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THINK IT OVER

Why does St. John need a better system of city government?

Because the present system is wholly unsatisfactory.

Because the conditions are changing, and St. John has entered upon an era of expansion that demands the application of business principles to city government.

Note this partial list of projects that are to demand attention during the next year or two, as an illustration of St. John's growth:

- Very large expenditure on C. P. R. terminals at the head of the harbor.
- More wharf building at West St. John.
- Beginning of construction of Grand Trunk Pacific terminals.
- Beginning of construction of great modern dry dock.
- Beginning of construction of St. John Kelley Railway.
- Construction of a sugar refinery.
- Construction of a paper mill.
- Construction of a \$200,000 armory.
- Construction of a \$100,000 theatre.
- Construction of business blocks and residences, improvement of streets, and forward movement in city improvement generally.

The city is waking up. It cannot be content with the old grassy-park methods at city hall. There is no danger that good men will refuse to assume responsible duties under a businesslike system of administration. All the criticisms thus far offered as against the commission plan are as nothing compared with the benefits to be derived.

THE BUILDING LAWS

St. John will witness within the next year or two the erection of some large buildings by business corporations, and a moderate boom in building generally. The last year saw a considerable increase in building activity. The present building laws are far from ideal in relation to modern requirements. They should be radically revised. It is stated that revision is to take place. Should it be left to persons who are in any way locally interested in building work, either as architects or contractors? Should it not rather be done by experts not in any way concerned with local conditions? St. John is on the eve of an era of expansion. Its building laws should be up to date, so that we may build for the future. This matter is one of such general interest that it may well attract the attention of business men, and all whose interests might be affected by ill-considered regulations. There are many phases of civic life which are undergoing a change, and there has never been greater need of vigilance and an intelligent study of conditions and requirements.

CITY GOVERNMENT

One might almost imagine from some of the criticisms offered that members of the board of trade had been caught going about in guineas and with jimmies in their hands, seeking to steal away the liberties of the people. Yet the gentlemen of the board have thus far done no more than to ask that the people be given an opportunity, after studying the question from now until April, to say whether they would prefer to have civic affairs administered by five men giving their whole time to the work, or by eighteen who devote a portion, and some of them a small portion of their time to civic matters. It is well known that under the present system a small group always dominates the council, and the other members exert very little influence. It is believed by those who advocate the commission plan that by fixing all responsibility upon a small group, and fixing responsibility for one department upon each member of that group, better results would be obtained. Instead of voting for eighteen men the electors would vote for five. The principle of responsibility to the electors is more fully recognized under the commission plan than at present. In fact such criticism as has been offered is largely marked by lack of knowledge of what is being criticized.

THE POET AND THE PEOPLE

The youth who has not at some time believed that he or she could write poetry, or who at least has not at some time tried to give poetic expression to emotions, is too hopelessly prosaic to appreciate the true things of life. It was a pleasing tribute to a poet that so many gathered yesterday afternoon in Keith's Assembly Rooms to greet and to hear the Rev. Frederick George Scott, some of whose recent poems have been copied into the Times from the columns of a Montreal paper.

Women's Canadian Club are again to be congratulated for the members and their guests yesterday enjoyed very much the address by Canon Scott, and the poetic atmosphere into which they were introduced. He declined to quote from his own works, but the President of the Club was prepared for that contingency and read one selection herself, with admirable effect. Canon Scott has fine literary taste, and those who heard what he had to say concerning poetry as a vehicle of emotion will turn to their favorite poets with a new interest, and a new appreciation. Canada should honor her own poets, for they give to the nation the inspiration of lofty aims and appeal to emotions that lie at the base of all high endeavor.

QUEBEC SETS EXAMPLE

The province of Quebec is to have better roads. In the speech from the throne at the opening of the legislature occurs this paragraph:

"Although the farmers are prosperous, it is undeniable that the bad state of our rural roads is a serious obstacle to the progress of agriculture. The encouragement the government has given for some years to the improvement of such roads is becoming more and more appreciated, and the time seems to have come for the further carrying out of that policy. I trust, therefore, that you will favorably consider the new measures to be submitted to you for this purpose."

The Liberal government of the province of Quebec is pursuing a progressive policy in relation to the roads to agriculture and to education. A government of like caliber is greatly needed in the province of New Brunswick. The Hazen administration is spending a greater revenue than any former government received, and the people are not getting value. It is therefore time for a change.

Are the people of St. John willing to go on forever with the present system of city government because they are afraid to trust themselves on a new pathway of progress?

The St. Andrews Beacon says:—"The people of Saint John are talking of a commission to manage city affairs. The idea is a good one and St. John should give it a trial. Government by common council can scarcely be called a success at the winter port."

In a long article on the commission form of government the Standard presents some minor objections and declares its war of confidence in the people to elect good commissioners. This feeling is no doubt based on past experiences, but the spirit of the people has changed. The Standard admits that the county board is not a fearsome enemy of progress.

The corporation of the city of St. John is a big business corporation, and the people are the shareholders. They want a competent board of directors. Under the commission plan they would have such a board. At present their affairs are conducted by an inefficient and irresponsible body, and they do not get value for the expenditures that are made.

The Charlottetown Patriot has dreamed a dream. It says:—"We believe that when flying machines have been brought to greater perfection, and as soon as the motor has been developed so as to insure safety, that this invention, that airplane will be brought into practical use not only as a means for carrying on war but also in the peaceful directions of commercial enterprise. An airship service at the Cape would make continuous and hourly communication with the mainland. It would only take about ten minutes to cross from Cape Traverse to Cape Tormentine and in this way the mails and passengers to quite a weight and number could be taken over a couple of hours. We may yet find the day when the airships come over and land their passengers and mails with sea foam still wet."

BIRD OF PARADISE, WORTH \$7,500, KING OF ALL

London, Jan. 12.—The king among the more than 2,000 birds on view at the London Cage Bird Association's annual show, as the Royal Horticultural Hall, Westminster, is a handsome specimen of the greater bird of Paradise in full plumage. It belongs to R. Pauwels, a famous Belgian amateur collector and is worth \$7,500. Mr. Pauwels has brought the bird to England in company with other valuable rarities especially for the present show. His exhibits include a black-capped lory, a Cuban woodpecker, a pair of white moustache, and a pair of sky-blue budgerigars, most of which are new birds to the English show bench. The greater bird of Paradise dominates them all, however, and it is probable that no other specimen of its breed will be seen for many years at an exhibition in the country owing to the decree which came into force on July 1 last prohibiting the export of birds of Paradise from Dutch Guinea, the home of the species, except for scientific purposes.

The straight design for drawing the hair has given place to the flower bandeaux. It is not a discreet little bow, but a full flower that is the point to be avoided. Soft gold or silver tinsel is used in making the petals of the scintillating flower forms, and the design is an improvement over the old style bandeaux.

And the political bee administrators many a sting to proud ambition. Many a man has created a good impression by kissing his face closed.

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EACH IN HIS OWN TONGUE

A fire, a mist, and a planet,
A crystal and a saint,
A jellyfish and a saurian,
And a cave where the cave-men dwell,
Then a sense of awe and
And a face turned from the cloud,
Some call it Evolution,
Others call it God.

A mist on a crescent sea beach,
When the moon is new and thin,
Into our souls' great yearnings come,
And the wild geese sailing by,
That's worth a single feast,
The charm of the golden rod,
Some of us call it God,
Others call it God.

Like waves on a crescent sea beach,
A mother's love for her brood,
Socrates drinking the hemlock,
And Jesus on the cross,
And thousands who, humble and nameless,
Come from that ancient woman,
Whose rim no foot bath trod,
Some of us call it God,
Others call it God.

A picket frozen on duty,
A mother's love for her brood,
Socrates drinking the hemlock,
And Jesus on the cross,
And thousands who, humble and nameless,
Come from that ancient woman,
Whose rim no foot bath trod,
Some of us call it God,
Others call it God.

IN LIGHTER VEIN
Don't move around and worry,
Don't think the end is near,
There's nothing going to come along,
That's worth a single feast,
We make our days too gloomy,
We make our lives too dull,
There won't be any trouble—
Just laugh.
—New York Telegram.

REGARDING CHICKENS
Senator Money of Mississippi asked an old colored man what breed of chicken he considered best, and he replied:—"I consider the best, and the best of all, is the one that is easiest to find; but the black one is the easiest to find, and the black one is the easiest to find, and the black one is the easiest to find."

THE SILVER LINING
"Oh, John!" exclaimed Mrs. Shortcash, who was reading a letter. "Your son has been expelled from college. Isn't it awful?"
"Oh, I don't know," answered Shortcash. "Perhaps I can pull through without making an assignment now."—Chicago News.

THE DEEDS THAT COUNT
Maud—"Why don't you prefer Harry to Will? Harry is capable of big deeds."
Glad—"Yes, but Will owns some."—Baltimore American.

GRATITUDE
Oh, brother man, how good it feels
To find some chap with run-down heels,
And gaping holes and peeping toes,
With rents and patches in his clothes;
To take him to your friend's,
And bid him pass the night inside,
Away from chilling winds that sear;
Yes, give him food and warmth and cheer;
Then bid that man he "has your gear!"
He's snatched off with you overcoat.
—Chicago News.

HIS EXCUSE
"What was your father doing in the back yard so early this morning?"
"Looking for his pipe. He threw it away on New Year's day, but last night he and me had a spat and now he's going to smoke again just for spite."

THE HUNTING SEASON
A hunter popped a partridge on a hill.
It made a great to-do, and then was still.
It screeched when later on his bag he spied.
It was the guide.

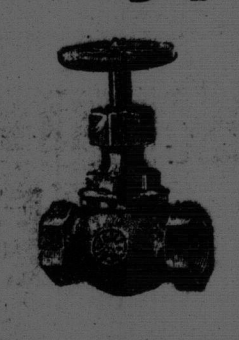
One shot a squirrel in a nearby wood—
A pretty shot, I think, from where he stood.
It wore the skin of a shooting hat of brown,
And lived in town.
And one dispatched a rabbit for his lunch
That later proved to measure six feet tall.
And, best you think I'm handing you a myth.
His name was Smith.

Another Nimrod slew the champion fox.
He glimpsed him lurking in among the rocks.
One rapid shot! It never spoke nor moved,
The instant proved.

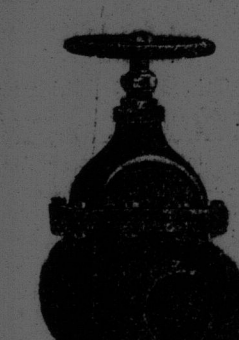
A "cautious" man espied a gleam of brown,
Was it a deer—or a dune, a friend from town?
But while he pondered by the river's rim,
Jones avoided him.
—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

MR. CHAPMAN IN THE WEST
St. Andrew's Beacon:—Mr. R. Chapman, formerly of New Brunswick, (who was Miss Cameron, of Grand Manan) is connected with a fifty-million dollar construction company, recently incorporated in Winnipeg.

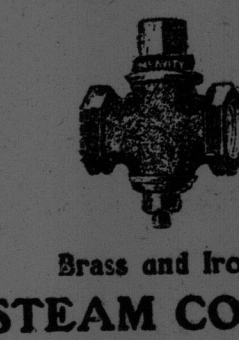
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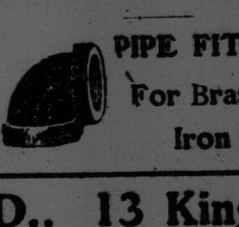
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THE DROWNING OF ROY BULLOCK

Roy Bullock, ten years of age, son of Joseph Bullock, was drowned in the river near the Victoria Hotel, St. George, on Friday afternoon while skating. The boy was very popular and his death was sincerely deplored. The search for the body was conducted by a large number of townspeople. Several hundred feet of ice had to be cut before the body was recovered on Saturday.

THE GRAND FALLS PROJECT

St. Andrew's Beacon:—Sir William Van Horne, R. B. Van Horne and Chief Architect Dwyer, of the C. P. R., were in St. Andrews on Friday, looking over the building and other improvements at "Cow" wharves. Sir William is to leave for England in a few days, on a financial mission, presumably in connection with the Grand Falls scheme.

The poorer families of Atlantic City, have ceased to worry about the high prices of meat, and are taking on weight. It is said, from constant feasts on those which are being gathered along the beach by the wagonload. Oldtimers who have resented a harvest from the plentiful "zip" declare that the clans have never been so numerous and they are working from daylight till sunset gathering them in.

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