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**THE PROGRESSIVE RECORD.**  
 The Toronto Globe figures that Lloyd George will be retained as Premier and that the "Conservative electorate" will have a large part in this result. In reaching this conclusion the organ depicts said Conservatives as having to swallow a terrible dose on the basis that the party in question is opposed to radical changes and forward movements. This is an old time "Ort yarn" not warranted by the facts. Take Canada as an illustration. The main opposition to Confederation came from Liberal sources; in fact, a young lawyer named Wilfrid Laurier, wrote bitterly against the project and when it was completed penned these words:

"You have succeeded, gentlemen you obtained a temporary triumph, but you have killed nationality."  
 When a Conservative Government introduced a national policy of protection at a time of great distress in Canada it was the Liberals who opposed the move.

When a Conservative Government undertook the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway thus opening up the great North-West, it was the Liberals who fought the project tooth and nail; one of their leaders declaring that the road would never pay for the grease on the wheels and so the list might be extended.

Take Ontario as another illustration. For long over a quarter of a century the Liberals held power in this Province and during that period progressive moves were noticeable by their absence; instead, monopolies with regard to school books, water power and in other directions held full sway.

Then the Conservatives obtained power. The school book ring was abolished, HYPERBOLIC power was introduced on behalf of the people, there was the placing of a Workmen's Compensation Act on the statute books; a prison farm method was established and so on through an exceedingly extensive list.

The idea so sedulously cultivated by the Globe and kindred Liberal newspapers that the Conservative party as such is not progressive, has in reality not a shred of a foundation upon which to rest. In truth the facts as Canada knows them are altogether the other way round.

**THE CLOSING OF CHURCHES.**  
 The Courier does not see eye to eye with Rev. R. White in his criticism of Health Boards for closing churches during the Spanish influenza epidemic.

Mr. White takes the stand that "churches do not operate under a license like a theatre, or a pool room." Quite true; their license is one on behalf of the Master and the blessed truths of Christianity; and he is a benighted individual indeed who would seek to question, or lessen the uplifting and incalculable influence for good of public worship. A story is told of Robert Ingersoll and Henry Ward Beecher once happening to meet at a social gathering. It had been a very rainy day, and during proceedings Beecher related the incident of a sad sight which he had witnessed on the way thither. A cripple was negotiating a muddy crossing when a man came along and kicked both of his crutches from under his arms, leaving the unfortunate floundering in the mud. Ingersoll was the first to express his deep indignation over the occurrence when Beecher rounded on him and exclaimed, "You are the man. You see humanity leaning on Christian hope and faith, and you are all the time kicking away those supports and throwing the believer into the mire of despair. It is a hypothetical yarn, no doubt, but it enforces the great truth of the propprium which rightly attaches to those who would wantonly interfere with the means of grace, or the observance relating thereto.

This paper does not believe that the members of the Brantford Board of Health, or of kindred boards, have acted in any such spirit. It has been demonstrated beyond all that any assemblage of people constitutes a potent factor in the spreading of the "flu" and that truth holds good whether such an assemblage is in a church or anywhere else. The worthiness of the unworthiness of the cause in thus getting together, does not manifestly appeal to any sense of differentiation, as far as this particular microbe is concerned. Under such circumstances it is not

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**To The Editor of The Courier**

To the Editor of the Courier:

Dear Sir—Would you kindly allow me space in the local press to make a few remarks in answer to Mr. Turnbull's letter of November 17th, which he calls a summing up of the Railway situation.

Mr. Turnbull states that the Street Railway commission is suffering from a lack of funds, and not from any lack of policy. Has Mr. Turnbull and his commission asked for funds which they have not received. A short time ago the Municipal Council at the request of the commission granted the sum of eight thousand dollars to equip the Paris line with new cars, and at an earlier date the ratepayers of the city, including Terrace Hill, voted for the sale of the Gall end of the line, with the understanding that the proceeds were to be spent on Terrace Hill extension.

Now Sir, I do not wish to mislead the public. Mr. Turnbull was in favor of the extension to Terrace Hill then, now and ever shall be, absolutely so, declared Mr. Turnbull. There could be no two opinions on that question. They would have had it long before the present had the way not upset the plans of the commission.

May I ask what were those plans? What is the policy Mr. Turnbull boasts of. Some time ago the Mayor asked the question "what is your policy" and in my memory served me right. Mr. Turnbull said we have no policy. Yet in the face of this Mr. Turnbull publicly resents the man who has a policy and tells us that he, Mr. Turnbull, has not been consulted. On April 23, 1917, I introduced a resolution which was carried, appointing a committee consisting of Aids, Jennings, Kelly, Hess, Jones, Secord, Harp and English and Messrs. Armstrong, Keeves, Strigon and Leggett.

Said committee waited upon the Railway Commission and almost begged them to give us some kind of service to that section. One proposed service was a sub line to be laid with the rails they had on hand. Another was a jitney service with transfers at Market street crossing and St. Paul Avenue. But Mr. Turnbull, as chairman, was immovable and finally sent us the following letter:

Brantford, June 2, 1917.  
 Ald. English and Members of Com. City.

Re. Extension of Ry. to Terrace Hill  
 Gentlemen—Since your interview of recent date with our commissioners re. extension of St. Ry. to Terrace Hill, we have gone thoroughly into this important matter as to cost, and possibility of executing the work this year, and have come to the conclusion that it is not practicable or possible to undertake this work until the question of labor and material becomes much more favorable.

Our commissioners regret our inability to meet the request of your committee meantime. Thoroughly realizing the necessity of railway service to Terrace Hill for the accommodation of the residents of that important section of our city, also for the increased revenue we would receive from this extension to our incomplete system, your Commissioners sincerely hope that in the near future we will be able to undertake and complete the extension as requested by your committee.

Yours sincerely,  
 W. R. Turnbull, Chairman  
 Tell me Sir, have I ignored the Railway commission? Now Sir, a word as to the advisability of the road. Mr. Turnbull says that the steel mills of Canada and the United States have more orders for reconstruction work alone than they can fill for some time to come. Somebody is optimistic, why not us? Or would Mr. Turnbull advise us to halt until the price of labor comes down, and the working man who has a \$50 or a \$100 Victory Bond saved from the sweat of his brow must sell it to buy bread?

The route which Mr. Turnbull states cannot be laid out yet has been laid out, and I have no doubt will secure a lion's share of criticism. Yet a venture to say that the best of traffic experts will have very little criticism to offer, Mr. Turnbull, is a hasty and ungenerous guess.

**Your Problems Solved??**

By Rev. T. S. Linscott, D.D.  
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Dr. Linscott in this column will help you solve your heart problems, religious, marital, social, financial and every other anxious care that perplexes you. If a personal answer is required, enclose a five cent stamp. No names will be published, if you prefer, sign your initials only, or use a pseudonym.

Consistency: "Why is it," asks "James" "that in all material things—mechanical, agricultural and in other departments, men carefully follow the laws governing production, and do quite the contrary in morals?" That a great number of men act as stated by "James" is undoubtedly true, and the reason it is true is because men's minds are perverted with sin. They are controlled by their intellects in all things, but in their own moral actions; and in these they are controlled by another. There is but one remedy and that is that these men come to Christ for spiritual healing, have their nature changed from the tendency to do wrong to the tendency to do right.

Is Matter Intelligent? asks Rhoda if matter (that which appeals to our senses) is not intelligent, there seems to be much apparent scientific testimony that there is some measure of intelligence in matter. Evolutionists claim that the germs of all mental faculties in man are found in animals, and scientists claim that intelligence is manifest in degree in plants and the lowest forms of animal life.

**CHINESE PEACE DELEGATION.**  
 By Courier Leased Wire  
 Peking, Dec. 2.—Lu Chen, Chinese foreign minister who will head China's delegation to the peace conference at Versailles, left last night. He was accompanied by a party of fifteen, which included De Coof, a Belgian, who will act in an advisory capacity. The delegation was given a rousing send-off by officials and the diplomatic corps. After a short stay in Japan the party will proceed to Paris by way of America.

it for granted that we have had no traffic expert on the job. How does he know?

**COST OF ROUTE**  
 Now Sir, just a word as to Mr. Turnbull's summary of estimates of cost, and I shall speak plain, as I have no use for insinuations. Mr. Turnbull says, when a policy is submitted to the people it must be accurate and not haphazard. That is an insult too small for a man. The commissioner stated that he had never figured on the Terrace Hill end of the line costing any such figure. May I ask Mr. Turnbull what were his figures or did he ever have any.

Mr. Turnbull did not believe Ald. English was competent to outline the route for the line. He himself would not have undertaken it. Ye gods, how the mighty have fallen. Almost low enough to insinuate that just before the election I had some selfish motives.

To the residents of Terrace Hill and those enroute, I would say that God willing I shall on Monday evening next introduce the much abused by-law to the Municipal Council for its first and second reading, and ask that it be placed before the ratepayers in January for its final ratification, and to Mr. Turnbull I would say, that I shall be pleased to see him present at that meeting if he has any further opposition to offer.

JOHN W. ENGLISH,  
 Brantford, Dec. 7, 1918.

**NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that the Market stalls in the City of Brantford will be offered for sale by public auction on Saturday, the 14th December, 1918, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, by Welby Almas, Auctioneer.

W. J. BRAGG,  
 Chairman of the Buildings and Grounds Committee  
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The above are a few of the many points which Councillor Peter Wright will take up in his talk on the German boycott, to be held in Y.M.C.A. Wycliffe Hall, Monday, December 9th, at 8 p.m.

Councillor Peter Wright, of London, Eng., apostle of the German boycott, disciple of Havelock Wilson, and trustee of the Seamen's and Firemen's Union of Great Britain has been the greatest thorn in the flesh to German Unionism and Socialism. His implacable denunciation of Germany for her unbelievable atrocities made him a marked man.

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**ANNIVERSARY**  
 St. Andrew Church will observe to-morrow, Dec. 8th, the 100th anniversary of the death of two clergymen.

**CASES SETTLED**  
 The cases of Ham, and Berlin were slated for winter sessions, but have been settled out of list of cases by two.

**TRUE ENOUGH**  
 "It looks as if this Christmas after all," a local commentator says, "he does, it will be the dinner water."

**HEATING PLANT**  
 St. Basil's Church which was closed last summer, has gone fresh from the installation of an heating plant, and giving good results.

**CHRISTMAS SHOP**  
 Merchants of did a brisk business and report that is beginning. A prominent among the day.

**VICTORY BOND**  
 Local banks yesterday received statement on Victory loan. Practically all necessary instalment purchases.

**WARBURTON**  
 Considerable the visit of G. Toronto, to this Warburton, leading figures in Canada, will be local institution.

**EXPECTED BIRTH**  
 Chief of Police his son, Lieut. Olive home some time. Slain in the 125th wounded in the summer. His Slain, arrived.

**FARMERS MEETING**  
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