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SOME MONUMENTS

The Patriot publishes an astonishing list of monuments to the inefficiency of the Liberal regime of twenty years. The two principal items are, the Hillsborough Bridge, for which they saddled the province for all time to come with an annual rental of \$4,875; and the Experimental Farm which they purchased with provincial money and handed over as a gift to the Dominion Government.

The deputation expenditure of members of the Liberal government to obtain these monuments of inefficiency was \$16,400 in round figures.

Against this the Conservatives can show:

- Car Ferry system—\$10,000,000. Annual Subsidies—\$126,000. Control of the Oyster Areas. Reduction of night telegrams from 30 cents for ten words to 30 cents for 50 words.

A new cable between the Island and the Mainland. An agricultural building in Charlottetown. An agricultural building in Summerside.

The fixing of our federal representation at a minimum of four for all time.

A tuberculosis sanatorium, the gift of Sir Charles Dalton, which cost him \$65,000 and many other benefits that need not now be enumerated.

The total expenditure on deputations by the Conservative government was \$2,800 in round figures or about \$13,000 less than the Liberals had paid for the privilege of paying an annual rental of \$4,875 for the Hillsborough Bridge and giving away the Experimental Farm.

There are other monuments which the farmers of this agricultural province will appreciate. In 1911 under Liberal regime, the farmers paid \$15.60 out of every \$100 of revenue raised. Under Conservative rule last year the farmers paid \$11.60 out of every \$100 in revenue raised, including the War and Health Tax, that is, under the Conservative government the farmer pays 33 1-3 per cent. less than what he had to pay under the Liberals.

The Patriot would have been well advised to have refrained from raking up the record of its party while in power, as its most outstanding monument was an unbroken period of twenty years annual deficits.

It is no excuse for the Patriot or Mr. Bell or Mr. Hughes or anybody else to complain that they had insufficient revenue as the fault was their own. They could as easily have obtained increased subsidy as did the Conservatives if they had gone the right way about it.

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pressed and pleaded for a more statesman-like handling of the affairs of the province and even went the length of offering assistance in putting our claims effectively before the administration at Ottawa. Their pleadings and offers were spurned. Our representation claims were rejected, and our appeal for additional subsidy was turned down with the curt advice to "go home and tax the farmers as they were not taxed half enough."

THE CANADIAN SPIRIT

"It is a great sight to see them (the Canadians) when they are going over the top, all talking and laughing, but no one hearing because of the noise of bursting shells, machine gun fire, and the booming of guns away in the rear. * * * Our boys have the right spirit and that is more than I can say about the Germans. The last bunch we took were all ages and all shapes and were scared nearly to death. The only time you can see a smile on the face of a German is when he is locked up in a cage behind the lines when he knows he is out of the war for good."

The above is an extract from the letter of a Canadian boy, who has been at the front since last October and has seen many of the battles which have taken place since then, to his home in Charlottetown.

It is quoted to show a type of the Canadian spirit that has been evolved by the war. This boy, like many thousands of other Canadians, after some months of preparation, suddenly found himself in the midst of the horrors of war. He, like others, had hitherto seen death only in its peaceful form, amid solicitous friends and all the ameliorations with which love could surround the dying. Here was death by violence, bodies shattered, mutilated, buried alive; here were men going out to meet this death or mutilation, "talking and laughing," apparently care-free but each knowing in his heart that at any moment after "going over the top" the fate that had overtaken so many others might overtake him.

How are we to account for this spirit among the Canadians, a spirit which has been referred to with pride in thousands of letters from the front, and a spirit too that has evolved for the most part out of the easy going, peace loving life that we have lived for generations?

Undoubtedly there is back of it the stern military discipline that has made soldiers of men and boys who heretofore had known little of soldiering and less of war. But back of the discipline and dominating it is the ingrained sense of justice and righteousness, the instinctive religion of humanity, latent heretofore and perhaps unrecognized. Inspiring the boys is the assurance that their cause is right, that they are fighting oppression and tyranny and inhuman cruelty, that they are trampling out a fire that is threatening the lives and the liberties of the civilized world.

This spirit among our boys has been awakened by constant touch with duty well done, their own and that of others. It is different with us at home where sacrifice has not touched us, where duty means helping ourselves, not others. The war will have left us a different people; those who have felt its breath and have gone through its fire cannot but be better men.

About 85 various Russian bodies have declared for an immediate offensive. We trust Mr. Root will bring to Russia's attention a saying long current on this continent, namely, the way to resume is to resume.

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HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK

The announcement was made this week by King George at a meeting of the Privy Council, that the new name of the Royal House and family is to be "The House of Windsor." It has also been decided by the King to drop all titles or names of German origin.

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Among the strangers in the city this week, being on official business the Doctor's visit was a brief one.

His many old friends are giving Mr. Oswald Hornsby a hearty welcome home from Havana, Cuba on a short vacation.

Lieut. and Mrs. Brown who made many friends during their sojourn in this city have returned to Halifax.

A pretty event of the week was the christening of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Weller's little daughter, which took place in the First Methodist Church on Sunday during the morning service.

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The summer guests from the Shaw and Gregor Hotels were much in evidence at the tea in aid of the Manse at Brackley on Thursday, and everyone seemed to enjoy the outing to the fullest extent. The delectable of suppers was served and the funds for the Manse were greatly enriched.

Mrs. Charles Hyndman from Edmonton who accompanied her son, Mr. A. W. Hyndman, on his return journey is being heartily welcomed here by former friends and relations.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Longworth and Miss Rose Longworth are summering at Brackley Beach.

Mrs. Russell Sage, who has given more money to charitable and philanthropic purposes than any other woman in America, will enter upon her ninetieth year next September.

A London writer dealing with the decoration by England's King on his last birthday, when 324 heroes of the army and navy and several nurses received recognition of their valiant work, says: It was sixty years this month since Queen Victoria made the first presentation of Victoria Crosses in practically the same place. Sixty years later her grandchildren are at deadly war, and a granddaughter has wrecked a throne and her grandchildren are fighting for and others against England, old enemies are friends and allies, and the young colonies are great self-governing dominions whose sons are dying daily for the British cause. Yet one thing is the same. The valor of the British fighting man, recognized by the Victoria Cross, is undying, unquenchable.

The Reverend Professor Dr. D. J. Fraser, Principal of the Presbyterian College, Montreal, and Rev. J. K. Fraser and Mrs. Fraser, of Galt, Ont., arrived this week and will spend some weeks at their former homes in Alberton.

Thursday, July 5th.—Mixed doubles, 15 holes, match play, handicap, continuing on Thursday, July 12th, and Thursday, July 19th. Prize to winning lady presented by President of Club, Judge Stewart.

Saturday, July 7th.—Men's singles, 18 holes, medal play, handicap, entrance fee 25 cents to purchase balls for prizes to be divided according to number of entries.

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Wednesday, July 18th.—Ladies' singles, 18 holes, match play, continuing Wednesday, July 25th, Saturday, July 28th. Prize presented by W. K. Rogers.

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Wednesday, September 5th.—Beginning Longworth Cup, 18 holes, match play, handicap, continuing Saturday, September 8th, Wednesday, September 11th, and Saturday, September 14th.

Saturday, September 22nd.—Standard Cup, handicap, continuing Wednesday, September 26th, Saturday, September 29th, Monday October 1st, and Saturday, October 6th. All matches to start promptly at 2.30 p. m. Men's matches to be played regardless of weather conditions. Ladies' matches may be postponed on account of bad weather by order of the committee.

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