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## FEDERAL LAW MUST CONTROL COMBINES

Hon. Frank Oliver Supports Contentment of W. F. Maclean, M.P., That Parliament Must Take Cognizance of Over-Capitalization Evil—Methods Effective in United States.

### PEOPLE SHOULD HAVE COUNSEL

OTTAWA, Jan. 19.—(Special).—Hon. Frank Oliver declared in the house of commons this afternoon that the main question in regard to combines was overcapitalization, which took a double toll of both producer and consumer. He was welcomed by W. F. Maclean (E. York) as a recruit to the number of those who were making an effort to get this abuse dealt with.

"We have combines in this country," said Mr. Maclean, "and I assert boldly here that these combines must be regulated by the law of this parliament, and that law must be put in operation by the federal authority." In the United States, he said, there was an effective law against combines, and the attorney-general of the U. S. was empowered to enforce the law. He desired to see in Canada an extension of the principle exemplified in the telegraph and express rates cases in which special counsel were retained to represent the people. The railway commission was not given the power it should have.

J. H. Burnham also spoke in denunciation of overcapitalization, and Hon. Robert Rogers declared that the government had been seriously considering the question. Combines Investigation. When the house went into supply on the estimates of the department of labor, E. M. Macdonald (Pictou) proceeded to throw a few bouquets to Hon. T. W. Crothers for his announcement that the Combines Investigation Act would not be amended at the present session. The minister now sat with hands folded, unable to act, the patient by action.

Hon. Frank Oliver asked if in the settlement of the Alberta coal strike there

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## Central Railroad Soon to Be Built

Section From Montreal to Ottawa to Be Finished This Year—Georgian Bay Portion Later.

MONTREAL, Jan. 19.—(Can. Press).—It was announced to-day that preparations were complete for the building of the Central Railroad of Canada that the first section, from Montreal to Ottawa, would be completed by the end of the present year, while the further portion, from Ottawa to the Georgian Bay, will be built shortly after.

The company has changed its original plan and the route, instead of passing thru St. Benoit, will follow along the shore of the Lake of Two Mountains, passing thru St. Placid and Okla, crossing from the mainland to the Ile Jesuit, St. Eustache, and reaching the Island of Montreal at Carterville.

It will then parallel the Riviere Des Prairies, crossing the Canadian Pacific Railway tracks at Jacques Cartier Junction and reaching the harbor commissioner's line on the waterfront at Tarte Pier. This will be the first freight entrance to the city. A passenger entrance is planned from the west and it is expected that the terminus will be the Grand Trunk Railway new Boulevard station.

## TURKS WERE BEATEN BACK

Heavy Fighting in Tripoli—Italians Lost Forty-eight Men.

LONDON, Jan. 19.—(Can. Press).—Further serious fighting between the Turks and Italians is reported to have taken place in Tripoli. The Italian fleet, the night of the 16th, bombarded Zouara in order to punish the Turkish garrison there for sniping Italian patrol boats. On the 18th, 2000 Turks and Arabs attacked the Italian positions near Ghirgarth, and there was brisk fighting for several hours. The Turks suffered heavily and were repulsed. The Italians had 48 men killed or wounded in the engagements.

The Porte has issued a warning to shipping to avoid the coast in traversing the Bosphorus on account of mines placed there.

## Pity the Poor Senator

OTTAWA, Jan. 19.—(Special).—Hon. C. J. Doherty's compassionate soul led him this afternoon to rush to the rescue of the poor patriots of the red chamber, whose piteous plight under certain circumstances he painted with a master hand. It appears that under the stony-hearted senate and house of commons act, certain senators who have been appointed during the session have been mulcted of such extensive sections of their seasonal indemnity as a penalty for their absence when their presence was legally impossible, that they actually found the emolument for their days of arduous labor, a minus quantity. A bill was introduced to alleviate their sufferings.

## Duke Should Pay Visit to Taft

Fact That His Trip Will Take in New York Only Makes London Wonder.

LONDON, Jan. 19.—(Can. Press).—The fact that the Duke and Duchess of Connaught, with their daughter, Princess Patricia, are not to visit Washington while they are in the United States, is causing comment here, although it is believed there must be some good explanation for their decision.

It is usual when royal personages are on a visit to a foreign country, even if semi-official, for them to pay their respects to the head of the nation in which they are guests. The Duke of Connaught has the reputation of always doing the right thing, and people here refuse to believe that he is now making any mistake. The visit to Mr. and Mrs. Whitelaw Reid was arranged before the Duke and Duchess of Connaught went to Canada and follows the farewell dinner given to them at Dorchester House. They, in fact, have been frequent guests of the United States ambassador.

## THE FIRST ROBIN.

Mrs. C. Caven, Humber Bay, writes The World as follows: "The first robin of the season was seen on Jan. 17. He seemed to be quite happy. He was taking advantage of the decided change in the weather from last week. It was seen by Mrs. Chas. Caven, Rose Glen Farm, Mimico."

Loveliest Type of Womanhood. Julian Eltinge, star of "The Fascinating Widow," in his endeavor to portray women by the highest possible artistic methods, has studied the feminine creature in all her phases and has perused her history from the time of Eve, and has left no stone unturned in his quest for suggestions to be incorporated in his wonderful composite picture of the loveliest type of womanhood—the American girl.

## The Sunday World

On the front page of the illustrated section of this week's Sunday World will be found some excellent pictures of Toronto's popular pastimes—Skating, Hockey, Tobogganing and Sledding. "The Fury of King Frost," two natural thermometers; what happened last week and last July; huge snow drift on the road to Simcoe Park; and Scotch curlers at Quebec, and Sunday Tobogganing at High Park are also portrayed in this interesting section.

Artist Lou Skuce has depicted his impressions of a hockey match in another of his grotesque drawings, which is accompanied by a short history of the game by W. J. Sies. These will be found on the first page of the editorial section. "An Englishman's Impressions of Canadian Cities" will be of special interest to our readers. They will be given in a series of letters from Capt. D. J. Stanton to his friend R. H. Franklin, London, E.C. This is a new feature, and as Capt. Stanton is now touring thru the Dominion the editor anticipates very interesting epistles.

With this week's issue also commences another new series, consisting of short sketches of the women's clubs and associations in Toronto. "The Home Thru the Club" being the first to appear. This is an article on the Canadian Household Economic Association. The King's column will be found striking views upon a subject of vital human interest. George Ade's Fabulous Slang, Casual Comment, and other regular weekly features will be just as interesting as ever.

## A HARROWING DOUBT



Wilfrid (who has been throwing a good deal of passion into his reading): Now, I wonder is she deeply impressed or—asleep?

## WRITHING HOSE HURTS THREE FIGHTING BIG FACTORY FIRE

Flames Rage Thru Top Floors of Allen Mfg. Co. Building—Firemen Hampered by Intense Cold and Ice-Laden Wires—Damage Over Hundred Thousand—Many Spectacular Features.

A damage roughly estimated at \$125,000; three firemen injured by a loose lay of hose carrying a high pressure stream, the partial demoralization of the street car service, affecting the lines serving two of the big theatres, and one more demonstration of the crippling effect of overhead wires upon fire fighting, were the results of a blaze which broke out in the Allen Manufacturing Company's five storey brick building at the southeast corner of Simcoe and Pearl-sts., at 7:50 last night. Those who lost are the Allen Manufacturing Company, who own the building and occupy the three lower floors and basement, where they manufacture white-wear, blouses and umbrellas, and operate the Swiss Laundry, and R. D. Fairbairn, who manufactures white-wear and blouses in the two top floors. The estimate of the damage sets it at \$25,000 to building, and \$100,000 to contents by fire and water.

The fire broke out in either the third or top floor, and was seen by A. J. Phillips of the Toronto General Electric office in Simcoe-st., who says he heard something which sounded like an explosion and ran into the street to find flames bursting from the windows of both floors at the middle of the building on Pearl-st. He turned in an alarm at once and says that the firemen were there almost immediately.

Water Tower Effective. The department started their battle against the flames from the north side of the building on Pearl-st., and by running lines in thru the building and up the fire escape. The water tower, operated from Pearl-st., seemed to do the most effective work, and the flames were driven out of the fourth and confined to the easterly end of the front section of the building against a fire wall which divides this section from another to the east on Pearl-street.

There was a stubborn battle at this point, but the flames had the better of it, and rushed forward to the Simcoe-street end of the building, bursting out all along that side on the top floor. A line of hose was run up on an aerial truck here, but it was some time before the water was got into it in force enough to reach to the building, and for a time it looked as if this and three other streams which were directed at the blaze from the ground and which barely reached the upper windows from which the flames were pouring, were to be of little effect. A few moments later was heard the roar of the first high pressure stream which quickly darkened the south two windows and soon two more of these powerful streams were tearing away the casements of the win-

## TABLOID STORY OF THE FIRE

Time—7:50. General alarm, 8:12. Place—The Allen Manufacturing Co., Pearl and Simcoestreets. Loss—Roughly estimated at \$125,000; fully insured. Losers—Allen Manufacturing Co., Swiss Laundry, R. D. Fairbairn, white-wear manufacturer. Injured—Fireman Ed. Courtney, right leg broken; removed to St. Michael's Hospital. Fireman W. H. Hawke, back injured; taken home. Fireman J. Roche, leg injured; taken home. Cause of Injury—Breaking loose of high-pressure hose. Car Lines Diverted—King, Bait Lane and Harbour.

Big Hose Whips Men. One of these broke loose from the men who were directing it, and swinging around struck J. Roche of the Portland-street hall, who drives the deputy chief's rig, upon the leg. He was severely bruised from knee to hip and was carried into the Genesee hospital.

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## TENSE FEELING IN PEKIN MANCHU RISING IMMINENT

Lack of Gold From Court Coffers, However, Somewhat Dampens Martial Aardor—Premier Yuan Declines to Take Part in Conference of Princes.

PEKIN, Jan. 19.—(Can. Press).—There has been considerable effervescence in Pekin throughout the day among both foreign residents and the Chinese. There were many rumors of the possibility of a Manchurian outbreak, which, however, appears unlikely at present.

The ex-regent, Prince Chun, and the former premier, Prince Ching, visited Premier Yuan Shi Kai this afternoon and had a long conference with him. It appears that the court has not concluded the gold it promised to provide, and the imperial soldiers do not show any anxiety to fight for glory. The Mongol princes who most strenuously oppose abdication, are these of Inner Mongolia from the districts south of the desert. Their opposition is strengthened by the fear that the Re-

## TWO TORONTO BANKS MAY JOIN

Rumors Current Yesterday That Imperial and Standard Have Been Strong Lately

Bank amalgamations have taken place, and others are contemplated, or at least substantial rumors are that such is the case. The report from Montreal that the Bank of Montreal was to take in a partner was followed yesterday in Toronto by a statement that the Imperial and Standard Banks were to join forces. Both of these are strong financial institutions, but it was admitted that, if amalgamated, they would be a much stronger force in Canadian financial history.

Of course the rumor could not be confirmed, but it has more than the ordinary backing of an unofficial statement, and it was accepted as having some authority in downtown financial circles yesterday afternoon.

In the 1910 statement the Imperial Bank showed an authorized capital of \$10,000,000, with \$5,759,559.25 paid up, and the Standard an authorized capital of \$5,000,000, with \$2,000,000 paid up. The stocks of both of these banks have been strong recently, but whether the merger theory is responsible for this the future alone can show.

## TO DEVELOP MILLION H.P. IN ST. LAWRENCE RIVER



Sir Max Aitken, financial wizard extraordinary, who is behind the big power merger.

## FRANCE'S IRE STIRRED ITALY IS PENITENT

First Steamer Seized Will Be Released and Others Likely to Follow Suit

TUNIS, Jan. 19.—(Can. Press).—Some Italian destroyers to-day seized the French steamer Manouba, bound to Tunis from Marseilles. The Manouba is a mail boat belonging to the French line.

MARSEILLES, Jan. 19.—(Canadian Press).—The steamer Manouba, which is the regular Tunis mail boat, carried a Turkish medical mission, consisting of 27 members of the Red Crescent, headed by Dr. Bayram Bey and Rifki Efendi. She also had on board 87 sacks of mail for Tunis and one for Tripoli.

Seized for Turkey. TUNIS, Jan. 19.—(Can. Press).—The Italian officers who effected the seizure of the Manouba declared that the reason for her arrest was that it was believed Turkish officers were on board disguised as nurses. Italian destroyers also stopped and searched the German steamer Schleswig of the North German Lloyd, which left Marseilles on Wednesday and reached here yesterday, and is due at Alexandria on Jan. 22.

PARIS, Jan. 19.—(Can. Press).—The seizure of the French steamer Manouba by the Italian cruiser to-day has aroused intense feelings in political and commercial circles. Premier Poincaré has instructed the French ambassador at Rome to protest against the seizure, and several members of the chamber of deputies declare they will interpellate Premier Poincaré about it. The premier, however, has announced that he will make a declaration on the subject Monday.

The Association of Ship Workers of

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## LANSHING FARM SOLD.

Another York Township farm has changed hands at a good round sum. This time it is the Botham farm, at Lanshing, consisting of 29 acres, and the price paid is said to be \$30,000, or slightly over \$1000 an acre. The farm has a frontage on Yonge-street, just south of the Lanshing side road, which is 7 1/2 miles from the corner of King and Yonge-streets.

"The Real Thing." There are very few serious moments in "The Real Thing," the comedy that Henrietta Crossman is presenting at the Princess Theatre. It is a laughing show, as the average theatregoer would say and built solely for entertainment. The story of the play is decidedly domestic, and is one that most men and women appreciate and most of those who see it will judge their companions and say: "There, I told you so." The matinee to-day and the evening performance will conclude the engagement here.

## Germany Holds Out Olive Branch.

ROME, Jan. 19.—(Can. Press).—Altho it is announced officially that the object of the visit of Herr Von Kiderlen-Waechter, the German foreign secretary, who is expected to arrive on Friday, is to meet Foreign Minister San Giuliano, the real reason for his coming is to discuss possible conditions of peace between Italy and Turkey and the amount Italy is ready to pay as indemnity to Turkey for the loss of Tripoli. During the visit of Herr Von Kiderlen-Waechter the basis for a renewal of the triple alliance between Germany, Austria-Hungary and Italy will be discussed.

Sir Max Aitken, at Head of \$100,000,000 Project, for Which Federal Authority is Sought—Propose to Build Huge Embankment and Dam and Dredge River at Cost of \$50,000,000.

## TWICE POWER OF NIAGARA FALLS

MONTREAL, Jan. 19.—(Can. Press).—With a capitalization of \$100,000,000 and possibilities of 100,000,000 horsepower within twenty-five miles of this city, the Eastern Canada Power Company will ask parliament for authorization to wipe out from the topography of the St. Lawrence River the Coteau and Cedar Rapids and divert the whole flow of the waterway nearly half a mile from its present course. Niagara has an electrical potentiality of about 600,000 horsepower. The new scheme will be capable of producing nearly twice that amount.

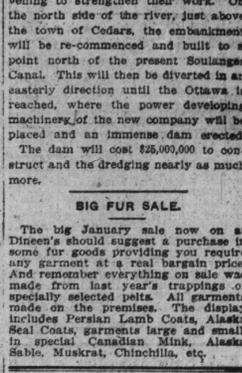
The company was incorporated by act of parliament on Nov. 18, and altho the names required by law before the charter could be granted were those of clerks and law students in the office of Brown, Montgomery and McElchaine, it has transpired that Sir Max Aitken is the virtual head of the mammoth organization and has as his associates H. S. Hoff, president of the Montreal Light, Heat and Power Co., James Redmond, director of the Royal Bank of Canada and president of the Redmond Mfg. Co., D. Lorne MacGibbons, the Montreal capitalist, and a number of British and United States financiers. The name of A. Bonar Law, leader of the British Unionist party, has also been mentioned in connection with the project.

Wipe Out Soulanges Canal. The scheme involves the entire damming of the St. Lawrence River at a point above the Cedar Rapids, doing away altogether with the Soulanges Canal, the best equipped of the St. Lawrence chain, and turning the flow from the Lake St. Francis level into the Ottawa at a point opposite the southern end of Ile Perrot. For a distance of about twelve miles above the eastern end of the Soulanges Canal, an immense body of still water will be created where the river now flows in a swift current, thru the Coteau Rapids and down the narrow channel to the picturesque Cedars, and from there on to Lake St. Louis thru the smaller cascades and Split Rock Rapids. Immense Embankment. Starting at a point on the southwest end of Grand Island the promoters of the new corporation propose building an immense earth embankment or dam which will follow northwards and eastwards the shore line of the island until a point, almost opposite the town of Cedars is reached on the southern side of the St. Lawrence. From here an immense concrete dam will be flung across the rapids, the engineers utilizing the two islands intervening to strengthen their work. On the north side of the river, just above the town of Cedars, the embankment will be re-commenced and built to a point north of the present Soulanges Canal. This will then be diverted in an easterly direction until the Ottawa is reached, where the power developing machinery of the new company will be placed and an immense dam erected. The dam will cost \$25,000,000 to construct and the dredging nearly as much more.

## BIG FUR SALE.

The big January sale now on at Dineen's should suggest a purchase in some fur goods providing you require any garment at a real bargain price. And remember everything on sale was made from last year's trappings of specially selected pelts. All garments made on the premises. The display includes Persian Lamb Coats, Alaska Seal Coats, garments large and small, in specie Canadian Mink, Alaska Sable, Muskrat, Chinchilla, etc.

## IN WEE, WEE YORK



Jeff: I'm so awfully I would be for the vindictive if Sir Wilfrid was for it.

John: And I'd be for it if the World had'n't though; it's before The Telegraph.

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