

THE COMPANY AND THE PEOPLE

Circumstances That Have To Be Taken Into Account in Taming Telephone Company in New Brunswick.

Mr. Tweeddale of Victoria appears to think that the Public Utilities Act will not serve any good purpose unless it hits and smashes the telephone company.

The telephone company in this province, it is true, is not a popular institution. It had its birth says the Fredericton Gleaner in an atmosphere in graft; and to a large extent it has been managed and controlled by grafters.

Mr. Robinson, the present leader of the Opposition, was then hand-gloved with Mr. Pugsley in the playing of that game. The company was really hard up on current account, yet its competitor, the parent organization, was living in fear and trembling.

Such a situation is but an item in the history of the Pugsley and Robinson Governments. It is but one instance of many in which public rights, public franchises and public interests were sacrificed to the selfish ends of political gamblers;

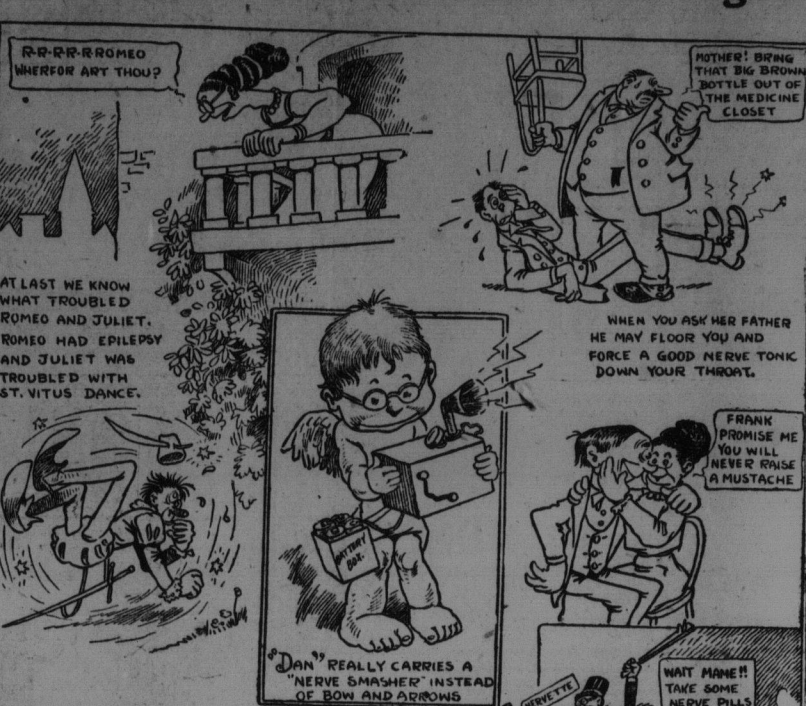
And improper and bad as this telephone legislation was, how are we now to remedy the evils without seriously impairing the value of public securities, and practically destroying public credit.

Finally, we are already paying pretty dearly for Pugsley administration in this province; but the full cost of his evil influences has yet to be borne. As you look at the telephone as you use it, its demand are but an item.

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We Have Been Fooled For Ages



As Society Women in New York Matron's Clothes-- Fooled Society With Her Own Cook. New York, March 2.—Mrs. Alma Webster-Powell, wife of a Juslon Powell, rich plaito manufacturer of Brooklyn, was the chief speaker at a suffragette mass meeting in Congress Hall, Atlantic and Vermont avenues, East New York, yesterday afternoon.

According to a Chicago Medical Expert, Love is the temporary affection of a weak nervous system.

Two Poor Girls Palmed Off

As Society Women in New York Matron's Clothes-- Fooled Society With Her Own Cook. Mrs. Powell was introduced by Mrs. Lillian Gore, chairman of the meetings. At once she entered into a tirade against hats and the idle rich, whom she characterized as being the arch enemies of the suffragettes.

"I brought two young ladies—poor girls—from the East Side to my residence last week and after dressing them in my most beautiful gowns introduced them into a select and aristocratic assemblage that had come to my home for the evening. Although members of the poor, self-supporting class, the two young ladies, genteel and nicely educated, deformed themselves during the reception so charmingly that two of the gentlemen present who like the other gossips possessed no knowledge of the true social position of the girls—were much smitten with them and requested permission to call upon them at their homes. One of them was a count staying at the Hotel Majestic, Manhattan. A gentleman possessed of riches to the extent of \$2,000,000 was also charmed by one of the young ladies, both of whom looked extremely beautiful dressed out as they were in some of my most precious jewels.

Mrs. Powell said she had been all over the world and that nowhere—not even in Russia—has she seen more suffering than that endured by the poor of New York city. "Millions and millions of gold dollars are expended constantly by the government for the construction of our new battleships with which to war if necessary upon other nations or to defend our shores. Why should not the vast sums expended for battleships be spent to benefit the poor? I vote against war. I cannot understand why poor women's boys enlist in the navy and army to fight for the interests of the rich trust owners who care nothing for their mothers who do not allow their sons to enlist.

Report of Anti-Tuberculosis Commission Tabled in House At Fredericton Yesterday. Continued from page 1. 2.—Compulsory notification (with registration at a central office of all cases) under penalty of a fine, and making such cases by law a condition dangerous to public health, and further that such information be made available to the various charitable or other organizations working for the prevention of this disease.

3.—Examination of the situation in each case with a view to eradicate the danger and a mechanical recurrent attention to the same till it is effected. (a) Obligatory free disinfection of rooms and contents after death or removal. (b) Prohibition of promiscuous spitting (but with provision for expectoration in all places of public resort).

4.—A nurse to visit the homes of the sick, investigate, instruct and assist in all cases referred to her. 5.—Urgent attention should be called to the existing law governing the ventilation of all public buildings. See Rules Provincial Board of Health. Law regarding ventilation. "It shall be the duty of every cooperative body, managing committees, trustees or persons, owning any building used for church, school, public meetings, school-house or school-room or any other purpose to provide sufficient means for the proper ventilation of such building; and no public body or person in charge of any church or place of worship, no teacher or teacher of any school, public or private, or any Sunday school shall so far omit or neglect any duty or reasonable precautions to the extent to which provision has been made in the building therefor respecting the temperature, ventilation or cleanliness of any church, place of worship or school-room by reason of such neglect or omission that the health of any person shall suffer or incur any avoidable peril or detriment."

6.—The board of health should take greater interest in this disease. It is their duty to the public to do so. They have now no excuse to neglect this duty as the disease has been made a notifiable one. Energy Needed. 7.—That the provincial board of health in particular be clothed with all necessary power and stimulated to take an active interest in this matter and instruct county boards to do the same as it requires energetic action not lethargy to fight this disease, and as it would of necessity require much time, attention and special knowledge to attend to the various details throughout the province in such a crusade we suggest a special person and one specifically qualified for the position be selected to act under the Provincial Board of Health and direct the public health board in this particular disease. Such a medical adviser of the Board of Health should keep all statistics, being supplied to him by local boards at once; give advice, lectures and in general way act and work in the best interests of all concerned and his advice should be free to all public bodies who seek it.

8.—We suggest that special dispensaries for tuberculosis form a part or branch of all hospitals endowed or assisted by the province and special tuberculosis "classes" be conducted in connection with the same agreeably to the directions of the qualified authority, either directly or through charitable organizations not only that the afflicted should be treated but that every effort may be made to disseminate a proper understanding of the disease. 9.—That under the medical director of public health (as suggested in No. 1), one of the medical members of the county boards of health (or such other person as may be specially qualified and appointed) should act locally in regard to the matters under consideration. Educational Exhibit. 10.—We desire to recommend that a travelling educational exhibit on tuberculosis should be obtained. Popular lectures should be delivered in connection with the exhibit, and this should be made a feature of all provincial exhibitions, agricultural shows, etc. Literature should be printed by the province of various kinds to be posted up or distributed at times and places considered advisable and placed at the disposal of any boards or bodies interested. It would be well also to acquire a library dealing with tuberculosis in the public interests. The public libraries of the province could easily collect much of it without cost or at least with little cost, where it could be used for reference, etc. Exhibits applied for the public and impress them far more effectively than talks or literature. 11.—That we respectfully urge upon the Board of Education the desirability of having the chapter on tuberculosis in the new health reader introduced as early as possible during the health course.

12.—Inasmuch as tuberculosis is extremely common among children, and is readily communicated to others, especially those afflicted with adenoids (and tonsils), we submit that medical inspection of schools be made obligatory. 13.—Railway Sanitation. 12.—We further submit that even if all the provisions we have outlined respecting our homes and public places could be carried out, that further powers should be secured to deal with railway sanitations (this may involve measures of an inter-provincial character.) 14.—We also recommend that it is desirable that a uniform nomenclature be adopted throughout our province and if the terms employed in the Dominion census and some other provinces could be used, we should have a basis of comparison which would be of great service. 15.—Finally, as it is now well recognized and as warnings have been frequently given that this disease is one best treated where it is contracted, a permanent cure is expected, and a return to one's native air is contemplated, we recommend that a sanatorium be established in our own province for incipient cases of tuberculosis. Sanatorium. In the establishing of a sanatorium three purposes should be clearly in view. 1. The selection of a site. 2. The form of building. 3. The superintendent. In selecting a site we should be guided by the following principles:— 1. Near centre of population. 2. Easy of access. 3. On a main line of railway and not far from it by a road. 4. On elevated land. 5. With a pleasing prospect. 6. Protected from exposure. 7. On good dry porous land. 8. With an ample supply of good water. 9. With a southern aspect. 10. Within easy access to a good supply of food and country produce. 11. Capable of good drainage. 12. Any other circumstances allowing it to be built and conducted along cheap, simple and economical lines. 13. Good climate conditions. 14. A good quantity of surrounding land for expansion, cultivation, pleasure, etc. We regard as specially important that the physician in charge of the institution should be one thoroughly trained in sanatorium work both as regards laboratory work and administrative capacity, and that he should have absolute power to decide who are and who are not suitable patients for admission.

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