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THE WATERWORKS BY-LAW.

The waterworks by-law is heartily
endorsed by the board of trade and the
Manufacturers' Association, and it looks
like a sound business proposition.

The tunnel will give absolute immu-
nity from danger of pollution from bay
water. The capacity of the existing
conduits is 30,000,000 gallons, and when
the lake falls below zero this quantity
is reduced and it becomes impossible
to maintain a full reservoir. The north-
ern part of the city, east of the River
Don, which is supplied from the main
pumping station, has barely enough
supply for domestic purposes, and ab-
solutely no protection without fire
engines. The proposed tunnel will have
a capacity of 75,000,000 gallons, and the
steel conduit a capacity of 45,000,000
gallons. This will ensure a supply for
400,000 people, which can be increased
by a second conduit to a supply for
750,000.

The proposed 36-inch main on Bath-
urst-street will enable the reservoir to be
filled in two or three days, instead
of in two weeks, as at present. The
pressure in the down-town district will
be maintained whenever it may be
necessary to shut down the engines.
The high level district will have an
ample supply always, and for all pur-
poses. At present, when the reservoir
is empty there is no supply for fire
protection, and with an empty reservoir
and low water in the lake there is
barely enough for domestic purposes.
The 24 and 16-inch mains on Front,
Sumach and Queen-streets are required
to supply the district east of the Don,
and the manufacturing district east of
Church-street and south of Queen-
street. The present 12-inch main on
Front-street gives a totally inadequate
supply, and a large fire would demon-
strate this in a disastrous way.

Similar reasons can be given for the
new 12-inch mains on Queen-street,
from Dundas to Gladstone-avenue, and
on Strachan-avenue to the exhibition
grounds, which are required for Park-
dale and for the manufacturing dis-
trict west of Strachan-avenue. The new
mains from the high level station and
down St. George to Bloor-street are
required to give an adequate supply to
the high level district between Parli-
ament-street and the Junction and south
to College-street. This district is grow-
ing so rapidly that the increased supply
is absolutely necessary. The cost of
the reservoir, to cost \$35,000, is
required for sanitary purposes, and for
protection from accidents.

The expenditure for all these pur-
poses will mean an annual charge of
\$45,263 for interest and sinking fund.
Against this is to be placed the prob-
ability of increased revenue. The in-
crease in revenue from waterworks be-
tween 1902 and 1903 was \$29,646. We may
expect an equal increase in 1904. In
two years the increased revenue will
probably meet the annual instalments
of interest and sinking fund, and there
will be no additional taxation. There
will also be a saving of at least \$500
a year in the operation of the new 15-
000,000 gallon engine.

Another noticeable fact is pointed out
by The Saturday Review, namely, that
as soon as the United States saw what
retaliation on the part of Great Britain
meant, and what a reciprocal prefer-
ential tariff meant for them, they sud-
denly set about showing how ready they
were to make a treaty of reciprocity
with Canada.

To-day we seem to have the good of-
fices of Great Britain, France, and the
United States. But we enjoy them be-
cause we have declared our national
manhood.

And these politicians among us who
are declaring that Canada has all the
freedom she ought to have in the way
of making treaties are not in line with
Canadian sentiment. There can be a
great improvement in the lines proposed
by Sir Wilfrid Laurier without dis-
paraging the imperial tie. They should
read Sir John Dourine's Life of Lord
Elgin if they wish to realize how pro-
gressive the idea of self-government is,
and how it must steadily move along
with the times if the imperial bond is
to grow weaker, but stronger. The
more power we have to manage our own
affairs, the more lasting and stronger
the union between motherland and
daughter state.

A SOCIAL BLOT.

The Duke of Cambridge received a
magnificent funeral yesterday—the
greatest funeral of an English soldier
since that of Wellington. The King
and Queen were there in the Abbey.
The report goes on to say:
Thereafter the body of the "old
Duke," as he was affectionately
known to the public, was taken to
Kensal Green Cemetery and buried
beside that of his morganatic wife.
Among the principal mourners
were Admiral and Colonel Fitz-
george, the late Duke's sons.
The King of England would do a
popular thing if he showed his respect
for the marriage relation as viewed
by all his subjects by elevating
once and for ever that disgraced
German thing known as a morganatic
marriage. An English woman ought
to be good enough for the wife of an
English prince. The late Duke's wife
was a worthy woman, and her sons
are respected in the highest degree
in England. What the King should do
is to ennoble the eldest son, simply as
a protest against a miserable German
piece of snobbery. The pretensions of
German royalty to be above earthly
law and custom—its claim to a kind
of divinity—its snobishness, its
doubly sacrilegious when it involves
the sanctity of marriage. There can't

committee has done well so far, and
we hope it will not grow weary in
well-doing.

TORONTO AND CONSERVATIVES.

The two chief corporation men in
Ontario are Hon. William Mulock and
Hon. John M. Gibson. Mr. Gibson
"served up" the City of Hamilton for-
ever to the local gas company, and Mr.
Mulock is anxious to repeat the process
in Toronto. No single individual in
Ontario was, and will be so influential
an ally to the Ross-Gibson govern-
ment in their past and future struggles
as Mr. Mulock was and will be. He
can put more force at work to help
them, especially in the dire moment,
than any other public man at Ottawa.
But the Conservative lawyers up
in the legislature are most of them
turning hand-springs to help the Con-
servative Gas bill, which is Mr. Mulock's
bill, thru this session. The thanks
will get will be that Mr. Mulock will
turn on the whole force of the Dom-
inion government to once again help
the Ontario Liberals across another
election field. The corporations are all
determined and committed to Ross,
and he has his followers, but the bulk
of these gentlemen seem only too an-
xious to put legislation thru that is
against the people, is for the corpora-
tions, and once thru makes the corpora-
tions throw their entire influence with
the Liberals in elections.

MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP IS GOOD BUSINESS.

In a paper by Professor Mavor, To-
ronto University, on municipal owner-
ship of public utilities, it is declared
that public ownership might be sup-
ported on "sentimental" or "ethical" grounds,
among others. The view is
expressed that the public ownership of
the hands of the company "taken off
the transaction should result in a
pecuniary loss." This is quoted, not
as a complete description of Prof.
Mavor's position, but to illustrate one
of the common arguments against mu-
nicipal ownership.

Advocacy of municipal ownership is
based, not on sentiment or impulse, but
on business considerations. Private
control of street railways, water-
works, gas and electric systems, tele-
phones, etc., is wasteful, improvident
and unbusinesslike. What business
man, in his private affairs, would en-
gage an employee for thirty years,
that as matter how he blundered or
misbehaved, he could not be dismissed?
A man who did that, except under the
stress of absolute necessity, would be
put down as a lunatic. Yet that is
what a city or town does when it
grants a street railway, lighting or
telephone franchise to a private cor-
poration.

CANADA'S NATIONAL PROGRESS.

It often pays to kick. The outspoken
protest of the Canadian people over
the Alaskan boundary award was
in vain. Lord Laurier has become
a decided advocate of maintaining
Canada's territorial integrity and ap-
parently he has been successful in ne-
gotiating a settlement of the French
shore question of Newfoundland, and
in that way removing a chief obstacle
to negotiations for the entrance of the
ancient colony to the Canadian domi-
nion. The New York Tribune has, in
generous language, admitted "Canada's
title to independent sovereignty (on this
continent) as good as our own." The
New York Sun, which for forty years
preached the doctrine that we were a
menace to the great republic, whose
only destiny was annexation, has
changed its tune. The Sun office was
at one time the headquarters of the
commercial union movement, when that
movement meant annexation. At Strachan-
avenue, where the Tribune has its
office, the Tribune's magnanimous ad-
mission of our right to independent
existence on this continent, but we
cannot agree with its statement that
the public men of the republic
never disputed it. Unfortunately, the
men and industrial newspapers have
so declared themselves either in out-
spoken words or by veiled insinuations
hundreds of times. It must also be re-
membered that The Tribune is prob-
ably speaking for the Roosevelt adminis-
tration.

KINGSTON SHOULD GO AHEAD.

The Street Railway Company, like all
of its kind, turns openly into a public
enemy the moment the City of King-
ston decides to take over the local
power and gas plant and threatens to
go into competition with the town
plant in its chartering the public. As
usual there is no Commie act restrat-
ing a private company starting in to
compete with a public plant after the
latter has come into operation. Why
doesn't Mr. Commie start to weep in
the legislature on behalf of the city thus
unjustly treated?

The World takes no stock in the
threat of the Folger combination to
start a rival plant. But let them try
it. If ever Kingston lets the Kingston
Mills people put a pole on their
streets they will make a fatal error.
If the Kingston Mills people have sur-
plus power to sell—and so far they've
done nothing but talk, not having
spent a dollar—cheaper than what the
city can produce it, the city will be only
too glad to buy it in bulk and distrib-
ute over the existing wires to whom-
ever may be willing to purchase it.
But let no rival get a pole on the public
streets. Let the Kingston Council,
which has shown admirable judgment
and enterprise so far, keep right on and
take over the plant at the earliest pos-
sible date.

N.B.'S WEAK RAILWAYS.

Editor World, I see by the papers
that the federal government pro-
pose to take over a railway in Quebec
and another in New Brunswick, and run
them as feeders of the Intercolonial.
This suggests to me that the Inter-
colonial ought to take over several of
the small roads that are adjacent to
it and run them in a businesslike way;
and that the federal government should
be made to pay, and pay handsomely
under proper management. They are
not so run now. The Intercolonial is
run by a few federal and local sub-
sidies. Their bonds were sold in Eng-
land, and except in a few cases, dis-
cussed in the Intercolonial, they are
laid out in principal and interest has
been made. They are now run in haphaz-
ard way, either by stockholders or
bondholders. The rolling stock is di-
lapidated and the roadbed little bet-
ter. Trains start on time or not on
time, as it suits the management; and

owing to lack of rolling stock the
public are not properly served. On
a recent visit I noticed the Toronto
and the Canadian Pacific road run-
ning out of Bathurst, N.B. The I
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which seems to be the chief factor in
our prosperity and whose success will
assurely decide the role of this
province in the confederation, will be
the appointed order of the day.
The importance of the re-adjustment
of provincial subsidies, as provided last
session, is being seriously considered
by the federal government.
Among the bills to come is a measure
concerning the revision of statutes
passed since 1885, and another respect-
ing accidents incident to labor.
There is again a surplus to announce.

PROTESTANT UNION.

How the time comes for the organic
union of the Protestant churches of
denominations? Union is in the air,
and so far as spiritual union is con-
cerned the churches are more evident-
ly united than ever before. In all ec-
clesiastical papers they are one in doctrine,
and more than ever do they rejoice in
each other's prosperity and co-operate
in legislative and moral reform. Again
and again they see on the same plat-
forms pleading eloquently and earnestly
for those things which are for the
uplifting of the race. More than this
is now desired by the Protestant
churches. The great majority, both
of the laity and clergy, are looking to
an organic union which shall obliterate
all sectarian lines, so that there shall
not only be one flock but also only one
fold.

TORONTO'S NEEDS.

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seems to have waked up too late. It
is a matter of time before the city
where to place a new reservoir and a
new intake for our waterworks a few
weeks ago something could have been
done towards the inauguration of a
properly comprehensive plan.
The changes needed now that
Toronto is ceasing to be a mere
market town and is beginning to be a
city.

A water supply that will be and
remain free from danger of con-
tamination by sewage. Therefore we
need:

1. The regulation of our own sewage
and that of the suburban villages east
of the city.
2. The creation of a new water front
and better communication with the
island.
3. The union with this city, either
municipally or under some other
arrangement, of the towns in
our neighborhood. Also
4. The scientific treatment of our
water, which should carry
with it
5. The straightening of the Don.
6. The purification of the water of Toronto Bay.
7. The creation of a new water front
and better communication with the
island.

As we are in the hands of an in-
efficiently controlled bureaucracy, I see
no hope that these important
matters, which so many more might
be added, such as:

- (a) The completion of intercommu-
nity roads, by aid to the street railway.
- (b) The laying down of rules for
the supply to houses and factories of
electricity.
- (c) The arrangement of routes for
bringing freight to the city market,
away from the city, as they ought to be,
as parts of one great plan of city
development. We are being rushed
into a patchwork act of waterworks
and sewerage, which would be a dozen
years ago and properly rejected then.
Since it was formulated new prin-
ciples have been established, new
practice introduced, even new mat-
erials made available. With a city
of 250,000 people, the waterworks and
sewers have been controlled as we all
know it to be, I see little chance of
any improvement.

Now, perhaps the Protestant church-
es have reached that stage in which they
see eye to eye sufficiently to make the
organic union sought harmonious and
workable. Organic union of the churches
as well as the spiritual union is doubt-
less the ideal condition if they are
ready for it. But such a union will re-
quire that any remaining differences
shall be held in