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SPECIAL PRIVILEGES

In a recent issue The Ottawa Journal refers to a despatch from Toronto in which it is alleged that the citizens of York township are perfecting an organization to force the reds to discontinue their activities or leave the township. The Journal seems to resent the idea that citizens should organize for any such purpose. Apparently The Journal would like the police to step in and stop the citizens from organizing to fight the red menace, though the newspapers of the type of The Journal have made it very difficult for the police to deal adequately with the evil organization of the reds. The Ottawa Journal seems to have taken the attitude right along that the reds should not be interfered with-that they should be allowed to "blow off steam," as they phrased it. Yet when decent, loyal citizens organize, The Journal is horrified at the audacity of the brutes. It is a funny attitude! Or, perhaps, it is simply pathetic. It is an attitude that seems to be too common for the country's good among some people and some newspapers seeking a cheap reputation for tolerance, broadness, charity— and what-not. This evil spirit-for it surely is such,-is indicated by the columns man a fair chance for life, liberty and the pursuit of happiupon columns devoted to diatribes against the alleged interference with communist parades, while the fact that a principle that there shall be work available for all. The recent church parade of the Oddfellows at Toronto was disturbed by criminal hoodlums rouses no censure. The police are scorned for stopping a mob of alien half-wits from offensive defiance of the law. The Oddfellows seem to get no theft under the name of watered stock will assure further sympathy at all when their legal, loyal, orderly parade to advance. The preservation of natural resources from greedy church is greeted with rotten eggs and over-ripe fruit thrown by misguided young criminals. "It was only a prank by In brief, it may be said that the old shoes are still sound some college youths," is the excuse for the interference with the church parade. This excuse is shattered when it is remembered that the college professors are loud in their calls for tolerance for the foreign-paid agitators and their offen- They have to be in what they think is the fashion, especially sive parades. There is the regrettable attitude of certain if it is a foreign fashion. Wise folks, however, never destroy newspapers and public men under the cloak of tolerance and liberty:-that the decent and the loyal should not have a right or a privilege left, but that for the lawbreaker, the crook the criminal fool, the alien blackguard, there should be sympathy and consideration. With thousands of people in Toronto at the present time hard pressed, indeed, to keep emphasizing the holding to all the good in the old is because life in their bodies, and with the continual whine that there is not money for this or money for that, there seems to be money for an alleged investigation of a "frame-up" of some proven criminals of disgusting records, while the only apparent "frame-up" so far disclosed seems to be the attempt to "frame" the police. The good people of this country are calmly informed that there is no money to provide employment, but at the same time money is being lavishly spent to investigate the tales of some whining crooks in the penitentiaries. All the way along it seems to be a case of no justice, or privilege, or consideration for the honest and the loyal. But, oh, such toleration, such thoughtfulness, such license for the potential murderer, the thief, the cheap crook. There are daily scores upon scores of cases of good people in trouble of one kind or another, and yet what help or thought do these honest people secure from the so-called tolerant newspapers? The Ottawa Journal, for instance, hasn't had time to look into the case of Pte. Hussin, but there is time and space for the cheap crook and the potential murderers when they whine a little. A certain or uncertain newspaper in Toronto dismisses in a few short words the sad plaint of a city man seeking what he believes to be justice from his country for war services and war injuries. What The Advance would like to know is how these tolerant folks are never tolerant about decent folks? Why they always are so ready to condemn the honest authorities unheard? Why they jump to the conclusion that the word of a scoundrel is necessarily better than that of his judge?

Under one guise or another these professing tolerant fellows seem to be seeking to inaugurate a new era where privileges and favours are only for the debased and the law-breaker. It seems to be an effort to inaugurate the reign of a minority-a minority that represents the lowest and the meanest of mankind. Full scope for the reds to organize to capture the country for the Soviet! That is the programme they have openly and consistently advertised. Full swing for the jailbirds, with unconsidered condemnation of their jailers, their judges and even the juries! Full privilege for every ingrate, every unsocial animal, every transgressor! But if citizens, loyal and thoughtful, dare to organize to oppose alien treachery and foreign imposition, then away with such intolerant citizens!

organized alien effort at dominance, supported by the silly twaddle of so-called tolerance and broadness. A decent, loyal, honest man in this country should have at least as much right and privilege as the traitors and the knaves. It is about time that Canada made it known in no uncertain way that there will be no special privileges in this country for any mouthy minority, especially if that minority represents but knaves and nit-wits.

THE OLD AND THE NEW

boots; they were the easiest for his feet.

insisted on a royal quota of new gowns and hats.

right? Or wholly wrong?

for new.

The Cochrane Northland Post suggests that The Advance imposed upon. is mistaken in believing that anything old can be anything good, or that anything foreign can fail to be superior to anything Canadian or British. The Post apparently believes that can lead a horse to water, but you can't make him drink,' the Canadian financial and economic system is completely should be changed to read, "You can get a man a job, but outworn and that the shoes we wear can stand no more you can't make him work.' patches. In this, The Advance believes that The Post is sadly in error. The old British leather is still superior to pretend that the people in general in Russia live on as high is sure to have evil results.

a standard as the majority of the people in Canada. The average good is not enhanced by changing the name of the system or its bosses. The Russian capitalism is a government by a minority that works out to the benefit of that minority. In theory, at least, this country is governed by the majority. If it is not now governed by the majority a change of name will not make it so. The truth of the matter may be that the ideal state that The Advance or even The Post might desire to inaugurate can never be inaugurated by changing names or system, but as The Advance has before suggested it can only be accomplished by a change of heart. True patriotism or a revival of religion may accomplish something towards the ideal state, but nothing in the way of progress can be hoped from the ignorance and narrowness and intolerance of the Soviet scheme. Russia has as arrogant and brutal a czardom as ever before in its history. The Russians have but changed their masters. Russia has nothing

On the other hand the history of Canada has been a story of progress, of development, of true advance. History will show how far onward Canada has travelled in a few brief years. There may be people who cannot believe that there could be anything but despair and ruin with one party or the that with inflation, currency has a and very properly object to transients other out of office. There will be some of the present howl- pernicious habit of getting beyond any using the property of the railroads to ers of calamity who would see salvation in a change of party. The truth is, however, that under both Liberal and Conservative Governments, Canada has pressed forward, slowly, it may be, but none the less surely. Year by year, conditions for the average man have improved. Even in these days the average man in Canada is much better situated than his fellow in other lands. In no other land is there the same consideration given to the average man. In no other land is the welfare of the majority so earnestly sought. Many of the evils that have grown up around the economic system are being weeded out to-day. It will surprise the thoughtful citizen to learn how few drastic changes remain necessary to make the system more equitable and give every ness. One of the chief policies that must be accepted is the theory that the rich should pay the greater share of the burden of the cost of government and services has already been enforced in remarkable way. A few guards against exploitation by the few will mean one more step forward. and safe, and the needed patches are comparatively few and

There are people who have a regular mania for new things. far as prices of produce and manufactheir old shoes, till the new ones are broken in. Fashions do not master the sensible, but are rather made to serve the needs of the time. To grasp everything new, because it by the world conference of the nations is new, is a folly that is old, indeed. New and old alike should be judged on merit alone and the only reason for of the tendency of the inexperienced to believe that every- illustration of one of these discussions thing that is new to them is new to the world. After all, is given as follows by H. I. Phillips in the world is older and wiser than its people of the day, because it has the wisdom of the ages. The chances are that the old must have good in it or it would not have remained. The new must prove itself, and first of all it must prove that it is new in this old world.

GRAVEL AND SAND—AND PLACER

The Vankleek Hill Review recently told of a man who was sick and out of work and in this state stole a number of chickens. The Review concludes its report with the words: 'As if this were not enough responsibility to bear, he is also reported to be the sole support of a large family." It is hard to find the moral in all this, except it be that expressed one time by a local gentleman who said he would sooner steal than take charity."

In the House of Commons not many days ago, Mr. Armand LaVergne, Deputy Speaker of the House explained that with the Canadian National Steamships plying on the St. Lawrence river, Canadians can not get work as all the places are taken by foreigners-"at least, English, Irish, dollars for it than before. Welsh and Scottish," he explained. By the time he reached the "Scottish," part of the "foreigners" there was rather then? heated protest from A. W. Neill, member for Comox-Alberni, British Columbia. Mr. Neill, no doubt, never thinks about foreigners and Scotsmen without remembering what the Timmins Irishman said:—"There are three kinds of Scotsmen-Highlanders, Lowlanders and Finlanders." The gal- are worth less, how does he get any lant Armand LaVergne very promptly withdrew the invi- more than he got when the dollar was dious implication, recognizing no doubt the fact that Scots- not worth less? men can always protect themselves from insult at home and abroad-they can always place an embargo on Scotch whisky.

Jos. A. Bradette, M.P., for this riding, did a notable service to the cause of right and justice last week when he placed before the House of Commons the unfair position in which the doctors of the North are held in the matter of attention to indigent cases in unorganized territory. The Canada has full reason to rouse herself to prevent the fees allowed by the Government for these cases will not begin to cover the actual out-of-pocket expenses of the doctors through relief patients. In many cases the doctors have to travel long distances. Because of the distances concerned, medicine to last a week or more has to be left, and all this must be provided by the doctor. There are other necessary costs that the average doctor shoulders in these cases from pure kindness of heart. After all the hardship, inconvenience, and cost falling on the doctors through these patients on relief in unorganized territory it does seem a discredit to the country that the kindly doctor should be brought actually to face ruin through these cases. For many of the medical men the situation is a serious one in-Old friends are best! King James used to call for his old deed, and as Mr. Bradette pointed out, something should when he gets two dollars for what he be done to relieve the conditions. It is not enough to ac- used to sell for \$5 he will be getting It is well to make new friends! The Queen, no doubt claim the doctors as men of sympathy and humane feeling more than he really got when he got, and ready to sacrifice themselves for the sick and the un-Who will say that either King or Queen were wholly fortunate. Those who know what the medical men of the North have done, and are doing, in the way of service half There is a time and a place for old things and for new! paid and not paid at all, will agree that the whole burden Only a Russian or another illiterate would swap old wine should not be left upon their shoulders, nor should their public spirit, their humanity, their kindliness be unduly

At least one man in town thinks the old proverb, "You

The attention of the town council on Monday was directed | will be worth less in terms of what it any of the paper-stuffed foreign truck. The Posts talks to the fact that there is a danger of certain men on relief will buy. about evolution and progress, but in the same breath sug- becoming unemployable. Examples were given of cases gests that there must be a complete new pair of shoes, where these men formerly good workers, now under the it won't be worth \$10,000? Russian style, no doubt. Yet if The Post has anything at domination of alien agitators, had reached a state of mind all in mind, it seeks no more than to trade a very reliable where they preferred to live on relief and be idle, rather and honest pair of shoes for an inferior pair of foreign make. than attempt to help thmselves by honest effort and lawful The capitalistic system in force to-day in Canada has its labour. Against this, it should be said that the majority of undoubted faults and surely needs an honest patch or two. men out of work ask nothing but a chance to keep them- man across the street." But the Russian scheme is not a whit different in plan or selves through employment. The few exceptions to the working. It is just as much a capitalistic state, the chief rule, however, make it doubly hard for the good fellows, mark of difference being that the capitalists in Russia are alienating as they do the spirit of sympathy and goodwill. called communists, while here they are simply termed capi- As The Advance has never tired of emphasizing, the only talists. Even the ardent sympathizers with Russia, do not remedy for unemployment is work and any other palliative

When Man and Wife **Discuss Inflation**

Explanation of Financial Problems is Very Simple Matter, in Fact Altogether Too Simple in Such Cases.

tend to know everything about "infor- is one of the big reasons why the railmation" and its effects, but they are of ways are so anxious to stop transients the soap-box orator type. The average from using the railways. It has been man feels that in these currency ques- asserted that "corporations have no tions and high finance matters gener- morals," but usually the heads of comally, even the experts are becoming panies and concerns are very human humble and it is not so much a ques- and do not like to see men mangled tion of knowing or guessing what will or killed. Than in addition, there is happen as it is of figuring from history the matter of cost. Every accident of what has happened before from similar this kind causes considerable expense plans. "Inflation" does not appeal to to the railways as well as taking up the ordinary man, even with the re- time of employees. Alike from the straint of what is termed "controlled humanitarium and the economical currency." The trouble seems to be standpoint the railways very naturally control but that of fate. Efforts have place their own lives in jeopardy. been made to get Canada into the inflation game with controlled currency, ODD AND UNFAIR DIFFERENCE but it is more than probable that no such plan will be tried here. The experience of Germany in this matter is The New Liskeard Speaker last week matters. The new plan, on the other goods to their places of business in this all the leading nations of the world, something wrong, and these northern This plan is that by general agreement business men are being penalized for world, the nations could agree on its ness, and especially the T. & N. O. R'y value, as they have done before. So tured articles are concerned this plan would give all the benefit of inflation without the handicaps and dangers. There seems to be a big chance that some such plan will be put into force

In the meantime inflation is being discussed by many. One amusing The New York Sun:-

Man and His Wife Discuss Inflation, Etc.

She-Just what does inflation mean,

He (stalling)-It means inflation. The opposite of deflation. She-Yes, but how does it work? Do

you understand it, Hemingway? He (determined not to weaken)-Of course. Not every little detail, perhaps, but I understand it in a general way.

It just means issuing more money. She-But isn't there plenty of money in the country?

He-Yes, but you see with inflation the dollar will buy more . . . She-More? You mean less, don't

He (wshing she hadn't started it) -Er, yes, I should say less. It's a little confusing, my dear. If the country issues more money then the dollar will buy less. In other words the fellow with something to sell will get more

She—The dollar will be worth less,

He-Of course.

Perplexed

She (quite perplexed but still determined (-But if the man with some-

He (struggling nobly)—Ahem. It's like this, Etta. If he gets more dollars they are worth more to him than they really were when they were worth more. Understand?

She-Not quite. Confusing

He-It's confusing, I know. Listen, dear, and see if you follow me. The dollar is worth so much in gold.

She (making a fresh start)-Okay. He-Now, then, under inflation the same dollar would be worth less in gold, see?

She-Uhuh. He-Well, today a farmer has to give, let me say for purposes of illustration, fifty cucumbers for a dollar. Now if we make the dollar worth less he will only have to give twenty-five cucum-

She-Why? He-Because there will be more dollars in circulation. In other words

She-When he got less, you mean. Mops Brow He (mopping his brow)-No dear;

er, when he got more.

you just don't understand. She-What I want to know is how it will affect our savings. Suppose we have \$10,000 in the bank. Now under inflation those dollars will buy more,

won't they? He (exasperated)-No, they'll buy

She-Well, then, our \$10,000 will not be worth \$10,000. He-It will still be \$10,000, but it

She-How will it still be \$10,000 if

He-Because the stuff you buy for

the \$10,000 will be worth more. She (sleepily)-Who? Junior: "Mamma, look at that funny

Mother: "What is he doing?" Junior: "Sitting on the sidewalk talking to a banana peel."

Dunbar's Weekly:-The "passing generation" is so called because of the debts it is passing along to the next.

a ride on the C.N.R. near Sudbury some days ago. Walter Mitchell, of Echo Bay, as the result of a similar accident a few days later, had both legs cut off by the wheels of the train and it is There are people these days who pre- not certain that he will recover. This

plan, however, that has some of the Trade on Wednesday night informaalleged advantages of the inflation, but tion was given to the effect that the has also other features that avoid the freight rate on merchandise from evils of inflation. Inflation is a plan Montreal, Toronto and other Southern adopted by an individual nation and points to say, points west of Cochrane though that nation may in some meas- on the C.N.R., are the same as from ure control its own currency it can not New Liskeard and other Temiskaming control the action and attitude of other points, which are several hundred miles nations. That is exactly where the closer than those Old Ontario points. danger of inflation rests, because the When it is remembered that these individual notion to-day is so depend- Temiskaming dealers have already had ent upon other nations in monetary to pay a high freight rate to get these hand, is built on an agreement between district, it looks as though there was gold be re-valued at a higher figure their enterprise in helping to build up than at present. Gold, being the ac- a number of thriving towns in the cepted standard of currency for the North, without which the railway busi-

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'Why didn't you call me at seventhirty this morning?" he demanded. you didn't go to bed till eight.'

would be much of a failure. This ques- | Milverton Sun: -A story has been in tion is one which the boards of trade circulation throughout the province will have to take steps to have remedied. that there are in Toronto a number of We don't see why they should have to professional men, doctors and lawyers waste time on this matter, because it on relief. The Toronto Star has been looks so manifestly unfair one would making enquiry and the information think the railways or the railway board received is to the effect that not one would take the necessary steps to doctor is on relief in that city. There is no doubt that many medical men like others have hard sledding. They are engaged in the humane work of Visiting Delegate (to hotel clerk): healing the sick, many of whom are unable to pay for the attendance given them and hence the doctor has to eke "Because," returned the affable clerk, out on the fees that he receives from his more well-to-do patients.

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