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## ST. JOHN STAR.

ST. JOHN, N. B., MARCH 28, 1904.

## CORRUPTION.

Lincoln Steffens, who has been doing  
national service exposing the corrup-  
tion of the governments of many of the  
great cities of the United States, has  
been by his disclosures into an in-  
vestigation of the causes and sources  
of the conditions which, through his  
unveiling, have shocked the moral sense  
and patriotism of more countries than  
his own. The results of his research,  
as published in an article in McClure's  
Magazine for this month, are astonish-  
ing.

He finds that the instances of munici-  
pal and state corruption which have  
been recently brought to notoriety are  
but outcroppings of a system which  
underlies every phase of Ameri-  
can life and in its totality is the living  
system of American government. The  
boodle rings of the cities connect di-  
rectly with larger state rings, which in  
turn connect with rings which control  
federal administration, all forming part  
of an immense system, which, rather  
than the will of the people and in spite  
of the efforts of honest politicians, gov-  
ernors or presidents, is the real gov-  
ernment of the United States.

This conclusion, appalling as it is, is  
inevitably forced upon every reader of  
Mr. Steffens' staggering array of evi-  
dence and deadly argument.

The State of Missouri furnishes him  
the conditions from which he draws his  
conclusions, although he says almost  
nothing in the United States would answer  
to the conditions in St. Louis he found a sys-  
tem of civic graft, investigation of  
which led him into another and affil-  
iated system which controlled the state  
legislature. Back of the boodlers whom  
he unearthed he found big business  
men, trust promoters, financiers, man-  
ufacturers—all respectable, honored citi-  
zens—whose coffers supplied the funds  
for not only this civic, this state cor-  
ruption system, but for a greater sys-  
tem which had wound itself around  
every branch of government, state and  
federal, in the country as the serpents  
coiled around Laocoon. Back of all "bad  
politics," he found "good business."

Trotting in the same harness with the  
disreputable boodler and bribe taker  
was the reputable and respected cap-  
tain of industry, the bribe giver. And  
the two together control the United  
States.

If Mr. Steffens' facts are as correct  
as his logic, the American people are in  
grave peril, and we Canadians are not  
outside the danger zone. Though  
we have nothing of the nature of a non-  
partisan national system of corruption  
such as Mr. Steffens describes, we have  
our machine politics, which, while it  
may not directly affect government,  
certainly does affect not only politicians,  
but the people generally. Political  
corruption is shamelessly open and  
growing more so as the moral sense  
of the electorate becomes blunted.

Thirty years ago the Pacific scandal  
hurled a strong government from power.  
Today a similar charge against a  
government would not affect one vote  
out of a thousand. This benumbed  
moral sense, which permits the Ameri-  
can corruption system to exist, will not  
revolt at a similar system in Canada.  
If they are preachers and teachers and  
professors and publicists of all kinds,  
if they wish to prevent the growth of  
corruption here, to awaken a public  
sentiment that will class the man who  
gives or who authorizes a bribe to get  
with the man who takes it as dis-  
honest and traitorous.

Japanese Tactics.  
Considering that the blocking of Port  
Arthur harbor, even if accomplished  
with the best success, would only de-  
tain the Russian ships for a few days  
at the most, there can be only one pur-  
pose behind these repeated and de-  
termined attempts of the Japs. Their  
idea is undoubtedly to effect a landing  
of large bodies of troops on the Liao  
Tung peninsula, of which Port Ar-  
thur is the extremity, and such a land-  
ing would be impossible with the Rus-  
sian fleet free to rush to the defense.  
Once with a secure foothold on the pen-  
insula between Port Arthur and the  
Russian base in Manchuria, the Japa-  
nese would be in a position to strike ef-  
fectively in both directions. Port Ar-  
thur cut off from support, must soon  
fall and the Japanese army would be  
free to take advantage of its splendid  
position to turn the flank of the Rus-  
sian forces now facing the Japs' Korean  
army on the banks of the Yalu. One  
thing is certain, that the Japanese are  
not wasting shells for mere newspaper  
effect.

The dismissal of two Intercolonial  
railway employees at St. John has  
caused a mild sensation, from the fact  
that both are liberals, and are said, on  
the authority of the St. John Globe, to  
have been dismissed on the grounds of  
political partisanship. It was hard  
enough for a man to be a liberal in or-  
der to keep his job, but when he has  
to be a supporter of the liberal faction  
on top at the time in addition he may  
well feel uneasy.—Montreal Gazette.

## FAMOUS NECKLACE STOLEN.

Diamonds, Once Marie Antoinette's,  
Worth \$160,000 Stolen from  
Princess Alix de Bourbon.

NEW YORK, March 28.—A cable to  
the Sun from Paris says:—Princess  
Alix de Bourbon's famous diamond  
necklace, which was once the property  
of Marie Antoinette, and which was  
valued at \$160,000, has been stolen.  
Before leaving Paris recently the Prin-  
cess deposited the necklace with a well  
known jeweller. Subsequently a per-  
son calling himself a confidential mes-  
senger from the princess, presented  
credentials to the jeweller and received  
the necklace. It is believed the thief  
is a Belgian engineer with whom the  
Princess had been negotiating for the  
purchase of a villa. He has had com-  
missions from Prince Jams, the brother  
of the Princess.

## WELL WORTH 50 ROUBLES.

(London Daily Mail.)  
On the journey from Vienna to St.  
Petersburg, Cumberland, the well-  
known anti-spiritualist and thought-  
reader, entertained his fellow-passen-  
gers by guessing their thoughts.

One of the travellers, a Polish Jew,  
who took the whole thing as a hoax,  
offered to pay Cumberland the sum of  
fifty roubles if he could divine his  
thoughts.

Visibly amused, Cumberland acceded  
to the request and said:  
"You are going to the fair at Nihil-  
Novgorod, where you intend to pur-  
chase goods to the extent of twenty  
thousand roubles, after which you will  
declare yourself a bankrupt and com-  
pound with your creditors for three  
per cent."

On hearing these words the Jew gazed  
at the speaker with reverential awe. He  
then, without uttering a syllable, drew  
out of the leg of his boot a shabby  
purse and handed over the fifty roubles.  
Whereupon the magician triumphantly  
exclaimed:

"Then I have guessed your thoughts,  
eh?"

"No," replied the Jew: "but you have  
given me a brilliant idea."

## A BRUTAL ASSAULT.

James Doherty Sandbagged by a  
Would-be Robber

James Doherty, the well-known Char-  
lotte street liquor dealer, met with a  
lively experience while on his way home  
early Saturday evening. Mr. Doherty  
was on his way to the bank, and when  
near the corner of Pitt about 7.30  
o'clock, a man suddenly jumped out of  
an alley and struck him over the head  
with a brick. Mr. Doherty was hurled  
to the ground, and the assailant, who  
was making careful inquiries into the af-  
fair.

## ABLE ADDRESSES.

Rev. G. Osborne Troop, now rector of  
a leading Episcopal church in Montreal,  
and formerly rector of St. James' church,  
this city, arrived in this city  
Saturday. Mr. Troop has many friends  
in this city, all of whom accorded him  
a hearty welcome.

## LEAN AS PHARAOH'S KINE.

(Yorkshire Post.)  
A good story of an old crofter who  
appeared before the commission to ap-  
ply for a reduction of rent has just  
been told at a meeting in Glasgow. The  
number of cattle on the farm led Sher-  
iff Brand to observe that surely the  
croft could not be in such a bad way  
as its owner would seek to show.

"Och," replied the fellow, "but  
what like are they?" queried the  
sheriff.

"Thee as lean, sir, as Pharaoh's  
kine."

"How lean was that?" pawkedly asked  
the sheriff, doubtless thinking he had  
cornered the applicant. But he had?  
Not a bit. Like a flash came back the  
answer:

"So lean, sir, that they could only  
be seen in a vision."

## BILLIARD RECORD BROKEN.

NEW YORK, March 28.—The World  
says: George Slosson, in a game of 18  
inch ball line billiards, two shots, in  
Dr. J. Arnold's last evening, broke the  
world's record with an unfinished run  
of 291. The best previous run of 222  
was made by Oro Morningstar, an Ameri-  
can player, in Paris. In the 400  
point game last night Slosson made  
runs of 52, 21, 0, 58 and 291. Dr. Arnold's  
runs were 5, 6, 15, 2.

The only safe way for you to read  
ALL the ads. for the one of the most  
valuable interest to you may be otherwise  
overlooked.

## LIFE'S TAVERN.

In this old Tavern there are rooms so  
dear.

That I would linger here.  
I love these corners and familiar nooks  
Where I have sat with people and with  
books.

The very imperfections and the scars  
About the walls and ceiling and the  
floor.

The sagging of the windows and the  
door.

The dinginess that mars  
The hearth and chimney, and the wood  
laid bare.

There on the old back chair.  
The dear dilapidation of the place  
Smiles in my face.

And I am loath to leave.  
Here from the window is a glimpse of  
sea.

Enough for me:  
And every evening, through the win-  
dow bars.

Peer in the friendly stars.  
— And yet I know

That some day I must go, and close  
the door.

And see the House no more,  
— Mary Burt Messer to the April At-  
lantic

## LOCAL NEWS.

Walter H. Belding has been engaged  
as leader of St. David's choir and as-  
sumed the position yesterday.

Abram Northrop, an old resident of  
Millstream, has passed peacefully away  
at his home here. He leaves a wife  
and grown up family to mourn.

The fire department were called out  
about noon yesterday for a very slight  
fire in a house on Peters street owned  
by the Bermann estate.

Stoles are reported by the police in  
the sidewalks on Adelaide street op-  
posite Victoria street and on the Marsh  
road near Frederick street.

The Ladies' Aid Society of St. An-  
drew's church met Saturday after-  
noon. The household sale and tea  
which they recently held resulted in  
the substantial sum of \$300.

Add Recent Deaths. . . . .  
George Grant, of Hartland, died very  
suddenly at his home Thursday even-  
ing. He was at the tea table and com-  
plained of being numb. Dr. A. S. Es-  
trey was summoned but Mr. Grant did  
not recover. The deceased leaves a  
wife, one son, Frank of Toronto, and  
William and Mrs. Addie McCrossin, of  
Hartland.

## FACTORY ACT OPPOSED.

Manufacturers Will Ask Government  
to Stand It Over a Term.

A meeting of the manufacturers' com-  
mittee of the board of trade was held  
Saturday night, T. S. Simms presiding.  
In addition to the members of the com-  
mittee several other employers of la-  
bor took part in the discussion.

The meeting was somewhat in the  
nature of an informal talk. It was  
generally agreed that the act should not  
be too hurriedly thrust upon the province.  
The clauses relating to the sanitary  
conditions were commended. While it  
was generally agreed that the clause  
prohibiting the employment of children  
under fourteen years of age would be  
a good thing, it was thought it should  
be accompanied by a bill providing for  
compulsory education. There was some  
slight objection to the matter of pro-  
viding lunch rooms in which the em-  
ployees could spend the dinner hour.

The half holiday clause, however, was  
the one that occasioned the most ob-  
jection. In cases such as the Cornwall  
and York cotton mills, it was shown  
that on certain lines of work these mills  
pay more than ten per cent., and on  
all lines fully ten per cent. more wages  
than do mills in Quebec, turning out  
the same line of goods. Were the St.  
John mills compelled to grant a half  
holiday every week, almost ten per  
cent. difference would be added to the  
wages. Under present conditions  
competition is keen enough, but with  
the half holiday clause in effect the  
St. John mills would not be able to  
successfully compete with the mills in  
Quebec. This was given as one in-  
stance to show that the clause would  
not be feasible.

It was finally decided that the gov-  
ernment should be asked to let the  
matter stand over until next session,  
that in the meantime copies of the  
proposed act be widely distributed, so  
that all manufacturers and all mem-  
bers of the labouring classes may look  
into it fully, and become acquainted  
with its conditions.

## AT UNION HALL.

A temperance meeting under the  
supplies of the north end W. C. T. U.  
was held on Sunday afternoon in Union  
Hall. There was a very large con-  
gregation. Col. A. J. Armstrong occupied  
the chair. Addresses were given by A.  
W. Baird and Alderman Maxwell. Mr.  
Maxwell made some remarks about the  
lack of interest in temperance work  
shown by certain of the city papers.

He thought that business was allowed  
to interfere with principle and even  
liquor advertisements were prominently  
displayed.

## BIRTHS.

CHRISTIE—On March 25th, to Mr. and Mrs.  
R. A. Christie, a daughter.

## DEATHS.

ARMSTRONG—In this city, March 27th,  
Frank Armstrong, aged 28 years.

Federal service at his late residence, 80  
Victoria street, on Tuesday, the 25th inst.,  
at 2 p. m. Final at 12.30 p. m.

MERRIMAN—In this city, on 25th inst., at  
his late residence, 114 Charlotte street,  
Henry Merriman, aged 65 years, died at 10  
o'clock.

Funeral on Wednesday at 2.30 p. m.  
Burial in Mount Pleasant.

PICKETT—On Sunday, March 27th, at King-  
ston, Kings Co., Sarah, only surviving  
daughter of the late David and Ruth Sher-  
wood Pickett.

Funeral at Kingston, on Wednesday, 29th  
inst. at 3 p. m.

## Could Not Lie On Her Left Side.

WAS TROUBLED WITH PAIN  
IN HER HEART FOR  
SIX YEARS.

Expected Her Friends Would  
Find Her Dead.

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Heart and Nerve Pills.

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side. I consulted a doctor but got no re-  
sult and was completely discouraged. I  
did not think I would live long and ex-  
pected my friends would find me dead. A  
friend brought me a box of Milburn's  
Heart and Nerve Pills and I took them to  
please her, not thinking they would do me  
any good. I had not used half the box  
when I commenced to feel myself getting  
better and by the time I had taken two  
boxes I was completely cured and can re-  
commend them to all sufferers from heart  
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wear was held last January, but despite the extremely unseasonableness of  
the occasion the lovely garments sold with a rapidity that surprised those  
having to do with them. Just now the season is more appropriate, and in a  
couple of weeks or so the demand will be exceedingly brisk, so would it not  
be wise to take time by the forelock and make selections from our large and  
varied stock while all lines of qualities and prices are complete?

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OF ENGLISH CAMBRIC AND NAINSOOK.

They are Hemstitched, Tucked, Trimmed with Embroidery, have Frills and Dust Ruffles, Valenciennes  
Insertion, Cluny Lace, and Insertion, Medallions, Swiss Insertion, Ribbons, Etc. Full Range of Sizes. Care-  
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Prices—From 55c. Upwards.

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Edged with tinted Silks, and trimmed with Insertion, Bows of Ribbon. Have Square-Necked Fronts  
and V-shaped Backs, Trimmed with Swiss Embroidery and Val. Insertion, etc., etc. The most recent ideas  
in cut and style are embodied in these Jackets.

Prices—Range from 85c. upwards.

## Lavishly-Trimmed Nightdresses

IN CAMBRIC, NAINSOOK AND JACONET.

Double-pointed Yokes, Yokes of Ribbon Insertion and Lace, many Fine Tucks, Sleeves trimmed with  
Embroidery, Revers V-shaped Necks, and throughout the whole list these garments bear every evidence of  
skilled work. The Lace used is Valenciennes, and with Rich Beddings, Allovers, etc., these Nightdresses are  
the finest ever carried in our stock.

Prices—Commence at 70c.

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good.

Ten thousand yards of HAMBURG, in all widths and prices. If you want to save money just  
come and see them.

SMALLWARES AT HALF PRICE—Two papers of Pins for 5c; 100 Hair Pins for 4c; 8 Hat Pins for 3c;  
Silver Lined Trimble 1c; White Tape 1c and 3c. each. Mending Wool, 2 for 5c.

Twenty Dozen MEN'S WOOL SOCKS, 22c. pair.

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