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IS IT A CRIME?

Five of the six Toronto daily news-
papers own their own real estate in
Toronto and have, some of them, quad-
rupled their investment and some of
them more than quadrupled it. Four
of them, however, think that it is a
crime for anybody to make money out
of real estate in the suburbs and that
any proposition looking to a distribu-
tion of values in the outlying portions
of the city is a sin, or for any person
to look for better street railway facili-
ties to the outlying portions of the
city is to be a visionary. So these are
the ones who oppose the tubes and
who oppose municipal surface rail-
ways. Perhaps they believe in concen-
trating values down-town at their own
corners?

Take The Mail of yesterday, which
has done well by its real estate down-
town. Here is its dig at the tubes
and viaduct and hydro-electric by-
laws:

Los Angeles has found it impos-
sible to sell any part of its new
bond issue, because its "progres-
sive" policies have loaded it with
debt almost to the sinking point.
Progress sometimes goes so far and
so fast nowadays that it trips over
itself coming back.

If more than half of the real estate
in Toronto has doubled in value as
has The Mail building, and if the im-
mediate suburbs of Toronto have in-
creased in value five times, is there not
lots of security there for the bylaws
that are to be submitted on New
Year's Day.

The Mail, notwithstanding a Conser-
vative government is in office, and that
Sir James Whitney has set the example
of government ownership, is afraid
of the future, is a believer in "stumps"
for Toronto. Why doesn't The Mail
accept the offers made for its real
estate and get out? The truth is that
The Mail has assisted the power and
traction interests at every bylaw re-
ference made to the ratepayers of To-
ronto. The Mail and Globe are always
with Spence and Robert John Fleming.
The Mail has no love for Rock or Whit-
ney and public ownership—not when
it comes to a vote.

WHO'S YOUR MAN?

What part are the board of trade
and other bodies that profess to exist
for the advancement of the city, tak-
ing in the forthcoming municipal elec-
tions? Their members have done a
deal of addressing, otherwise talking,
during the year that is now passing.
But what have they done towards
bringing out fitting candidates or to-
wards the endorsement of the best
available men?

The moral reformers and Epworth
League have made their choice
known. What are the business men
doing? God helps those who help
themselves and there is nothing out
of harmony between commercial pro-
gress and religion.

The best possible way that the var-
ious civic advancement organizations
can fulfill their professed objects is
to bring out and endorse good men
for the city council.
This is the last call.

THREE CONTROLLERS.

In the nominations to-day there are
three men whose claims for a position
on the board of control cannot be ig-
nored. Controller Hocken represents
the whole city in the demand for eman-
cipation from the limitations placed up-
on it by the congestion of street
railway traffic, and for the application of
the remedy which the best engineering
skill recommends, and all private cap-
ital is eagerly awaiting the chance to
apply, but whose profits and advan-
tages the citizens wish to keep for them-
selves in the construction and opera-
tion thru public control of a system of
tubes.

Ald. McCarthy represents the west
end of the city in the various problems
which specially affect that portion of
the city, while his intelligent treat-
ment of the general questions of mu-
nicipal politics has marked him for
public approbation. Much the same
might be said of ex-Controller Foster
in his relation to the east end, where
his advocacy and staunch support of
the Bloor-st. viaduct gives him a special
claim. Mr. Foster's well-known
views on getting value for value are as
necessary in the expenditure of mil-
lions as in the expenditure of dollars,
and the critics who have emphasized
the latter have missed the point.

These three gentlemen should be on
the board of control for 1912, be the
fourth who he may.

ANGLO-GERMAN RELATIONS.

In an address delivered to the dele-
gates of the Devon and Cornwall Lib-
eral Federation in the Guildhall, Ply-

Parents

may open Savings Accounts for
children, and may retain control
of the funds. One of our
Deposit Bank Books will make an
excellent Christmas present for
your boy or girl. Many a success-
ful man owes his start in life to a
little capital accumulated for him
by his parents in this way. We
credit interest at three and one-half
per cent.

Canada Permanent
Mortgage Corporation
Toronto Street,
Toronto
Established 1855.

mouth, Sir Edward Grey made a brief
reference to the Morocco negotiations
and the relations among France, Ger-
many and the United Kingdom. The
depression, he said, was passing away
and the diplomatic barometer should
soon begin to rise. What he believed
to be really advisable now was a few
weeks, if possible, of diplomatic re-
pose, and if, he proceeded, "we can
devote ourselves during the next few
weeks to our usual Christmas enjoy-
ments and our internal political ques-
tions, and not tap the barometer too
often, I think there is every hope
that when we next begin to examine
it we may find that it is rising and
that the sky is clearing."

These optimistic remarks prompt the
inference that some part of the truci-
lent tone that presently characterizes
the official and semi-official German
press is attributable to the proximity
of the general elections to the Reich-
stag. The Social Democrats have been
extremely active of late and under
their auspices a huge mass meeting
against war was held in Berlin during
the height of the Morocco crisis. They
expect to increase their representation
to a hundred or more, or double their
strength in the last session, and their
successes in the by-elections and the
state elections show that their expec-
tations are not without ground. The
fostering of international jealousy for
political purposes is not without its
dangers, but the menace of Socialism
is too near and present to the govern-
ing classes of Germany to permit of
the neglect of any influence that may
away public opinion.

IRELAND UNDER LAND PUR-
CHASE.

In an article in The Contemporary
Review of London, Eng., a very favor-
able account is given of the regenerat-
ed Ireland. By the operation of the
land purchase measures a new country
has been created and the whole stan-
dard of living improved almost beyond
recognition. Comfortable, substantial
dwellings have replaced the broken
down cabins and already their occu-
pants, with the responsibilities of prop-
rietorship, have recovered their inde-
pendence of speech and action. "What
has produced the change in the Irish
purchaser?" asks The Contemporary
Reviewer. "Why, a terror has passed
from their lives—the terror of the land
agent and the bailiff, of the landlord
himself, if he were ever visible. Land-
lordism has gone from these districts
and its departure is like the removal
of a great social and moral blight. A
cloud has passed away and the people
breathe again. It is the best prepara-
tion for a free nation."

These better conditions are reflected
in the government report on Irish
trade in 1910, just issued. During that
year the combined export and import
trade totaled over \$650,000,000, and for
the first time exports exceeded im-
ports. The value of Ireland's exports
of live stock was more than three times
greater than that of the imports into
the United Kingdom from all other
countries. Horses alone figured at the
number of 11,894. Ireland stands sec-
ond in the list of butter exports into
Britain, both in quantity and value,
was second in eggs and her poultry
exports to Great Britain, valued at
over \$4,500,000, was far above that of
any other country. Irish bacon and
hams were third on the list and po-
tatoes the largest in quantity. All this
means great and growing prosperity
and fully reveals the economic value
of the land-owning policy.

RECORD TOWN BUILDING.

In the making of cities in the great
west of Canada there is no end. Even
before projected railways reach the lo-
cations, enterprising and wide-awake
people are on the alert to secure desir-
able lots and commence building op-
erations. The latest instance of a town
springing into existence almost in a
night is Coronation, Alberta, situated
on the Lacomb branch of the Canadian
Pacific Railway. At 6 o'clock on the
evening of Sept. 26 last, the track was
completed, and two hours later the first
passenger train arrived. On the follow-
ing day the townsite was offered for
sale, and a full report of the proceed-
ings appeared in the first issue of the
Coronation News, published the same
afternoon. To-day it has a population
of 500, with two hotels, in course of
construction, one to cost \$40,000, banks,
telegraph communication, and a board
of trade with 46 members.

The story of the birth and progress
of Coronation is very attractively told
in an illustrated booklet issued by the
land department of the Canadian Pa-
cific Railway. It contains photographs
of all the stages in the development of
the town from the tents where the pur-
chasers of lots camped overnight, to its
appearance just thirty days old. The
changes are surprising and various re-
cords were broken. One fifty foot busi-
ness corner was sold for \$2500 and other
business lots brought \$60 per foot front-
age. Upwards of \$100,000 of property
was disposed of at the sale, and \$40,000
worth additional was purchased within
six weeks. Coronation is expected to
become one of Western Canada's most
prosperous towns, situated as it is in a

rich agricultural district, and possess-
ing good business facilities. Those in-
terested in western land development
can get a copy of the booklet from the
Pacific Realty Company, 154 Bay-st.

THE BLOOR STREET VIADUCT.

Editor World: As the party more
than any other responsible for the in-
troduction and continuation of the agi-
tation for the Bloor-street viaduct, I
wish you would look into this ques-
tion a little more closely, to see if
your advocacy of an air line viaduct
is not the stumbling block to the people
of the east side of the Don getting
early relief from a condition which is
intolerable, and most assuredly should
be remedied.

I like many more, who are in sym-
pathy with the movement, am abso-
lutely opposed to the air line project,
both as an engineer, a practical con-
tractor and taxpayer, and I cannot
conceive why it was selected by the
board of control, and recommended by
the city engineer, without the rate-
payers being consulted, and giving
it was the wish to kill the whole
scheme while seemingly in favor of it.
I do not wish to criticize the city en-
gineer or the board of control unduly,
but the faulty air with which they
advise the expenditure of an extra half
million dollars brings to mind the
homely old saying of "Come easy, go
easy."

Now to get back to yourself, I be-
lieve that you have been absolutely
honest and sincere in your advocacy of
the viaduct scheme, as a means of
drawing the outlying parts of the city
more closely together, and giving those
who must have cheap homes more
rapid and comfortable access to these
homes, and from them to their work,
and that you had no other selfish in-
terests behind your advocacy of the
scheme. The only question is, are you
going about it in the right way? I
am in hearty sympathy with you up to
a certain point, so are many others,
and I am firmly convinced that if you
would modify your views somewhat you
would succeed in your advocacy of
conditions in the east end, which
call loudly for improvement. Your
wonderful success in the anti-reciprocity
campaign was obtained because you
dealt entirely with facts; your failure
up to the present on the viaduct
scheme is due to your abandoning facts
for theory, and theory without judg-
ment is a mighty poor foundation for
any structure much less pretentious
than the Bloor-street viaduct.

Up to a certain point your facts are
undoubtedly true. The east end needs in-
creased transportation facilities, the
wage-earner and laborer need cheaper
homes, which can only be made avail-
able by the improved facilities refer-
red to, and these can more easily and
readily be obtained by means of the
viaduct, west of the city, than by
means of the air line, east of the city,
across the Don, thru Rosedale until it
meets the projection north of Parliam-
ent-street across the Rosedale ravine.
So far we are all in accord.

Beyond that you advocate the theory
that rapid transit is most desirable
between the east and west, and is of
such moment importance that an air
line must be secured, or the city will
go to the how-ows, and that the time
lost going from east to west via How-
ard-street, and in and out of the city,
which should be wiped out by money,
no matter how unreasonable the ex-
penditure.

This is pure theory, and not com-
mon sense. Do you think you could
enlist the sympathy of the west-end
taxpayer more strongly to your
theory of the air line, if you say to
him, "We can get a good practical
scheme, which will give us the relief
we need for a certain reasonable sum,
and still have half a million of the
city treasury available for street rail-
way extensions, so much needed in the
west and north?"

I have given you an outline of my
thoughts on the subject. There are
many more facts that can be advanced
if necessary. What was your object
in meeting, if possible, the views of
those of us who are in sympathy with
the project, but want the line to run
via Howard-street, and in and out of the
city, to submit that proposition in-
stead of the air line, or if you cannot
come so far, at least go in with us in
having both the air line and the How-
ard-street alternative line submitted
to the people, allowing them to decide,
as is their right to do.

I sincerely trust, however, that you
will associate yourself with those who
like yourself, honestly wish to see the
results you aim at, obtained, but in a
reasonable and economical manner.
Angus Sinclair.

WEBB-FOOTED MEN.

Editor World: In a recent discussion
which arose out of the present unseason-
ableness of the weather, the point
came up as to whether any webbed-
footed person really existed. I have heard
rumors to this effect, but I have never
had the opportunity of seeing one. Can
you or any of your correspondents give
me any information on this point?
A Constant Reader.

HEED THE STREET CAR FENDER.

News of what it means to make a
small investment in Christmas stamps
are the price of the present. The stamp
move along in all parts of the city. On
the fender is a bulletin that invites you
to buy a one cent Christmas stamp in
aid of the Muskoka Club for Consump-
tives. May we say, do not let the
invitation go in one ear and out of the
other? Drop into Simpson's or the
Murray-Kay Co. or your own local
drug store, or somewhere else and buy
ten or twenty-five cents' worth of these
stamps, and have the satisfaction of
knowing as Christmas draws near
that you have done something to make
the way of the poor consumptive easier.

In Chatham, in connection with one
of the churches, they have a Sunshine
Club. The president believes the sale
of Christmas stamps among the mem-
bers and others will help to bring in
some line into many a dark and discour-
aged home. She orders \$10.00 worth, and
hopes that the sales may reach still
larger figures.

Gold Rush in Alaska.
RUBY, Alaska, Dec. 21.—News of a
rich gold strike on Hammond River
has been brought here by Deputy Mar-
shal Howell. The gold was found in a
deep channel, and runs \$6000 at the bot-
tom of the shaft.
"Pay dirt has been found in this neigh-
borhood, but this is the first time a
channel has been discovered. A rush
to the new diggings is in progress."

Pastor Coming From Ireland.
KINGSTON, Dec. 21.—(Special).—
Rev. S. C. Compston, of Kingston, Ire-
land, called as pastor of St. Andrew's
Protestant Church, to succeed Rev. Dr.
MacKie, by unanimous vote will receive
\$2000 and manse.

Where is General Reyes?
MONTERREY, Mex., Dec. 21.—Army
scouts appear to have lost the trail of
Gen. Reyes and his little staff. In the
last twenty-four hours no definite re-
ports regarding his whereabouts have
been received at army headquarters.

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TUBE CANDIDATE IN WEST

Noble Scott Comes Out for Viaduct
in Ward Seven.

Noble Scott, who led the revolt
against the Dundas-street car service,
and which agitation was largely re-
sponsible for the recent transportation
reforms in the west end, has found
the field for further reforms too small,
and has announced himself as a can-
didate for alderman in Ward 7.
He is a strong advocate of tubes,
realizing that they will do away with
the transportation hardships from which
the citizens of Ward 7 are now
suffering; he believes in one fare only
for all Greater Toronto; a cross-town
line, along Bloor-street, from the Ham-
ber to Scarborough, and of course the
Bloor-st. viaduct, and the hydro-elec-
tric extension bylaw. "He is a strong
public ownership man," says a friend.

CHILDREN'S COURT OPENS SOON

Commissioner Starr Will Adopt New
Policy.

Because of lack of room in the City
Hall, Rev. J. E. Starr, who will take
charge of the Toronto Juvenile court
has been prevented from opening the
court, but states that he will soon be
in a position to hold regular sessions.
He will endeavor to aid delinquent
juveniles rather than punish them, and
asks the cooperation of parents.
"Former court procedure will not be
adhered to. We are setting the pace for
all of Canada in juvenile work," he
says, "and appeals will be made to
the Board of Juvenile Probation, and
other bodies that the business men
of Toronto may be influenced to give
the Canadian Club, the board of trade
Probation officers will be employed who
will watch over their little charges,
and medical examiners, as they will
have them in New York city, will be
the next to step forward."

FEAR WIN FOR RAILWAY

Company May Have Right to Supply
Power, Thinks City of Winnipeg.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 21.—(Can. Press).—
Consternation has been created in
the city of Winnipeg by the proposed
privy council's decision against the
city's contention that the Street Rail-
way Co. has no authority to supply
current for light, heat and power in
Winnipeg.

While decision has not yet been ren-
dered, the law lords it is felt have
conceded the possibility of the city
circuit by the possibility of the Trade
questions, and by asking the solicitors
for the city if they were willing to pay
all costs, without contest, in the event
that the decision went against them.
Six million dollars has been invested
by Winnipeg in a municipal power
plant, after the highest courts in Mani-
toba had decided that the Street Rail-
way Co. which also furnishes light
and power, had no legal status in the
streets of the city.

MARKET OPEN TO-NIGHT.

St. Lawrence Market will be open
Friday and Saturday evenings until 10
o'clock.

Carno of Gold Saved.

TANGIER, Morocco, Dec. 21.—All the
specie and bullion comprised in the
raid of the Peninsula and Oriental
Steamer Delhi, which was wrecked off
Cape Spartel last week, where the
Princess Royal, the Duke of Pife and
their daughters were, have been saved.
They were landed to-day by means
of the rocket apparatus.

China Has a Victorious Press.

From The London Globe.
A French resident in Nankin, writ-
ing to a Paris contemporary, gives an
interesting account of the great
strident cry by the press in the Celestial
Empire.

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90 newspapers published thruout the
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JUDGE'S CHAMBERS.

Before Middleton, J.
Re Mutual Reserve—H. S. White, for
applicant. Motion by applicant, the
liquidator, for an order allowing
certain moneys held by liquidator to
answer cheques that have been issued
and mailed to parties entitled, but
have not been presented for payment
into court. Judgment: I think an or-
der may be made, on an affidavit showing
the circumstances being filed, permit-
ting payment into court of the amount
of the outstanding cheques to be shown
in a schedule, and providing for the
issue of a new cheque to the holder
of any of these cheques for the same
amount, which may be ascertained
by the liquidator. The costs of the
motion may be paid out of any account
of the estate, and if any then remains,
it should be apportioned in the schedule
pro rata. The bank is to have notice of
this.

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Before Clute, J.

Maybury v. O'Brien—J. E. Irving
(Solicitor General) for plaintiff. A. J.
Boyle, K.C., for defendant. Action for
specific performance of an agreement
for sale of lot in Saint Ste. Marie by
defendant to plaintiff. Judgment: The
plaintiff is entitled to specific per-
formance of the contract, which at the
time it was signed was a piece of paper
and therefore the contract, which I am
inclined to think should be read as
one, it appears that A. W. Maybury
is purchasing the property of William
O'Brien, which consists of 28 1-3 feet
adjoining The Star building. I think,
however, that the receipt signed by
Pardee, without the counterfoil, is
sufficient to satisfy the statute. The
plaintiff is entitled to specific per-
formance and his costs of action. Of
course any payments made by O'Brien
under the contract must be re-
funded with interest.

Court of Appeal.

Before Moss, C. J. O. and J. A. J.
MacLaren, J. A. J. Moore, J. A. J.
Rex v. Munroe—J. W. Bain, K.C.,
and M. L. Gordon for defendant. J.
R. Cartwright, K.C., for the crown. An
appeal by defendant from the judg-
ment of the chancellor on return of a
habeas corpus and notice to quash
conviction of defendant for vagrancy
by the police magistrate at Kenora.
Appeal dismissed.

Sarah Bernhardt positively denies
that she is going to wed. Her press
agent will have to think of something
else.—Pittsburg Gazette-Times.

Trial.

Chapman v. Wade—D. S. McMillan
(Solicitor General) for plaintiff. J. Cowan, K.C.,
for defendant. An action for res-
cission of a contract and a return made
of \$500 paid with interest, and for \$900
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Judgment: Here the difference
shows not a comparatively trivial er-
ror, but gross mistake, or if you
choose, by way of compensation, or
reduction of the purchase price on the
ground of misrepresentation and fraud
in inducing plaintiff to enter into the
contract.