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I pray Almighty God that the words I write in this house may be pure and honest—that they be dictated by no personal spite, unworthy motive or unjust greed for gain; that they may tell the truth as far as I know it—and tend to promote love and peace—amongst men.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1927

WONDERFUL WORDS

"HOSTILITIES WILL CEASE AT 11 a.m., NOVEMBER 11 TROOPS WILL STAND FAST ON THE LINE REACHED AT THAT TIME WHICH WILL BE REPORTED TO DIVISIONAL HEAD-QUARTERS IMMEDIATELY. DEFENSIVE PRECAUTIONS WILL BE MAINTAINED. THERE WILL BE NO INTERCOURSE WITH THE ENEMY OF ANY DESCRIPTION." Truly these were wonderful words; words which brought to an end the awful struggle with its bloodshed, suffering and misery. The staff officer who wrote them if he is alive to-day probably realizes as never before the import of the words he put on paper for the signals.

THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER

"He suffered that we might smile; he died that we might live. He made the supreme sacrifice that we, on this side of the world, might carry on in the ideals our forefathers. He sleeps; but his memory is active in the heart of every Canadian."

The Unknown Soldier and his comrades who fell beside him occupy a shrine in our hearts. Let us not forget our dead. But let us also remember those of our boys whom the gods of war spared.

THANKSGIVING DAY

Next Monday is the day set apart here in Canada as a day of National Thanksgiving. It is indeed fitting that we should pause to give thanks unto God for the many good things which we enjoy and for deliverance from the dangers and sorrows of war. The present generation will never forget the wave of thankfulness when the welcome news swept over the land that the last shot had been fired and that the Armistice had been signed. Nine years have passed since that historic November 11 when the blessings of PEACE AND VICTORY were added to the other blessings that Canadians enjoy.

On this day we must remember the men who will not return and the glory of their sacrifice. In deep humility we confess that we owe them a debt we can never repay. Before the altar Canadians must consecrate themselves anew to the task of making a Dominion worthy of her part in helping to brighten the lot of the widows, the mothers and the fatherless children.

INTEREST IN MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

The Kiwanis club of St. Thomas is making a great effort to arouse interest in the forthcoming municipal elections in that city, and to encourage every citizen who is entitled to vote to cast a ballot when the time comes. The club proposes to do this by establishing a central information bureau and furnishing motor vehicles for electors who have no cars to get to the polls.

It will be interesting to watch the outcome of this experiment. A club such as the Kiwanis club, which is non-partisan, and has no axe to grind, can give splendid leadership to a community in drawing attention to the duties of citizenship, and urging the citizens to fulfill these duties. It is a deplorable fact that in many cities and towns far too little interest is shown in municipal affairs. There are many who will criticize the actions of councils and other bodies, but who, when the time comes sit idly back and take no real interest in the selection of the men to comprise these councils.

The lack of interest in municipal elections in the past few years has been strikingly noticeable. While there are times when worthy occupants of office are deserving of re-election, it is not a good thing when there are acclamations for the majority of the elective positions in council. The citizens should have an opportunity of voting, of placing in office the men of their choice. This is only possible when there are sufficient nominations to force an election. The time of the municipal contests is not far off. It is not too early for the citizens to be thinking about them and talking about them, with a view to putting forward for office men who are qualified to represent their fellow-citizens, and these men having been put forward, it might be possible to arouse such interest as to secure a proper expression of the will of the people.

On Armistice Day, November 11, the people of Canada are invited to observe the two-minute silence at 11 o'clock, a special rite suggested by His Majesty and observed each year since the war. In Canada Armistice Day will be kept as a holiday on Monday, November 7th.

The man who tells you what a "rotten" town he lives in, and what undesirable neighbors he has, may move frequently from one town or neighbourhood, but will always have the same story to tell. Some people always live in undesirable towns and have neighbors they never care for. Others, strangely enough, live in numerous places and always meet with kindness, and always find friends. If you are one of the men or women who cannot find a good word for the town you live in, for your neighbour, for the man who pays you your wages, or for your business associates, take a good look in the next mirror you come across, and face the secret of your troubles. Turn over a new leaf; be loyal to your town and your environments.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

CAN YOU DO BETTER?

Richmond Hill, Ont.
 October 31, 1927
 Editor Liberal

Sir:—
 The communications in criticism of the council which appear in your columns from time to time from "Civis" remind me of the story of the poor struggling artist who drew the picture of a raven. When he completed the picture he hung it outside his humble apartment for the persual of the general public and under it he wrote "Anyone who can find any fault with this picture please write same here."

Hundreds found various faults with the picture and sheet after sheet of paper was used up by the critical public. The poor artist was very much discouraged but he was determined to try again so he worked hard and completed another picture. He hung it out as before but under it he put the following words, "Anyone who can draw a better picture than this, do so here." There was not a mark made on the paper during the several weeks it was on exhibition.

I leave this with your readers and will let Civis draw his own moral from the story.

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"Way Back in Liberal Files"

DO YOU REMEMBER
 This Week of 1906

When at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Nicholls, Victoria Square, was the scene of a very pleasant event. When they celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of their wedding.

When the following stood first in their classes at the Richmond Hill High School for October:—Form IV Ada Milne, Form III, A. Carleton, Form II, H. Hislop, Form I, J. Scott.

When the following programme was given at Epworth League here, Vocal duet, Mrs. Mason and Mrs. Switzer; Recitation, Miss Mable Smith; Solo, Rev. A. P. Brace; Paper on "Early Methodism in Richmond Hill, by Mr. Harrison. Solo Miss Harris. The guessing contest was awarded to Miss Eva Hill. Mrs. Sloan presided.

When the curling club re-organized with the following officers. Patron J. Slater, Reeve of Markham; President, C. P. Wiley; Treasurer, G. A. McDonald, Secretary, T. F. McMahon, Chap., Rev. A. P. Brace, B.D.; Committee E. Barker, H. A. Nicholls, J. Michael J. H. Sanderson.

DO YOU REMEMBER?
 This Week of 1889

When the village Council held a special meeting for the purpose of considering the proposition of the Agricultural Society re building a hall on the park. Reeve Pugsley in the chair. Members present, Messrs Atkinson, Savage, Sanderson, and Dr. Wilson.

When Mrs. William Norman of Oak Ridges passed away. Deceased was

driving out from the family residence to meet her son, when the horse became unmanageable and threw her out of the buggy alighting on her head. She only lived a few hours.

When at Langstaff, Henry Richards passed away in his 84th year.

When a Pumpkin Pie social was given in the temperance hall by the Royal Templars. After a very enjoyable tea a musical and Literary programme was well rendered. Mrs. G. Wiley, selected Councillor, occupied in the chair.

DO YOU REMEMBER
 This Week of 1896

When the annual Plowing Match in connection with Vaughan Plowmen's Association was held on the farm of Mr. Andrew McNeil at Vellore.

When at Thornhill on November 3rd Andrew Bannon passed away in his 75 year.

When at Murricta, Riverside County California, Charles E. Lawrence, M.D. formerly of Richmond Hill died at the age of 37 years.

When at St. Mary's church, Richmond Hill by the Rev. W. W. Bates, B.A., assisted by the Rev. Rural Dean Mussen, of Aurora, Edward Britnell, of Toronto, to Amy Elizabeth only daughter of Mr. J. Newberry, of Richmond Hill.

When Mr. Bailey and family moved this week into the house formerly occupied by Mr. G. Smith.

When J. H. Kirby, N. Shunk and Dr. Sisley spent a week in Muskoka shooting.

Your Christmas Cards

We now have for the approval of the people of this district a fine line of personal Christmas greeting cards. Some of the finest of these are very limited in number and we cannot get repeat orders, so you would be well advised to call at once and make your selections. They will be printed and delivered at any time you may desire, but to get the best selections you should see them at once. Give us a call and we will be glad to show our samples to you.

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Canada's luscious rosy apples are relished by young and old alike. They symbolize our brilliant sunshine and warm summer days and they do look Christmasy and cheerful. Northern Spies, McIntosh Reds and Baldwins are the best and the most popular to carry your kind thoughts and good wishes across the sea and standard boxes and barrels of choice hand picked and hand packed fruit. Government inspected, are procurable at reasonable prices from any grocer while the matter of shipment is as simple as the mailing of a card.

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The transportation charge from Montreal and Quebec up to November 15th or from Saint John and Halifax thereafter, by direct steamer to points in Great Britain, Ireland and the Channel Islands is \$3.10 per standard box and \$6.20 per standard barrel including refrigeration.

For rates to Canadian ports, through rates to Continental stations and other particulars, consult any Canadian National Express Agent.

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