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IF

If personal and vulgar abuse of Premier Meighen and his Cabinet will have any effect in concealing the misdeeds of the late King Government and in electing the present Liberal candidates, the exoneration of the discredited Liberal Ministers and the return of the King Government is practically assured. It makes one smile wearily and sadly, however, to find men who stood by the King Government while in office and when beset with washed, call the present Meighen Cabinet "second rate politicians."

It is not only something to smile at but to pity. All Canada knows that there has not been since Confederation as utterly disreputable a make-shift for a Cabinet as that which held office until thrown out a few days ago by the men whom they had traded with for support and who at last disgusted by their acts, political and immoral, turned their backs upon them and let the discredited fabric fall like a house of cards. And now the men and the news papers that called this aggregation "the best Government Canada has had", look upon the Meighen Cabinet as "second rate politicians".

Well, the Meighen Cabinet can afford it and will not enter into any controversy over it. The question arises, however, what do these men and these newspapers think of the people whom they are thus trying to persuade? Do they actually believe that their readers are fools that they have not kept track of the doings at Ottawa during the past eight months? Do they think their readers heard nothing of the millions stolen from the treasury with the King Cabinet and the un-crowned King looking calmly on. It is humiliating to find in supposedly reputable newspapers this appeal to the ignorant, those childish and spiteful references to men whose public and private lives are above reproach. But from the point of view of the Conservative candidates it is the best kind of propaganda the Liberal press can follow. It indicates as nothing else could that the Liberal purpose is to bluff and to hoodwink the people. They have no other argument to use. The whole record of the King administration is its own condemnation. From the bribes openly held out to constituencies in 1921 to Mr. Mackenzie King's attack on the Governor General in 1926, the way of the King Liberals was the way of the heathen Chinese.

It remains to be seen whether the people of Canada want a repetition of the administration of 1921 to 1926. They know the whole story, the millions robbed from the treasury with the knowledge and under the shelter of Ministers of the Crown; they know part at least of the Government party on board the Margaret, which Ministers of the Crown enjoyed for three notorious weeks and for which the taxpayers paid; they know of the ballot stuffing which kept the King Government in power and which sent the elector to penitentiary; they know of the attempted whitewashing at the last stage of the game and which failed. If they want a repetition of this, then it is up to them.

A BROAD PLATFORM

An organization known as the Canadian National League was recently formed in British Columbia

with a membership in the farthest west provinces. At a recent meeting in Vancouver a resolution was adopted pledging support to any party or any candidate seeking election on a platform of complete Canadian independence. In explaining the reason for such a resolution it is stated that "recent political developments have emphasized most acutely our colonial status and the time has arrived for Canada to exercise the rights of a free nation."

The "recent political developments," of course, refers to the refusal of the Governor General to grant dissolution to Mr. Mackenzie King. As to the constitutionality of Baron Byng's action, it is unnecessary to refer here, no one with any sense of proportion doubts it. The point is that here is a concerted and organized attempt on the part of certain citizens of Canada to secure separation from the British Empire. Mr. Mackenzie King in his attack on the Governor General, raised the issue. It has long been known that the West is seething with sedition and anti-British sentiment. It is also known that a similar sentiment prevails in certain sections of the province of Quebec and that the last two general elections were won there by Liberal candidates by an appeal to this sentiment.

Now the appeal is made on a wider scale. Separation from the Empire is openly advocated by organized groups. The platform adopted by the Canadian National League is broad enough to accommodate all the anarchists, Bolsheviks, annexationists and independent in Canada, broad enough to accommodate Mr. Mackenzie King and all the anarchists in his party. And to the shame of Canada much of the Liberal press and many otherwise reputable, though party-blinded, Canadians are openly supporting this anti-British cry, not through anti-Britishism, but for the sake of getting back into office. Suppose Mr. Mackenzie King and his anarchistic followers succeed in this anti-British appeal, what then? The present status of the Governor General will be completely changed; he will no longer be a link between Canada and the British throne; he will no longer be a representative of the King in Canada; he will be a figurehead set up wherever the Separatists, the Communists and the national malcontents wish to place him. And where would Canada be?

The attack by Mr. Mackenzie King on His Excellency the Governor General is unquestionably the most serious menace Canada has yet faced. Aided by organized anarchists and a strong anti-British element and an office-hungry press, he may succeed. What then? That reputable newspapers claiming to be Canadian and British, should lend their assistance in promoting such a deliberate assault against British connection, simply for party gain is explainable only on the assumption that lust of office overshadows all other considerations.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Haymaking will be the next pastime and men and women in the urban centres will drop their work and go out to smell the new-mown hay, a perfume which the chemists have so far failed to produce or to approximate to approximate in sweetness.

Notes by the Way

The Liberals of Queen's have selected as their standard-bearers Mr. Sinclair and Mr. Jenkins, the unsuccessful and successful candidates at last election. Mr. Sinclair must shoulder full responsibility for the Customs scandal, as he was a member of the Mackenzie King Government at the time; while Mr. Jenkins will have to share the blame for having endorsed the scandals by his vote.

As attempts are still being made to make party capital out of the Governor General's action with reference to dissolution, we may as well put on record the considered views on the subject of the Toronto Globe, the leading Liberal newspaper. These should be conned and absorbed by everyone in view of the capital likely to be made by the Mackenzie King Liberals who are not representative of the rank and file.

"The conditions which confronted His Excellency were without precedent. It may reasonably be assumed that in declining to grant a dissolution until it became evident that neither party could command the confidence of Parliament, he was actuated by an earnest desire to prevent jettisoning the whole achievement of the session to date, to save for the public much important legislation which has now died in its tracks, to secure the passing of necessary supply, and to avoid the turmoil, the expense and the dislocation of business and industry involved in a general election. In any event, there can be no doubt that he acted, free from all political concern or bias, in what he believed to be the best interest of the country."

"Is there anything to be gained under these circumstances, by making the Governor General an issue in a political campaign—by staging, in the halls and on the hustings all over the land, heated partisan controversies between self-styled crusaders for the constitution and self-appointed defenders of the Crown? There is much to be lost. This sort of thing can create only dissatisfaction and disturbance, and provide fuel for those agitators and disloyalists who are constantly plotting national or imperial arson. If His Excellency erred, his error was technical in character. It is ridiculous to assume that he sought in any way to establish gubernatorial autocracy, or to menace self-government. A dignified protest would have protected the principle at stake. No right was denied the people. Within four days the dissolution asked for by Mr. King was granted to Mr. Meighen. The electors themselves are to determine who shall carry on the Government of the country."

While on this subject we may as well state that the report circulated by the Mackenzie King press that the Irish Free State was to raise the question of the constitutionality of the Governor General's procedure was entirely false. Mr. Henry Somerville, the London staff correspondent of the Liberal Toronto Star, cables to his newspaper as follows:—

"Reports that Free State ministers intend to raise the question at the imperial conference are untrue. Ministers here have not taken any action in the matter."

"Article 53 of the constitution says the premier and other ministers shall retire from office when ceasing to retain the support of the majority in the Dail, but there shall be no dissolution of parliament on the advice of a cabinet, which has ceased to retain the support of the majority in the Dail. The viceroys of Ireland looks to the vote of the Dail for the nomination of a premier and a premier who is defeated in the House has no right to demand a dissolution unless it is proved that there is no other leader who can obtain a majority. The general executive authority of the Free State is the same as that of Canada, according to article 51 of Free State constitution, but it is not exactly the same in all details."

That Body of Hours

By James W. Barrie, M.D.

WHAT ABOUT FASTING?

Some months ago the newspapers told us of a man who had succeeded in fasting for forty-four days, living upon nothing but water. About the same time a titled personage was undergoing a fast of almost the same duration, but was taking fruit juice only, to sustain her strength.

Now the idea of fasting for fast-ner's sake is unwise and dangerous but the idea of a fast for health's sake is a different matter entirely. Your family physician will tell you that when you have that "fed up" feeling, loss of appetite, tired of everything, constipated, and so on, that a fast of from 36 to 48 hours would be the best possible treatment for you. Practically everybody can stand a two to three day fast by drinking a little water from time to time.

However, there is a simple method of gradually ridding your system of poisonous wastes, and that is by following the example of the titled person mentioned above. That is to do without solid food for a few days, taking nothing but the juices of fruits such as apples, sweet oranges, pears, pineapples, and stewed prunes. One quart of these juices and one quart of water daily would be about right for the average individual.

These fruits juices will usually keep the intestine active. An enema should be taken any day the intestine remains inactive. A week of the above treatment should straighten out your system for a fresh start. If a longer treatment is desired then the fruit juice can be cut down somewhat, and "pot licker," that is the juices from vegetables, can be used for a few days.

Then cereals with the least possible amount of milk and sugar should be used, and finally you can come back to the regular food. The above course in diet should extend over two to three weeks. Remember it is unwise to try the fasting, taking only water, for a period of more than three days, unless under the care of a physician. The shock is too much for some systems, and as anaemic conditions may ensue that may take months to correct.

However this matter of fasting brings home to us the old lesson that we are eating too much for the amount of work we do. The old adage that we should "eat our bread by the sweat of the brow" was never so applicable as at present. So don't hesitate to do without food for a day or two. It will help you nine times out of ten, if you are not quite up to the mark.

Daily Selections FOR Guardian Readers

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THE WIDE OPEN HAND—The poor shall never cease out of the land; therefore command thee saying, Thou shalt open thine hand widely unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy." Deut. 15:11. PRAYER—Continue, O Thou loving God to enable us to receive the greater blessing.

THE LADS WE USED TO KNOW Oh, what's become of every lad Our village used to know— The carefree hearts so blithe and glad? No matter where I go, 'Tis ne'er a one I see at all, 'Tis ne'er a one I meet; And silently the shadows fall Upon an empty street.

A score at least, a score at least Of Berkshire lads I knew; For hungry eyes a goodly feast I watched them as they grew From little chaps, so shy and small, To lads of brawn and bone; And there was not one of them all I loved not as my own.

Oh, not so dim my falling eyes They see not looks of pain, And not so deaf my ears that sighs Cannot be heard again. But what's become of all the youth That made our village gay? Ah, sad and bitter is the truth— Those lads are gone for aye.

The war took many a one—the war In foreign soil they lie, Save laughing Richard, who's afar, 'Not laughing in his eye; And some have turned their sailor— And sail on distant seas, But most are gone beyond our ken, And oft we pray for these.

Ah, what's become of all the youth That made our village glad? In war, alas, there is no ruth, And waiting hearts grow sad Hawthorns may spill their bloom about. The cuckoo call, but oh! Can it be ever Spring without The lads we used to know? —Ernest H. A. Home

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 of correspondents.

THE USUAL TWISTING

Sir,—Under the caption "No Denial" yesterday's Patriot quotes an out-wear paper complaining that Premier Meighen does not "deny" the report that he refused to allow one of his followers to "pair" with a member who wished to spend Friday evening at home with the dead body of his wife."

Mr. Meighen has too much work on hand in the public interest to busy himself answering every cheap penny-liner, of which there is a plethora in the Liberal and Progressive press.

It then adds: "But his chief whip, Mr. W. A. Boys, has not only admitted but defended it." It failed, however, to publish Mr. Boys' statement. To do so would throw another ray of light into their tricky corners. The facts, as declared by Mr. Boys, was that on a previous occasion a "pair" was granted to this same gentleman, but when voting time came he disregarded it taking advantage of the other party's absence to record his vote. Why grant a "pair" to one who will not respect and keep it? Mr. Boys further added that a Conservative was at that very time absent—without a "pair" on a similar mission. The man whose party was of more importance than his dead wife, and who wouldn't honor a "pair" if he got it, has very little cause for complaint.

I am, Sir, etc., READER.

TOO GREEN

Sir,—In the Patriot's report of Mr. J. E. Sinclair's speech to the Convention he is stated to have said: "His Excellency refused to follow the advice of his Minister. Such a thing has not been done since Confederation."

The Liberal press and all admit the status of a provincial and federal Governor in this matter to be the same. In this Province in 1891 the McLeod Government by a bye-election were left in a minority of one. His Honor's advisers were not up against any vote of censure, or any adverse votes already on record on the floor of the House. The Premier asked Governor Carvell for a dissolution to test the wish of the whole electorate. This was refused, and the then Conservative Governor called upon the Liberal, Mr. Fred Peters, to form a Government. Again, when the Peters Government passed a Bill abolishing the Legislative Council, His Honor again refused to act on his Minister's advice, and refused assent to the Bill. Mr. J. E. Sinclair, and some other Liberals had better take a post graduate course in some political school to eliminate the "green" in their knowledge of political history. I am, Sir, etc., CONSTITUTION.

Daily Lessons In English

By W. L. Gordon

WORDS OFTEN MISUSED: Don't say "I began reading the book last night." Say "began." OFTEN MISPRONOUNCED: nomad. The "o" as in "of" is preferred to "no." OFTEN MISSPELLED: fortieth; no "i" in first syllable. SYNONYMS: burn, ignite, flame, consume, scorch, kindle, blaze, char. WORD STUDY: "Use a word three times and it is yours." Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day. Today's word: VULNERARY; tending to cure wounds. "She examined the wound and applied to it such vulnerary remedies as were possible."



Roy Bird, M. P., who during the free fight in the British House of Commons last week let drive at a Socialist member, who had spoken disrespectfully during the reading of the royal assent to the eighth Hanos Bill. His aim was bad and he hit Mr. J. P. Gardner, another Socialist, who had said nothing and with whom he had no quarrel. He and Mr. Gardner at once made peace, but Mr Bird has acquired a fighting reputation and one of the other Socialist members has challenged him to a match for a \$50 stake to be donated to the striking miners fund.

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Aviation in Dominion Steadily Progressing

FOREST PATROLS MAIN OUT-LET FOR AIR ACTIVITIES—USES TO WHICH PLANES ARE PUT IN CANADA MUCH DIVERSIFIED—DEVELOPMENT WATCHED BY GOVERNMENT. OTTAWA, Ont., July 12.—Civil aviation made definite strides in Canada last year. A report on activities along this line shows that the argosies of the air added to their usefulness in many ways in the Dominion since the beginning of 1925. From the Atlantic to the Pacific, from the Great Lakes to the Arctic, flying boats and aeroplanes are being used more and more in government and industrial research work.

Forest tracts in New Brunswick, rust-ridden wheat fields on the Prairies, treacherous ice floes at the proposed Hudson's Bay port, Fort Nelson, rum-runners and dope smugglers off Vancouver Island, destructive tongues of fire across the great pulpwood tracts of British Columbia—all are being surveyed, guarded or circumvented as they never could be before the development of the air service. Out of Baddeck, N. S., flyers are completing a mosaic of the timber limits of the Canadian Maritime provinces. In Quebec, surveys are being taken of the timber possibilities of the great unexplored area which extends up past Hudson's Bay to the sub-Arctic. Fire hazards are being detected and reduced. This fire protection service extends all over the Dominion. In the Northwest Territories the hinterland is being brought into the map, its resources tabulated and its difficulties surveyed.

Along the British Columbia-Washington boundary, the way of the rum-runner is being made difficult. The wild and sparsely populated boundary line is watched more easily from above. The same applies to the coastal waters. The Gulf of Georgia, the Straits of Juan de Fuca and Puget Sound is patrolled by Canadian and United States Vigilantes of the air. The tortuous bays and inlets which have been the refuge of the booze smuggler are coming under the searching eye of the airship.

Not the least interesting development of the aeroplane in Canada is its observation of the drift of rust spores in the grain fields. It seems that atmospheric conditions so radically affect the drift of rust spores that a very important factor in their control can be worked out through the observation of their reaction to moisture, etc. Elaborate experiments are being made through photographic slides with this end in view. The same applies to the attempt to control the White Pine Blister rust spores. The manufacture of flying machines in Canada is being revived after being dropped immediately after the war. The Canadian Vickers Company has turned out two

THE RHYMING OPTIMIST By Aline Michaelis There's always lots of sunshine, though sometimes, for a day, its gleams of gold may not unfold on your appointed way. There's always joy in plenty, and love and flying boats, the Vedette and Varuna, as well as 10 Avro two-seater, single-float, seaplanes. The present year's manufacture will go much further than this, adapting the peculiar needs of the different parts of the country and the climatic necessities of the dominion. Control of civil aviation, separate from the Royal Canadian Air Force, but in co-operation with the Ministry of Defence, has been recently set up to facilitate the extension of civil aviation in Canada. The views of Captain T. Cowley, director of civil aviation for Canada, on aerial passenger services, are worth noting. Passengers try, if eventually will develop, he believes, but not for some considerable time.

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