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### GETTING AT THE FACTS.

It now appears that some of the sensations of the Farmers' bank case would have been avoided had the papers in connection with it been properly guarded. These papers included many that were taken from Mr. Taverser's home desk, private in a sense, and revealing the relations between himself and sundry persons. There were letters from the World people, from Hon. Mr. Matheson regarding a government deposit, and the cheque for \$3,000, the money drawn under which the commission has been unable to trace.

The production of these papers would have put a different face on the case, so far as some witnesses are concerned, and it is unfortunate that they are missing. Perhaps a better plan will be adopted for the care of a record which, while before the court, should be sacredly protected.

A point of importance is that which deals with the issue of the warrant for Dr. Beatty Nesbitt's arrest. It was long delayed, and rumour had it that

the friends of the missing bank president, in the local government, were not unwilling that he should escape. There was an inference which is now found to be incorrect, and the commission has done well to make this clear. It is not a tolerable idea that the crown, or its representatives, shall delay or interfere with justice. The warrant was slow in issuing, but that was due to local jealousy between the city and provincial staffs. The superintendent of the provincial police says he could have arrested Nesbitt promptly had he been consulted or conferred with. It is for the commission to ascertain why any subordinate should have it in his power to hold back any warrant and for the arrest of any offender.

One other point of importance has been established, namely, that the Farmers' bank did not make any contribution to the Fielding testimonial. Mr. Travers said that he never gave anything directly or indirectly to the fund, and by this positive statement another ghost has been laid.

### A MAN OF ACTION.

In an article which recently appeared in the Outlook, of New York, and written by the editor of the London Chronicle, Mr. Lloyd-George is reported to have said that had the liberal government of Britain not launched its constructive policy, which is exemplified by the old age pensions scheme and the national insurance scheme, it "would have gone down like the Titanic."

"And now that the workmen's insurance act will be in full operation," Mr. Lloyd-George is quoted as saying in a cable to one of the news papers within the week, "we intend to put our hands to the great work of freeing the land, which was meant for the use of the many, but which has drifted into the hands of the few—to the work of freeing it to the people and to their children forever."

"What does this mean?" asks Henry George, Jr., of New York. "Nothing more nor less than the taxation of land values—a big step toward the single tax. A beginning was made in the great budget fight in 1909. The budget act called for an assessment of all the land of Great Britain, some of which had not been assessed since the Doomsday Book. That assessment work is nearing completion. The budget of 1909 laid on this assessed value a tax so small as

to be practically negligible as a revenue getter—only one-fifth of one per cent. Mr. Lloyd-George now intends to impose a heavy tax. He argues that the value of the ground of Great Britain, aside from the improvements, is made by all the people. He will take by taxation an appreciable share of it into the public treasury for public uses."

It is this taxation of the people, and particularly the taxation of the wealthy, that is making Lloyd-George so odious to the richer classes. He wants more and more of their money, and he is getting more and more of it, by schemes that alternate, fascinate and irritate. The insurance scheme took the nation by surprise. It is huge in its proportions and complicated in its details. It is hard to master.

But the chancellor of the exchequer, in introducing it in the commons, made it so particularly inviting that no one really opposed it. In a sense it was a non-political issue, and in a non-political way it was generally endorsed. Now there is some carping criticism, but it is without effect. And parliament and people have hardly recovered from this measure, and from the excitements of it, than a new one, and dealing with the land, is promised, and Lloyd-George is again the storm centre and glories in the fact.

### THE DEMAND OF THE HOUR.

There is something radically wrong with municipal government, as it generally exists in Canada. Here are three items which establish the fact. Toronto puts in a filtration plant, at a cost of \$50,000, and after a short run it gets out of order and becomes useless, and once more the people are dependent upon water which has to be chlorinated. Ottawa a year and a half ago had an epidemic of typhoid fever, and "nothing has yet been accomplished in the way of securing a pure water supply for the city."

Kingston has a board of health and a public utilities committee that are dawdling along in manifest indifference with regard to the water so long as it does not poison the people. Sometimes it is tolerably good, sometimes it is not so good, and safety lies only in the filtration plants which has been suggested.

In all these experiences the evidence is furnished that municipal government is not efficient and that a change is needed. The commission appears to be better than anything which has yet been tried, because it is the nearest approach to a solution of civic problems. A commission that is composed of at least one professional man, an engineer, with a mind and a will of his own, would have given Toronto and Ottawa what they want in better water. A commission in Kingston would have long since determined what is best in the way of a filtration plant because it would be somewhat devoted to the work, day after day, until it was disposed of. Certainly it would not be shelved for weeks at a time.

The Utilities' Committee is to be congratulated upon the way it has conducted the public business this year. But there can be an improvement. It can meet oftener—a commission would do this, and it must be more active if it would meet the public's requirements—and put into its business a little more ginger. What Kingston wants is purer water, and the guarantee of it all the time, and it wants cheaper power. Is this to be assured by the improvements which are now contemplated? Is this to be assured by any arrangement which can be made with Mr. Campbell or anybody else?

A revision of the tariff without justification, or a reduction in the fixed charges or cost of production, is not desired. But cheaper power is one of the great needs of the hour, and on it depends the success of the city. A Toronto manufacturer has expressed a willingness to locate here, and go into business, believing that Kingston, contrary to the opinion of others, is a good distributing centre, but he wants power at a lower rate than it can now be supplied, and by the old steam plant.

the most demands a revision, and that the west must be satisfied. The farmer has at last asserted his power.

Now it is Hon. Frank Cochrane who has been raising the dead in order to give notice to a certain forerunner that because of his partisanship he has been dismissed. The ranger in question passed from this life two years ago.

The Canadian Courier thinks the federal government has been served a severe but necessary lesson in Saskatchewan. It is that federal ministers should keep out of local elections. Will they take the hint, or must the steam roller be again called into use?

The chairman of the board of works, in Windsor, is so loaded with public duties that he cannot attend to his own business. Why doesn't he advise the council to elect a commissioner whose whole duty it would be to look after the people's affairs? Then they would be attended to.

The Hydro-Electric Commission objects to the transfer of the Stratford street railway franchise to the C.N.R. company, and the people are annoyed. Hon. Adam Beck is having his worries like other public men, and so are the people. When monopoly bumps against monopoly something or somebody is hurt.

The Hydro-Electric Commission's engineers and Mr. Kelsch differ with regard to the power situation. One thinks the offers quite advantageous; the other thinks they are not. Who is to decide between them? Mr. Leonard, of the National Transcontinental railway, is suggested. He is said to have seen something in Hamilton's situation that was not apparent to any one else.

### THE SPIRIT OF THE PRESS

#### Spare Him Reproach.

Toronto World.  
Andrew Lang says that the oyster is a creature of low sensibility. If adherents would only be as silent we could spare them the other reproach.

#### Scotch Teachers Disappointed.

Toronto Star.  
The Scotch school teachers did not care for baseball, their leisurely, logical minds demanding an outdoor sport something between a chess tournament and eighteen holes at golf.

#### A Timely Hint.

Canadian Courier.  
If the Dominion conservatives should make any further attempts to destroy provincial liberalism they will be but digging their own graves. This is the chief lesson of the Saskatchewan sensation.

#### Sorry It Spoke.

Ottawa Free Press.  
The Toronto press is probably sorry that it is on record as saying: "As Saskatchewan goes, so will the next Dominion elections go." But perhaps it now admits that it does not possess the gift of prophecy. Thus it could escape its dilemma.

#### A Canadian Navy.

Montreal Star.  
A Canadian navy, big or little, with Canadian ship works and dockyards, has good arguments.

A Canadian squadron attached to the imperial navy, but maintained by Canada, has stronger arguments.

A Canadian payment towards imperial naval defence, has some arguments.



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#### England's Insurance Bill.

Ottawa Journal.  
Conservative newspapers in England are vigorously attacking the weak features of the national workmen's insurance act, and there are evidently many weak features in it. It is surely to be costly, some estimates putting the figures at £5,000,000 a year. It will necessitate the creation of a big administrative force, which will be a burden on the taxpayers or on the contributors or both. It will necessitate considerable additions to the cost of administering large industrial establishments, for which there will be no direct return and only a problematic indirect return. It will not please all the beneficiaries, because it requires them to pay something for what they are to receive. It should be political.

The conservatives, however, are not in a position to take advantage of the situation. When the bill was before parliament they were so afraid of losing votes that they did not dare to join issue with its promoters. Now they will not be credited with sincerity in their criticism.

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### EDITORIAL NOTES

Two Canadians attended the Imperial Orange Council in Glasgow and announced that the colonies were united in their opposition to home rule. Here is nerve and assurance without a parallel.

The governor-general has presented Hon. Bob Rogers with a loving cup. It is well that some one takes pity on the poor old man for since the Saskatchewan election he has been dodging the brick bats that friend and foe have been throwing at him.

A contemporary quotes the opinion of Rev. R. J. Campbell and others, that hell is very much out of date, and says that the news is very welcome to a lot of people. The effects are expected to be "far-reaching." In what way?

The Toronto News recalls the fact that there were not during the liberal regime the demands that are now being made for a reduction in the tariff. But that does not dispose of the question that has now arisen. That

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### DEATH OF CANDIDATES

#### For the North-West Mounted Police Is Reported.

Ottawa, July 26.—There is a decided slump in candidates for the North-West Mounted Police and it is stated by the acting comptroller, that the force is now fifty below establishment and there will have to be done in the old country. In connection with the percentage of old country men on the force, it now reaches over eighty-five per cent, and the remainder is composed of Canadians. In the coronation contingent only thirteen were Canadians out of a total of eighty-five. While applications are continually being made for enrolment from Americans who have served in the United States army, none of them are considered unless naturalized British subjects. Another new station has been opened in York Factory, Manitoba, and two men have been sent there from Fort Churchill. Reports during the past few months show that crime is not on the increase and the population quiet.

### Noted Art Director Resigns.

Berlin, July 26.—Dr. William Bode has resigned his position as director of the Kaiser Friedrich museum. Dr. Bode is one of the greatest authorities in the world on pictures, and has been in the public eye for the last few years, because of his disputes with other authorities in regard to the authenticity of certain pictures, particularly those credited to Leonardo da Vinci.

### Ring up Gilbert for berries, cherries, peaches, pears, plums, oranges, bananas, lemons.

The Canadian, Australian and African athletes at Stockholm, according to the correspondent of the Times in that city, favor entering a single team from the whole empire in future games, instead of entering the colonies separately. "We have an analogy in the case of the United States," adds the correspondent, "whose sports include negroes, Indians and Hawaiians." Sir Arthur Conan Doyle in a letter to the Times, strongly advocates the foregoing plan, and says: "I would go further and seek among the Ceylon and Malay swimmers, Indian runners and Sikh wrestlers for possible winners."

Ring up Gilbert for new potatoes, celery, lettuce, radishes, onions, cabbage.

### DETECTIVE'S TOUGH JOB.

#### Goes to Buffalo Hospital After Landing His Prisoner.

Buffalo, N.Y., July 26.—After a chase of six blocks, and a light in the dark hold of the steamer Maritima, Detective Samaldino late last night arrested Antonio Marropoda, wanted at Youngstown, O., charged with stabbing a fellow-workman there, yesterday. Marropoda was apprehended while boarding a train for Toronto, Ont. He broke away from the officer, and ran towards the water front. Samaldino followed, emptying his revolver at the fugitive. Marropoda went aboard the Maritima and attempted to hide in the cargo. He was arrested after a struggle. The detective was badly up and later went to the hospital.

### Big Paper Mill at Soo.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., July 26.—Fulfilling the agreement made with the city following the vote of the electors on February 24th, the mammoth mill of the Lake Superior Paper & Paper Co., was placed in operation this afternoon, and a 15-inch paper machine is now working on what is practically a test run. Providing the output of the mill is satisfactory on the initial run, paper will be placed on the market immediately, or, rather, will be shipped to consumers who already have orders booked.

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