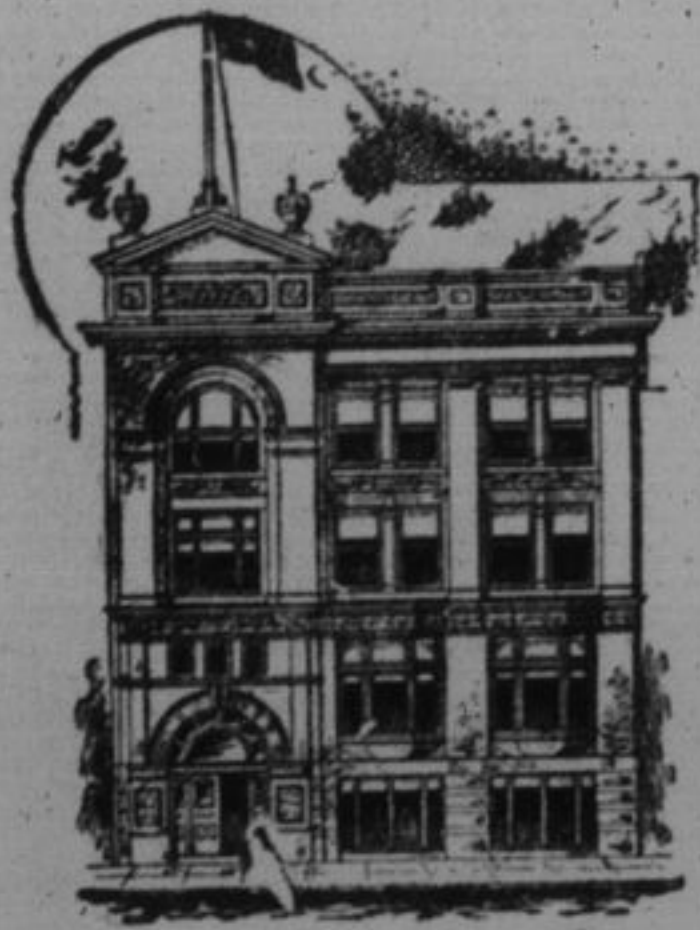


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TESTING OUR GRIT. I ask you to read, and read a second time, the statements of the First Lord of the Admiralty...

Once more—and through the New Brunswick election—the federal administration and its friends can read the hand-writing upon the wall.

THROW THEM OVERBOARD. No one in Ontario can appreciate the true meaning of the political battle which was fought in New Brunswick on Saturday.

The Murray administration had absolutely nothing to commend it to the electors. Its leader, Hon. J. A. Murray, who took office only on Feb. 1st as premier, in place of advocating a new and clean policy...

What could be expected from one who began his administration under such unfavorable auspices? The inevitable happened. The opposition, which held only three seats in the last house, has defeated the government in the election...

The Murray party should have learned a lesson from Manitoba and British Columbia, and cast the political Jonahs overboard to be swallowed up in the tempestuous political sea.

The political reputations of some men in New Brunswick looked bad enough before the local election. After the election they looked a good deal worse.

COLLEGES AND RECRUITING.

It was proposed that the university of Toronto be closed during 1917 and 1918, and the matter was deemed worthy of special consideration. The decision is to keep the university open for many reasons...

Toronto University, like Queen's University, has placed all its available buildings at the disposal of the Hospitals Commission, and others could not be given up until after the war since then they would be occupied and not immediately available for educational purposes.

In England the colleges have not been closed during the war. Of course, the attendance of students is smaller, but the attendance of freshmen and women is larger. The average attendance at all the British colleges annually is 45,000; and this year 23,000 students have registered...

Did Hon. Mr. Hazen go off to England with the premiers for a purpose, and that to get away from the responsibility of going into New Brunswick and taking part in the election?

EXPENSES AND THE WAR. The cost of living is being felt by every class in the community though one would infer, from the number of persons who patronize the places of amusement, that there is no want or pinch in Kingston. This exhibit is made very largely, it is said, by the beneficiaries of the soldiers, the recipients of the government's bounty in maintenance allowances and patriotic funds.

Of course the beneficiaries of the government and the patriotic institutions are not the only thoughtless ones. Some representatives of the industrial classes are flush of funds, and they show it by their spendings. These, too, will have occasion to lament their lack of forethought.

The merchants and manufacturers may be, and no doubt are, able to pay more taxes, and it is to the credit of some men that they are willing that their taxes should be raised. There are others—much the larger number—who are not benefited by the war, and they cannot easily pay any more in public rates.

EDITORIAL NOTES. Mr. Carvell has had his revenge. He has helped the people of New Brunswick to put the seal of his disapproval upon the Murray government.

The tory politicians at Ottawa who had their ears to the ground on Saturday night heard something that must have made them feel very uneasy.

A former member of the New Brunswick government said \$100,000 had been extracted from one railway builder for political purposes, and when the election of 1912 occurred there was a fund of \$237,000.

Only \$76,000 of it was spent. There was plenty of pork, therefore, for the election on Saturday provided it was not fried away in the meantime.

The question that no one can answer is why Mr. Bennett, minister of national service, is so anxious to see the Militia Act in force. What has his commission got to do with it anyway?

There is only one way to win public favor, politically, and that is by playing the game fairly. The Murray government in New Brunswick would not be defeated this day had it chased its evil supporters into political exile.

A Montreal Justice ruled that a doctor can order and deliver liquor any place for a patient. Prohibition laws have no terror for him. Another reason why the minister of justice should amend the federal liquor law of 1916.

The fate of the New Brunswick government will be pointed to as the result of what happens to a coalition administration. But it should be pointed to as the result of what happens when the government of any kind gives itself up to a corrupt and disgraceful career.

Willing To Go. (Windsor Record) Surprising what a lot of chaps there are who are "perfectly willing and ready" to go overseas if the Government will only make them.

Costly Board. (Hamilton Spectator) Ontario's license board, of five members, draws down salaries aggregating \$20,500. One of its members acts without compensation. Can he be really compos mentis?

The Boys at Home. (London Advertiser) Speaking of the Red Cross work, one would imagine that they would have a lot of socks knitted for the boys at home. There seems to be quite a number suffering from cold feet.

Municipal Coal Yard. (St. Catharines Standard) While Hamilton is discussing the question of possible municipal action to relieve the fuel question, scores of St. Catharines families are rejoicing in the heat from municipal coal.

Stop the Imposition. (Hamilton Herald) Even those officers who have done good service in recruiting and training battalions cannot reasonably expect to keep on drawing pay and receiving no service for it. They might better return to civilian life.

Price Not Yet Fixed. (Quebec Mercury) There's just one danger of giving the votes to women, and that is they may not appreciate the market value. The old price used to be \$2 and a drink of whiskey, but the prohibition schedule has not been drawn up yet.

Still Waiting. (Toronto Mail) Is it really for an "overt act" on the part of a German submarine that

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

THE DOVE OF PEACE. The dove of peace is a bedraggled bird with one eye closed, four tail feathers missing and both hips out of joint. It was in good health until August, 1914, but has not drawn a sober breath since.

The dove was chosen to symbolize peace because it is one of the few birds in existence which can be depended upon to turn the other cheek. Nobody ever saw a pair of doves climb down off the ridge pole and go six rounds with bare knuckles. The cheery, red-breasted woodpecker can walk up to a whole flock of adult doves and extract an apology alone and single-handed.

Rippling Rhymes CONVALESCENCE When one's been lying sick in bed, with plaster casts upon his head, and poultices upon his feet, recovery seems, oh, so sweet!

—WALT MASON. President Wilson is waiting, or is it for a message from the British Admiralty that all the German submarines have been caught in its dragnet?

KINGSTON EVENTS 25 YEARS AGO

Messrs. DeLaney and McElin, of the Asylum Baseball Club, who were offered positions at good salaries on the St. Louis Baseball teams, have decided not to accept the proposal. The waterworks department have issued warrants to some of the most wealthy and influential citizens of Kingston for refusing to pay their arrears for street watering.

CANADA HAS TOO MUCH GOVERNMENT

Canada may be short of coal and troubled with a slight scarcity of recruits. But one thing she has in great plenty is government. What with governors, lieutenant-governors, parliaments, legislatures, etc., her available supply of statesmen is fairly well eaten up.

AN EVIDENCE OF SOUND PRACTICES

In laying before the Legislature of Manitoba a statement of the province's finances, the Treasurer explained that the revenues were not sufficient for the requirements of the present, to say nothing of what might arise in the future. This is not a new story from a provincial financier.

SIR WILFRID LAURIER SEEMINGLY SAFE

Manitoba member of parliament wishes to know if Premier Norris would put Sir Wilfrid Laurier in jail for endorsing the views of Mr. Cannon in Dorchester. We don't know what the premier would do, but personally we think the Liberal leader is just as safe as though he had swindled the country out of a few hundred thousands in a war contract.

MANITOBA LEADS IN SOCIAL REFORMS

The first issue of the Manitoba bulletin is a record of remarkable progress. The Temperance Act came into force last year. It was followed by a decrease of 87 per cent. in drunkenness. The total commitments for crimes of all kinds were 937 in 1915, and 629 in 1916; and the working of prohibition is not yet fully shown, as there were five months under license in 1916.

Direct legislation has been enacted, but doubts exist as to the validity of some parts of the law. Woman suffrage is in force. Agriculture receives special attention. In one part of the Province, where the country is rough and scrubby, but suitable for stock-raising and mixed farming, the settlers are assisted in acquiring farm animals. Practical and energetic men are evidently in control of affairs.

Rippling Rhymes

CONVALESCENCE When one's been lying sick in bed, with plaster casts upon his head, and poultices upon his feet, recovery seems, oh, so sweet! The doctors, round my couch of straw, have piled the squirts and the saws; knots and screamed, for every ache that has a name held wassail in my stricken frame, and many aches not classified whizzed through my sinews and my hide. At last I fell into a sleep, an old time slumber, rich and deep, and when I woke my form was free from every brand of agony. 'Tis at a crucial time like this, when full of convalescent bliss, a fellow feels how great is health—far greater than the whole world's wealth. And he can clearly realize how dippy, batty and unwise, it is to sacrifice that boon, to gain another pica-yune. A million men, you may observe, are straining every bone and nerve, year after year, to add one more gun-metal dollar to their store. Some day they'll be where I have been, with poultices from feet to chin, and when they lie in solitude, and o'er their years of folly brood, they'll say, as I am saying yet, that health's the one and only bet.

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