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MILLIONS FOR ROADS.

minion has caught the fever to spend ber of persons will be affected. They large sums, many millions, on roads. Saskatchewan will spend \$5,000,000 in this way; Untario is putting out public debt; Quebec follows suit and will invest \$5,000,000 on a system The good roads of ancient Rome of good roads; while the federal have been used until this day. The government will give a handsome con- have a quality and endurance that tribution to the same end, and re- seem to be everlasting. The serving the right to distribute in ac has gone by for temporary road cording to the emergencies-the poli- making, and henceforth, under a tical emergencies-of the times.

egislative bodies and made them so of road grants? The desire to get movement, and affecting several pronear to the people and to win their vinces, the fact that it favour. The condition of the road gress will be generally hailed peals to all users of it. In the satisfaction by the people.

Nearly every province in the do-1 spending of the money a large num must handle the money or earn i and fifteen or twenty millions of dollars, judiciously distributed, must affect a great many of the electors. To be sure the investment-in roads, not votes-will be a substantial one finite and abiding policy, the high What has so suddenly caught these ways will be a comfort to the tra

Whatever the cause of the

AVOIDING ALL TRESPASSES.

The complaint against the en restored Telephone company is well founded. The telephone is, of course, a great It puts its poles practically where it commercial and personal convenience, that we say to you that likes, and stays them by attaching and its success is not to be after a trial you fail to get any wires where it desires. It has ap- couraged. But in the larger cities from its use, your money will parently only one purpose in view, the company does not disfigure the

and that is to serve itself. are worth more to their history of the city, and on the eve and the wires clearing private pro-\$1.00 a box. We have of a new era, when there should be perty, and entering the houses from ng booklet about OR- same regard for the eternal fitness of the rear. This is to be preferred to Lodge meeting in London, proclaimed ve are giving away free things. There should not be any the plan pursued here of having the poles up the sides of the streets. fronts of the houses and offices mar- schools in the province. The whole is These streets are meant for the con- red by telephonic connections. venience of the people and the pro- This is not a wail against motion of their comfort. They should company without a reason. not be impeded in any way. Wires company is to be commended an its ing it. But no one thinks he is. may be laid in conduits in the streets enterprise, but it should extend its with the permission of the people or business without trespassing upon of those acting in their behalf. The any individual or property if it can right to misuse them should not be be avoided.

streets with its appliances. The Whig Now the time has come, in the has seen the poles in the alley ways,

MUST NOT BE HEARTLESS

is promoting does not do him honor. that they want in a proper way. and buy out a local light and power er than it is, and a large part of the reer.

reasonable but just provision. and gas plants it had to force a sale ship with new gas and electric plants, many drawbacks, and satisfied itself Act, to crush out private enterprise afthat it had something which would ter it had passed through a trying ex. victims in any case. pan out well, the company was not perience.

plant. That obligation is implied un- money now spent in renewals would der the present law, and it is not only have been saved. It would have been very much to the city's advantage had When Kingston acquired its power it begun its history of public owner. soon. There is not in Canada a more upon the local company. Having ex- but the city could not afford, apart producers, are now fighting it, and perimented with the business, amid from the requirements of the Conmee

people, the few, may have no regard must not exhibit the heartlessness for vested interests, but most people the common everyday monopolist.

MUCH NEEDED OFFICIAL.

The board of trade has discussed, secretary of the board of trade here curiously, perhaps but earnestly, a should not be given larger powers, matter which has repeatedly engaged and compensation also, and asked to George? Wait and see. the attention of the Whig. The city, represent the industrial interests of issufng a Special Policy that fits who will be a sort of encyclopaedia keep a record of all available sites. Montreal men, would have the Georgiof civic information, one who will be the location and size of them, their an Bay canal undertaken before the in touch with all public events, who assessed and assumed value, and their Welland canal enlargement. The govwill have in his office a tabulation of owners. He can have a map of the ernment does not commit itself. It on Friday afternoon in connection facts which will afford enlightenment city and on it show where these sites favours both schemes, and Mr. Borden to those who seek it from time to are. He can correspond with men of thinks the country is well able to Friday, March 22nd. It is not known time. A Publicity or Industrial Com- enterprise and seek to enlist their in- carry them on at the same time. That at present whether he will plead

missioner has been suggested. The average city has been in favour come the active ally or friend of any of the industrial commissioner. He is man who is bent on investing his captinue to represent a city for the love most popular of officials. not be in his right mind. Hamilton board of trade and can very reasonwas a success, and have the secretary board of trade on condition that the of the board of trade represent the secretary is given an opportunity to city in an industrial way.

a valuable man, and he starts off ital in the city, and can entertain and Rochester, N.Y., where she has well. But he is no sooper in a posi- that individual while engaged in his been visiting her son, Edward, and tion to serve a city well than he is prospecting tour. He can do a thou- brother, William McKee, offered a larger salary, and, of course, sand and one things to make himself he takes it. The one who would con- useful, and he ought to become the of it, or for the honour of it, would The council can co-operate with the has had the misfortune to lose a man ably contribute towards the expenser who rendered it efficient service and of the secretary's office, on condition who had no compunction of conscience that the city will be served in the about letting go a salary of \$1,500 in manner herewith represented. The city order to earn one of \$2,500 elsewhere. cannot afford to engage a publicity or It is discouraged, as a city, but it industrial commission, but it can afcan go back to an experiment, which ford to supplement the revenues of the

ell and charges that he has dipped iron trade. He is the mouthpiece, ap-Whig predicts that Mr. Keenleyside is, willing to have any public diswill have occasion, before long, to favour so long as it has its way.

This raises the question of why the public interest. C. B. Keenleyside, in a letter to the Mr. Cockshutt, of Brantford, favours Christian Guardian, attacks Mr. Row-the continuation of bounties to the pologize for the insult. But all de But the government sits still and ends on the partizanship of the indi- listens to Mr. Cockshutt's song with soft pedal accompaniment,

COMMISSIONS NECESSARY

The Hydro-Electric Commission plans that any municipality which does business with it must manage their utilities by commissions. The reason-that the utilities may be removed as far as possible from the influence of the local councils. And why? The interference of the local! council is occasionally pernicious. The council is a changeable body, dealing with many interests and not following one line of action very long at

The policy adopted by one set of men one year may be annulled and a new policy enunciated by a new set of men the next year. This is bad, decidedly bad, for the utilities which have to be managed with some gard for business principles and business consistency. Mr. Beck is the originator of the bill, which is before the legislature, and he had had such an experience as warrants him in pro-

Our council can see in the proceeding the inevitable, if the city is to make a contract with the Hydro-Electric Commission for power. Its nembers must make up their minds that the utilities are to be directed by a commission which the people will elect, and the representatives of which will be men of marked capacity. It may be that from our leading citizens those may be chosen who have a with reputation for skill and sagacity, and that the qualified electors will select hem on their merits and their merits only. The Hydro-Electric Commission wants to take no chances of failure, through dealing with incompetents.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Bro. Essery, of London, boasted that the Orangemen had built Sir Wilfrid Laurier's coffin. The nationalists boasted of the same thing. These two parties cannot surely be working i conjunction. As for Essery, who cares what he says?

Dr. Pyne, at the Grand Orange himself as a supporter of English the ter of education. He can abolish bi-The lingual schools if he is desirous of do-

> That idea of Ames, M.P., of Montreal, is a bright one. It is that the government placate the farmers by paying half their freight rates or grain shipped eastward. If the big in terests have their bounties of one kind and another, why not the farmers?

Rumour has it that Dr. San Yet-Sen The legislation which Hon. Mr. Beck see the justice of buying an interest was bribed, in a million dollars, t give up the presidency of the Chinese It is understood to mean that any Had the city gone into the light and republic. The Whig does not believe municipality that proposes to deal power business with new plants, and it. The man has not been risking his with the Hydro-Electric Commission is the best available, the cost of productife for the money that is in it. His not under obligation to arbitrate for ing power would have been much low- has not been a selfish or sordid ca-

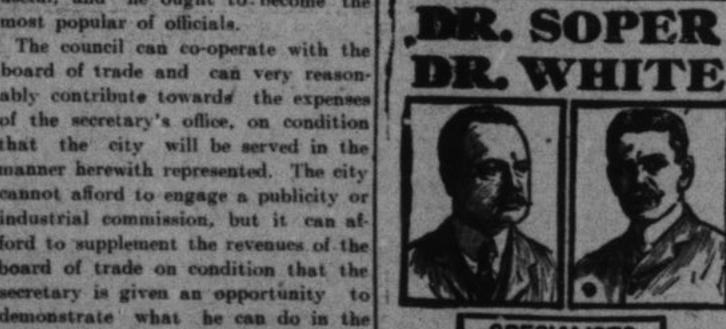
> Hon. Frank Oliver has exposed the iniquitous institution. The farmers, or with some prospects of success. But the poor consumers-they will be the

Good news comes from Hot Springs, anxious to dispose of its property. It may be that there are places in and to the effect that Hon. Senator The city insisted, and eventually be- Ontario where the Hydro-Electric Com- Ross is regaining his strength. Long came the owner of all the utilities. mission would have a freer hand to may he live to be a credit to the pub-Not for a moment can it be question- deal with the councils regardless of lie life of Canada and to cast light ed that its action was right. Some the local power companies, but it upon the questions of the day by the upon the questions of the day by the brilliancy of his thought and speech.

And so the financial agents of England are after Lloyd-George. They are after any man in public life who not in accord with their schemes, and they are merciless when they under take to crush an opponent. Will they TO BE HEARD ON FRIDAY, 22ND succeed in their designs upon Lloyd-

it is averred, should have some official Kingston as far as possible. He could The eastern deputation, headed by terest in local institutions. He can be is very doubtful.

Mrs. David Harris, Cherry street, The arrest was made on the ground



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OF MARCH.

George Clough Was Arrested Because He Bought Strych.nine on Several Occasions-He Explains What it Was For.

George Clough, who was arrested with the horse poisoning case at guilty or not. Mr. Clough has not

that strychnine was purchased by Mr. Clough on a number of occasions. On two occasions he accounts for the he bought it for a friend for the purpose of poisoning foxes. The second time he claims it was to kill rats, was returned to the drug store. It is claimed, however, that the drug was bought by him on more occasions than these, but this Mr. Clough denies. He feels his position very

DOCTORS REFUSED BAIL. Heads of Toronto College Remanded For a Week.

Toronto. March 16 .- Facing the charge of conspiring to defraud the estate of John Revell, Plympton, England, Drs. Walter Harvey and J. Gwallia Evans, the executive heads of the Empire College of Opthalmology, 358 Queen street west, appeared in police court, Friday morning. The prisoners, who were represented Gordon Henderson, K.C., neither deaded nor elected when the charge was read out by Magistrate Denison, and at the request of the crown a remand was ordered for a week. The question of bail was raised, but to this the crown attorney gave an mphatic refusal.

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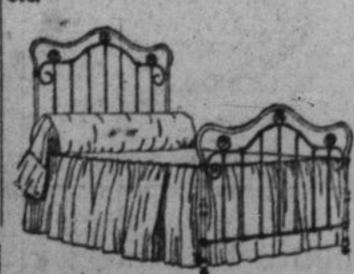
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