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## THE GLOBE WARNS LIBERALS THAT THE PARTY IS WEAKENING

### It Says That Zeal Has Cooled And That the Party is Afflicted by Parasites and Barnacles

The Toronto Globe published an editorial in its issue of Monday the 9th inst. that indicates that the party organ is not aware that many of the Opposition charges against the Liberal party are true, and it is not without the moral courage to demand reform. The editorial in full is as follows:

"The Liberal government will, in all probability, have control of the administration of affairs in Ontario until the next general election four years hence. The majority in the Legislature is not large, not half what it should be, and the work that needs to be done. But the fact of a majority, the traditions and history of the party, and the dominant features of the present situation all combine in an appeal to every intelligent Liberal in the province. There is a first duty before Ontario Liberals.

"Let it be said quite frankly that the present political situation is neither satisfactory nor creditable. There is little positiveness or virility in provincial politics. Both parties have been becalmed, and that, too, for causes largely within themselves. The Conservative Opposition has deteriorated steadily in moral power and the political prestige from the days of the 'brawling brood of bribers' until the present humiliation of Gameism, and it is a far cry from Mr. Whitney back to Mr. Meredith. But the government has also suffered loss, the last important of which is a distinguished majority in the Legislative Assembly. The nature, extent, and causes of that loss must be estimated. The condition of the Conservative party is not the first concern of Ontario Liberals, nor is their first duty the reform of the Opposition in the Legislature. There is a note in their own eye which must be taken out if they would judge justly the quality of their opponents, or see clearly the way in which they themselves should walk, and the public service they are in duty bound to render.

"The loss which has come upon the Liberal party in Ontario is not the loss of a leader. Sir Oliver Mowat in the days of his Premiership was a leader of exceptional skill, and commanded to an unusual degree the confidence of the province. Premier Ross is no less skillful, and in some noted elements of leadership was his equal. If not the superior, of any leader the government party in this province has ever had. At this moment there is in public life in Ontario, in either party, no other man to whom to turn. If the spirit of a new life and the hand of a more efficient service are to come to Ontario politics, his leadership would seem to be of first importance.

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### RECESSIONAL

(Chas. D. G. Roberts)

Now along the solemn heights  
Falls the Autumn's altar-lights;  
Down the great earth's glimmering  
chancel  
Glide the days and nights.

Little kindred of the grass,  
Like a shadow in the glass  
Falls the dark and falls the still-  
ness;  
We must rise and pass.

We must rise and follow, wending  
Where the nights and days have end-  
ing—  
Pass in order pale and slow  
Unto sleep extending.

Little brothers of the clod,  
Soul of fire and seed of sod,  
We must fare into the silence  
At the knees of God.

Little comrades of the sky  
Wing to wing we wander by,  
Going, going, going, going,  
Softly as a sigh.

Hark, the moving shapes confer,  
Globe of dew and gossamer,  
Fading and ephemeral spirits  
In the dusk astir.

Moth and blossom, blade and bee,  
Worlds must go as well as we,  
In the long procession joining  
Mount, and star, and sea.

Toward the shadowy brink we climb  
Where the round years roll sublime,  
Rolls, and drops, and falls forever  
In the vast of time;

Like a plummet plunging deep  
Past the utmost reach of sleep,  
Till remembrance has no longer  
Care to laugh or weep.

### THE JOLLIER

China has 40,000 men ready to march against the Russians—and then run away from them.

It begins to look as if there were room for only two nations on this continent, and Carrie seems to be one of them.

That daughter of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., that was born yesterday is one of the richest girls in the world for her age, but so far she has not shown any desire to buy a duke.

Mrs. Nation has this advantage over other alleged actors and actresses. No matter how badly she performs nobody will venture to pelt her with stale hen fruit for fear she would simply get her axe and hatchet.

It looks as if the Ontario game law should be amended so that the deer shooter before he starts out to slay shall be compelled to take out, in addition to his license, an oculist's certificate that he is not cross-eyed, and can tell a deer from a human being at 100 yards.

### HOW THE FOREIGN SETTLERS GET ALONG IN THE NORTHWEST

Mr. Robt. Bryans Talks of the Land of Great Distances and Agricultural Abundance

Mr. Robert Bryans who returned recently from a business trip to the Northwest is another competent journey who is pleased with the "Empire's Granary."

"Harvest extends over a long period in that country" said Mr. Bryans. "Cutting begins in some places late in July and ends in others in the middle of October. Of course that is not so strange when one considers the great area of the country—its northern and southern boundaries lie under very widely-separated latitudes. In fact the sense of vast distance is one of the things that gets on one's nerves when he goes up there. It doesn't seem to bother the nerves of the people who live there though. They talk of people living 15 miles away as neighbors. They start out on a journey of 150 miles as if it reached only to the next concession. At a little party given by some friends, the guests came chiefly from at least 20 miles away. I heard of a young man who after 10 o'clock and started out for home which was 45 miles away. He got there by the next night. A good deal of travel is done on horse back. These mustangs go over the prairie at a good rate.

### THE FOREIGNERS THERE

I was interested in the foreigners who have settled up there. They are chiefly Doukhobors, Galicians, and Menonites. The Doukhobors are a lusty set of men, and good workers. They are trying a system that would delight the Socialists. One head man owns everything, and does all the selling and buying for the community. As a result of buying in this wholesale way these people get better prices than others. I know of one implement agent who sold 40 self-binders, 40 seeders, and 40 mowers. He made a cut of \$15 each on the binders and proportionately on the other things. Some farmers heard of it and complained to the agent, but he justified his action on the ground of a practically whole-

### A HOSPITAL AMBULANCE

By the Generosity of the Local Banks One Has Been Provided For

On Thursday of last week Messrs. J. D. Flavell, J. R. McNeillie, Robt. Bryans and R. Kyle went to Peterboro to see the Nicholls Hospital

The ambulance has been made possible here by the generosity of the three banks doing business here, each of which has placed \$300 at the credit of the hospital board for the purpose of securing an ambulance.

The gentlemen who went to Peterboro are of the opinion that with the good points noted in the Nicholls Hospital conveyance, and some improvements that they regard as possible, a very excellent ambulance can be made. It may be built by a local firm.

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### THE RUSSIAN BEAR HAS MONEY AND HIS PAW IS REACHING WIDE

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