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Australia's Transcontinental

Railroad development in Australia has proceeded very differently from that of Canada. This is no doubt attributable in part to the fact that the commonwealth is an island continent. while the Dominion with coast lines on the east and west has a land frontier on the south and an impassable Arctic ses on the north. Where communication was available by sea routes the need of connecting railways was not so keenly felt and led the states into which the continent was divided to construct roads more for their own individual purposes than for exchange of traffic. As a result of this independent action the gauges selected were not uniform, and only recently did the federal government secure an agreement fixing the standard at 4 feet 8 1-2 in., to which in due time the railways of the states that vary from it will be made to conform.

By the end of this year in all probability Australia will have its first transcontinental railway available for traffic, and it will be possible to travel by rail from Brisbane, the capital of Queensland, on the east coast, to Kalgoorlie, in West Australia, a distance of 5000 miles. The completion of the transcontinental will provide the principal and most extended link in this chain of steel, enfolding practically tralia, travelers will for the meantime



and joy of the Toronto force, "detects" for freedom; of the latter, the aspiraher, and after hearing her story, in- tion after national power and domiforms the company that 'he finds no nance, even at the expense of freeevidence against the lady, and the mur- dom."

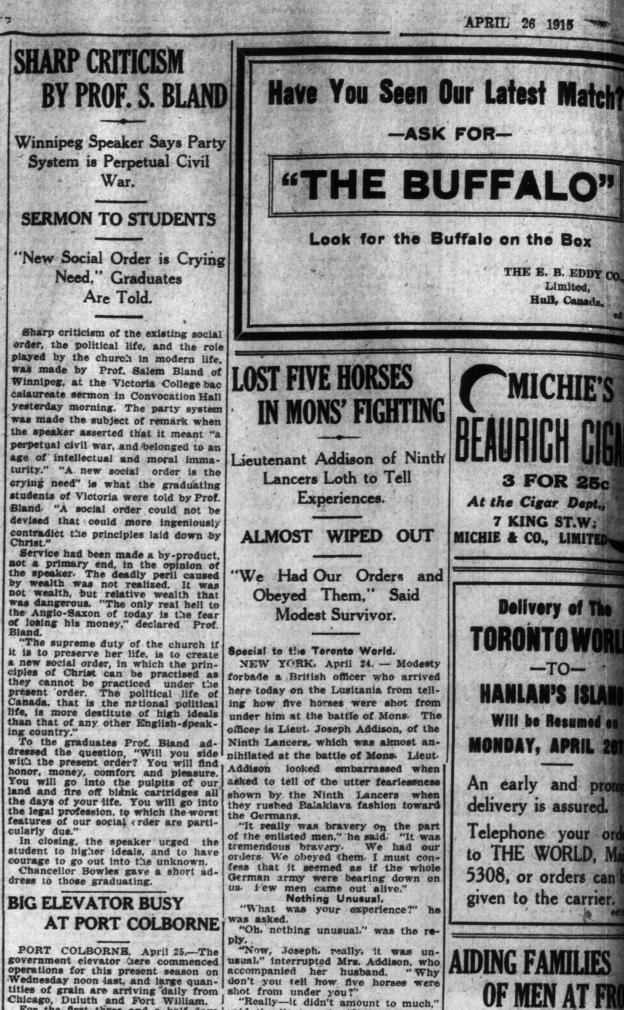
Altho it is undoubted that the very der must remain a mystery. This drama is going all over Am- existence of the British Empire is inerica presumably as an example of To- volved in the successful prosecution ronto morals, and Toronto detective of this war, it is none the less true methods. What do the censors think that in entering upon it the empire is of it? What do the detectives of To- upholding not only its right to free de- a number of these people came to our half the continent. As far as Adelaide, the capital of South Aus-tralia, travelers will for the meantime

THE HINDU QUESTION.

Editor World: As the question of the immigration to Canada of the Siks or Hindus is again discussed thru the press. let me ask your indulgence and space to say a word in this connection.

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As most of your readers are aware



have to undergo inconveniences from the breaks of gauge, but between Adelaide and Port Augustus, on the west coast, they will have a clear and almost straight run across 1060 miles of country.

The railroad is being built by the commonwealth government, about 2000 now being employed. The route is described as fairly level, and contrary to the common belief the country

is reported to have large pastoral districts, with evidence of artesian and sub-artesian water in plenty for at least 900 miles. On this area millions of sheep are expected to be carried, and in other parts gold has been struck Trading With the Enemy Amendment in paying quantities. At least three Act and the Proclamation of Septem-days' travel will be saved by the her 2, 1914. Up to the latest date transcontinental route and a considerable saving made in the cost of carriage of mails by steamer. The construction of the line was strongly recommended by Lord Kitchener as necessary for defence purposes, and he regarded the isolation of West Australia as a grave commercial and political disadvantage.

Censoring the Picture Drama

There is evidence that in the censorship of moving picture dramas there placed in that way, and the interest is a greater observance of the letter earned will suffice to pay the cost of than of the spirit of the law. This, a ministration. perhaps, is the fault of the law. Or it may be the result of over-work on public trustee the report shows fur- and ends are allowed to collect. In kaleidoscope of the moving picture outbraces, eliminating gun-play, and abolishing stars and stripes, tithing the mint and anise and cummin, and probably passing over all the weightier matters.

The moral of a drama is a far more important affair than the local color of banner or language. But how are these things to be determined? The educational value of the moving picdure, whether in drama, in natural history, in travel, or in any other de- third of the male staff of the departpartment, is immense. Millions of ment are on active service in various people go to these shows who never capacities.

saw beyond their own thresholds before, who never read a book, or went to a play. We have been told that the pictures should cultivate national spirit Quarterly Dr. John Watson discusse and patriotism, and inspire good ideals German philosophy and politics "It and practical views of life, Fortunate- may fairly be claimed," he writes, in ly the picture shows are not without introducing his subject, "that in Engthese advantages. But there are other land and in her free colonies, there

Recently a play was put on, purporting to be a Toronto drama, the scenery being laid in this city, and the atmosphere being frankly that of Lake On-

tario. The plot of the play was to the precisely the reverse is true, the domieffect that a young woman, having an nant party there being oosessed by invalid husband, wearied of him, and the idea that the main purpose of the fell under the wiles of a man about state and of its organization is that town. This person presently announces of national expansion. These two his engagement to another woman, and ideals have in fact come into open his manied lover thereupon stabs him. conflict in the present war. The mo-The detective, who is evidently the pride tive power in the former is the demand

mental to the public, and much more speeches, Mr. Asquith quoted the late fully treated at that time, and are now unpatriotic than many of the things that | W. E. Gladsfone as saying during the are barred altogether. Perhaps it was intended as a satire on our provincial police, who are either

allowing the guilty to escape for sentimental reasons, or failing to discover their identity. Yet a satire of this nature would surely call for censorship of some description.

> **Enemy Property in England** In his last annual report, issued re-

cently, the English Public Trustee includes a statement of the enemy property held by him under the ber 9, 1914. Up to the latest date available the enemy property registered in England and Wales reached the large total of \$423,000,000, and this, it is believed, will be increased to upwards of \$500,000,000. The sum held by the public trustee on behalf of enemies amounted to \$270,000,000; capital in partnerships \$8,000,000, and

capital in companies \$145,000,000. By the act the public trustee is given devote to, and heavier than he cares power to invest any enemy moneys to ask his women-folk to undertake. paid over, and over \$3,000,000 has been

the part of the censors. It is difficult ther progress. I last year the new garden patches the heaps of refuse for mere human beings to watch the business totaled not less than \$110,- and rubbish, which gather are fine 009,000. Since the department was shelters for all sorts of insect life in put day after day and all day long, established in 1908 the aggregate early stages, which is better disposed value of the business accepted reaches of in the fire than allowed to torment of the law, cutting out overlong em- \$660,000,000. On March 31 of this the community later on. year the investments held totaled \$278,000,000, and the average rate of interest received was a little over 4 per cent. The trustee in discharging

this part of his duties is now assisted by an advisory committee, and it is evident from the figures cited that he continues to hold the confidence of the British public. An interesting feature is the statement that one-

> A War of Ideals In the current issue of The Queen's

has been in recent years a growing feeling in favor of the settlement of international disputes by agreement rather than by the cruder method of a resort to arms; while in Germany

> Paid-up Capital Investments ... **Deposits Received**

war of 1870, that "the greatest triumph of the idea of public right as the govas it has that of the nations which formed of these peoplebelieve in the reign of law, individual liberty and co-operation for the common ends of all Christian civilizations.

Clean-Up Week.

Clean-up week has come round again and there is no reason why it should not be combined with the give-a-mana-job movement, which was the topic of interest a little while ago. That does not seem to have been as successful as had been expected, chiefly, perhaps, for the reason that most men it themselves this year. In the cleanup movement there is more room for expansive ideas. The work is somewhat arduous at times, greater than the average householder has time to Moreover, clean-up occasions are necessary from the point of view of health, economy and comfort. Much disease in bred in foul and dank cor-As regards the regular duties of the ners where shabby and useless odds

There is abundant economy in the clean-up effect of new paint or mended fences or repairs to fly screens and doors, locks and hinges, doorbells and stovepipes, furnaces and cellar accessories in general. The tendency to let things run is not a wise one to encourage, and enough may be race or color saved out of careful attention in these matters to make up for some of the extra charges imposed by the war.

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willing to give at least a fair hearing to their case, and with the market change in public opinion since that of our time will be the enthronement time I do not believe they would be so treated today. This change is due erning idea of European politics." More largely to more solid thinking, which and more since that time has that idea of justice because of a better knowlgoverned the course of British policy. edge of the case and a higher opinion

From what I know and learn of the Hindus, they would make excellent citizens, being a sober, industrious, thoughtful people, who have been touched by the wand of progress and a desire to emigrate to other parts

of the empire to improve their con-dition, quite a laudable ambition on

been spending large sums of money to settle on our lands, for which the Hindu is peculiarly adapted. J am aware that the objections raised have been largely due to prejudice and a lack of knowledge of the facts of the case These people are certainly our equal morally and intellecbelieve, as they are more profound and seeking reality, while we are chasing after the superficial and the They are taught to demythical. velop the divine within while we keep chasing the mirage in the cogs of superstition. It has been my privilege to listen to Dr. Sunder Singh on Sunday afternoons, and it struck me how simple and rational are their religious beliefs as compared with our puzzles and riddles, wmich but confuse all thoughtful people, and instead of our spending large sums of money yearly to convert these people, we would have them in our midst and they would

then see us as we really are, and in ethics I imagine they would not suffer by comparison. Our position reminds one of the barn

yard fowl who, if one of their number ooks or acts differently from the others, they are apt to turn on it and peck it to death. "What slaves to cus-

tom we are!" What if we differ slightin color and custom, many of the greatest minds the world has produced differed from us in color, habits and language. These things are but trifles compared with their ethical teachings, which are practically the same as ours, as the great universal spirit touche all, making us brethren, regardless of

In the awful war now waging, we see the prince and peasant. Briton and Hindu, standing side by side in defence of our common empire, all making the same sacrifices, and when the new world a greater democracy, and when the new world a greater democracy, a new standard of values, based not on wealth nor rate nor color, nor position, but on integrity, justice and helpful-ness. Then in the greater imperialism the Hindu population will be, must be dealt justly by. They cannot be ignordealt justy wy. They cannot be ignor-ed. I feel sure there will arise among them many minds capable of guiding the destinies, not only of India, but with the other dominions have a voice

in shaping the future of the Greater British Empire. Let us, then, treat British Empire. Let us, then, treat these people as citizens and not as aliens. We owe it to them; it is our duty; let us do it.

69 Constance street, city.

PASSED WORTHLESS CHEQUE. Martin Kerin, 118 West Front street

was arrested Saturday afternoon on a charge of securing goods to the value of \$5 from Thomas Woodhouse, 167 East King street, by means of a worthless cheque. Officer 280 made arrest

first three and a half days said the lieutenant. "It is true some opening, one and a half mil- horses were shot down, but isn't that For since the opening, one and a half million bushels of grain have been ele-vated. Today the steamer W. Grant what generally happens in a battle Therefore, it is not unusual, you with a cargo of 442,000 bush- know. But you must say the men of Morden els of wheat, was discharged in 11 the Lancers did splendid service. don't believe they made one mistake. hours, which constitutes a record for a cargo of this size.

Panama Pacific Exposition.

A trip to California will afford the traveler an infinite variety of attrac-Fine Program of Organ and Vocal Selections Given Saturday Afternoon. tions. The C. P. R. is ticketing passengers via Chicago and the many

An organ recital for the benefit routes thence to San Francisco, rethe Metropolitan Church Men's Club took place on Saturday afternoon-given by Organist T. J. Palmer, A.R. C.O., assisted by Miss Eleanor Wright, turning via Vancouver and their own line, or passengers can go via C. P. R. and return via Chicago. The quick The quick trains to Chicago via the C.P.R. and the Michigan Central have the most modern soloist

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Yards horse department.

The beauties of tone and volume their part surrely, while Canada has been spending large sums of money to secure much less worthy people to fine advantage in the request pro-gram rendered, which included "March to Chicago passengers can travel via Militaire" (Ch. Gounod), "Barcarolle," Tales of Hoffman (J. Offenbach): "Finlandia" (J. Sibelius), "Largo" (G. F. Handel), "In Moonlight," (R. Kin-Omaha and Denver or via Kansas City. The route via Salt Lake City or via Williams, whence the Grand Canyon of Arizona is visited, can be chosen der), "Overture to William Tell" (13 Rossini), and "National Anthem" (ar-ranged by W. T. Best), as performe The orange groves at Los Angeles and San Diego are well worth a visit at this season of the year, and the Coast at St. George's Hall. Liverpcol, on spe-cial occasions; a vocal solo "Beyond the Dawn" (Sanderson), was finely Line to San Francisco can be taken through Santa Barbara and Monterey. San Francisco is an interesting city, rendered by Miss Eleanor Wright. but probably the Exposition is the

greatest attraction at the present time. Of the numerous buildings the Americans and all visitors claim that the Dominion of Canada is the handsomest and most attractive, while the exhibits from all over the world are invancouver, thence thru the Canadian Vancouver, thence thru the Canadian' day, April 29, commencing each day Rockies, is the most magnificent of all at 9 a.m. Artillery and cavalry horses railway journeys, while the company's will be bought. The officers will not was accompanist and render hotels, which are built in the most at- buy any white or gray horses, and do talant contributed their series of the series

Hon. Thos. Crawford presided highly successful benefit can under the auspices of the Brick Benevolent Fund at Association on Saturday evening. The pr were for the wives and fa members of the Bricklayers' I who are at the front with the adian contingent. The chairman gratulated the union in having many of their association, fifty-m

in number, fighting for the em of whom had already been re wounded. The program was a fine one. It given under the direction

R. Cowan, who also delighted the ence with his martial top Frank Oldfield and Geo. sang "The Battle Eve" as a

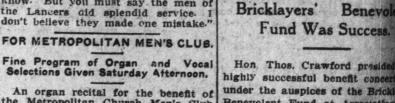
Imperial Remount Commission. great success. Miss Marjori sang a British recruiting so gave picturesque national dan The British army officers have again ommenced purchasing operations for rmy remounts at the Union Stock pipe selections and dances P Donald and Allister MacPhere

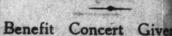
Two inspections will be held this week, on Tuesday, April 27, and Thursmuch appreciated. E. He ed a clever epic on the wa Kelly's ventriloquial enlivened the tertainment. R. R. Johnston, L.R.A. All tractive spots, have everything that not want any horses with heavy, coarse talent contributed their services the traveler can desire. hair on their legs.

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