36,000,000.

According to a statement issued by the city treasurer's department, the assessed valuation per capita is \$675, with an assessment of \$270,000,000, and a population of 400,000. The gross bonded debt of the city on Dec. 31 was \$35,923,988, but from this had to be deducted the revenue-producing debts to the extent of \$15,923,987, including the waterworks, esplanade, exhibition, street railway and local improvements, which latter in American cities are paid within the year of completion instead of being extended as in Toronto over five or ten years. Besides, there is a sinking fund of \$3,892,430, and The Post reckons this, close upon four million dollars, among the bonded debts of the city.

The net debt, deducting the amounts upon which the city is receiving substantial returns, is \$18,156,551, a per capita of \$46.

The population of Toronto has increased from 167,000 in 1890 to 400,000 in 1910, and much of the debt has been contracted in taking care of the future, or, in other words, in paying the rent in advance. There are many respects in which this policy ought to be pursued still farther, for no city growing at the rate of Toronto can afford to ignore the problems of expansion.

If The Post would turn its attention to what is wise and necessary in this direction, instead of starting groundless scares for private ends, it might serve the city. Whatever the debt of the city, we cannot afford to handle it without care and experience, and if there be any fault to be found it is in the system of city government, which makes it difficult for the ablest elements in the city in such matters to have any say in the disposition of the city's financial affairs. The Post is no friend of good government or it would not misrepresent the true state of the city's affairs, nor fail to advocate what might really improve them.

THOMAS LAWLESS.

Thomas Lawless was a man all of his own kind. There was not another like him. He was a proofer in Hamilton as a young man, and then an accountant in job printing and newspaper work. As a proofer and an accountant he developed his prominent traits of exactness and method. He was a worker for temperance and it

was this side of his life that made him a fraternalist, as it did Orinhyatka. First they organized for temperance, and then linked up together in the wider field of the Foresters. Mr. Lawless was quiet in manner, devoted to his work and calling, and respected by all who ever met him.

IN THE STATES AND CANADA.

In the United States the Inter-State Commerce Commission, and in the State of New York the Public Service Commission, are both being enforced by the attorney-general of the United States, and by special and regular counsel appointed for the purpose, by experts, and by the greatest activity on the part of the members of the commissions.

The Railway Commission at Ottawa and the Railway and Municipal Board at Toronto are showing nothing like the energy of the American boards. The World commends to the public an article in The Outlook for July 9, by Lyman Beecher Stowe, showing what has been done in New York State. What is being done there can be done here. Sir James Whitney might take a look at the article. It is based on the following opening and significant paragraph:

Public service companies should be conducted for the service of the public. They should be conducted for the purpose for which they exist, and for no other purpose. This proposition, while axiomatic in principle, is both new and revolutionary in practice.

Mr. Stowe then goes on to enumerate some of the many great improvements that have been effected in New York.

The fate of McLachlan is held out by himself as a repeated warning to young men that "wine, woman and song" lead to destruction.

If some of the attention given to the militia was devoted to volunteer fire brigades and improved waterworks systems, there'd be fewer conflagrations and less hardship.

FLAVELLE'S THE MAN.

Editor World: Why do you not nominate J. W. Flavelle as minister of agriculture for Ontario? In that office he would be worth millions to his native province. Why does Sir James Whitney go in for one other energetic minister. He wants at least two more. Mooses Springer.

SHOCK WAS FATAL

Electrician Who Lost a Leg Dies From Injury.

John Taylor, 246 Euclid-avenue, the electrician who lost his right leg in an accident in the elevator shaft of the Confederation Life Building Monday night, died in St. Michael's Hospital yesterday morning of shock. An inquest will likely be held.

H. F. Strickland, electrical inspector for the underwriters, writes The World:

"The death of Jack Taylor removes one of the pioneer electric men from this city. Electricians to a man are pained to hear of his death and great sympathy is felt for his unfortunate wife and four little children. Jack Taylor was an old and faithful employee of the Toronto Electric Light Co., being in charge of an important part of their underground work until he left to start for himself. He was a fine fellow, sober and industrious, and thoroughly fair in all his dealings. I have known Jack Taylor since the old days when we served together in the old incandescent company. I have heard many expressions of sincere regret from the many electrical workers that I come in contact with every day, and we all join in sincere sympathy with his bereaved family."

ARE BLUE PRINTS VALUABLE?

Case of Interest to Automobile Industry Being Tried at Detroit.

DETROIT, July 13.—Have blueprints any value? Upon the answer depends the fate of Julius Haltenberger, charged by C. B. King with larceny in a case in which Haltenberger, King and J. M. Campbell of Toronto are interested.

The case is being tried here by Justice Jeffries, who is inclined to think that their entire value consists in the paper and the actual time spent in producing them. Assistant Prosecutor Aldrich and former Prospector Hunt are trying to convince the justice of the opposite view.

The question is of interest to the automobile industry. Haltenberger is alleged to have taken blue prints of a car, the invention of Chas. B. King. One expert automobile man testified that the blue prints of a car are as valuable as the car itself, and that Mr. King's blue prints were worth no less than \$900 and up to \$15,000.

Another one said he could take Mr. King's blue prints and sell them without difficulty for at least \$15,000.

FELL UNDER CAR

Employee of Suburban Railway Is Instantly Killed.

Arthur Slack, 55 years of age, employed by the Toronto Suburban Railway Co., was killed near the car barns at St. Clair-avenue and Weston-road on his way to work yesterday morning. He slipped in getting off the front of a car and fell, his head striking the rail. The wheels struck his head, causing instant death.

Slack was an Englishman, with only one arm, and was employed by the company to oil and clean switches and intersections. He leaves a widow and two young children at home in Herbert-street, Runnymede. An inquest will be held.

DECLARATION BILL WEEK AFTER NEXT.

LONDON, July 13.—In the house of commons Mr. Asquith announced that the vote on the accession declaration bill would be taken week after next, and that it would be sent to the lords on the 26th.

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Yonge Street North Must Not Be Tied Up to Street Railway.

A double track on Yonge-street is the proposition that is being forced by the Metropolitan Railway company on Toronto before it becomes annexed to the city. The railway company knows exactly the situation and is losing no time to get its grip on the town while there is a chance. Notwithstanding that the council are supposed to have kept the proposition made by the railway company secret, the facts of the same are known to some individuals, who are apparently on the inside of the deal which is trying to be worked. The proposal has outlined by one of these persons is as follows: The town to spend \$250,000 in fixing up and double-tracking Yonge-street and to undertake a yearly expenditure of \$4500 for the upkeep of the thoroughfare.

For this enormous outlay the radial railway proposes to make the magnificent offer of \$3200 a year without any other consideration. It is not to be expected that the council will pay the slightest attention to this proposal, but in any event the people will have to be consulted in the matter, and while some tempting offer in the shape of a single fare or a big reduction in the present transportation charges it will receive scant support from the ratepayers.

But the whole thing reverts again to the question of whether the problem of the C. P. R. crossing to the top of York Mills hill should not be handled at the one time. The radial railway company in its own interest is bound to have a double track on Yonge-street if it is to get what it should out of its service, and the problem, if left to the city, as it will be when the town comes annexed, will be far more easily settled and a satisfactory arrangement arrived at.

North Toronto should under no consideration attempt any deal with the Metropolitan Railway. Before Deer Park becomes a part of the city, the Ontario Railway tried to get its hooks on St. Clair-avenue from the Township of York, but the council of that municipality had too high a regard for its public character to give away invaluable rights on that important thoroughfare when it was known that it could only be a short time before the C. P. R. would come under the control of the city. The same thing applies in regard to Yonge-street in North Toronto. Yonge-street is already sufficiently tied up to the radial railway and no further concessions must be made that will further tie up the city's hands when the town becomes a portion of Toronto.

DECLARED DEAD BY COURT

John Marvyn Has Been Missing for Ten Years—Settling Estate.

John James Marvyn, who left Toronto ten years ago and has not been heard from since, was yesterday declared dead by the surrogate court, in order that his uncle, Joseph Marvyn, may wind up the estate of the lot, 109 Portland-street, in which the missing man held a one-sixth interest. Marvyn left Toronto for Michigan in company with Edward Fields, who returned afterwards and was drowned. Mabel Melrick, who was drowned in the bay with her sister, left an estate of \$860 in chattels. Her father, Alex. Carriew, of Hornings Mills, and six brothers, and sisters each receive a seventh.

A CRUCIAL PERIOD.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.) WELLINGTON, July 13.—Lord Jellicote, in responding to an enthusiastic welcome, said the next decade would be a crucial period in the empire's destiny. It was to be hoped that the nation would set itself with serene determination and fearlessness, but no spirit of aggression, to maintain the position it held in the world today.

Petitions to Free Pollard. Petitions are being circulated for the release of Dr. Stephen B. Pollard, serving a five-year term in Kingston for performing an abortion. It is urged that the doctor is in a state of collapse and has already suffered enough, as he is stripped of all honor in the community. He was sentenced last fall.

GOLD MEDALS FOR C. P. R.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.) VIENNA, July 13.—Gold medals were awarded to the C. P. R. for a caribou trophy from Cassiar, B. C., also to the British Columbia Government for the best collection of sporting trophies.

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TREASURER OF THE I.O.F. PASSED AWAY YESTERDAY

Thomas Lawless, For Many Years One of the Leading Officials of the Order, is No More.

Death came yesterday morning to Thomas Lawless, supreme treasurer of the I. O. F. He had been last at his home on June 30.

The late Mr. Lawless was born in the Village of St. Remi, near Montreal, about 67 years ago. Like many other men in Canada, he was a graduate of the backwoods log schoolhouse. For the past fifty years Mr. Lawless had held posts in the Good Templars, the Oddfellows, the Foresters, and the Masons. Several years of a busy life were spent in journalistic work. Thirty-two years ago the late Dr. Orinhyatka, with whom he had been a staunch friend for 13 years previously, climbed three flights of stairs near midnight to the den where Mr. Lawless was writing copy for the next day's issue of The Hamilton Spectator, to make a Forester of the man who later became custodian of the Foresters' millions.

He served as a clerk in a local store when 14 years of age, then went to Peterboro in a similar capacity, remaining there until 1868. Proceeding thence to Hamilton, he learned the printing and newspaper business, and was in Hamilton for 25 years. His journalistic career in Hamilton, Montreal and Napawa, in each of which last named towns he spent three years, was widely comprehensive and successful. In 1860 he joined the I.O.G.T., and held office in that society continuously since. In 1867 he joined the Oddfellows, of which he was district deputy grand master.

Official relations with supreme court of the I.O.F. began on Aug. 1, 1885. When Bro. Lawless was appointed a supreme auditor, which position he held upon unanimous recommendation for ten years, when it was relinquished to take up the responsible and onerous duties of assistant supreme chief ranger. In the discharge of which he continued until appointed to the treasurer's position on the death of Harry Collins. For a number of years he had the direct supervision of the order's organizing field, in that department he made a splendid record.

Mr. Lawless inherited the military instincts of his race, and joined the militia during the Trent trouble, also taking part in repelling the Fenians on the Huntingdon frontier in 1866, for which he was awarded the Service Medal. Settling in Toronto in 1890, Mr. Lawless was well known in Parkdale district and the city generally. He was twice married, his first wife, whom he married in 1871, being Miss Sarah M. Glover of Waterville, Maine, by whom he had three children. His second wife was Miss Sophia T. Miller of St. Michael's Mount, Cornwall, England. Four sons and two daughters, besides his widow, survive.

A PREMATURE EXPLOSION

Two Miners Seriously Injured and One May Die.

COBALT, July 13.—(Special.)—Two men, E. Johnston and M. Hakala, were seriously injured by a premature explosion in the Townsime Mine here this morning. Johnston, the machine runner, was tamping the powder in a hole he had just drilled. Two sticks had been tamped, but when the third was put in the powder exploded, for some unknown reason.

Both men were rushed to the hospital. Johnston will lose his right arm below the elbow and is in a serious condition, while Hakala, his helper, will probably recover.

The Reeves Doble mine in Gowganda have cut in a new vein on the 200 foot level. According to the report of Mr. Dignum, managing director of the property, The new lead is very rich, and is important because it shows that values can be had at depth in this new camp.

PULPWOOD BURNED

Fierce Fire Is Consuming Lumber Yards Near Manitowick.

OTTAWA, July 13.—(Special.)—By a fire which started in the Cummings lumber yards, situated a mile above Manitowick, from some unknown cause, yesterday, over 200 cords of pulp wood and several hundred sawlogs were destroyed. The heat was so intense that it was impossible for the volunteer fire fighters to get within working distance of the blaze, and it was only thru the heavy rains of last night that the conflagration was eventually stopped. The damage will be several thousand dollars.

HELD CAPTIVE

Montreal Woman Detained in Chicago Resort.

PORT HURON, Mich., July 13.—Held for five months in a Chicago resort, Police Mollen, a prepossessing young woman of 22, passed thru Port Huron last night on her way home to Muskegon, La. The "Gateway" to the Muskegon Lake, and further information may be obtained at city ticket office, northwest corner King and Yonge-streets. Phone M4293.

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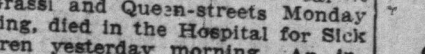
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POISON ENDED HIS SPREE

John Doyle Takes His Life After Visit From Wife.

John Doyle, an employee of the waterworks department, who had been drinking heavily for three weeks, committed suicide Tuesday night by taking poison. He was found dead in a sitting position on the floor.

The body was found in his room at 315 Western-avenue, yesterday morning, where he had been visited Tuesday night by his wife, who had not been living with him for some time. He was overheard to tell her that he was dying, and asked that a doctor and a priest be sent for. His wife paid little heed, as he had previously talked in a similar way.

Dr. Gilmour will hold an inquest on July 22.

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MANN WILL NOT INTERFERE.

WINNIPEG, July 13.—(Special.)—D. D. Mann declines to interfere in the attempts to settle the Canadian Northern railway strike, and the situation shows little change. The men claim to be gaining and expect that the settlement will favor them. They are firm in their demands and have succeeded in tying up work at the shops here. There is no sign of any trouble.

Accident on Crossing.

KINGSTON, July 13.—David Barrett, painter, was struck by a train when driving over the G. T. R. crossing at Cataraqui. He escaped with few scratches, the horse being instantly killed.

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COLLINGWOOD, July 13.—On Monday evening the Presbyterians of Collingwood laid the corner stone of a new missionary church. Rev. J. A. Cranston, M.A., performed the ceremony. Instead of the customary silver trowel, Mr. Cranston was presented with a beautiful and costly silver fish knife and fork as a souvenir.

Mr. Cranston, who has been here for years, preached his farewell sermon Sunday evening, his leaving in a few weeks to take the pulpit of St. Andrew's Church, Fort William. The new building here will cost about \$2000.

VOTED FOR A STRIKE.

PHILADELPHIA, July 13.—Employees of the Pennsylvania Railroad on the lines east of Pittsburgh, Buffalo and Erie, have voted by a big majority to strike. The vote was 12,751 for strike, if necessary, and 1413 against.

The conference between the men and the company ended at 8 p.m. Another meeting will be held to-morrow.