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Editor World: I lately noticed that you seemed very much exercised at the difficulty of finding an efficient means of preventing bribery and corruption at election times and in politics generally. As a suggestion, how would it do to enact a law making detection in using corrupt means in electing candidates punishable by imprisonment of the party discovered? As I understand the law now—the discovery of bribery only annuls the election and no one is punished—except if punished it is by a monetary fine, easily raised by the party, and all that happens is as you say, "We must be more careful next time and not get found out." If the actual agent discovered using corrupt influence were penalized for the offence, it seems to me that there would be considerably more hesitation in taking the risk. I was talking to an Englishman yesterday, and he expressed great surprise at the little interest Canadians take in public affairs except at election time. He specially noted that in England members were held strictly accountable for their pre-election promises, and were beaten if they failed to keep them. He said that the English people were not so easily deceived as we are, and that there would be considerably more hesitation in taking the risk. I was talking to an Englishman yesterday, and he expressed great surprise at the little interest Canadians take in public affairs except at election time. He specially noted that in England members were held strictly accountable for their pre-election promises, and were beaten if they failed to keep them. He said that the English people were not so easily deceived as we are, and that there would be considerably more hesitation in taking the risk.

### BURSTING RIFLES.

Editor World: The number of rifles bursting in the hands of members of the militia at target practice has increased to a serious question and it appears opportune that the government should hold a full investigation to discover the real cause. It is hardly possible that rifles which have had previous expert test and have been in frequent use at target practice would blow up without some cause other than the mechanism of the rifle itself. Experienced handlers of small arms are beginning to think that the cause may emanate from the ammunition now being supplied and it is argued that the cordite may be subjected to some obscure chemical change, or that the weighing of the charge is not sufficiently accurate, and in this direction it would be advisable for the militia department to turn its attention in giving instructions to the expert members of a board that is or might be called upon to investigate a rather serious matter. E. Desbarats, Montreal.

### CRIPPLES AND FAKES.

Editor World: I was pleased to see in your columns that the city authorities have decided to move off of Dufferin-street, in the vicinity of the fair grounds, the large and ever increasing collection of unfortunate cripples that have congregated there for many years past. Many of these people appear to be deserving of some sort of assistance but they should receive aid through proper channels and not be allowed to turn Dufferin-street into an annual camp. A lot of these people make Toronto their rendezvous during fair time, not only on Dufferin-street, but all over principal down-town streets and it is a question to me if they should not be kept off the streets at that time. For the few who are incapable there are numbers who are hobs in disguise, and these should be made to go to work or keep off the streets. It would be a good thing also if the police would keep an eye on the fake shows and games of chance that crop up with much frequency at such times as exhibition time. The sort of Toronto must be peculiarly suitable for these fellows, or can it be that the number of "rubes" who come to the city at that time, makes this a profitable place for their business? A Resident.

### AUTHOR WANTED.

Editor World: Can your readers tell me who the author is of these lines: "All flesh is grass, and grass is hay; We're here to-morrow and gone to-day." Student.

## The Railway Board Unfair

Not Acceptable as Arbitrators

## Cars May Tie Up to-Day

**Situation Reaches Acute Stage Thru Refusal of Men to Leave the Question to Government Commission—Sharp Criticism by Magnus Sinclair, Organizer of Men.**

Hamilton, Aug. 23.—(Special.)—The street railway situation reached an acute stage to-day, when the street railwaymen's union positively refused to consent to the Ontario municipal and railway board having anything to do with the settlement of their trouble with the Hamilton Street Railway, the Hamilton and Dundas, and the Radial Road.

Magnus Sinclair, of Toronto, the chairman of the Canadian executive board, stated that the reason for the union's action was that the board was unfair in the London street car strike, and that it was on the union's unfair list.

The agreement between the street railway employees and the company expires to-morrow, and from present indications a strike will be declared, if the street railway men go out. It will mean a general tie-up of nearly all the radial lines about Hamilton, as they are all, with one exception, controlled by the Cataract Company, and the employees of the other roads will go out in sympathy with the city men.

The company will not recede from its position taken when the negotiations first started, that the employees of each road must present their grievances separately. It is stated that action of the union has been precipitated by a statement made by H. N. Kitchin, the Hamilton representative on the railway board, that the union had no more right to expect the Cataract Company to deal with the employees of the three roads combined any more than the employees of the three concerns in which he was interested might expect him to deal with them.

The manner in which the board brought itself into the dislike of the union was in connection with an investigation made by the board at London into the dismissal of three employees. The union representatives maintained that there was an abundance of evidence to prove that the men had been intimidated by the company in every way possible in order to get them to withdraw from the union, and that, in the face of this, the board decided that the company was justified in dismissing the men.

Deal Separately.

Clyde Green, traction manager of the Cataract Company, in a letter to the union yesterday repeated their demand that the company would insist on dealing with the employees of the three roads separately. He stated that if negotiations failed, the company was willing to submit the question to arbitration.

The union, in reply, appealed to the company to make an amicable conference between the men and the officers of the company, failing in which they were prepared to act on the basis of the company to arbitrate, the board of arbitration to consist of three interested citizens of Hamilton, one to be chosen by the company, one to be chosen by the union, and the two to choose a third.

**CENSURE FOR EVERYBODY.**

Hamilton Board of Health Passes on Alleged Nuisance.

Hamilton, Aug. 23.—(Special.)—The board of health met to-night and discussed the report of the provincial board of health on the coal oil inlet nuisance, and proceeded to act on the recommendations of the board in an endeavor to remedy the unhealthy conditions existing there. The report was a voluminous one, and condemned in scathing terms the abominable conditions which have been allowed to prevail in a city like Hamilton.

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The Fowler's Canadian Co. was severely criticized because fertilizer and lard were made in the same building and on account of its poor sewage system. Stroud's cattle yards were condemned as being filthy and filthy. The Canadian Oil Co., the G. T. R. Freeman Fertilizer Works were all more or less censured for the unhealthy conditions and bad odors connected with their places. The city was also criticized for allowing sewage to pass into the river untreated.

A resolution was passed, thanking the provincial board for the report, and it was decided to place the report in the hands of the acting city solicitor who will confer with the provincial board and the local board as to the proper course to be taken in order to abate the nuisances complained of.

### RAILROAD BOARD UNFAIR.

Magnus Sinclair, union officer, gave out the following: The provincial legislature, at the last session, created an Electric Railway Act, and to administer this act, named a board, called the Ontario railway and municipal board, the functions of which were to deal with railway matters between municipalities and the companies.

One or two clauses specified that the board might arbitrate between the employees and the companies. It is a purely voluntary measure, much the same as the Voluntary Arbitration Act.

Beginning in August, there was trouble between the London Street Railway Company and the union over the discharge of three employees, for no other reason than that they belonged to the union.

After various ineffectual attempts at adjustment, a strike was inaugurated. The railway board was sent for, and tried to get the company to arbitrate, the union being willing. The company refused, and after all attempts to reach a settlement had failed, the board proceeded, on the union's request, to make an investigation in the court house, where 30 employees were examined.

It was shown in evidence that the company officials approached the men, warned, intimidated and threatened them with dismissal if they did not give up their membership in the union. The three men charged swore under oath that they were active members of the union, and one declared that one of the officers told him to give the union's funds back or get out, he being secretary.

There was no rebuttal from the company, excepting a couple of trivial charges. Yet, in view of all this evidence, the board, by the decision of Mr. Ingram and Mr. Kitchin, without leaving the throne or conferring, rendered a decision that the company was justified in dismissing the three men. London labor bodies condemned the decision, and our association will submit evidence to the board, and if necessary, will organize labor throughout the province.

In view of the recognized attitude of the board, we refuse, as a labor organization, to place ourselves at the mercy in any controversy, either in Hamilton or elsewhere. But we are prepared to submit the question, as it is, to a board of arbitration consisting of three interested citizens, such a board may return Mr. Leitch and Mr. Kitchin are anti-unionists, and their knowledge of industrial labor movements.

which broke its leg in a hole between the company's tracks.

Chisholm and Logie have issued a writ against George S. Mills, contractor, on behalf of Mrs. Jane Elliott, for the death of her son, who was killed by the falling of a scaffold at the new Savoy Theatre.

The Toronto Daily and Sunday World delivered to day in Hamilton before 7 a.m.; daily, five a month; Sunday, 50¢ per copy. Hamilton office, Martindale Hotel Building, Phone 365.

**WIFE OF PRESIDENT-ELECT ROBBED OF JEWELS BY THUGS**

Bandits Cut Ears and Fingers Off to Obtain Valuables When House Collapsed.

Lima, Peru, Aug. 23.—Further details received here to-day from Valparaiso, Chile, show that out of 40 employees of the Telephone Company, 38 were killed. When the house of President-elect Montt collapsed, his wife fell from the balcony into the street, and bandits, who were passing, cut off her ears and fingers to rob her of the jewels she was wearing. The body was taken in a dying state on board the Chilean warship O'Higgins. Among the dead Valparaiso is Frederico Valdivia, the famous capitalist and politician.

Considerable alarm is felt here, in view of the conditions in Chile, as no reliable reports are coming from that republic to Peru, and the latter does not seem to be in a position to place the Chilean warship O'Higgins. Among the dead Valparaiso is Frederico Valdivia, the famous capitalist and politician.

**FEARS OF PESTILENCE CONCERN OF VALPARAISO**

Valparaiso, Chile, Aug. 23.—Some of the business houses here reopened to-day for the first time since the earthquake. Telephone and telegraph communication with Santiago has been re-established, but the lines are almost exclusively used by the government officials.

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