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Current Comment

NOT SPRUNG.

Probably never before in the history of Canada has dissolution of parliament been announced three months in advance.

There is no room for such complaint on the present occasion. Every opportunity will be given to discuss the many questions at issue, every possible opportunity to enable the electors to size up the whole situation.

What, in that case, may we expect from the next parliament? The chief issue before Canada today is the tariff question.

Canada has three months in which to consider the possibilities of this menace. Will the electors wake up and realize the menace or will they allow matters to drift towards the inevitable chaos that confronts the country because of these new and irresponsible groups?

FIRST THINGS FIRST

While the City Council is to be commended for its excellent work on the streets it would appear that the principle of "first things first" is, in some cases at least, being overlooked.

At present one of the best streets in the city Lower Great George Street is being torn up preparatory to being modernized with asphalt.

Avenue, the latter having been completed last year, is a broken link in one of the most travelled sections of the city.

It is of course desirable that the whole street system be connected uniformly but the prevailing opinion among citizens is that the most advantage of knowing before hand traversed thoroughfares should be the date of the election and the given first attention.

INSULTING AND PUERILE.

Speaking at Seaforth, Ontario, recently the Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King made a statement which was as childish as it was insulting.

This is a type of criticism which every red-blooded, patriotic Canadian should resent. Everybody knows, and nobody knows better than Mr. King, that the increase in the national debt from \$350,000,000 to \$2,000,000,000 represents almost precisely what Canada expended on the war; the facts are official and easily secured.

WHY THE SILENCE.

The Patriot in its yesterday's issue deals with the Guardian's comments on the coming campaign and volunteers some information relative to the Liberal situation in Queen's and King's Counties.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

During the coming campaign the electors will demand to know where the respective candidates stand on the two policies which constitute the main issue of the election.

The recent rain will add several thousand bushels to the potato crop and present prospects are, therefore, very bright.

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The contest in which we are engaging is admitted by all well informed public men to be one absolutely between the Meighen Government and the stability which it represents, and the Grain Growers' forces of Western Canada led by the Hon. T. A. Crerar, supported and financed by the Grain Growers' combines.

The choice being between the Grain Growers of the West and the Meighen Government, every vote cast, whether for a Liberal or Grain Growers, will be in actual effect a VOTE TO HAND THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA OVER TO THE GRAIN GROWERS OF ALBERTA AND SASKATCHEWAN AND THEIR ALIEN ELEMENTS and to practically HAND OVER OUR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, OUR INDUSTRIES AND OUR COMMERCE TO THE EXPLOITERS OF THE UNITED STATES WITH WHOM THEY ARE IN OPEN LEAGUE.

Daily Selections for Guardian Readers

Furnished by W. S. Louson.

BOILED DOWN WISDOM

A great heart has no room for the memory of wrong.

A day of worry is more exhausting than a week of work.

Death always means us a kindness, though sometimes he has a rough way of offering it.

Look not mournfully into the past; it returns not again! Wisely improve the present, it is thine.

Our future and our present are equally safe in Christ's keeping.

There is so much good in the worst of us.

That it all becomes any of us To find fault with the rest of us.

I have observed that caprice, envious jealousy, and other evils have stained the old age even of good men.

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At 2:07 o'clock, or 42 minutes afterward, the Rev. Frank H. Moore, superintendent of the State Reformatory at Rahway, was awakened by the sound of shooting.

The Accuser Accused. For almost two years the police made no headway in the investigation. Then they received a communication from John Lambie, alias George H. Brandon, a prisoner at Auburn under a sentence for burglary, that he knew the murderer. He offered to reveal his name in consideration for his own liberty and a job.

Very many of the fathers and mothers will be casting their votes on this occasion, for Premier Meighen has given a vote to the mothers and sisters of the land, that they too may take part in the determining of our destinies.

They too will have their part in determining whether their brothers and sons will have a homeland to live in, or become drudges to foreign countries, and when the testing day comes we have this confidence in the women of our land that their votes will surely be cast for the government, and for home and country.

Charles Pechaud a fellow convict. He said that Pechaud had confessed to the murder of Brandon when accused of being on the scene of the murder. He said that he was a companion of Brandon's and that it was the latter who had murdered the two for purposes of robbery.

The State also introduced evidence in the form of finger prints from the rear door of an automobile purporting to be Kupfers car. The door was not produced. Photographs of other finger prints, identified as those of Pechaud, were produced from the windshield of the car.

The "Inexorable Law" New evidence was unearthed. Witnesses were prepared to come forward in support of Brandon's alibi. Men who had worked in New York City garage with him, and Miss Dorothy Brodick were ready to swear that at the time of the crime he could not have been in New Jersey.

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Others' View Points

A Leader of Boys (Youth's Companion)

To be a successful leader of boys a man must live the life that he wants them to live. A boy is critical, suspicious creature, with high ideals and sense of loyalty; but he has a perception of hypocrisy and insincerity that is uncanny.

Where the Girls Don't Paint (Harvard Glee Club Boy's Letter in the Newton Graphic)

The Strasburg streets in view of the cathedral were all jammed full of people much worse than a Boston Elevated subway jam. It was a great sight just to see the crowds of people that night, and surely Strasburg is the most picturesque place you can imagine.

Beauty (Canton (Mo.) Press) Some women are born beautiful and others have beauty thrust upon them by the society editor.

"The Touch of Death" (New York Times) That wise Englishman, Viscount Bryce, uttered a blunt truth at Williams College on Friday night when he said:

"The less governments have to do with business and international finance the better for their peoples."

Lord Bryce was not referring to this Government in particular, but his hearers must instantly have thought of the recent sad examples in the United States of the impossibility of a Government successfully conducting business.

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thing charitable. A member of the staff once started to purchase some property, but did not have the money to complete the transaction.

"The telephone girl, whom Caruso has well-nigh immortalized with a cartoon in his book, sits just inside the stage door of the house, and all the artists pass her as they come in. Caruso was especially entertained by her laugh. He would always come prepared to greet her with his best comical expression so as to produce 'horrid' laughter. Finally one of her performances pleased him so much that the next day he presented her with a new spring bonnet. A bonnet in exchange for a laugh! Why not, if it pleased him to hear her?"

Apparently nothing could interfere with his playing Santa Claus on Christmas. In the last performance he ever gave, "The Jewess," on Christmas Eve of last year, those about him could see the agony beneath his make-up as he struggled with the pains that were already torturing him. As part of his costume he wore a big money pouch. No one thought that he would remember his custom, sick as he was but at the first chance he began passing out his gold pieces. At the end of the first act, Rothier, the basso, caught him as he seemed about to fall and carried him off the stage. His chest was tightly bound with plaster, and in the great efforts he made that night he had actually burst the bands about him. But he did not forget to play Santa Claus!

Ancient Sivas (Philadelphia Public Ledger)

The city which was the scene of one of the most fateful acts that ever stained history's pages, Sivas, has taken its place in newspaper date lines. Recently it was announced that the Angora Government of the Turkish Nationalists had shifted its capital from Angora to Sivas.

Sivas was sacked by Timur-Lame in 1400 and he caused 1,000 children to be trampled to death beneath the hoofs of his war horses and then caused 4,000 of the Armenian defenders to be buried alive. At that time the city had a population of about 100,000, and even during the time Rome dominated the world it was a city of great importance and, known as Sebasteria, was the source of quantities of copper. Its deposits in this and coal, iron and other valuable minerals are extensive, and if Turkey ever rises to the dignity of a commercial power Sivas will be its Pennsylvania Silesia or Ruhr. Its population now does not exceed 65,000 and its almost isolated position has greatly diminished its importance as a rug-making centre, for which it was once famous.

THE OIL FOR THE ATHLETE.—In rubbing down the athlete will find Dr. Thomas' Eucletic Oil an excellent article. It relaxes the muscles and sinews pliable, takes the soreness out of them and strengthens them for strains that may be put upon them. It stands pre-eminent for this purpose, and athletes who for years have been using it can testify to its value as a lubricant.

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