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"Every person charged with a public duty in connection with the same has been culpably negligent in the discharge of such duty."

The above sentence, from the report of the Central Railway Commission, sets forth in naked clearness the personal spirit in which the enquiry was conceived and conducted. It is a further futile attempt to discredit the minister of public works.

His findings are not definite, and are not backed by conclusive evidence. Throughout its length the same spirit of bitter hostility is manifest. Whatever effect it might have had as an exposure of unsuccessful management of an enterprise is lost because from the beginning and all through the report the reader is conscious of the partisan feeling that controlled the mind of the author. It is not in such manner that public opinion is to be influenced in favor of the Hazen government. Neither the report nor the solemn preambles of the Standard will deceive the public as to the facts. Premier Hazen joyously appointed this commission, in the hope that facts would be discovered which would convict his most formidable opponents of personal wrongdoing. The evidence did not justify his hopes. It did not justify this report. But the report enables the organs of the government to scream about "terrible indictments," and "terrible arrangements," and "guilty secrets," and lash themselves into a fury of righteous wrath over the general situation. There is nothing new about such tactics. The public is not impressed by width of column or length of sermon. The veiled threats of the Standard are a part of the game. But the men whose personal honesty is impeached are as well known and as highly esteemed as their accusers, and though this report will be received with joy by bitter partisans in the Conservative ranks, it will influence public opinion generally in quite the other direction.

ABOLISH THE SLUMS

Mr. W. P. Archibald, Dominion parole officer, in an address in Ottawa on Sunday last, made some remarks about the relation of social conditions to the development of criminals, which are worthy of deep thought by the people of every city in Canada. "Canada," said Mr. Archibald, "should never cultivate the slum, if our efforts are going to be successful in knocking the volume of crime down to a minimum."

In giving utterance to his meaning, and stating his reasons, Mr. Archibald said:

"The great problem of crime cannot be considered apart from environment, it is impossible to understand any man who commits an offence against the law apart from his surroundings or from what he generally terms home. The cause or germ of crime can be located in the majority of cases of those who find their way to the police courts and jails, in the miserable alleys and hovels which exist and thrive in most of our Canadian cities, a standing reproach to our so-called civilization. No one who knows how these people live or exist can wonder at them developing criminal instincts. While we are striving for prison reforms, juvenile courts, probation and reformatory farms, all virtually necessary from a penological view point, let us not neglect to remove as far as possible, these breeding places of vice and criminality, the great agencies of destruction to any nation, and let us establish in their places clean and wholesome dwellings, let us throw the way open to God's pure sunlight, let us

plant where it is most needed the park with breathing places, made wholesome with beautiful sun, air, trees and flowers, which all in their nature appeal to the higher and better instincts of mankind. Canada should never cultivate the slum if our efforts are going to be successful in keeping the volume of criminal offences down to a minimum, yet we often wonder why city authorities lavish their expenditure on the splendid avenue and give such little thought or attention to the dark and unwholesome places where the poor and unfortunate hordes together, and where they are compelled to eke out a life unworthy the name of a twentieth century civilization, let alone the question of our Christian ethics."

GERMANY CRITICISED

The Toronto Mail and Empire summarizes very well the substance of recent cables relative to the settlement of the Balkan trouble, and the bitterness toward Germany which has been aroused. We quote—

"Austria-Hungary grabbed Bosnia and Herzegovina, which provinces she was solemnly bound by the Treaty of Berlin to hold in trust for Turkey. Serbia, whose right-of-way to the Adriatic through these provinces was practically assured by the same treaty, protested against the seizure. Austria-Hungary answered the protests of the little power as the bully usually responds to the remonstrances of his weak victim. Russia, the greatest of the Slav powers, used its good offices to secure justice for this least of them. Germany, Austria-Hungary's ally, then stepped in and intimidated Russia. The result is that Austria-Hungary has unchallenged possession of the provinces and has Serbia at her mercy. So long as Russia was regarded as a formidable military power Austria-Hungary made no pretence to be the dominant influence in the Balkans. But when Russia was in the depression of defeat and revolution, Austria-Hungary became bold. That she was egged on by Germany, with whom she is joined in the Triple Alliance, there can be no doubt. The moment that the cause of constitutional government in Turkey appeared to be won, Austria-Hungary seized the two Turkish provinces. She was not better than to get them. To put off the annexation until a future time would be to give Turkey a chance to become united to her free government vigorous enough to hold them. Moreover, delay would enable Russia to grow stronger. So the outrage was committed at the most favorable moment. By covering Russia, Germany has brought about the peaceful settlement of the Balkan trouble. But for how long? She has made an unforgiving enemy of Russia, and has consolidated the league which France and Britain formed with Russia to maintain the balance of power."

A very practical step has been taken in New York state to protect the forests from danger of fire started by locomotives. An Albany dispatch says: "An order was issued by the public service commission today requiring that all railroads traversing the state forest preserves in the Adirondacks must use oil consuming locomotives during certain periods of the year. The railroads affected are the New York Central operating the Mohawk and Malone, Carthage and Adirondack, and New York and Ottawa lines; the Delaware and Hudson and the Cranberry Lake Railroad company. The time fixed by the commission is during the months of each year from April 15th to November 1st, between the hours of 8 a. m. and 8 p. m. The order goes into partial effect this year and provides for the complete installation of oil burners by April 15th, 1910."

From the list of candidates which the Times prints today (and there may be more on the underbrush), it should be possible to select a fairly good city council.

MORNING LOCALS

Louis Phillips and W. A. Johnston have purchased the vacant lot on Princess street, next to the Two Bakers' stores.

At a meeting of the Baptist foreign mission board yesterday, an offer was received from a medical man in the United States to go to India as a medical missionary. His name was not divulged, but it was learned that he had been in prison three or four years, and that his references were considered satisfactory. A number of routine matters were dealt with.

There is said to be considerable dissatisfaction among school teachers of the city over delay by the government in introducing their proposed pension scheme. A prominent teacher said last night that a deputation from the teachers had waited on Hon. Mr. Hazen, both before and after the elections, and he had promised to introduce the measure this session. Since the house met, they had been assured that the bill had been prepared, but they had no knowledge of it beyond that.

The estimate for March for the National Transcontinental Railway work in this province was about \$365,000.

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"LOVEST THOUGH ME?"

(J. Adams Oakes, in the Michigan Christian Advocate.)

"Loves thou me?" "Ah, Master, yes. Then knowest thou I love to do Thy will. Then why hast thou No offering to give me today? No, soul which thou Hast weaned me from out the ways of death?"

"Loves thou me?" "Ah, Master, yes. Then knowest thou I love to think of Thee. Then why hast thou Not also thought of those I left, that thou Shouldst help them upward in the way of life?"

"Loves thou me?" "Ah, Master, yes. Then why hast thou Not dwelt in love and sympathy with those Whom thou hast seen To live beside thee in the busy way? Why hast thou heart Been hard and harsh to those who needed love?"

"Loves thou me?" "Ah, Master, yes. Then why hast thou Not when I hadst cared, Mightest have helped them, by a word, A smile?"

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DISCUSSES CUBAN AFFAIRS

Says Is'and is Richest Spot on Earth—Pays Tribute to People—Good Times Ahead.

(Montreal Witness.)

If there is one country on earth which can compare with Canada in the richness of natural resources, and the brightness of its prospects, that country is Cuba.

This was the impression conveyed to the Witness this morning by Sir William Van Horne, who has just returned from a trip to Cuba.

"All rubbish and nonsense," said Sir William, "to talk about the Cubans as fire-eaters and insurrectionists. They are far from being so vicious as the North-ern mind conceives. On the contrary they are quiet, industrious and good natured, and they possess, at least as many of the better qualities of mankind as the people of any country I know. Many in the North think of the Cubans as indolent, and indifferent as to their work but let me inform you that they are as active and industrious as any other people, and the midday siesta is quite unknown in Cuba. It is thought, too, that the business habits of the Cubans are limited to the word 'Manana.' But that is not a bit more common with them than 'to-morrow' is with us."

"I have had ten years' experience in Cuba, and I know the people of that island, and I can say that I have never had a more satisfactory experience in carrying on business with any people, as I have from the very beginning been treated with kindness and consideration. It has been to me a real pleasure to do business there, and I have the fondest regard for everyone in the island."

"Cuba, let me tell you, is the richest spot on the face of the globe, and I feel sure it has a marvellous future. The rights of property are sacred, while life is as safe there as in any rural district in Canada."

day morning of Mrs. Susan, wife of Geo. Porter, at the advanced age of 82 years. The deceased had always resided in Kings' clear.

Henry Watts, of Fredericton, has received word from Maine that his son Ernest has been seriously and perhaps fatally injured there where he had been working for some time. The father is very anxious to get to the spot where his son is, but he is unable to do so at present.

The old engine house, at St. George, will be turned into a freight and passenger station, and will be used exclusively for the accommodation of passengers, and the intention is to have the finest depot on the road.

St. Andrews was gay with bunting on Thursday last, in celebration of the restoration of the custom status of the port. Collected St. Andrews was the recipient of many congratulations upon the occasion.

During the day, Inspector McLaren, of the J. Wesley Hoyt, customs officers at McAdam, came here to instruct the collector in his duties; he also had visits from the sub-collector of the sub-ports of Campobello and West Isles.

Ell Bartlett, of Houlton, Maine, formerly of St. Andrews, N. B., is in the city, March 15, after a painful illness of several weeks, aged 60 years.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Deer Island and Campobello Steamboat Co., the old board of directors were re-elected as follows: James McVay, W. A. McVay, F. E. Rose, F. Todd, H. B. Hill, H. F. Burpee and A. I. Teed.

Business is quiet in the granite sheds, at St. George, and the prospect for an improvement for the next few months is not very bright. This doubtless is due to the fact that during the late strike, the Scotch granite men made a thorough canvass of the country and secured all the available orders.

H. A. Dietrich, of Montreal, came to St. Andrews on Saturday last to arrange for the installation of the electric lighting system in the Algonquin hotel.

A new brass band has recently been organized at Campobello.

On the McKay farm at St. Andrews, there is one litter of 18 pigs. This prolific mother contributed to the farm stock 17 pigs last spring and 15 in the fall. She is a full-blooded Tamworth.

Capt. Clarke started from St. Andrews for St. John in the schooner T. W. H. White, on Monday, but the wind failed and he had to put back.

A movement is afoot having for its object the revival of the sport of yacht racing, which in former times flourished on the St. Croix. The plan is to inaugurate the sport by holding a grand international race or series of races over the Dochet Island course, the events to be sailed on all sailing craft, owned along the Maine and New Brunswick shores and on the islands of Passamaquoddy bay.

Taking into consideration the fact of a majority of the boats owned by fishermen being equipped with power, it is proposed to allow them to enter under the condition that propellers shall be removed prior to starting. This would insure a big fleet of fast sloops and a fine race.

The death occurred at Kings' clear Tuesday morning of Mrs. Susan, wife of Geo. Porter, at the advanced age of 82 years. The deceased had always resided in Kings' clear.