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TONIGHT'S LECTURE

The lecture tonight by Major Macphail on "The End of the War" will unquestionably be a literary and educative treat. A student of history, a man of rare literary ability and one who has "seen the front" and been in intimate personal contact with the heart of the war effort in London and in France, Major Macphail will have things to tell of and counsel to give that it will be well for the men and the women of this City and this province to hear.

WHY?

The Island Farmer, the Wednesday edition of the Pioneer, in its last issue, asks "Why then should the whole litter of yelping curs follow him (Sir Wilfrid Laurier, with such venom? Why therefore should he in his old age be the subject of incessant abuse by a Tory reptileism and of repudiation by Liberals who of old rejoiced in his strength, were proud of his name and followed him to victory for a generation. It is pathetic, it is ignoble, it is enough to make the angels weep, to witness such ingratitude."

This attempt to create sympathy for the Opposition leader is but a poor defence of Sir Wilfrid's attitude on the one great issue now before the Canadian people. What they are concerned with is not his age or his eloquence or his white plume, but how, if returned to power, he would lead Canada through the present crisis. All the leading Liberal papers which hitherto have set the pace for the Pioneer have expressed the opinion that Sir Wilfrid's leadership, if followed by Canada, would be disastrous and for this reason they have abandoned him. The Toronto Globe, the Halifax Chronicle, the St. John Telegraph, the Winnipeg Free Press and others which some months ago held the Liberal banner over the head of the Pioneer and under which our Summerside contemporary was proud to walk, have abandoned Sir Wilfrid because of his war policy. Does the Pioneer include these old friends and guides among the "litter of yelping curs" because they have dared to differ with Laurier? The truth is that the whole of the Liberal and Conservative press realizes that Sir Wilfrid is impossible as Prime Minister at the present juncture. Whatever his past may have been, and many of us differ from the Pioneer regarding his success and brilliance, the whole of the Liberal and Conservative press of Canada from Vancouver to Halifax, with one or two exceptions, like the Pioneer, have declared as with one voice that the policy espoused by Sir Wilfrid Laurier at the present time would lead Canada to the lowest depths of degradation and hold her up to history for all time as a quitter and deserter of the Allies at the most critical time in the world's history. If to say this is to yelp or to subject Sir Wilfrid to insistent abuse, then the Guardian pleads guilty to the charge but we do not for a moment imagine that any right-thinking Canadian will agree with the Pioneer that the directing of Canadian public opinion along the proper lines in such a critical time is anything more or less than the bounden duty of the responsible press of the country. At any rate Liberal and Conservative newspapers throughout the length and breadth of Canada which stand by the Union Government have the satisfaction of knowing

that they have behind them the solid phalanx of responsible, loyal and patriotic Liberal and Conservative citizens as well as the boys who are fighting our battles on the blood-stained fields of France and Flanders.

"SOMETHING FUNNY"

Under this heading the Patriot yesterday declares it had received five editorials "canned editorials" sent out by the Union Government, entitled "Cut out the Conquests," "Is it Fusion or Confusion," "Trench Politics," "Compulsion, the only Fair Way," "Fighting," "War time saving," "The Laurier Manifesto," and our contemporary adds "of course these editorials were all evidently intended for the Guardian—but the gods smiled and had them sent to the Patriot?"

We are sorry to interrupt the feigned mirth of our contemporary, but the fact of the matter is the Guardian also received the sheaf in question. So there was evidently no mistake in the direction to the Patriot. But instead of being editorials we find that each of the leaflets is marked "news service," not editorial as the Patriot claims. Moreover "Fighting" is a four line poem, "Trench Politics" an eight line poem and the "Laurier manifesto" a letter from the Patriot's old friend, Mr. H. F. Gadsby, who has evidently joined up with Graham, Carvell, Rowell Clark, A. K. McLean, Crerar, Sifton, Pugsley and all the other Liberal leaders in support of the Union Government. Why does not the Patriot tell the truth even in such a small matter as this? Surely in its devotion to H. F. Gadsby it will publish this article on "The Laurier Manifesto" in its today's issue. Our contemporary may take it for granted that as they have nothing to hide and everything to gain by a whirlwind publicity campaign, the Union Government Publicity Bureau will distribute its news service to every newspaper loyal and apostate alike, throughout the length and breadth of Canada,—at least we hope it will if the dope be up to the standard of that received by the Guardian yesterday. It must have done our evening contemporary a world of good to read Gadsby's refreshing review of the Laurier manifesto.

SPEAKING OF "CANNED"

The Patriot yesterday refers to the alleged stifling of the voice of the people by the use of "canned editorials." Yet the Patriot uses in black type a canned article which does duty in yesterday's Island Farmer only the Farmer had the decency to strike out the last part of the last sentence reading "Patriotism, as Dr. Johnson says 'the last refuge of scoundrelism, should be utilized to secure his downfall.' Evidently the Laurier Press Bureau is working double shift to provide the apostates with whitewashing articles.

MISCHIEVOUS RUMOURS

It has been brought to the attention of the Guardian that a number of mischievous rumours are in circulation throughout certain parts of the country regarding food control. Certain patriotic workers report, as was mentioned in the Guardian Tuesday, that people protest against economizing because the government allows foodstuffs to be converted into alcohol. This can no longer be advanced as an excuse as the Government has passed an Order-in-Council prohibiting the use of grain or other foodstuffs in the manufacture of alcohol. It has also been alleged that the government has been extravagant in the appointment of a Food Controller at a salary of \$25,000 per annum. There is absolutely no foundation for such a report. Mr. Hanna, the Food Controller, gives his services absolutely free and Professor J. W. Robertson, who has travelled from the Pacific to the Atlantic organizing food control committees, similarly acts without salary. A report was specially brought to the attention of the Guardian that the local committee was spending money needlessly in organization and the payment of a secretary. This is also groundless. The Secretary receives no salary for his services and all the members of the committee and the organizers throughout the country do the work as a matter of patriotism and without compensation. We hope this disclaimer will set at rest idle rumours which are disturbing the minds of many honest people who are anxious to see economy practised by those who are advocating economy in the use of foodstuffs.

HELP TO WIN AND END THE WAR

It is your patriotic privilege to help Canada win the war by loaning her your money, through the purchase of Canada's Victory Bonds. A Victory Bond is a first mortgage on every foot of land in Canada. It is a promise to pay, endorsed by every man, woman and child, who has or will eventually have any interest in Canada. It is better for your Country to be in debt to you than to the German Kaiser. Everybody in Prince Edward Island should be the owner of a Victory Bond. It is not only the person with \$1,000, \$5,000 or \$25,000 that should buy Bonds, but the \$50.00 and \$100.00 from here and there is what is greatly required.

Say 20,000 people each purchased a \$50.00 Bond, that in the aggregate represents One Million Dollars. There are 40,000 people and perhaps more in P. E. I. that can buy \$50.00 or \$100.00 Bonds in addition to the large investors. The money is required, first to win the war, but, business prosperity depends also on the success of the Loan, therefore it is bound to receive the support of all Merchants and Manufacturers. Markets for our agricultural products depend on its success, therefore very farmer realizes his money can best serve the boys at the front as well as those at home by purchasing Victory Bonds. Interest is payable promptly on 1st June and 1st December in each year. 198.

LOVES VIE WITH SHOES IN GAIEITY.

Since the feet have taken to fanciful coverings, it has come about that the hands are making an effort to match the other extremities in this matter. It is to be noted that among the fall gloves are those of French id which have shaded embroidery on the back. The embroidery is not confined to lack but it exploited in blue, in green, purple and brown, not to forget gray. The idea seems to be that he predominant color of the costume may be matched in the embroidery of the glove. Then there is the glove which has the cuff encircled with cords that ave the effect of lucks. The stitching of the latter is done in color or may be had in white to match the love. Rather practical is the glove of white or tan which has a cuff of contrasting color. This style of glove as the Biarritz wrist without opening and with elastic finish to make it convenient for drawing on and off the hand.

DAILY SELECTIONS FOR GUARDIAN READERS

Furnished by W. S. Louson.

"ALL'S WELL!"

A LITTLE TE DEUM FOR THESE TIMES.

We thank Thee, ord. For mercies manifold in these dark days;— For Heart for Grace that would not suffer wrong; For all the stirrings in the dead dry bones; For hold self-steeling to the times' dread needs; For every sacrifice of self to Thee; For ease and wealth and life, so freely given; For Thy deep sounding of the hearts of men; For Thy great opening of the hearts of men; For Thy close-knit of the hearts of men; For all who sprang to answer the great call; For their high courage and self-sacrifice; For their endurance under deadly stress; For all the unknown heroes who have died To keep the land inviolate and free, For all who come back from the Gates of Death; For all who pass to larger life with Thee; And find in Thee the wider liberty; For hope of Righteous and Enduring Peace; For hope of clearer earth and closer heaven; With burdened hearts, but faith unquenched.— We thank Thee, Lord!

CO-OPERATION AMONG THE FUR FARMERS

Sir,—Every time I visit P. E. I. I am impressed with the lack of co-operation among the fur interests here. I am advised by good authority that 22 per cent. of all the people of the Island are financially interested in the fox industry and to get the best out of it they must work the one with the other. I do not mean to amalgamate or form combinations, but simply to co-operate for their own benefit.

Take for instance the egg situation on the Island. In years gone by the farmer during the summer months obtained so low a price he could not afford to take care of the product, but today by co-operation the egg situation is entirely changed, and by their "Egg Circles" over \$300,000 will be realized for eggs to the Island farmers this year. Take the Perfect Fox Ranch, and though capitalized for \$17000 per pair they have paid a liberal cash dividend every year and increased the number of foxes, and could only have done this by co-operating with other companies.

Every infant industry needs government assistance, and in the States the industry is a worthy one it can get State or National aid. But what has the Island rancher got to present his legislators here? Is he a Liberal or a Conservative? Forget in co-operation of the fox industry whether your neighbor or your provincial representative is a Liberal, Conservative, or a Unionist, whether he is a Protestant or a Catholic, but by centering your efforts on the bettering of existing conditions everyone on the Island will be benefited thereby.

I am not even suggesting what ways and means should be adopted, but I do say and know that very much better results could be obtained if the fox interests would forget petty bickerings and jealousies. Eliminate politics and all pull together for general good of the industry. As I see conditions today the greatest need for the fox industry is publicity.

I am Sir, etc. F. E. MUZZY.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Nov. 14, 1917.

"MY ONLY SON"

He sailed away so blithe and gay From Canada's fair shore, A gallant young lieutenant of The Royal Flying Corps, A strapping tall, with hair so fair, And eyes of azure blue, A ray of sunshine in his smile, A heart both brave and true.

He waved his hand in last farewell, From off the crowded dock, I watched the ship until it seemed Out on the sea a speck. And then, ah me! I stood alone, Bereft of him, my joy; When shall I ever see again My boy, my bonnie boy?

Even tho' my tears are falling fast, My heart is proud withal, For well I know in ranks of Right I'll bravely stand or fall. And tho' I lonely am and sad, Now, since he went away, I daily at the Throne of Grace, So earnestly will pray.

"O God, be Thou his Guard and Guide Until his duty's done, Then home to me in safety bring, My son, my only son." —Isabella B. Watson.

BONAR LAW DOES NOT YET DESPAIR OF RUSSIA

British Statesmen Speak at the Lord Mayor's Banquet—Unity of Armies' Control Has Now Been Effected—Cause of the Allies Will Benefit—The Submarine War.

LONDON, Nov. 13.—"The clouds are lowering today, but behind and above them the sun is still shining," said Andrew Bonar Law at the Lord Mayor's Banquet.

Dealing with Russia, the Chancellor said: "We all rejoiced at the prospect of the advent of liberty in that country, liberty which as we hoped, would have wisdom and justice as her companion and would leave prosperity and plenty in her train. The future of Russia today is a sealed book. But we need not despair. The Russians are a great people, and no nation has won or preserved freedom which has not prepared to fight for it, which was not ready to strain every nerve to drive the invader from her soil. What will happen when we do not know, but in the meantime the advantage of Russian strength is largely lost."

The enemy has secured certain military advantages, he said, because the same unity of control did not exist among the Allies as among the Central Powers, but in the future the whole from the British Channel to the Adriatic would be treated as one front. No one would underestimate the seriousness of the attack on Italy, but the Chancellor hoped and believed that the Italian army would be able to hold the enemy until help arrived.

Mr. Bonar Law said that the enemy had not always made these thrusts from purely military reasons, but in general to keep up the spirits of his allies.

The Chancellor added: "The Germans say they are going to win. They can win only if they defeat the French and British armies, which stand thwart them; and they are further from that result today than they ever have been. I cannot hold out any hope of an early end of this war, much as we should like it. There is no short cut to peace. There is only one way to peace: the way over the hard and rugged road to victory. It is a question now of nerve and staying power. All the belligerent nations are staggering beneath the load. It is a question of who is going to fall."

"I have faith in the courage of our people, and I have faith in the justice of our cause. It is a struggle between the free peoples of mankind and the iron despotism of a war lord over the soldiers and the nation behind them. Our allies know they are fighting for what they love; they know their hearts will not fail them."

Earl Curzon, member of the war cabinet, in offering a toast to the Allies, said that unless the spirit of German militarism and arrogance was destroyed, the greatest disaster the world had ever seen would follow. He declared that the most notable event of the past year had been the entry of the United States into the war, and added: "Whatever can be accomplished by the resources of that vast continent, by the spirit and ardor of her people, and by the cool calm and inflexible resolve of President Wilson, will be contributed."

WAR MENUS

How to Save Wheat, Beef and Bacon for the men at the front. Issued from the Office of the Food Controller for Canada.

MENU FOR FRIDAY: Breakfast: Cornmeal Porridge, Toast, Baked Apples, Tea or Coffee.

Dinner: Lunenburg Salt Cod Potatoes Onions, Apple and Tapioca Pudding.

Supper: Macaroni and Cheese, Graham Bread, Tea, Oleomargarine.

Lunenburg Salt Cod—Soak the fish over night. Pour off the water. Cut into small bits. Put on in cold water and bring to a boil. Pour off the boiling water, once or twice, and renew with fresh boiling water. Then add an equal quantity of potato pared and cut into cubes. Cook until potatoes are done. Fry scant sliced onions and pork scraps until the onions are cooked. Serve the fish and potatoes in a deep dish and pour the onions over the whole.

Wheat and meat saving recipes by Domestic Science experts of the Food Controller's Office.

The speaker looked forward to Russia, resurgent, reorganized and resolved.

Sir Eric Geddes, speaking for the navy, said: "The naval service has unshaken confidence that when the great day comes, when we succeed in forcing the enemy to give battle, it will find the royal navy equal to the occasion." He said that the submarine losses had been very heavy, and that, although they had been steadily reduced they were still heavy. The submarine campaign had not been defeated, but was being held for the present. In his opinion it would be defeated.

The Earl of Derby, Minister of War, declared himself to be an optimist. He said he did not minimize the danger and difficulties of the present moment, but that was all the more reason for keeping a cheerful countenance. The country had been in many a tight place, but the army and navy can never fail. Their morale, he added, was never higher than now.

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