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We've forgotten who made this bright remark—and we don't know who is right. But we all know how it looks to see a man, well dressed—

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It's harder to feel that we can fire him

To create a good opinion in other people and to enlarge one's own self respect, there are few things so effective as well chosen, well kept clothes and suits are sold from twenty five dollars to forty-five dollars at Patons.

WOMEN'S COATS WERE NEVER MORE FASCINATING.

More than ever before, of recent years women are wearing dresses, to alternate with their suits, for street wear, and for these dress days the "wrappy" coat is indispensable.

These new coats are so dressy and so youthful in their effect. They offer such a complete change from the suit. And what is more pleasing to the well-dressed woman than to look one part today and a totally different one tomorrow?

See the new coats that have recently arrived and choose yours, while the one you most want is here. College students specially invited.

WHAT A DELIGHTFUL CHANGE IN WOMEN'S BLOUSES, THIS FALL!

First it seems as though the most striking change was in fabrics; then it seems the models that are different; then we decide that it is the trimmings that have worked the new wonder.

Then we realize that all have done their part—each has been played upon by the designer's ingenuity, for the contriving of new beauty and greater becomingness for women.

See the new collections, which are now at their best at Patons.

YOU'LL JUST LOVE THESE NEW BAGS!

There is such a gratification, when one lays the new bag on table or chair, when calling on a friend, to have it win an enthusiastic compliment.

Surely new styles were never quite so sure of admiration as these that arrived during the past few days.

ARE YOUR WINDOWS CALLING FOR NEW LACE CURTAINS.

You'll be pleased to find such charming new effects all ready just when you want to redecorate your home before exhibition.

We enjoyed selecting them, and were much delighted when we opened up the cases and saw what fine draperies we have secured.

You'll enjoy the inspection just as much, we're sure, and we should like to have the pleasure of showing you the new patterns as soon as you find it convenient to come in.

THE VANGUARD OF AUTUMN MILLINERY MODES HAS ARRIVED!

And because we know that you are eager to learn "whats' what" as regards Fall Hat fashions, we extend to you a cordial invitation to come and see them at your first opportunity.

The new shapes you will find graceful in form and you have a choice of large as well as small ones.

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WASTEFULNESS.

Lady Burnham, who accompanied her husband, Lord Burnham, on the Imperial Press tour through Canada, was challenged to give a frank criticism of Canada and Canadians. She did it frankly and her criticism is a fair statement of what an intelligent stranger passing through Canada, or any province of Canada, would say if they had the courage to candidly express their real opinion. Lady Burnham said:

"You are wasteful in every way; your wastefulness is wicked; it is cruel. I cannot tell you how it all has distressed me."

Going into general detail the indictment of extravagance included waste of food, waste of lumber, waste in manufacture, waste of land.

To one who has travelled in or read about the customs in European countries, Lady Burnham's criticism will be quite a natural one. Our returned soldiers have expressed the same opinion. They saw in France particularly and also in Belgium men living on farms little bigger than our gardens and making a good living too. Every inch of land was cultivated, fertilized to the fullest capacity of the soil and producing the most bountiful crops the land was capable of. They saw groves of forest, many of them only a comparatively few acres in extent that furnished fuel to several households for many generations and the grove as large as it was a hundred or more years ago. They saw the smallest bits of debris, wood or metal, the clippings and chippings of factories, saved and converted into various by-products.

We Canadians have not yet lived down the extravagant habits of pioneer days when land was to be had for the asking, when we could sow and plant in the most convenient spots in the track of the forest fires that cleared our lands or on the fertile virgin soil of the prairie. We destroyed our forests because they were in our way, we sowed and reaped where it was most convenient; we had no need of conservation for we had much more than we could make use of. It is different today. We need every inch of our land, but we let most of it lie waste; we need every tree that grows on our farms but we do not plant a tree to take the place of the one we have cut down. As a result we are land poor and our forests are depleted. In our feeding of ourselves and our stock we do the easiest thing and the result is waste.

Possibly we shall not have learned our lesson until our wants become more acute; then we shall look back with many misgivings upon our wasteful days.

A NATIONAL INSULT.

During the war and the preparation for it, largely through the example set by the soldiers in training, who acquired it through army discipline, audiences at theatres and other public gatherings stood in respectful attention during the singing or playing of the National Anthem. This good custom is being disregarded most disgracefully. At the theatres now the first bar of the National Anthem is taken as a signal to don overcoats and wraps and make for the door. It is a vulgar, and ignorant habit and should be sternly checked. The theatre management would be doing a good educative act if they informed the audience, either on the screen or otherwise, that ladies and gentlemen always stood at attention during the rendition of the National Anthem and that others would be expected to do so.

THE TARIFF QUESTION.

The St. John Telegraph, one of the leading Liberal papers in the Maritime Provinces, discussing the tariff question, says:—

"There should be an honest examination of the whole tariff situation, not with the idea of abandoning customs taxation, but for the purpose of giving relief to the consumer wherever that can be done without injury to legitimate Canadian interests. A proper revision of the tariff would be one which would regard equally the needs of all sections of the country, and all classes. No particular class or section can write Canada's tariff schedules without injury to the country at large."

This is exactly what the Meighen government is doing. The tariff commission appointed by the government began its investigation Tuesday at Winnipeg and the enquiry is to be carried out in every important city in Canada. Whatever revision is decided upon will be on the basis of what this commission discovers after due enquiry.

CLOSED AGAIN.

Silence deep, profound and solemn has again fallen like a funeral pall on the pages of the Patriot. After a brief spasm in a recent issue which seemed to indicate returning life, it has reverted to its comatose state just as the puzzled people throughout the province had begun to hope that it was about to answer the universal question "Who are the Assessors?"

Just why this question should have a paralyzing effect upon the Patriot, and why the government itself should withhold this information and leave innocent men throughout the province open to the suspicion that they are assessors there are many conjectures and not a little suspicion.

CURRENT COMMENT

Amongst the parting expressions from members of the Imperial Press Conference, there was a sense of so-called fact in the utterance of Mr. W. A. Brennan, of the Argus, Melbourne, Australia, that while it is said of other countries that they are living for the present, that—"Of Canada it might be said with truth that it lives in the future," and that "The people are always looking ahead." Of a truth we have a country as yet scarcely emerged from the swaddling clothes of infancy, or at least not far beyond the jubilant period of early boyhood as a nation. Because this boyhood has been a healthy one, and that in this youthful vigor we have quite frequently taken on and performed the duties of the man, it does not mean that as yet we lay claim to having reached the estate of man. We are still in the vigor of youth looking forward to our developed manhood of the future, and laying those foundations upon which that future will be established in institutions of stability and structures indicative of unexampled prosperity.

And because we are looking to and living for the future we must not shirk the duties and responsibilities, imposed upon us for the present, of providing the material, of digging to the solid rock strata, and of measuring our timbers, not for the requirements of today but to accommodate the operations of the multitudes of our population when we are clothed in our fuller manhood, and have become an adult amongst nations. As a robust young country it has its natural strong appetites and social inclinations which require to be fed and trained in the proper direction. In this feeding and training every man and woman must play a part and upon the manner in which they respond to this responsibility will depend the stability and excellence of the future that is before us. "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy," is an old and true saying, but the opposite is equally true that all play and no work produces "poverty and rags." Canadian industry and labor cannot afford in these strenuous days to waste millions of dollars in valuable time, and still greater millions in lost production, in unreasonable strikes, which are always in every respect costly and which rarely ever produce the results asked for and expected. Nor can the country profitably maintain a horde of sportsmen wholly upon expensive pleasure, whose principal friction in life is between their pant's seats and auto or carriage cushions.

Character building too must become the favourite of all our undertakings. With a good capital in this branch of our progress we can face any and every emergency. Let the word honor be indelibly impressed upon every word that is spoken or written, and upon every article produced from our soil or manufactured in our workshops. Goods with a reputation will never go begging for a market, and the man or business firm whose integrity is above reproach will not be so frequently called upon for affidavit or bond to ensure his reliability. The wealth seeker and the diligent man of business is too often misinterpreted, and because of his success condemned. Wealth getting and wealth saving, under proper conduct and with correct motives, is part of the wisdom of character building. The accumulation of riches, however, for motives of pure

selfishness and for the exclusive pleasures of its possession, even when honestly obtained, is reprehensible and criminal. Remember that it was not money but the "Love of money" that was denounced as "the root of all evil." On the contrary the command was to "Be diligent in business," and the man who makes money and uses it in the countless ways of commerce, church institutions and country development is a valuable and honorable asset to any nation.

Forget not that capital is as much an essential in the world's economy as labor. Without capital from whence would come the great factories, railroads, mines and industrial institutions in which the millions of the world are now finding employment. Without capitalists where would the immense loans to governments, municipalities and even individual borrowers be floated. And yet Bolshevism, and some who are not actually of this class, seem to believe that capital is a species of barnacle upon the world's economy, or a blood sucker or cancer worm consuming the life blood and eating out the vitals of the people. For labor to stamp out capital would be to kill the goose that lays the golden eggs upon which they live. That labor is the producing power of all that there is in material construction is beyond dispute. But labor can not work without tools and equipment, and without capital there will be neither tools nor raw material, and still worse no bank account to meet the weeks end wage bill. Labor too has its full right to their whole share of the reward, but the capitalist, simply because he has capital should not be deprived of his. When these things can be realized to the full, and when each will be ready to recognize the rights of the other in the get together spirit, the professional labor agitator will get his dismissal and industry and wealth will be able to conduct business with mutual satisfaction and national benefit.

The Pioneer announces, and the city parrot, with its "Polly wants a cracker" precision, repeats, that the challenge of Mr. A. C. Saunders is still open. We were not under any other impression ourselves, the only difficulty being that, like the rain hogshead, while open at the top the bottom has also been knocked out, so that the darn thing won't hold water. It wasn't hooped strong enough to carry liquid and soluble financial dope and when we suggested THE EXTERNAL AUDIT as his first deposit, the stuff busted the bottom out of his receptacle. We don't want to be too hard on our one time valiant duelist however, and if he is really afraid to face the cold cash metal we might suggest as a substitute the question of education, upon which Dr. Cyrus McMillan, an out-and-out Liberal, has offered a splendid foundation for explanation and repentance on the part of the Government and its champions. The Hon. Mr. Lea made a heroic attempt to get out of these quick-sands but only succeeded in working deeper into the mire. Perhaps Mr. Saunders could do better. Why not make the attempt? Better die in real battle than boast behind the braggart's bush.

It also looks as if Mr. Saunders was not just looking in the right direction for the spilling of blood. We were not upon the spot but even the Pioneer has not denied that full opportunity was given him at the Liberal Convention, which met in his own district, to defend the acts of the Government. It appears that it was his own friends, the most representative Liberals in West Prince, and supporters of his own, who launched forth direct to his face the very charges which aroused his ire and started him firing out empty challenges from behind the bush at his straight and open though unpretentious political opponents. If in his own household he and the Government were so roughly handled what chance would he have of cream covered delicatessen from those of the opposing camp?

THE PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Charlottetown Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by its correspondents.

SOME BIG FIGURES

Sir,—An item in the Guardian of September 13th, on the Prince Edward Island Poultry exhibit at the St. John Exhibition needs correction.

It states that "Prior to 1912 the Island was producing a surplus of eggs of a low quality which were a drug on the home market and

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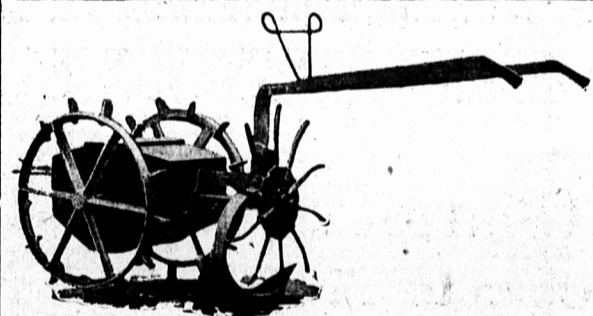
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