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STAND BY THE BOYS.

One of the features of the new boys' movement, which so few people out of a certain circle understand...

Some cities and towns have the necessary school play-grounds, which are fitted up in a certain way and have a competent instructor in charge of them.

Of course the Y.M.C.A. has a gymnasium which is open to the people of all classes and ages, but fees are charged, which, though low, cannot be paid by some of the boys, and it is not desired that they shall be discriminated against.

Sir George Perley and Sir George Foster got it from the government. Can it stand this desertion and live? Or is there an abandonment of the ship of state when every man should be at his post?

ASQUITH AND LLOYD-GEORGE. Who wants to be a political leader? Who thinks this one is free from political worry? Certainly no one who knows anything about our great men or reads about them.

When, later, a liberal government attained to power, he became a member of it and at once, by his ability and industry, exerted an influence in the Commons. He was a sympathizer with the oppressed of every class.

ployment benefits, free dispensaries and maternity hospitals, stand to his credit as wonders of their kind.

His success has not been due to accidental causes. He is not a child of fortune. On the contrary his dominance in the political world is due solely to his rare gifts, and his still rarer use of them.

Mr. Asquith acquits Mr. Lloyd-George of the charge of conspiring against him. Indeed the friendship that has been so cordial for so many years continues notwithstanding their changed relations.

It was Sir Sam Hughes who intimated that the premier had his eye upon a certain place of honor and emolument. That must have been the office to which Sir George Foster has been now appointed.

SIR GEORGE'S NEW OFFICE.

Sir George Foster disappears from the public life of Canada to become high commissioner in England. The appointment suggests some serious reflections. The demand is that Canada, at this crisis, be served by its ablest men.

At such a time Canada's minister of commerce leaves Ottawa for England. As the one who attended the Paris conference, to discuss what should be done during the war, and afterwards, in the business interests of the Allies, and as the one who has since been employed in giving the policy of the Allies effect, Sir George's retirement from the cabinet must be regretted.

It has often been felt that Sir George Foster was not himself in a subordinate position. His department in the Borden government did not rank in importance with the departments of finance and public works and railways, and his relegation to commerce carried with it, as it did in the preceding liberal government, the implication that the occupant of it was either overlooked or under-estimated.

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

If the Greeks were as hostile and mischievous all along, as Viscount Gray alleges, they should be treated as enemies. The Constantine government is not worthy of any consideration.

Hon. Mr. Graham says that no man, and that means no politician, must stand in the way of our cause. Isn't that straight enough? Why should the conservative press libel and slander the liberal leaders?

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has made an eloquent appeal to his countrymen in Quebec to rally to the colors of their country at this juncture is its history. He would have appeared on the same platform with Sir Robert Borden had he been invited.

The people who think that Germany is not suffering through the British blockade should read the article in another column, and written by a lady in Dresden to her sister in Hur-

ington, Vt. It puts the food situation in a very remarkable light.

The law against combines and high prices in the United States has been a failure. The law officer got after the manipulator, of food, but cannot do anything. The New Yorkers refer to the success of the Canadian law. Where? Canada has not heard of it.

Dr. Simpson, who was brought back from England for prosecution because of his alleged connection with the scandals of the Roblin government, has not been tried. The charges against him have simply been dropped. Is that fair to the man? Has he been declared by this process to be innocent? If not, he should be tried, and, if not guilty, acquitted.

Sir George Foster is presumably out of politics when he accepts of the high commissioner of England. Still, when Sir Charles Tupper held it he returned to Canada to assist his political associate and master, the late Sir John Macdonald. Sir George Foster, unless quite sure that the government will be safe, will remain in London when election takes place.

PUBLIC OPINION.

It is Coming. (Hamilton Times) Now, another big Somme advance is needed to cheer us up.

A Good Example. (Toronto Globe) Asquith follows Pitt and Gladstone in remaining a Great Commoner instead of accepting a living tomb in the Lords.

A Warning of Surprise. (Hamilton Herald) It remains to be seen whether the fall of two cents in the price of bread is merely a temporary expedient to crush competition.

Will They Act? (Hamilton Spectator) Now that there is a Conservative majority in the Senate, it should be an appropriate time for the Liberals to revive their demand for the abolition of that body.

They Surely Will Not. (London Advertiser) The United States ambassador at Berlin has notified the British government that some Canadian prisoners of war have been sentenced to twelve years' imprisonment. They will not languish in jail for the full term.

A Warning. (Toronto Telegram) Hon. W. H. Hearst can surely offer something better than a bye-election in East York to pro-Hydro and public rights Conservatives who wish to sustain the Hearst leadership and to strengthen the Conservative party.

A New Council. (Windsor Record) How would it do to form a war council in Canada, consisting, say, of Sir Robert Borden, Sir Thomas White, minister of finance, Hon. A. E. Kemp, minister of militia, Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Hon. George F. Williams?

A Past Record. (Montreal Gazette) The death list of Canadians in the

Random Reels

"Of Shoes and Ships and Sealing Wax, of Cabbages and Kings."

THE STEAM RADIATOR.

The steam radiator is a graceful household ornament which stores up heat and lets go of it with a shuddering sob. It will always remain a mystery to the ordinary citizen why American inventive genius, which perfected the legless egg-beater and the streamline baby car, has never been able to extract the periodic water from the Steam Radiator.

Rippling Rhymes

METEOROLOGICAL.

The weather seer predicts a freeze: "Tomorrow 'twill be snowing, and forty kinds of arctic breeze, like blitzen will be blowing." Tomorrow I had planned to go to visit sundry nieces, but this punk prophecy of snow has knocked my plans to pieces.

war to date amounts to nearly 16,000, while wounded and missing total another 60,000. The people of the Dominion are doing their duty and intend to continue to do so, despite the cost in blood and treasure.

East via the West. (Toronto News) The reported decision of the Canadian Pacific Railway to expend from \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000 on new grain elevators and terminal facilities in Vancouver may be accepted as forecasting the development of a great export trade via the Pacific coast and the Panama Canal.

KINGSTON EVENTS 25 YEARS AGO

Over 1,000 people heard Joe Hess yesterday afternoon in the Opera House. In the evening 1,200 people. The working people are well pleased with the budding of the electric lights all night.

CALLING BIG MEN INTO THE SERVICE

What we want in Canada is what Lloyd-George is about to give England: to wit, a national government. We want the Governor-General to call to his council board the biggest, strongest men in Canada, men in whom all the people have confidence, men who would fearlessly carry on the war with the undivided purpose of achieving success.

The war is not over, and not nearly over, and everything indicates that there are many months, and probably some years, of it still ahead of us. And the need for greater efficiency and aggressiveness in government and people will increase as every month goes over our head.

Dispersion Sale Success. Kempville, Dec. 11.—A Kernahan's dispersion sale of registered Holstein cattle held at Hilldale Farm, Kempville, on Wednesday, was a success. The herd of fifty-one head, including twenty young calves, sold for \$6,965, an average of \$136.39 each. Buyers were present from all parts of the country.

Perce Doughty, Toronto, is applying to Parliament for a divorce from his wife, Benita Doughty, Toronto, on the usual grounds.

J. F. Maher, well-known horseman, was instantly killed in an auto accident while going from Niagara Falls to St. Catharines.

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in an impartial and noiseless manner. It was never intended to be used as a musical instrument or to extract long, sinuous streams of steam from a reservoir of hot water.

The Steam Radiator also has the habit of collecting water in the form of condensation and shooting it through the meter at the rate of one mile in thirty-two seconds.

through the meter at the rate of one mile in thirty-two seconds. Many a worthy patron has been so discouraged by this conscienceless practice and keeps adding to his vocabulary that he has gone back to the base-burning coal stove, which does not speak until it is spoken to.

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BORN CAMPBELL—At Hiller, on Nov. 23rd, to Mr. and Mrs. John Campbell, a daughter. GRAHAM—At Napanee, on Nov. 26th, to Mr. and Mrs. James Graham, a son. HUGHES—At Roblin, on Dec. 6th, to Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hughes, a daughter. STEINBURGH—In Pleton, on Nov. 29th, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Steinburgh, a daughter, Vera Sylvia. TESKEY—At Wellington, on Dec. 4th, to Mr. and Mrs. Claude Teskey, a daughter. WALTERS—At Napanee, on Nov. 26th, to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. T. Walters, a daughter.

MARRIED KING-KIRKPATRICK—At Napanee, on Dec. 5th, Herbert, eldest son of William King, Napanee, and Martha, eldest daughter of John and Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Ernestown. DIED CLAIRINGBOLD—At South Fredericksburg, on Nov. 27th, Henry Parker Clairingbold, aged 79 years. HUGHES—At Roblin, on Dec. 7th, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hughes. MILLER—At Switzerville, on Dec. 5th, Peter R. Miller, aged 71 years. MASTIN—At Athol on Nov. 30th, Mrs. Hannah Mastin, widow of the late Cornelius Mastin, aged 79 years. SEABORNE—Killed in action in France on Nov. 11th, Benjamin Winter Seaborne, aged thirty years, eldest son of the late Rev. W. Rolfe Seaborne, incumbent of Milford and Waupoos.

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