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### The Fenelon Falls Gazette.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30, 1912.

#### Western Opinion of the Colonel.

The following breezy criticism of the Minister of Militia is reproduced from the Saturday Sunset, of Vancouver, B. C.:

This has been a great year for Vancouver. We have had a circus, a wild west show, and a visit from Colonel The Honorable Samuel Hughes, "war lord," all in the same season. The gods have been kind, indeed.

There is nothing bashful about the Minister of Militia, and he spoke at some length on various occasions while on the Pacific Coast. There's about the same amount of substance in one of the Colonel's speeches as there is on the inside of a balloon. But he is an extensive talker. He is the original guaranteed-to-run-without-winding-up conversationalist; and it really isn't his fault if he does n't say anything. Heaven knows the man tries hard enough, and at sufficient length.

Apparently the clergy have been telling the Honorable Sam that soldiers are wicked men. In an impassioned medley of words, the other night, he made the following bright statement: "I want to tell the clergy of this country that the soldier is not a hired assassin. He does not create war. The men who do are the stock gamblers, the newspaper men and the speculators."

Now we have the source of all trouble. Over-ambitious legislators, misguided governments and soldiers with unprincipled commanders, allowed to run riot over the weak, are not figured in the calculations of the Minister of Militia. Even beautiful women, such as Helen of Troy, have been known to start bloody wars. Ambition, such as carried Alexander the Great and Napoleon to an attempt to conquer the world, has been the main cause of war since the history of mankind; and, unless we are seriously mistaken, war has been an institution antedating either newspapers or stock gambling by two or three months at least. But this does not bother Colonel Hughes when he starts out to make a speech. Nothing bothers him but a nervous chairman who is liable to look at his watch at the proper moment. It would be a shame to speak of this treatment of the colonel. Every after-dinner speaker knows how hard it is for a man who has nothing to say to talk for several minutes, and it must be much worse when one's duty to one's country makes it imperative to talk for several hours, if there is any one left in the hall to talk to. Colonel Hughes is forgiven, with the mere suggestion that he hire somebody that knows something—not necessarily a scholar, but a man who at least knows something—to write his speeches for him. There are some experts in Victoria, who write the speeches for the various cabinet ministers at critical moments, who could provide Colonel Hughes with some creditable samples.

The powers of the United States Senate Committee have been enlarged to include an inquiry into the financing of the present campaigns of Taft, Wilson and Roosevelt. An investigation into the financing of the campaign of Eugene V. Debs, the Socialist candidate, is not considered necessary. This fact alone ought to bring Debs a good many votes.

#### The Late Canon French:

Orilla Packet.

On Monday, August 12th, 1912, entered into rest, at Emsdale, in the Diocese of Algoma, the Reverend Canon W. H. French, who occupied the incumbency of Emsdale for the past seven years. The deceased, who came from England to Canada in the early seventies, was one whose sense of duty, and responsibility was the guiding principle of his life and conduct. He did faithful duty in several parishes, of which his longest pastorates were Coldwater and Emsdale. He was an excellent preacher, a faithful adviser, a good visitor, and a true pastor. Active to the very last, he died at the age of 74 years 8 months, after a short illness, leaving a loving family and an

attached congregation. On Thursday evening the remains were taken to St. Mark's church, Emsdale, where Canon A. H. Allman, B.S.C., rector of Burk's Falls, the Reverend A. W. Hazelhurst of Baysville, Rural Dean of Muskoka, and the Reverend E. J. Harper, B.A. rector of Huntsville, kept watch all night. Canon French was buried on Friday. Holy Communion was administered in the morning to the family of the deceased, and at 2:30 p. m. the funeral service took place in St. Mark's church, which was crowded to the doors. The following clergy were present: The Right Reverend Dr. Thorlode, Bishop of Algoma, the Rev. Canon A. H. Allman, the Rev. Rural-Dean Hazelhurst, the Rev. E. J. Harper of Huntsville, the Rev. C. E. Emerson of Seguin Falls, the Rev. L. Sinclair of Novar, the Rev. P. T. Bull of Powassan, Mr. Palmer, student in charge at Emsdale, the Rev. E. R. Allman of Texas, U. S., and the Rev. W. H. A. French, rector of Fenelon Falls, son of the deceased. The burial service began with the hymn, Hear our Prayer, O Heavenly Father, composed by an old member of the family. The hearse was followed by the robed clergy and the congregation to the cemetery, where the Lord Bishop of Algoma, who came all the way from Manitoulin Island to attend, interred the remains, which were buried at the request of Canon French himself in the next plot to a predecessor in the parish, the Rev. Rural-Dean Chown.

#### Winners in Field Crop Competition.

Following is the result of the field crop competition of the Fenelon Agricultural Society. The grain was oats, and the judge Mr. A. P. McVannell, of Picton. Mr. Thos. Isaac won first prize with 84 points. All things considered, the showing made by all the competitors was very good.

Name	Address	Variety	Pts
Thos. Isaac	Fenelon Falls	Siberian	84
J. H. Sturt	Powles Corn'r	20th Cent'y	81 1/2
Thos. Curtis	Fen. Falls	Abundance	80 1/2
Wm. Cullis	Powles' Cor.	20th Century	79
Ben. J. Smith	Bury's Green	Banner	77
Jacob Walker	Fenelon Falls	Dodds	76 1/2
John Graham	"	"	73 1/2

The Verulam competition resulted as follows: 1, Thomas Cosh, Yellow Russian, 88; 2, H. R. Seymour, Yellow Russian, 87; 3, Chas. H. Thurston, Yellow Russian, 86; 4, James Seymour, Sensation, 84; 5, Garfield Kennedy, Yellow Russian, 83; 6, M. M. Boyd, Banner, 83; 7, Fred Curtis, Banner, 81.

#### Fine Weather Needed.

Farmers in this section, in common with those in other parts of the province, are anxiously looking for a change in the weather. The continuous rain has prevented the cutting of grain, and the hauling in of what had been cut. A good deal of sprouting has resulted, and an otherwise bountiful harvest considerably damaged. The month of August has been the wettest on record since 1881, a period of thirty-one years.

#### Warning to Duck Hunters.

Duck hunters are especially warned against shooting on Sundays this season, which opens on Sept. 1st. Local overseers have been instructed to keep a sharp lookout for infractions of the law, and to rigidly prosecute all offenders.

#### Seeing the C. N. E.

A large number from the Falls are visiting the Canadian National Exhibition this week. The big show promises to break all records this year in point of attendance. The programme is exceptionally attractive.

#### Rev. C. S. Lord Resumes Work.

After an illness of five months, Rev. C. S. Lord, pastor of St. Andrew's Church, will resume his pulpit ministrations on Sunday evening next, at 7 o'clock. There will be no service on Sunday morning. Mr. Lord will also preach in Bury's Green at 2:30 p. m.

#### Addition to Special Prizes.

In Class 19, for largest variety of preserved tame fruit in glass jars, a special prize of a lady's motor hood, value \$1.25, will be given by Mr. Wm. Campbell, at the Fenelon Show on Sept. 10th and 11th.

#### Fall Fairs.

Fenelon Falls	Sept. 10, 11
Peterborough	Sept. 12, 13, 14
Kinmount	Sept. 16, 17
Lindsay	Sept. 19, 20, 21
Bobcaygeon	Sept. 23, 25
Haliburton	Sept. 26
Minden	Oct. 1
Bancroft	Oct. 3, 4

#### Personal

Mr. R. J. Moore of Saskatoon was in town this week.

Mr. G. F. Vickers spent a few days at Port Perry and Uxbridge.

Messrs. Melville Poulson and Alex. Northey are on a trip to Niagara and other points.

Mr. Stanley Terrill left on Wednesday for a trip to the West.

Rev. Randolph Nic is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Geo. Nic.

#### Addresses on Socialism.

A small but attentive audience listened to two very able addresses on the subject of Socialism on Friday evening at Day's Lakeview grove. The speakers were Mr. E. J. Johnston and ex-Mayor R. M. Beal of Lindsay. Mr. N. Day was chairman.

Mr. Johnston devoted most of his time to refuting the common assertion that all Socialists are atheists. He himself had become a Socialist through hearing the Rev. J. Stitt Wilson's lectures. He mentioned several clergymen, some still in the ministry and some who gave up their pulpits to preach Socialism. He quoted Leviticus 25th chapter and 23rd verse; Ecclesiastes 5: ix; John 15: xiii; and I John 4: 20, to show that Socialism was in accord with the teachings of scripture. Ministers in the churches did not preach from these texts. Referring to the falling off in church attendance, he read James 2: ii, ix, and maintained that the churches to-day were respecters of persons, in violation of the scriptural injunction. He held that under present conditions it was impossible for men to live up to the teachings of the Bible, and that the churches were not combatting these conditions. This was the only quarrel Socialism had with religion. It had no quarrel with Christianity. Socialism would make it possible for men to follow the golden rule. Mr. Johnston gave some startling figures showing the immense cost of war preparations and of loss of life in war, the latter totalling fifteen million lives since the year 1815.

Mr. Beal followed Mr. Johnston. He said that although there are Socialists who are atheists, there are also Grits and Tories, Democrats and Republicans, who are atheists, but the parties they belong to are not said to be atheistic. Socialism deals with economics, and has nothing to do with religion. There are 15,000,000 Socialists, of every creed and color, throughout the world. A few years ago an avowed Socialist was looked upon with suspicion, but the time had passed when anyone was expected to apologize for being a Socialist. Wherever you find a Socialist you find a missionary. He simply cannot help talking.

The reason the shepherds of old saw the light was because they were exploited. There never was a revolutionary movement that did not start with the poor. The ruling class to-day are contented. They promise the tired workers rest beyond the river if they will only work contentedly for them while here. The speaker once asked a professor of history if a knowledge of history was of any advantage to people. The professor said it was not, but that he was teaching modern history. He said "you must teach people to respect the law." If all such professors had been successful we would still have chattel slavery. Years ago men were hung for stealing sheep, but the men who stole the sheep pastures were not punished. In the United States conditions were the same forty years ago as they are in Canada to-day. When the West fills up we will have to stand and fight it out as they are doing. In cannibalistic times it was good morals and good ethics to kill your fellow man and eat him. When it was discovered that it was more profitable to work him than to eat him, it became good morals and good ethics to work him. When chattel slavery existed the man was put on the block and sold to the highest bidder. Now the job is put on the block and sold to the lowest bidder.

Mr. Beal said the inequality among his associates when a child made him a Socialist. Some had everything and some had nothing. He was one of four hundred members of the Manufacturers' Association who visited the cotton mills of the United States. The conditions there were disgusting. He was the only Socialist in the party, and he told the others the remedy, but they couldn't see it.

Capitalists would have us believe that labor does not create all wealth, but labor does create all wealth. In feudalism the serf produced first his own living and then his master's. The slave did the same under chattel slavery. They received enough to live on and reproduce other slaves to take their places when they were worn out. That is all that the workers are getting to-day. In about three hours they produce their living, and the employer gets what they produce in the remainder of the day. The ownership of the machinery gives the capitalists the power to do this. A market must be found for the surplus thus created. The workers cannot buy it, because they have not received wages enough to do so. Hence we have what is called overproduction, but is really underconsumption. The workers are destitute because they have created too much wealth. Socialism would remedy this by giving the worker his full product.

To show the farmers where they would be in a short time, Mr. Beal referred to the Oilpull plow, which plows an acre every two minutes and fourteen seconds. He also mentioned the advice given to the farmers some time ago by a certain gentleman, to the effect that they should economize by using cheaper cuts of meat.

The question of titles to land was then touched on, and it was pointed out that the original title deed from the Creator to the first purchaser had never been seen. Regarding interest, Mr. Beal quoted Leviticus 25: xxxvi; Ezek. 18: viii; and Amos 5: xi; 8: iv, v, vi. He held that the word increase means interest, not usury. He expressed great admiration for the old Hebrew prophets, and read extracts explanatory of their character and work.

#### House for Rent.

House on Francis street East; ten rooms; stable and drive-house on lot.

WM. GOLDEN.