

MR. McPHILLIPS ANSWERED.

LETTER FROM MR. WM. WILSON ON DOMINION AFFAIRS.

To the Editor: I regret that Mr. McPhillips in his reply to my letter... I have not the time to go into details...

Without calling in question the stability of Canada or the high standing of its credit in England, I must correct an inaccurate statement of Mr. McPhillips...

Home corporations stand far higher than colonial securities. For example: Croydon 3 1/2, Hull 3 1/2, Metropolitan 3...

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three times that of Canada. So far, however, as Mr. McPhillips is concerned, I will make a liberal concession...

Mr. McPhillips amused me by imagining something by supposing one failure in the States for a million and three in Canada for two thousand each...

Liabilities in Canada, 1894, \$17,724,000. Liabilities in Canada 1895 to end of March, \$4,253,000.

Actual liabilities in the States, only \$149,505,000. Multiply by 13 to give a large proportionate liabilities in the States, \$2,300,412,000.

I find the seven years from 1888 to 1894 inclusive show a result in favor of the States, but I need not trouble you to print the figures...

Unless conditions were more favorable in Canada there would not be 750,000 Canadians in the States. Perhaps we ought to improve their position...

With respect to Messrs. Earle and Prior's action in regard to the British Pacific at the Board of Trade meetings, Mr. McPhillips states that the members of the Board of Trade are as much hostile to it as Messrs. Earle and Prior...

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If aid is to be obtained from the Dominion government for the British Pacific it should be this session. The charter calls for an expenditure on construction of not less than \$200,000 in the year commencing 1st of May, 1909...

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British Admiral Stephenson, commanding the vessels at Corinto, Nicaragua, is an experienced officer. He has a very large landing force and should be able to promptly enforce England's demands. The British vessels there are the Royal Arthur, Satellite and Wild Swan. The United States coast defence vessel Monterey arrived at Acrahuca yesterday. She could easily make the run to Corinto in case of need.

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PAIN-KILLER. PERRY DAY. AT THE CORNER. CHILL. SUDD.

uzzle. If they had a \$30 a for, persons would not go to

rose on the place of night school. Trustee Lewis on city hall as the most ce-

Trustee Lovell said there expense of fitting up desks, and the janitor's salary, be done away with by us-

school. The report was, only change made being the of the city hall as the place the school instead of the high

Magistrate Macrae was infor with them. Magistrate he was present in his pri-

He would to-morrow have to pass judgment on the police court. He had had

the school boys should not into the police court unless an exceedingly strong case, and other remedial efforts

The teachers should be able such cases. He would like opinion of the board.

Hayward said the teachers sider themselves as respons- school hours. The nazis-

rk on Saturday would lead the conduct of the responsibility outside of school hours.

Macrae replied that though was committed outside of s, the boy attended school p to the time he was brought

The conduct of the boy mixing would have a detrimental as a pity the child had been the police court.

Macrae said children had of the school buildings with

ing, and attempts to find and proved futile. The boys brought into the court

offence only, in fact it was and out. It was a difficult

how far a teacher might th the acts and time of child-

school hours.

Macrae agreed that had could not be drawn in this

Marchant would like to see volume of teachers extend out-

ed hours.

man said the boys who were beyond the control of s, and one of the boys in the was not a pupil.

Marchant argued for immedi- in such cases.

Flower said the boy should immediately suspended by the of the Victoria West school, as the boy had committed the of-

Macrae advised the board support the teachers in their whether popular or unpopular, it was not to be done.

Duncan Ross thought Magis- should retract what he said as to what he (Mr. Ross) regard to the trustees. This

regard to the do?

Marchant asked if any of the attended the school now? as in the negative. The boy was led on by the out- boy Ferris.

Macrae said there was no of passing judgment on Mr. was no intention of hurt feelings. He was surprised ng boys had been brought to without other correctives hav-

applied. Principal McNeill s bothered by boys outside the that should be do?

He ordered prepared for ad- enlargement in the High entral School and Victoria Architect Muir was given the second ballot.

Lewis gave notice of motion uld introduce a resolution arges in the Victoria West aff. There was no doubt that of the children were not good, out complaints had been made ents. There was something id he was of opinion that a ht be of benefit.

Marchant moved that the board teacher to fill the vacancy caus- resignation of Miss Horton, of k school, the position to be e two months of May, and a re-arrangement to after- place. The motion was de- in committee of the whole a tion prevailed, and Miss Mary appointed to the vacancy at th. The board adjourned at