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THE FIGHT IS ON So far as the civic campaign in St. John is concerned, the opposing forces are now in the field.

There is a citizens' movement in favor of a complete change in the system of city government, and opposed to it is the aldermanic machine which desires a continuation of power.

The machine took the field yesterday, when the city council decided to ask for a plebiscite on the question of a mayor and nine aldermen. This is the answer and the challenge of the machine to the citizens' committee.

When the aldermanic ward organization will be directed against the commission plan, so that it may be defeated, and the ring that now rules at city hall may remain in control of the city government.

The issue is perfectly clear, and no citizen need be deceived. The alleged general desire for a plebiscite on a council of mayor and nine aldermen has found no public expression outside of city hall.

The citizens asked for a plebiscite on the commission plan, and the other is dragged in to thwart their wishes and hold on to the present system.

The city council of St. John next year should really be one favorable to the commission plan, but whether the citizens' committee will view it in that light remains to be seen.

The committee has not yet outlined its plan of campaign. Whether it intends to develop sufficient energy and determination to put up an effective campaign against the entrenched forces of the machine will perhaps be known at an early date.

Last night's meeting was not productive of any large measure of fighting material, although the very large number of representative citizens showed a keen desire to have the commission plan adopted.

Of one thing the committee may be assured. It is that from now until election day the members of the aldermanic machine will be busy perfecting their ward organization to secure their own re-election and to defeat the commission plan.

THE FIRST WITNESS The St. John Standard has had its special commissioner interview Mr. H. Bragg, editor of the Canadian Municipal Journal.

Mr. Bragg apparently knows nothing in particular about the commission plan of government, but reports the statement of a new group familiar that Canadian cities are not so horribly bad as American cities, and therefore do not need a commission.

Mr. Bragg is unable to show that the commission plan is not a good one. He says it is probably "a vast improvement over anything the United States cities have had in the past."

Mr. Bragg is for a city council and board of control. He says it has worked well in Ottawa and other cities, and the people are pleased with it. Just to show how well they are pleased in Ottawa let us quote from a letter in the Citizen of Saturday last:

"Editor Citizen—Some day, and it does not seem very far distant, the city of Ottawa will awake from its sluggish repose and demand a more businesslike administration of its affairs than at present exists."

"Let us elect from the city as a whole, say five of the best all-around men available, to constitute a commission, the latter two to be as highly qualified as the former is obliged to be; also a medical health officer."

"There is another letter in the same issue of the Citizen, in which the writer says:—

"Now that the question of the continuation of the board of control has been satisfactorily dealt with by the people, would it not, Mr. Editor, be in order for the newspapers of Ottawa, through their columns, to demand that the municipal council of Ottawa will, at the next general election a year hence, submit to the people the question: 'Are you in favor of abolishing aldermanic representation?'

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Do the angels God hath put There to guard thy lonely sleep, One at thy head and one at thy feet, Watch more fond and constant keep? Would you never trudge the way Over hilltops if you could? Was my love so hard and long, Even on the sunny morn, When the plumed huntress roams To the music of their horns?

Hath the love that lit the stars, Fills the sea and moulds the flowers, Whose completeness nothing mars, Made forget what once was ours? Christ! hath perfect rest to give, Stillness and perpetual peace; You who found it hard to live, Sleep and sleep, without remorse.

Christ! hath stars to light thy porch, Silence after fervent song, I had but a minstrel's torch, And the way was wet and long, Sleep, No more on Winter nights, Harping at some castle gate, Thou must seek the road lights, Stream upon our cold estate.

Bitter was the bread of song While you tarried in my tent, And the jerring of the throng Hurt you as it came and went, When you slept upon my breast, Grief had wed me long ago; For thy weeping, but, oh, When I sleep beside the road, Thou art there, my love, so, Brother to the owl and toad, Couldst thou, dear, but let me know— Does the darkness cradle thee, Than mine arms more tenderly?—Willis Sibert Cather in McClure's Magazine.

IN LIGHTER VEIN ASHAMED TO TAKE IT, Mr. News—John, dear, do you think turkeys are good when they look so red about the head?

Mr. News—No, they're probably blushing to think what a price is asked for them.

DOMESTIC AMENITIES, Father—I think the baby looks like you, Mother—Yes, it shits its eyes an awful lot.

CLOSE ENOUGH, "I see that they have decided that Commander Peary got within one and one-sixth miles of the pole."

That ought to be close enough to put him at the head of the near-great anyhow."

WOMAN, She's on the job from morn till night, she is a source of rare delight, She has her fads and follies, but her virtues are the thing;

She picks them off as school; and she is noble through and through, O woman, lovely woman, she would make a fog horn sing.

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She trows out their Sunday clothes, she hakes a pie and mends our hose, Then makes a tempting dish of jell and puts it out to cool.

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Various systems were subsequently introduced, such as the hydro-jet, by which the refuse was forced by water pressure through tubes with outlets in the side of the ship, above the water line; a system which is still largely used in merchant steamers.

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