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UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS.

In The Globe correct in stating that the university senate considers the proposals to raise the matriculation standard imperative "on account of the lack of financial support given the seat of learning by the Ontario Government?"

We do not think The Globe was justified in making this suggestion of institution. But it is in line with the Globe's usual procedure in coloring news for partisan political purposes.

The report of the governors, which has been under the consideration of the government, deals with the present circumstances of the university, which has had extraordinary and quite unexpected demands made upon its resources during the last few years.

During the past two or three years of the new arrangement a surplus was set aside to meet future needs, but the demands of the last two years have exhausted the amount of about \$150,000, and in June next the governors will have met all expenses, but will face a deficit for next year.

There has been no lack of economy in the management of affairs, and the cost per student, as compared with English universities, is low. Sheffield with 554 full-time students, costs \$538 per capita; Manchester, with 1842 students, \$465; Birmingham, with 868, \$359; University College, London, with 997, \$300; and Toronto, with 3220, \$227.

The attendance at Toronto University has risen from 3028 in 1906 to 4136. Owing to the raising of the examination standards, the attendance for four years past has been kept down to some extent, but the students flock in, and new buildings and equipment are needed, and an increase in the staff. Had the death duties kept up to the estimate, or had the attendance not increased, there would probably have been no need for more funds, but the matters mentioned, and others dealt with in the governors' report, make it clear that a further provision must be made if the university is to maintain its present standard of efficiency.

for a greater measure of Home Rule there has been a real awakening to the necessity for internal development. Towards that end both public and private measures and organizations have contributed.

Within the opening years of the twentieth century many instrumentalities have been established for the encouragement of Irish agriculture and manufactures. What has been already done, The Times says, "amounts truly to an almost incredible revolution; nor is the work entirely finished."

Wilson and Tariff Revision. As compared with the portentous length of Mr. Roosevelt's messages to congress and the little less lengthy but more ponderous messages of Mr. Taft, that of President Wilson on tariff revision, it is understood, will be but a bagatelle.

President Wilson has shown himself singularly independent in his methods, and now that his first month of office is about over the general impression in Washington appears to be highly favorable. Not only has he clear opinions of his own but he is revealing himself as a shrewd judge of character and as a tactician who is not going to lose the advantage which his position commands.

TOWN PLANNING IN GERMANY. In an article in The Twentieth Century Magazine, Count J. H. von Bernstorff describes how German towns manage their business affairs. As is generally known, most of the councils in that country provide examples of municipal ownership and operation of public services carried to its largest extent and with thorough regard to the future needs and interests of the citizens.

Practical experience of the rule in Germany shows that land owners find it to their advantage to co-operate with the city authorities in the matter of town planning. If they do not agree the municipalities possess the right of expropriation, which, as matter of fact, very rarely requires to be exercised. Moreover, German cities and towns have benefited greatly by the power of land purchase.

HELP NEEDED IN MUSKOGA. Editor World: Permit me, please, to bring before the public the needs of my work in the case of some of the Muskoka poor. These needs can best be shown by a brief description of the help needed, but for which more assistance is needed at once.

IRELAND TODAY. Perhaps the most striking evidence of the change in the relationship of Ireland to the other divisions of the United Kingdom has been provided by the special Irish number of The London Times, published on St. Patrick's Day. While it is, of course, impossible to endow a newspaper with a separate individuality, apart from the person or persons who control its policy for the time being, the attitude of the great London daily is a significant sign of the times.

That a change has come over the whole condition of Ireland is undoubted, and has nowhere been better revealed than in the marked decrease in the volume of emigration. With the reassertion of the national spirit has come a marked improvement in agriculture and industry, which is not wholly attributable to the improved political outlook. Behind the demand

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Ridgeway Suffers Severe Fire Losses

RIDGEWAY, April 1.—(Can. Press.)—Fire of unknown origin almost completely wiped out the business section of this town last night, and several buildings were saved by a bucket brigade.

Airman Ends Life Dropping 600 Feet

LONDON, April 1.—Lieut. Perlovski of the Russian army committed suicide at Warsaw on Sunday by deliberately shutting off the motor of an aeroplane in which he was flying and dropping from a height of 600 feet.

BRITISH CRUISER IS READY.

MALTA, April 1.—(Can. Press.)—The British armored cruiser Defence has been ordered to participate in the demonstration to be made by Austro-Hungarian and British warships on the Montenegrin and Albanian coasts in connection with the bombardment of Scutari.

SWITCHMAN ELECTED MAYOR.

DES MOINES, Ia., April 1.—(Can. Press.)—Municipal elections in Iowa towns yesterday developed a number of surprises. Ottumwa, with forty thousand inhabitants, elected Patrick Lennon, a switchman of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad, as mayor.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS. April 1, 1913. Motions at down for single court for Wednesday, 2nd inst., at 11 a.m.:—Dunning v. Dunning.

Parliamentary list for appellate division for Wednesday, 2nd inst., at 11 a.m.:—1—Ward v. Dickenson. 2—Roque v. City of Ottawa.

Master's Chambers. Before J. S. Cartwright, K.C., Master. Lambert v. Danford Heights—J. P. White, for defendants, moved for order for five weeks. E. Meek, K.C., for plaintiff. Order made. Costs in cause.

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