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STREET RAILWAY SITUATION

There are two sets of private interests after the Brantford street railway, one lot represented by Mr. W. F. Kellett, and the other involving the Cataract Power Company.

The enterprise evidently looks good to them or they wouldn't be after it, but that's their business.

As far as the people of Brantford are concerned the majority of feeling is most emphatically on behalf of municipal ownership, as evidenced in the municipal contest of January last.

This is a phase which the members of the city council should, and no doubt will, abundantly recognize when it comes to expressing the attitude and the desire of this community.

HOSPITAL MATTERS.

The Brantford General Hospital has just recorded by far the best year in its history. This is true with reference to every branch of its utilities, the number of patients treated, the amount of the receipts, the standard of its Superintendence and nursing staff and the activities of the Women's Hospital Aid Association, which also includes junior and children's branches.

The constantly growing list of the number of patients has not resulted in any sense from epidemic causes, but is owing to the increasing confidence of the people of the city and the County alike.

Other cities such as Winnipeg and Hamilton, are at present face to face with a serious lack of sufficient accommodation. Fortunately the Brantford Governors, many months ago anticipated that the growing demands made the provision of more room an absolute essential and plans were drawn up under which a Nurses' Home is now complete, and not long ago was formally opened, while other spacious buildings will be available just as soon as the inside work is finished.

Towards the absolutely necessary outlay the city voted \$85,000, the county \$15,000 and the Hospital Aid raised \$20,000 or \$120,000 in all. It is now found that this sum will not be sufficient and that a good deal more will have to be asked. This result has not been from any lack of care or supervision, not from extravagance. On the contrary, everything of a merely ornate nature has been rigidly excluded, and the structures throughout have been built with every possible simplicity consonant with efficiency.

Under the circumstances the rate-payers will have to be asked to vote the further amount needed and no doubt they will readily comply. The Governors invite every possible scrutiny and are anxious that by personal inspection citizens should satisfy themselves as to what has necessarily been done. A properly run and a properly equipped hospital is without the slightest shadow of any question, one of the prime essentials in connection with a community of this size and such an institution the residents of both City and County undoubtedly now possess.

BACKING UP WILSON.

It is gratifying to notice that the better class of United States papers are backing President Wilson in his fight to have the shipping of all nations receive exactly the same treatment in the matter of Panama Canal tolls.

Here is a sample editorial from the Buffalo Evening News:—"President Wilson is almost certain to have the great body of public opinion with him in his fight against free toll on the Panama canal. The exemption of ships under the American flag was excused on the plea that such ships were our ships, as if they really belonged to the United States, instead of belonging to a few ship owners.

but with his amiable spirit, allowed it to remain in the law, rather than to veto the bill and have it sent back to him in proper shape. Just as fast as the people find out that this exemption from tolls is another gift to a comparatively few owners of vessels, they will side with the President in his endeavor to have the users of the canal pay for it, all of them, foreign and domestic, on the same basis in accordance with the explicit terms of the treaty under which our government went ahead and built the canal.

Well spoken. The Suez Canal of which Great Britain is the chief shareholder, levies tolls according to tonnage no matter what flags the vessels carry and it would be a deep reflection upon the good name and the faith of Uncle Sam if a similar plan is not followed in connection with his great new waterway.

LABOR DISPUTES.

The Dominion Department of Labor has just issued a report on the strikes and lockouts in Canada from 1901 to 1912.

The figures show that during the period named the number has totalled 1,319 or a yearly average of 110. The time loss reached nearly nine million days representing an estimated wage loss of about \$1,000,000. On the same day basis the causes are given as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Cause, Days lost. Includes: For increased wages (2,321,400), Against reduction (386,231), For increase and shorter hours (535,440), Recognition of Union (1,491,903), Against employment of Non-unionists (174,625), For increased wages and other changes (1,085,118), Against discharge of employees (322,221), Sympathetic disputes (43,126), Unclassified (1,118,827), Total (8,888,381).

The figures for 1913 are not included in the above, but they are known. During the year just ended there were 113 industrial disputes. The number was considerably less than in the preceding year, but the number of employees involved 39,426, constituted only a fraction less. Time losses in 1913 were 1,287,67 days as compared with 1,099,208 in 1912. The year 1911 set the highest mark in this respect with a total of 2,046,650. It is noticeable in looking over the report that days lost last year were remarkably close to 1903, ten years ago, 1,226,500 thus making only 61,178 fewer days than in 1913.

It is recorded that the general trend of industrial disputes does not differ greatly as between one country and another and that in all civilized lands and under all conditions there is each year a considerable amount of unrest. In Great Britain for 1912 it is stated that the amazingly high figure of 40,000,000 days loss occurred, so that the conditions under Free Trade do not in any sense tend to mitigate friction between employer and employee—quite the reverse.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The mercury this winter has shown that it can loop the loop with the best of them.

When it comes to age, the street railway situation is just about ready to qualify with the Market Square difference.

If the illness of Hon. Mr. White, Finance Minister, continues much longer, it is said that Hon. George Foster will deliver the budget speech. Well, he knows how.

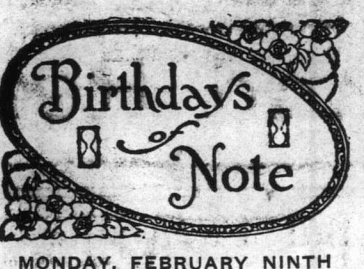
It is said that the hookworm originated in Africa. As to that, hooking in reality started as far back as the Garden of Eden, in connection with the forbidden fruit.

Two Toronto lads were sent to goal for pelting a sleighing party with snowballs. By the great horn spoon the morals of the Queen City must be preserved at all hazards.

A Toronto man swallowed a desert spoon and the doctors managed to relieve him of the article without dangerous consequences. Not all spooning ends that way.

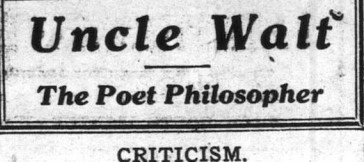
A man in Pennsylvania aged 63 has just wedded his first love, aged 17. He says that he never before saw one of the fair sex who was worth while. Wonder what the women in his neighborhood think of that.

The first Titanic divorce case has just been announced in the States. When the couple were in that disaster, the man stepped into a boat, while women perished, so perhaps it would have been better had it taken place then.



MONDAY, FEBRUARY NINTH

The Hon. Arthur Boyer of Montreal, member of the Dominion Senate and a man who is deeply interested in art and agriculture, is celebrating his sixty-third birthday to-day. He was born and brought up in Montreal and when quite a young man was elected to the provincial legislature. The late Premier Mercer was impressed with his abilities and gave him a seat in his cabinet, though without portfolio. Later he was given charge of important missions for the Canadian government and five years ago was elevated to the Senate. At the time the former lieutenant-governor's term expired, Mr. Boyer was mentioned for the position.



CRITICISM.

We're all so quick to criticize, and show where things are wrong! If some one makes a batch of pies, or sings a soulful song, "the pies are pretty fierce," we say "the song is on the blink," it is our cheerful little way; its graceful—I don't think. The housewife works about a week to tidy up the flat; then hubby comes and starts to shriek: "Where have you hid my hat? The windows have been nicely washed, the rugs are bright and clean; around the kitchen wife has slobbered with soap and gasoline. The husband doesn't notice that, but glares upon his frau; he cannot find his darned old hat, and so kicks up a row. "You ought to have some system, Jane," he says, "you should, by jings; it always gives my legs a pain to hunt for missing things. When mother lived," so he declares, and talks for forty miles, and Jane sits on the cellar stairs and weeps in thirteen styles. Why not improve our carping ways, and cause less sighs and tears? Why not look round for things to praise, say once in seven years? WALT MASON.

Gas Wrecks Houses

Three tenement houses in Holmes Street, Hull, were badly damaged on Monday by an explosion of gas. A woman named Hill was buried to the knees in bricks and had a leg broken. A baby she was nursing at the time had a narrow escape from being crushed to death. A chair was blown legs first into the ceiling.

Passengers in Peril

A heavy motor-omnibus belonging to the Gateshead and District Tramway and Motor Company nearly fell over the Derwent bridge at Swalwell, a village near Newcastle on Friday. Skidding, the vehicle crashed into the stonework of the bridge, and with its front end half-way over the parapet it fortunately retained its balance in that position. Had it slipped a foot further it must have fallen into the river thirty feet below.

There were only four passengers in the bus at the time and they were uninjured. The driver, Peter Borgall, of Gateshead, stuck to the wheel and it was some time before he could be removed from his perilous position.

In Favor of Sunday Closing

An unofficial poll of the voters of Bootle has been taken on the question of Sunday public-house closing, and the figures are: For 8,412; against, 1,035; neutral, 275.

HAS BEEN AN UNTOLD BENEFIT

NEW BRUNSWICK WOMAN PRAISES DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS.

She Suffered for Four Years, and the Doctor Could Not Help Her, But Dodd's Kidney Pills Gave Her a New Lease of Life. PORTON, CARLETON, Co., N.B., Feb. 6.—(Special)—"I find Dodd's Kidney Pills the best kidney medicine I have ever used. They have been of untold benefit to me."

The speaker is Mrs. John S. Dickinson of this place. She is enthusiastic in her praises of the great Canadian kidney remedy, and not without reason. "I suffered from kidney trouble that started in a cold," she continues, "and for four years I was never free of it. I was treated by a doctor, but he did not seem to be able to do me much good."

"I had rheumatism and neuralgia, and my joints were stiff; my muscles cramped, and I was always tired and nervous. I perspired freely with the slightest exertion. I was depressed and low spirited; my limbs swelled, and I had a dragging sensation across the loins."

"Nine boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills made a new woman of me." Are not Mrs. Dickinson's symptoms those of any run-down, worn-out woman? They are also the symptoms of kidney disease. Dodd's Kidney Pills give new life to run-down women by curing their kidneys.

BRITISH NEWS VIA THE MAIL BAG

First Fatality in Four Years Richard Tremain and William Goad were killed on Wednesday by a heavy fall of ground in the Wheel Sara section of Wheel Kitty and Penshal Mine, St. Agnes, Cornwall. It is four years since a fatal accident occurred in the mine.

Working Man's Long Task A Rochdale working man, William Police, has, after twenty-four years' work, completed a model of Cologne Cathedral, carved with his penknife only. There are more than 1,000 statues on the model, which is several feet high.

Master of Hunt Thrown While hunting with the Meynell Hounds near Burton-on-Trent on Saturday Mr. F. Milbank, the master was thrown and broke his collarbone. His horse caught one of its feet in a rabbit hole and turned a somersault, rolling on its rider.

Famous Old Church An appeal is made by the Bishop of St. Albans for funds to preserve the famous old church at Thaxted, Essex. Five thousand pounds is required. The south aisle and transept were built in the middle of the fifteenth century.

Coroner's Record Mr. S. Brighthouse, of Ormskirk on Saturday completed thirty years' work as coroner for South-West Lancs, during which time he has held nearly 15,000 inquests and travelled more than 180,000 miles. He held the inquest on Mr. James Maybrick.

Gift to Cambridge University Cambridge University has accepted the offer from Lord Escher, for the use of the Arthur Balfour professorship of genetics, of land and buildings in Storey's Way, Cambridge, the property of Mr. Balfour and Lord Escher.

Suicide on Wedding Day After being watched for two hours by a lad who thought his movements suspicious, Geo. Thomas Bell, thirty five, was seen to walk in front of a train at a level crossing near Peterborough and was killed. He was to have been married the same day.

Cathedral's Danger

A timely investigation by electrical engineers as to the causes of inadequate lighting in Newcastle Cathedral has revealed the fact that the electrical fittings are in such a bad shape that at any moment the wires might fuse, seriously jeopardising the safety of the building.

Brewery Minimum Wage

After negotiations extending over three months an agreement has been reached between the brewery firms of Burton-on-Trent and their employees on the question of a minimum wage and improved working conditions. The new scale is based upon a minimum wage of 23s.

Oldest Veterinary Surgeon

Intimation has just been conveyed to Mr. Henry Pullman, of Nelson, by the Board of Agriculture that he is the oldest veterinary surgeon in England. He is eighty-one. Five generations of the Pullman family have carried on the profession, which they combined with the trade of blacksmith.

Fatal "Short Cut"

After leaving work on Saturday morning a Sheffield youth named James Wray took a "shortcut" home over the railway near Hexthorpe and was killed by a goods train. He had been warned of the danger of crossing the line. At the inquest a verdict

Red Blood

Is good blood—blood that nourishes the whole body, and enables every organ to perform its functions naturally. Many people owe it to HOOD'S SARSAPARILLA, which relieves, scrofula, eczema, psoriasis, and all blood humors.

"Accidental death" was returned. Boys' Predicament

A boy of fourteen, Joseph Paton, gave evidence against his father at an inquest at Jarrow on Monday on a man named Charles Gribben. He said he saw his father kneel on Gribben and pull a razor across his throat. A verdict of "Wilful murder" against the boy's father was returned.

Here!ity in Workhouse Posts

At a presentation by the Yarmouth Board of Guardians to a nurse formerly in their employ, the chairman stated that her father and mother occupied the positions of master and matron of the workhouse, as did her grandfather and grandmother and her great-grandfather and great-grandmother.

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Temperance Sermon

Canon Green of Toronto a strong temperance sermon total abolition lines in Grant on Sunday morning.

Tracing Them Up

The authorities of Str county borough of West F written City Clerk Leon directory as they are desiring ing to several of their resident in Brantford.

Narrow Escape

A lad slipped from his, the key pavement in front side's grocery this morning of a Grand Valley car. Q by the man from the shop with the tender just sque boy.

Damages Claimed

John Johnson, of Laveren claimed damages because a claim to his horse, which permanently injured, under bion street subway and in between King and Queen the places alleged to have five roadways.

Elected to Sessions

Alexandra congregations ted six to their sessions, fill vacancy and three in the persons of Mr. An Nally, Mr. Peter McGiness B. Rose, Mr. Thomas Full Blackie and Mr. George F their ordination to take up of this present month.

Sleigh Ride

The children of the pr partment of the First Bap and some of the members for classes enjoyed a sleigh Saturday afternoon. Mr. Intyre is responsible for the boys and girls, a thoroughly enjoyed by all the little ones.

British Carpetball League

The Borden Club Carpet League held an enthusiast on Saturday evening and draw up a new schedule a the bricklayers with the A committee was appointed of Mr. Britt, John Cook, Thompson to draw up a set games so as to keep the boiling point. Everybod in carpetball is requeste the meeting in the club night at 8 sharp.

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WHITEWEAR

SOME SENSATIONAL VALUES

ONCE in every little while a woman should take stock of the separate items of her wardrobe, lest it "go to pieces all at once" when maybe least convenient to replace the worn-out garments. One of these ONCE-IN-A-WHILE occasions is starting now in the Underwear Dept. Have you just what you want for Spring and Summer in the way of fine Underwear, etc., such as Nightgowns, Skirts, Corset Covers, Chaimettes, Drawers and Princess Slips. There are some wonderful values awaiting you. The materials are of the finest, the trimmings dainty and the needlework characterized by a thoroughness that assures good wear.

During This Special Selling You Will Discover a Dozen Ways of Saving a Large Part of the Necessary Outlay

- Ladies' Fine White Cotton Underskirts, with deep handsome embroidery flounce, remarkable value, worth at least \$1.50. Special selling, 69c
Very special values in Ladies' White Cotton Underskirts, embroidery trimmed, new style skirt, worth at least \$1.00. Special selling, 69c
We have a beautiful range of White Cotton and Nainsook Underskirts, lace and embroidery trimmed. Some beautiful French importations are being shown. Prices range from \$1.75 to \$6.00
A very handsome new style slit Underskirt, embroidery and lace trimmed, with dainty bow of wash ribbon. This is easily one of the daintiest pieces of white shown. Special selling \$2.00
Ladies' embroidery flounce white cotton Underskirts. Special 50c



NIGHTGOWN SPECIAL

Ladies' Fine White Cotton Nightgowns, beautifully trimmed with fine lace and embroidery. We call your special attention to this one, as nowhere else will you find such value as in this particular garment. Special at \$1.00

Misses Princess Slips

We have an extra large and well-assorted stock of Misses' Princess Slips, daintily trimmed with fine lace and embroidery, all sizes. You will find remarkable values here, owing to the early placing of our order. Prices range from 85c to \$2.25

Nightgowns

Very special ladies' lace and embroidery trimmed fine White Cotton Night Gowns, good large sizes, extra special value. 75c
Crepe de chine Night Gowns, in white only, beautifully trimmed, good full sizes, extra fine quality crepe. Special values at \$1.75
Extra good value in Ladies' White Cotton Night Gowns, good full sizes, lace trimmed. 59c

Drawers

Ladies' plain fine white Cotton Drawers, tucked, trimmed 25c
Ladies' fine White Cotton Drawers, new styles, lace trimmed 35c
Very handsome embroidery trimmed Nainsook Drawers at 50c, 75c, \$1.00

Hand-Embroidered Underwear

Such an array of white loveliness as displayed in this special showing of FINE FRENCH HAND-EMBROIDERED WHITEWEAR! The finest white nainsook being used, with beautiful hand embroidery. This display will bring forth words of admiration from the ladies of Brantford, we feel sure.

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