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WHAT IS THE TROUBLE?

Premier Fleming has returned from the West, filled with optimism. One regrets to note, however, that in addition to his optimism the premier displays a lamentable degree of uncertainty with respect to an important local project definite news of which was expected from him. Many months ago Hon. Mr. Fleming announced that the new bridge at the Falls would be built this year. He spoke positively, as one who knew. But for a long time past the public has been without any news of this bridge, although the importance of uninterrupted street car transportation between the East and West sides has been increasingly obvious.

The Standard newspaper, which supports Mr. Fleming, interviewed the Premier on Friday, and its representative asked him, somewhat pointedly, "if he could say when tenders would be called for the new bridge at the reversing falls." Mr. Fleming said "he had not had time to look into the matter since returning home, but intended to do so next week. I can tell you this," he said, "the bridge will be built as soon as possible. The preparation of the plans is in the hands of Mr. Snyder, one of the best known bridge engineers in Canada, and Mr. Wetmore, of the department of public works. Before leaving for the West Mr. Wetmore told me there had been some delay in the preparation of the plans, as Mr. Snyder wanted more data in regard to the foundations before completing the plans. However, the government does not want any unnecessary delay in the progress of the undertaking, and the engineers have instructions to get along with it as fast as they can."

Aside altogether from politics, merely a matter of business, there is altogether too much uncertainty about the progress on this work. When public money is being spent it is of the utmost importance that the work be done should not be done to delay because those responsible do not consult frequently, do not work together, or do not have from month to month information which must be readily obtainable. When the government took up this bridge project nearly a year ago it should easily have been possible to fix a date for the completion of the work. Judging by what Mr. Fleming says, in definite as it is, he has no idea today whether the bridge will be ready for traffic a year from now, or two years from now, or just before his next election.

The St. John common council, the board of trade, and other bodies charged with the protection of the city's interests, should seek to acquire more definite information than that Mr. Fleming has provided. Mr. Fleming displays the spirit of progress displayed in the West. It might be said to him, in confidence, that if he had reported to a western community concerning the progress of an important enterprise, and had given no more satisfactory account of it than he gave to the Standard concerning the bridge at the Falls, the aggressive western folk would have made him extremely uncomfortable during the next day or two.

And this is not alone the case with respect to the bridge at the falls. St. John knows really very little about other enterprises which bear most directly upon the city's expansion. Nothing has been heard recently about the Grand Trunk Pacific's arrival here, or about the operation of the National Transcontinental in New Brunswick, or the route by which the Valley Railroad will enter St. John, not to speak of the date of its completion. It does now seem probable that work will be done this autumn on the street railway extension to Kane's Corner, but, while this is something, the city cannot reap the full benefit of the expansion until the line has been carried to Little River, and a definite date for construction at that point should be fixed.

THE INTERCOLONIAL AND GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP

From reports that appear occasionally in the government press, it is evident that Mr. Borden would like to hand over the Intercolonial railway to some private company. It is well known that the Canadian Northern has long coveted the line, and the cabinet has often been called a "Canadian Northern cabinet." The Intercolonial is every day increasing in value. It does not have to pay dividends on watered stock, and it is earning at present a gross income of more than a million a month. If its rates were as high as those of the other lines this amount could easily be increased.

Under the control of the interests as is the present government, it is not so completely under their control as to be able to dispose of the people's railroad in any summary manner. The Intercolonial is a great public asset, and it will always remain so. There is at present a movement in Britain, that is continually gaining strength, to nationalize the railroads. Although British ingenuity invented railways, Britain does not, unfortunately, enjoy the advantages from them that might be here. The government, as many think unwise, resigned railway construction and ownership to private owners, and the result of a long-continued scramble for private gain by land owners, company promoters and speculators is that the British railway system is burdened with the inflated capitalization of £1,200,000,000 to enrich the landowners.

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A POSER FOR NURSE

"Nurse!"
Little Freddie's voice broke the twilight stillness of the nursery for the twentieth time, and "Nurse" began to get angry.
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"I only want to ask you"—
"If I answer no more questions this night," said Nurse firmly, as she went on folding up her charge's clothes. "Don't you know that curiosity killed a cat, Freddie?"

"The small boy lay in silence, stunned by the wonder of this statement. Then he burst out—
"Nurse, what did the cat want to know?"

INFANT ROBBERY

Too often the idea of service is associated solely with paid servants, although seldom so amusingly as in the case of a little girl of whom a contributor to the English Illustrated Magazine tells.

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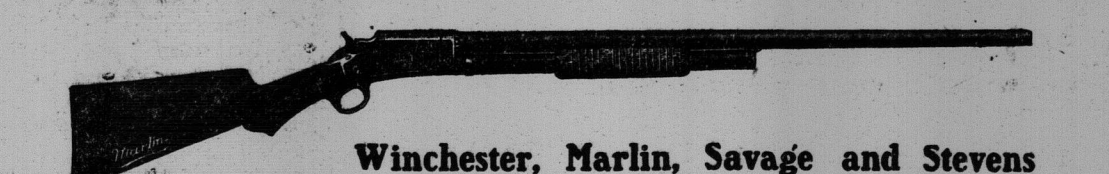
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