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WHY CHINESE HATE THE MANCHUS

(From the New York Independent)

This question is often asked. The Manchu rule has continued for 260 years and Chinese hate it as much as ever. It is not so much because they are an alien race, for they are not very alien, and they have adopted many Chinese customs. Nor is it because they compelled the Chinese to wear the queue, for they got quite as much used to it as Armenians have to the red Turkish fez. The real reason is to be found in the words of the baby emperor in that most remarkable edict of October 30:

"When I urge reform the officials and gentry seize the opportunity to amaze. When old laws are abolished high officials serve their own ends. Much of the people's money has been taken but nothing to benefit the people has been achieved. On several occasions edicts have promulgated laws, but none of them have been obeyed. The people are grumbling, yet I do not know. Disaster looms ahead, but I do not see."

Poor little baby of five years! Poor China! But the confession penned by the Prince Regent is true. The chief cause of discontent has been the rapacity of officials. Now China rebels, and it is not unlikely that she will be the first Eastern republic, for the slow moving East has begun to move at last.

INOCULATION AGAINST TYPHOID

Inoculation with anti-typhoid serum is making notable headway. Some four hundred members of a militia regiment in New York were inoculated this week, in preparation for their going into camp next summer. The results of anti-typhoid inoculation have been definitely proved both by the experiments made in the British army and those that were made when United States troops were mobilized on the Mexican border last spring. It is coming into use in hospitals. A medical authority said re-

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EXEMPTING IMPROVEMENTS

A bill will be introduced in the Ontario legislature at the coming session giving permission to municipalities to exempt, entirely or in part, all forms of property, except land values, from taxation. Already there is a bill before the Alberta legislature, and it is a government bill, making exemption from taxation obligatory in the case of everything but land, in new municipalities. In municipalities already established the exemption will be gradual, but must be complete at the end of seven years.

Alberta, then, by the end of 1918, will be raising its taxes from land values only. By spreading the change over a period of seven years, provision is made against injustice that might result from too sudden dislocation of existing conditions; but, as a matter of fact, more than one-half of the more important municipalities in Alberta have already expressed themselves as strongly favorable to the new form of taxation, and it is believed the bill will pass the legislature by a large majority.

Ontario seems in a fair way to follow the western example, and one of the reviewers who endorses the new movement, reminds his readers that when Mr. W. A. Douglas introduced the idea in Toronto twenty-five years ago, he was regarded as an agitator, whose cause was hopeless. One Toronto editor tells of a citizen who "improved his house by a veneer of brick and other additions and embellishments. His assessment was increased by \$600, with the result that he had to forego the installing of modern conveniences and the making of further projected improvements. Almost every voter can call such instances to mind, the writer continues "and the coming discussion in the legislature will impress the public with the extent to which the arbitrary law regarding municipal taxation keeps men idle and retards development."

Mr. Joseph Fels, a millionaire who is devoting his energies to the introduction of single tax, and who is soon to speak in several Canadian cities, says that seven cities of Canada have already adopted the new plan of taxation, and that these cities are among the most progressive and prosperous in the Dominion. It is worthy of note that Ontario municipalities are not at present asking for power to tax land alone. Most of them desire to begin by exempting improvements to some extent, perhaps twenty-five per cent, and then gradually increasing the exemption until the tax has been transferred wholly to land values. This amounts merely to giving the municipalities home rule in the matter of raising taxes, which they both pay and expend, and it is scarcely likely that any legislature will long resist the requests of municipalities for such liberty in the matter of taxing themselves.

LOCAL OPTION

(Toronto Star)

The temperance men have reason to be well satisfied with the result of the polling on New Year's Day. By-laws were carried in ten places, and would have been carried in eighteen more if it had not been for the three-fifths majority law. Local option was sustained in fifteen places, including three towns, the victory in Owen Sound being particularly gratifying. In no place was the law repealed, nor was the three-fifths requirement necessary to save it anywhere. On the whole there were majorities for prohibition in 43 places and against prohibition in only 24 places.

This result is all the more gratifying when it is remembered that throughout Ontario 442 municipalities out of 812, or more than 53 per cent, are now without bars. It must be expected that in these later stages of the contest progress will be somewhat slower than it was at first, when the prohibitionists chose the fields that looked most promising. It is significant and satisfactory to observe the permanence of prohibition. Not only are the by-laws sustained, but they obtain an absolute majority of the votes cast.

DUTY TO THE COMMUNITY

The man who makes money in a community has a duty to perform to that community. It may be that he has made his money by his superior business ability, and that he would have done as well anywhere. That does not alter the case. If his gifts are great, his responsibility is equally great. No man was placed on earth for the sole purpose of making money and the man who has this as his ideal had better never be born. It is not an act of charity but the performance of a simple duty for the man who has made money to pass a little of it for the benefit of the community, even though he never expects to see a dollar of his contribution back.

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BORDEN SELLS PATRONAGE

The dismissals from the public service have taken place, says the Winnipeg Tribune, (independent with a strong Conservative list) not because of incompetency or active electioneering, but because the government is going to find places for its friends by hook or by crook, and the most of the finding has been done by crook. Mr. Borden has sold the whole Government patronage to his political friend and mostly to his Nationalist allies. They dedicated to him in his Cabinet and also his Cabinet's policy. He is wholly in the hands of a group of political sharks and unscrupulous office-seekers. His clean Government advocacy, went overboard wrapped up in the British flag when the Nationalist mineurs seized command of the Canadian ship of state.

THAT ARMY OF A MILLION?

The honourable the Minister of Militia is too imaginative, says the Kingston Whig. Hence notice the extravagant language with which he discusses all military questions. His later idea will invite a criticism that will be far from favorable. It is that if the money now spent on police and criminal administration were spent on the Militia, and discipline begun with the school boys, or cadets it would be better for all concerned.

Obedience with the Minister of Militia is at the basis of all good citizenship. The one who learns to respect the law, early in life, will not later need the correction, the restraint, the punishment which falls to delinquents and delinquents. But this obedience is taught apart from the military service, and quite as well as it can be taught through any branch of His Majesty's service.

There will be many to resist the teaching of Col. Hughes. They do not want their sons to be infused with the military spirit. It is well enough to give the young men some knowledge of drill and target practise such a knowledge as they will get when military training becomes universal. But there is a limit to the military ambitions of Col. Hughes and of those who are co-operating with him. The danger is in making the military side of life a failure. It is possible that some men may be carried away with the fever and become useless for civil occupations.

The country is not prepared for the army of a million men, of which the Minister of Militia has talked a couple of times. It is not disposed to encourage young men to fit themselves for military life, to qualify for appointments, and, failing to get them, refuse to put their hands to other things. The military spirit has spoiled too many already. It is not desirable that there should be further and unnecessary sacrifices.

THE WRITTEN REQUEST

The following is from the Toronto Telegram, (Conservative.) Does Hon. R. L. Borden propose to allow his Postmaster-General to cut off the heads of Liberal postmasters

in any constituency on the strength of a written request from the Conservative M. P. representing that constituency?

If so Hon. R. L. Borden is going to make himself look more like the puppet of the worst and smallest element in his own party, rather than like the Premier of a whole country.

Every Liberal postmaster or appointee who is dismissed is a new hand in the rope-works that will supply halters for the necks of twenty Conservative members in this province.

Sir James Whitney could not dismiss sheriffs, registrars, and other appointees of Liberal origin without incurring the risk of reprisals from sympathizers with these dismissed office holders in the government at Ottawa.

But Sir James Whitney would not, if he could, have dismissed sheriffs, registrars and other appointees in any constituency on THE WRITTEN REQUEST of the member representing that constituency.

And if Sir James Whitney had permitted a general slaughter of Liberal office holders, he might not be in power to-day, but he would be faced by the strong, united and formidable Opposition, which had the sources of its strength in the wrongs of a tyrant government.

If Rt. Hon. R. L. Borden calls himself A PREMIER RATHER THAN A PUPPET he will not permit his Postmaster General to make "the blood of the martyrs the seed of the church" in the experience of the Liberal party in Ontario.

If Rt. Hon. R. L. Borden should prove himself A PUPPET RATHER THAN A PREMIER he will permit his departmental chiefs to give free rein to the worst elements and impulses of a victorious party and the result must be that never again will the Liberals go out of this Province with only 13 seats to their credit.

TAKE CARE OF YOUR BOYS

This is a sowing time and a time to reap. The wise man said: "Bring a child up in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." So it is with the boys of to-day who are allowed to run the streets till nine or ten o'clock at night. This does not mean our town alone, as most all towns are similarly afflicted—for an affliction it surely proves to be to many families in the after life of the boys. Parents, see after your boys, and the company they keep. It will be worth more than gold to you and them in the years to come.

WAR TALK AN INSULT

A subscriber to The Post living in Quebec province sends the following clipping from the Huntingdon Gleaner. It will serve to show how the people in the east view the Minister of Militia's ambitious military policy.

"On the evening of the 20th Dec., the new minister of militia, Colonel Hughes, was entertained at a banquet in the Windsor Hotel, Montreal. In the course of a boastful speech he said:

"We have in our seven million population, a million and a half capable of bearing arms. Give me a million of those capable men, capable of hitting bulls eyes and no foe can cross the borders of Canada. Hit the enemy with the rifle—that is the main thing."

"This is worse than bravado—it is treason against the highest interests of Canada. If we are to live in a state of expectant war with the United States, then farewell to Canada's prosperity, for the cost of preparations for such a contingency, would beggar our farmers and give fresh impetus to the exodus across the lines. Only one of the most vengeful of men would declare his ability, with a million men, to defend a frontier of 3000 miles. Rejecting the friendly offer of reciprocity was bad, but this war-talk adds insult to insult."

LLOYD GEORGE'S ACHIEVEMENT

(From the Nation.)

Whatever be the judgment on the Bill, the feat of the Chancellor in devising and passing within a year a measure of such vast complication, and involving such infinitely delicate social adjustments must stand as one of the greatest deeds of force in modern politics. It compares, in magnificence, if not in method, with Gladstone's conduct of the Irish Land Bill, and the Home Rule Bill. The machinery of reference has been conducted and varied with a genius for improvisation, a patient zeal in diplomacy, a knowledge of character, an instinctive quickness of mind and sympathy, which saved the Bill from destruction at a thousand hands. The Chancellor started with

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too fixed and fond a belief in the exclusive merits of his measure, and that spirit was no doubt needed to crush light-minded criticism. But he threw over doctrine when it threatened his scheme, and became again the negotiator, the chancellor, who finally ran the Bill through. Such qualities are given to few; so lavish a use of them as Mr. George has made is rarer still.

GOOD WILL NOT ALL

The Ottawa Citizen, extremely Conservative, has the following:

In view of the plain statement of Premier Borden that no dismissals would take place without a preliminary hearing being granted, and that only offensive partisans would be dealt with, no such apprehension was necessary on the part of faithful officials, nor should the Opposition press indulge in such reckless charges and predictions which unnecessarily cause apprehension and anxiety.

The Citizen makes a large demand when it asks us to pin our faith to Mr. Borden's declarations, remarks the Peterboro Examiner. Mr. Borden is willing, but weak. He took high grounds on great national and political issues; he receded from these grounds under pressure of political exigencies. He was, no doubt, sincere in asserting as his policy that dismissals from the public service should be "for cause" subject to fair investigation and proven demerit. But, unfortunately, Mr. Borden has not been able to impose this high standard of policy upon his colleagues, and political supporters. We have had a heavy harvest of dismissals, without the shadow of pretence of investigation—pure practise of the "spoils" system, in its most aggravated and offensive form. It is not enough for Mr. Borden to be right and fair in sentiment. What is needed is the firmness, as he has the official—if not the moral—power to give effect to his sentiments. Good intentions without corresponding practise do not count. "Good intentions" are proverbially quoted as an abundant source of supply of a certain kind of pavement.

ISLAY

(Special to The Post.)

Miss Cornell, of Lindsay district, recently visited the Misses Naylor. Mr. Blackburn, of Bowmanville was visiting his niece, Mrs. H. Boyd, on Tuesday of last week.

Mr. Robert Morrow and family recently moved to Woodville. They will be much missed from this vicinity.

Owing to the stormy weather which prevailed on Tuesday of last week, our mail carrier, Mr. Alex. Lawson, was unable to make his usual trip.

Mr. Boyd and Mr. Blackburn visited at Mr. Hardy's near Lindsay on

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Mr. T. Arnold, butcher, was in this district on Wednesday of last week, and purchased several fat cattle, and other farm stock.

A few from this vicinity attended the Institute meetings at Hartley on Friday, the 12th inst.

We regret to report that Mrs. Alex. McFadyen is on the sick list, and under medical attention at present. We hope she may soon be restored to her usual health.

GLENARM

(Special to The Post.)

Mr. and Mrs. McNabb, of Woodville vicinity were visiting at the home of Mr. James McMillan during last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Argue, of Saskatchewan, are visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Argue.

Mrs. J. McMillan, of Palestine, is at present suffering from an attack of pleurisy. She has been an invalid for some eight years and suffers intensely pain. She has the sympathy of a host of friends in her terrible suffering.

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