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Toronto and Her M.L.A.'S.

The legislature on Thursday quite properly rejected the London bill, which was to authorize the expenditure of large sums of money, against which the people had voted at the polls, and whose wishes were successfully championed by their member, Dr. Stevenson.

We have a different conception of public duty in Toronto. Here four of our members lined up to defeat the Mount Pleasant car line proposal, which had received approval at the polls by large majorities, not only in North Toronto but in the city at large. These members were John O'Neill, J. W. Curry, Captain Ramsden, Joe Thompson. Toronto's members, had they been Stevensons, would have got the Mount Pleasant street car line. But our members betrayed the people!

Teraulay Street Opposition.

New opposition to the Teraulay street extension is heard in a quarter that stands to gain possibly the most from this improvement, namely, the owners of property on Teraulay street, between Queen and College streets. They take the ground that as they will be called upon at a future date to bear the bulk of the cost of widening this portion of Teraulay street to 36 feet, they will be doubly taxed for practically the same improvement. The proposed local assessment has been worked out so that this part of Teraulay will pay on an average less than half the amount that will be charged against the owners bordering on the extension. While they will pay under different assessments if this part of Teraulay is widened, their total outlay for the completed work will be little, if any more than that of the others farther north. Given a new up-town thoroughfare, starting at the city hall, there is every reason to expect Teraulay street, south of College, to rapidly develop into a first-class business street, a rival of Yonge. Teraulay street shows little chance for the better in years, and is likely to remain in a backward state if a bid is not made for business and progress by supporting the thru street idea. Teraulay street improved in a big way will do what the Bloor street viaduct did for its section.

Scrap Ten Churches?

The Rev. Dr. Williams of Sherbourne Street Methodist Church advises his brethren to scrap ten Methodist Churches in the downtown district, and replace them with four mission houses which will have gymnasiums in the basements, dormitories on the ground floor, and auditoriums upstairs. In which the concert and the movies will alternate with the sermon. He says the ten churches could be sold for half a million dollars, the missions built and equipped with the proceeds, and the kingdom of God mightily advanced by the new combination of recreation centre, hotel and uplift provider.

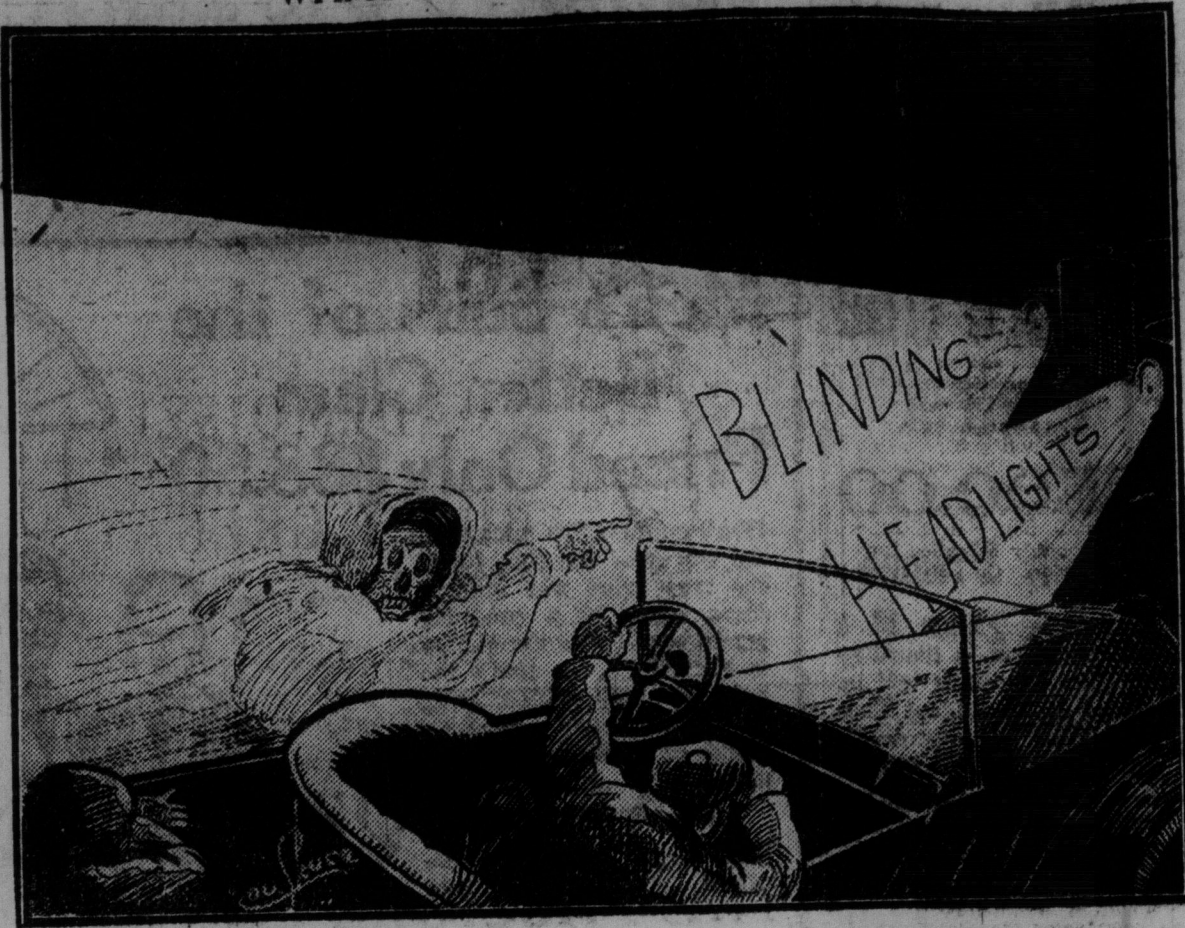
Twenty-seven per cent. of the cost of running the ten churches is found by other churches. Whether the bedrooms will make up the deficits that the mission collection plates will leave, or whether the uptown churches will still be expected to nourish the four missions that supersede the ten churches, Dr. Williams does not appear to have told the Methodist Union. The stalwarts of which are said to have been fairly jumping from their seats while he was scrapping so much ecclesiastical venerability.

That the downtown church is losing its membership is not peculiar to it. Whatever the membership statistics may say the church-going habit is as outstanding a distinction of Toronto as it was. The multitude is not going into the churches. The choicest youth of the churches is not going into the ministry. The centre of religious gravity has been shifting rapidly during the last twenty years. When the church is told that it must furnish places for its adherents to sleep at night (as well as at sermon time, the ungodly would say), and that the sanctuary must also be a concert hall, it is plain that we have traveled vast distances since the time the preachers asked everybody to sing.

"Tis all my business here below
To cry 'Behold the Lamb!'"

The Methodist Church, which was wholly concerned with fleeing from the wrath to come, without gymnastic, dromedary or screened aids, has come to see that the humanity of the race is not an accident, to be destroyed until another world could be established. Pure and undiluted Christian religion cannot be exhibited without first admission to John Wesley's fifty-two sermons or the Westminster confession. The Williams idea of a downtown Christian ministry is in keeping with a church standard that was suggested thirty years ago by a

WHAT IS BEYOND THE LIGHT?



very noble and very spiritually-minded man. "The union of all who love in the service of all who suffer." It is this kind of love that is the fulfilling of the law—and what more does the Almighty require of his children need?

Intended for Scorpion, Maybe.

A possibility in the Drayton budget may not have been considered by those who denounce it as a black negation of protection by zealots who pictured Sir Edward Kemp leaving Ottawa in deep grief on the budget afternoon, and Sir Thomas White shaking his head over his successor's disregard of sound advice. May not a deep psychology underlie the whole budget scheme? Perhaps the finance minister moves in a mysterious way his protectionist wonders to perform.

The Canadian National policy has maintained its popularity largely on its tariff taxation being direct. Like the dry, crisp cold of forty below zero on the prairies, which you don't feel, the tariff saved you from feeling taxation when you paid it on a suit of clothes. The farmer who hankers for free trade under the belief that he is not after class legislation, calls for direct taxation, and says it will be a mighty good thing for the public to feel the penetrative quality of the taxgatherer's hand as it has never been felt before.

What would a profound protectionist, skilled in the arts which handle human nature, do to make the calling and election of adequate protection more sure in this its home? Would he fly flat in the face of the embattled west? Would he not rather figure on some of the half-appreciated potentialities of direct as against indirect taxation? If he wished to make people realize how painless indirect taxation was, would he not give them a most purging dose of direct taxation just when they were calling for it? If the dose could be given in a style that would make a considerable proportion of the business community dead sick of direct taxation by being made tax collectors, without a nickel of remuneration, might not this be the cutest, deepest, farthest-reaching method of establishing indirect taxation in public favor?

The farmers who cry incessantly against the tariff and for direct taxation, are getting the direct taxation, minus thirty millions of tariff taxation. The thing is to go on the bill, in the store. It will not become more agreeable as the years go by. Enough of the tariff has been taken off to make the direct tax feel more irksome, and to induce people to long for the whip of the scorpions of the luxury tax, the sales tax, and several other little things that are making Sir Henry's little finger bigger than Sir Thomas's leg.

The World does not say that this was the profound scheme of the minister of finance. But the possibility that it was affords an interesting speculation in the mentality of post-war statesmanship, and it encourages you to keep your eye skinned for revelations of how public financiers, greatly in need of funds and fame, work upon the national temper.

The Buyers' Strike.

There is no doubt about prices coming down in the United States, and about the movement being more rapid than it is in Canada. Stories of tumbling prices in England are accompanied with some reserve. For instance, one paper that told of tea auctions being cut out in order to maintain prices, is corrected by the fact that tea sales have always been discontinued during Whits week. But there is a move for downward prices in staples like wool.

The British government, which bought the war wool output of Australia and New Zealand, and has made hundreds of millions of dollars' profit on it, has not only seen prices starting to come down over there, but it has conducted sales in the United States at which prices have fallen from ten

to thirty per cent. The last sale, at Boston on Thursday, disposed of only one-third of the quantity offered, even at reduced prices.

The high commissioner of New Zealand lately bitterly complained publicly in London that New Zealand wool that the grower got only thirty cents a pound for cost the manufacturer up to two hundred cents a pound, thanks largely to the stock-holding policy of the government. Cloth manufacturers, who admit making huge profits, which they profess to deplore, lay the blame for the cruelty of prices to the poor on the folly of those who are better off.

They say that, when loaded with orders at prices satisfactory to them, they have been asked for quotations, they have named prices which they intended to be prohibitive. But the high prices did not deter buyers from ordering. Along with this has gone a refusal of the multitudes to wear the quality of clothes that was perfectly satisfactory before the war. Mills have been crowded with orders for high-class goods, so that the supply of moderate-priced stuffs has been kept down, and the prices accordingly kept up.

But at last, according to big commercial experts like Sir Edward Edgar a buyers' strike has developed, and not in clothing commodities alone. The people who a little while ago were ordering goods at whatever prices were demanded, have become frightened of the consequences of price-boasting without relation to the real necessities of the public, and relying on the buoyancy of a currency inflation. That inflation has always been unhealthy by those who understood finance. It is now coming to be regarded as wicked by those who are only beginning to learn the fundamentals of economics. "A buyers' strike" is a good phrase in a mighty month. It suggests that something besides purely passive economic power can be wielded by more than trade unions, which want higher wages for shorter hours than they have ever known, or than some of them ever expect will continue.

OTHER PEOPLE'S OPINIONS

The World will gladly print under this head letters written by our readers, dealing with current topics. As space is limited they must not be longer than 200 words and written on one side of the paper only.

Editor World: In your issue of May 21 you refer editorially to reported criticism by me of the Budget, and I voted an official opinion of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association. The comments on my words give a wrong impression of my attitude. Moreover, the Canadian Manufacturers' Association has not made or authorized any statement with regard to the budget.

H. Macdonald,
Secretary Legal Department, Canadian Manufacturers' Association.

GOOD FISHING.

Editor World: Could you tell me of a good place where good eating fish are caught within an hour or two ride (on a bicycle) from the city. Please answer in Saturday morning's paper.

Fishing Fan.

At first thought, this looked easy—but not so. The World staff was canvassed, and every man on it began to talk of fishing in the old days, when they caught pike in the lake. A nice clean bay it was in those days, but times have changed. Someone says the Credit river has fish in it, and some say Pickering creek, while another says there's carp to be had at the island. So there you are. Perhaps some World readers can say a good word in time.

WORLD'S DAILY BRAIN TEST

BY SAM LOYD.
12 Minutes to Answer This.
No. 194.
Pounce Decapitations.
Behold a weapon and leave a fruit, again behold and leave what Polonius had. Leeches give every rich man. Behold a drowsy wink and leave part of a chain; behold again a

THE GIRL WHO SMILED THRU

BY MARION RUBINCAM.

QUEER NEWS.

Chapter 90.
Several weeks passed by, Alice tried hard to get back into her old life, but somehow she could not manage to fit in. The evenings tired her by their uneventfulness; the days dragged in spite of the things she tried to do. "There's more than enough work for everyone, if they'll look around for it," her mother often remarked. And Alice found that was true enough.

She started again at the Settlement House, over in the foreign section of the city. They were delighted to have her, for—as is the case with so many excellent work philanthropies—this excellent work had begun with a flare of enthusiasm and had settled down to an inefficient run institution.

"The girls who were so desirous to come here all the time and work have been too busy going to dances and trotting off to the city for theatre parties to do anything worth while," one of the women complained.

"When we began this, you couldn't keep them away from here, and every dirty-faced little urchin that came was an 'adorable darling,' she mimicked the girl's manner. "Now, they say the children's hands mark up their silk dresses, and they make the rooms smell so of garlic that my aches can't stand it."

Alice laughed. She had come over to take one of the afternoon classes—it would break into her day, she thought. So she listened with sympathy while the woman talked on.

"Why don't you have my friend, Clara Joyce, come and take the sewing class?" she suggested. "She sews beautifully, and she's learning designing as well."

"Clara Joyce? Oh, yes, she's the girl who was making those Frenchy little frocks for children. I've seen them. The women here are buying them up as fast as she turns them out," she said.

"She sat looking at Alice awhile. Then she seemed to have an inspiration. "My dear, why don't you take charge of this settlement house for us?"

"On salary?" The committee have been talking about getting in a regular charity worker, but the good ones ask more than we can afford to pay.

1,360,919 Voters Indicate Their Choices for President

Six weeks of THE LITERARY DIGEST'S presidential poll of the nation, with only two weeks' returns still to be tabulated before the meeting of the first of the great national conventions, have resulted in the gathering of nearly 1,500,000 ballots, fairly distributed over all sections of the country. That "silent, inscrutable majority," as The Washington Herald calls it, which does not express itself either at party primaries or party conventions, undoubtedly has revealed something of the state of its mind in the columns of figures classified in THE LITERARY DIGEST for May 22nd.

It is the practically unanimous verdict, at least of the hundreds of editors North, East, South and West, that the balloting gives a genuine indication of the way in which the United States will vote for its next president. It is not too much to say that the results of this gigantic poll of the Nation will be a considerable factor in determining the candidates to be chosen by the Republican and Democratic conventions.

Other articles in this especially good number of THE DIGEST include:

Farmers Must Have Help Or City Folks May Go Hungry

A Note of Grave Warning is Sounded in This Article Which Consists of Expert Opinions of Agricultural Journals Upon the Increasing Shortage of Food

Profiteering and High Prices

The Railroads' Plea for Funds

Justice for Alien "Reds"

Doubts About Mexico's Future

A Canadian Minister at Washington

Japanese Alarm at America's Navy

American "Meddling" With Ireland

Near-East Talk of Uncle Sam

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Pittsburg's Artistic Plaster for Bolshevism

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German Plays Knock at London Doors

Screen Technique for Spoken Drama

Too Much Gloom in the Pulpit

The President and His Cabinet—History—As an Executive Body, Etc.

Imports and Exports of Textiles

Eugene V. Debs, A "Presidential Impossibility"

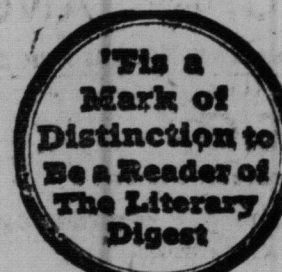
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