

before the city council. In spite of this message and the letters it embodies it appears that Mr. Geary has insisted on going back to the superseded letter of July 21 for the basis of his agreement

those terms are stated, that "the rail-

property in its entirety, including all east. physical and intangible assets granted to or possessed or held by or used in the prosecution of the street rail-

way business, and all similar assets as may be the property of the radial lines the first two cities in the United States used in operating under the light, heat and power franchises."

On page 59 there is a further particularization of the point: "There should be no reservation on the part issued by the board of trade departof the railway company of any portion of the franchise, such as might result the cost of living in the United States, if the city should by agreement pur- since it showed that workmen in Pittschase only so much of the franchises burg paid higher rents than in comof the respective companies as to en- peting cities. These rents were higher able the city to operate simply the by 19 per cent. than in Philadelphia; physical property purchased. * * * by 47 per cent. over Cleveland, and If the city purchases the property it by 75 per cent. over Baltimore. Furshould then become possessed of the ther enquiry showed that Pittsburg monopoly, and any other railway sys- manufacturers were paying from 60 tems, such as radial lines entering into cents to \$1 per square foot per year the city, should then treat with the for floor space, while space in comcity for such use of its tracks as it peting interior Pennsylvanian cities might desire in order to bring its in- could be had for from 20 to 30 cents.

That is explicit enough. This letter of Sept. 20, was trans-

mitted to Sir William Mackenzie, and J. T. Holdsworth figured that the averon page 65 of the mayor's message age value of land per acre in Pittsappears his reply. He says: "After burg was \$19,000, a trifle less than in a reading of the letter of Sept. 20, New York, but higher than in any of written by Messrs. Arnold and Moyes, I think we can meet their views, but United States. would suggest that it could probably be done more expeditiously, and with better satisfaction to all parties, by your suggestion that the memorandum of July 21, together with this letter and report referred to, be handed to your legal department, so that they working men at lower rents; relief of may give consideration to such agreements as may be necessary."

On page 66 is a copy of the mayor's ed for building and expansion; lower letter to G. R. Geary, Esq.,K.C., enclosing copy of letter of July 21, and copy of the city and its industries. For a genletter of Sept. 20, with this instruction:

"The former document is to be read holding land for speculative purposes. in the light of the latter, and both to- The holdings of old estates were classgether will form the basis of the agreement to be entered into in the one-half the rate charged against office event of the decision being arrived at that the city shall purchase the assets, In 1911 the legislature wiped out the etc., of the Toronto Railway Company and the Toronto Electric Light Com- further and gave the advantage to the pany."

Apparently Mr. Geary gave no con- latter act fixes the tax rate on all sideration to these documents, and per- buildings at one-half the rate on land. sisted in following the instructions of The change will, however, be made The Telegram, which was the only au- gradually over a term of 12 years,

pity that the government has seen fit to withhold this boon from the farmers of the prairie provinces. The World believes that the government will grant free wheat when the budget comes down.

It is the greatest boon we could give their main objective. On page 6 of the mayor's message the west. It would encourage immithere is stated the fact that the ex- gration there, it would help to make their objective? perts on Sept. 20, set out the several the west prosperous, and as a conseparticulars in which the terms of pur- quence the factories and business chase should be amended in the city's concerns of the east would be full of interest. On page 58 of the message orders from the west.

This is the most serious issue ye way company should turn over the raised between the prairies and the

> PITTSBURG REFORM TAX SYS-TEM.

Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, is one of

to cut the tax rate on buildings to a point radically lower than the tax on here a time in the city's history when land. The movement for this reform public vigilance was as necessary as it is today. Let the public watch the was markedly stimulated by the report Quebec Legislature and the city hall as it never watched them before. Let ment of the British Government on it also watch the newspapers. Observe what they say and note well what they refrain from saying. The significance of all this slaughter of newspapers, which is the slaughter of public opinion, will appear in due season. The all-important thing is that the public should not be taken by surtrise.

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do some close watching on its own ac-

GETS OFFER OF POWER

Fifty Thousand.

KINGSTON COMMISSION Source of Supply is Third Lake Depot and Transmission Cost. -

terurban business into the heart of These figures are given by Mr. Allen T. Burns, secretary of the Pittsburg Civic Commission. Further in his eco-

nomic survey of the city for 1912. Prof. the other ten largest cities of the round and 2000 for eight months ing \$50,000 this power could be

These were the data which caused brought to Kingston the civic commission, the Real Estate

Dealers' Association and the Pittsburg Board of Trade to join in a tax campaign, which, as they held, would secure three results: Better houses for manufacturers and other enterprises from prohibitive prices for land need-

man who improves his real estate. This

taxes as an inducement for developing eration Pittsburg had suffered from a

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tinuance of maintenance for amalgamating of newspapers involving enormous expenditures, is in its essential objects an episode in the years. Rex v. Marshall .-- J. R. Cartwright, K.C., for attorney-general, stated that the motion herein has been enlarged sine die, subject to approval of court newspaper business. It is an episode in the business of parties to whom newspapers are entirely incidental to

Enlarged accordingly. Re McCabe -- F. W. Harcourt. K.C., for infant, obtained flat for payment Who are these parties? What is

These are question which, tho they out of court of money. may not be announced authoritative-ly at the present moment. may be an-Re Williams Shoe Co.-H. E. Irwin, K.C., for certain creditors, moved for swered sooner than the public expects. Significantly enough the standing winding-up order. No one contra-Order made. W. J. Heaven appointed warning of one of the amalgamated newspapers to keep one eye on the rovisional liquidator. Reference to naster in ordinary.

Quebec Legislature and another on the city hall, has suddenly ceased. Why Toronto Development Co. v. Kennedy. -J. H. Fraser, for defendant, on appeal was that storm signal raised in the first place, and why has it now been pulled down? Evidently the chloro-form artist has taken the place of the rom order of master in chamb Jan. 28th last, striking out part of defence. W. H. Clipsham for plaintiffs. At request of defendant enlarged until th inst. Meanwhile the public can, afford to

Kennedy v. Suydam Realty Co .--- W. H. Clipsham for plaintiff. J. H. Fraser The Daily Mail will undertake for defendants. At request of plaintiff notion herein enlarged until 13th inst. and time for entering appearance en-

larged meantime. Lees v. Lees.—J. H. Scott, K. C., moved for order allowing distribution of moneys into court. F. W. Harcourt, K.C.² for infants. Order made Re Sarah Kalmeyer, deceased.—D. R. McLeask. for beneficiaries. moved for order, for payment out of insurance moneys paid into court by Woodmen of

the World. F. W. Harcourt. K.C., for infants. Order made. Rex v. Healy.-J. G. Smith, for de-fendant, moved for order quashing con-

viction of defendant for intoxication by the police magistrate of Petrolea on Nov. 80, 1913. J. R. Cartwright, K.C., for police magistrate. Motion dismissed with costs.

Judges' Chambers. Before Kelly, J.

Re Lauretta May Spinlove-W. A. Henderson, for Mabel Spinlove, moved KINGSTON, Feb. 3.—The Napanee River Improvement Company has child Lauretta May Spinlove, R. G. made a power offer to the Utilities Agnew for Phoebe Spinlove, paternal Commission of Kingston. It owns grandmother. Judgment: There can property at Third Lake Depot, 35 be no question whatever of the right miles from this city, where there are of the mother as against the grandfalls with a 65-foot drop, and where at least 1000 horse-power for the year round and 2000 for eight month year the year can be secured. By expend- rights as against any rights of Phoebe spinlove, or, indeed, against any right of the putative father. Having reached the conclusion that the ap-plicant is entitled as against Phoebe Spinlove I hesitate to permit her to take the child with her while she is travelling from place to place following her present calling. Thru her counsel on the argument an offer was made to have the child placed in the custody of the applicant's married sister or in a convent in Toronto, there to be cared for and maintained at the expense of the applicant. In the interests of the child I have given careful consideration not only to the present position of the applicant, but to the suggestions for the child's care as well; and I think the best interests of the child will be served by having her placed for the time being under

the charge of the Sisters of St. Joseph in Toronto, the mother carrying out her desire and intention of maintain-ing the child there and having the right to visit her. The order will go for delivery over of the child accord-ingly, with costs.

Single Court. Before the Chancellor. Heney v. Kerr-J. E. Caldwell (Ot-tawa), for defendants Kerr, moved for order staying action and all proceedings upon payment of

1913. Action by the city to restrain defendants from erecting buildings in accordance with plans approved by the architect of the city, and on file in the city architect's office upon property in limit B, under bylaw 6401 of the city. The judgment appealed, from held the bylaw to be valid and made the in-junction perpetual against erection of buildings in question. Appeal argued and judgment reserved. McLean v. Varoz-No one for de-

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