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AN AMERICAN MYTH SMASHED

The following article, clipped from a leading American paper, is of more than passing interest to Canadians, who have become sick of the idle American boasting, so common in days gone by. It shows that there is at least one man in the United States, who while believing that Americans are as good a people as there are on the face of the earth, does not think they are the superhuman class many boasting Yankees try to make the world believe they are.

The absurd American idea that we "can lick all creation" finds no favor with Brig. Gen. Clarence R. Edwards, in command of the army post at Fort D. A. Russell, Wyoming. He brands the idea as absolutely false and blames our school histories for its spread.

"In all our school histories," says the general, "the children of the land have been taught that our revolutionary soldiers, without experience or training, won great victories over the seasoned British troops; they are taught that the same class of troops whipped the English soldiers in the war of 1812. And so on through all the wars. There never was such rot put into the form of history. Our fighting in those wars was pitiable and the conduct of the raw and untrained troops, with one or two exceptions, was disgraceful.

"We were beaten in every battle in 1812, with two exceptions, one of them fought after the war closed, and our capital and public buildings were burned. The same thing came near happening again after Bull Run, and had it not been that one organized mob was beaten by another the Confederates would have captured the capital. Both were demoralized, one by defeat, the other by victory. And yet we are going on blindly in the same direction.

"We are without a mobile army which could be used in case of a sudden war. We could not train the citizen soldiery, which would have to be recruited, short of a year. No one doubts the ability to make soldiers out of the citizens of the country, but it cannot be done in a month, or six months. They have to learn to be soldiers; they have to be trained to discipline and a soldier's life; they have to learn to march and take care of themselves; in short, it takes a long time and consistent work to make new troops effective soldiers.

"At the beginning of all our wars the untrained troops have always proved ineffective and inefficient, and yet our school histories have been issued year after year teaching the youth of the land the falsehood that we can lick all creation; that one American is equal to half a dozen other men, and so on, until our people are imbued with the idea that all they have to do in case of war is to send forth the men in uniforms with guns in their hands and our foes will crumble before them. It is time that this false impression was corrected, and that our people became informed of the true state of our unpreparedness for war or an emergency requiring any extended use of troops."

THE ONLY WAY

The crux of the Naval Question could not be better stated than in the language of a recent editorial of The London Times:

"If Canada desires to add immediately to the fighting strength of the naval forces of the Empire, she can do so only in Mr. Borden's way. She cannot as yet build or man ships herself, and we can only help her to do so by gradual degrees. In view of these conditions Mr. Borden's is a practical as well as a patriotic plan. It offers three splendid ships to the Empire to meet a pressing need, and offers them on terms which the Admiralty, with a clear eye to all its responsibilities, can whole-heartedly accept. The Admiralty policy is dictated by necessity: there is no room for choice. If the proposed Canadian ships were not to be made available in the manner which Mr. Borden suggests, the Admiralty, with the best will in the world to further the alternative plan,

might still be compelled at the present juncture to keep its skilled and trained personnel for other available ships. It seems indeed that such a course may be dictated by the imperative requirements of Imperial security, which cannot be set aside in favor of any scheme, however well conceived, that neglects the present in pursuit of more distant aims. Mr. Borden's proposals will add at once to the effective naval strength of the Empire: Sir Wilfrid Laurier's would not."

What answer can be made to the following opinion?

"Two things are clear. In the first place, there can be no practical development of local fleets unless provision is made for the training of officers and men in considerable advance of the construction of ships. In the second place, naval development on those lines can add nothing to the effective strength of the Empire for some years to come. It is no doubt with a clear regard to these considerations that Mr. Borden's naval proposals have taken their present form."

THREE LIBERAL PAPERS

The St. John Globe, which is the oldest Liberal newspaper in New Brunswick, says: "We doubt if people generally throughout Canada are taking very much stock in the Parliamentary play, except in so far as that play reveals a constitutional defect which should be repaired. The majority must rule." The Montreal Herald, the chief English-Liberal newspaper of Quebec, is inclined to let the Government's emergency vote go through if Mr. Borden will present his permanent naval policy to the people when he goes to the country at the next general election. As this is what the Prime Minister has promised to do all along, The Herald may now be considered as supporting him, and as opposing the Parliamentary blockade.

The Winnipeg Tribune, owned and edited by the defeated Liberal candidate in the Macdonald bye-election of last year, says that "the Canadian people are ready now, as at all times, to place great weight on advice from British statesmen and experts in naval matters." It declares that Canada cannot do the impossible, and that the country is not prepared to spend \$75,000,000 on a fleet before a decent commencement could be made in the construction of battleships.

Further, The Tribune says: "There is a vast difference in providing against an emergency and jumping headlong into a policy that will drain the last dollar in taxes from a people who are struggling to open and develop half a great continent of territory. Canada cannot do everything at once. A step at a time is what the sober citizens desire."

These important declarations are taken from newspapers representative of Liberal and independent opinion in three widely separated provinces. Thousands of Ontario Liberals echo their sentiments. The obstructionists in the Commons are out of touch with the country and even with extensive elements in their own party.—The Toronto News.

THE RELIGIONS OF CANADA

Bulletin No. 12, relating to the census of Canada for 1911, is just to hand. It relates chiefly to the different religious denominations of which 79 are specified. The total population of Canada is given at 7,206,643. Of the 79 specified religions the membership varies from 14 Evangelical Brethren to 2,833,041 Roman Catholics.

The following membership list of a few of the denominations may be of interest to our readers: Anglicans, 1,043,017; Baptists, 382,666; Methodists, 1,079,892; Presbyterians, 1,115,324; Roman Catholics, 2,833,041.

From this it will be seen that numerically the religious denominations above specified stand in the following order in the Dominion: Roman Catholics, Presbyterians, Methodists, Anglicans and Baptists. Of the Roman Catholic membership, the Province of Quebec contributes 1,724,653 and Ontario 484,997.

The membership standing of the same five denominations is given as follows for the Province of Ontario: Anglicans, 489,704; Baptists, 132,869; Methodists, 611,717; Presbyterians, 524,693; and Roman Catholics, 484,997. The Ontario standing, according to membership, is as follows: Methodists, Presbyterians, Anglicans, Roman Catholics and Baptists. For Quebec Province, the bul-

letin reports 102,684 Anglicans, 9,255 Baptists, 42,444 Methodists, 64,125 Presbyterians and 1,724,653 Roman Catholics. In order of membership, they stand as follows: Roman Catholics, Anglicans, Presbyterians, Methodists and Baptists. The unspecified population of the Dominion is given as 32,490.

BLOCKADE BREVITIES

Hon. Wm. Pugsley doesn't like to be called "Slippery Bill."

The Liberals are boasting of their ability to keep the Union Jack flying over Parliament Hill, but they evidently object to helping to keep it flying over the pathless seas.

A new version of the National Anthem has sprung into being during the course of the blockade of the navy bill. "God save our Gracious King; For the Empire not a thing."

Reciprocity in 1911, Separation in 1913. Verily the Liberal party has fallen upon evil days. Sir Wilfrid Laurier seems determined that his epitaph shall not be "A British subject I was born, a British subject I will die."

It must not be forgotten that the Laurier who is now in favor of separation from the Empire, is the same Laurier who a few years ago preached the Independence of Canada in the Market Place of Boston. "Like a ripe fruit falling from the parent tree" was his description of the separation of Canada from the Motherland. Evidently Laurier thinks the fruit is now ripe.

The last thing the Liberals want is an appeal to the country. They know that the rod of 1911 is still in pickle and the Canadian people are British to the core. Canada has long realized she owes it to her self-respect to come to the aid of the Motherland in naval defence, and the proposals of the Borden Government are the first step in this direction. We have too long been singing "Rule Britannia" without helping her to rule.

"British Connection versus Separation" will be a grand rallying cry at the next election. Having failed to hand Canada over to the United States as an "adjunct" the Liberal leaders have floated the red flag of anarchy over the Parliament buildings. Canada has to-day the unique experience of watching a once great party, deliberately committing suicide in a temporary fit of insanity.

With public works held up all over the Dominion, with large enterprises such as the deepening of the Welland Canal, the building of the Hudson's Bay Railway and the commencement of the Georgian Bay Canal delayed indefinitely by the Liberal blockade in Parliament the people of Canada will know whom to blame for it all. The administrative machinery is at a standstill because of the inordinate vanity of a man who places petty politics before the general advantage of Canada.

The abuse being heaped upon Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill, the first Lord of the Admiralty, by the Liberal party because the English statesman had the courage to declare that the attempt to build warships in Canada "would be wholly unwise" is merely another sign of the desperate straits in which Laurier and his followers find themselves. They held up the proceedings of Parliament until they got the opinion of Mr. Churchill, and then having obtained it they abuse him for giving it. However, it has long been the policy of the Liberal party to sneer at Englishmen, and this latest outpouring of abuse upon one of the Empire's leading statesmen is in accordance with the well recognized practice of Laurier and Company.

SENATOR McMULLEN DEAD

Senator James McMullen died at 12.40 Tuesday morning, at his home, "Maitland Hall", Mount Forest, in his eightieth year. It was only five days ago that he was taken ill with erysipelas, but from the first no hope was held out for his recovery. Mrs. McMullen died only last Wednesday and was buried on Friday. Senator McMullen only returned from Ottawa ten days ago and intended to return when the sessions were to be resumed after Easter. The funeral takes place Thursday at 2 p.m. The members of the family who

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The late Senator McMullen was the second son of Archibald McMullen, a native of Monaghan, Ireland, who came to Canada in 1846. He was born in Monaghan on the 29th of November, 1833, and educated in the public schools. He was married in September, 1856, to Mary Ann, the youngest daughter of Robert Dunbar, of Guelph, Ont.

For some years he was engaged in mercantile life, and occupied the position of reeve of Mount Forest. He sat for North Wellington in the House of Commons in the Liberal interests from 1882 to 1900. He opposed the erection of a national monument to Sir John Macdonald in 1892, and supported Nicholas Flood David for the extension of the Dominion franchise to women in 1895. He was called to the Senate February 11, 1902, by Lord Minto. He was chairman of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts from 1896 to 1900. In 1902 he joined Hon. J. I. Tarte for increased protection. In 1907 he introduced a measure looking to Senate reform, and in 1909 won for the protection of life at level crossings. He was opposed to the Taft-Fielding reciprocity compact in 1911, and was a Vice-President of the Dominion Life Assurance Company. He was a member of the National Club, Toronto, and was described by the late Sir John Macdonald as one of the ablest of the Liberal old guard.—Toronto Globe.

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