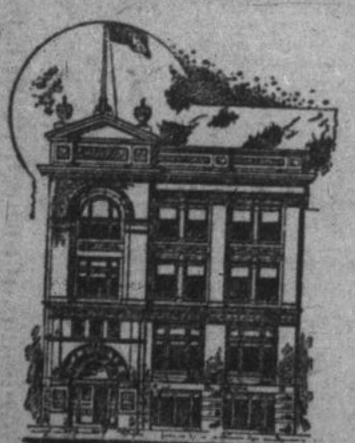
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A recently issued bank report declares that reckless buying acts directly to postpone the return to lower prices. Recklessness is one of the characteristics of the day.

As a thank offering for reducing the water gas and electricity rates the citizens might well return all the commissioners by acclamation. One thing is certain: no better body of men could possibly be selected.

Keen interest is being shown in municipal affairs this year, with the result that a large number of candidates for office will be nominated This is as it should be, and will be conducive to better civic government

Despite the severe losses sustaine during the war, the deposits in group of English banks increased from 439 millions pounds in June 1914, to 1,504 millions in June 1919. It is a marvellous achieve ment, and points to the education effects of the thrift campaigns.

London, says that food conditions in (and in case of another war, the Austria have become so desperate same result would be seen from the them develop physically and mentalto. The haughty nation that insisted Canada would be the greatest beneupon crushing little Serbia, and thus ficiaries from their connection with brought on the great war, is realiz- the militia. Under military training ing the truth of the fundamental law men of poor physique were built up, that they who sow the wind shall and thousands of physical weaklings only. A recent despatch from Conreas the whirlwind.

Thomas Hewitt, Utilities Commissioner, has performed a valuable ser- rible slaughter of the best manhood . vice to the city by his thorough investigation and able criticism-of the report of the Canadian Underwriters' inspector concerning the city waterworks. Mr. Hewitt's report will presented to council, and that body should take action upon it. Kingston has been unfairly treated for many years, and some redress ought now to be insisted upon.

A Toronto physician, Dr. S. M. who have been members of the mili-Hayes, surgeon-in-chief at the Wes- tia will all testify to its value as tern hospital; declares that nurses training medium for young men, should work twelve hours a day, and should such training become basing his argument on the claim that after the first two or three days tage of the individual man and of on a case the work is very light. If the country as a whole. the eight-hour day were adopted, he says, a very sick patient would require three nurses, at a cost of \$75 a week or more. Moral: get your life heavily insured, and be prepared to die in case you are taken sick.

GUNPOWDER AND STEAM.

It is not without significance that the Krupp works, which turned out so many engines of destruction, now prepared to manufacture 300 ty of 6,000 acres will be bought by locomotives a year. The first ex- the municipal authorities. The milample of this post bellum activity liquaire has agreed to purchase from rolled out of the yards last week. the estate and to resell to the city a That doesn't prove that Germany is the cost price on such terms as the going to quit forever the manufac- legal restrictions on municipal enterture of cannon. Not by any means. prise make necessary. The purchase But it is one of the many signs that price is about \$6,500,000. While the she is not so much resuming as acreage involved is about half the actually showing fresh initiative in total area of the town, it includes the campaigns of commerce. In this far more than half the land values. the rest of the world may well do comprising most of the more imporlikewise. Anti-German propagannda tant streets and buildings. of talk will not turn a wheel. The Huddersfield, if it cares to, is thus only way to win commercial cami in a position to make a unique expepaigns is to increase commercial pro- riment. The proponents of the single duction. Unhappily we do not seem | tax have always urged that the present unrest and the numerous laid upon enterprise is one of the strikes reported on every hand.

a perfectly comfortable, cold proof ship. and-for his purposes-commodious home wherever he may happen to be. Rent profiteering, consequently, is unknown in the Arctic region. But now along comes a proposition to change all that. The Esk mo in Alaska, says a despatch, are being induced by the government to exchange their igloos for concrete houses. In the beginning, no doubt, every native Letters to the Editor are published will own his own concrete house When an Eskimo decides to remove. lowever, he will not be able to take seal or musk oxen or reindeer. will have to sell it to a real estate man. Thus the profiteering landlord, instead of the igloo, is bound to become the dominant feature of the Arctic landscape. We hope the effort A scientist has predicted that the will fail. The denizens of the frozen world will come to an end to-day. If regions have troubles enough already you read this paragraph to-night you in their fierce struggle for existence.

> COMPULSORY MILITIA TRAINING On Monday it was intimated that the Minister of Militia and Defence much rest. expected that some measure of compulsory milit.a service would be introduced in Canada. In spite of the fact that there is a tendency all over tue world to reduce the size of armes and to reduce armaments, this innovation would without doubt be mal in good time. one of great benefit to the manhood of the country generally. The value of militia training was amply demonstrated during the war. The men who had served in the militia during pre-war days, to a very large extent, made up the earlier Canadian contingents; certain it is that the first contingent was almost entirely composed of men who had done previous militia training. The officers of that division were men who had been trained in their duties in the years prior to the war. The manner in which they made good showed that their earlier training was invaluable to them, and forms a strong argument in favor of making militia training compulsory, as is done in Australia, New Zealand and other

A cable despatch from Vienna, via of this from a military standpoint that cannibalism has been resorted militia training), the young men of ly. were made strong. The rigorous life stantinople reports that pirates who of the army training made men of had concealed themselves in the boys, and had it not been for the terof the country, the benefits would have been lasting. They will be lasting if every young man has to undergo a period of training such as is given in the Canadian militia. The drill, the physical training, and target practice all go to bring out the weak spots in any man's physical make-up, and to remedy them, and the social connections would do much to foster a greater spirit of comradeship and brotherhood. Those compulsory it will be to the advan- nickel, have no nickel coins.

FOR HENRY GEORGE'S FOLLOW

The town of Huddersfield, England, is about to embark upon an interesting experiment. More than half the real estate in the city has been owned by a single family, and is for sale. Through the kindness of a millionaire Australian, who was born in is the British town, the whole proper-

most sinister influences in our latter

server true muchant Property day civilization, and that if ground bought at a fival shop. About the only place where the tion would be distributed more even- The other assented, and the package housing proviem is not acute is in ly, vacant land would be brought in-Esamoiand. There the natives build to use, and industry and agriculture their own houses of show and ice, greatly encouraged. Huddersfield, well, I don't think he cheated me and no languord has a chance to raise which is a flourishing city in York- much; for while he was getting the shire, with a normal population of in every account of Arctic explor- 100,000, the centre of a thriving ation the igioo, or snow hut, built weaving industry, could very well so dexteriously by the Eskimos, is test out for a curious world some of described as a prominent feature of the merits of the contention that the the landscape. The igioo makes the total annual ground rent of any piece askimo quite independent of the of land should go to the state. In the promeering landlord, architect and first place, since the city has no need builder, Nature provides the raw ma- to make a profit, it can reduce rents teriais is unimited quantities at ev- on its hundreds of municipally ownery snowfall. The Eskimo cuts the ed buildings to a point which will trozen snow into blocks, places them barely cover upkeep, repair and dein position according to a building preciation. This policy should pres- the Victoria Bridge across the St. formula handed down from genera- ently enable it to buy the rest of the tion to generation-and the house is privately held territory-some 5,859 finished. When the walls show signs acres so that the city will be its of distemper or dripping, a handful own landlord. We could them have a of snow freshens up things and in a straightforward test to determine few minutes the igloo is made as whether the people are happier and busier when the only landlord is the Eskimo can, in a few hours, put up ter-skelter scheme of private owner-

Bellies Above Bolshevism. (Toledo Blade) When their stomachs got as emp as their heads the hunger-striking Reds began to weaken.

Want All the Luxuries. (Patterson Chronicle) go out on strike.

Unrest Explained. (Brockville Recorder) Some of the woollen underwes recently donned may have something to do with the nation-wide spirit of

(New Orleans States) We are strongly inclined to the be- tion. lief that the general restlessness re- tween the inland provinces of the ported among the people is the re- Dominion and the Atlantic coast. sult of so many of them taking too

Bide a Wee. Ottawa Journal) After the Civil War there were strikes, riots, inflated prices, and misgiving for the future. History is repeating. Sit tight, laugh when you can, and things will become nor-

Loading Up Chickens. Some twenty-five tons of real es tate in the form of sand and gravel and masquerading as 30 cents pound chicken almost got into the to the ultimate consumer-or goat. The 60,000 pounds of sand and gravel reposed in the crops of 50,000 live chickens which reached the Jersey City yards in eight carloads. new or an old wrinkle?

(Kitchener Telegraph)
To-day the great majority of the oliday gifts are substantial and useful articles that people really wan' No Christmas gift is worth makin nless it has some practical use o ermanent beauty for home decorr tion. In the case of children it hard to draw a positive line. Bu Apart altogether from the value in a general way a toy that won't give them good solid wear isn't worth giving. The most suitable gifts for the youngsters are those that help

> Beats Captain Kidd. (Youth's Companion) Pirates and buccaneers are by no means characters of the remote past steerage of the ship Maria, bound from Novorossiysk to Batum, overpowered the crew and robbed the passengers of about \$6,000,000 Messrs. Morgan and Kidd and John Silver and even old Flint himself would have taken an unholy pride

Nickel Coinage. (Montreal Herald) The proposal that Canada should adopt nickel for coinage of small denomination, which was proposed at the Ontario board of trade meeting | Why Stay Fat? by the Sudbury representatives and carried unanimously, is one which has frequently been suggested to successive governments but never

rents were paid to the state popula- weigh the package," said the grocer sugar I pocketed two tins of conden-

Dominion Happeniugs of Other

Victoria Bridge. On the 17th of December, 1859, the first passenger train passed over Lawrence River at Montreal. On he 25th of the following May the great structure was formally opened for traffic by His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales-in later life King Edward VII. What this enterprise meant to the

nation of those days is little understood by the present generation. It One advantage of this primitive municipality, and is not seeking to was a terrific work, begun after method of housekuilding is that an profiteer, than under the usual hel- years of preparatory experimenting. the first stone of the first pier having been laid on July 20, 1854. The contractors were from F--'and; all the iron came from En . . each piece marked for its plac | Je the stone was from Pointe Claire. It was erected in strong tubular form resting on heavy stone abutments calculated to resist the shove of the ice each spring. In the earlier part of the work construction could proceed only during the summer months. The estimated cost of the work was seven ed for about half a million less. In later years the tubular system was removed, and now the structure is of the usual open variety. It carries A lot of people are now demand- now two lines of steam rails, one of ing enough pay so they can afford to electric and a waggon road, beside a sidewalk for pedestrians. It is lighted by electricity its full length. The total length is 9,184 feet. There are twenty-five spans, while it is sixty r feet from the bed of the river to the under side of the control span under which the river boats pass.. It is still a wonderful work of untold value to the commerce of the country, but when it was first erected it was one of the great sights of the na-It is the connecting line be-

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GEN. R. E. W. TURNER Who points out some of the weak-

You Can Reduce

successive governments but never acted upon. Fifty-four countries use nickel coinage, while Canada with eighty-five per cent. of the world's nickel, have no nickel coins.

A Stand-Off.

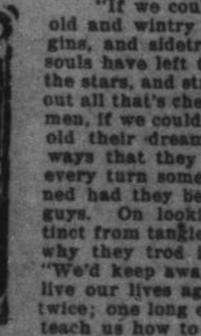
(Washington Post)

"The never-ending struggle between capital and labor reminds me," says Senator Johnson, 'of a suspicious looking customer who was boasting to a grocer of the cheapness of ten pounds of sugar that he had

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THE BACK TRAIL.



"If we could live our lives again," thus sigh the old and wintry men, "we'd shun the pitfalls and the WATERS and STATIONERY, gins, and sidetrack fifty kinds of sine which on our souls have left their scars; we'd hitch our wagons to the stars, and strive to reach the higher place, and cut out all that's cheap and base. We'd be examples to all men, if we could live our lives again." When men are old their dreaming gaze is fixed upon the winding ways that they have walked in long, long years; at every turn some trap appears that they'd have shun-ned had they been wise, with wisdom of the ancient guys. On looking back the road seems plain, dis-tinct from tangled path and lane, and old men wonder why they trod in bog and quicksand far abroad. "We'd keep away from marsh and fen, could we but live our lives again!" We cannot make the journey duction. Unhappily we do not seem tax have always urged that the teach us how to tread, to cross the torrent's slippery to understand this, judging by the heavy hand of the private landlord sed, to clama the mountain's beetling side, traverse the forest dark and twice; one long excursion must suffice; the old would wide, but youth turns deaf or heedless ears to all the wisdom of the seers.

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