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COUNCIL SYSTEM FAILS

sums up, in a series of articles, th advances that have been made municipal government. In New Jersey it is proposed to make the com mission form of government manda tory in all the cities of the state. New York state a bill has been draft which empowers all second and third class cities to select from six forms of government, including city manager, commission, and federal. El mira, Dunkirk, Oleyn, White Plains, and Lockport, are out for the cit manager plan, and demand it in pre ference to all others. Buffaio, which was seriously and strongly against it has agreed to a commission government. The act has passed the legislature and awaits the mayor's ap proval. San Diego, Cal., wants change in its charter which will able it to hire a city manager. Salem, Oregan, and Sandusky, Ohio, want commissions. Seattle, Wash., Montrose, Colorado, are clamouring commissions. Irontown, Ohio has just voted on a city manager charter. The movement grows away ston Board of Trade will conduct a clear. It certainly has not gained in der an auspices that must imprave popularity. The municipalities that the quantity and quality of the goods have tried other systems and found The competition will only go on them defective, or not altogether what | when it is financed, and the sponthey were expected to be, do not talk taneous gifts of the people are want of going back to the council. It apparently has had its day, and in England as well as America.

There is wonderful competition between the tap rooms and tea rooms demanding the particulars with regard of England for the patronage of the to the charge which a member of the the consumption of liquor last year | One would suppose, from a reading of actual settlers on the land and nurse valued at hundreds of thousands of

FAILURES IN EDUCATION

Dr. Seath, the Superintendent Education, has not raised himself in public opinion by expressing his per- partment of this province, and under sonal respect to Thomas Marshall, the member for Monck. Mr. Marshall has A.D. 1912, did unlawfully extort from paid particular attention to Dr. divers large lessees of Crown timber Seath, and, in the legislature, has in- limits within this province a sum of timated that it is time this official fifteen dollars per square mile of their were retired. Seath is the real of working head of the Education De spectively, as set forth in the fiftypartment, and any one who has had third amual report of the Crown to do with our schools must realize Lands Department of the province of that there is something amiss and will 31st day of October, A.D. 1913, therenot hesitate about laying the blame of, both inclusive, which said amounts of him to write to the press and sees amounted in the whole to the sum charge that Mr. Marshall was a failure as a teacher, and that he was recommended for dismissal while on the of this province, and said moneys were staff of the Dunnville school. Mr. extorted from said lessees and paid to Marshall may reply that then, as now, knowledge and consent and under the Dr. Seath was not perfect himself and direction of the Hon. James Kidd cannot afford to revive ancient his- Flemming while occupying the said of tory. Thirty odd years ago the Su- fices of Premier and Minister of Lands perintendent of Education was a high and Mines, and all of said moneys school teacher, and spent his leisure were classified under the provisions of hours in criticising the Education De chapter eleven of the statutes of New partment. Hon. Adam Crooks was Brunswick for the year A.D. 1913." then its head. Hon. Mr. Sir The strangest feature of the case George) Ross succeeded him, and offer- the profound, the inexplicable, silence ed an inspectorship to Dr. Seath. 'It of the premier. He said nothing it was accepted. One is curious to know his own behalf. He offered an expla whether he later put into force the re. nation through the attorney-general forms which he advocated, or whether, of the province, but on at least two like too many others, office affected occasions, when he could have spoken his judgment and service. Mr. Mar- effectively, he had not a word to offer shall, let us repeat, has been quite and the provincial press marvels at it candid in his criticism of the Educa- The government, without the premier tion Department and its head. He ex- who stands aside for the present, will presses the views of many who have open an enquiry, at once. It remains not been under the lash or ban of the to be seen whether it will be of the tario, possessing a splendid reputation Superintendent at any time. They well-known Ontario type. Because it among members of the bar. Before Mrs. Guy and Mrs. Hague, of Sharbot think that all the heads of the de- it is the facts will not be known-un- being raised to the Bench he prac- Lake. The deceased was forty-six partment in recent years have been til there is a change of government. tised in the capital, being for some years of age of an improvement in them

not somewhat disappointing?" Some mittee of the house would keep the what? It, is very disappointing. It lid on. has one great and serious defect. It ! does not tackle important issues with | colleague of Flemming's, is accused of any kind of vigour and determina- grafting. He is said to have accepttion. Too many time servers. ed of \$1,500 which was part of the

The Whitney government-or the local government without Whitneyhas merited the castigation which the Toronto Telegram has administered. The Telegram has a peculiarity. It pronouncedly tory. It has never seen known to endorse the cause of any liberal individual or liberal gove rnment. It has been found the supporter of its party in every crisis. Between elections, however, it devotes ome of its time and talent to the andid discussion of passing events, and occasionally one of its party iends come in for a "trimming."

The last one to receive the atten tion of our contemporary is G. Howard Ferguson, the chairman of th Public Accounts Committee. Last year he bulked largely in the eye of the people because of his double performance. He prevented-deliberately so-the enquiry into the public - ac counts. He made a farce of the special committee and the \$500 election fund act of Mr. Hanna. He is, this session, playing the obstructionist and forbidding witnesses to give aus wers to questions before the Public of this that the Telegram remarks : "Loyalty to party requires G. How ard Ferguson, M.P.P., to officiate as

a traitor to himself. The ability of Mr. Ferguson should not be fritted New York Office 225 Fifth Ave. away in the manufacture of rulings Frank R. Northrup, Manager. that deprive the Ontario opposition Frank R. Northrup, Manager. of its right to wide-open enquiry The Proudfoot enquiry was throttled by the strong-handed chairmanship of The National Municipal Review G. Howard Ferguson, M.P.P. The same authority is being operated as a curb on the activity of the Pub lic Accounts Committee. The rulings of Chairman Ferguson may be justified according to the strict letter of the law. The multiplicity of these rulings tends to impair the glory of the Whitney government and to lessen the possibilities of Mr. Ferguson's own future usefulness. There will be fewer blunders in public life when representatives of the people refuse to put themselves on the road to the scrap heap in the process of attempting to prevent enquiry into the performance of bunglers and blunder-

> The hint is very clear. Mr. Ferguson is not serving the people, and the Telegram refers to him in a unique way. He is "preparing for the scrap heap." Sooner or later man who betrays the public confi dence will get his reward.

The Guelph Mercury says the Kingthe council system. That is potato competition in Frontenac un-

A PREMIER ON TRIAL

The colleagues of Hon. Mr. Flemming, premier of New Brunswick, are people. The tap rooms lead. Hence assembly, L. N. Dugal, has preferred. it, that the indictment is clear enough. The declaration of the accusing member reads :

"That the said Hon. James Kidd Flemming, through the agency of William H. Berry, Chief Superintendent of Scalers of the Crown Lands Dethe direct control of the said Hon. James Kidd Flemming, in the year said timber limits over and above the amount of bonus paid by them re-New Brunswick for the year ending the upon Dr. Seath. It is not dignified so unlawfully extorted from said les- 400 of about one hundred thousand dollars, no portion of which sum was accounted for or paid into the revenue were so paid before the said lands

lisappointments, and there is no sign A Royal Commission is suggested. It time city solicitor. He was retained will have the merit at least of conducting an investigation in a judicial The Whig is asked, "Is the council way. It may remove the lid. A com-

lunds paid by certain contractors connection with the St. John Valley railway. Mr. McLeod does not deny he received the money-for legal ser vice, while a member of the government. "In these days," he adds, "I cannot live by politics alone."

EDITORIAL NOTES

Time the people were cleaning up movement, to become general and effective, cannot be begun too soon. It takes time to organize

The Mail refers to the liberals the house as "an unpiloted: opposi-It has Sir Wilfrid Laurier for its guide. Could it have a ter? It would be a good thing for the government if its leader were as

Mr. Borden has hurried back to Ottawa to make peace in his party on the Canadian Northern Railway loan. If he can reconcile some of the hers now acutely disgruntled he will be awfully clever.

Lincoln's admonition against the trading of horses while crossing the stream is commended to those wh would have a change of principal at Queen's College just now. The great Japan eventually will give way, but university is passing from one condi- should America lose her rudder, then tion to another. It had better keep will come confusion. it able pilot near the helm.

The Brantford Courier says Si Wilfrid Laurier is anxious for senate reform now that the liberal majority 1914. is diminishing. He was always in layour of it, but the way cannot be found for the accomplishment of the work. The Borden government's experience emphasizes the fact.

The reformers, (Conservative), under ed by airship or aeroplane the clamour that they could be more the year. Zeppelin will lose economical, that they could reduce principal airship. the rates, supplemented the Progressives, (or liberals), in the 1.ondon County Council. The rates, as a matter of fact, are rising annually and huge defects are piling up. I is the usual conservative experience.

Hard on the Kaiser

Montreal Telegraph. at all and have done with it

Woman's Wants

Hamilton Spectator The Greenwood Ledge man say woman wants but little here below nor wants that little long." wrong-it's man. Woman wants all he can earn for her, and then some,

Tip to Col. Sam.

Ottawa Free Press. Lest Col. Sam has overlooked matter, we remind him that he might send some of his prize colonels Mexico to watch the way this fellow Villa does his work.

> Now for Settlers. Toronto Globe

With the completion of all our transcontinentals next year we ought so to reorganize the immigration department that its chief business will be to plant them along till they take root.

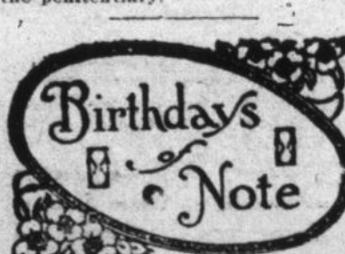
> Natural Inference New York Ma'l.

At the close of the service a certain minister in New York city said "Brethren, I have been earnestly try ing to reach the poor of New York and have been urgently inviting them to come to church. I infer from the amount of the collection just taken-\$3.75-that they have come !

Kingston Events 25 YEARS AGO.

There were ninety-two deaths in Kingston in March. The Easter contributions in St. if correctly estimated, is very sub-

vided by the government for the in- bor facilities, would need great extroduction of the electric lights into tensions to cope with all this traffic, the penitentiary.



TUESDAY, APRIL TWENTY-FIRST

TIS HONOR D. B. MacTAVISH. judge of the county court of tal, where he passed away from heart public-spirited citizen of Ottawa, celebrates his sixty-second birthday on Richard resides. The deceased leaves this date. He is now one of the most five brothers, J. B., of Kingston; eminent county court judges in On- Charles, in Clyde Forks; David, in at various times by the Dominion Government to argue cases before the Privy Council. Since becoming a on Saturday, June 20th, in connection judge he has more than once acted with the fourteenth international Sunas a royal commissioner to investigate day school com ention () H. F. McLeod. M.P., and a former charges of corruption. In private life he has been active in the promotion

THE PROPHECIES MADE BY FRAC NELLY VON HEYMAN

Germany Will Make Alliance With England and Three Monarchs Will Die During the Year -Four Earthquakes in Europe.

Berlin, April 21.-Interesting hose who believe in occult revelations are the prophecies of future events made by Frau Nelly von Heyman, of Bremen, the "Madame The-

Irau von Heyman has attracted much attention as a secress, and like Mme. Thebes, of Paris, is consulted by persons high in social, political and financial circles of Germany, and has won favor by her predictions of political events. As her name indicates, she belongs to the so-called l"lesser nobility," and is a woman of education. Like Mme. Thebis, of Frau von Heyman once

tive than the French secress. Among the prophecies just by Fran von Heyman for this year

"It will not soon come to war between America and Japan, but there will be much controversy and a serious disagreement, long-drawn out.

"Germany will make an with England during 1914. "Germany will lose much this fall and weep many tears. "Three monarchs will die during

"It can be said that no European war is approaching in 1914. "There will be four earthquakes in

Europe during the year. "There will be rapid development in aerial navigation, but also many deaths. The ocean will not be cross-

Less Talk of Militarism

There is, perhaps, rather too much of a tendency to exploit the schools of Ontario for purposes which are not strictly educational. Complaint is made that education is superficial, and that it does not fit the children for their life work. Too many things are attempted. It is qute right that a serious view of life and its duties should be imparted to children. But there is danger of giving a disproportionate amount of attention to Having shown an invincible dislike the duty of preparation against forfor the kaiser's moustache, Paris peo- eign foes, and too little attention to are now objecting to his bust. the fight against such common enem-Why not tell him they don't like him lies of mankind as poverty, disease

> The problems which will confront the children of Ontario when they go into the world will be how to earn a living, and how to live in right relations with their families, with their fellow-citizens, and with other nations. Defence against foreign enemies is a part of this problem of human relationship, but it ought to be presented in its right proportions, not unduly magnified. A child should be taught that he is a citizen of the school, a citizen of the nation, a citizen of the world, and that he has duties arising out of all of these relations. The duty of social service should be taught-not as a new subject to add to an already crowded program, but as something which should permeate the whole teaching. and be part of the atmosphere of the

Canada and the Canal

London Chronicle. Dr. F. Vroom's lecture yesterday at the Royal Colonial institute brings forcibly before us the possibilities which the opening of the Panama canal may have for the Canadian west. He calculates that the area which will be able to ship its grain to Liverpool more cheaply via Vancouver and the canal than by the present eastern routes, includes the whole of Alberta and about half Saskatchewan. He reckons the saving on freight to the Alberta farmer to average 5d. a bushel, and to the west Saskatchewan farmer 2d.; and as the grain grown in Alberta in 1912 exceeded 150 million bushels, and one-half the Saskatchewan crop yields about the same figure, the money value of the change, Mary's cathedral amounted to \$1,- stantial. Vancouver, of course, though it has already seven railways The sum of \$15,000 has been pro-running into it and considerable harand would become one of the chief ports of the world. Taking soil and climate alone, there seems no doubt that the fertile areas of west Canada are both richer and larger than those of east; and when once they have access to an equally serviceable sea, the political and social centre of gravity in the dominion may quite possibly shift to them.

Died in General Hospital David Huchinson, who last Thursday arrived here from New York state, where he had worked for the past two years, died in the general hospital, Monday night. On arriving here in found his relatives had moved, and, being ill, he went direct to the hospi-Carleton and a prominent and trouble. His remains were taken in charge by James Reid & Sons, and sent to Gananogue, where his brother, Mexico, N.Y., and Richard and Wil-

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