

HE WRITES A LETTER

J. McDONALD MOWAT. AD. DRESSES M. A. MACDONALD.

He suggests a Big Recruiting Campaign in Province of British Columbia—He Calls for a Real Political Truce.

Kingstonian, writes the following letter to M. A. McDonald, Vancouver, B.C. It is published in the Vancouver Sun.

My dear McDonald—By virtue of your position you have been active during the last few months in criticising the local government and pointing out its shortcomings and the consequent crisis in the affairs of the province. In your views on these matters, as you know, I quite agree. But the thought somewhat insistently arises, is this the time to labor these questions, or rather, are there not a problem of much more vital importance calling for the united efforts of all parties and factions in the province, in the Dominion, in the empire? The empire, faced by the greatest crisis in its history, is fighting desperately for its existence and for the maintenance of the ideals of life and conduct for which it stands. The most optimistic cannot honestly suggest that the fighting has been in favor of the Allies. On the eastern front the Russians have been and are being pushed steadily back with enormous losses. In the west, after ten months' fighting, Germany is still in occupation, in practical possession, of most of Belgium and northern France, and the war, with its attendant devastation, is there being carried on.

If the war should terminate unfavorably, we will not be troubled about the crisis in British Columbia. It may then be German Columbia or simply Columbia, or perhaps, Altonalebia, and the only way to prevent this is to make a reality of the call for the last dollar and the last man. I would suggest that even continuance, in the meantime, of government by the czar is vastly preferable to permanent government by the Kaiser. What then is to be done? By each one of the things nearest to his hand. By you and others before the public eye I would suggest a general recruiting campaign. Our population is, say, one-sixth of that of the British Isles. There 2,000,000 men are said to be under enlistment for foreign service. In Canada we have, at most, 150,000 or 250,000 less than our due proportion. Why? Because our young men are less brave or enterprising than their brothers in the old land? The blood-stained trenches, the graves of our dead in France and Flanders, give a triumphant negative to that. Then why? Simply because, thousands of miles away from the battlefield and learning what is taking place there only in such measure as is allowed to filter through, the fierce realities of the struggle have not yet struck in. Most of us read of it as an interesting narrative of something that does not directly and personally concern us. For this reason, you can almost, any evening, at a game of some amateur ball league, or at the bathing beaches or on the downtown streets, hundreds, thousands of young fellows splendidly fit, just as courageous and patriotic as those who have gone forward, but to whom the call to service has not yet gone home.

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and who only need to realize the emergency to induce them to crowd the recruiting offices faster than they could be equipped.

Would not you and others in public life be doing the very highest service if you would establish a real political truce and devote your time and talents to an energetic platform recruiting campaign, here, there, everywhere where you can reach the young fellows who, if they only knew the necessity, would not hesitate to answer the summons? What an influence it would have if, say, the attorney-general, Justice Murphy, Sir C. H. Tupper and yourself would appear on the platform together in different parts of the city and province, telling the plain, grim truth of the situation and sounding the bugle call to duty. The settlement of the crisis in British Columbia can wait. Will you not devote your time and talents to this transcendent question that we may be sure there will still be a British Columbia to have a crisis in?

PITH OF NEWS.

Despatches From Near and Distant Places.

Butter is being exported from California to the Antipodes. Recruiting officers will make a special appeal to Canadians to enlist. Eight full cases of dynamite have been stolen from a Cobalt mine powder house. John Campbell, a Howick township farmer, committed suicide by cutting his throat. The Ontario Medical Council is considering the question of reciprocity with Britain. The acting Fire Chief, of Toronto dismissed District Chief Gunn for insubordination. Sir Edmund Roblin was on the stand four hours in the investigation in Manitoba. A Toronto fire ranger named Chas. H. Porter, 12 Halton street, was drowned near Sudbury. Stephen Nicholson, a noted Short-horn cattle breeder of West Williams township is dead. Colonel Currie is in the Highlands of Scotland recuperating from the effects of gas poisoning. Col. John A. Currie, M.P., of the 48th Highlanders, is sailing from Britain on Saturday for Canada. Lieut.-Col. J. E. Coboc, Niagara Falls has been appointed Commander of infantry at London Camp. Red Deer Liberals have re-nominated Dr. Michael Clark as their candidate for the House of Commons. Major-General Hughes will sail on Saturday for England. He will visit the Canadian troops in the fighting line. At the Ontario Medical Council meeting Sir James Grant advised greater specialization in the care of infants. The United States Embassy at Constantinople reports 108 British and French prisoners in the hands of the Turks. Affairs well treated. Physicians who are at the bedside of Archbishop Quigley of Chicago announce that the prelate is slowly sinking. The archbishop is in Rochester, N.Y. General Baron von Wessels, ex-member of the council of defense of the union of South Africa, was acquitted at his second trial on a charge of treason. A stenographer employed in the office of E. T. Lightbourne, Toronto, near the scene of the fake hold-up, says she was attacked by gunmen, who stole \$200. Rev. Gordon S. Jury, B.A., is retiring from the pastorate of the Baptist church at Cobourg at the end of this month. He intends to pursue a post-graduate course. The death occurred on Tuesday at Alexandria Bay, N.Y., of Frank Griffin, a well-known merchant. He had conducted a general store at Alexandria Bay for many years. A Prague, Bohemia, the newspaper Narodni Listy, leading organ of the Young Czech party, has been suppressed by the police. It has been alleged to be an organ of peace propagandists. Five hundred and fifty men and women crowded into a temporary structure for a moving picture scene were imperilled by fire in New York on Tuesday by the premature explosion of powder which was to have been used later to demolish the building. Several actresses were severely burned. Newspaper Advertising the Best. William C. Freeman, New York when addressing the premium section of the big conventions in Chicago of delegates representing the Advertising Clubs of the World, said of newspaper advertising: "That he considered newspaper space the best for advertising. He has found, he said, that stores offering premiums were usually the largest newspaper advertisers. 'I feel that newspaper advertising stands as pre-eminent as a business builder that it need never fear the competition of other forms of advertising, providing its advocates go about their business without wasting time in slandering competition. There are times when a man should feel too proud to fight. The newspaper advertising man should always feel too proud to fight any other form of advertising. He never needs to. To my mind he represents the supreme advertising force.'"

Will Meet in Tallest Building.

The annual meeting of the Canadian Press Association will be held this year in Toronto on Thursday and Friday, Sept. 2nd and 3rd, in the assembly room and two committee rooms of the Toronto Board of Trade, located on the nineteenth floor of the new Royal Bank building. This building is the highest in Toronto, and also has the distinction of being the tallest structure in the whole British Empire. Dean Talcott Williams of the School of Journalism of the Columbia University, New York, will address the convention.

Purifying the Air.

A pitcher of cold water placed on the table of an occupied room will absorb all the gases with which the room is filled from the respiration of those eating or sleeping in it. In a few hours this pitcher of cold water will make the air of the room pure, while the water itself will become totally unfit for use.

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Postoffice Will Carry Out Plan to Provide For Them.

The Government has approved of a plan suggested by the Overseas Club, Amalgamated Canadian Tobacco Funds, to provide the soldiers at the front with tobacco, and it will be into effect at the Kingston post office. The scheme is one which will be carried out in all the post offices in Canada.

It is proposed to have subscription lists at the post office made out in the name of the Overseas Club Tobacco Fund, the money to be paid over to the Bank of Montreal by the postmaster.

The Club proposes also to chain to the counter in the post office, a tin box upon which the following will be marked "Please leave your change for the benefit of the Overseas Club Tobacco Fund, administered in Canada and delivered through the Overseas Club." The money received through these boxes is also to be paid direct to the banks as above, and as a box becomes full it will be removed and simultaneously replaced.

Military Pigeons.

A military pigeon system is still maintained in France, owing to the success of experiments made during the siege of Paris, when, of 302 carriers liberated from balloons, 73 returned safely. These birds bore messages photographed on collidion, enclosed in goose quills, attached by silk threads to the upper part of the tail feathers.

The modern French carrier pigeon is a cross between the biset and the Belgian "traveller." The prevailing type is large, with a long body, head, neck and beak. The female lays two eggs at a time, from which are usually hatched a male and a female. Incubation lasts eighteen days, and both parents share in the process of upbringing. Birds chosen for such work are fed on wheat, but when they are to be put to tests of endurance their diet is small dried beans and maize with water that contains iron.

Training begins when birds are three or four months old. They are placed in baskets, taken a mile or so from home, and liberated. A few days later the process is repeated at a greater distance, and so on in successive stages, until a bird flies homeward 100 miles or more. At five months it will fly 300 miles in ten hours. A pigeon, however, is not at its best until four or five years old, when it can easily cover 600 or 700 miles. The average speed of a good carrier is twenty miles an hour, and the height at which it flies is from 450 to 500 feet.

Aiding the Enemy.

Sir William Ramsay, in a special article in the London Daily Express, says Mr. Lloyd George, must add to his arduous duties that of excluding the materials of ammunition from Germany. The responsibility for not declaring cotton contraband rests with the board of trade, privately and by a deputation the president of the Board of Trade has been urged since February to place cotton on the contraband list, but in vain. Fear of offending American susceptibilities may have been the cause of this want of action, but if £20,000,000 was to be expended in purchasing cotton destined for our adversaries there is every reason to believe that patriotism would prove good business. The Exchequer would gain at least £1,800,000 by purchasing the cotton, and selling it in a high market. The question of declaring cotton contraband is really one instance of the extraordinary dilakie of our ex-Government to take expert advice. British science must be organized. Doubtless the departments of State are too busy to undertake the organization. But this is not a time to stand on ceremony or to defer to prejudices. It is not yet too late. The war is, unfortunately, far from over. If this had been done at an earlier date we should have spared the departments providing our enemies with the sinews of war.

Remembered the Teacher.

On Friday, June 25th, the primary pupils of the junior room, Bath Public School, who had been dismissed the previous week, marched up to the school, a little girl heading the procession, carrying a beautiful bouquet of white peonies and heliotrope. At 2.30 p.m. the little band joined the senior class of the room, to say good-bye to their teacher, Miss Adams, who is leaving. After the pupils were seated, three many boys came forward, the first reading an address of a highly complimentary character. The second presented a splendid volume of "Tennyson's Poems complete while the third in a rousing voice shouted, "Three cheers for Miss Adams." Just at this moment the little girl beamed as she carried her flowers to Miss Adams. Though the children looked very pleasing and gave their teacher a complete surprise, she found it very difficult to find words to express her sincere appreciation. The happy gathering closed with singing, "God Save The King."

Leather Medals.

Leather medals were originally conferred as a genuine mark of honor. When King John of France, captured at Agincourt, was forced to pay to Edward III, of England a ransom of 3,000,000 gold crowns to effect his release, he was left with out precious metal for coins or decorations. So he found it necessary to pay the palace expenses with leather money. He also used leather medals when he wished to confer honor on some nobleman. The custom quickly arose of presenting leather medals as a burlesque distinction.—American Boy.

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