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A TIMELY ARTICLE

The St. John Globe yesterday took note of the government excursion over the Central Railway. In an article more than three columns long it reviewed the history of the road, showing how money was poured into it until after it had involved the province and dominion in liability for \$1,200,000 the province had finally to take it over and operate it by commission.

The whole story is told, how year after year since 1901 the government came to the legislature with fresh assurances and fresh demands for money, until Hon. Mr. Hill rose and joined the opposition in vehement protest against the reckless course of the government. The Globe tells of the original assertion of the government that the line was to be extended to Gibson, and how in the end the extension was abandoned and the road thrown upon the province. Dr. Pugsley is reminded that in March he said the line would be taken over by the Grand Trunk Pacific within three months, and that seven months have since elapsed. It is pointed out that the road is not yet in condition to carry heavy traffic such as would be borne by a transcontinental line, despite the enormous amount of money swallowed up. We quote a few statements from the Globe:

"The original design of the road being extended to Gibson has not been carried out, and it was admitted by the premier in the last session of the house that it would not be carried out and that there was no money available for the purpose."

"Had the original design been carried out the road would have been open to Fredericton long before this, a good market would have been afforded there for the coal of the Grand Lake district, and the people living in Chipman, Newcastle Bridge and other places in the vicinity would have had close and easy communication with the Fredericton market."

"The total amount of public funds from all sources spent, and for which the province and the Dominion have become liable including the \$320,000 of subsidies on the old road from Norton to Chipman, amounts to the sum of \$1,200,000, as follows: Guarantee of bonds . . . 870,500 Dominion government subsidy . . . 70,000 Subsidies paid on the construction of road from Norton to Chipman . . . 320,000

Total . . . \$1,200,500 Or \$20,000 a mile for every mile of road. "This large sum of money is sufficient to have constructed a first-class road from beginning to end, equipped with modern rolling stock. The present road, however, has heavy grades and light rails, and none of the bridges are fit for a trunk line railway. Some of them are bridges that were taken off the Intercolonial Railway because they were not strong enough for modern traffic."

Nothing that the Globe has published for many a year has been of more timely interest. It goes to the country along with the report of the government excursion over the road. There is, however, one important omission. The Globe is not able to tell who got the money. Perhaps the politicians will discuss this phase of the subject at the Queens county convention next week. Thus far the public has been kept in the dark. The Globe says on this point:

"There has never been any investigation into the way the large sums of public moneys in connection with this road have been expended. The effort of the opposition to obtain an investigation was voted down by the government's majority in the house, and though at the last session of the public accounts' committee opposition members requested on several occasions that the accounts of the Central Railway should be laid before the committee, the house adjourned without this having been done."

A PLEA FOR THE BOYS

Once more this paper desires to direct the attention of the people of St. John to the need of better provision for the training and entertainment of the boys who in such numbers now appear to have in the evening no better resort than the

street. It is idle to contend that they should be at home. They are not at home, and there is no likelihood of the homes of many being made more attractive than at present. At the door of the Every Day Club Monday evening were many boys, who were greatly disappointed that they were excluded from the light and warmth, the games, reading tables and music of that club for men; but experience had shown the executive of the club that they could not mix the men and boys and preserve any semblance of order. In the police court yesterday three youths of fifteen were arraigned for indecently filthy conduct, for which they appeared to show too little regret. On the streets in the evenings all over the city are found boys in need of guidance and fellowship. They get the fellowship—but of what character? And what are the results?

Nothing short of a general awakening on the part of the citizens will enable these boys to make the best of their lives. Nor should the girls be forgotten, for too many girls of tender years are subjected to the temptations and borne down by the evil influences of the street and alley. The winter is at hand. What will the city do for those boys who are not connected with any helpful organization? There is room for a great and helpful work along undomesticated lines, where citizens, regardless of creed, will think of the boys and exert personal influence to aid them in building up a higher type of manhood than is possible under existing conditions and environments.

THE REAL QUESTION

It is perhaps necessary at this stage to point out to certain spirited contemporaries that the coal mines in Queens county are not the product of the Central Railway. These coal areas are believed to have existed at a period in geologic time considerably antedating the advent of certain politicians intimately connected with the history of the Central. Moreover, it may further be pointed out that the existence of coal in Queens has no necessary connection with the cost of constructing and operating a railway. If untold wealth should be produced at Minto the fact would not explain the mystery of Central Railway finance. The greater the wealth of coal the greater the necessity for a first class railroad thoroughly equipped.

Perhaps the people at large do not fully realize the wealth of the resources stored in the earth in the County of Queens, and on this point it is well that general information be disseminated. With regard to the railway, the question most urgently asked is this:—Who got the money?

That eminent and successful preacher, the Rev. A. B. Simpson, who hails from Prince Edward Island, and who for years has had such phenomenal success in raising funds for mission work, offered some observations in an address in New York the other day which may commend themselves to politicians. Truly, he said, was the only trustworthy solution of political problems. We quote:—"Politicians think that they are doing great things when they overthrow kings or make presidents, but they have not so much power as those who have faith and pray in faith. Jeremiah changed the map of the ancient world by prayer, and by prayer you can all have your hands on Cuba, the Philippines and the Orient. It is the prayers of the faithful that control the destinies of nations."

Yesterday's terrific storm catching the trees while they were still heavily laden with foliage, swept down many venerable landmarks in various parts of the city, whose destruction will be universally regretted.

The Conservatives captured Brookville by a majority of 225. Hon. Mr. Graham and Hon. Mr. McKay were both on the stump for the Liberal candidates.

Start early and avoid a washout.

METHODIST MISSIONS
IN NEW BRUNSWICK

Rev. Dr. W. H. Heartz Will Be in Charge in Future.

Toronto, Oct. 8.—Rev. Dr. W. H. Heartz was today elected by the Methodist general board of missions to the new position of local superintendent of missions in New Brunswick. Mr. Heartz has not yet accepted. Revs. O. Darwin, T. C. Buchanan and J. H. White were appointed local superintendents of Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia respectively.

SALE OF THE CENTRAL

There was current yesterday among some of the guests on the trip to Chipman and Minto over the N. B. Coal & Railway Company's line, a rumor that announcement of the sale of the road might be expected at an early date.

It was said that at the dominion convention of the Liberal party at Gagetown on Oct. 17, which Hon. William Pugsley will attend, he might announce that the G. T. P. had decided to take over the property. It was thought that color was given to the report from the fact that the G. T. P. had marked out a spur at Chipman connecting the two lines, although the extension was not included in the original contract.

"You may say that I celebrated my birthday by climbing a wall and picking grapes," said Alton J. Greenwood, of Hubbardston, recently. He is 78 years old.

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St. John, Oct. 9th, 1907.

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There Was
Nothing Doing

"Seems kind o' good, doesn't it, to have an interval of rest," said the man to the one who had got through reading his newspaper and crumpled it up. "What do you mean by interval?" was asked. "Why, nothing in the paper."

"Nothing in the papers? Why, man there are two new candidates out for the Presidency."

"Our feet have been invited to visit Japan."

"They are going for the Alton railroad again."

"Orders have been given to economize on the Panama Canal."

"Three other railroads have been found rebating."

"Venus is again in eruption."

"Ocean rates are to be cut in half."

"The cotton crop is short by two million bales."

"Seventeen country banks failed in the west last week."

"It is believed that Harriman can be sent to jail."

"Gov. Hughes is after more official swindlers."

WE SHALL NOT PASS AGAIN

We shall not pass this way again. If there be aught of secret pain. 'Tween you and me. Of all men's pain let it be cast. This night, that only love may last.

We shall not pass this way again. My heart, in pain shall we refrain. From tenderness. Bash added hour that love may give Us in this piteous space we live!

We shall not pass this way again. With heavy heart. This night, that only love may last. The little griefs we cherish yet? Let us be done with pain and grief. We shall not pass this way again. —Emory Pottle, in the Delineator.

IN LIGHTER VEIN
THE SAME THING.

He—So you were never in love? She—Why, no! But I've been engaged to heaps of men, who were.

A SLIGHT MISTAKE.

Young Hopeful—Mummy, have gooseberries got legs? Mother—No, dear.

Young Hopeful—Then I've swallowed a caterpillar.

THE FIRST ASCENDANT.

Guide—You will be the second person, my lord, who will have climbed to the top of the mountain.

My Lord—Yes, and who was the first? Guide—A postcard seller, who had now got a shop on the summit.

HE KNEW.

An inspector visiting a country grammar school asked among other things what was the cause of the dew. Nobody could give an answer. At last one of the pupils got up and said: "The earth turns round on its axis once in twenty-four hours with such rapidity that it perspires, and thus the dew is formed."

PAY CASH.

(From M. A. P.) Hostess (to five-year-old guest)—"Does your father say grace before dinner, Margie?"

Margie—"I don't know. What's grace?" "Why, saying grace is returning thanks for what we have to eat."

"My pa doesn't have to. He always pays cash for everything we have."

IN THE PLANTING SEASON.

(New York Tribune.) S. F. Hood, of the department of agriculture, at a dinner where he was the guest of honor, told a seasonable agricultural story, a story that should appeal to all suburbanites.

"One beautiful spring morning," he began, "as a suburbanite, I had just moved over his hedge and said to his neighbor: 'Hey, what the deuce are you burying in that hole there?'"

"The neighbor laughed—a harsh, bitter laugh. 'Oh, he said, 'I'm just repeating some of my nasturtium seeds, that's all.'"

"Nasturtium seeds? That's all?" The doctor heard about the oil and the oatmeal, and sent in his bill. "I'll have to sell one of the cows to pay him."

Dr. Johnson, in his Dictionary of the English Language, defines oats, "A grain they feed men on in Scotland, and horses in England." Be this as it may. Let me warn others, never apply oatmeal outside, take it as a porridge or whiskey—but as whiskey it is apt to cause mental aberration, and cost \$8 or two months.

Pardon! I was going to tell of Hannah's tax system. Hannah says, in time of war, it's oil will loosen the oatmeal out of my hair and whiskers. I said "I doubt." She said, "Don't be a Doubting Thomas."

Why, the world over, oil moves gold as if it was feathers, and pile it up. As a wonder worker the wireless telegraph or hydraulic power is not in it. In the financial world oil raises a storm, and at the same time makes a calm, and piles up the heavy metal—while the people who with the other operations. Indian jugglers—making trees grow while you wait—is only child's play. Buckshot! Have patience. The oil will remove the oatmeal. Be thankful if you are left yourself."

It's very well for Hannah to talk—she is a born optimist. Her head is swelled as big as a water-bucket, and she seems to have twice as much intellect since she took the mumps—which is unalloyed for. The rest of us not only have the mumps—we are in the dumps. Hannah sits up in bed, a lamp burns on the table, gathered all around her are books on political economy—from Malthus to date. She is studying for her great tax system. She says Statesmen, Bacon, Kant and others are admirable in their sphere, but she wants to leave a monument to the world on taxes. "How to make the rich richer and the poor poorer."

Yours, BUCKWHEAT.

Fort William, Ont., Oct. 8.—Nearly 40 miles of track have been laid west of Fort William on the Grand Trunk Pacific and trains are running daily. The weather has greatly handicapped operations as only a dozen really good days have been experienced since July.

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