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THE VOTERS' LIST.

Mr. J. P. Gordon, Returning Officer for Queens, has arranged that all voters on last year's register will be retained except where death or removal necessitates their being struck off. This is a satisfactory arrangement, and will obviate the necessity of all electors re-registering. Only those who have come of age, or who have acquired qualifying residence within the district since last election, will require to register at this time. Of course, all electors should make it a point when the lists are posted to see that their names have not been omitted.

STRAIGHTFORWARDNESS

One of the characteristics which make men great is straightforwardness. Lacking in this a man, be he a leader or a man in the ranks, is despicable and dishonorable. Mr. Mackenzie King is sadly lacking in this qualification for greatness, for leadership, for statesmanship. This, we admit, is a bold statement, a serious charge. Now to the proof.

In the speech with which Mr. Mackenzie King opened his campaign in Ottawa on July 23rd, he made this statement:

"First of all, may I be permitted to point out that the word 'censure' or its equivalent in parliamentary terminology, neither appears in the Stevens' amendment nor in the report of the Special Committee which sought to amend, nor in any amendment or in any report."

This, Mr. King advanced as a reason why the Governor-General should have granted his request for dissolution of parliament. Was it not going to say that Mr. Meighen's administration is responsible, amendment said. Here is part of it, as officially reported in Hansard, page 5018:

"The Prime Minister and the Government had knowledge for some considerable time of the rapid degeneration of the Department of Customs and Excise and their failure to take prompt and effective remedial action is wholly indefensible."

This is one sentence in the Stevens amendment, the division on which Mr. King dodged by going to the Governor-General for dissolution. When the House got a chance to vote on it the amendment was carried by a majority of ten.

The word "censure" does not occur in it, as Mr. King declared in his Ottawa speech, but the fact and the spirit of censure is in every line of it. In this cowardly fashion, this deliberate falsehood, this attempt to bluff his Ottawa audience, Mr. King tried and is still trying—for the speech has been published in pamphlet form and is being distributed among the electors, wise and otherwise—the man the Boivin sale left in Canada to evade the truth! Is it any wonder that, under the leadership of such a man, the scandals and robberies should occur that have disgraced Canada in the past five years.

And, as like breeds like, the Liberal press which, and the candidates who stand for Mr. Mackenzie King are resorting to similar prevarication to mislead the public. In defence of the Customs scandals, and they are many and undeniable, they childishly tell us the Conservatives began it. The broken promises, the exodus, the demoralization of industries resulting directly from tariff tinkering and instability, they meet with rhapsodies about the "greatest Government since Confederation!"

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Notes by the Way.

Time passes rapidly. Six weeks hence the voters will be called to the polls. Leaving out the Sundays and we have, say, 36 days and nights for discussion of the political, constitutional, economical and moral issues of the campaign. Nearly all of these have been very much discussed already, in the campaign of October last, or in the six months' session of Parliament, or in the newspapers of the country. Now the discussion will go on at the political meetings throughout the entire Dominion.

Such discussions are informing and useful. A general election is educational. This is especially true in the case of those electors who have hitherto not given much attention to the affairs of the country. It is a sitting of the great court of public opinion to try out a great cause, in which every citizen should have a patriotic interest. And the men and women of Canada are the jurors. There are millions of them in number, and collectively we believe them to be as intelligent and as patriotic as any similar body in the wide world. That is a comforting thought.

MR. KING'S PREVARICATION.

The Liberal press and Liberal orators are making a great ado about Mr. H. H. Stevens' recent open letter to Mr. Mackenzie King, in which he accuses the latter of "dastardly inuendo" in the course of a speech delivered at Sarnia, Ontario, on July 27th. Mr. Stevens is accused of hypocrisy and similar vices, and of reading into Mr. King's speech inferences which speech did not legitimately convey. It is suggested that Mr. Stevens' recent illness and upset nervous equilibrium caused him to see things which did not exist. Now will some Liberal exponent of the truth and whose nerves are undisturbed by recent occurrences tell us what they think Mr. Mackenzie King intended to convey by the following sentences as reported in his Sarnia speech and in which Mr. Stevens refers in his open letter:

"Mr. Stevens, the Minister of Customs, had announced that Mounted Police had been strung along the border, yet we read that thirteen people have died as a result of drinking poisoned liquor smuggled into Canada. . . . Having given utterance to this invidious information, in your usual cowardly fashion you seek to shield yourself by adding such words as 'I am not going to say that Mr. Meighen's administration is responsible, amendment said. Here is part of it, as officially reported in Hansard, page 5018:

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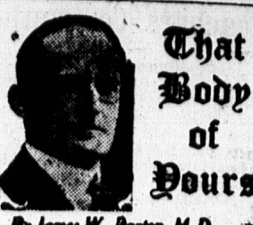
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That Body of Ours

The Man Nobody Knows

INSTALMENT XIX HIS METHOD

Many leaders have dared to lay out ambitious programs, but this is the most daring of all: "Go ye into all the world," Jesus said, "and preach the gospel TO THE WHOLE CREATION." Consider the sublime audacity of that command. To carry Roman civilization across the then known world had cost millions of lives and billions in treasure. To create any sort of reception for a new idea or product today involves a vast machinery of propaganda and expense. Jesus had no funds and no machinery. His organization was a tiny group of uneducated men, one of whom had already abandoned the cause as hopeless, deserting to the enemy. He had come proclaiming a Kingdom and was to end upon a cross; yet he dared to talk of conquering all creation, what was the course of his faith in that handful of followers? By what methods had he trained them? What had they learned from him of the secrets of influencing men?

We speak of the law of "supply and demand," but the words have got turned around. With anything which is a success, the demand supply always exceeds the demand. Elias Howe invented the sewing machine, but it nearly rusted away before American women could be persuaded to use it. When their sewing finished so quickly what would they ever do with their spare time? How had vision, and he could not see. So his biographer who had done more than any other in his generation to lighten the labor of women is forced to attend the funeral of the woman he loved in a borrowed suit of clothes! Women are less stubborn than men in opposition to the new idea.

The typewriter had been a demonstrated success for years before to buy men could be persuaded to buy it. How could any one have letters enough to justify the investment of one hundred dollars in a writing machine? Only when the Remingtons sold the Calligraph Company the right to manufacture machines under the Remington patent, and two groups of salesmen set forth in competition, was the resistance broken down. Almost every invention has had a similar battle. Saviour Fulton of the CLEERMONT.

"As I had occasion daily to pass to and from the shipyard where my boat was in progress, I often loitered near the groups of strangers and heard various inquiries as to the object of this new vehicle. The scorn, sneer or ridicule that I would laugh often rose at my expense, the dry jest; the wise calculation of losses or expenditures; the dull repetition of 'Fulton's Folly. Never did a single encouraging remark, a bright hope, a warm wish cross my path.'"

That is the kind of human beings we are—wise in our own conceit, impervious to suggestions, perfectly sure that what's never been done never will be done. Nineteen hundred years ago we were even more impenetrable, for modern science has frequently shot through the hard shell of our complacency. "TO THE WHOLE CREATION." Assuredly there was no demand for a new religion; the world was already well supplied. And Jesus proposed to send forth eleven men and expect them to substitute his thinking for all existing religious thought!

In this great act of courage he was the successor, and the surpasser, of all the prophets who had gone before. He spoke a moment ago of the prophets as deficient in amenities of life, they lacked in riches in vision. Each one of them brought to the world a revolutionary idea, and we can not understand truly the significance of the work of Jesus unless we remember that he began where they left off, they had laid the firm foundations of a moment, starting with Moses. What a miracle he wrought in the thinking of his race!

The world was full of gods in his day—male gods, female gods, wooden and iron gods—it was a poverty stricken tribe which could not think of a hundred at least. The human mind had never been able to leap beyond the idea that every natural phenomenon was the expression of a different deity. Along came Moses with one of the transcendent intellects of history. "There is one God," he cried: "How an overwhelming idea and how magnificent its consequences. Taking a disorganized crowd of folk generations—their spirits broken by rule and rod—their spirits broken them that God, this one all-powerful God, was their special friend and protector, fired them with faith in that conviction and transformed them from slaves to conquerors!"

And then, somehow—I cannot sleep. I thought that time would heal but just today I heard a snatch of song that once you sang. An old refrain, And all the years that span twixt then and now Were swept away and you Were here again.

—Q. M. DeValois Brad.

CAUSE OF HEART AILMENTS

Heart ailments carry off more people than any other single condition. That these ailments can be prevented just as small pox, yellow fever, malaria, and typhoid can be prevented, is now definitely proven. The New York Association for the Prevention and Relief of Heart Disease has been getting out pamphlets for physicians and the public in general that should go a long way in awakening everybody to the actual facts in this matter. In a large children's clinic where there were children with frequent attacks of rheumatic fever, these attacks were reduced in whom a successful removal of the tonsils had been done. In one of New York's largest hospitals, where active removal of diseased teeth and tonsils has become popular, there has been a definite reduction in the number of cases of acute rheumatic fever. Now out of 927 cases of heart disease in the Associated Heart Clinics of New York City, the causative infection was acute rheumatism in 331, and acute tonsillitis in 297. That is practically 2 out of every 3 cases were due to acute rheumatism or tonsillitis. The other conditions making up the other one third were bad teeth, scarlet fever, and the balance to other forms of infection.

What is the lesson? That normal healthy tonsils however large do not cause heart trouble, but infected tonsils, irrespective of size, can and do cause it. Treatment or removal of these tonsils is your only safeguard. As to the teeth, the idea of trying to save the grinding teeth because of their chewing surface, even where there is severe infection, is considered criminal by Dr. Price of Cleveland, America's outstanding dentist.

So have your throat examined by your family doctor, and get an X ray of your teeth by your dentist or some one he recommends, and don't take a chance on heart ailments. There is trouble or there isn't. It is worth your while for your health's sake, yes for your life's sake, to find this out.

Daily Lessons In English

By W. L. Gordon

WORDS OFTEN MISUSED: Don't say "shall we proceed further?" Use "farther" to express distance; "further," that which is additional.

OFTEN MISPRONOUNCED: column. Pronounce kol-um, not yem-ber.

OPEN MISPELLED: table. SYNONYMS: crowded, packed, full, filled, brimful, jammed, crammed, replete, overflowing.

WORD STUDY: "Use a word three times and it is yours." Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day. Today's word: VISAGE; the face or look of a person. "His visage was seamed with scars."

Daily Selections FOR Guardian Readers

August 6, 1926

A GREAT REVELATION—"For the waters of Jordan from before you, that all the people of the earth might know the hand of the Lord, that it is mighty." Jos. 4:23, 24.

PRAYER—"O Lord, how great are Thy works."

FORGETFULNESS Oh no,—I do not miss you very much, Unless 'tis when a bird at early dawn Calls plaintively— And from a dream I reach my arms To touch you dear— Ad bid you gone.

I am not lonely, save perchance at noon I cross the sunlit stream where you and I Once gathered violets; The sighing waters ever seem to say, "Why do you come alone?— Alone, always."

Oh yes; I am content enough, until The opal tinted mists of evening creep Above the swamp. And stars come out and all the world grows still;

host of Liberals as well that Mackenzie King can't win. After his coming defeat at the polls his own party, once great and strong in the Laurier days, may be trusted to deal with his case effectively.

The Public Forum.

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

THE PATRIOT CAN'T FOOL THE PEOPLE

Sir,—I was amused when I read in The Patriot, last evening, that Mr. Messervey "might tell the farmers just where they will be able to market their surplus potatoes, eggs and other produce should the Tory protectionists succeed in shutting us off from the United States by a tariff wall." As if we didn't all know that the Party in power in Canada has not the highest influence over those United States by which our potatoes, eggs and other produce are excluded from the United States markets, except when there is dearth of these things in the United States! And as if we didn't know that "The Tory Protectionists of Canada cannot and will not shut us off from the United States by a tariff wall." The done by the United States Protectionists for the benefit of the United States farmers.

The politicians of Canada have nothing to do with the United States tariff. While Mr. Mackenzie King was in office that United States tariff was more prohibitive of Canadian farm products than ever before. I am, Sir, etc. TRUTH-TELLER. Aug. 5th, 1926.

VIEW OF A VOTER

Sir,—We, voters, should, I think, vote in what we believe to be the interests of our country—not in those of any party, or any leader of the party. Mr. Meighen and his party were not in office in the past five years; and, therefore, we cannot hold them responsible for the administration of our public business and affairs. Mr. Mackenzie King and his Party were in office, and therefore, we hold them responsible for their policy and their administration. It is their record, not that of their opponents, that we have now to consider. The duty of the Opposition is to criticize and oppose the policy and measures of the government, therefore we must not hold them too strictly to account for what they have said—either collectively or individually. When the Government of Mr. Mackenzie King and its supporters have said and done—those are the matters to be tested and decided by us—the electors; and whether or not it will be in the interests of Canada at large, and this Island Province in particular to give them another term of office or endorse the recent accession of their successors?

We have seen and we know that, since the Mackenzie King Government took office, Sydney, New Glasgow, Amherst, Moncton, St. John and Halifax—all lost heavily in respect to population, and that we, in this Agricultural Province have, consequently, lost heavily in respect to our nearest, steadiest, most dependable and best markets. We all know that if there had not been a shortage of the potato crop in the States last year, and that if the States had not been compelled to import large quantities of potatoes—in spite of their almost prohibitive protective duty—we, Canada and merchants and others, would be in a bad way today. As stated in the House of Commons and in the official record of Parliament: "The population in the past five years was 500,000—100,000 a year. This country has lost the benefit of the services of these emigrants, and farmers who remain here have lost the benefit of the market for their produce which would have been maintained if they had remained in our country. Wouldn't it be well to change the policy and administration which brought about these results?"

Then there is the loss suffered by the people—the taxpayers—of this country by reason of the smuggling that was permitted and connived at by members of the Mackenzie King Government. There can be no doubt whatever about it. It was proved beyond all doubt, before a committee of the House of Commons and is an official record of Parliament: "Shall we, the voters, say by our votes that it was 'all right.' That is just what we will say if we return the King Government Party to office, by electing the candidates who are in the field on its behalf. I don't see how we can elect Sinclair or Jenkins, Mr. Moses died and the nation carried on under the momentum which he had given it until there arose Amos, a worthy successor. "There is one God," Moses had said. "God is a God of justice," added Amos.

That assertion is such an elementary part of our consciousness that we are almost shocked by the suggestion that it could ever have been new. But remember the gods that were current in Amos's day if you would have a true measure of the importance of his contribution—the gods of the Greeks, for example. Zeus was chief of them, a phallic and old reprobate who visited his wrath upon such mortals as were unlucky enough to interfere in his love affairs, and threw his influence to whichever side offered the largest bribes. His wife and sons and daughters were no better; nor was the moral standard of the God of the Israelites very much superior until Amos came. He was a trading God, ready to offer so much victory for so many sacrifices, and insistent upon his prerogatives.

Lean or Johnstone and not en-gained power by his union with Mr. Forke and "Progressives"—so called. Since then Protection has been lessened, with the result that Liberal as well as Conservative, New Glasgow was scared and industrial town in Canada, an every industrial market in Canada, has gone down more or less. I think, and I think all producers of food stuffs will agree with me, that the tariff should be adopted to our present circumstances, that our trade should be stabilized, that we should send less money out of the country for foreign grown and foreign made products and keep more money in the country for the building of our own interests for the increase of our own capital stock, and other stock. These, Sir, are my views about the election. If we had entrance into the United States markets for our farm products, I might think differently, but while the Mackenzie King Government was in office the Fordney tariff was enforced and not one whit abated on our behalf. So we have nothing to hope from the reelection of a Mackenzie King Government in that respect. I am, Sir, etc. A BRITISH CANADIAN VOTER

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