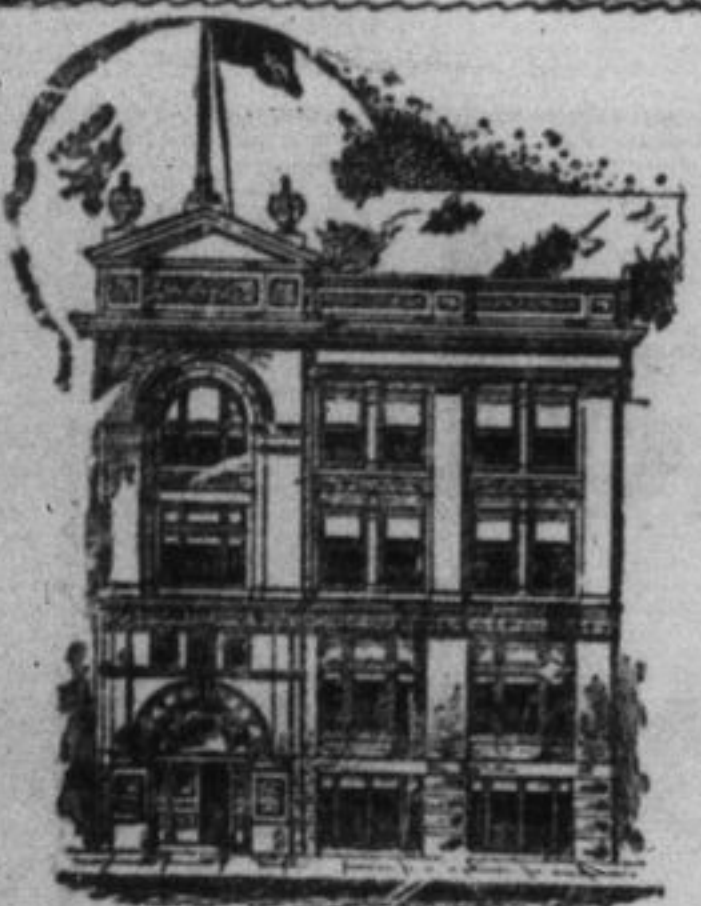


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NOT A LIBERAL PAPER. The Montreal Star is another newspaper the Liberal press persists in quoting as a Conservative newspaper.

Is our contemporary quite sure a Liberal Government brought knighthood to Sir Hugh Graham? Was the title not the result of the conspicuous service which Sir Hugh rendered to Canada as one of the delegation of newspaper men who attended the Imperial Conference some years ago?

The Montreal Star has been regarded as an independent paper, with Conservative leanings, and in successive elections it supported the Conservative party.

In the last election the Star was against reciprocity, and when, as a result of it, the Conservative party succeeded to power, Sir Hugh Graham was in Ottawa, (he may have been called there), in consultation with the Premier and the men who afterwards became his colleagues.

HEALTH OF THE PUPILS. Hamilton's new schools are defective in ventilation, and the School Board is looking for an expert to advise its members as to what they ought to do.

EDITORIAL NOTES. Four inspectors of munitions appointed by the Militia Department? Why should the Canadian Government, or any department of it, appoint inspectors of a business which is under the Imperial Government?

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THE INFLUENCE OF ALIENS. There is a growing local fear of the Germans, and it is not remarkable that objection is being taken to their presence in public places, or in places where they can, if they will, exert a baneful influence.

THE EMPLOYERS OF LABOR ARE MEANWHILE confronted with a serious appeal from the labor men. The supporters of the British Empire—the men who are called upon to make sacrifices for the cause, who see in the Titanic struggle in Europe the necessity for imperial unity in every

detail of the war—are not willing to patiently endure alien companionship in social and industrial circles. One can recall the manner in which England suffered during the early stages of the war from the espionage of the Germans. The British were so guileless and trustful that they harbored, innocently, the people who were plotting for their ruin, and an end of this had to be reached.

Public opinion in Kingston may strain the relations between the British and their alien friends. There may be a severance of the ties that find them in business and industrial ways. It is hoped, however, that prudence and justice will mark every act of those who are in the majority and who represent imperial interests.

AMERICAN PREPAREDNESS. Whether Mr. Roosevelt will be the next President of the United States, or whether Mr. Wilson will have a second term—and when elected he said one term would do him—the United States will have a bigger army and a bigger navy. Both men are pledged to this. The navy, according to Mr. Wilson, ranks fourth among the navies of the world. He thinks it should rank higher in view of the fact that \$40,000,000 a year have been spent upon it for some years, and that its enlisted men have increased in number by several thousand. The army must be larger, and, if Mr. Wilson's plans mature, it will number at least half a million men, while there will be in reserve a force which can be mobilized and made equal to any national contingency.

Mr. Roosevelt will go as far as Mr. Wilson in his military policy. The leaders of the people have become suddenly, and as a result of the war, stout advocates of force as it is exemplified in the army and navy. Mr. Wilson was somewhat handicapped when his Secretary of State left him as a protest against his warlike talk with Germany over the Lusitania disaster. But he has just made a trip through the middle states and wherever he has unfolded his scheme of preparedness it has been acclaimed as right. Thus, in any event, and no matter who is the next President, the United States will have an army and navy of huge proportions.

Mr. Roosevelt, discussing his programme in the Metropolitan Magazine, wants to see the United States with a navy that will be second only to the greatest, namely, that of Britain, in whose friendship he depends because of the interest Britain has in Canada as a neighbor of the Republic. This tribute to Britain, as a power whose abiding sympathy can be depended upon, by Mr. Roosevelt, is very important. There are some people in the United States who would like to see a breach between Canada and the Republic, but they are in the minority and will stay in it with views and expectations which will never be realized.

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THE PACKARDS, leading the way which other Americans will follow, stipulate that hereafter no employee can secure advancement unless he is an American citizen. The sure and certain way to guard against alien treachery.

WHY should the Liberals condone to offences of Foster, Garland and Fallis, by letting them go back to Parliament without opposition? The Conservatives may be willing to whitewash these men, but the Liberals are not.

THERE may be nothing offensive or indiscreet in the correspondence which is carried on between the Germans in the fort and their friends in Canada, but it will stand a continuance of the censorship to which it has been exposed.

MR. ROOSEVELT is not eager for war, but if his country were involved in it, he and his boys would be under arms. "I'd rather," he says, "all my boys were in their graves than lined in their duty when the nation calls." These are the words and sentiments of a true patriot.

PUBLIC OPINION

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