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HOW OTHERS SEE IT

There are a few small souls, if such partisans have souls, who still tell us that the Union Government is a failure. It is the old story of the wish being farther to the thought. If there ever was a government in Canada of which it could be said unqualifiedly that it succeeded in all that it undertook, that government is the present Union Government led by Sir Robert Borden. Under it and by it things have been accomplished that would have been absolutely impossible under a one party government. It requires no special perspicacity to see this. It should not be difficult for Canadians especially to recognize the greatness of what the Canadian Government has done during the past four years and with even more marked success since the formation of the Union Government. Our Allies have seen and acknowledged it; the United States government has sent its ministers and its commissioners to Canada to study Canada's methods in the carrying on of certain activities in connection with the war. The United States press is continuously pointing out to its people "how Canada does it." Only the few derelicts who were left stranded on the political rocks after all that was best in Liberalism had left the party and gone over to Unionism, can see failure in the Union Government and that failure, properly interpreted, means that they themselves were left on the rocks.

In a recent issue the Boston Monitor, under the caption "Canada's Union Government" said:

"When Sir Robert Borden, just about a year ago, finally achieved the object he had been striving for, often against the advice of his friends, namely a Union Government, it was quite clear, to those who in any measure grasped Sir Robert's purpose, that something much more had been achieved than a mere political coalition. Sir Robert had, indeed, been striving for many months to bring about coalition. He had made the most generous offers to those who opposed him. He had shown his complete disinterestedness by offering to step down from the premiership, if another could be found to take that office who would command the allegiance of all parties. He was, however, met at every turn by an unyielding refusal, and so he set up his standard of a Union Government, founded upon the simple thesis that at this hour in history, party should be forgotten and Canadians should see only Canada as a part of the British Empire engaged in a great struggle for humanity. All that was best in Canada rallied to this standard, and when the Union Government appealed to the country last December, Canada, by a great majority, approved the platform on which that government was founded.

"Now every country, according to the well-known dictum, has the government it deserves. In other words, the government is an expression of the people, and never was this more clearly seen than in the case of Canada at the present time."

After commenting upon a number of things done by the Union Government the Monitor concludes:

"Altogether the record is a great one, and the allied cause is under a debt to Canada, not only for her achievement, but for her example."

INDUSTRIAL ACHIEVEMENT

The magnitude of Canada's industrial activities, as cited by the latest available figures, continues to be a warrant for confidence as to the future. True, production has been abnormally favored by assured markets and removal of competition and of cost considerations, but, on the other hand, it has been abnormally restricted by the absence of hundreds of thousands of men from industry and by difficulties as to raw materials.

The slackening in munitions orders and output has been compensated by a great increase in shipbuilding activity, at first on Imperial Munitions Board and Norwegian orders, and latterly for Canadian Government and private account. There is

now under construction in Canada a tonnage equal to three-fourths of Great Britain's annual output, and eighty per cent of this programme will be completed this year. Exports for the past calendar year exceeded \$1,500,000,000 in value, or more than five times as much as in 1912, and nearly four times the 1914 total. Farm products made up \$700,000,000 and manufacturers \$680,000,000, or nearly twenty times the 1912 figure. Canada, which a dozen years ago was only one fifth or sixth among the world's wheat exporters, has been first in the average of the past three years, leading the United States by a slight margin, and exceeding by half Australia, India and Argentine combined—a result due in part to shipping conditions, and one not likely to be repeated this year. Bank deposits payable after notice are now \$930,000,000, as against \$625,000,000 just before the war. Even \$100,000,000 a year for pensions do not look appalling in the light of such prosperity.

TRIBUTE TO CANADIANS

Boasting is certainly not a Canadian characteristic. And yet "we have whereof to glory," if we were so inclined. Our Canadian troops have won imperishable glory in the past four eventful years, glory that will cast no shadow on the record written by their ancestors in golden letters across a thousand years of history. Our generals tell with modest dignity in brief official reports what they have done; they leave it to others to make comments and the comments make proud reading for Canadians. Recently Mr. Charles H. Grasty, the able military correspondent of the New York Times paid the Canadians the following notable tribute.

"Canadian exploits must make every North American heart thrill. They are North Americans with four years' experience in war and nobody else quite plays the game up to their glory. They can fight as individuals or in organized units, afoot or on horseback. They are as practical as they are brave. Every man jack of them is in the pink of condition. Troops who travel alongside of them have their work cut out. General Currie seems to carry light railways in his pocket and if the Canadians have to stop anywhere for a day or two, transportation facilities spring up behind them as if by magic. The Germans will go miles out of their way to avoid the Canucks."

NOTES

The capture of Albert, the important railway centre, added to the taking of the key-position of Lassigny, shows that the tide of battle has definitely turned against the enemy.

Our soldiers are coming out of this experience with a new respect for law and order. Perhaps in that fact lies a hope for the future efficiency of civil government in our cities.—Detroit News.

An Englishman has been fined for libelling a fellow countryman by calling him a German. The magistrate said it was the worst slander that could be conceived. Alas, how are the mighty fallen!—Quebec Telegraph.

No fewer than 2,000,000 letters and other suspected documents have been seized in the United States mails. The scope of the sedition-monger is being restricted greatly these days, which is satisfactory to all but himself. Uncle Sam is keeping a sharp eye on his doubtful citizens.

Disillusion is declared to be sweeping over Germany. With the way things are going at the front it would be astonishing were the feeling otherwise. The war is progressing to the German's disadvantage at last, and from now on the bitter truth will be brought home to them more strongly every day. Germany is on the defensive for good and all.

Each recurrent anniversary of the opening of the war throws into clearer relief Germany and Austria's guilt. It is now known (what was only suspected in July, 1914) that the Kaiser and the late Archduke Francis Ferdinand planned at Miramar and Konopischt, the treacherous attack on Serbia, which was subsequently carried out with such violence and perfidy. Prince Lichnowsky has told us that Berlin insisted "Siberia must be massacred." Dr. Muhlon has revealed the whole Potsdam plot. The free nations can never be safe so long as the men who engineered this war are in power and held in honor by the Huns.

RESUMPTION OF RACE RIOTS FEARED

SYDNEY, N. S., Sept. 8.—Feeling still runs high in Glace Bay over the recent race riots and a resumption of the trouble is feared, particularly a clash between Italians and negroes. The Glace Bay police are holding a strong force of special constables in readiness for anticipated trouble on Saturday night and military assistance has also been applied for.

YOUR PROBLEMS SOLVED

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A SOLDIER'S RESPONSIBILITY—

"If an unconverted soldier is killed in action will he be lost?" is the question of John S. An unconverted man whether he is a soldier of a preacher, or whether he be killed in action or dying in his bed in time of peace, is not a saved man, if Christianity is true. There is no saving merit in being a soldier any more than there is in being a preacher. It is not a matter of what men are doing outwardly, but what we are inwardly; it's a matter of the soul's relationship to God. All who turn from their sins and accept of Jesus Christ are saved.

SELF DECEPTION—"A philosopher" wants to know whether a person may be very bad and persuade himself that he is good? Yes, it is very possible. People do succeed in deceiving themselves and the deception may be so perfect they do not know they are deceived. No honest man can have that experience, but when one tampers with sin and confesses to be a Christian, he is taking a lesson in self-deception which he will soon master. Read Matthew 7:21-23, this answers your question in full.

Keep Mind's Liniment in the house

COMMON HOUSE FLIES MENACE TO HEALTH

Everybody dislikes flies, but it should be more universally understood that the fly is more than a mere pest. It is one of the most potent agencies for the spread of typhoid and other diseases known to modern medical science.

Mr. R. Finkelstein, B. S. A., of the Ontario Agricultural College says that flies divide their attention between excrement and good materials. When they leave the privy or the manure

DAILY SELECTIONS FOR GUARDIAN READERS

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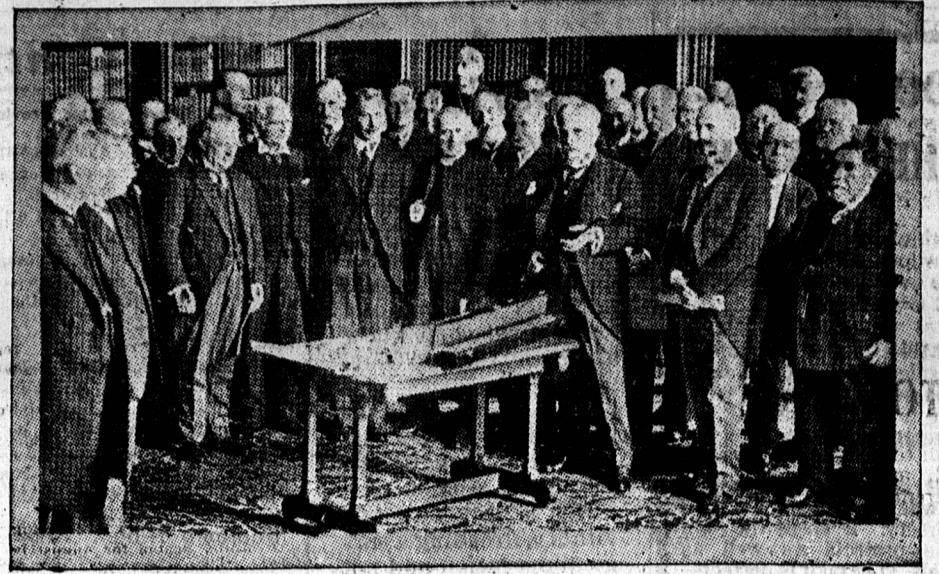
TRUE LOVE

The love that measures giving and receiving is not likely to be lasting. True love gives its best freely, and keeps no niggardly account of how much it gets back. We never shall have deep friendship and close ties so long as we insist on just so much recognition and return for everything we do. Love does not bargain; it gives; and its highest symbol is the Cross, where love Absolute poured itself out for half-comprehending and slow-hearted man.

If you sit down at set of sun, And count the acts that you have done, And counting, find One self-denying act, one word, That eased the heart of him who heard One glance most kind That fell like sunshine where it went, Then you may count that day well spent.

But if, through all the livelong day You've cheered no heart by yea or nay: If through it all You've nothing done that you can trace That brought the sunshine to one face No act most small That helped some soul and nothing cost, Then count that day as worse than lost.

—Selected



OUR NEW BLACK ROD The other day, Sir Robt. Borden presented the new Black Rod to Col. E. J. Chambers, the gentleman usher of the Black Rod in the Senate of Canada. Here is a photograph of Sir Robert receiving the Black Rod in the library of the House of Lords. The presentation was made by the Lord Chancellor in behalf of the United Kingdom branch of the Empire Parliamentary Association. It is to replace that destroyed in the burning of the Ottawa Parliament buildings on Feb. 4, 1916. Amongst those to be seen in the group are Premier Lloyd George Mr. Asquith and Mr. Bonar Law.

pile they may walk over your food and wipe their dirt mouth parts and hairy feet upon it. Studies made by the celebrated medical investigator, Niven, establish the fact that Summer Diarrhoea has become more fatal only after house flies have been prevalent for some time and its fatality rises as their numbers increase and fall as their numbers fall. It is a work of necessity devolving upon every citizen to see that his home is kept free from flies. In fact this is a great deal more important than many things which engage more attention. Begin now. Swat them or trap them or poison them. The latter is a good method, as the poison can be bought in a cheap and convenient form, especially prepared for the purpose. The earlier you commence to exterminate flies the more certain your success will be. 1299-9-9 ME 11

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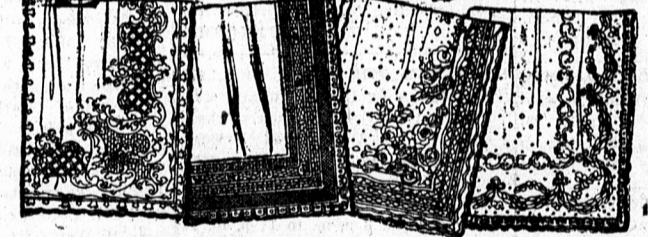
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