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PUT IT IN WRITING.

A citizen called up the Whig on Tuesday to say that the water question was becoming a grave one, and that it was time the city engineer had been asked to give it his special attention. The Whig replied that it was represented a few days ago, in an up-town store, when the intake pipe was under discussion, and that Ald. Carson, in the presence of several persons, called up the engineer, at his house, and invited his co-operation. The Whig remembers the discussion very well. The engineer said he was going away for a few days on pavement business, but that he would think over the situation while away and would report upon it later. Ald. Carson, in the Whig's presence, said he wanted the engineer to put his views or suggestions in writing, and to let him have them as soon as possible. Now the Whig agrees with the citizen aforesaid that the advent of the warm weather makes it necessary that they should be haste with regard to such work upon the intake pipe, as will guarantee the people pure water. The instructions given to the city engineer are such as the Whig has argued and it regards these instructions as complete and sufficient. If there is any doubt as to their meaning and significance let the water committee, through the chairman, repeat them in writing and at once.

REGARD FOR THE FLAGS.

A remark of Principal Jordan, of the Victoria public school, in the Empire Day observances, was particularly appropriate. He recalled an occasion when the school children were given an exhibition of what a magician could do. This person pulled out of a capacious hat a Union Jack, which was loudly cheered. He later extracted from the same hat a Stars and Stripes and the children hissed. A similar scene was witnessed later on, and Mr. Jordan commented upon it as an illustration of patriotism as some persons understood it. The flags of the nations were symbolic of their place in the world, their achievements, their character, their power, not symbolic of the likes and dislikes of the people, their love and their hatred. The Union Jack is to the Britisher and Canadian the emblem of the liberty which makes every man free, and the emblem of right rather than might. The Stars and Stripes represents a similar idea from a different standpoint. These flags, in Canada and the United States, are frequently entwined, to indicate the cordial relations that exist between the people that live as neighbors should. Let the children be taught to reverence the colours of the country, and to understand what they mean, but let the lesson be taught with a toleration which will be exemplified in a different manner from that which Mr. Jordan described. There has been too much of the bigotry that degrades on both the Canadian and American sides in the attacks that have been made upon the flags. They are entitled to respect, wherever they are displayed, modestly, and with a complimentary motive and impulse.

HELP THE FEEBLE-MINDED. Dr. Helen MacMurphy's fifth report upon the feeble-minded in Ontario, makes very sad reading, and for the reason that it reveals conditions that excite one's pity without suggesting the hope of immediate relief. The only gratification afforded is that which follows a contemplation of the fact that public interest is being aroused. Time was when as Dr. MacMurphy remarks, a smile or a stray thought was the limit of encouragement, but now the care of the feeble-minded is within the region of practical politics.

In the change that has happily taken place, the press has had a leading part. It has advocated certain reforms, and advocated them to some purpose. It has made public certain information, of a more or less distressing character, and this information has impressed our public men with the necessity of dealing with the question effectually. Dr. MacMurphy, in this annual report, made to the provincial secretary and by him made public, gives the record of another year, and what a revelation it presents! Here are extracts from the reports, notably of those engaged in child rescue and refuge service, and what a reproach they are to the people of this province. The feeble-minded are so often irresponsible, and being subject to trials and temptations peculiarly their own, become a nuisance, and the chroniclers of them have good

reason to cry out, "How long, Lord, how long, shall these things be?" The summing up of Dr. MacMurphy is very impressive. Of the school population of Ontario, about 600,000, it is estimated, that 63 per cent are feeble-minded. In other words about 1,000 feeble-minded children are in the school, or are supposed to be there. They should be registered, under direction of the education department, in order to be known and located. As for the rest, the adults or those out of school, they should be reported to the secretary's department. Those coming under the notice of the officers of the law should be similarly tabulated. Finally there should be a gradual development of this policy of the care of feeble-minded "in accordance with enlightened public opinion in the province." Dr. MacMurphy is to be complimented upon the prescience with which she has prosecuted her work. The importance of it has been called to the attention of the writer of this article again and again, and he can cordially endorse it and hope for the day when the doctor can see the travail of her soul and be satisfied.

AFRAID OF THE PEOPLE. The Manitoba Free Press remarks that the conservative party is quite displeased because the grain growers and others of the western provinces are preparing to interview Mr. Borden upon the questions of the day. It is announced that steps are being taken to spoil the conservative meetings. How? By presenting issues in which Mr. Borden and his associates do not desire to commit themselves. What is the object of their trip? Is it not that Mr. Borden may come face to face with the people that he may express his views and hear them express theirs, calmly, clearly, and considerately? The premier went across the continent a year ago, and made long halts, in which he came in contact with the tillers of the soil, and heard them patiently. They put to him many personal and embarrassing questions, and he answered them as fully as he could. It is safe to say that these experiences were of an illuminating character. The view by the way, was new in many respects, and it can be credited with subsequent changes in the policy of the government. Mr. Borden can hardly hope to escape similar heckling. He will hear and see many things that may disconcert and worry him. He will be undergoing the discipline which he needs, and he will be the happier if he approaches the subjects of the day with an open mind.

SCHMITZ A POOR MAN. Former Mayor of Frisco-Loses Fortune and Writes Home for Funds.

San Francisco, May 25.—News of one of the extraordinary reverses of fortune comes from Mexico, where former Mayor Schmitz, who was said to have made \$500,000 while head of the city government, is without funds.

When he was released on bail Schmitz bought a promising mine, but it soon failed. Then came the failure of Dingee, Schmitz's bondsmen. A large part of the fortune of Schmitz, it is said, was invested in Dingee's cement company.

Then Schmitz went to Mexico and invested in a timber company and a mining enterprise. Both failed, and Schmitz has sent home to get funds to leave Mexico.

The Boom at Ottawa. Ottawa Free Press. Have you noticed that there is a different feeling in Ottawa than there used to be—different even than it was a year ago?

For one thing there's about a hundred per cent. more of the go-ahead spirit in evidence now. It is cropping up everywhere. We hear much more than ever before of new industries, bigger buildings and more real estate change.

Then there's the railway talk, a tunnel, new depots, big hotel and all that.

There's expansion going on as well. Look at the immense number of people buying lots and houses. Take a walk through some of the suburbs and you'll see a new row of houses every year, and open your eyes and notice the change.

One feels the air of optimism everywhere. Western places haven't got anything like a monopoly of that admirable quality. We've quit boasting about being the capital, and in the language of the street Ottawa is fast getting to be "some town."

Leak Still Unlocated. Further tests of the waterworks intake pipe fail to reveal the source of the leakage. Several loose bolts have been tightened, but the leakage still remains. The diver has gone over the pipe pretty thoroughly, and can find no break. Further means have to be devised to locate the trouble. Another diver may be secured to look the pipe over. The remedying of the trouble lies entirely with the man under water.

St. Paul's Concert. Don't forget the event of the season, St. Paul's A.Y.F. play and concert, next Friday night, in the school room, at 8 o'clock.

"Buy Abbey Salts," Gibson's. The boy who takes his hat off when he enters the house is the one who usually has his hair combed and his face clean, and the girl who says "please," and "thank you," is always prettier than the one who forgets these little things. You just look around and see if this is not true.

Tiger, the new hand cleaner, is better than soap. Removes paint, and grime instantly. Large tin, 10c. "Buy Tabern Powder," Gibson's. You will pass through this world but once. Any good thing you can do, or any kindness that you can show for any fellow being, do it now; do not defer or neglect it, for you will not pass this way again.

Carriage sponges, at McLeod's drug store. A young man who was found guilty at Sarnia, Ont., of the theft of a horse and rig, was brought down to the penitentiary on Tuesday afternoon to serve a term of three years.

Chi-Namel, learn how to use it at Chown & Co's. John Allmark, of Portsmouth, is dangerously ill of typhoid fever.

"Buy Abbey Salts," Gibson's. Sir George Gibbon should be invited by the commons to give his views upon the St. Mary's and Milk river questions. The impression he gave the Canadian Club here with regard to them is different from that given in parliament and by hot-headed politicians.

The fellow who has been in the habit of taking an umbrella when he went to the office, that belonged to the other fellow and that he needed—will be interested in a recent court decision. It is that "a man has a right to steal an umbrella when it's raining and he's penniless." An unpardonable crime, eh?

The lawyer for the shareholders of the Farmers' Bank, threatens to examine Mr. Fielding about the circumstances under which the charter was granted. That's right. Don't talk any more about what you are going to do, but do it. Mr. Fielding is ready to tell what he knows, and without any compunction of conscience or we do not know him.

HAD A GOOD TIME ORPHANS GIVEN A FINE LONG AUTO DRIVE. A Pretty Sog at the Procession Moved About—Flags Fluttered and Children Shouted—Praised the Auto Club Men.

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Those who participated in the drive and kindly gave the use of their machines for the occasion were: Dr. H. R. Duff, Dr. D. Allan Black, John McKay, H. Angrove, Miss Macnee, H. V. Moore, John Hughes, George Hawden, Ross Livingston, Miss L. Carson, D. J. Hay, William Smith, W. J. Fair, W. P. Peters, Russell, Hewton, D. Chown and Dr. C. C. Nash.

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Miss Evangeline Emsley, daughter of the Rev. W. H. Emsley, Napanee, president of the Bay of Quinte conference, who underwent an operation last week for appendicitis in the Montreal General Hospital, is progressing favorably.

Victoria Day Receipts.

The Victoria day celebration committee expects to come out clear with its receipts at the fair grounds and the subscriptions. The fair ground receipts were over \$500.

Na-Dra-Co. talcum, and cold cream, at McLeod's drug store.

W. H. Brown, Brockville, has disposed of his mahogany motor boat Gitana to W. D. B. Scott, Montreal, for a price in the vicinity of \$1,000. "Delicious ice cream bricks," Gibson's.

Brockville council has adopted a garbage collection system and ordered the closing of outside pits and closets, by May, 1912. If your hands would talk they would ask for Tiger hand cleaner.

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