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REASSURING THE ALLIES.

The Canadian Manufacturer. journal whose name reveals its bus

ness in life, calls on Mr. Borden to save the manufacturers from the "hos- milk in the city of Edmonton. The license presupposes, if the bytile" indifference of the Government and tacitly promises him political men shall sell milk in Edmonton. support in return for tariff favors. By way perhaps of a hint as to what

"THE COWS GOT AWAY "

of Mr. Borden the Manufacturer strokes him gently on the wrist beto appear on the scene. cause he has not been sufficiently agprotection speeches of late years. That his heart is right there can be no manner of doubt, but the Manufacturer thinks a little freer outpouring of his soul would rally the manufac-

The anxiety of the manufacturers that the Government should be defeated and the Opposition placed in power simply means wat the present tariff does not permit the manufachold-up tariff from the present Gov-

ernment, but that he is confident he could secure it from a Government they shall have any. with Mr. Borden at its head If even the "adequate tariff" demands to which Mr. Borden has here-

ficiently strong to satisfy the manu- "cows get away" every other day or strength of his concern. facturer it is for the consumer to im- whether the supply "runs short" every Under similar conditions corpora- quently the expenditure has develop- do not correspond. him; and if the 'plaint of the Manufacturer draws or has drawn from Mr. of high protection this is simply an meet the demand. intimation that Mr. Borden wishes the manufacturer to understand that should he succeed to power that gen-

tleman may have whatever manner and measure of "protection" he

The Manufacturer's article appeared before Mr. Borden's Ontario tour be-gan. Otherwise it would have had no occasion to appear at all Whotework The Manufacturer's article appeared ar at all. Whatever

cumstances permit.

legal obligation.

ing an investigation into the conduct concern.

of his business by the council from

FOSTER'S SKIN GAME.

The Vancouver Saturday Sunset

'Geo. E. Foster, as president of the

company had decided to forego its

able to make the N. P. an unbound- the cities should surrender their be- costly experience we must accept the ed success, found themselves, longings to the financiers, may be sat- conclusion that private companies are Sampson like, the victims of a de isfactory reasoning for the organs of not yearning to throw money away the financiers but the public will re- in premature enterprises. Whether ceitful Delilah. "Are Canadian manufacturers- quire to be shown why the condition under public or private auspices the

are the people of Canada who are of the money market leads inevitably Edmonton street railway, system is not likely to be completed until there believers in protection, to have this to this conclusion. valuable belonging restored to them? The surrender of the franchises is is a reasonable prospect of it becom-Who is to restore it. Will the Con- only one of several courses the cities ing a dividend earner shortly after servative party under the leader- may pursue. Just why they should comp'etion.

ship of Mr. Borden or of any other pursue this one course in preference Nor should it be completed sooner. man undertake the job? Talk is to all others is what the oracles of Street railways whether under public cheap. What is wanted is men of finance have not yet deigned to ex- or private ownership are run to make money, not to lose it; they are mainaction who will be up and doing. plain. Who are they to be?"

An explanation is the more neces- tained at the expense of their pasary because the course prescribed trons, not their owners. If money is for the cities is by no means the one lost in the early years of operation The dairymen are licensed to sell commonly pursued by individuals and it must be made up by tribute levied private corporations under similar cir- on the traffic of later years. The difcumstances. It is not the course the ference is that the city owning its law does not stipulate, that the dairy- financiers themselves adopt-why then own system would collect only the should it be advanced as the only amount of tribute necessary to make The dairymen sell milk in Edmon- course open to the cities? It is not good the deficits; in a company ownmeasure of favors would be expected ton-when, to whom and in what the course individual citizens adopt, ed system the deficits would probably

quantities suits them. When it suits why then should they be deluded into be added to the costs of construction their convenience they simply fail thinking it the only course open to and the public made to pay both them as a collective pody? dividends and interest on the amount When the housewife enquires of the When times of financial stringency for all time. gressive and outspoken in his high direlict dairyman why the matutinal come upon a business man he trims. There is little attraction in the

paniment for its principal ingredi- tries to ride out the storm. He econo- persuaded to continue construction ent she is informed that "the cows mises in every direction possible in next season business would be stim-"got away," or that "we ran short." his business enterprise itself, keeps plated during the summer. The theory Occasionally the consolatory remark only the staff necessary to handle the is probably true; but the temporary turers more warmly to his assistance. is added that "Some customers have diminished trade and carries only the expansion would be at the cost of "had to do without since Saturday." smaller stock and more staple lines future depression, and the benefit of The license bylaw was framed for likely to be needed in times of slug- the few at the expense of the many. the protection of the citizens, not the gish business. He gives up for the A season's brisk business is poor comprofit of the milkmen. Its purpose 's time the idea of opening branch con- pensation for the sacrifice of a valuturer to tax the consumer as highly is that the ratepayers of the city may be cerns or making additions to his busines able framework the better assured of a plentiful sup-ness house. He goes farther than this briskness would be caused by the dethat the ratepayers of the city may be cerns or making additions to his busi- able franchise-especially when the sees no hope of securing any such ply of pure milk, not that the dairy- and retrenches in the amount he velopment of system for decentralmen may determine how much milk withdraws from the business for pri- izing business, scattering settlement the citizens shall have or whether vate purposes. He cuts down his liv- and readjusting the value of property. ing expenses if necessary, postpones We have embarked on enormous ex-

men to invest the money necessary asing an automobile, puts off his trip the past, largely under the impres- fessions of a desire for political pur-, Sitting on the safety-valve may be to assure a plentiful supply of pure to Europe or the Orient and gener- sion that by making work plentiful ity. The opportunity has been opened a gratifying display of authority and milk the dairymen are given the pro- ally adopts a course that withdraws we could make ourselves prospetous and the invitation extended; if he power for the moment, but Mr. Bortofore given expression are not suf-tection of a license. Whether the as little as possible from the financial The results have not been by any does not accept it can only be be-den is likely to get more excitement

agine what manner and measure of third day is not the exclusive business tions follow precisely the same course. ed into extravagance, the work done "protection" would be satisfactory to of the dairyman. It is also the busi- Retrenchment is the first order of the under high pressure was poorly done. SITTING ON THE SAFETY-VALVE. ness of the city which licensed him day in every avenue of the business. the service secured was not proporon the assmption that the kine will If necessary the shareholders cut tionate to the expense involved and . The day Mr. Borden landed in Win-Borden any more outspoken advocacy not get away and that the supply will down or even forego for the time be- the forced prosperity entailed coining their customary dividends. Ex- cidents and consequences neither reck- ing the Toronto World and the Hali-The license bylaw operates, or is tensions are postponed and the enter- oned on nor desired. A man canpermitted to be operated, not as a prise simply "stands pat," content not make himself rich by transferring protection to the citizens, but as a with paying expenses or little more money from one pocket to another; profit-maker for the dairymen. Under until the weather clears again. nor a body of men by running in debt its shelter, or regardless of its stipu- And either with the individual or that they may distribute money am-

The argument that because money is

for the cities. They should do some

figuring on their own account.

lations, the dairymen determine not the corporation, 11 further sacrifice ong themselves. Much less need they

ment is made that I am dealing in vention to draw up a progressive railway franchise in a bearish and generalities, and should come down and advanced platform. ket? to particulars. Was Mr. Bristol It was pointed out that it was

The Dominion fair is to be the dealing in particulars when he made only by holding a big convention Calgary next year, but this will the statement mentioned? I am that proper enthusiasm could be aroused and a platform agreeable to prevent Edmonton people attending if dealing in particulars to a far greatthe stringency lets up. both east and west be formulated "I will go a step further, and say

It is understood that the petition Mr. Borden has reached the prostated in plain terms that if request found conclusion that British Columthat if Mr. Borden wishes to pick was not granted me support of the bia should remain a white man's out a paper which could be held reparty in Winnipeg and Manitoba country. He reached the conclusion sponsible for these charges he could and likely in Alberta, Saskatchewan the same day he reached Vancouver bring an action against the St. John and British Columbia would be strangely enough. Sun. I have consulted the editor of that paper, and there would be withdrawn.

Substantially this despatch accords no plea of privilege entered as a defense to such action. It would with one published in the Bulletin "woman and child in Canada, accord-An exchange says: "Every man be admitted that the statements yesterday to the effect that Mr. Borwere libelous if untrue, but the evi- den had a distinctly "warm" recep- "4.712 gallons of beer, .870 gallons of "ing to the last census, drank in 1903. dence would be forthcoming to tion from the local brethren in Win-"spirits and used 2.548 pounds of toprove the truth of the charges be- nipeg, who wanted to add a few selec- bacco." Don't believe it. There are fore the country. And I have such tions of their own to the program. women and children in this city who confidence in the correctness of in- In other words the petitioners wantneither booze nor smoke formation that I am prepared to ed to know where Mr. Borden got

er extent than Mr. Bristol.

stand behind that paper and pro- that Halifax platform, who built it Le Canada of Montreal points outtect it against any possible loss in and what authority he had to point that Mr. R. L. Borden has discovered such action. I would not have en- to it as their political standing place. a new way in which to put down electered the Government if I had not Furthermore, they had architectural toral corruption. It is to not nominbeen prepared to hit back to its de- notions of their own, wanted them ate a candidate in an election. If tractors and give something in considered and demanded a pow-wow the policy followed in St. John and greater measure than was given. to discuss things in general-Mr. R. Brockville is pursued, electoral cor-"It has been said the facts in con- L. Borden included perhaps. Other- ruption will soon come to an end. But nection with my charges should be wise they were liable to bolt. then it was not Mr. Borden's fault made known. With reasonable dil- Mr. Borden has the sympathy of that candidates were not nominated. igence any Conservative paper could himself in his muddle. The Winni- He ordered otherwise in St. John at secure and disclose to the public peg petition was the premonitory least.

some facts which would make them rumblings of coming trouble. Mr. Winnipeg Telegram: "Technically, conclude that they had better di- Borden has known for months that "Mr. McBride is responsible for the vert their attention to public ques- the party was clamoring for a con- "withholding of the Royal assent to tions, and that public men had larg- vention; but he knew the first item of "certain anti-Asiatic legislation," er duties than dealing with petty business of a convention would be 'o Likewise, actually and practically, subjects. drop the Jonahs overboard. This he

"For my part I will endeavor to dare not or would not permit, where-Winnipeg Telegram: "Mr. Borden be fair to my opponents and discuss fore he declined to call a convention "has been solidly entrenched behind public questions upon their merits." and undertook to suppress the intern-"the lines of Torres Vedras." said This puts it up to Mr. Borden to al troubles of the machine by the lines being located in the mountains As an encouragement to the dairy- building a new residence and purch- penditures from the city treasury in clear himself or to abandon his pro- weight of leader's authority. of wealth captured by the Foster-Fowler brigade with the timely assistance of the railway corporations.

> We've got the money and we've got the franchise too. means completely satisfactory. Fre- cause his preaching and his practice than satisfaction from the experi-

ment. Natural gas has been discovered at Calgary. More" competition for the ON THE SIDE. Herald A C. P. R. boat is on the rocks. Having won another battle the Fraternal sympathy from Mr. R. L nipeg several eastern papers, includ-Borden, M.P. Moorish rebels will postpone peace negotiations That Halifax platform is having dispatch :---A Manitoba weekly a few days ago about as stormy a career as Edmon-Winnipeg, Sept. 18-R. L. Borden, informed its readers: "Hon R. L. ton's early closing bylaw. leader of the Conservative opposi-Borden has been chosen as leader of tion, spent the day in Winnipeg, Mr. Ames, M.P., is to talk in Que-"the Opposition." and was in coonference most of the bec on the subject of western lands. time with the leaders of the party He does well to select a distant prov-The Winnipeg Telegram says the in Winnipeg and Manitoba. It is ince. Government concurred "in measures understood that a petition was prewhich opened the doors to Japanese If the city debentures have been, sented to Mr. Borden requesting 'immigration.' that he call a big Conservative con- sold what necessity to sell the street't tion, to a man.

DISCUSS RAILW

Special Meeting of Cour City's Valuable Str cussion Based on ' ling Proposition Gi

When the special me city council Thursday to discuss the terms u disposal of the city's franchise, to a private e considered, was con ermen were faced with now to proceed. Exce letter there was not meeting in the way of P. F. Cronin, the Cau tative of Geo. Balfour capitalist, who has chase a franchise, othe statement contained in original letter making second letter from M gesting that the counc pany's representative sider the terms and re ment to writing. Bu solve the difficulty, fo were desirous of intori as to what they wante It was finally dec. should resolve itself in of the whole, and wh dition, there was two half spent in inform terms. The absurdity position was apparen he fact that althoug advocating the dispochise agreed on a nu it was not known wheth would be acceptable t purchase. Still the cou and with the franchise G. Tretheway, which w 1904, and which lapsed ing enriched to the exte the forfeit put up to g construction of the stree a basis, some headway w The mayor started "I would_say," he d the three principal points consider in connect agreement are as to th anchise, the power of and participation in th At this point Ald. Mar statement of the expe date on that portion of th way between First and which had already been by the city. This statemen coming, but the figures we public. This much. known, that the cost portion already down was ddition to this the cost or the proposed six miles already been purchased have been delivered to presents an additional \$49 ing to the original estin

else Mr. Borden discussed or did not the manufacturers and the manufacturing interests were the primary and dominating consideration of his tariff policy. The Manufacturer may rest assured therefore that in heart and purpose Mr. Borden is thoroughly at one with it, and that any mildness or uncertainty of expression he may which he receives his license. have resorted to was merely a political expedient to blind the consumer as to his real purpose and intent. So far, therefore, as Mr. Borden has dared do so, he has met the Manufacturer's appeal with outspoken assurances, that the desired protection would be given if he were placed in a position to give it. The consumer knows therefore, what he might expect from a tariff policy framed by Mr. Borden. All he would be entitled "the wildcatter for in scaring money next year? to expect and all Mr. Borden invites "away from this country." British him to expect is what the manufac- Columbia, it declares to have been the turing interests of the country would chief sufferer from what it terms "the be benefitted in giving him. What this would be the consumer may gather from the following para- to say: "Only the other day the Hon. graphs from the Manufacturer :--"Mr. Borden entered Parliament in 1896 after the defeat of the late "wildcat as ever was put on paper, no- would desire? If we must sacrifice let Conservative Government, which

because of their naving attached "was no money in the treasury, the paying conveniences rather than in greater importance to other issues than to that of tariff protection, for- "licenses, and thus passes into history fight. of more importance to their party and to the country than than which had placed them in power. Those issues might have been considered tention was given to these, that of protection should not have been neglected as it was, with the result that such protection as we have since had, as exemplified in the

feited the prestige of their party "another skin game, one of those by and went into opposition. Perhaps "which British Columbia investments they thought that other issues were "have in times past got a black eye." THE FINANCIER'S REASONING. Financial Post: "The report of the Commission on Winnipeg's wat- to make money scarce. Because of of greater importance, but while at- er supply, found as our Winnipeg. letter indicates the pressing need of

a large expenditure in the near tariff, is administered from a hostile standpoint.

future for a new water supply, in-DECEPTIVE ARGUMENT. volving an outlay of several millions. It is time that Winnipeg So far the only reason advanced relegated its competitive civic power why the street railway franchise project to the background." should be surrendered is that the city With a unanimity seluom met in may not be able financially to com-

"This remarkable lack of sympa- this world of strife financial journals plete the system in the immediate thy and enthusiasm was a result, discussing the money situation invar- future and that a private company without doubt, of the peculiar stand iably reach the conclusion that cities might be willing to risk premature taken by the Canadian Manufac- should drop municipally owned pro- construction, trusting to subsequent turers' Association at their Halifax jects and devote their resources singly expansion of business to make good convention in 1902, and before and to the business of city government. the temporary loss.

since that occasion, when the as- Just why the cities should do this Edmonton has the best of all pos sociation and the country were as- is made by no means clear-aside sible reasons for distrusting any such sured that the tariff had been taken from the repetition of the commonly argument. We have tried it-and acout of politics-that if any differ- understood fact that money is scarce | cording to Commissioner Kinnaird the ences of opinion existed, they were This we already know without the net result of the experiment was that regarding the administration of the sage assurances of the financial jour- we were robbed of our rural franchise tariff, all being agreed that protec. nals, but what they fail to make clear for a paltry ten thousand dollars fortion in some shape or other had is the missing link between the feit money. The Company which secome to stay. Canadian manufac- premise that money is scarce and the cured the charter neither built the turers and the believers in protec- conclusion that the cities should de- railway nor made any serious pretence tion throughout the country, a great liver up their franchises. of having intended to build it. and powerful element that had been That money is scarce-therefore- If we are to profit at all from this

urally the dairyman supplies what loads his speculative ventures even among them for a few months, Prosever quantity suits his convenience at a loss to preserve the business perity under forced draft is hard on discuss in the manufacturing centres and charges whatever price the cir- which is the basis of his fortunes and the commercial beilers. We have

the source of his income. The cor- been trying the boilers pretty severe For a dairyman to admit that "the relation parts with some subsidiary ly in recent years and should be wil-"cows got away" or that "we ran enterprises to manital the parent en- ling to let ...e pressure stand normal "short" is to admit that he is violat- terprise, lets its real estate holdings for a time.

ing the assumed obligation on which go by the board if necessary rather he was licensed and thereby justify- than weaken and imperil the entire MR. BORDEN CHALLENGED.

Hon, Wm. Pugsley has issued This is the course adopted by finchallenge to Mr. Borden to disclose anciers and by business men everyin court the campaign methods of his When the dairymen desire to raise where in times of financial stress. the price of milk they act with a un- Why should a city be debarred from a party in the last general election. In a speech at Fairville, N.B., last week animity which suggests organization. pursuing the same sensible course? Mr. Pugsley said he thought he knew If they are united to control the price Why should not citizens collectively where a half million of the Conservathey should also be united to provide adopt and practice the principle of retive corruption fund went in 1904. the supply-if not voluntarily then by trenchment they are individually couple of days later at St. John, Mr practising in their private business Pugsley repeated his statement and

affairs today? Or why should the announced that if Mr. Borden saw iit most valuable of our civic assets be to test the truth of the charge in court sold in a poor market simply because says: "Canada has much to thank we cannot complete them this year or he had arranged to become person ally responsible for the consequences

The correspondent of the Toronto For example, why should not Ed-News, a journal that certainly canmonton calmly face the situation and not be accused either of overweenin resolve as a city to do without some 'depredations of the hot-air financial things until money offers more freely friendship for the Government or c "thieves of Toronto." And it goes on and that in the meantime no civic undue coldness toward Mr. Borden wired his paper as follows concerning franchise shall be surrendered simply the St. John meeting :-because we cannot extend our civic

'Ashnola Coal company, as rank a business enterprises as rapidly as we Continuing, Dr. Pugsley ' said 'Members of the Conservative "tified his shareholders that, as there it be in doing without non-dividendparty and their supporters had made charges of fraud in electora matters against the Government handing over our valuables without a There is, I think, too much quibbling about small matters in thi regard, and rather neglect of the scarce the cities must give up their questions and issues of the day. Th franchises may be good reasoning tactics of Hon. R. L. Borden are un for the financiers. It was probably worthy of a man holding the great the line of reasoning that led them position which that gentleman of cupies. that it is essentially bad reasoning

"Some of Mr. Borden's Parlia mentary supporters are given making reckless and unsupported statements. Mr. Bristol, M.P., for instance, on a public platform Ontario, in Mr. Borden's presence had said that the Government had been shown to be wholesale and re tail electoral thieves. Is that language which a public man should apply to the Government? Will the history of the Government or of its members warrant such a reckless and slanderous statement?

"Because I condemned Mr. Bor den's course in regard to electoral purity and said that he should look to his own party first, and because I said that if the opportunity were given me in the courts I could show that an enormous sum had been raised for election purposes in 1904 by Mr. Borden's friends and supporters and those who enjoyed his confidence, and that part of that sum, or \$25,000, was spent in country of this Province, the argu-



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S. F. MAYER.

ition to these amo ed there are a number. oringing the amount in \$100.000

Commissioner Pace wa the statement represented expenditure to date. He t did, but that there was i borhood of \$6,000 worth terial on order and which

been delivered. It was apparent through tire meeting that the alde pose dealing with the qu gloved hands. There wer ermen absent, Ald. Daley and Picard.

Ald. Manuel's Opin

Ald. Manuel was the first himself on the question. "I would consider," h posing of the franchise on s of power to repurchase tain period of years; partic earnings and control of rate seen enough of the manne the street railway construct complished under munic ship to be convinced that does not want a street ra municipal proposition. Th in a general way Ald. Walker, the leader position to the sale of th was asked for his opin ence to an agreement. "It's not up to me."] majority of the council has sell, and the advocates of cedure should give their o assist by criticising The meeting finally got discussion of terms, bas Tretheway agreement. In the Tretheway agre duration of the franchise w

30 years. "It will be six years," Manson, "before a stre would be a paving propos would 20 years do for the the franchise?' "That's all right," acqui Manuel, and generously if the applicant for the fuses to accept such a be prepared to give a 30 chise. I think this city want to undertake the ad of a street railway within if ever.'

Franchise 20 Year It was then moved that on of the franchise be 20 was carried without furt sion, apart from a remark Smith to the effect that a way in the city should proposition within ten year "I think Edmonton," have a population equal Victoria in 10 years, 35,000 Victoria street railway is

"This discussion is futile mayor at this point, and h to read the final clause of in's letter, which sugges ence between the counci self at which the terms co sidered and an agreem writing to be later subm people for endorsation. "It isn't futile." opined son, "I want to know s the conditions before I m 'I size it up this way,

