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WE SALUTE THE DENTIST.
The greatest friend of humanity in these days is the dentist, whether as a hygienist in connection with public health and the prevention of epidemics or other disease; or as a general practitioner; or as an operating surgeon; or as a dentist.

We believe the dentist can and does more for the race than any other branch of what for a better term we call the healing art. If you asked us to say what was at the bottom of good health in this country of ours we would say good teeth and good footwear. The dentist can save the people's teeth and give them new ones, and teeth are behind digestion, and digestion means health. Therefore, The World pays tribute to the master dentist now in the city and the splendid new college they are opening for purposes of instruction.

The dentist is worthy of all the deference and respect that we pay to the doctor; he is a true friend of the race, and if you get to him in time he can give you more for your money than any one we know of.

REQUIRE EXPLANATION.

The Toronto Telegram, which takes such satisfaction in its own integrity, in recounting the city council vote on a question in which it takes an absorbing interest, omitted the name of Controller Geary from the list in which he should have figured with the other three controllers. Was this intentional or a slip? Was it meant to help Controller Geary or to injure him? Doubtless The Telegram will repair the omission and explain it.

A CANADIAN IN SAXONY.

That is a prudent maxim which requires those who travel in foreign parts to conform to the law of the place where at the moment it may happen to be. International practice prevents protest on the part of any government against either the character of the law in a foreign country or against the method of its administration, except in cases involving an obvious miscarriage of justice or the exercise of unusually harsh methods. An offender has no right to expect better treatment than is extended to the natives of the state which is his temporary home, but, on the other hand, he may justly complain if the punishment is too severe or is accompanied by further penalties far beyond what the circumstances of his delinquency fairly entail. But in this connection it must be remembered that citizens in European bureaucracies are habituated to arbitrary treatment of a kind and to an extent unknown in Anglo-Saxon communities.

The experience of a Canadian, Mr. George Stuart Scott, in Freiberg, the capital of the mining district of Saxony, provides a striking illustration of bureaucratic methods. He got into trouble there by picking a few handfuls of cherries overhanging a country road, and repelling a violent assault on the part of presumably the aggrieved owner. For this he spent thirteen days in prison, was released on 2000 marks bail and three months later was sentenced to pay a fine of 200 marks, 50 of them being remitted for the imprisonment. Nor was this all, since on the eve of his departure from Saxony he received an order directing him to leave the kingdom within 72 hours, under the penalty of 14 days' further imprisonment. The punishment, assuming wrong to have been done, was unquestionably harsh, and invites the attention of the Ottawa and London authorities. Mr. Scott received no assistance from the British consul-general at Leipzig or from the consul at Dresden, and the Dominion Government have certainly the right to enquire whether the status of Canadians as British citizens is sufficiently known to these German gentlemen.

CIVIC CO-OPERATION.

Long ago the cities of Britain and of Germany learned the folly of sectional differences and jealousies, and the truth of the principle that what profits any one district benefits the whole community. Toronto has not yet attained that conviction, but is steadily gaining hold of it. The city has outgrown the village stage, and the village spirit, while it yet survives, is being changed into the truer and healthier civic spirit. But there are still many who cannot get beyond their particular business or residential district, whose first instinct is to oppose any and every proposal designed to better conditions in sections where they have no personal interest. This is a thoroughly bad temper of mind from all points of view and is unprofitable even for those who are obsessed by the notion that the good of the city as a whole is separable from the elimination of obstacles to its healthy and natural growth. An attitude of this kind is fatal to civic co-operation with which there can never be a really balanced and prosperous city. In this municipal campaign the ir-

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argument is not wanting that the Board street viaduct and the tubes will confer only sectional advantages. Local improvements cannot, of course, be made without local advantage. But the city is a unit. It is a corporate body whose vigor and capacity increase when any of its parts is strengthened. The old fable of the body and its members applies closely to a city. The west cannot say it has no need of the east or the south that it is independent of the north. Here in Toronto the whole development of one of its most important and naturally profitable districts is impeded by the lack of transportation facilities. Their provision requires the linking up of Board street with Danforth-avenue, but, while undoubtedly a boon to the northeastern section, redounds far more to the advantage of the city itself by providing the means for its equitable expansion and by vastly increasing assessment values. Civic co-operation in this improvement is the true principle to follow, and it can have no better opportunity for its profitable exercise.

THE EDUCATIONAL PLEBISCITE.

No one who has the good of education at heart will support the proposal to revert to the ward system in the election of educational trustees. The main duty of the board is to provide the requisite number of schools in convenient locations, to require a proper standard and to see that it is maintained. Sectional representation in no way assists the discharge of that duty, and is apt rather to impede than to assist in its performance. When the ward system prevailed the result was not satisfactory and even if the change to the present rule has brought no appreciable benefit it at least has minimized the possibility of still further deterioration. Education more than anything else in public administration suffers from local interests and differences, and to be free from these gives general considerations a greater chance of exerting their influence. The World certainly regards a reversion to ward representation as a distinctly retrograde step in educational affairs and strongly urges the maintenance of the present system.

MR. MCNAUGHT'S ENDORSEMENT OF MR. GEARY.

The following letter was addressed to G. R. Geary by W. K. McNaught, M.L.A. for North Toronto, and member of the Ontario Hydro-Electric Commission:

In reply to your request I may say that I am glad to nominate you as candidate for the office of mayor of the City of Toronto for the year 1910.

In doing so I desire to say that I have watched your career with a great deal of interest and have always been pleased with the outspoken way in which you have discussed the public questions that have come before you for consideration. Your ability is high, and your honesty is beyond question.

You have been an ardent and consistent advocate of public ownership as regards hydro-electric power, not only as a member of the city council, but also as a member of the city council, and your present appeal to the public is a strong and tried man to handle the situation properly in the interests of our citizens.

It must now be apparent to everyone that the only thing that the Toronto Street Railway Company will pay any attention to is some force stronger than itself. Altho the Canadian people have been with us every time the council decided against us, and we are now "the under dog" in the struggle for the ownership of our streets, unless our present appeal to the public is a strong and tried man to handle the situation properly in the interests of our citizens.

At the present time the city council is in a position to vote in favor of the proposed street railway, and I think therefore that if elected as mayor you can be depended upon to exercise your usual sound common sense in dealing with it to the best interests of the people.

Your position regarding this question, so far as I can judge, is both sound and practical, and I think therefore that if elected as mayor you can be depended upon to exercise your usual sound common sense in dealing with it to the best interests of the people.

Without in any way disparaging your opponent, I can conscientiously advise my friends to vote for you for mayor of the City of Toronto for the year 1910, because I believe that you will give us an honest, able and fearless administration of the city affairs in the best interests of the people generally.

IN FAVOR OF TUBES.

Editor World: The proposed tube system, to my mind, from a progressive, moral and business standpoint, is impregnable against anything to the contrary notwithstanding. There are no salient points which form the basis of this modern progressive proposition.

First, the protection of life and limb, which I take to be the most important point under consideration.

The second point is the rapid transit which the tube system ensures.

Third, the scandalous overcrowding of cars, people of all kinds wedged together like sardines in a box.

Fourth, prevention of congestion in tenement districts, preventing the spread of disease, crime and death, followed by epidemics.

Fifth, a good business proposition: the tube system will pay, and pay well.

R. H. Whiteway.

RE-ELECT ALDERMAN MAGUIRE.

Alfred Maguire, who is running as aldermanic candidate in ward five, presents himself to the people for the second time.

In accepting Mr. Maguire last year the ward took somewhat of a chance in electing him without knowing his ability. His record, however, in the council has shown him to be able to rise above the ordinary routine of council matters, and that he is not only a critic, but has his own ideas and the courage and initiative to ventilate them. His first year's term has splendidly demonstrated his intrinsic worth to the people of Toronto, and the voters of ward five would be failing in discernment if they did not accord him the privilege of heading the poll at the forthcoming election.

Was Not a Cook.

Editor World: A recent despatch in the World, stating that an English lady, to whom entrance was refused at the Boston port by the immigration board, was bound for the home of Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy, where she was to fill the position of cook.

This report is entirely incorrect. The lady referred to was not bound for Mrs. Eddy's home, nor has she been employed or even thought of as a cook for Mrs. Eddy. This woman is a friend of Mrs. Eddy's employe, and is questioned by the officials, no doubt mentioned in the despatch, as to her name and address; and, so far as can be learned, this is the only foundation for the false rumor that the woman was an importation of Mrs. Eddy's.

C. R. Munro.

SPECIAL MOBILIZATION.

Niagara Camp May Be Enlivened by 10,000 Men Next Year.

Niagara camp may return to its one-time glory next year and have a large number of militiamen encamped there. For the past few years the number who went into training over there has been small, but it is stated that when Lt.-Gen. French comes over he will inspect a camp of 10,000 men at Niagara. As yet the officials are mum in regard to the number who will be there, but it is reported that a special mobilization will take place.

Three Tagged Dogs.

Many people are haled before the bench for allowing one dog to run without a license, but few for having more than one. W. F. Walsh was fined \$25 without costs or ten days, for letting three dogs run at large without supplying them with tags, yesterday.

John Leslie was up for working a horse which was lame and suffering. He said the horse was all right when taken over by a man in his employ. Christmas Day. It went back walking on three legs. Leslie fired the mare when he saw the condition the horse was in. The police are now looking for the man.

Low Rates for New Year's.

Between all stations in Canada, also to Detroit and Port Huron, Mich., Buffalo, Black Rock, Niagara Falls and Suspension Bridge, N.Y., via Grand Trunk Railway System.

Single fare—good going December 31, 1909, and return January 1, 1910. Return limit, January 2, 1910.

At fare and one-third—good going daily until Jan. 1, 1910. Return limit, January 5, 1910.

Secure tickets at City Ticket Office, northeast corner King and Yonge streets. Phone Main 4209.

"Messiah" To-Night.

To-night Dr. Torrington will conduct a chorus and orchestra of some 200 singers and players at Massey Hall, the production being the annual yuletide performance. Handel's "Messiah," the soloists, as will be seen by the advertisement, are the best available for the several parts, and the performance is destined to be a record one in the history of music in Toronto. The plan is at the Massey Hall, and a telephone message to M 55 will ensure reserved seats.

Remanded for a Week.

Mrs. Annie Brown was remanded a week on charges of extensive shoplifting, when she appeared in police court yesterday morning.

Committed for Shoplifting.

Emily Croft was given ten days in jail by Magistrate Denison yesterday for stealing a pair of stockings and a shaving brush from the Eaton store.

Two Thieves Jailed.

Magistrate Denison yesterday turned out the sunshine for three years for William Griffin and James McGuire, who on Dec. 14 enticed Thomas Caravan up a lane into a stable and robbed him of \$20. They were got at the time with the goods, and both had records, wherefore the unusual length of the sentence.

GUELPH TRAVELER'S DEATH.

Peter Anderson Expires on Street in Michigan Town.

GUELPH, Dec. 29.—(Special).—News of the death of Peter Anderson, for 25 years one of the city's prominent merchants, was received this afternoon in a telegram to a local lodge of which he was a member. The message stated that he had dropped dead on the street in Manchester, Mich., where he was making a business visit in the interests of the Commercial Lubricant Co. of Philadelphia, for which he was traveling. He is survived by his widow, one daughter, at home, and a son who is a missionary in India.

AT OSGOOD HALL

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Motions set down for single court for Thursday 30th inst., at 11 a.m.:
1. Pinchard v. Cooper.
2. Edgar v. Abour.
3. Brennen v. Bank of Hamilton.

HARPER FOR SCHOOL BOARD.

Tells Why His Cards Do Not Bear the Union Label.

William Harper, custom house broker, is a bright man, who would bring weight to the board of education. He is unusually well-informed in educational matters, and has the progressive education of Toronto's children at heart. He is a fearless candidate, positive and determined. He should be elected.

He has written the following letter to the board of business agents, Labor Union, which speaks for itself:

"My election cards do not bear the union label. The omission was deliberate on my part and has had, in a number of instances, the desired effect, viz., the chance to talk to the union man—I have never failed in convincing him of my sympathy with the board of education, and in the ward five. I answered the deputations from the labor unions so satisfactorily that they worked like beavers in my behalf. I now wish to say to my critics—observing for years past the union label for election purposes, those who had placed them in office, I decided to reverse the order. My cards, it is true, do not bear the label, but my acts do, and if returned a winner at the polls on Saturday next, I will prove my good friend on the board of education, and will earn the approval of the most sceptical workman, and his support should I ever again enter the field of municipal politics."

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Footwear.

Women's walking boots, neat shape, blucher tops, good quality dongola kid, patent toe caps, extension soles; sizes 3 1/2 to 7. Friday bargain, pair \$1.50.

Children's boots, neat, serviceable styles, comfortable shapes, good quality, dongola kid and box calf leather, spring and low heels; sizes 8 to 10 1/2. Regularly \$1.25, for 75c.

Women's dark blue felt house slippers, British made, thick felt soles; sizes 3 to 7. Friday 20c.

Crocheted wool slippers, in pretty colors, well made, comfortable, warm, fleecy insoles. Women's sizes 3 to 7. Friday 75c.

Men's up-to-date walking boots, box calf and dongola kid, blucher tops, winter-weight soles. Good-year welted, excellent styles; sizes 6 to 11. Friday bargain \$2.50.

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