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ADDRESS AT CONVOCATION

BY J. MURRAY CLARK, K.C., OF TORONTO.

He Gives Two Special Reasons Why His Association With Queen's University Is Agreeable to Him.

In addressing Queen's University Convocation after receiving the honorary degree of Doctor of Law on Wednesday afternoon, J. Murray Clark, K.C., of Toronto, said:

"Before stating two special reasons why this association with Queen's University is agreeable to me, let me say that for many years I have been a firm believer in the solidarity of the true interests of our Canadian universities. It, therefore, seemed to me especially fitting that you should select as Chancellor one who is a graduate of the University of Toronto and also a Governor of McGill.

Many years ago, it was my privilege to be associated with the late Principal Grant in what has been well described by Colonel G. T. Denison as "The Struggle for Imperial Unity." An English public man, whom I shall not name, reported after a visit to Canada a few years before the war, that imperial sentiment in Canada was very superficial, and that if England went to war about the neutrality of Belgium, Canada would not send a man or spend a dollar. Principal Grant taught that if the Mother Country were in peril, Canada should and would rally to her support, to the last man—to the last dollar. The Mother Country did go to war about the neutrality of Belgium, as in duty bound, and the event proved Principal Grant was right.

Principal Grant spoke only of the men and the dollars. He took it for granted that the Canadian women would bravely do their duty as indeed in the war they nobly did.

Another reason why it is for me a special pleasure to be associated with Queen's, in the honorable way you have arranged, is, that for many years I was associated in a humble way with the late Sir Sandford Fleming, long chancellor of Queen's, in the work of the Royal Canadian Institute, of which I have now the honor to be president. For some time we have been endeavoring to arouse public interest in industrial and scientific research. Unless we multiply the applications of science to industry, we cannot pay the enormous debts which will shortly confront us; and we cannot provide as we should for the dependents of those who have fallen in the great fight for liberty and civilization.

It must ever be remembered that it is the primary function of a University to cultivate Science for its own sake being fully assured that if we first seek truth all these things shall be added. In the safeguarding of liberty and in the advancement of civilization, universities should be and are potent factors. It is largely because of our faith in our universities that we can now confidently say what Wordsworth said over a hundred years ago:

"It is not to be thought of, that the flood of British freedom which to the open sea of the world's praise from dark antiquity hath flowed, . . . that this most famous stream in Bogs and Sands should perish."

Let me give you one reason why I am sure British freedom will not be, as some fear, overwhelmed in the bogs of Bolshevism or in the sands of syndicalism.

When a Court of Judicature was established in what is now Canada, it was suggested that the "Laws of Virginia" should be the rule of pattern. At that date, 1721, Virginia was still British. It is interesting to remember that the founder of Virginia was Sir Walter Raleigh who thoroughly understood the principles of British institutions and what we now call self government. It is possible, though not proved as far as I know, that the Virginia Charter was drawn by the great

Coke who was Queen Elizabeth's Attorney General and lived to draw the Bill of Rights.

At any rate, this historic charter provided that settlers in Virginia should have all the privileges of Englishmen in such ample measure as "if they were born and personally resident in England" and mark the words "should be governed by such statutes as they should choose to establish for themselves," thus anticipating the self government which now prevails. The Common Law of England, founded on the principles of justice and liberty, and so brought from the old world to the new, now prevails not only in the English speaking parts of the British Empire but also throughout the United States except in Louisiana.

Bismarck observed that one of the most important facts of our time was that the people of the United States speak the English language. That indeed is an important fact, because liberty inheres in the English language. For, in the statesman-like words of the great English poet already quoted:

"We must be free or die, who speak the tongue that Shakespeare spake."

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RETURNED SOLDIERS GAVE SHORT SHIFT

To Camp Crimps—They Recognize Value of Semi-Ready Clothing.

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At the Theatres

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"The Better 'Ole." Announcement of the forthcoming engagement of the Boston Company "The Better 'Ole," at the Grand Opera House on Monday and Tuesday, May 5th and 6th, with a matinee on the 5th, will be greeted by theatre-goers of this city with great expectancy. The fame of this unique play, following its New York presentation this fall, has promoted throughout the United States. It is described as "a fragrance from France in two explosions, seven splinters and a short gas attack," by Captain Bruce Bairnsfather and Captain Arthur Slight, based upon Captain Bairnsfather's inimitable war cartoons. A dozen or more catchy musical numbers by Herman Darowski and Percival Knight add to the attractiveness and charm of the production.—Adv.

Coming "Parlor, Bedroom and Bath." One of the conspicuous dramatic successes of the season will be seen at the Grand Opera House on Wednesday, May 7th, matinee and night, when A. H. Woods presents "Parlor, Bedroom and Bath," direct from its phenomenal run at the Republic Theatre, New York city. "Parlor, Bedroom and Bath," is said to have scored more laughs than any other comedy on the boards last year. It is certainly one of the very few plays that survived the sweltering New York heat, and ran well into the summer. The play is the work of C. W. Bell and Mack Swan, and is described as a farce frolic in three acts.—Adv.

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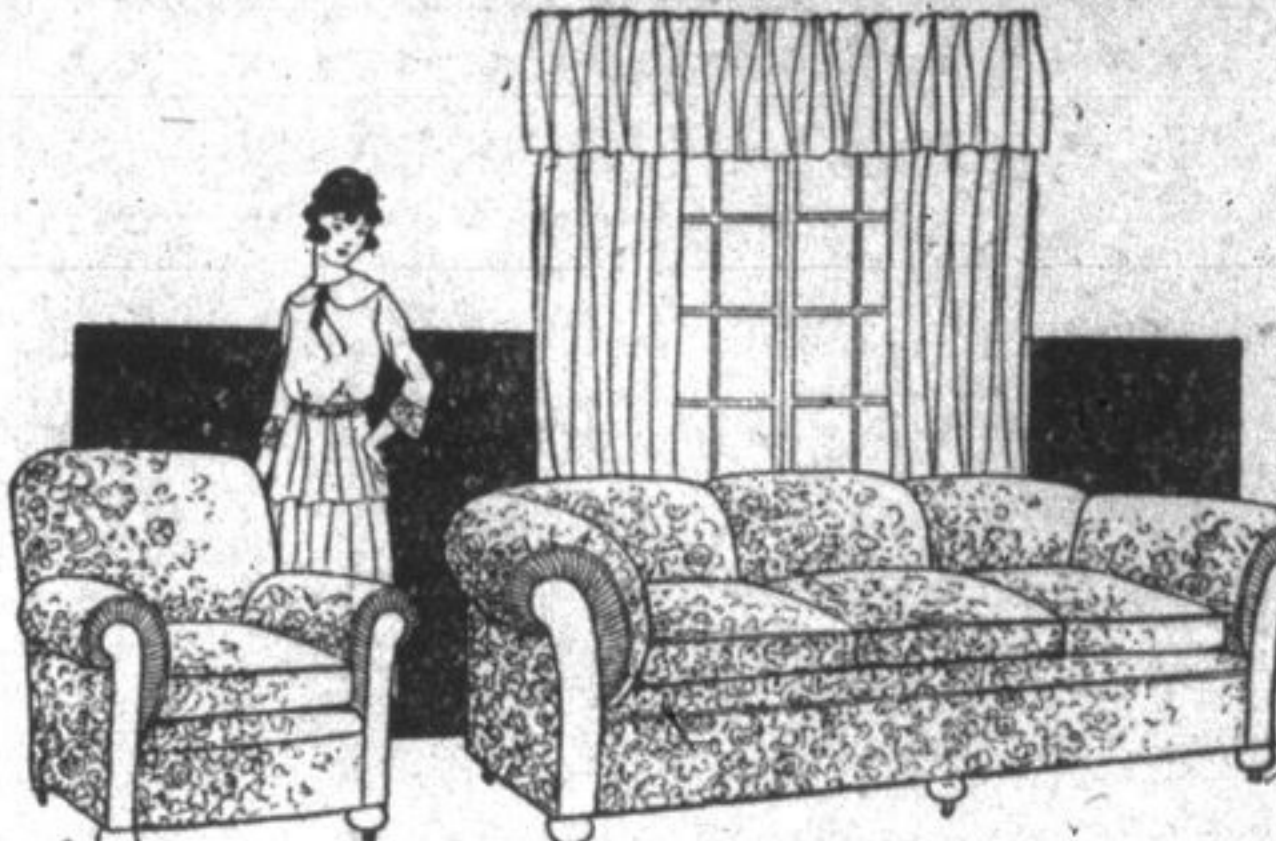
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There is plenty of work for the Garden Island fleet.

Wheat rates from Chicago to Kingston are quoted at 3 1/2 cents.

The M.T. Co. sent twenty barges of grain to Montreal in the past few days.

The steamer Empire State will be launched shortly.

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