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A MISUSE OF POWER.

The Toronto News put the issue fairly and candidly when it said that T. L. Church, if a liberal, would have been defeated for the mayoralty by 15,000 votes. He was elected by half that number, and simply because Tory Toronto would not elect the fessor of economies at Queen's Univerbetter man, namely, Mr. McCarthy. It sity. It is entitled, "Canada, With gave Mr. McCarthy their loyal sup- present great war, as far as Canada looked upon the municipal business as would be foolish, he confesses, to preshould have the supervision of the will not work great economic injury, lion this time. business man, the city has chosen a solid facts. "joker," and it will probably be pun- What are these facts? First, Cando not understand how to use the franchise.

In England tarred paper, costing 4s. 6d. per roll, was being palmed off, in army contracts, for felt, cost ing 18e., and for roofing purposes. I liberal paper exposed the fraud.

ADVISE THE PROBE.

money is being spent.

he much—we can understand the howl benefit, in spite of tariff arrangements was a showing of financial strategy that was made against Major-General or political sympathies. signation. It is very well known give a new impetus to farming. that he was in favour of awarding must now "deliver the goods." the army contracts on their merits, new sense of the importance of

The major-general has not been say- more productive basis. ing much of late. He has seen the revealing the workings of his mind. But when the Toronto conservative papers, magnify the remarks he made time when the friction over army contracts were at its height, and demanded the removal of the minister of militia, an unbiased observer can draw his conclusions.

In England the army contracts have been under the severest criticism, and from the liberal papers. The most bare-faced attempts have been made to swindle the government, and may have failed, and largely because a nonpolitical attack has been made upon the contractors. It is surely not intimated that any one in Canada is searchlight, and that the "truce" promising for our council. It must go when any one, with very question if it will be any better than good reason, probes into the public ac the council of 1914. But it will get

What is the matter with the army Something has happened in Toron- vould make a saving of more than be asked without raising a selitical and did not want their support, won

THE DEPARTING ENGINEERS To-day the engineers' corps, composed of Queen's professors, graduates and undergraduates, left the city for Ottawa. Later, about the middle the month, they will go abroad, for service, first in Egypt and later

These engineers represent the finest type of Canadian manhood. They are physically and mentally fit for any service in which they may engage? The enlistment of them is worthy of fered a distinct set back in the de nada is offering her very best for the support of a most righteous cause. The enlistment is, further, an evithere is no class that is exempt from found wanting.

The engineers go in advance of the Second Contingent because, at Val cartier and Kingston, they have been longer in training, and, after an exfor the more stirring events in Bei gium and France. The Queen's men councils of Petrograd and Moscote. will surely have a hand in the sub-One year, delivered in city \$6.00 jugation of the kaiser's "kultured" troops. They will bring to the ar-One year, to United States\$3.00 | bitrament of the sword the skill and technique which are so much in de mand. They will also serve, there is reason to believe, in the re-establishment of peace on a permanent ba-

New York Office225 Fifth Ave. appointed tasks, hopes they will from his stock, valued at \$348,702, Chicago Tribune Bidg. win the distinction that is open to over \$100,000 per annum. In the year

PROF. SKELTON'S REVIEW

A prominent, place-as befits it-is given in the Toronto Globe's Finan cial Survey on Saturday to an able article by Prof. O. D. Skelton, pro is to the infinite credit of the Toronto Peace Declared," and is written in the News, the Mail and Empire, and the professor's usual clear and concise World, conservative papers, that they style. He forecasts the effects of the a navy that would be separate and port. The election was non-political is concerned, and states sound reasons so far as they were concerned. They for his optimistic conclusions. It one of the biggest in Toronto, and it tend that the war has not worked and best man. Instead of elevating to but the claim that the silver linings pu' to office a competent financier and are broad and substantial is based on

ished for its indiscretion. A year ada is in a fortunate position. Our does he will hear from the people ago Montreal elected a man of the crops are not trampled by marching the United States, and it will not b Church oalibre, because he was a hosts, our factories not shelled by the applause either. French-Canadian, and all through the foe. Over-speculation had brought intervening months he has been a trouble in its wake. All lands, warpublic affliction. When the electors ring and neutral alike, have been, by go so far astray, as they have in To- this war, shaken to their economic not soon cease it will be necessary ronto and Montreal in the mayoralty, foundations. When we start again we do give the franchise to women, as one is forced to the conclusion that shall start more nearly on a levelthey either do not care for results or albeit a lower one than if the war had not come. Secondly, our equipment for produc-

tion being uninjured, and our banking system efficient, we are in a position Germany still has its heel on to supply the depleted markets of gium's neck, and what has been and Furope at war-time prices. What this is happening to Belgium is a good means to Canadian farmers and manu- deal worse than choking facturers is self-evident. The uner ployment, that must necessarily have developed in any event, is neutralized The Toronto World sniffs trouble at by the military demand for men for the next session of parliament, and service at home or abroad. While w because the Montreal Herald, whose are in fact borrowing from our grandeditor in a member of the house, has children to pay this stupendous bill, it said that some enquiry may be made is perhaps, excusable, because we are Lawrence ward for the City Council, this winter. Vast underground ciinto army contracts. A truce was ourselves doing much for posterity in says he likes municipal life and can. ties have been built. most assuredly called when the war smashing Prussian militarism, lightbroke ext, the first consideration ening the shoulder-breaking load of was the defence of the country. In the armaments of the nations, and es- The hay market looked quite lively this defence many millions are being tablishing freedom and honor and deexpended, and it is not unnatural mocracy among the civilized nations. that the opposition should have a l Thirdly, as a neutral people and a look into the manner in which the great trading nation, the United States stands to gain most by the The World is quite sure that the war. Even after peace is declared liberals of Toronto-have been getting the republic will continue to enjoy more contracts than the conserva- prosperity. That prosperity will be tives. If there is any ground for this reflected north of the forty-ninth parstatement-and there does not seem to allel, and Canada will consequently the results of our bond sales. There

Hughes, and the demand for his re- Fourthly, increasing production wil and, all other things being equal, to farm, and of the need for better meth the lowest tenderers. He was over ods and better means of marketing will put agriculture on a firmer and

Fifthly, the war has drawn wisdom of keeping his counsel, or not classes of our people closer together. Witness the growing co-operation be tween the western farmers and manufacturers. More coroperation between about Major-General Lessard, at a individuals in the same occupation, as well as between different classes and sections of the community, may well" he the best gift of 1914 to the

economic Canada of the future .. Thus, it is shown, a great work calamity may be productive of bene ficial results to Canada. The profess or's optimistic conclusions will prove heartening to his readers, and the

EDITORIAL NOTES.

contest. The outlook is not very a fair trial.

boots that went to the Contingent at to when a candidate who said he did Salisbury Plain? The question should not appeal to the Orange Lodges out. Has the new and opposition or leading into temptation.

unicipal machine become the trolling force in municipal life?

The Ontario Workmen's Compensa ion Commission is ready for business. It has already on hand \$100, 000, paid by the manufacturers in one installment rather than two, with interest. Which shows that the money, is in the country and for use in any legitimate cause.

The labour interests of Toronto suf all praise in that it shows that Ca- feat of Controller Simpson. A drop from head of the poll in one year, to the foot of the poll another year, its very significant. Has "Jimmy" dence that in defence of the empire been weighed in the balance and

Complete prohibition of even three per cent, heer and light wines, has been carried, and Russia is now the driest country on earth. The plea, perience in Egypt, will be equipped that prohibition would have to come gradually, did not prevail in the

> Hon. Mr. Meighen's "Historic Foundation of the War," in The Canadian War, is the ablest presentation of the case that has been made by any Canadian minister. Mr. Meighen the ablest man in the Canadian cabi net, though he does occupy a very minor office.

Kingston parts with these young | The financial statement of ex-Presimen reluctantly. It wishes them dent Brush, of the New York Na-God-speed in the performance of their tional Club, shows that he received them, and, returning, receive a cor- in which he died, 1912, Brush's ne dial welcome home. Meanwhile, bon income from baseball was \$179,736. Is there any business or calling that pays better?

Public Opinion

Approved By Both Parties London Free Press. The policy of the Canadian liberal leader was to establish for Canada

Wrong One Hunted Montreal Mail. famous German Mon-tamer have been killed at the front France. They went after the wrong

Kaiser In Danger Collier's Weekly.

Yes, the kaiser may invade Car

Can't Deny Them Then Orange Sentinel If the killing off of the men does they will have to run the government of the different countries.

Heel On Belgium Toronto Mail and Empire. England may be choking Germany as a German admiral declares, bu

Kingston Events Twenty-Five Years Ago

James Redden, who is contesting St

this morning. The average price for 2,500 men. good timothy is \$9.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Kingston Had Good Advice Regard ing Debenture Sales.

Kingston, Jan. 4 .- (To the Edi-

tor): In his valedictory addressthat was the envy of officials other places. Thousands of dollars perts taking time and conditions The the forelock and providing for the inancial storms which they saw comng. "We" did it better than others The "we" means F. C. Ireland and O. V. Bartels, but in the face of such showing we let F. C. Ireland leave the service of the city because the derical work was too heavy for him A railway company can pension 'aithful baggageman but a city ca part with its financial adviser in midst of chaos. Without salary w and the benefit of Mr. Ireland's as vice all year. The treasurer's advice : "Sell you

ew months," may mean thousands our city. Yet we pay him the salar of a book-keeper and then make his vork his head off, even nights and undays, to do the clerical work. At end of the year the mayor takes he platform and congratulates th

We are not out of the woods ye We have a large debenture debt be looked after. We might get landed vith part of this at a high rate interest unless there is exceptional nancial strategy.

I am a large taxpayer but I wou secured as advisory and that the treasurer be given salary in keeping with the position The ordinary rates of brokerage on our "over the counter" sales last year made by our officials without charge,

daff.-TAXPAYER. A lot of people go without urging IS WHAT LORD GEORGE SYDEN.

HAM PROPHESIES. Wheat and Copper Needed in Germany. - When World Conflict Ceases, It Will Have Lasted About Nine Months.

London, Jan. 4-Lord George Sydenham, the British military critic, writes of the present war situation, He was the author of "Fortification, Past, Present, and Future," and was a member of the Commission Upon Defence of the Nation and also of that upon the reorganization of the British army. He has served as governor of Victoria and the Bombay presidency and has filled other executive posts. He said to-day:

"I have always believed this would! be a nine-months' war. There are so many reasons why it seems impossible that so gigantic a conflict can continue longer than that period that it is difficult to enumerate all of

"In the first place, consider the economic conditions of Germany. Already there is a shortage in her supply of wheat, and while it is only beginning it will be felt later. That is a very significant sign in view of the fact that the German government has taken control of all the wheat supply. When it did so it was said that there was sufficient to last the nation for a year.

"All the world knows how badly Germany stands in need of copper and what strenuous efforts she has been making to import that metal from America and other neutral countries. The Germans are short of petrol and oils for lighting purposes, while they already have begun to use benzol for motors. There are other very necessary commodities which Germany requires and finds it practically impossible to obtain. But the scarcity of wheat is the greatest danger to her, for no nation can exist long without food. And when in the course of the next two months this fact is driven home to the much deceived German people, I believe there will be a revulsion of political feeling in the German empire, which will have a considerable effect in bring-ing the war to a speedy conclusion."

WAR BULLETINS.

.Immediate conscription for + unmarried men without dependents was hinted at on Sunday in . London by T. J. MacNamara, + parliamentary secretary to the + admiralty.

It is believed at Ottawa that 4 the second contingent will sail 4 about the end of February but that reinforcements for the + Princess Pats will go over in the meantime.

The Austrian retreat has become a veritable rout.

Major-General Hughes is in a hospital with an injured knee.

Preaching in Toronto on Sunday, Roman Catholic Archbishop McNeill said he was ready to + give his life for the British cause in the present war.

CAVE LIFE AT THE FRONT.

Shelter for 2,500 Men in One Under ground House.

Berlin, Jan. 4-Cave life has returned to Europe. Altogether there are hundreds of thousands of men, on and off the firing line, who burrow for shelter from the enemy's fire and the weather's inclemency

In Galicia the associated press cor respondent saw a hill which had five tiers of caves, in rows of forty each The entire establishment sheltered

And life in the earth dwellings in agreeable, according to all accounts The men, in their letters, at least speak of their caves with as much feeling as they do of home. Though snow and rain beat down without the wind howl, and great guns boom the cave is always snug and warm. especially if it has been possible to Mayor Shaw pointed with pride to gather enough straw for the floor and

fact; that the little humor contained in letters from soldiers at the front were saved through our financial ex- is nearly always connected with it. "I have been in this bombproo. turnout for ten days," says the letter of a German army surgeon. "Toward the front not a house or bare is standing. There is not a place in which we might stable our horse and since our ambulances would be

a fine target for the enemy's artiilery, we have established our first 120 feet from the firing line. room for about six wounded in addition to several persons of the sani-

The inn is a pearl of an institu- pire in this direction. tion, suited alike for summer and winter traffic, and recommended to people suffering from nerves, ennuisuperculture, and sickly esthetics. It tendance. Prices are reasonable, an I feller Foundation to be sent to Be living in the club costs nothing ex- glum. charming. You wriggle through en country work. The outlay re to discover afterwards that you can were purchased Thursday. stand upright in the dining room which has a floor area of about sixty square feet."

noon on the death of Mrs. Jones of possible that some sort of military New York, formerly Miss Hattle instruction will be introduced in the

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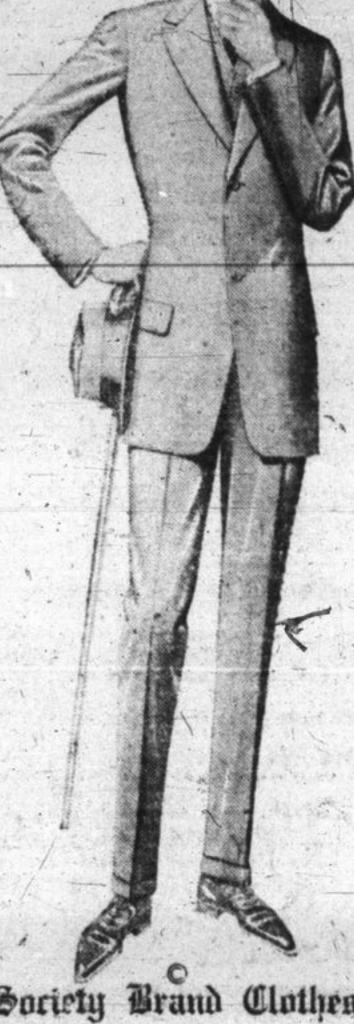
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POLICE THREATEN MUTINY.

and Revolvers. New York, Jan. 4-New York's en tire police department, from inspectors down to patrolmen, are threatening an open revolt against Commis sioner Wood. William B. Ellison. counsel for the various police or ganizations, gave out a statement as serting the men are dissatisfied with the rules of the department, and demand a change if they are to wage a warfare on crime.

The statement declared the men are handicapped by not having sufficient authority. ... They want broad So agreeable is life in the cave, in er privileges in making arrests and ask more power to protect themsel ves by a freer use of the night-stick and revolvers.

> CANADIAN APPLES WANTED It Is Suggested They Would Be Wel-

comed By Troops. London, Jan. 4. - John Dyer Hon, secretary of the Vegetapl Products Committee, which is doing good service in distributing fruit and fresh vegetables among the men of Two the fleet, makes a suggestion to the passages, cut deep in the earth, give Canadian Associated Press in regard access to the cave, in which there is to the possibility of securing such gifts from the apple-growing discricts of Canada, Supplies of applea tary service. Close to our cave lie have fallen off lately through varthe underground villas of the sur- lous causes, but nothing is more well and his adjutant, also the club, which is suggested that dealers in Canada has been named The Thirsty Caved- | might be willing to extend their benevolence to the sailors of the em

American Wheat For Belgium. -Chicago, Jan. 4-Close to \$7,000, 660 worth of Chicago wheat has is also an excellent cure for alcohol- been bought during the last month, lit was learned to-day, by the Rocke-

rant, and then fall down two steps, the cereal; 475,000 bushels of wheat

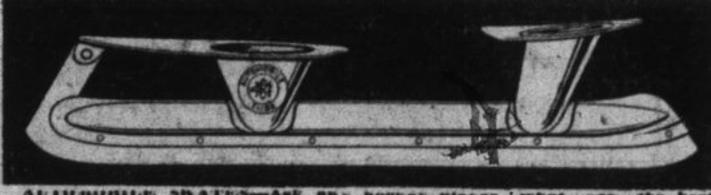
Favors Military Training. New York, Jan. 4.- Mayor Mitchel Word was received Saturday after- schools and colleges, and it is barely



Announcement?

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