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DOMINION DAY.

This is Canada's fifty-fourth birthday and we have good cause to celebrate the day with gratitude and thanksgiving. We men and women of today have seen our beloved country plunge into a world shaking war, freedom and civilization threatened and we have seen her emerge a full grown nation, scarred and wounded, it is true, but victorious, holding her head proudly side by side with the greatest nations in the world. This we have seen within the past six years and we have seen the word CANADA written in letters of gold on the pages of history. We are justly proud of our country, proud of its growth, proud of its sons and prouder still of its moral and spiritual strength it has developed in the severe test from which it has emerged.

Do we, of today, many of whom have witnessed the birth of this dominion realize the development achieved in these fifty-four years?

In 1867 when the provinces of today were separate colonies, when the whole country west of the Great Lakes was an unknown wilderness inhabited by Indians and wild animals, the settled portions of the country had between them 2,278 miles of railway; today we have 38,896 miles.

At Confederation the paid up capital of our banks was a little over 30 millions; today it is 128 1/4 millions.

At Confederation we had less than 4,000 post offices; today we have 12,251.

At Confederation the capital invested in manufactures was 78 millions; today it is over three billions.

At Confederation the agricultural exports of all Canada amounted to \$12,871,055; last year they amounted to \$416,122,771.

At Confederation our mineral exports were about \$10,000,000; today they are valued at \$217,000,000.

At Confederation we had no telephones; last year we had 724,500.

Canada produces 90 per cent. of the world's cobalt, 88 per cent. of its asbestos, 85 per cent. of its nickel, 32 per cent. of its pulp, 20 per cent. of its lumber, 20 per cent. of its cured fish, 18 per

cent. of its oats, 15 per cent. of its potatoes, 12 per cent. of its silver, 11 1/2 per cent. of its wheat 11 per cent. of its barley, 4 per cent. of its gold, 4 per cent. of its copper.

This list could be extended almost indefinitely and would show the similar growth all along the line. The point however is not so much the development that has been but the limitless possibilities yet in store. We have but touched the fringe of our natural resources and what has been done is but of yesterday. The past ten years have seen more growth and more development than the previous forty years and greater things are yet in store.

We have good cause for jubilantly celebrating this our fifty-fourth birthday. Let it be a day of thankfulness and of rejoicing for we are yet in our early childhood as a nation and we have unlimited opportunities and resources yet to be exploited.

SERIOUS INCONVENIENCE

A serious inconvenience is being imposed upon the travelling public through the contractors neglecting to indicate what roads are impassable on account of bridges or culverts being open. On Wednesday last several auto parties from Charlottetown on their way to Malpeque to attend the unveiling of the monument there were obliged to retrace their journey in some cases a distance of five miles because there was nothing to indicate that the road they were taking was impassable.

If the contractors are negligent in this matter it is the duty of the road overseer of the district to see to it that the travelling public are protected, and if the overseer neglects his duty the Commissioner of Public Works should see to it. Complaints are being received every day with respect to bridges being left open, some of them for weeks at a time, to the great inconvenience of the public, and especially of strangers who have no means of knowing what roads are closed.

We trust this matter will be attended to at once as there are many complaints and many good causes for complaint.

Current Comment

The typical Liberal is happy, exuberantly happy, or pretends to be, peeping out from his hiding place to the distant fields of the West where in the good old days he was "monarch of all he surveyed, and his right there was none to dispute." In the days of the popular Laurier, when the name or word Liberalism was the unfailing talisman in those regions, and when their Premier Sifton of the Program in which they did not fear the confidence of the people, the Great North West with its free trade doctrines was politically theirs. Premier Sifton of the Province of Alberta, an able and strong man, could at that time enter into almost any constituency and carry the Liberal standard on to a decisive victory. When Union Government was formed, like a great many other noble Liberals, rising above his party and party interests on behalf of his country, he was elected for Medicine Hat, as a supporter of the Union Government by an overwhelming majority. He was not opposed by a Conservative indeed even under ordinary conditions it would have been foolhardy to have done so, the riding being preponderantly Liberal. He was however opposed by a Laurier Liberal and a third independent candidate was also in the field, over which he was elected by a plurality of 3,301 votes.

So pronouncedly Liberal was this constituency that in 1911, when Sir Robert Borden swept the country on his anti-reciprocity issue, the Medicine Hat was carried by Mr.

Buchanan, the Laurier candidate by a majority of 1,465, so that when they entered the present contest it was surely taking the wildest of gamblers chances with the cards stacked and the dice loaded on all sides against them. A Farmers candidate, craving for free trade, free wheat and free everything for themselves, and no work or profit, BUT THE WHOLE LOAD OF NATIONAL TAXATION FOR THE EAST, was bidding for the farmers' vote, of which two thirds of the riding consisted. Besides them, as their allies, they had the whole Liberal forces whom they had deposed from their prestige and position, to oppose the Government candidate whose policy could not be made sectional to meet their wishes, and so the expected happened in the election of the Grain Grower's candidate. Apart from the natural conditions, embodying the fact that the riding was always strongly anti-Government, the campaign carried on by the Progressive leader, Hon. T. A. Crerar was most vicious in its misrepresentation of the Government, of which Premier Melchén was unable to be present to give answer.

The feature of the thing is in the pretended satisfaction of the Liberals over the situation. True enough it was the Conservative party that put them out of business in 1911, but since then another change has taken place. The Borden Government did not wipe Liberalism completely off the slate, they left them something in the line of a remnant, a good healthy

THE PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Charlottetown Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by its correspondents.

Railway Economics

Sir.—In your issue of the 27th I read a letter signed John McLeod in reference to the question of seniority on the Car Ferry. In that letter the writer refers to T. B. Kelly being appointed Chief Officer of the Car Ferry and failed to join the ship. Failure to join might mean anything derogatory to me and that statement is misleading, therefore in justice to myself I may state that after being finally appointed to the position by the Railway Department I declined to accept it as I considered that for several reasons I held a much better position in the Service I then belonged to. That decision I have never regretted and since reading the letter signed John McLeod, can congratulate myself that I did "fail to join" the ship. Judging by the sentiments expressed throughout that letter the sympathies of the public will very probably be with Capt. McKinnon; at least in regard to the evidently friendly feeling of his brother officers and mess mates during the last four years.

T. B. KELLY  
C. G. S. Brant

remnant constituting something more than a corporal's guard, in parliament. Had they appreciated this fact and formulated some kind of a policy, AND STUCK TO IT, they might at least have retained that remnant and possessed themselves of something upon which to base a future political solidity. But instead they played fast and loose with every trade issue, scattered policies of transient and almost daily creation along their own way and so disgusted their own following that this big branch, constituting themselves the Progressive or Farmers' Party has wiped them out of the West to the extent that they can do nothing now but peep from their hiding places and watch those who deposed them, as one by one they capture the seats which the Liberals once so strongly held.

For it must not be forgotten that not only the constituency of Medicine Hat, but those Farmers' leaders Crerar, Clarke, and practically all the big workers in this riding were formerly supporters of the Laurier Government, and holding seats, as Liberals, in parliament between 1911 and 1917. And while the result of this election has established as a certainty the complete elimination of the Liberal party as a political force in Canada, outside of some strong Quebec counties, it has also passed the word to the rest of Canada that so far as they are concerned the policies of the Grain Growers must dominate the whole Dominion, that there must be no give and take, no system of government for the country as a whole, but western ideas and western ambitions as the one thing to which the whole of our people must bend. Whether the East, including the great province of Quebec, will consent to this obliteration of their industrial and commercial interests by this class the future alone will determine. At present the voting power of eastern Canada, if they stand together for the protection of these sacred interests, is strong enough to preserve their rights against encroachment, and only by united action will disaster be averted.

Daily Selections Guardian Readers

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IF I WAIT

I do not hear the message that The robin hears in spring, Which brings him homeward from afar  
On swiftly flying wing; But still I know he's coming, and Will find his nest and mate, In the tree which now is leafless— So I wait.  
I cannot feel the shiver that The startled leaflet feels As autumn's breath, frost laden, through  
Its vivid greenness steals; And yet the change is coming, though  
To me it may seem late; And the green leaves will turn crimson  
While I wait.  
I cannot grasp the meaning of Earth's happiness and pain; Yet both I know await me if Life's best I would attain; Each step I trust leads onward, and  
God's universe is great To find, no incompleteness  
If I wait.  
—Helen M. Richardson.

Happenings of The Week

BEAUTIFUL MISS SUMMER

Beautiful Miss Summer—a ballad for your eyes  
Underneath their bonnet of the soft blue skies!  
A madrigal before you  
And a sweet song to sing  
Through the porches of the Iliacs  
When it's half-past spring!

Rings on your fingers and bells on your toes—  
Beautiful Miss Summer, in the soft furbelows!

Oh, make a little chanson  
Of the morning and the dew,  
My love that is the spirit  
Of the wild heart of you!

Beautiful Miss Summer—with a rose upon her lips;  
Lady of the rainbow that o'er the meadow trips!  
Give me lutes of ivory,  
Give me harps of jade,  
To make a minstrel's music  
For so beautiful a maid!

The King and Queen of Spain are soon to arrive in London. They are immensely popular with all sorts and conditions of men, and the women, of course, adore the Royal couple, especially Alfonso, says a London writer. There is a possibility of a Royal polo team being arranged for an afternoon at Hurlingham. It would consist of the King of Spain, the Prince of Wales, the Duke of York and Prince Henry. Alfonso plays always at Hurlingham, while Prince Henry is especially good at the game. He is an expert and plucky sportsman, and the best horseman among the King's sons. The Prince of Wales is not so good at polo as he is riding over the hurdles.

Few people realize that King Alfonso is now the senior monarch of the world. He has been King for thirty-five years—in fact ever since he was born. Queen Wilhelmina has been ruling Holland for thirty years, otherwise the few crowned heads that remain in Europe are mere "infants" in the number of their "ruling" years to the Spanish monarch, King Alfonso, is very keen on seeing the American team play in the test matches at Hurlingham and it is one of his special ambitions to play against them during their stay in London.

Although "postponements" are the fashion just now, it seems likely that the yachting season will be a fairly immovable event. In yachting circles in London the King's cutter Britannia is to race at the Southend Regatta on July 15 and 16. The course on the first day will be in the Thames estuary and on the second the yachts will sail from Southend to Harwich and then join the Royal Yacht club for the regatta.

King George is expected to take part personally in both races, and the excitement concerning the events is at fever heat in both these waterside towns. If His Majesty attends, the races will assume historic importance, for it is said that it will be the first occasion on which a reigning monarch has taken part in a yacht race in the Thames since King Charles II and then Duke of York raced between Greenwich and Gravesend.

It is currently reported in London society that Princess Mary, only daughter of King George, is soon to marry Lord Apsley, eldest son of the Earl of Bathurst. Lord Apsley is twenty-six years old and the young couple have known each other since childhood.

Lady Rachel Cavendish was the guest of Their Majesties, King George and Queen Mary, at Windsor Castle, on the occasion of the Ascot races.

General Lord Byng of Vimy, the newly appointed Governor-General has accepted an invitation to dinner with the members of the Canada Club in London before he leaves for the Dominion.

After the closing exercises Mr. C. H. B. Longworth entertained the teachers of Prince St. School at the Rose and Grey. The teachers, needless to say, greatly appreciated Mr. Longworth's courtesy.

Master Lloyd Dewar's many friends will be glad to know that he is resting easily after an operation for appendicitis in the P. E. I. Hospital on Thursday.

Mrs. Edwin Attkin and children are leaving today for Souris where they will spend the summer.

Preparing for holiday flitting to the several summer resorts, private boarding houses and summer cottages, has interrupted social life this week and except for one and two table bridges in the evening little indoor entertaining has been accomplished.

At the Golf Links this afternoon the hostesses are Mrs. A. B. Warburton, Mrs. G. Alley, Miss H. Hobkirk and tomorrow afternoon Mrs. H. D. Raymond, Mrs. T. Woodman and Mrs. G. W. Wakeford.

Lady Roberts, daughter of the late General Roberts whose name is one of the most honored in British history and dear to the millions of living men, arrived this week in Halifax and is to spend the summer at Grand Metis.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hyndman have as their welcome guest Mrs. Hyndman's sister, Mrs. (Dr.) Mewburn of Calgary, whose husband is at present in England the guest of Lord and Lady Astor.

There are again rumors of a possible alliance between the Prince of Wales and one of the Duke of Devonshire's beautiful daughters. The latter are now on the ocean returning from Canada with the re-

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Sports costumes are so bewitching that they are being used for various occasions this season. Most popular are the striped and plaid woolen skirts. They are jaunty and trim, giving a youthful and sprightly effect. These are used successfully with blouses and sweaters, also with contrasting coats.

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