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A PHASE OF DEMOCRACY

The retirement of Prince Louis of Battenberg, from the seat which he has so long held on the Admiralty Board, is his answer to the criticism of the press. It is not at all apparent that the prince, by any act or deed or expression, exposed himself to the suspicion that he was not loyal to the crown of Great Britain.

The rebels in South Africa are easy defeated. Reason—that they have not the native people, or troops with them. Gen. De Wet is still at large. He must be exiled. He cannot be trusted again.

TRULY MISGUIDED MEN

Twelve years ago Christian de Witt, with other Boer leaders, visited Britain, was accorded a royal reception, and pledged his undying devotion to the British crown. The British government had treated the Boers in a handsome manner. It had treated the men who had fought for two years against British rule, and acted towards them as a great and generous power.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The German navy is now due to move out of Kiel and show what it can do. What is the object of the College Political Club in asking Mr. Bourassa to address its members at this time? The visit is impolitic to say the least of it.

CHURCH FAILING, WHY?

The churches have suffered in these war times. It suffered at the outset because many felt, and contended, that the church had lost its influence, or the world would not be in the conflict of to-day. Christianity, as a great and vitalizing force, has failed. Why?

The church has suffered again because it has not appealed to the heart and head of the average man. This is manifested in the religious meetings. They are not well attended. There is no fervor in connection with them. The clergy are appealing to

people who are not touched, or whose emotions are not troubled, by passing events.

The church is started when a religious worker for a military camp writes, as Rev. Mr. Cameron did from Valenciennes, about the number of men he met "at grips with fundamental spiritual realities." Among the thirty thousand men in arms there was "a tremendous number who hitherto never entered God's house," who acknowledged that "it was ten, fifteen, or twenty years since they entered a place of worship, who were not accustomed ever to give a thought to God."

Mr. Cameron, as a result of many heart-to-heart talks, felt that the soldiers of the first contingent were more given to prayer and sobriety, and determined "to stamp out the profanity which was, perhaps, the worst feature." What is all this but a terrible indictment against the church, its lethargy or fallibility, its failure to reach and move the masses.

This final earnestly-directed work of the Y.M.C.A. shows what can be done. Does it suggest to the church that it should change its tactics? There is something amiss. What is it?

Public opinion has driven Prince Louis of Battenberg out of the British admiralty. He suffers because of his nationality, and probably without a cause. The more's the pity. But the press said he should retire, and the press of England is powerful.

MAN THAT SEES THINGS

The Winnipeg Telegram, like the Toronto News, worries over the possible attitude of the senate towards the government in the event of it asking for certain very large votes of money. The senate freely, without note of discord and hesitation, consented to a war grant of \$50,000,000. It would probably consent to a second \$50,000,000 if it were needed and asked for. The venerable senators have said nothing which would put them under suspicion. Yet the Telegram flames away in this dum-dum fashion:

"The war has imposed other duties on Canada than the providing of troops to fight in the battle lines of Europe. The war has created unusual conditions within our own country. Enormous expenditures will have to be undertaken. Provision will have to be made to meet unprecedented domestic conditions arising out of the war. With the country's international trade disorganized, it is conceivable that new methods of taxation may have to be provided. Legislation of an altogether unusual character may have to be put forward for the protection of domestic interests. What guarantee is there that a senate, that dishonoured itself in heeding the demands of its master, unfaithful to his own solemn undertaking, would be loyal to a 'truce of politics'?"

No one can imagine what the Telegram is talking about. It has certainly succeeded in veiling its thoughts. Surely there are before the government many conditions that are peculiar to a war, of unparalleled proportions and intensity, and they will have to be met by legislation of a most heroic character. That is conceded. But it will not be suggested or tried while the war is on, and the government and opposition are pledged to work in harmony while the honour and welfare of the country are at stake.

By the time the drastic measures to which the Telegram refers are feasible, the war will probably be over, and the senate and the country can pass upon them intelligently. In any event it will be about time to appeal to the people—a couple of years hence—and the people will then be prepared to vote. They are not prepared to vote now, not knowing anything about the wonderful schemes that have disturbed the Telegram's dreams, unless they are visionaries and can see what is not even apparent to the members of the government at present.

WHITE FLAG TREACHERY.

Cause of French Killing Entire German Column. Paris, Oct. 31.—One East Wurttemberg regiment, numbering a thousand, is reported to have been destroyed north of the Chateau Woods, in the Argonne region. The Germans were retreating after an unsuccessful attack which they decided to return and try to surprise the pursuing French.

THE LATE GIDEON ANDERSON.

Pictou Gazette. A familiar figure in the town of Pictou, and very widely known throughout the county to the person of Gideon Anderson, passed away at his home at Cherry Valley on Thursday, October 22nd. He was born in Hillier seventy-one years ago and was a son of the late William Anderson, his mother being a sister of the late Samuel Gardiner of Sophiasburg, and was one of a family of seven, of which one brother only, Samuel of Belleville, survive. He had represented E. D. Smith of Winona in the nursery business for a number of years and was strictly upright and honorable in all his dealings. His wife's maiden name was Annie E. Ferguson, besides whom he leaves a family of six, four boys and two girls to mourn their great loss. His funeral was conducted by the Rev. Dr. Shorey, of Lindsay on Saturday the 24th of October and the interment was made at Cherry Valley.

To Banquet Premier.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Oct. 31.—December 4th has been chosen as the date for the citizens' banquet to Hon. W. H. Howland, in celebration of the province's accession to the presidency of the province.

Belgian Wants to Build Mill Near Montreal.

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MADE A GOOD HIT

ALASKA SENDS NEWS OF GOLD FIELD DISCOVERY. Extraordinary Bodies of Ore Found North of Seward — Government Laying out Good Trials.

Ottawa, Ont., Oct. 31.—News of the discovery of a great new gold field north of Seward, Alaska, in the United States territory, was brought to the Canadian government by G. H. Collins, managing director of the Canadian Fish and Cold Storage company, or so-called Canadian fish trust, of Prince Rupert B.C.

"Advice received by me from A. Wolf and A. H. Tutt," said Collins, "who have just returned from the Board Pass district, 250 miles north of Seward after having spent the season prospecting there, are to the effect that most extraordinary bodies of ore have been found."

"The ore occurs in enormous ledges or dikes, ranging in width from 500 feet to half a mile, and some of these deposits have been traced for eighteen miles, and no doubt will be found to be a great deal longer when their size has been definitely determined. The ore, while rich in gold and silver, lead and zinc, will have to be smelted to extract its values."

"Assayer Rae of Kalk asserts that he has treated many samples from the district and that a ninety-eight per cent, paying can be made. One ledge, which has been examined by Wolf and Tutt, is more than 1,200 feet wide and is solid ore from rim to rim, they declare."

"There have been thirty-five men there all summer. Wet weather hindered development and it has been next to impossible to get grub and tools is because of lack of trails. United States government engineers however, are building a good trail. A bunch of Montana mining men have been there all summer and came out to Alameda a few days ago with astounding samples."

DIED IN THE WEST

Edward C. Townsend, Died From Blood Poisoning.

Gananoque, Oct. 31.—It is reported here that ten young men of the town have gone to Kingston to offer themselves for the second contingent for overseas. The ladies of the Gananoque branch of the Y.M.C.A. Patriotic League and Relief association started this week on work for Red Cross movement here, by relatives of the death, at Vancouver, B.C., of Edward Clark Townsend, a native of Leeds, and well-known in Gananoque. He passed away in the Vancouver hospital, where he was undergoing treatment for blood poisoning, contracted from a carbuncle on his neck. He ceased to be forty-eight years of age. He was twice married, his first wife being Miss Edith Kyes, Wilstead; his second wife, Mrs. Elgin Rudd, of this town. He leaves three children. On Tuesday he was interred into the real estate business, at which he was quite successful in Winnipeg and other business centres. He afterwards went to British Columbia and purchased a fruit farm, which occupation he followed until his death, which occurred on Monday last, Oct. 26th. The funeral was on the 29th inst. Deceased was a brother of John Townsend, Garden street.

The Young People's Society, of Grace church, held a very pleasant and well-attended session in their lecture room last evening. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pelow, Lewis township, who have disposed of the farm which they have worked for many years, opened their home to their many friends on Thursday evening for a farewell party and dance. A large number of their friends availed themselves of the privilege and a very enjoyable time was spent.

Messames Lunn, Gerard, Newton and Groves, English women of the town, whose husbands are with the first overseas contingent, at Salisbury Plain, will leave at an early date to join their husbands in the motherland.

ONTARIO HAS SOWED.

One Million More Acres of Wheat This Year. Toronto, Oct. 31.—Ontario has sowed this season over one million acres of fall wheat more than it ever sowed before, and as the acreage was 727,400 acres in 1914, the area is thus more than doubled. Such was the estimate given to the Globe by the provincial department of agriculture yesterday, and the estimate was stated to be conservative. The yield for 1914 was estimated at 15,000,000 bushels in the last statistical report of the dominion government.

MOURNING FOR PRINCE MAURICE OF BATTENBERG.

London Press Pays Tribute to Maurice of Battenberg. London, Oct. 31.—Beginning yesterday the British court went into mourning for three weeks for Prince Maurice of Battenberg, the first member of the royal family to be killed in the war. Royal condolences already have been sent to his sister, the queen of Spain, who but a few days ago gave birth to a son. The London papers devote considerable space to the death of Prince Maurice saying that, although a mere boy, he was a gallant sportsman.

PRESCOTT TO BROCKVILLE.

Brockville, Oct. 31.—The Hydro-Electric commission of Ontario is constructing a power line from Prescott to Brockville and about 200 miles of line have already been completed. This line will be a part of the hydro-electric system which will furnish electrical energy to Brockville when all arrangements are completed, and the development scheme carried out. A large stock of supplies has been received here for the work.

Premier Roblin's Son Enlists.

Winnipeg, Oct. 31.—The son of Premier Roblin, of Manitoba, was accepted as a member of the second contingent.

Belgian Parliament To Meet.

Paris, Oct. 31.—It is stated on good authority that the Belgian government will convene at Havre on the second Tuesday in November.

Public Opinion

Oh, That's It. Oswego Times.

After two or three fellows' legs have been broken, a cheerful confidence spreads through the football crowd that they are going to see a real game.

A Contrast.

Cotton's Weekly. Canada is spending a hundred millions on war in one year. Yet our government cannot, in time of peace see that Canadians do not go hungry.

Ashamed Of Him.

Hamilton Times. The Brockville Times and the Kingston Standard hope that no Canadian Club will ever again invite Henri Bourassa to speak before it. Getting ashamed of their ally.

Worthy Of Imitation.

Montreal Mail. By his refusal to bother about red tape or politics Lord Kitchener is probably storing up a lot of trouble for the Asquith government. But the party's loss is the nation's gain.

It Surely Is.

Ottawa Journal. English school-teachers are said in many cases to be dealing systematically with news connected with the war, explaining and commenting to the class. Looks to be rather a good idea.

Queer, Isn't It?

Toronto Globe. While Russia is cutting out vodka, and France abstinence, and Britain's armies in the field have gone dry, the beer advertisements in Ontario grow bigger than ever. The election of June gave confidence to the "trade."

Kingston Events

Twenty-Five Years Ago

The toll gate on the Waterloo and Swedenham Road was sold by Mr. Walker for \$800, the same price as he paid for it last year.

M. O'Grady has been spending several weeks looking over the iron ore mines in the back country.

At today's market apples sold from \$2 to \$3 per bushel, grapes, 6c to 7c; per pound; watermelons, 10c to 20c; potatoes, 5c to 7c; per bushel; tomatoes, 50c to 60c; per bushel; butter, 20c to 23c; per pound; chickens, 40c to 60c; per pair; turkeys, \$1 to \$1.25 per pair.

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Announcement? As I have decided to vacate my present premises in the early spring of 1915, I am now prepared to make reductions on any monument that I have in stock. If it is your intention of purchasing it would be to your advantage to buy now. J. E. MULLEN Cor. Princess and Clergy Streets Kingston. Phone 1817.

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