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A Meeting of the Cabinetmakers will be held in Richmond Hall to-night to wake up matters in that trade.

PATTERN MAKERS' TROUBLE.
Remember when getting patterns made that the J. S. Joselin shop is on the unfair list.

"It's a stinging thing the Truth, but I like it," said a man we know. Are you sure you could honestly say the same thing?

When the cross-eyed man winks at you from the back end of the street car you can bet that he wants you to go the other way.

J. T. Garton has been elected by the Pattern Makers of Toronto to attend the Pattern Makers' Convention in Chicago the first week in June.

Undoubtedly there is "one more river to cross" after you get your dinner, but you can have that dinner cooked daintily without using OXFORDS.

"There is no religion higher than truth," but there are some "religionists" lower than the door-mats at the back entrance to a kitchen basement.

The strike of the Pattern Makers is progressing favorably and by the end of the week will see all members working and four shops still on the strike list.

German Socialists publish 31 daily newspapers, 41 weeklies, one scientific review, one family magazine, and 55 trade journals.

The merchants of the city are warned against an individual who is canvassing for money on behalf of the printers to support the T. Eaton strike. The Typos desire it to be understood that for this affair their own membership are quite competent to supply all the money necessary to carry the strike to a successful conclusion.

When you are comfortable and others not prepare to die. Perhaps you earned your comfort, but if you did, and are comfortable in the presence of others' misery you are selfish and cowardly. Selfishness and cowardice should be considered dishonor—and "death rather than dishonor," according to the heroes.

The Carriage and Wagon Workers are still out, although all these employers outside the combine have agreed to their demands. They are still confident and have every reason to remain so. The combine will come to its senses one of these days and see the unfairness of their position in standing out against the most reasonable demands of this little band of mechanics.

The Typographical Union elections were held on Wednesday of this week. The size of the vote was not nearly as satisfactory as was desirable on this occasion. President Lynch, as was anticipated, secured the bulk of the vote (271) for another term as International President, while his opponent, Chas. H. Derry, got but 13 votes. For delegates to the Trades and Labor Congress, Messrs. Hugh Stevenson, E. S. Jackson and Jas. Wilson were the fortunate out of a bunch of nine candidates.

The trouble in the Kingston Locomotive Works is still on. This firm that is getting Government contracts at an enhanced price to what the goods can be gotten for in other works is trying to mislead the public into the belief that this is a question of only one man, who was a laborer and was put on a machine that had been run by a machinist. There is a lot of sympathy for the poor man whom the machinists are trying to relegate to his proper place, but the man who was discharged to make room for the laborer is unheard of. Not only that, but this company will not let it stop even at the one man. Their object is to reduce the cost by placing as many unskilled men doing machinist's work as is possible. This, too, on contracts from the Government that are given virtually at the company's own figure. The fight of the machinists is against the pronounced policy of the company in regard to the placing of laborers on certain machines over which jurisdiction is claimed by the machinists. They also say that they will put in as many apprentices as they wish. The arrogance of labor is often spoken of, but the grasping impudence of such corporations as the one here in question outstrips labor in every particular.

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ELECTION JOTTINGS

The all-absorbing topic of this week and up to the 29th of May, is that of the elections. Whether Mr. Whitwell will win or Mr. Ross will be favored with victory's laurels is the question agitating many minds. Aside from all this agitation, however, I propose to tell the readers of this paper something of the different candidates in the field in Toronto, leaving them, of course, to use their judgment upon the matter of just how they will vote.

Let me start from the east. In the constituency of East Toronto we have a candidate of the Socialist Labor Party. This party's aim is the disruption of the trades union movement. That should be sufficient to say to all workingmen.

Then we have a candidate placed in the field by the Canadian Socialist League in the person of Mr. James Simpson. He is a young man, energetic and truly capable of representing this constituency in as able a manner as any candidate in the whole Toronto field. Then again the principles he stands for are those of the Trades Union—this alone should entitle him to the support of all organized workers and also those who believe in the welfare of the whole people. Mr. Simpson is an ardent trades unionist as well as a Socialist. The constituency of East Toronto would be best represented by electing Mr. Simpson.

Neither Dr. Pyne or Mr. McBrady have ever excelled in anything in the direct interests of the workers, nor have the parties which they represent been any more conspicuous except in the matter of legislation where the Liberal party have the best of the argument upon the question of introducing and passing this class of legislation, but are again sadly deficient when it comes down to enforcing the laws passed in the interests of the workers. The only difference in the two candidates is that one has had the opportunity while the other has not.

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