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TORONTO, MARCH 11th, 1904. The civic investigation looks like a football with all the wind out of it.

Magistrate Denison let a union man off the other day with a low fine. Wonder if he heard the coming storm.

Commissioner Hob is sick of investigations. If he would only get in the right ring at the City Hall he might be able to stop them.

We don't like war, but if it must come labor can fight. The honeyed words of our enemies cannot conceal from our eyes the hidden dagger waiting for the opportunity to make a thrust.

When will the city get a charter which will free it from the farmers of the Ontario Legislature. A great deal was heard of the project some time ago, but now the civic fathers seem to have let the agitation die out.

It is to be hoped that the fact of the Trades Council meeting weekly will not mean the opportunity for waiting "hot air" will be any greater, but that the outcome of the unions will be better looked after.

Our good friend, A. W. Patten, has again been chosen by the labor people of Winnipeg to carry their standard in the coming Dominion elections.

A funny incident in the bad car service of these days was the stopping of a King street car at the corner of Bay the other evening which was not merely crowded, but jammed, and a minute or two after the passing of the same point by a King car with hardly anyone on it.

It is not often these days that one hears of a trade union recognizing the services of those who do work for them. There is all the more reason, therefore, for commending the action of the Metal Polishing, Buffers, Platers, Brass Moulders and Brass Workers for their generous treatment of the arbitrators who represented them in their wage dispute last summer.

Labor troubles are likely to be few this season. If you are not in the front rank...

The beggar who kicks a banana skin off the sidewalk is a better specimen of man than the millionaire who throws it on, regardless of the injury he may cause others.

Be consistent and always ask for the label. It may not be the best weapon you will ever have, but it is the best you have got to-day, and you should use it for all you are worth.

Toronto has grown out of her swaddling clothes, and instead of a wretchedness a city engineer with just about one hundred times the capacity as a backbone possessed by Charles H. Best.

That pair of warm lovers from Detroit will have a cool honeymoon in the Mercer and Central, respectively. What a lengthy time for reflection. It will be the old adage over again: "Marry in haste and repent at leisure."

It seems very funny that if you or I were to buy the Toronto Railway as anything for that matter we are at liberty to do it without asking anybody, but when you and I as citizens desire to jointly purchase anything we must be held in check by the corporation representatives in Queen's Park.

He worked all day for a dollar, and when he got to their room at night he was weary, sad and disheartened. As he sat and talked with his wife he said he had been to Africa.

He seemed to be losing courage. At the thought of being so poor. Yet he said that there were hundreds that could not get any more.

When the war with the Boer is over, the right to treat men as cattle and as few as they are poor.

THE ONLY WAY. For years men have been trying to save enough money so that they need not work in their old age.

INDUSTRIAL REFORMERS should learn a lesson from the meeting held last week to advocate a united church. If the United Industrial Reformers take warning and stamp it out at once.

SPARKLING THOUGHTS FROM F. L. GORDON'S SERMON. In the Old Testament the national in the New Testament we have the individual.

Each man extracts from the book his own interpretation. To-day, the 6th day of March, we celebrate the 10th anniversary of the British and Foreign Bible Society.

Man thinks more along spiritual lines than any other line. Jesus Christ is the all-embracing centre soul wherein all souls converge.

Only a few months ago paid agents of a livery company in California furnished with arms and munitions to those who were calling upon the courts for injunctions to preserve order, charged upon a crew of peaceful citizens returning from church on Sunday morning and killed and maimed a portion of them.

Only two weeks ago in northern Alabama, organizers for the United Mine Workers were beaten and one of them was shot by Eutes in the employ of one of the local coal companies whose profits were in danger of being cut down because of the efforts of these organizers.

Then in Idaho Springs and Denver, Colo., the same spirit of selfishness and disregard of law among the employers...

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Miscellaneous Trades Section. Chairmen, A. H. Sanderson; vice-chairman, G. W. Hart. Secretary, T. C. McKeown.

Metal Trades Section. Chairmen, W. Boland; vice-chairman, N. Quenneville; secretary, G. W. Hart.

Woodworking Trades Section. Chairmen, J. E. Virtue; vice-chairman, A. Treadwell; secretary-treasurer, Wm. Annie.

Printing Trades. S. J. W. Wiggins, 209 Palace Street, Toronto. Meetings 1st and 3rd Mondays, Occident Hall.

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