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## A WORSE MUDDLE

Summed up, the dredging situation now appears to be that if Mr. Mayes will guarantee to do the necessary additional dredging at Sand Point, and to do it at a reasonable figure, it will be possible to get along without purchasing a dredge. If not, since it is now ascertained that a width of 80 feet must be dredged at No. 2 and 3, and Director Cushing says he did not figure on that width and cannot do it with the city and Gibbon dredges in time, the city will be compelled to purchase a dredge—provided one can be got here, with the necessary crews, in time to do the work.

This appears to be the present situation. The board of works appears to be somewhat helpless in the matter, going on from day to day without a clear grasp of the situation. New discoveries are apparently made from day to day, that reveal the situation in a different light. The Times has been opposed to incurring unnecessary expense, or to the city purchasing a dredge on the strength of work which it may hope to get from the government. This would favor of the speculative, with which the city should have nothing to do.

But if a dredge is needed to complete the work necessary to accommodate the Empire steamers there can be no question in the matter.

But who knows? Will some one with some semblance of authority tell us?

Since the above was written it is learned that the aldermen have decided to have nothing to do with Mr. Mayes, and to complete the work with their own dredges. Evidently, then, they believe they can do it. Yesterday they did not. What will tomorrow reveal?

## OCEAN ROUTES

The people of the west have ideas of their own concerning ocean routes for western traffic, and the ports that should be developed. They have not yet given up the hope that the Hudson Bay route may prove to be practicable for a considerable portion of the year. A recent letter from Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, says:

"The Prince Albert Board of Trade is initiating a movement in which it will seek the co-operation of every board of trade in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta in urging on both the provincial and the federal governments immediate action to prepare the Hudson Bay route for navigation. Prince Albert being the most northerly railway point in Saskatchewan and a very old Hudson's Bay Co. post, is probably more in touch with the north than any other city, and Hudson's Bay captains, who are frequently here, always declare that the bay is navigable from midsummer until December, and sometimes to the end of January. The dangerous month, they state, is July, when floating ice from the Arctic regions comes swirling through the straits, but after this has disappeared, there is nothing to prevent ocean steamers running from Fort Churchill to Europe up to Christmas. The feeling of the board at a meeting held last night was that eastern members of parliament will never willingly consent to the Hudson Bay route being opened, and a vigorous campaign to secure the recognition of the west in this matter is now to become one of the chief duties of the board."

Somewhat later this Hudson Bay route must be tested, no doubt, but the western folk should interest themselves also in the proper national equipment of ports that must be used in the meantime, and must always be used in the winter season.

The commissioner of banking in Massachusetts estimates that the defalcations among the bank officials in the United States average one per day. Among the safeguards he recommends are better accounting, closer auditing and more fre-

quent examinations by directors. He says: "A proper system of accounting will prevent more embezzlements than a proper system of auditing will discover. The best system installed, the entries under it should be audited as frequently as possible. And this work should be under the eye of an expert. In order to prevent the making of excessive or unsound or unsafe loans by trusted officials of banks, of which we have seen many cases in the larger cities during the past few years, I believe that there should be a law passed compelling the directors of the bank to make at least two examinations of the state of the bank each year. These examinations should be made by an examining committee, which should not contain any officer or any member of the executive committee."

The School for the Deaf has been fortunate in securing so experienced and devoted a superintendent as Mr. Hansell appears to be. He desires to make the institution the most effective possible for the work it has to perform. The next step should be to secure a law compelling the parents to send deaf and dumb children to school for a number of years, as is done in England and Scotland.

What is to become of the dry dock and the probable new elevator on the west side if the city council give a new seven-year lease of those properties? This question should be looked into by the citizens generally. In view of west side trade expansion is it wisdom or folly to renew such a lease?

The weight of evidence appears to be on the side of closing up the west channel entrance to the harbor, and straightening out and deepening the main entrance.

The question of the cost of dredging is now a factor in the consideration of the whole subject from the city's standpoint.

The failure of the city council to have any spare pipe on hand for waterworks repairs is now a matter of some importance.

## MR. STEFFENS ON MR. HEARST

In The American Magazine for November Lincoln Steffens writes of "Hearst, the Man of Mystery." The article is an examination of the fitness of Mr. Hearst for office, based on fundamental grounds. It considers him seriously as a remarkable phenomenon in public affairs. His political and journalistic ideas are given as they are presented by himself and his followers, with all possible credit for sincerity. The conclusions of the article, as reproduced below, are unfavorable to Mr. Hearst.

Mr. Steffens says: "W. R. Hearst is as hard to see and as inexpressive as E. H. Harriman and Thomas F. Ryan, who, like him, are mystic. Hearst's self-reliance is shown in their methods are his. He uses force, as they do, and the same force, money, not illegitimately, perhaps; but as a substitute for persuasion, charm, humor, pleadings. When he was starting his New York papers somebody protested at his extravagant methods. 'They may cost money,' he answered, 'but they save time.' Thus he uses the money power as the capitalists do. And like them, he would entirely cut each agent who is not in his pay. He does not work with; he does not support, as La Follette and Folk do, the other leaders of reform. He does not know why they all are. Mr. Hearst is not a part of the general reform movement; he simply has a movement of his own. This anti-democratic, this plutocratic, autocratic. Mr. Hearst is a boss. We need not fear him because he has an organization of his own, for he proposes to serve in it as an agent who we can get at him if he doesn't. Mr. Hearst is a boss who would like to give us democratic government, just as, of his class would give us colleges and libraries and good, plutocratic government."

"But we don't want Mr. Hearst to give us democratic government. We don't want anybody to give us self-government. We want to get that for ourselves. We must have leaders, but the kind of leaders we need are men who will not only lead us to restore the democracy, but who will inspire and foster in us the spirit that will fit us to maintain it. For, after all, what we are after is not democracy, but something we think a true democracy might produce, viz., brave, free, independent men and women; 'individualities,' self-reliant, but on the whole just to others. Here it is that Mr. Hearst fails."

"It seems to me that democracy is an end in itself, and that the end justifies the means—his journalism. So to give us better government, he would make us a worse people. To get our ear, he starts a string of newspapers. To attract attention he overstates facts and prints them garishly. To hold us, many of us, he prints stuff that satisfies our worst tastes. To have us on hand to read the exposures of the plutocracy, he pictures also the vices of the rich. To arouse us to overthrow that plutocracy, he appeals to the same passions in us that have set our rulers to grafting, stealing, bribing, and, generally, to the betrayal of our faith in them. He sees and he says that we have a government and what we need is how he restores it, he stirs up class feeling, which is likewise an odious thing. And, finally, by way of teaching us self-government and showing us how he would bring in the democracy, he wields the terrible power of the press—greater than that of any office he ever can dream of holding—it actually kills men. This power he abuses with a tyranny that is appalling—for our good, but also simply for our entertainment."

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Trace of beauty none could find,  
But I told her that I loved her  
For her qualities of mind.

I declared that beauty faded,  
Leaving naught to take its place,  
While the heart both true and loving  
Led out the pretty face.

Then I pitied foolish fellows,  
Took occasion to deride  
Those with eyes but for the casket,  
Not the gem that lay inside.

Net result of my proposal:  
In the pages of our town  
I headed the glowing headline:  
"Pretty Girl Turns Smitten Down."  
—New York Sun.

## IN LIGHTER VEIN

AGREEING WITH HER.

"Yes, he proposed, and I am very happy and proud—it seems wonderful. I do not see what he sees in me to love."

"Neither do I."  
"You mean thing!"

## HIS OBSERVATION.

"What is your idea of reform?"  
"My observation," answered Senator Sorghum, "has been that in a majority of cases reform is a mysterious combination of good politics and bad business."

## DREADEFUL.

There was a young lady named Blynn,  
Who was so exceedingly thin,  
That when she essayed  
To drink lemonade,  
She slipped through the straw and fell in.

## OUT OF SIGHT.

"Yes, the policeman arrested her because he thought she did not have on a bathing suit."  
"How did he come to make such a mistake?"  
"Her suit was hidden by the life preserver she was wearing."

## IT ALL DEPENDS.

"Tell me, my friend," began the minister, sternly, "is it possible for a man to go fishing on the Sabbath and still be a Christian?"  
"Sure," replied the unregenerate sport, "provided his luck isn't bad enough to make him swear."

## PROBABLY NOT.

Village Constable (to villager who has been knocked down by passing motorcyclist)—You don't see the number, but could you swear to the man?  
Villager—I did; but I don't think 'e 'eard me.

## THEN HE WAS GOOD.

"Hempock took a stand for his rights the other day."  
"Did Mrs. Hempock threaten to go to her mother?"  
"No, not exactly that; she threatened to take him to her mother."

## IN MOURNING.

"No, they are not going in society any more."  
"In mourning?"  
"Yes, you might call it that."  
"Who for?"  
"They have relatives living in Pittsburgh."

## SURE SIGN.

Newitt—I guess I must have been pretty full when you were talking at the banquet last night.  
Gagley—Why? Can't you recall what I was talking about?  
Newitt—Yes, that's just it. I remember distinctly that I laughed at the stories you were telling.

## GETTING WISE.

"How is it you are going to the moonlight excursion this week and last week I couldn't get you to go?"  
"There was too much moonlight last week."

## DEAD SURE, BUT—

"O! I've got a dead sure thing for this race," said Dudley, at the race track, "simply can't lose."  
"You don't say?" put in Wise. "What was that you just put in your inside pocket? Your rabbit's foot?"  
"Why—er—no, that was a nickel for car fare home."

## SHEFFIELD

SHEFFIELD, Oct. 20—A quiet wedding took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. James Tagley, French Lake, Wednesday evening, when their daughter, Minnie, was united in marriage to Fred Briggs, of McQuigg Lake. The bride was becomingly attired in a cream muslin-velvet, and was attended by Rev. G. W. Sable performed the ceremony in the presence of near relatives, after which a wedding luncheon was served.

Mrs. W. J. W. and Miss Sadie Bridges were in Fredericton on Saturday, also Miss Carle, Miss Rita Flowers and Miss Simmons, of Lakeside Corner. The Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Sable were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Bridges on Thursday.

The ladies of the Methodist church, Sheffield, purpose holding a missionary concert in the Methodist church at Lakeside Corner on Wednesday evening, Oct. 24th.

Mr. and Mrs. Webb, of Lowell, Mass., have returned home.

Bert Miller and Miss Barton, of Minto, were in Sheffield today. Mrs. Thorne and children, of Indianapolis, have returned home.

Ottawa, Oct. 22—Jules Higelin, aged about 40, at Bryson (Que.), is a prisoner in the local jail on a charge which may amount to murder. He is alleged to have shot Jules Chasqueur, at Laverlochier, ten miles from Ville Marie, last week. Chasqueur is reported to have died since Higelin's arrest and an officer has gone to Ville Marie which is above Ottawa to investigate.

Rev. H. D. Marr, having resigned to become pastor of Queen square Methodist church of this city, the quarterly board of Carleton Methodist church has extended a call to Rev. J. Ainey, of Silver Falls. It is thought that he will accept.

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