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The Bank of BRITISH NORTH AMERICA.

Capital £1,000,000.
Reserve £350,000.

SAVINGS DEPARTMENT.

Deposits of \$1 and over Received.
Interest at 3 per cent.

Farmers' Notes Discounted.

R. A. ROBINSON,
Manager.

OFFICE HOURS: 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.
Saturdays, 9 to 12.30, and 4 to 6 p. m.

Professional Cards.

LEGAL.

F. A. McDIARMID.

BARRISTER, SOLICITOR, &c., LINDSAY
and Fenelon Falls. Lindsay office,
Milne's block, near post-office. Fenelon
Falls office, over J. C. McKeggie & Co.'s
Bank. The Fenelon Falls office will be
open every Wednesday afternoon from ar-
rival of train from Lindsay. Money
to loan on real estate at lowest current
rates.

McLAUGHLIN & PEEL.

BARRISTERS, SOLICITORS, &c. Money
to loan on real estate at lowest current
rates. Office, Kent street, opposite Market,
Lindsay.
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BARRISTER, &c. SOLICITOR FOR
the Ontario Bank. Money to loan at
lowest rates on terms to suit the borrower.
Offices: No. 6, William Street South, Lind-
say, Ont.

STEWART & O'CONNOR,

BARRISTERS, NOTARIES, &c. MONEY
to loan at lowest current rates. Terms
to suit borrowers. Office on corner of Kent
and York streets, Lindsay.
T. STEWART. L. V. O'CONNOR, B. A.

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BARRISTERS, SOLICITORS, &c. Of-
fice, William street, Lindsay.
F. D. MOORE. A. JACKSON

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DR. H. H. GRAHAM.

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ONT., F. T. M. S.—

PHYSICIAN, SURGEON & ACCOUCH-
eur. Office, Francis Street, Fenelon
Falls.

DR. A. WILSON,

—M. B., M. C. P. & S., Ontario,—
PHYSICIAN, SURGEON & ACCOUCH-
eur. Office, Colborne Street, Fenelon
Falls.

DENTAL.

Dr. S. J. SIMS, DENTIST,
Fenelon Falls.

Graduate of Toronto University and
Royal College of Dental Surgeons.
ALL BRANCHES OF DENTISTRY
performed according to the latest improved
methods at moderate prices.
OFFICE:—Over Burgoyne's store, Col-
borne street

Dr. NEELANDS, DENTIST, LINDSAY,

Extracts teeth without pain by gas (vital-
ized air) administered by him for 27 years.
He studied the gas under Dr. Colton, of
New York, the originator of gas for extract-
ing teeth. Dr. Colton writes Dr. Neelands
that he has given the gas to 186,417 per-
sons without an accident from the gas.
Other pain obtunders used. A good set of
teeth inserted for \$10. Dr. Neelands
visits Fenelon Falls (McArthur House) the
third Tuesday of every month. Call early
and secure an appointment.

A Sunderland lady writes Dr. Neelands
that he had made her a successful fit after
having eight sets of teeth made in Toronto
and elsewhere.

JUST THE OTHER DAY

our new spring stock of Boots and
Shoes came. We want you to see it.

It explains its good points far bet-
ter than we could do.

You will notice first of all that it is
particularly large. We wanted it
that way so that every demand of
our customers could be met.

We have the product of the largest
and best shoe manufacturers in Can-
ada, and when you buy a pair of Em-
press or Slater Shoes you have the
satisfaction of knowing that the price
you pay for them in Fenelon Falls is
just the same as you would pay for
them in Toronto or any city or town
in Canada. We invite you to call.

J. L. ARNOLD.

You can get
the "C. R. Co."
Rubbers
at
W. L. Robson's.

Who's Your Tailor?

If you ask any particularly well-dressed
man in Fenelon Falls or surrounding district,
"Who makes your clothes?" invariably he
will tell you

"TOWNLEY."

Be one of the number, and call and see
what he is doing for the Fall and Winter.
His prices are right, consistent with first-class
style and workmanship. He makes no other.

ARE YOU
INTERESTED IN

RINGS?

Engagement Rings
Wedding Rings,
Diamond Rings.

WRITE

GEO. W. BEALL,
THE JEWELLER,
Lindsay.

For particulars. You will save
money. You can rely on what
you get.

The Pulpit and the Social Problem.

The attitude of many professed fol-
lowers of Christ in regard to the social
problem that touches the every day life
of the common people is truly appalling.
In thousands of churches all over this
land, Sunday after Sunday, the pulpit
goes on droning out platitudes to self-
satisfied and drowsy congregations, only
turning aside occasionally from the beat
on path to take a fling at the so-called
disturbers of the peace, the "troublers
of Israel" who have the effrontery to
demand anything different from the
present, while all the time the very
stones without seem to cry aloud for the
gospel of social justice and brother-
hood proclaimed by the Nazarene. At
a noted reform gathering in New York
City, some time ago, Dr. I. K. Funk,
of the well-known publishing house of
Funk & Wagnalls, acting as chairman,
made the following remarks:

"May we expect, in the battle now
on, the assistance of the clergy and the
churches? No; with some noble excep-
tions, No! Christianity with its every
heart-throb is on our side; Churchianity
is against us. Christianity walks by
faith, cares only for principle. Church-
ianity is obsequious, crawls in the dust,
is always politic, cares for bread and
butter, serves eternally the powers that
be. Said Wendell Phillips, 'The average
preacher averages lower in courage than
the average coward among other
men.' Too severe and sweeping? Yes.
But history with its iron pen has writ-
ten, never to be effaced, the awful ver-
dict that there were to be found no-
where in the North more obsequious
apologists for the buying and selling of
Negroes than in the vast majority of the
pulpits of the North."

It is difficult to escape the force of
this strong arraignment of the pulpit, or
to avoid its direct application at the
present moment. The majority of the
pulpits of this country are, apparently,
as completely under the paralyzing in-
fluence of capitalism as the most servile
political agent of Morgau or Rockefeller.
And here we have the most pitiful as-
pect of mammonism and the most dead-
ly peril which threatens our national
life, the peril against which Lincoln
raised his warning voice. The cold,
cunning, heartless serpent of the money
power has wormed its way and injected
its poison into our social, commercial
and political life, corrupting the springs
of education and legislation until now it
would eliminate all moral considerations
from the church of God itself and thro-
tle the national conscience.

"Religion," it is said, (in a way that
means, 'You'd better believe it') "has
nothing to do with social and political
questions. They must be dealt with and
settled according to the iron law of wa-
ges or the cruel strife of competition.
Christian sentiment will not be allowed
to interfere with modern business meth-
ods. A Christian man has a perfect
right to exploit his brethren if he can
do so within the law; and if he cannot
do so within the law, he has a perfect
right to see that the law is framed so
that he can do so. The preachers had
better leave the ethics of buying and
selling, mining and manufacturing, vot-
ing and legislating, to 'practical' men,
while they themselves stick to the 'gospel.'
Their business is to teach the
people Christian resignation, to tell
them in the name of Christ to tamely

submit, to be content with their lot and
with such things as the 'Christian men
to whom God has entrusted the property
interests of the country' see fit to let
them have, and to be thankful for 'pros-
perity' and soaring prices."

And the preachers, for the most part,
have been doing their best to follow this
advice. To disregard it would be to
lose their livings, and to destroy what
little opportunity is left them to do
good. The pulpit has devoted atten-
tion to "religious" discussion, while
leaving out the very heart of religion.
The churches have been substituting
the most miserable subterfuges of "ser-
vices" and "charity" for the divine
requirement of justice and righteous-
ness until the climax of capitalism seems
to have been reached, and is well ex-
pressed in the words of scripture: "A
wonderful and horrible thing is come to
pass in the land; the prophets prophesy
falsely; and the priests bear rule by their
means; and my people love to have it
so: and what will ye do in the end
thereof?"

We would not, however, deal unfair-
ly with either pulpit or pew. We be-
lieve that a great number of Christian
ministers and people are in full symp-
athy with the struggle of the masses for
social betterment. Many of the capital-
ists are likewise convinced of the justice
of the demands of the toilers. We be-
lieve there are thousands of people in
the churches who are at heart Socialists
of the most class-conscious type. But
they are slaves of the present system,
and are unwilling to make the sacrifice
which an avowal of their faith would at
the present time involve. We do not
excuse their weakness and cowardice;
but we hope for a great revival of the
spirit of Christian Heroism, and we are
glad to put it down to the credit of the
churches that the number of ministers
who are speaking out plainly in behalf
of human rights is increasing from week
to week. The preachers are finding
their voices, the churches are standing
by them, and the light of a New Day
is breaking on the horizon.

Aid the dawning, tongue and pen;
Aid it, hopes of honest men;
Aid it, paper; aid it, type;
Aid it, for the hour is ripe.

—The Vanguard.

Senator Palmer's Socialism.

Though she has had more than a
week to think the matter over, Detroit
has not fully recovered from the shock
of discovering ex-Senator Thomas W.
Palmer's strong tendency toward Social-
ism, and his conviction that it is to tri-
umph in this country, and to prove a
remedy for many of the ills of human-
ity and a damage to no one. The sur-
prise of it arises from the fact that Mr.
Palmer's origin, experience, association
and environment have not been those
which are popularly recognized as favo-
rable to the acceptance and development
of such theories of government. A man
of inherited and acquired wealth, of
high distinction in public life; a practi-
cal business man; never conspicuous as
a theorist or given to reforming a world
which he finds pleasant and satisfactory
as it is; distinctly of the easy-going
temperament, he is almost the last man
on whom such sentiments might be ex-
pected to take hold.

That they have done so is a notable
sign of the times. Men not more than
30 years old can readily recall the time
when, if a person of his type and pos-
ition had come to hold such views, he
would have been most reluctant to ex-
press them, for fear of popular censure
and a certain sort of ostracism. The
best he could have expected would have
been to be considered a certain kind of
"crank"; the worst, to have his sanity
questioned. But Socialism is becoming
respectable. In circles where, ten or
fifteen years ago, it was considered a
criminal doctrine, or charitably describ-
ed as the harmless veerings of the dis-
contented elements, it is now able to
command respectful consideration and
to find occasional frank converts.—De-
troit News-Tribune.

Count Tolstoy says that the rich will
do anything for the poor but get off their
backs. Socialism will do anything for
the rich but let them stay on the backs
of their fellows. Read up on Socialism.

Rob a chicken roost and you are a
thief. Wreck a bank and you are an
embezzler. Ruin your competitor and
you are a "financier." Plunder the pub-
lic and you are a magnate. Return a
driftlet of your stealings and you are a
philanthropist. Socialism will destroy
this incentive.