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## The St. John Standard

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and that an interview with Mr. Cudlip

en publicity to the original charge and editorially endorsed it, of course, re-fused to give Messrs. Cudlip and Flem-ing an opportunity of stating their side of the case but, instead, declared

to prove their statements in connection with one shell contract where the information can most easily be obtain visable for those in charge of recruited. The Standard is "bluffing," an interview with Mr. Cudlip or the Messrs. methods. The Standard is forced to Fleming will establish that fact. If, the belief that as a means of appealon the other hand, the facts are as ing to the class of men it is desired to on the other hand, the lates up to be the class of the lates desired to be the standard has stated them to be,— reach, the recruiting meetings have that there was no commission of ten failed of their purpose. Young men do per cent., as charged-an interview not attend but, on the contrary, the

The Standard challenged those papers to substantiate the charge, So far they have failed to do so. Instead, they sontinue to prate of the necessity of to The Standard that it would be well an enquiry into the whole question of to consider the adoption of new methan enquiry must be that is a very munition contracts. That is a very easy course for them to adopt for they share of the work entrusted to her. know full well that nothing they or we might do could be of the slightest What those methods should be is a working that has already drawn much we might do could be of the slightest effect in bringing about an enquiry thought and earnest consideration or preventing one. That is a matter not to be settled by newspaper controversy. But the Telegraph and

It is also regrettable that a larger Times can hold a little enquiry of their where the parties concerned are local men and avilable to representatives of local newspaces. Mr. Coultry proportion of business men are not de-

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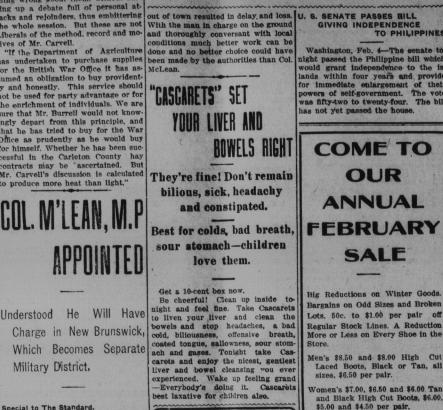
meantime the City of Toronto reports a record breaking rush to the recruit-ing offices. What is the matter with

or the Messrs. Fleming would prove the truth of The Standard's assertion. St. John? Those who have attended rethe truth of The Standard's assertion. The Telegraph and Times, having given by the original charge and ruiting meetings during the past few weeks will testify that in the audien by weeks will testify that in the angles.

The Standard to be "bluffling." If, in challenging the Telegraph and Times to adopt the only obvious course to resure their statements in connec.

It may well be asked why this situ tion exists and if it would not be ad-

ang will establish that as well. It must be remembered that the Telegraph and Times first insinuated the existence of something wrong in connection with this contract and The Standard challenged the



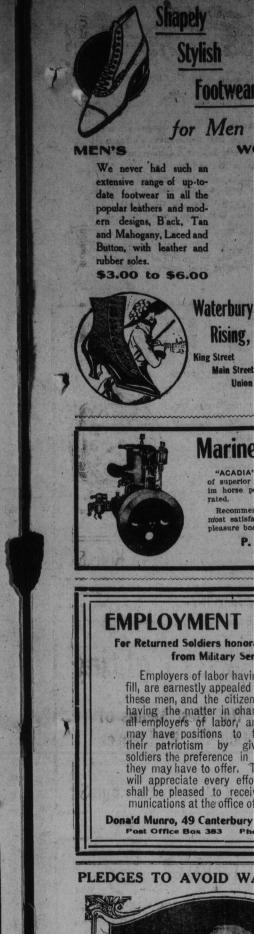


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local newspapers. Mr. Cudlip and the Messrs. Fleming are citizens of the best repute and highest standing in this community and there is every rea-son to believe that any questions touching upon the matter referred to, earnest, businesslike fashion if results which a Telegraph or Times represen are to be obtained, tative might fairly ask them would be fairly and truthfully answered. Refu-

sal on the part of those newspapers to apply the test can be capable of only one construction. They are afraid of the information it might bring forth. Mr Coldins, return re-vell and the address he recently made bring forth. Mr. Cudlip's return reopens the opportunity to produce that Advertiser says:

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