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The Globe is attacking "the government and its masters," the Pacific syndicate. It endeavors to show that the government is thinking there is no little danger in store his duties. A new branch office similar to for this country by reason of this immense orporation. But it is the teaching of the Globe more than to anything else that we owe its existence. For it distinctly and continually harped on our great national highway being given over to have remained the property of the country. With the Intercolonial and the Pacific in the hands of the dominion government the railway monopolists of the whole continent could have been kept in check. There would hardly have been any reason for a railway commission such as Mr. Dalton McCarthy proposes, if the governd a great trans-conevils attendant on government conbeing overcome in Europe and they will be in America. We should have kept our

Pacific railway in the hands of the people. As things now are, we have two immens corporations struggling for supremacy and stopping at nothing. They are capturing the politicians and the newspapers; they will not think twice of overturning the intitutions of the country if they suppose they can attain their ends.

## FOR THE PARMERS.

The farmers of Canada have not yet taken part in a railway war. But they one. Competition has been killed off in a charities. great many directions by fusions, and the Northwest has been handed over to a monthe reform party through some of its leaders is in dangerous relations with the Grand Trunk. They cannot trust the partyl organs, for the Mail is with the syndicate and the Globe is a Grand Trunk organ, with two Grand Trunk "lobbyists" and "pushers" on its board of directors. They cannot trust many of the newspapers throughout the country that have job rooms packed with work from one or other of these railways. There have been some very recent examples of newspapers weakening in

job printing came round. The farmers must trust themselves. They must raise the anti-monopoly cry and they must watch their representatives. They must insist on the creation of a railway com mission, and they must reduce whenever they can the privileges now enjoyed by the two monopolies.

## THE PANAMA CANAL.

A report on the Panama canal by Lieutenant Raymond P. Rodgers, of the U. S. navy, published in the New York Herald, will revive public interest in that great undertaking. Under the direction of Rear Admiral Cooper, commanding on the North Atlantic station, Lieutenant Rodgers passed over the line of the canal and examined its general plane, its conditions and prospects. Large hospitals and workshops have been erected at Panama and Aspinwall, and busy villages have sprung up all along the reute. The number of workmen employed is between four thousand five hundred and five thousand. The greater part of the laborers are Jamaicans, and the remainder are Colombians. The mechanics are American, English and French. A list of the machinery and material on the isthmus is furnished in the report. It includes steam excavators, steam cranes, steam tugs and launches and all the articles necessary for the construction of the great work. The preliminary ized this summer by permanent residents, work of fixing and clearing the route, of and some of the most ardent water spirits erecting docks, quarters and machine shops are already enquiring when the tugs will be and the accumulating of materials and labor are so advanced that the work of excavation will be vigorously prosecuted by

the beginning of the next dry season. After describing the general route of the canal along the line of the Panama railway strike us before sunrise to-day. Winter and the progress of the work, Lieutenant Rodgers comes to the conclusion that there can be no longer any doubt of the intention of the company to carry out the plan proposed by M. de Lesseps. The date fixed by M. de Lesseps for the completion of canal is 1888, but Lieutenant Rodgers infers that it will not be finished for some years later. He also believes that the cost will exceed the estimate of M. de Lesseps, which

about \$26,000,000 have been clusive of the cost of the Pan which was about \$17,000,000.

This report will, no doubt, greatly tend to lessen the doubts that have been so freely expressed in regard to the success of this doctrine by the enemies of the canal; but enterprise will prove a failure. When the work approaches nearer to realization the pretences that the canal is a menace will be renwed. But, if the climate, ountable, the constructors and shareholders of the canal will have little cause of alarm in the cry over the Monroe doctrine. and they ought not to permit a dog-in-themanger policy to stand in the way of its When completed the canal will world, and it will need no strained conentitled in the commerce of this grand

The postoffice in Yorkville is now merged in the general Toronto office, and the present incumbent will shortly be relieved of those in Carlton, Bathurst, and Parliament streets will soon be established to meet the postal requirements of St. Paul's ward.

waterway from ocean to ocean.

It is very seldom that more than from hundred to a thousand Indians go on the warpath in the United States at one time, and yet 17,500 men are kept busy keeping them in order and suppressing them. Fewer soldiers and more school teachers and honest agents would have a wonderful

Northern Whig says : "The Canadian government is very anxious to have the stream of immigration directed to those wide and fruitful regions, and is holding out strong inducements to intending immigrants. It would be a great blessing to the western parts of Ireland if the destitute easantry could be transferred to such a country. It would give a career, not to speak of a living, to a mass of people who have been living from hand to mouth for generations, and often steeped in the deep-

An ingenious plan has been devised for providing nurses for the poor in Cincinnati. Women may attend the recently established training school for nurses free, provided they agree to hold sthemselves in readiness for one year to nurse the sick may soon find themselves in the midst of poor when called upon by the associated

The Diamond match company of the United States is undoubtedly the largest oner was too drunk or stupid to answer and rates are likely to follow. Already the Grand Trunk is showing the cloven hoof, and the farmers of the Northwest need expect no favors from the Pacific. To whom | leading cities. One of the greatest branches then are the farmers to look for assistance? of its work is the lumbering, which it he should not have committed the latter. To themselves. They cannot trust the carries on with nine camps in Michigan, ms, for the conservative party is which have produced for the last four months bound hand and foot to the syndicate, and an average of eighteen nundred thousand logs, all to be split up into splinters for

> The Montreal Star says that a railway ommission with extensive but well-defined powers would be in the best interests of everybody, in the long run.

The question of free passes is agitating some of the state legislatures. A bill has been introduced in the senate of Pennsylva nia to prohibit railroads issuing free tickets their duty when the orders for Grand Trunk | to any but their own employes. Chauncey M. Depew, attorney for the New York Central, suggests that a law be passed to make it a felony for any public officer (including a legislator) to accept a free pass.

> It is evident some reform is required in the timber laws of the Northwest. According to the Edmonton Bulletin, a man purchasing a quantity of wood from a person holding a selling permit, can be questioned as to his right to the wood, and if the agent is not perfectly satisfied can be arrested, held in jail for felony, and his wood seized. If on trial he should be acquitted, he has no redress against the agent. The Bulletin declares that, "At present every man who purchases a stick of wood is at the mercy of the agent, and at any moment is liable to be caused expense and worry, and treated as a felon."

> With signs of spring approaching, affairs n real estate are beginning to boom. Building lots are being offered for sale in all quarters of the city and suburbs, and the expectations of sellers must be more than usually hopeful. In the opinion of real estate men, Toronto is destined to occupy no mean limits, Already building lots are in the market five and six miles west of Yonge street and property for summer residences is offered as far east as Scarboro and Balmy beach—altogether a stretch of ten miles about. The island will be well patron-

crossing to Hanlan's Point. Yesterday was a very fine day without doubt, but as weather goes now-a-days it would not be safe to predict a storm will not

After denying that Lord Wolseley, Mr Forster, or the Duke of Albany (Prince Leopold)-all of whom have been men

Leopold)—all of whom have been mentioned in connection with the position—will succeed Lord Lorne at Rideau Hall.

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We quite agree with Mr. Labouchere that the experiment of sending a member of the royal family to reside in Canada has been a failure, and we sincerely trust it will not be repeated. If a pensioner form a failure, and we sincerely trust it will not be repeated. If a pensioner form England must be foisted upon us, we sincerely hope he will be chosen for his brains, his judgment, his energy, and his ability, and not because he has base blood in his veins or is connected by marriage, or in any other way, with somebody who has. struction of the Monroe doctrine to give our neighbors the share to which it will be veins or is connected by marriage, or in any other way, with somebody who has.

> In spite of all that has been said by the ability, as a whole, could not be paid than that offered by the dominion government, who have sent for five of them to go to Ottawa to hunt up fenians supposed to be

The introduction of the electric light and the fear of the establishment of a rival gas company, have had a salutary effect on the Montreal Gas company. At the recent meeting of shareholders it was announced that there would likely be still further reductions in the price of gas, and it was even intimated that it might go down as low as a dollar a thousand. It is expected furthermore that the reduction in price will coasion no decrease in the company's dividends, as it is alleged the increased consumption will admit of a lower price being charged without diminished profits, Edison says the electric light can compete in any place where gas is more than \$1.25 a fore, to see gas in all our larger cities tumble down until it reaches at least that

The latest stupidity on the part of Ontario's learned magistrates comes from week ago wherein a man was charged with stealing a horse. When the case came before the assize court at St. Catharines, the asked for, and it was then found that the whole investigation before the magistrate amounted to the opinion of that gentleman himself, who says briefly that "the pris-A man being committed for stupidity is only one remove from his being committed to stand his trial for insanity.

## THE USE OF WEALTH.

To the Editor of The World. SIR: It was interesting to the writer to notice, along with Typo's letter, in a recent issue of your journal, a record of the charitable bequests of the late Mr. James Michie. For, notwithstanding that there is truth in the position taken by Typo, that charitable bequests are only an act of justice on the part of a man who has acquired wealth by the aid of others, there is also a generosity which contrasts commendably to the course of millionaires, like A. T. Stewart and Sir. Hugh Allan, who left all their wealth to their own relatives, and ignored. "the poor ye have always with you." Now, if it right to condemn the latter, it surely is on-

But Typo charges that I make too much of such bequests, and overlook the injustice of not sufficiently rewarding the laborer for his work, and so distributing to him a larger share of the world's wealth, thus enabling him to be generous as well as his wealthy neighbor. But Typo does not state how this difficulty is to be met. The bible does indeed tell of a time, which most christians believe to be a future millensial case in which (Lea is to rule the lennial age, in which God is to rule the details of life as He does not now—prophdetails of life as He does not now—prophecied of by Isaiah (chap. 65) where he says "They shall build houses and inhabit them, and they shall plant vineyards and eat the fruit of them; they shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat and they shall long enjoy the work of their hands; they shall not labor in vain, nor bring forth for trouble." But can Typo or anybody else point out a way to bring about the just state of sffairs, while man in his individual selfishness rules the world?

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As things are now, whether a man politically grit or conservative, or religion ly a quaker or a ritualist, commercially seeks to buy his labor in the cheape market and sell it in the dearest. Hence as a matter of business, he gets all be can out of his laborers, both in time and work. In fact, he makes himself, as far as he can, In fact, he makes himself, as far as he can, the centre of a system which like the sun draws all to himself. What is really needed is an opposing force of equal power to preserve an equilibrium and keep all things going in their proper orbits, as the planets move in the polar system. In the Jewish theoracy, God was the centre, drawing all to himself, not for himself however, as with man, but for the God of mankind. Hence the declaration "the land is mine, it shall not be cold for ever." The right of redemption was perpetual, where a sale had taken place, till the jubilee when each lot was to return to the original owner or his descendants. In this

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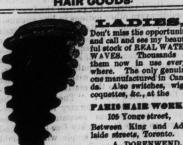
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