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BEWARE THE GRABBERS.

Friday evening's meeting at least dreds of thousands. revealed that the business men of the At present this money is deposit- about Mr. Borden on his western trip. ors that Mr. Borden has done so. value of the street railway franchise. and that they have no intention of cent. paid for savings accounts. obligingly handing it over to whoever chooses to come along and ask for it.

This is a healthy sentiment, and it prevails among the citizens generally. Aside altogether from their attachment to the principle of munici- for city purposes; in return they re- Now Mr. Borden comes along un- the ablest man holding a seat in that pal ownership, the ratepayers under- ceive from the banks only three per hampered by the presence of Dr. House, and during the few years he stand that the street railway francent. on the portion of the money Sproule and his vigorous tenets, and has been in public life, has made chise is the most valuable in the pos- and nothing at all on the amount de- differ with the Orangemen that it is session of the city, more valuable posited in current accounts. probably than all the other franchises Why not short-cut this expensive party to whom Dr. Sproule tries valicombined. This valuable asset they process by permitting the owners of antly but not always successfully to is pointing out.

They may be relied upon, too, understand that under the circumstances of to-day they are not likely to get an offer of anything approaching the real value of the franchise. Whether or not the capitalists producpose of gobbling up franchises, there is no room for doubt that they are making the stringency an opportunity for doing so, and that the offer for the street railway franchise is merely an incident in the general campaign

Whatever might be a fair price for in no peril of being offered that price chase money-making enterprises of all Why should it not be practicable to back trail for the east riding of Grey. property is normally worth. If there is any right time to sell the franchise, that time certainly is not the present.

The wonder is not that an offer he banks on overdratts. should be made for one city franchise In times of financial stress this ated from religious bigotry Dr. Sproule represents the constituency in which at the present time; the wonder will should provide a more economical excuses himself and leaves the duty he was born, and in which he has liv be if scores of offers are not made neans of tiding over until municipal to Mr. Bergeron. just such emergencies, and that they the wrong side of the books during Borden temporarily the pleasure of his voice wright, and in his style of public maker in the list of city services.

Unless we are much mistaken, this offer will be followed by bids for the

the laudable and common ambition to ers will permit, or as the exigencies of to the city?

haps greater consequences than the from \$500 to \$1,000 each—a total of at Dr. Sproule stays at home. loss of the franchise. Edmonton has from a half million to a million dol- . This is not meant to suggest that a tion of the business. begun the construction of a municipal carned this money is "idle." But it tions between Dr. Sproule and Mr. sary to convince the intending em the city was under the pressure of fin- of interest as they pay? ket we are not likely to be offered any and get back as high a rate as they the Orangemen to support Mr. Bor- ese and Vancouver wants Honolulu to

WHY NOT LET THE CITIZENS LOAN TO THE CITY?

Why should not western cities bo row money for current expenditure directly from the citizens in small

advance a few hundred dollars each needed for other purposes. for short periods on good security and at a reasonable rate of interest.

city have a correct appreciation of the ed in the banks, a large portion of it For reasons good, sufficient and sufdrawing no interest at all, the re- ficiently patent it was considered demainder earning only the 3 per sirable that these gentlemen travel

there is every reason to believe that The net result is that the owners of on all who were opposed to either the

ies pay the banks six per cent. for the double dose for those hardy spirits privilege of using their own money who dared differ with both.

have no notion of parting with under city, the city paying a lower rate of the better do so he brings along Mr. career, having passed the third-class any ordinary circumstances, and uninterest than is demanded by the J. G. H. Bergeron, of the constituency teachers' examination in Ontario when der no circumstances at less than a banks, but a higher rate than is paid of Beauharnois, a gentleman who is only fourteen years of age, and al money would profit both ways-they principles. would receive more for the use of That Mr. Borden and his henchman

payers of the city. ed the money stringency for the pur- money of depositors the banks quite out together on ap revious trip, and compensation at the rate of borrow- Manitoba. Here, however, Mr. Boring for nothing and re-loaning to the den felt called upon to pay his reowners at six per cent. is rather ex- spects to a high official of the church pensive for the owners.

need not be doubted. A somewhat was more than the worthy Doctor similar plan was resorted to by Pre-could stand. He suddenly recollect sident Lincoln during the war and ed some business that required attenthe street railway franchise, we are net with remarkable success—that of tion back in Ontario, felt that he was offering bonds to all comers and in the only man who could attend to it

kinds at far less than normal value, ssue notes of the city for say \$100 For him no more electioneering with That an offer should be broached at sach for three months drawing, say Mr. Borden in a country where the this particular time is all the proof our and one-half or five per cent, in- tlectors hold two faiths. The sidenecessary that the maker of the offer terest and offer these at par at the road school houses of Ontario ring does not contemplate paying what the

ess than six per cent? telephone system, by offers to "relieve of necessity have an overdraft or their good common sense refused to the december of the lack of courage age system. If no one asks to buy antil the work is completed-or at to them seemed likely to make more a mean thing, but a foeman worthy our license to breathe it will only be least it is not wise to sell the deben- trouble than profit Mr. Borden sud- of their steel. The opposition will because he does not see his way to ures until it is known how much denly lost interest in them and their never be on the defensive while it i money is needed for the season's work. cause. While the Autonomy Bills led by A. G. MacKay. The point to be remembered is that But in the meantime the workmen could be worked as a political lever the franchise-hunter is not a public nust be paid and material purchased they were worked assiduously; when benefactor, but is governed solely by is work proceeds. At present this is they could no longer be worked as accomplished by temporary loans such they were speedily forgotten. We residents of Honolulu are apparently

lars. So far as the owners are con-schism has severed the cordial rela- "More rioting should not be neces

sold its partially completed system, should they not loan this money di- Borden's disloyalty to the Order which one of the first mob came from. the conclusion abroad would be that rect to the city and get the same rate honors Dr. Sproule with its highest "While the small farm advocates ancial disaster. Whether or not we There are easily another thousand sweetest accord, between Dr. Sproule listing hordes of small American farmcan afford to complete the street rail. citizens whose savings accounts run and Mr. Borden—an accord whose ers to quit their fields and come to way system, we assuredly can not from \$100 to \$500—an aggregate sum sweetness is revealed by the willingafford to ruin our financial standthe owners receive 3 per cent, interest and avoid embarrassing Mr. Borden well enough alone and continue to ing by surrendering the iranchise for and for its use as ratepayers of the with his presence. It is considered gain a fair return for their labor i a ridiculous figure. And under the city they pay 6 per cent. Why should politically expedient; hence Dr. these islands. present conditions of the money mar- they not loan the money to the city Sproule takes his trip and admonishes Clearly Honolulu wants the Japan-

These sums combined should be suf- Mr. Borden takes his trip under cirthe owners would receive more returns men and their cause.

THEY TRAVEL ALONE

separately. Accordingly Dr. Sproule The money thus deposited in the made his trip some few months ago banks is re-loaned by the banks of the unhampered by the presence of Mr. cities at not less than six per cent. Borden and his equivocalities and poured out the feelings of his soul the money as ratepayers of the cit- Orangemen or the Opposition, with a

deposited in the savings departments will endeavor to convince those who name for himself, not only as a keen their duty to support the political the money to lend it directly to the deliver the Orange vote. That he may by the banks on savings accounts? | not likely to set the heather on fire though he taught school for three

their money as private citizens and considered and conserved their they would pay less interest as rate- mutual peace of mind by deciding to travel alone there can be no doubt. For their services in handling the But it was not ever thus. They started profession, he is a man of front rank properly demand compensation-but stayed together until they reached to whose destruction Dr. Sproule de-The practicability of the scheme votes a fair portion of his time. This

at a time when ready cash can pur- whatever quantities were desired. satisfactorily and forthwith hit the hem could not with any reasonable to the Protestants of that province to orudence approach the difference be- mix-up their religion and their politics ween the interest paid the holders of and vote for Dr. Sproule and Mr. Borthe notes and the interest now paid den; but when an appeal has to be made to political judgment disassoci- has honor in his own country, as he

for every franchise in the possession bonds could be disposed of, but the But it is not altogether chagrin that by the handsome majority of 271, after of the city. However "stringent" idvantages of the scheme would not keeps Dr. Sproule at home. He has it had elected a Conservative to two money may be, we are safe in assum- be limited to seasons of depression. splendid reasons from the standpoint ing that hundreds of astute gentlemen Every city which has large current of the Order which honors him with have been hoarding their wealth for expenditure must have a balance on the chieftainship. In denying Mr. the wrong side of the books during Borden temporarily the pleasure of his is in a class with Sir Richard Cart will duly appear on the scene with eason that the expenditure must be he is only handing back the kind ... utterance is not unlike that of the seductive promises and ridiculously nade largely during the summer and treatment Mr. Borden has handed the venerable knight. In a campaign low, offers for every franchise that is hat taxes are not paid until the Order of which Dr. Sproule is head, Mr. MacKay is a man to cheer for worth having. That the approach is autumn months. In the meantime the When there existed a possibility of and in debate few men in public life made first on the street railway sys rity borrows from the bank-at six rousing the Orangemen against the are quite so much feared by their optem merely means that that system per cent. Why not issue short term Federal Government with the cry that ponents. In the work he has under is expected to be the largest profit- totes for small amounts, redeemable the rights of Protesants in the West taken the new leader has an uphil when the taxes are payable, and at were being coerced Mr. Borden was fight, but no abler, braver, fairer only too happy to raise the cry and fighter ever undertook a difficult task. A city which is constructing public to have Dr. Sproule re-echo it. But works on any considerable scale must when the Orangemen of the West, with

rom the bank at six per cent. Why search the Halifax platform in vain at one in not wanting the Japanese t make money. He believes not only in not get the loans from the people at selling service as high as the law will a lower rate than the bank charges, tage" to "manacled slaves," to "down-lumbia. While Vancouver does not allow, but in buying service systems but at a higher rate than the bank trouden people" and any other of the want the Japanese, Honolulu does as low as the gullibility of their own- pays them for the money it re-loans inflammatory phrases which two not want to lose them. The Honolulu years ago were worked to death in an Evening Bulletin, in a recent issue the hour may compel them to accept. A conservative estimate reveals the attempt to stampede the Orangemen said:-To part with a civic franchise at practical value of the scheme, Norm- and the ultra-Protesants against the "The experience of the recent emi this stage of the game would mean ally there are probably a thousand Autonomy Bills and their authors, Mr. gration enterprises with Vancouver as not only the loss of the franchise, but men in Edmonton who have balances Borden now passes the "school claus- their destination, does not appear a loss of and prestige of per in their current accounts ranging es" over as a thing unknown-where from the outside to be such as will

street railway system; Edmonton is not idle. A large part of it is Borden—no danger while Mr. Borden grant of Hawaii that while there may ratepayers are notoriously favorable re-loaned to the city and the owners remains head of the party. Dr. be a place for him on the Pacific to municipally owned enterprises; if, pay six per cent. on the money from Sproule's loyalty to his party is not coast, it is a mighty hot one. There under these circumstances Edmonton which they derive no revenue. Why a fragile tendon to be snapped by Mr. are more brickbats where the weapoffice. There is no schism, but only are travelling about the mainland en

ficient to meet any temporary loans cumstances which tacitly invite Ro-

being advanced on short time notes in Mr. Borden's platform should be a "of Canada as well." So "important" tract. In every city in Western Canada the owner could calculate to have condemnation of the school clauses; does the Telegram consider the proare hundreds of citizens who could his money available when likely to be that neither the first nor any other ject that it demanded a couple of plank refers to them at all only means months ago that the railway to the Borden, the shocking wickedness of that he has not the courage of his Bay be abandoned unless the coun- the Laurier government at Ottawa is late convictions or that his convictory to be traversed by the line be an- sufficient to call down upon the Do-It will be observed that Dr. Sproule, tions existed only for the purposes of nexed to Manitoba, The individual sums are small but Grand Master of the Orangemen, and the hour. Whichever be the case Mr the aggregate in any reasonably large grand councillor of the Opposition on Borden has dropped the school clauses and prosperous city runs into hun- how to catch the Orange vote, is not and Dr. Sproule stays at home lest among the lesser lights that revolve his presence should remind the elect-

Leader Mackay a Man to Cheer For

in the Ontario Legislature is easily critic of legislation, but as a man who can suggest a remedy for the defect he

Mr. MacKay has had a remarkable If this were done the owners of the by vhement declarations of Orange years he graduated from Toronto un? versity with first-class honors at the "less for its money than Edmonton. High School for four years, after gar fractions? which he studied law. In his present



his declaration that the Conservatives now, when by the campaigning advo-Leader of the Opposition in the On

The new Leader has shown that h ed practically all his life, winning i

The Liberals of Ontario will never fal us" of the electric lighting plant, by temporary deficit on this account. be herded like sheep at the bidding of of their leader, and his opponents will tenders for the waterworks and sewer- The debentures cannot usually be sold Mr. Borden, and when further appeals find in him a man incapable of doing

MUTUALLY AGREEABLE.

The people of Vancouver and the

give a special impetus to a continua

den because they are Orangemen; keep them.

ITS "IMPORTANCE

the city ordinarily requires. If they man Catholics to support him because says: "The opening up of the Hud- and until he does so he must be con- allied to his party public opinion is were turned over directly to the city he does not give a led for the Orange- "son's Bay route is matter of great tent with the role of a shameless appears upon the platform "importance to the West in particu- slanderer who has neither the evidand the city pay less interest. And, Logically, of course, the first plank "lar, but it is important to the whole ence to prove nor the decency to re-

> Premier Gouin wants Ungava annexed to Quebec. Well, who else wants it?

After all five per cents at ninetythree scarcely threatens an inundation of cheap money.

A Winnipeg broker has been sentlected to sue the Telegram for libel. Maclean in what the typical Tory It is quite appropriate that a nation On Friday afternoon at Woodstock

Now the embalmers want to become vance of his cautious and hesitating a close corporation. One step toward Halifax platform. Here is what he the happy condition when a man caunot afford to die.

Premier Roblin denies having disciplined Mr. Borden. Premier Rob. pledged to the nationalization of telelin is the man who swore that he did not hold himself responsible for what ada. he said speaking politically.

The Albertan figures out that Calgary "is paying .54 of one per cent. age of twenty-three. He taugnt in a What has high finance to do with vul- but when taken as a prono

> Toronto Star: It is, we apprehend, o fault of Mr. George E. Foster that It does not happen to be true that the charm of his presence is lacking to that Western tour. Mr. Foster is lic ownership." If Mr. Borden knew too experienced a politicians not to the opinion of large and influential know that absence makes the heart of Toronto and elsewhere he would grow fonder of some other fellow.

> Montreal Herald: Perhaps Mr. Borden's unexpected delay in Vancouver was occasioned by inquiries into that little grant of shares by which Sir Adolphe Caron made him- account of Mr. R. L. Borden? When self solid with the McBride Government, and for which the udge said his knightly decorations ought to be strip- to promote the policy of nationalizped from his breast.

> fered neither proof nor retraction of he damned it with faint praise. And

The Winnipeg Telegram rightly votes were honestly counted. Unless read and, of newspapers that are not

Toronto Globe: According to Mr.

Some progress was made last week Mr. R. L. Borden in the direction public ownership. The logic of his present position will carry him in. enced to ten years for fraud. He negwould call 'the slough of Socialism. whose emblem is a dragon should be the Conservative leader committed represented by an ambassador named both himself and his party to the policy of nationalizing both the telephone and telegraph systems of Canada. His language was far in ad- reach Manitoba and "pledge the Consaid in reply to the Globe's criticism "Now, gentlemen, so far as I am concerned let me assure you that

belong to the postal system of Can-

that every elector in Ontario favors

of Tory policy they ring hollow, and on the lips of Mr. R. L. Borden they sound too much like a campaign "every elector in Ontario favors pubnot use such extravagant language. But, allowing for hyperbole, here is a question for Mr. Borden: To whom credit due for whatever public ownership opinion there is in Ontario or anywhere else in Canada today? Can one atom of credit be placed to the ing the telegraphs and telephones Mr. M. S. McCarthy, M.P. has of- er of the Conservative party when that

minion, the fate of the doomed cities of the plains. The four righteous men favor of operating the telephone and he puts forward to avert the judgment | telegraph services in connection with and save the Dominion are Mr. Foster, Mr. Fowler, Rufus Pope and Mr. Ben-

NOW ON RECORD

am thoroughly in earnest, thoroughly

"Gentlemen, this attitude of the Globe is a mere pretence. It knows

have won in Calgary every time the cacy of men who do not follow his as he adds. "upon that issue we can sweep every electoral district in On for him to claim credit as a pioneer plank in his platform down as a principle by Sir William

master general he took his stand the postal system. The present post master-general, Hon. Mr. Lemieux, is when the time comes will speak to himself. But where was Mr. Border when Sir William on the one side and Mr. W. F. Maclean on the other were interesting parliament and mak ing public opinion on this question For his aggressiveness as a protagon was renounced by his own party, and ever since has been an outcast from the Conservative caucus, cursed l the very men who now take in hi lean." The shallowness of this sudden enthusiasm for the public interservative party" to free trade in agri cultural implements.

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S. F. MAYER.

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City Solicitor and Applicants for Given Their Reference ti

The appointment of meeting of the city were present except John C. F. Bown, K ed to succeed Mr. J city solicitor, and J as, building inspector Blayney. The variou worth of 5 per cent. of Edinburgh, were givereadings and passed. chise was only hinted with a consideration of Only One Commi

Alderman MacFarlan mittee, wrote stating power from Strathcon; kilowat hour, provided structed a feed wire ac Sidewalk Petit

A petition was received foot plank sidewalk on of Cameron street from River streets. This p Three other sidewalk

received, one for a walk on the north street from Kinistino on the north side of R Namayo to Kinistino for a plank walk on east from Kinisting street was very badly nee dents on that street being wade through water to properties. The three referred to the comm The Douglas Cl

The report of the com Jasper avenue, for dan by overflow of sewer in This damage was occ insufficiency avenue, in front of the pany's premises, to carr traordinary fall of storm currence of this tro Dougall avenue and car sewer outlet). To pr such contingencies as No. 241, clause 84, pr 'Proper check valves back-water traps shall

all cellar drains in ad

possible danger of fl or basement is less the above the top of the stre Douglas Company pre Douglas Company did the damaged goods or opportunity of realizing They now state, however exception of some Sanit printing frames, for which now willing to make an and have stated their w accept the sum of \$100 a tion in full for their dam The legal opinion of Newell, acting city soli with attached, and we b his recomemndation of t of the offer of the Dougl of \$100 in full settleme sideration of the fact the tablishment of a back-way not insisted upon by the stallation of the service ssessment committee

> on the investigation of department. The comm

appointment of the city

Building Inspect J. D. McKinnon wa ouilding inspector to as tion made vacant by t of J. D. Blavney, who resignation of Alderman It took an hour to make ment, the balloting result ties. The committee t recommended voting these. The names we The report was adopted as proceeded with. After Gariepy had moved that made concerning the re J. D. Blayney as build this motion was to per-The Mayor exercised sistence in doing so tied ceedings. On the first be sult was as follows: R. J. D. McKinnon 3, J. A Before taking the first it in the event of a tie be less than the others. eliminated. A second vot and the result was: R.
J. D. McKinnon 4.

"The question has to b
night," said Alderman G

committee failed to agree ed a report to that effe