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THE QUESTION OF A CANADIAN NAVY.

Important as is this question, it is hard to say much that is new in regard to it. But a few observations may be in order.

Among the independent nations of the world nearly all have standing armies, greater or smaller. In almost every case the creation of an army preceded the building of fighting ships. Canada is not an independent nation, has no standing army and no fortifications or land defences of her own creation, worthy of the name. From this point of view it might seem that the creation of a Canadian navy at the present time is premature.

Again, only a few of the greater naval powers build their own warships. Britain, France, Germany, the United States and Japan do so. As for the rest, many ships of the first Japanese navy were built in British yards, which have built warships for a dozen different countries.

Brazil, Mexico, Argentina or Chili, which have each some fighting ships, perhaps quite as many and as good as it is proposed that Canada shall build, find it more profitable to contract for their warships in Britain. Canada has not yet developed commercial shipbuilding in steel, to any considerable extent.

We find it convenient to have our icebreakers, our Mintos, Stanleys, Earl Greys, built in the Old Country. Is it not premature to enter upon the building of warships before we are prepared to build commercial ships and while our tonnage is actually declining from year to year?

The Canadian people have no fear of war upon their account. The sole pretext for a Canadian navy is to assist the Mother Country, and the Mother Country is not believed to be in any danger except from Germany. The question then arises, what would be the value to Britain, of three or four small cruisers such as it is proposed that Canada shall build, in a battle between Dreadnoughts and super-Dreadnoughts in the North Sea?

Beyond quidding the loyal people of Canada would like to assist the Mother Land in the defence of the

Empire, should such assistance be needed. At present and for a good while to come better warships can be built in Britain and at less cost than in Canada. The complete and costly equipment for building, all the materials, the skill, and the experience, are there and they are not in Canada.

It is not a pleasing prospect to entrust the control of preparing for and building a navy to the Canadian Marine Department after the revelations of a few months ago.

One great pretext for a Canadian navy built in Canada, is that the money would be spent in the country, but this is only true in part. And it is of more importance to have thorough workmanship and good value for the millions which Canada shall put into warships.

We do not need and cannot pay for many ships of war. Why go to the expense of building plants that would cost perhaps as much as the ships when the ships can be procured so much quicker, cheaper and better in Great Britain?

Canadian iron and steel plants cannot half supply the wants of the country in iron and steel. We must therefore remember that if Canada had already a first-class ship building yard, practically all the material for the ships, including the armor-plating and the guns, must come from Britain.

We do not pretend to wisdom until we decide the question, but we have grave doubts as to the necessity of Canada entering upon the building of a navy at the present time. We incline to think that if we must have warships two millions expended in England would accomplish as much as three millions expended here.

As Canada is a part of the British Empire and bound in honor to do her part in imperial defence, we fail to see any objection to having our warships built in Britain, if we are to have a navy of our own, or on the other hand we see no serious objection to a cash contribution toward building a Dreadnought to form part of the British battleship fleet.

THE STRENGTH OF BRITISH POLITICAL PARTIES.

As frequently happens in Canada, the victorious party in the last British general election succeeded in electing a disproportionately large number of members. The Unionist party suffered in the like ratio. It returned but 39 members, but in proportion to the number of votes polled for its candidates should have returned 290. As it turned out the Liberals returned 73 members with but one twelfth more votes than the Unionist candidates received.

When the present House of Commons first met each Conservative member represented about 17,000 votes and each Liberal member about 7,000, while each Labor and Socialist member, 54 in number, the allies of the Liberals, represented about 9,700 votes. The by-elections since held show a large increase of Unionist votes, and a nearly equal decrease of Liberal votes. The last election was evidently a case of "high tide." These facts should be taken into account in estimating the chances in a general election in the near future.

THE LATE LIEUT. COLONEL LONGWORTH.

It was a sad shock to every one yesterday morning to learn of Col. John A. Longworth's death, which took place at the P. E. Island Hospital about 7 o'clock. It was known that he had been very ill and had undergone a serious surgical operation, but his recovery was hoped for with some confidence. The news of his demise came therefore with appalling suddenness. He was yet in the prime of vigorous life, being only in his fifty-third year.

He was a son of the late Hon. John Longworth, Q. C., and studied law at an early age in his father's office. He was admitted to the bar in 1887 and shortly after being enrolled as a barrister entered the Prothonotary's office, to which he was later appointed and held the position until his death. In early life he was enrolled in the Charlottetown Engineers and later was transferred to the Fourth Regiment, in which he rose by successive promotions to the rank of Lieut. Colonel. He was placed on the retired list in 1904.

In his official positions as in private life, Col. Longworth will always be remembered as a courteous and kindly gentleman, who gave faithful and efficient service and shared the respect and regard of all who knew him. A good citizen, a true friend, and a man who loved his home, he will be greatly missed in the public walks of life, and doubly so in the family circle in which he was greatly beloved.

Col Longworth married in his early life Miss Louise C. Palmer, daughter of the late Charles Palmer, K. C., who with one son and four daughters are left to mourn an irreparable and untimely loss. They will have in this dark hour the heartfelt sympathy of the entire community.

British Columbia is in the throes of a general election. The Legislature consists of 42 members and the sessional indemnity is \$1200 each. Premier McBride, who has lost his only son by death since the campaign began, is in the thick of the fight and is contesting two seats against two of his principal opponents. Reports from Conservative sources claim that twenty-seven seats are safe for that party and state that in eight constituencies there will be no Liberal candidate.

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But since we two must sever, love, Since some dim hour we part, I have no time to give thee much, But quickly take my heart, "Forever thine," and "thine my love." Oh death may come apace, What more of love could life bestow, Dearest, than this embrace. —Edward Dowden.

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Dated this first day of November A. D. 1909.

Signed in the presence of (Signed) John Saunders (Signed) A. M. Doan (Signed) Peter Newsom

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