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#### SUPPORT THE POWER COM-MISSION.

sentatives of the electric power commission attended, not in any controversial or party interest, but for the purpose of affording authoritative infor-

mation on the lighting and industrial situation in the district.

As was only to be expected from the cult problems involved have been work-

sion to act as producers of raw material for the benefit of United States manufacturers. Canadians are . being told with increasing frequency that

British capital will be freely given, if

> tion than Ontario for enlisting the services of British capital in the development of its industries. Its credit is of the highest; its resources are recognized; it has already shown its capacity for efficient self-government, and offered substantial proofs of the sound and stable character of its institutions; it enjoys the beneficial reputation of being closely in touch with

> rectly and indirectly, and in no field is their better scope for legislative and administrative assistance than in that provided by the winning of its mineral wealth, the preparation of the raw ores for the market, and the estab lishment of derivative industries. Calls are being made upon the provincial government to certify the titles o mining claims, and even to prove the nature and quality of the deposits by its own expert staff. But why wait to do this until they have been alien ated? Rather reserve all the unsettled lands, prospect them, and lease the

proved areas on a royalty basis. No Last night, at Berlin, forty delegates more effectual policy could be devised from Galt, Guelph, Waterloo, Berlin, for ensuring the assistance of British Acton and Mount Forest met in confer- capital; building up provincial indusence with the Hon. Adam Beck and tries; improving the conditions of pro Mr. Cecil B. Smith over the Niagara vincial labor, and securing a revenue, power question. The meeting was of an whose wise disposal could not but educative character, and the repre- make Ontario the banner state of the continent.

> CORPORATIONS AND OVER-CAPI-TALIZATION.

After President Roosevelt's latest ongressional address, it would be interesting to know the Hon, A. exhaustive manner in which the diffi- Aylesworth's opinion of its author. For the executive head of the United ed out by Mr. Beck, his colleagues and States actually dared to express a very expert advisers, he had no difficulty in strong belief in the evils of excessive meeting the tentative and hesitating over-capitalization, thus being directly criticism offered in opposition to the opposed to the Dominion minister of object of the meeting. Mr. Beck's justice, who holds that corporations are their own supervision. statement was too clear and precise to quite entitled to take all that's going

# Third Article

Third Article. There have recently been numerous prosecutions against trade combina-tions, alleging the illegal fixing of prices and restriction of competition, but the Canadian Freight Agents' Association, the most iniquitous combination of them all, has been allowed to exist without protest or interference from any quarter, and has even received the active support of the Dominion govern-ment in its disregard of the laws against such combinations. The Canadian Freight Agents' Association was formed for the purpose of fixing prices and preventing compaties where that could be done without a too vigorous opposi-tion from the public, and it has been fairly successful in these objects. We propose to show some of the things the Canadian Freight Agents' Association has done for the people of Canada since its formation, for, while the public are pretty well acquainted with the increased charges which have been imposed, they have come about so gradually that we have not, perhaps, realiz-ed they are part of a well defined plan of action, and that the revenues of the carrying companies have in the aggregate been increased enormously by the changes which have been made.

carrying companies have in the aggregate been increased enormously by the changes which have been made. Prior to the formation of the Canadian Freight Agents' Association, the collection of demurage, or car service charges, was a rare occurrence. To-day, thanks to this association and the board of railway commissioners, demurrage has been made a legal charge. Later on we will deal more fully with this branch of the transportation problem. After it was found that the demurrage rules were working nicely, the association began to look around for another source of increasing their revenue, and a decision was arrived at to abolish the system of free cartage. It was customary at one time to perform free cartage at stated points on gen-

revenue, and a decision was arrived at to abolish the system of free cartage. It was customary at one time to perform free cartage at stated points on gen-eral merchandise traffic, and the tariffs of the carrying companies were pre-pared on a basis covering the cost of this work. When the decision was arrived at to abolish free cartage, new tariffs were prepared, making additional charges for this service, and while the changes in themselves might appear trivial, in the aggregate they added a very large sum to the revenues of the methanes. railways.

Still another source of revenue was found in the imposition of storage charges, which are now being collected on traffic left in the warehouses of the carrying companies for a few hours. Why, of course, this is a proper charge, the railways are not warehousemen, simply common carriers, and they are not obliged to provide facilities for taking care of your property, that would be too much to expect from them. But, without the combination known as the Canadian Freight Agents' Association, storage charges would not be in existence to day not be in existence to-day.

not be in existence to-day. Yet another source of increased revenue was found in the imposition of increased charges for switching at central points, and the switching tariffs at present in force, which have received the approval of the board of railway commissioners, are simply outbegeous and would not be tolerated for a mo-ment if the board was in a position to deal intelligently with railway rates. That is about as far as the railways have gone up to the present time, but the end has not yet been reached, and will not be reached until such time as the people of this country arise in their might and demand an equitable adjustment of transportation charges. If this is not done, the next thing we may expect will be a charge for handling freight to and from the cars, on the plea that the tolls authorized by the board of railway commis-sioners simply cover the carriage of the traffic in question, and do not include sioners simply cover the carriage of the traffic in question, and do not include handing. Perhaps we are doing wrong in even suggesting this, as it may open the eyes of the railway officials to still another source of increasing open the eyes of the railway omclais to still another source of increasing their revenues. However, when the attention of the public is drawn to ano-malies in the charges of the railway companies, to differences in rates at different points, and to other abuses which the board of railway commissioners was designed to prevent, the publicity given to these abuses has the effect of bringing about their correction. Our object is to set forth plainly the things which require correction, and ask the support of the people in securing

We will recapitulate the things which the Canadian Freight Agents' As-sociation has done for Canada: Abolished competition between railways.

Secure the legalization of demurrage charges.

Abouished free cartage. Imposed additional charges for storage. Increased the charges for switching at central points. The attention of the premier of Canada has aiready been called to the fact that the Intercolonial Railway is actigely represented in this illegal organiza-tion, but no action has been taken to withdraw from the association. We would like to ask the Dominion government to explain how they can expect the people to observe the laws of the country when they themselves show such an utter disregard of their own acts. The government is responsible for such an utter disregard of their own acts. The government is responsible for the legislation regarding combinations in restraint of trade, and it is certainly not too much to expect that they will strictly observe the laws prepared under

A vigorous protest should be entered by the representatives of the people judgment.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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Cartwright, master, at 11 a.m. Single Court. Cases set down for hearing before Chief Justice Meredith at 11 a. m.: 1. Hyland v. Hyland, 2. Brodrecht v. Everätt. 3. Shepherd v. Shepherd. Shepherd V. Shepherd.
Niagara V. St. Catharines.
Be Gambell-McConnell v. Carter. Brown v. Brown. Goldsmiths v. Welsh. 8. Blackm

more v. Fawcett. Divisional Court. aptory list for 11 a. m.: raboom y. Hill nn v. Turner. Western v. Moore. Rex v. Ing Kon. Eleher v. McLean.

Eleher v. McLean. Toronto Non-Jury Sittings.

Peremptory list for 10 a. m.: 1. Cook v. Lummis. 2. Haladner v. Helpert. 3. R. C. E. Corporation v. C 4. Montgomery v. Ryan. on v. O'Connor.

### Mr. Ryan After the Bank. Peter Ryan yesterday issued a writ gainst the Bank of Montreal and John

D. Montgomery, claiming an account-ing by the Bank of Montreal to him as a customer of the bank in respect to the dealings and transactions be-tween him and the bank since he has been a customer. Mr. Busen also been a customer. Mr. Ryan also claims that the bank is largely indebt-ed to him, and that he has been wrongalso ully charged with amounts from time to time which ought not to have been harged against him. He claims also, fifty thousand dollars' damages by eason of the wrongful and fraudulent duct and act of the defendant, the Bank of Montreal, and by reason of the deceit and conspiracy of the deendants as against the plaintiff in the

Consented to Judgment. A consent judgment for the plaintiff was obtained yesterday in single court in the action of Ward v. Dalton. The defendants, R. A. Dalton and George Lawson, are restrained from acting The divisional court, after hearing for three days the appeal of Dr. Crichton from the decision of the On-tarlo Medical Council to strike his

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meet with effectual rejoinder, and the out of the public. meeting unanimously endorsed a resolu- The president, however, advocates a tion supporting the commission and far more complete control than the the Union of Municipalities, and the state has at present over great corpodelegates pledged themselves to do all rations. "A control that will, among in their power to secure the submission other things, prevent the evils of overof the necessary bylaws at the ensuing capitalization, and that will compel the disclosure by each big corporation of municipal elections.

It is to be hoped that this campaign its stockholders and of its properties of education will be prosecuted vigor- and business, whether owned directly ously in all the districts included in or thru subsidiary or affiliated corpothe survey of the commission. The pro- rations. This," the president says, vision of cheap power is one of the "will tend to put a stop to the securing most notable achievements of the pro- of inordinate profits by favored indivincial government, and if it did no- viduals at the expense, whether of thing else, entitles it to the thanks of the general public, the stockholders or the communities who will directly bene- the wage-earners." This is the corpofit by it. In view of the nearness of ration situation in a nutshell.

the municipal elections and the importance of eliciting as strong and GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP IN 1886. general an expression of approval as State ownership of railroads is by no

possible, it is the duty of every sup- means a new political issue on this conporter of cheap power to act the part tinent, as is recalled by an article on of voluntary advocate to the best of his "Some Mistakes as to Government ability. No greater boon could be Ownership," contributed to a recent proffered to the area covered by the number of The Commoner. In 1885 the Niagara power policy. Acceptance will United States senate appointed a select secure for the district one of the main committee, consisting of three Repubelements of its future industrial pros- licans and two Democrats, with Senaperity and add greatly to the amenity tor Cullom of Illinois as chairman, to

ed by the government, the committee

of its municipalities.

GOOD FROM THE COBALT SLUMP, That there is truth in the old pro- made a very exhaustive investigation of verb, declaring it to be an ill wini which blows nobody good, has been again made apparent by the result of ported unanimously in 1886. Referring the cooling process recently applied to the fact that practically all the raliardent Cobalt speculators. Whatever roads of continental Europe were own-

may have been the real inwardness of the transaction whose failure caused said:

the collapse in stock values, it can have no adverse effect on the district as an industrial proposition. The mineral wealth so well vouched for by many independent and reliable scientific experts remains as it was, and the interests of the province lie not in the frolics of the bulls and bears, but in the development of the mines. It has been matter of regret that so large a proportion of the stocks of the companies holding prospectively good claims has been suffered to pass into the hands of outsiders. The slump has enabled home investors to get back some of their own, and report puts their purchases at a very considerable figure.

Than this nothing could have better established the confidence felt in Ontario in its great mining camp. Mr: D. M. Stewart of the Sovereign Bank. in his recent address to the Canadian Club, expressed his belief that what Canada most needed to-day was men of courage, men of broad views, men with large ideas, men of faith. It is satisfactory that such men are to be ence will also demonstrate the impractifound in Ontario, and that their pres- cability and futility of government regence affords an assurance that in future more care will be taken to retain the ownership and control of the pro- franchise-holding corporations and to vincial resources, in place of allowing enforce their contractual obligations.

them to be utilized for profit of foreign speculators, and for the support of forign industries. Canada has arrived

Winter's Here, The Street Railway Company sweept the psychological moment when her ers were out for business last night copie are no longer under compul- for the first time this season.

Canadian Freight Agents' Association.

THE FARMER AND FREIGHT RATES AND THE RAILWAY COMMISSION. Fourth A

In reply to the questions asked by "York Farmer" in our issue of Wednesday, we would say that he is in precisely the same position as every farmer or manufacturer located at a local point on any of the Cauadian railways, and is discriminated against because he is at a local point. As we understand the matter, he is located at a local point on the Canadian Pacific Railway eight miles from Toronto, and because his tile originates on the line of the Grand Trunk Railway, he is compelled to pay that company's local rate to Toronto, hus a charge of 50 cents per ton for a haul of eight miles on the Canadian Pacific Railway, instead of having the benefit of a proportionate mileage rate thru from starting point to destination.

In the first place, a rate of 50 cents per ton for switching a car of tile a distance of eight miles is simply an outrage, more particularly in view of the fact that the delivering line does not provide the rolling stock in which the tile is loaded, but simply hauls the car a distance of eight miles.

In the second place, if the farmer in question was located on the tracks of the Canadian Pacific Railway, at a competitive point, "e.g," Toronto Junc-tion, the Grand Trunk Railway would absorb the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's switching charge and make free delivery to the consignee on the C. P. R tracks at Toronto Junction.

What we want to find out is, why the farmer at a local point is discriminated against in this way, and compelled to pay 50 cents per ton more than his neighbor at a competitive station?

It was to remedy abuses of this nature that the board of railway commissioners was appointed, but its members have absolutely failed to appreciate their obligations to the people in the matter of 'regulating transportation charges.

We do not believe that parliament has ever dealt specifically with the rates on tile for farming purposes, but the railways have frequently issued special rates on this traffic when it suited their purposes to do so. We intend to deal exhaustively with this whole question of switching

tariffs and local rates, but in the meantime simply answer the questions asked by "York Farmer," by saving that his complaint is quite justified under existing conditions. The only way to secure reform is for the farmers thruout the country to demand that the board of railway commissioners shall examine into and report regarding interstate commerce. That committee the railroad situation, both in the fulfil their obligations to the public and protect them against extortionate United States and in Europe, and recharges of the kind specified by our correspondent.

> TWO PRESENTATIONS. Ernest Shipman Gets Fur Coat and Miss Knott a Bouquet.

"Regulation thru state ownership has been practically unknown in the Ernest Shipman, the general man-United States. It is of foreign ori-gin and is foreign to the character of our institutions. The time may come when the people of the United ager of Smeely, Shipman & Co.'s attractions, who is in town with the "Duchess of Devonshire" Co., was States will be forced to consider the advisability of placing the railroads of the country completely under the control of the general government. called behind the curtain on Wednes-day night of this week and present of with an exquisite fur-lined overcoat by the members of the company. Miss Knott made the presentation,



with a few words appreciative of the personal interest Mr. Shipman has tawith a few words appreciative of the personal interest Mr. Shipman has ta-ken in the tour, and successful recon-struction of the play. Mr. Shipman responded in fitting terms, and assured the company it would be the pleasure of the management to give them a long and happy season. When Miss Knott played "Cousin Kate" in this city two years are are

Kate" in this city two years ago on one Hallowe'en night, the students the Toronto University cut loose and

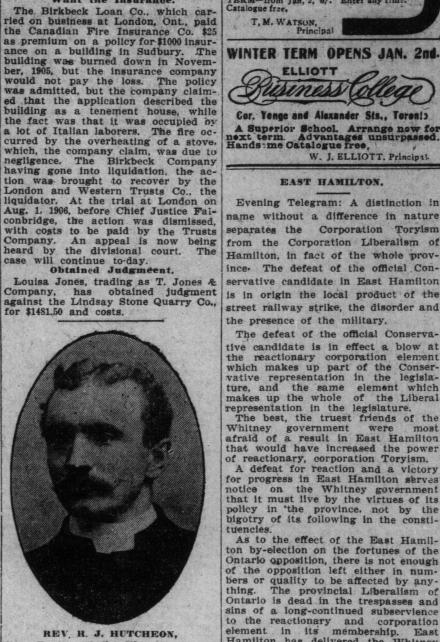
made things generally interesting. Miss Knott pluckily continued her performance and won the admiration of all present. Last night a committee of the Art and Literary Club of the

university backed by many of their fellow-classmen, tendered Miss Knott a beautiful bouquet of white roses, ac-companied by the cheers of those pres-

Flim-Flammed the Laundry Man. Henry Mack, 223 Bathurst-street, left some "washee" with Lee Sang. He returned with his "checkee" and a dol-lar bill. The "checkee" was 22 cents. Lee handed out the 78 cents change. Mack walked off with the dollar bill, the change and the "washee." Detec-tive Verney arrested him.

Sold for \$90,000. A block of land fronting 233 feet on Queen-street, opposite the Avenue, and fronting also on Richmond-street, has een sold for \$90,000. There are ten stores, a carriage factory, two ho and a vacant lot on the property.





Pastor of the First Unitarian New Church.

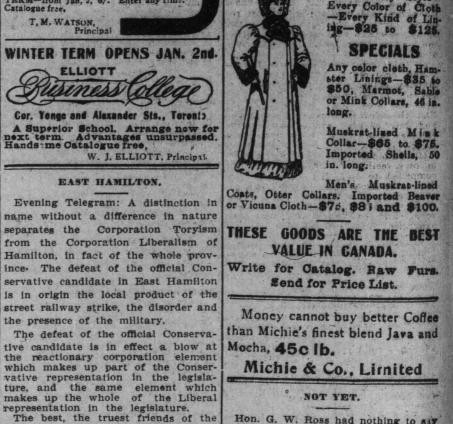
THE CITY'S, DISGRACE.

Editor World: I attended the meet ng of citizens on Dec. 3, who were ustly aroused over the tragedy outside our harbor. There is another disgraceful condition prevailing in our city, namely, that of the city morgue. It is a shame that a respectable citizen, to whom death may come thru accident or sudden illness, should be taken to a place that is a horror to men who know it. The general public are not acquainted with the fact that ladies frequently are oblig-

ed to go there to identify the re-mains of a loved one amid filth and gloom indescribable. We all know that the money has been voted and plans prepared for a new morgue. What is the delay? Are our councillors lacking in business ability, or is it to be another case of Yonge-street bridge? A. W. Miles.

Seafers Released. Halifax, Dec. 4 .- The Canada Sealing Company, owner of the schooner Alice Gertrude, has received a cable from

the British minister at Montevider Uruguay, stating that the four sealers arrested there six weeks ago with out cause had been released and sen to Falklands



Hon. G. W. Ross had nothing to siy Whitney government were most last night relative to the report that afraid of a result in East Hamilton the had been offered a senatorship. No such offer had reached him—yet. of reactionary, corporation Toryism. A defeat for reaction and a victory

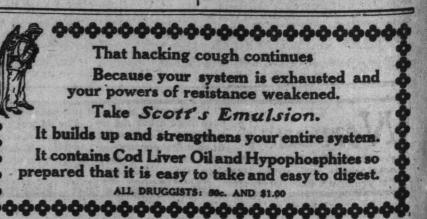
Christmas in England The C.P.R. Atlantic service will de-spatch their R.M.S. Empress of Ire-land from St. John. N. B., to Liverpool, Friday, Nov. 30, and the R.M.S. Em-press of Britain Dec. 14 from St. John, N. B., as the Christmas steamer. The latter will land passengers in England

In the Race.

As to the effect of the East Hamillatter will land passengers in England four days before Christmas Day, These ton by-election on the fortunes of the Ontarlo opposition, there is not enough steamers are now conceded to be the fastest and finest operating on the North Atlantic and those contemplat-ing a few weeks in England should arof the opposition left either in num-bers or quality to be affected by anything. The provincial Liberalism of Ontario is dead in the trespasses and range to go and return on an "Em-press," thereby having the shortest ses voyage and maximum length of time sins of a long-continued subservience to the reactionary and corporation element in its membership. East Hamilton has delivered the Whitney with their friends at home. Apply to S. J. Sharp, W.P.A., 80 Yonge-street, government from the danger of sub-servience to the same element on the for full particulars.

on the Whitney governmen

servience to the same element on the Conservative side. The result in East Hamilton will suggest to the Whitney government that the ideals of Hon. Adam Beck are safer guides than the expedients of corporation Toryism. The result in East Hamilton is no defeat for a Frederick Hogg is a candidate for alderman in ward two. He is a well-known citizen, who met with a good reception two years ago when he ranreception two years ago when he for the council. His business con tions and ability are of the best. His a ms'are progressive and he is of the timber that should work up into excel-lent finished product. He is receiving much encouragement in his canvass so government that hates reaction and privilege, and loves progress and pub-lic rights. And that is the only sort much encourage government which is worthy



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