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Toronto's Great Cross Roads

A grand crossing at Bloor and Yonge streets will city is Yonge street, a thorofare that is bound to be as historic as any in the empire. It has been badly handicapped by the old fathers of the city, who did not foresee street cars and motor cars and traffic beyond their utmost dreams. They regarded 66 feet as city is the taking over of the Metropolitan Railway within the city limits, the double tracking of the street and westerly. The city has been negotiating for this improvement, but progress appears to be slow; and a little stimulus, now that the city council has emerged from the holiday season, would do no harm. The tendency to let street railway negotiations lag and drag is notorious. In the present case special legislaact of last spring.

the city extend from Yonge street across Bloor west almost closed at an expense of \$2,500,000; and were peace permanent. this enterprise complete and the Bloor street viaduct open to the public Toronto would be traversed north and south, east and west, by a great cross roads which must become the main arteries of the city's traffic. No one can look at a map of Toronto without being imcome and those who would go these roads with their facilities for traffic must be made known far and wide people have little to thank the controllers of food and as the splendid gates of the city. The city hall does | fuel for. not appear to have realized the true value of such

Gold, Silver and National Credit.

Great interest attaches to the tour now being made Duchess of Devonshire thru northern Ontario. The vice-regal party have already visited Cobalt, and they are to visit the Porcupine and Sudbury districts. They supplies, and prohibitive prices are just as bad in will also journey over the Netical Control of Science; to the Association for the Advancement of Science; to transact the coast line to the Association for the Advancement of Science; to transact the coast line to the Association for the Advancement of Science; to transact the public where there is no postal telegraph in the vicinity; and to give assistance in the coast line to the Association for the Advancement of Science; to transact telegraph business for the public where there is no postal telegraph in the vicinity; and to give assistance in the coast line to the Association for the Advancement of Science; to transact telegraph business for the public where there is no postal telegraph in the vicinity; and to give assistance in the coast line to the Association for the Advancement of Science; to transact telegraph business for the public where there is no postal telegraph in the vicinity; and to give assistance in the coast line to the Association for the Advancement of Science; to transact telegraph business for the public where there is no postal telegraph in the vicinity; and to give assistance in the coast line to the Advancement of Science; to transact the coast line to the Advancement of Science; to transact the coast line to the Advancement of Science; to transact the coast line to the Advancement of Science; to transact the coast line to the Advancement of Science; to transact the coast line to the Advancement of Science; to transact the coast line to the City of Otton to the City o will also journey over the National Transcontinental to the Experimental Farm in Monteith, and will be received with suitable honors at Cochrane, Englehart, New Liskeard and other prosperous municipalities North Bay will be along railways owned and operated Canada.

to New Ontario, but it is a proper recognition of the for their food. great mining industry of this province. The gold and silver camps of the north country are not only producing wealth, but they are stabilizing the credit of the Dominion.

Sir George Foster has told us that the allies, of whom Canada is one, need men, munitions, money transport and food. But what Canada needs the most is credit in the markets of the world, and especially in the United States. The country that is producing precious metals every year in large quantities can always obtain credit, because no matter what happens she will always be able to meet the interest upon her obligations in the yellow metal that is legal tender in every civilized country of the world.

But Canada has two strings to her bow. The steady rise in the price of silver has made it almost equal in value to that of gold.

The mineral resources of our north country have scarcely been tapped, and we venture to say that dis-National Transcontinental and along the main line of the Canadian Northern as well. Our own provincial have a poor lookout between them at present. road, the Timiskaming and Northern Ontario, is today the great carrier of gold-and silver. Thus it will happen that the gold and silver camps of Ontario will all be served by railways belonging to the people. No doubt the T. & N. O. will sooner or later pass from provincial to national control, and become a part of favoritism. the great national railway system of Canada. With a national railway policy we may look forward to a national policy in respect to the exploitation and conservation of our vast mineral wealth.

A national railway policy and a national mining policy ought to go hand in hand.

Air Raids and Their Result.

With fatalities amounting to 15 and 70 other casualties the latest air raid by the Germans in England has produced no results for them of any military importance. The mere exhibition of destructiveness Germany than a more inveterate determination on the There are not many alive who remember those stirring

been abolished. If this means war to the bitter end, so be it. Germany may increase her ruthlessness up to a certain months. They deserved more reward than they ever Soint, but she cannot surpass it. On the other hand. Great Britain has declined to sink to the Teutonic level by adopting in retaliation the more vicious forms feel that the public are not in accord with this sentiment of her offensives. Where fighting men are concerned and a mistake has been made which should be rectified. Germany's own weapons will be employed and will be

bettered. Women and children are immune, and we ALONG THE COAST

do not bombard hospitals as the kaiser orders. The German people have hoped for victory from zeppelin and other aerial offensives, from torpedoes and submarines, from their navy and from their great guns. When Germany began to retreat, and continued to retreat, and is now forced to adopt retreat as a policy, there is nothing she can do with airships that can save her. It is only a matter of time before the inevitable end.

Peace now depends on reliable guarantees from the German people that the treaties made will be kept. The word of the kaiser, or any of his class, has been rendered valueless by the scandalous repudiation of former treaties that brought Great Britain into the which, so far as I know, nobody has yet war. It is believed in English-speaking countries that undertaken to write. were the German people aware of the facts of the case, and the falsifications which the kaiser has imwhere, in three hours, pieces of cork, a posed upon them for truth, they would revolt. This, crutch, an aeroplane propeller blade, a mark the centre of the city in days to come—days not however, is by no means clear. The training the Ger- sou'wester and a dead masple in a wickso very far distant. The great spinal column of the man people have received seems to have extinguished or cage, washed up on the sands at my the spirit of free men in them.

President Wilson has put the case very forcibly the coastguard who are keeping the before them, and thereby incurred the resentment of lonely watch on the English coast. all the autocrats of Europe. Cardinal Gasparri regards it as impossible that Germany should submit to corked medicine bottles with medicine in the ne plus ultra of street expansion, and Yonge street any dictation in regard to its internal affairs. This them, a mattress, a bottle containing a traffic is cramped accordingly. But the one great aid is his view of democratic government. President note from an escaped German prisoner traffic is cramped accordingly. But the one great aid is his view of democratic government. Freshot who said he was on a vessel bound for that can be given to the city and the residents of the Wilson merely asks that the German people should no Holland, and thanked the British Govlonger submit to the dictation of an emperor, but express their own views on government. Cardinal Gas- given him; and another bottled message and its paving, and the opening up of the city norther- parri says this cannot be done, and that it would be from an Fnglish sailor, which read: "The ly in the same way, that it has been opened easterly just as fair to ask England to become a republic or ship was mined or torpedoed about an just as fair to ask England to become a republic or hour ago, and is steadily settling. Every the United States to submit to an emperor as to ask boat, check full, has pulled away, and Germany to be democratic. Cardinal Gasparri evi- yet there still remain 20 of the crew dently does not understand that England could be a aboard. A big sea is running, no help republic tomorrow if the people wanted one, and that is in sight, it is nearly dark." was what probably was a later note in America could elect an emperor if the people had a the same bottle: "It is pitch dark now, mind for it. It is the people's will that decides things the decks are awash, only one light burns, tion was obtained so that the matter could be expedit- here. In Germany the government would not permit away goes Jack Plumpton for kingdon ed. It is high time that advantage was taken of the the people to declare for a republic, and lese majeste is a capital crime. If the German people prefer to tions and empty lifeboats were other The two arms of the great cross that quadrisects keep on with the slaughter and continue to submit to stories the sea had washed in at the feet the kaiser's fatal policy they will one day, in spite of of this coastguardsman. to the Humber River, and across Bloor east to Dan- Cardinal Gasparri, be compelled to choose for them- have been. Many of them have been forth avenue and thence to Scarboro. There is a gap, selves. There will be a possibility then of making visible from shore while they have been

Food and Coal.

Last night's news for food consumers was not comforting. The food controller is yet outside the field pressed with the necessity for making these great of prices; and instead of reductions, or even stability streets as fully available to all who would enter the in the present high rates, nothing is heard of but city as it is possible to make them. York County lies mounting values, soaring prices, commodities scarcer north, westways Peel County, and eastwards Ontario than ever. Winter with its hunger fear is approach-County invite the city dwellers. For those who would ing; winter, also, with its frost fear; and with food at prohibitive rates and fuel entirely uncertain, the

quart. Mr. Hanna says, "Oh, that's nothing. They pay that in New York now," is his answer, or somepay that in New York now," is his answer, or something like it. Besides, he says, Mr. Hoover has not of submarine telegraphs; to assist in the distance of submarine telegraphs; to assist in the distance of the evening that are to working the lifeboats when required; to the distance of t be considered, but available supplies.

practice as a famine.

Mr. Hanna brought in fish from the Atlantic coast. He created a market. Instead of fixing prices at the oldest duty is to put down smuggling; point of supply when he started his campaign, as they along the line of the Timiskaming and Northern have done in England, he ignored all the advice he torial waters—i.e., within three miles of Ontario Railway. The entire journey by rail north of got about prices, and now fish prices are soaring and the coast-and in all cases, where authorare fifty per cent. higher than when he started operaized by law, to seize the same. . . . The
first and paramount object should be to by the Province of Ontario and the Dominion of tions. It costs no more to catch the fish, to transport them, or to distribute them. But Mr. Hanna ficers and men will take care that they The vice-regal progress is not only a compliment created a demand and the people have to pay more do not exceed the authority given them

Was Mr. Hanna appointed to create a demand and stimulate business for the fish trust so that prices Most of these coastguards, or "Got might be inflated? If this is Mr. Hanna's aim, as it bies" as England knows them, are seais the result of his operations, then the people would men or stokers who have spent nine or prefer to be without a food controller.

Milk and fish are the latest commodities to go are 3130 of them divided between 244 soaring. What will be the next? It would have been stations. Fanad Head, Lochmaddy, Portno hardship to any interest involved if, when Mr. noo and Llantwit Major-these are the Hanna was appointed three months or more ago, he which some of the stations are known. had stated that all present prices must remain at their They are under the control of Vice-Adlevel, no increases to be allowed without cause shown, miral the Hon. Sir S. A. Gough-Caland reductions to be made if found advisable. It would not be too late to do this now for those things coast of the British Isles is divided into which are not yet out of reach of the consumer. But six districts with headquarters at South Mr. Hanna, and the government generally, seem to be ampton, Harwich, Edinburgh, Bristol, always a little late about what they do.

Coal is in as bad a state as any other necessity of life, but there does not appear to be any relief in greatly enlarged, and they now keep as sight. One body after another has been appealed to, close an eye for submarines from the coveries are bound to be made along the line of the but in vain. The government heavens are as brass, crow's nest. and the corporation earth is as iron, and the people

The one remedy that is available in the coal situation is the nationalization of the Grand Trunk Railway. This would facilitate deliveries and assure a One of them dashed against a breakwatsupply of coal to the people without the uncertainties er, my correspondent told me, and of corporation preferential dealing and sectional hurled great piles, a foot thick and

Other People's Opinions

"No Job for Veterans."

Editor World: I noticed an item in some of our daily papers, headed "No Job For Veterans." This was very unpleasant reading for a number of good men, and it is a shame that any of our number should be unkindly thrust aside by some who are for the time being entrusted with office. I speak from knowledge when I say that the surviving Veterans of 1866 are deserving of the which these raids represent gains nothing more for most generous, thoughtful and considerate treatment. part of her eremies that they will not yield until the times. And the younger generations do not fully appresystem that originates these murderous attacks on ciate the sacrifices made by those who "shouldered women and children and other helpless citizens had arms" at that time to repel an uncalled for invasion These men of various ages and occupations suddenly stopped their work, closed their places of business, and went to the front, where they remained some three received, as they practically saved Canada to the empire, Lieut.-Col. A. E. Belcher, President Veterans of 1866.

IN WAR TIME BY TEDDY WICK.

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Question: What becomes of the sh You're wrong. Go to the foot of the

class. For some of them, a miscellan

English or the Irish coast. Whence arises a strange story of the coasts, pile at a certain point on the Kent coast

I talked with one of these sea-dogs o

Masts, hatchways, flags of different na-

Badly battered many of the life-boats a mile out at sea, bobbing up and down drawn excited mobs of villagers to th sands to watch and wait for them. Occasionally, too, a body comes float-

The duties of the coastguard are mulitudinous. Once I saw summed up the

usiness of these lonely men: "To patrol and watch the coast, to give otice of and assistance to vessels in distress; to prepare casualty reports for the board of trade; to take charge of lifesaving apparatus; n to bury carcasses washed up; to man signal stations dur-Milk is to go up in a few days to fifteen cents a ing manoeuvres and in time of war; to ous stations; to protect the shore ends be prepared to act as pilots; to prevent The problem of the people, however, is to get the the coast line to the Association for the subject evoked a hearty cheer, and Sir yet to be made include the City of Ottors of Toronto. ing of boy scouts."

Nor are these all their duties. Their 'to search and examine thoroly all suspicious vessels or boats in British terri-

under the 181st section of the customs consolidation act, 1876, by an incautious use of firearms." a

ten years in the Royal Navy, and have thorpe, whose headquarters are in Victoria street. London. Under him, the Queenstown (south of Ireland), and Kingstown (north of Ireland).

During the war, their duties have been shore as steamships keep from the

And all the time, thruout their patrols the sea keeps washing up its wreckage. Occasionally one of the millions of dead ly mines that have been sown in the sea, comes wandering in on the tide. many feet long, a quarter of a mile inland, smashing windows in cottages miles away. On every big sea these floating errors are likely to be dumped ashore.

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POLITICAL NEWS

Sir George Foster put in his speech to the Ward 5 Conservatives Monday night, they will be left at the post. Sir George a campaign effort, and it may be that made a strong plea for conscription, and Sir George will not again contest North even a stronger plea for union govern- Toronto. A report was in circulation yesmentioned the distranchisement of the have already been nominated in Ontario. alien vote. The first reference to this The 22 districts for which nominations are

down the house, he added: 'You prob- city executives will meet at Orange Hall.

The South Huron Conservatives will

hold a convention on October 12, and believed that he might wake up any probably renominate J. J. Merner, the morning in the near future and find a sitting member. Kent County Conser-"pep" into their campaign than union government at Ottawa. Hence he vatives nominate on Saturday, and conspoke rather disparagingly of party ventions will be called in the near future names as tags and labels. Possibly the for the two ridings of Essex. F. F. Pardee, M. P. for West Lamb-

ton, and chief Liberal whip, is soon to define his position in an address to the unterrified electors of Wost Lambton. It may require some definition, as Fred favors conscription, but at the same time is a disciple of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. The Ontaric Liberal who favors conscription has been able to walk the tight rope in parliament, but a little heckling from a popular audience may cause him to lose his balance completely.

from the charge of being untrustworthy and corrupt.

"I deny that the government is untrustworthy and corrupt," he said, and then with a little chuckle that brought

The conservatives have about the same of the election will no doubt be uncartain until the prime minister is ready to amounce the success or fallure of his have still to hold conventions in London, he amounce the success or fallure of his have still to hold conventions in London, he amounce the success or fallure of his have still to hold conventions in London, he cartain until the prime minister is ready to amounce the success or fallure of his have still to hold conventions in London, he cartain until the prime minister is ready to amounce the success or fallure of his have still to hold conventions in London, he cartain until the prime minister is ready to amounce the success or fallure of his have still to hold conventions in London, he cartain until the prime minister is ready to amounce the success or fallure of his have still to hold conventions in London, he cartain until the prime minister is ready to amounce the success or fallure of his have still to hold conventions in London, he cartain until the prime minister is ready to amounce the success or fallure of his have still to hold conventions in London, he cartain until the prime minister is ready to amounce the success or fallure of his have still to hold conventions in London, he cartain until the prime minister is ready to amounce the success or fallure of his have still to hold conventions in London, he cartain until the prime minister is ready to amounce the success or fallure of his have still to hold conventions in London, he cartain until the prime minister is ready to amounce the success or fallure of his have still to hold conventions in London.



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