

Now with regard to that legislation. I may say that the different writers on the subject, men who are to-day the authorities on this continent and elsewhere, point to our legislation as the best on any statute book the world over. What does the report say? (Reads):—

“In fact the actual carrying out of what is now made possible by Ontario's housing and transportation legislation would be of world-wide interest, and ‘The Ontario Plan’ would be referred to wherever a serious study of these problems was undertaken.”

I would advise the hon. member before addressing the Board of Trade at Hamilton or elsewhere to make a “serious study” of this housing problem, and when next time he gets up to make a speech on the subject, instead of referring to the legislation of Europe, he will tell that the last word, so far as he has been able to ascertain, is the legislation passed by a Tory Government in the Province of Ontario in the year 1913.

There are some things that we have done that perhaps have something to do with the social conditions of the people.

IMPROVED CONDITIONS IN PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS.

Need I refer to what we have been trying to do in this Province during the past eight or nine years in the way of improving conditions in the public institutions of this Province? I do not wish to go into detail here, but I am going to quote high authority—the President, the man who is at the head of the State Institution in Pennsylvania, the man who was at the Convention at Niagara last year and visited some of the public institutions of this Province and saw not only our existing institutions, but saw the new organization in course of construction at Whitby, to which we expect to transfer the institutions at Toronto. He not only said that the site of this institution was ideal in every particular, but he said more—that our plan and our organization from start to finish was probably the best the world over.