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"FORCED INTO THE STREET"

The Street Railway Employees do not do their case any good or increase any sympathy the public may have for them, when they attempt to bolster up their case by untrue statements. They are reported as having told the City Council that the Union was not going out on strike, "but was forced into the street by the Company." Their idea of being "forced into the street" seems to be that the Company won't continue to employ them on their own terms. If this principle is to hold good, any employer who declines to pay the scale of wages an employee demands, is forcing the latter "into the street." It is understood that any competent employee of the Company, who holds a good record, can be re-engaged on application under the new terms. What more can a reasonable man want under the circumstances? The Company has known for a long time that there are men in its employ whose chief occupation is to make trouble wherever possible, and it not unnaturally prefers not to retain such men any longer than necessary. The Company is absolutely within its rights in dispensing with the services of these men; no employer is going to keep men who create dissension and dissatisfaction.

The sore point with the Street Railway men is, we suspect, the absolute refusal of the Company to recognize their Union. For this the Company cannot be blamed; for half the troubles that exist in the labor world today have their origin in the Union. Individual men who are well enough content with the conditions under which they work, are often drawn into disputes against their own inclinations, simply to satisfy the dictates of others, who in many instances, are not willing to be satisfied with any conditions. Up to a certain point, a trades union is a benefit to both employers and employees; when that point is passed, it is liable to become a menace to the welfare of the community.

FOR THE UNEMPLOYED

In view of the fact that the condition of unemployment that has existed in and around the city for some months, has recently been aggravated by the temporary closing down of several mills, and will be further aggravated by the temporary cessation of work in other industrial plants, would it not be possible for the city authorities to arrange with the contractor for the paving in Douglas Avenue to put on one or more extra shifts, and thus give employment to a larger number of men? When the paving of Brussels Street is begun, this will of course find employment for a number of other men who are for the time being out of work; but even with this additional job under way there will still be a considerable number with no work to do. In view of the fact that the work will have to be done in the early future under any circumstances why not pave the road right out to the One Mile House and be done with it? It is not as though the necessary expenditure will have to be defrayed out of current revenue; the cost of the work will have to be provided by borrowing, and it may as well be borrowed first as last. The City has been able to cut down on its expenditures in several ways this year; why not undertake this additional road work, which is not only badly needed in itself, but will be the means of tiding a large number of unemployed men over hard times.

A FINE EXCUSE

Mr. J. J. Morrison, the Secretary of the United Farmers of Ontario, on his return to Toronto from York-Sunbury, announced that the result of the election had been expected. So far he is perfectly right. But he went on to say that "it was an Orange-Tory riding, where the Progressive candidate had good less chance of election "as a result of no Liberal candidate "being in the field." This is really very funny; but as an excuse it will probably serve as well as any other, particularly among people who do not know any better. Being a prominent Orangeman himself and also a lifelong Tory ought surely to have helped Mr. Stairs in an "Orange-Tory riding." In fact it surely did; but that he stood less chance of election because there was no Liberal candidate in the field is the veriest nonsense. Considering that half the votes Mr. Stairs got were cast by Liberals, who had they had a candidate of their own, would have supported him, which would have left Mr. Stairs in the same position as he was in the provincial elections in October last, when he and his ticket lost their deposits. Had there been a Liberal in the field, Mr. Hanson's majority would have been a couple of thousand at least, with Mr. Stairs as "taken ran."

WHAT OTHERS SAY

Germany as a Peacemaker.
 Germany is playing her cards, not so much in obedience to the national conscience as in obedience to the elemental law of self-preservation. An allied army has pitched its tents on the threshold of the Ruhr—the industrial heart of Germany—and the debtor defaults, the Allied armies will lose little time in taking over the industrial resources of the Ruhr. The Germans know this, and they would rather pay the reparations bill than face the alternative of a Germany without the Ruhr. If Germany meets as promptly the remaining instalments of the bill she owes the Allies, she will have made a real contribution to the cause of European peace. She will also thereby have done much to regain the respect and the confidence of the world.—Boston Transcript.

The Revived Sanhedrin.
 The official revival of the ancient Sanhedrin at Jerusalem is an event of no small significance, at least in the eyes of the Jews. It is a symbol, much to Jews the world over, though what its authority of power may be remains vague. At its most modest valuation it is a graceful and generous political gesture. Sir Herbert Samuel, the English High Commissioner in Palestine, opened the first session of this venerable council with a speech which has been compared to the first appeal of Nehemiah after the return from Babylon. It aims to mark a genuinely new beginning, but looks back also to the misty beginnings of Jewish history.—New York Sun.

The Beasts of Burden.
 The truth is that the real burden of the world is borne by perhaps the smallest class of men, the small fixed incomes, beginning with the old-age pensioners and passing on through various grades of society into the respectable but very rigid suburbs. Perhaps the best service that financial reformers could render them would be to reduce materially the load of indirect taxation they carry, since it is mainly in that form that many of them are called upon to pay.—London Times.

Our Autonomy Silly-Billies.
 Nobody is more ignorant and suspicious than our extreme autonomists. "He sees in every bush an officer," he objects to having the Prime Minister go to London at all to confer on questions important to the nation, he is caught in the maelstrom of imperialism. He objects to having Canada independently represented at Washington, because he does not know how, but maybe someone—that arrangement might be used to promote the cause of imperialism. He regards with dread the imperial conference because they may lead to centralization. Extreme autonomism is a sort of nervous affection.

A BIT OF VERSE

THE UNDER-DOG.
 The under-dog is popular.
 And everybody's for him;
 They root for him both near and far.
 The orators adore him.
 They hope he wins his gallant fight,
 He beats the dog that's rooting—
 But everyone gets out of stick,
 The minute there is shooting.

The under-dog has caught the crowd;
 Poets full of admiration
 Will shout his praises long and loud
 In earnest adulation.
 He raises an awful lot of din;
 Their lungs are good and limber—
 But when the upper starts to win
 They beat it for the timber.

THE UNDER-DOG IS IN THE FIGHT.
 Of that they're always certain;
 They hate to see him lose the fight
 And get the final curtain.
 But, when the dog that is at top
 Begins to really get him,
 To see the rest they never stop—
 They run away and let him.

It seems to me the under-dog,
 If he could have the choosing,
 When things are getting tight as fog
 And plainly he is losing,
 Would gladder be, without a doubt,
 If cheers you wouldn't yell him
 When he is nearly down and out,
 But just jump in and help him!

THE LAUGH LINE

Even homely girls can make a hit on the screen by swatting flies that gather there.

"Worry kills a good many people, but not the kind it ought to kill—that kind don't worry," is moralizing item in the Albany Capital.

Alert Calculation.
 "How do you know that this small flat is worth as much as the larger one?"
 "It saves you money. You don't have to buy so much furniture."—Washington Star.

Perhaps.
 Egypt and home brew 4,000 years ago, says a professor. Maybe that is what is stored under the pyramids.

Rather Serious, We'll Tell the World.
 Mr. Blank Blank was found lying dead on a bed in his home this afternoon. He was taken to the Johns Hopkins Hospital, where his condition is serious.—A News Paragraph.

Dentistry.
 "I want some cotton for my tooth," said suffering Mr. Baker.
 "I think that I will need enough To cover a whole acre."

The dentist peered into his mouth. His patient's need to serve. He saw the little tooth that ached and said: "I like your nerve."

Detroit Free Press.
 With a steam drill he went to bat, And boring deep, said: "We'll get The root of this here trouble."

—Newark Advocate.
 And as he worked in the morning mouth, While looking right straight down it, He said: "That tooth's the real, royal thing—
 I think that I will crown it."

—Hastings (Neb.) Tribune.
 correct to use the word "riveted" instead of "fused."

Benny's Note Book

BY LEE PAPE

Ma made doughnuts for pop today on account of doughnuts being his favorite things next to hamburger steaks, making 12 of them, me watching her take them out of the pan and saying, G, ma, 12 doughnuts, 'hats lakcky a dussin and a half, did you realize that while you was making them, ma?

I don't see anything so remarkable about that, I wish they were all one shade instead of being some lites and some dark, not that the culter affects the taste any but its a matter of pride with me, sed ma.

And she went up in her room and about 2 hours afterwards I went up and she was sewing on the sewing machine, me saying, Hello ma, wats you think, ma, the doughnuts are all one shade now.

Wat in the world are you tawking about, how can they be? sed ma, and I sed, They are, ma, theyre all lite brown, is that the shade you wanted, ma?

Benny Potts, dont you stand there and tell me you changed the culter of those doughnuts in some awfull way? sed ma, and I sed, No mam, I tell you how I did it, ma, I went back to look at them agen and I happened to notice 2 as dark as anything and I remembered wat you sed about wishing they was all one shade, so I ate the 2 farse brown ones so the rest would be more alike, and then I happened to notice 3 mutch lighter than they awt to be by rites, so I ate those 3, and then I happened to notice —

Never mind the rest of the detales, how many are left, tell me immediately, sed ma.

Mam? I sed, G, you awt to see them ma, theyre all so mutch alike you awt to have a gessing contest to tell them apart, aint you glad, ma?

You wait till your father comes home, sed ma.

Wich I did to my sorro.

SIXTY INJURED IN CAR WRECK

Dixie Flyer and Fast Freight in Collision at an Intersection.

Edinburgh, Indiana, May 31.—From fifty to sixty persons were injured, two of them probably fatally and several seriously, last night at 10:40 o'clock when a Pennsylvania freight train crashed into the Dixie Flyer, a fast Indianapolis, Columbia and Southern track car, carrying a trailer at a track intersection here.

Many women and children were among those hurt. Most of the men injured were in the smoking compartment of the head car. The flyer was en route from Indianapolis to Louisville, and was carrying many passengers who had been Indianapolis attending the auto race.

Car Turned Over.
 The front car was turned over and the motorcar's vestibule was torn off and thrown against the side of a building several feet away.

The collision snapped the coupling between the head car and the trailer, resulting in the trailer falling to turn over. Both cars were loaded to capacity.

The traction line is on the main street here and the accident occurred almost in the heart of the city.

A physician's office near the place where the accident occurred was converted into an emergency hospital, where the injured were taken for medical attention.

Heavy Rains On Toronto District

Toronto, May 31.—This afternoon this city was the centre of a heavy electrical storm, accompanied by rain in deluging quantities, seemingly in the nature of a cloudburst, according to some people. Many parties of sporting folks on the way to the Thorncliffe race track and the International League ball game received an unexpected shower bath, but so far as is known, no other damage was done, and the rain was good news of tremendous value to the farmers and market gardeners.



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NOVELTY SHOW

A pleasing novelty showed Miss Frances Arhorne of Miss Mary O'Leary street, last evening by friends of the M. M. bride-to-be was showered and dainty array of glances spent in games, dancing. Refreshments towards its close.

PILE Are Generally Ca CONSTIPAT

There are few, if any, more common than hemorrhoids, as they are called, and scarcely any which are so annoying and distressing. Ninety per cent. are not at some time or other allowing the bowels to constipated condition. Piles are caused under three, i. e., itching, bleeding, and the excruciating pain which accompany them, which is beyond description. Ointments and suppositories help and relieve for a short time, but they do not get rid of them, it is necessary to use a remedy which is beyond description. Dr. J. D. Maher's Laxa-Liver is the flow of bile to act on liver and bowels, thus removing the cause of the trouble. They contain no calomel, mineral ingredients, being pure, and do not grip, we have at all druggists or mail direct on receipt of the T. Maher Co. Ltd. St. John, N. B.