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#### THE LATEST GOOD ROAD SCHEME

The proposal to have the Dominion Government participate in rural road improvement in the several Provinces is one that should not be finally decided on without full consideration of all the difficulties to be met with in carrying the proposal into effect, says the Farmers' Sun.

One of these difficulties will be in the division of authority, Federal, Provincial, and municipal authorities will all demand a voice in spending the money. Is there not certain to be waste where there is such a multiplication of authorities in control and with one party in power at Ottawa, another in power in some of the Provinces, and with more or partisanship in municipal councils?

Then, when the roads are built, the question of who owns them will be certain to arise. The scheme in view appears to contemplate the building of trunk lines hundreds of miles in length. No farmer wants to drive a hundred miles. His longest haul, save in the pioneer sections, is seldom over ten miles. This trunk scheme of highways looks like a device to tax the whole people for the making of speedways for motors, and in the end if the roads are built, it will be found that no horses, unless so blind it cannot see, and so badly blemished it cannot run, will be safe upon

### POWER QUESTION AT PETERBORD

seem to think that the passage the Hydro-Electric power by-law is an end; whereas, it is only a means to an end. There are many things ly excited over the struggle. The Gerto be done before Peterboro will rea- mans as a people, however, take polize dividends upon the big vote poll- litics differently. As a matter of fact

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ed in favor of the by-law on Monday. have to go through the process application the power by-law confers, and when we shall have power brought to our doors at cost, the real problem appears. If we get four or five thousand horse power at cost, what shall we do with it? If we cannot make profitable use of it, it be comes the fifth wheel to a wagon. This calls for the adoption of more energetic campaign to attract new industries to Peterboro. We cannot expect to sell power to our present largest power using industries, for they are independent; they have power of their own, beyond present needs, and sufficient for much greater use as expansion comes. therefore becomes necessary for our City Council, our Board of Trade, and our citizens prominently interested in industrial development to project and apply an energetic scheme to place new industries in the city. Much will depend upon being early in the field, in our ability to offer the inducements represented by cheap power. We should be able to put up a very strong bid for new industries. To our exceptional railway facilities of transportation, is to be added as no distant date the very important advantage of water transportation through completion of the Trent Ca nal. It therefore becomes the duty of the City Council, Board of Trade,

## THE GERMAN ELECTIONS

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electric power, when we shall get

it, of real advantage, in the develop-

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Reichstag election campaign has been resumed with vigor after ar almost complete interruption during the holidays. The elections will be held on Jan. 12. An observer accustomed to the heated ten days closing of a British campaign can Examiner: A great many persons few evidences of interest, and is apt to conclude that only the South Germans, whose elections coincide with those for the Bavarian Diet, are real

interest in the elections was never greater, although it is not so noticeable as in the sensational patriotic campaign of 1907, and according to statements made at several of the party headquarters, it is expected that the vote will be fully up to the record polling of that year, more than 84 per cent of the qualified voters cast their ballots.

The issues are not so clear cut this year, but they concern national interests of vital importance to a greater degree, involving as they do financial legislation to a large extent, the possibility of further taxation at the coming session, and the high cost of living. At Radical headquarters enthusiasm is displayed over the chances of success on these issues. The Radicals say that the latest reports show that the position recently assumed by the Vatician with regard to modernism and the relation of the clergy to the civil courts is playing a considerable role in the strongholds of the clerical centre. The other side points to the menace to agriculture contained in the possibility of legislation affecting agrarian protection.

The recent war scare seems to be playing a secondary part, the bearing of which is uncertain. Most of the parties have succeeded in associating themselves completely the popular feeling aroused by pa-

The forecasts generally admit gain for the Socialists, who are expected to overcome the losses they sustained in the great anti-Socialist landslide in 1907, and corresponding losses by the Conservative party of the Centre. But only the rashest prophets venture even now to make definite predictions as to the number of seats which will undergo change. Those best informed believe that the Socialists will return with at least 81 seats, which they held at the time of the dissolution in 1906. but the prediction that the Socialists will carry 100 seats is frequently heard. It is quite generally expected that the turnover will be sufficient to dethrone the present Conservative-Centrist majority and force theGovernment to bid for additional allies in the next Reichstag.

#### PRESENT POSITION OF HOUSE OF LORDS

The position of the House of Lords now is pitiful; pitiful rather than pa- Russian representative in Pekin called ties will allow local pride to stand thetic because they cannot even feel at the Chinese Foreign Office and sug- in the way of getting what money that they defended themselves to the last. Their fall was unheroic. their present position is ignominous. Ignominous is the description of their future position under the Parliament Bill they always choose themselves. Let them realize it now and not acshown in the direction of making quiesce. Their present position is impossible. Either let them go on the sole and avowed intention of getting the Parliament Bill repealed or let them give up work inside the Chamber altogether and devote their energies to work outside where they can do a very great deal with very good effect. The worst thing possible both for them and for the country would be to lapse into the illusion that because they are still called the House of Lords and have escaped the great injection of new peers, things are as they were; that they either are or are taken to be the old House of Lords. Inside everything looks so exactly as it did, all seems to go on so much as before, that the mistake might be natural, but would not be less deadly.

## RUSSIAN ADVANCES IN ASIA

The Russian bear, with distressful experiences of his own as to what revolution means, to say nothing of the severe punishment which he suffered from Japan as the result of his attempt to annex Manchuria, is having reason in these days to realize that things are coming his way at Press. last. The Ohinese revolution is resulting to Russian advantage in that already Eastern, or as it has been known, Chinese, Turkestan and Mongolia, Those vast areas which the no longer to be subject to whatever men who can hit a target at China but are to be Russian.

ted, means that presently the Russian war. authority will establish itself in those regions of immense extent. Mongolia which occupies both terraces of the great plateau of Eastern Asia, has a population which is estimated at 9,-000,000; and the population of Eastern Turkestan, which forms part

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the vast moantain-girdled central Asian plateau, is figured by Sven Hai task that can be accomplished 000. Speaking roughly, Mongolia and has done something and is reaping Eastern Turkestan form an area on the results; Quebec is beginning

that in the regular Russian way there ate to the local necessities. trol of Mongolia, which the Chinese authorities declared their inability to prosper. do. This is taken to mean that Russia will assume control, on the plea that China's inability makes such action necessary. On the same day that Russia's official representatiaes were made at Pekin, to the effect that Chinese authority should be re-established in Mongolia, Russian influence installed in the highest position of ecclesiastical authority in Mongolia a strongly pro-Russian subordinate and representative of the Dalai Lama Tibet. It is only a question of time, and of no very long time at that until both Mongolia and Eastern Turkestan are Russian dependencies, without any pretence to the contrary by

Russian diplomaey. At present there are protestations from St. Petersburg that Russia is adhering strictly to a policy of noninterference, and has no other aim this class is usually more prolific than to protect the integrity and in- than the well borne; thus, the evil bedependance of the two regions in ques ing neglected, keeps multiplying. The tion. These protestations are of the only practical application of any rafrom St. Petersburg that the Russian with the subject at its source, Government entertained no designs on is, with the children; we can do little tary forces from Persian soil when ing with the depraved men and womthe Persian Government had apologiz- en who bring these children into the ed, and dismissed Mr. Shuster. These world. We cannot dispose of them by opportunities in Asia.-Winnipeg Free ing of them, or chloroforming them,

### CANADA'S MINISTER OF WAR

Toronto Star: Hon. Col. Hughes is Chinese Empire has heretofore man-credited with saying that if Canada aged to hold as Chinese territory are will give him an army of a million central authority to be set up in hundred yards, no foreign foe will ever set foot in Canada. Next sum-Not that there has been any an- mer, in addition to the regular milinouncement of this as yet. What is tia, he will drill 40,000 schoolboys in announced is that Eastern Turkestan the art of war, and whether such is impossible, outside of a public instiand Mongolia have declared themselv- his purpose or not, will familizrmm es autonomous; which, being interpre- their minds with the expectation of

It is to be hoped that Col. Hughes them, perhaps thousands, outside of has not aspirations to be a war lord, the towns and cities, that are speciand that he does not come from fied, and they should be cared for. Lindsay to Ottawa as one who came The country must provide a home for from Corsica to Paris to carve the its aged and infirm and friendless peo world into new shapes with his \_\_\_\_\_

Canada is a busy modern country, whose inhabitants feel disposed live in plenty rather than die on fields of glory. If, by minding their own business, they can preserve the peace which so far as they are concerned has remained unbroken for a century, they will be satisfied to al-

low the abilities of our military ge- ple. Why should it not provide for the niuses to remain undemonstrated for- helpless children?

Let it be conceded that with an army of a million men, all good shots, Col. Hughes could drive back any foreign foe. This country will take his word for it.

Hon. R. L. Borden got a mandate from the people to hunt up a Napoleon Bonaparte who will utilize us all as recruits for war, who will set us drilling, pipeclaying and bombasting, and turn our nurseries into shooting galleries. If it is supposed that the abolition of the navy which was designed to uphold Britain's hands can be atoned for by the lavish expenditure of money in the fuss and feathers of such an exaggerated local militarism as Col. Hughes, would delight in, it will be found that this will not long amuse nor finally satisfy Ontario.

#### COSS ROADS

The Montreal Star, speaking the good roads question, says:

Federal co-operation in securing better roads may some day put us it a position to talk better roads with our neighbors on a basis of something like equality. The obvious danger is that the acceptance by Government of the principle that it should co-operate until townships and municipalities feel that they can wriggle free of all financial responsiyou were a little girl, she kissed you when no one else was tempted by

Assuming, however, that this pit fall is escaped and that the work of improving the roads is taken up, loyally and energetically, by those who will reap most of the benefits. must still be prepared to wait sever al years before the results will generally apparent. Building roads, -"good roads," that is-is not din as being from 1,800,000 to 2,000,- any temporary enthusiasm. Ontario the midnight kiss with the map of Asia comparing with the see that public money, spent wisely remaining area of China and Tibet as on the making of roads, is money this country compares with the United well invested, but in no province has States on the map of this continent, the "good roads" movement shown The best informed accounts agree an early vitality at all proportion-

has been a prolonged infiltration of That the Ottawa government recog-Russian influences, the local magnates nizes both the condition and the debeing secured by bribery and prowises sirability of correcting it, the paraof greatness of wealth. The dispatch- graph in the Speech from the Throne es state that on Thursday last the proves conclusively. Few municipaligested on behalf of his Government they can from the government for hat China should at once accume con- this excellent purpose. Under the circumstances, the good work should

### ENFORC NG THE LAW

Thomas Ritchie, of Belleville in the Intelligencer, makes clear a very great defect in the law with regard to neglected children. It is very gratifying that a love for humanity puts it into the hearts of our legislators to provide for the unfortunate of our race, and the most unfortunate, truly, are the little ones who are the offspring of | dissipated and degenerate parents. The law says these shall claim the protection of the municipalities which have the necessary refuges and legal machinery for making them what they ought to be.

"This undesirable progemy" writes Mr. Ritchie, "beget their like, and If some other fellow's willin'same character as the assurances tional system of eugenics is to deal Persia, and would withdraw its mili- or nothing to stem the tide by deal-No one's got a mortgage on it, are days when Russia is realizing its locking them up or otherwise disposas some would suggest; such resources are impracticable, except for the worst criminals." Now there is authority for the re-

moval of children from parents who are incapable, for any cause, of discharging their duty. There is authority, in towns and cities, with not less than 10,000 population, to place the helpless children in temporary homes or shelters. But these homes are not always forthcoming, and it is simply tution, to secure accommodation for some degenerates. What is more, there are neglected children, hundreds of

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#### The defect of all these well-intentioned and philanthropic measures is the inability of the government to enforce them. Every poor and helpless person rightfully belonging to the municipality, and a resident within for a speci-

fied time (not a floater) should be in

a public institution. But is he? What

steps are taken to make a canvas of

any country in order to ascertain the

conditions of its indigent poor and to

insist on their removal to the county

refuge? The question has been raised

before, and it will be raised again,

and some day all the deserving poor

CARELESS DAUGHTER

A father, talking to his careless

daughter, said: "I want to speak to

you of your mother. It may be that

you have noticed a careworn look on

her face lately. Of course it has not

been brought there by any act of

yours; still it is your duty to chase

it away. I want you to get up early

to-morrow morning and get breakfast

and when your mother comes and be-

gins to express surprise go right up

to her and kiss her on the mouth.

You can't imagine how it will bright-

en her dear face. Besides, you owe

her a kiss or two. Away back, when

your fever-tainted breath and swollen

you are now. And through these years

of childish sunshine and shadows she

was always ready to cure, by the

magic of a mother's kiss, the little

dirty, chubby hands, whenever they

were injured in those first skirmishes

with the rough old world. And then,

routed so many bad dreams, as she

leaned over your restless pillow, have

all been on interest these long, long

years. Of course she is not so pretty,

and kissable as you are; but if you

last ten years, the contrast would

not have been so marked. Her face

has more wrinkles than yours - far

more; and yet if you were sick, that

face would appear more beautiful than

an angel's as it hovered over you,

watching every opportunity to ministe

to your comfort, and all those wrink-

les would seem to be bright wavelets

of sunchine chasing each other over

her dear face. She'll leave you one

of these days. These burdens, if not

lifted from her shoulder, will break

her down. Those rough, hard hands,

that have done so many necessary

things for you, will be crossed upon

her breast. Those neglected lips, that

gave you your first baby kiss, will be

forever closed, and those sad, tired

eyes will have opened in eternity, and

then you will appreciate your mother.

Do you know there's lot of people,

Knockin' every good thing down?

Cause they ain't no use on earth,

Crow and boost for all your worth

If your town needs boostin' booster

Don't hold back an' wait an' see,

Sail right in; this country's free.

Settin' round in every town,

Growlin' like broody chicken,

Don't be that kind o' cattle,

You just be a booster rooster,

But it will be too late."

had done your share of the work the

face. You were not as attractive

will get their due .- Kingston Whig.

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Cause if things should stop a-goin' We'd be in a sorry plight, You just keep that horn a'blowin' Boost 'er up with all your might.

If you know some feller's failin's Just forget 'em, 'cause you know, That same feller's got some good

Them's the ones you want to show,

"Cast your loaves upon the waters, They'll come back" 's a sayin' true, Mebbe too, they'll come back buttered When some feller boosts for you.

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