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THE ONTARIO LIBERAL CAM-  
PAIGN.

There is going to be a change in  
the political complexion of Ontario  
in the coming election. This is the  
opinion of careful men who have  
been reviewing the situation.  
The committee in charge of the cam-  
paign in Ontario met in Toronto on  
Wednesday and considered the situa-  
tion in the Province from every  
angle. They all agreed that Liber-  
alism touched rock bottom in Ontario  
last October. The Liberals came out  
of that campaign with twelve seats.  
In the coming fight the Liberals do  
not expect to do impossible things,  
but they are determined to put a  
Liberal candidate into every riding,  
and the fight will be fought to a  
finish everywhere.

The Liberal party managers in  
Ontario feel that they have reason  
to be optimistic. From every cor-  
ner of the Province letters have  
come to the central office indicating  
the desire of Liberals to get into the  
fight for responsible government, and  
to save the Robb Budget. One stal-  
wart old Liberal, who on account of  
advancing years has not taken part  
in a campaign for ten years began a  
letter to Hon. Duncan Marshall,  
Federal organizer, as follows: "Am  
I going to take off my coat and get  
into the fight again? Well, you bet  
I am! This is a real issue, and no  
man with Liberal blood in his veins  
can stay out of the battle." This  
feeling is widespread. Excellent  
candidates are volunteering all over  
the Province and many ridings that  
temporarily went Conservative last  
Fall will be redeemed in September.

A fifty-fifty break with the Con-  
servatives in the Province of On-  
tario is what the Liberals are con-  
fidently figuring on, and with united  
effort this aim can be realized. The  
issues will be responsible govern-  
ment, the Robb Budget, and Moder-  
ate Tariff and with such an excel-  
lent platform, the Liberals feel as-  
sured of success.

A KEEN DISAPPOINTMENT.

The Meighen Cabinet is a keen  
disappointment to the country. Lib-  
erals and Independents are frankly  
disappointed and the Conservatives  
have great difficulty in registering  
any enthusiasm. Even The Mail and  
Empire was unable to work up any-  
thing approaching its usual eulogis-  
tic style, and after damning the new  
Cabinet with faint praise to the ex-  
tent of half a column or so, it turned  
to a discussion of the weather.

The country was expecting some-  
thing big from Mr. Meighen. He  
has been so critical of the Mackenzie  
King administration, and has talked  
so bitterly about incompetence and  
extravagance that one expected,  
when he again got to get together a  
Cabinet of first class talent, instead  
of the makeshift council he has an-  
nounced to the country. But re-  
ports are that Mr. Meighen had his  
troubles and there are quite a num-  
ber of budding statesmen sulking in  
their tents just now.

The only man of outstanding ability  
with the exception of Mr. Meighen  
is Hon. R. B. Bennett of Cana-  
dary, admittedly one of the ablest  
men in public life to-day. Dr. Man-  
ion is a brilliant young man but  
completely inexperienced in the mat-  
ter of business. H. H. Stevens got  
a good deal of publicity out of the  
customs investigation, but the meth-

BIBLE THOUGHT

FAMILY REJOICINGS  
—And ye shall rejoice be-  
fore the Lord your God, and your  
sons, and your daughters, and your  
servants, and your maidservants.  
Deut. 12:12.

ods used to get information and the  
trafficking with subordinates behind  
the back of the Minister, cast a  
shadow over Mr. Stevens' efforts,  
and caused a lot of people to won-  
der whether he would be seriously  
considered for a Cabinet position.  
Britons love a fair fighter. Dr.  
Toimie, Hugh Guthrie, E. B. Ryck-  
man and the rest are none of them  
of outstanding ability. Sir George  
Parley, Hon. James D. Chaplin and  
W. A. Black, are successful business  
men, but they are the only claim  
the Cabinet has to being called a  
business Cabinet.

IS THE CANADIAN NATIONAL  
RAILWAYS IN DANGER.

Will the new Meighen Cabinet be  
sympathetic towards the Canadian  
National Railways or not? That is  
a question that is agitating the  
minds of a great many people today.  
Mr. Meighen himself has been very  
critical of Sir Henry Thornton, and  
of the railway policy of the Macken-  
zie King Administration. Hon. R.  
B. Bennett is a solicitor for the  
C.P.R. Hon. E. L. Patenaude has  
publicly declared that he would sell  
the national road to free the public  
"from the load that is crushing  
them." It behooves patriotic Cana-  
dians to watch this matter and as-  
sure the continued development and  
prosperity of the C.N.R. by electing  
a government that is friendly to pub-  
lic ownership and not one that is  
dictated to in its Cabinet selection  
by St. James street, Montreal.

KEEP THE OLD NAMES SOME-  
WHERE.

The Toronto Globe would like the  
names of the old Ontario highways  
preserved. Numbers are used now.  
The famous old roads of past gen-  
erations. Kingston Road, Dundas  
Street, Talbot Street, and others are  
now designated by numbers. These  
numbers are printed on embossed  
metal and set up near intersections,  
and by that means the wayfarer may  
follow his course on the road as he  
follows it on his map.  
It is not necessary to sacrifice con-  
venience in order to retain a little  
of this flavor of the past. On such  
portions of the numbered highways  
as formed part of roads of impor-  
tance in the past there could be  
erected signs every few miles re-  
minding the travellers, and even the  
neighboring residents, of the earlier  
name. The road maps, similarly,  
could include the old name in  
brackets.  
We have all too few influences to  
reminde the growing generation of  
the illustrious past of the country,  
and here is one way to perpetuate  
valued associations.

COMPULSORY MOTOR INSUR-  
ANCE.

T. S. Annandale, mayor of New  
Westminster, B.C., recently sug-  
gested that a higher license fee for au-  
tomobiles should be brought into  
vogue, the Government to take the  
amount of the license as its share  
and with the rest create a fund with  
which to take care of citizens in-  
jured in motor car mishaps. Failing  
this, Mr. Annandale is in favor  
of a compulsory accident insurance  
for motorists wherewith to protect  
the public.

The practical thing would be to  
have license and insurance go hand  
in hand, remarks the London Free  
Press. Issue both at the same time.  
Fix it so that the motorist cannot  
get the one without the other. Let  
the insurers be the Government it-  
self. Or let them be reputable in-  
surance companies, acting as agents  
for the Government in the matter of  
issuing policies that shall cover the  
insured. Either one or the other  
plan would do, so far as the out-  
come for the driving public is con-  
cerned. On the other hand in itself  
issuing motor insurance policies the  
Government could turn an honest  
penny for the public treasury and  
thus create a sort of compensation  
for traffic annoyances in the case of  
the taxpayer who doesn't drive.

In any event something radical  
should be done, and done at once, to  
check up the thousands of irrespon-  
sible who upon payment of a few  
dollars in a license fee can now  
climb into a motor and go rushing  
about the country, driving any and  
every old way, to the terrorisation  
of the community and sadly often to  
the destruction of life and property.  
If it is impossible to reach the  
consciences or the hearts of such  
people, reach their pockets.

Make everyone who receives a  
license to operate a motor car on the  
public streets and highways carry in-  
surance which will cover the cost of  
at least the property that can meet  
on said street and highways and  
which, by reason of careless hand-  
ling or even of non-preventable ac-  
cident, it may damage or destroy.

Lloyd George predicts that Liber-  
alism will be a great power in Brit-  
ain again. He talks truly.

DAILY LESSONS IN ENGLISH

BY W. L. GORDON  
WORDS OFTEN MISUSED: Don't say "a man by the name  
of Jones." Say "a man named Jones."  
OFTEN MISPRONOUNCED: Asia. Pronounce A-sha, the first  
A as in "day," last a as in ask.  
OFTEN MISPELLED: portmanteau; eau.  
SYNONYMS: abstain, refrain, cease, quit, stop, terminate,  
desist, discontinue, end, finish.  
WORD STUDY: "Use a word three times and it is yours."  
Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day.  
To-day's word: ARDENT: hot; burning; fiery; passionate. "He  
fixed his bold and ardent look on the girl."

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The forecasts of Canada's big  
wheat crop are now being issued.  
The Dominion Bureau of Statistics  
estimates it at 348,626,000 bushels,  
considerably below that of last year.

Professor Dean, of the Ontario  
Agricultural College, urges country  
girls to marry city men—which, he  
should know, is against all rules of  
the melo-dramatic school of play-  
writing.

The Toronto Globe is of opinion  
that Mr. Meighen is not going to the  
country under happy auspices "if he  
has nothing more substantial to of-  
fer than criticism of his opponents  
and a discredited general policy."

More than twice as many automo-  
biles are being stolen in Chicago  
than in any other year, statistics re-  
veal. Chicago's specialty seems to be  
to hang up records she can't brag  
about.

Denver, Colo., police are dealing  
with the bootleg liquor trade in a  
new way, one of the constables hav-  
ing been assigned to patrol duty in  
an airplane. The intention, doubt-  
less, is to catch the men higher up.

A New York professor of psych-  
ology has been ordered by the courts  
to pay damages of \$7,650, because  
his dog bit two children. The most  
unusual feature of the case is that  
the professor had that much money.

Get out the vote! This should be  
the Liberal aim. The purpose of the  
campaign in every riding should be  
to awaken a keener sense of civic  
patriotism in the millions of voters  
who neglected their duty in the last  
two elections.

Mr. Meighen is to give one por-  
tfolio to Saskatchewan provided they  
elect a man. He should offer one  
portfolio for each Conservative elect-  
ed in that province. He might not  
be risking much. This looks like  
compassionate compensation.

American papers note the coura-  
geous farewells the party leaders took  
of each other, just as Congress was  
adjourning. In the House the Rep-  
ublican leader declared that he was  
particularly indebted to his political  
opponent "for his constant, active  
co-operation and assistance in all  
things, save only strictly party mat-  
ters." How lovely!

The St. Catharines Standard asks  
its readers to remember that "every  
real Canadian who stays away from  
the polls just makes the vote of  
some Ukrainians, Doukhobors, Aus-  
trians, German or Russian in the west  
or elsewhere, that much more valu-  
able in determining the affairs of  
the country." A strange doctrine.  
Are not all voters here Canadians?  
Do we grade them?

Because Sir Wilfrid Laurier thirty  
years ago, July 13th last, formed his  
administration which lasted fifteen  
years, Mr. Meighen's friends think  
the formation of the Conservative  
Cabinet on the 13th, is an omen of  
good luck. While it is a pleasure  
to read that the Tories see some-  
thing good in Sir Wilfrid, yet it is  
well to remind them that a different  
leader is now in the saddle, and the  
two men can never be regarded as in  
the same class.

One reason why amateur sport is  
declining in the towns and villages  
of Ontario is that sports of all kinds  
have become too expensive. This  
is the lament heard from many  
places. For equipment in any sport  
a big hole is made in a \$1,000 bill  
and the villagers have not many of  
these to spend. We will have to  
get back to simpler methods if ath-  
letics are to be a healthful force in  
Canada.

QUEER  
QUIRKS OF NATURE

How'd You Like to Hook This One?  
(By Austin H. Clark)  
This queer distorted little fish,  
which is about an inch and a half  
long, is representative of a numer-  
ous group of small fishes which are  
found everywhere in the perpetual  
night of the deeper levels of the  
ocean.  
Some kinds come to the surface at  
night or in dark weather,  
In color they are brilliant silver,  
or silver and black, with bright  
phosphorescent spots on their sides  
like little electric lights.  
In dredging in deep water these  
fishes are often caught in the trawl  
as it comes up, and when the con-  
tents of the net are turned out they  
shine in the dark mud like newly  
minted silver coins. Because of the  
fishes' size and color the sailors al-  
ways called them nickels.

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Mr. Church and Mr. Boys  
(Toronto Globe)  
In its last issue The Godefrich Sig-  
nal prints editorially a statement  
from Mr. Thomas McMillan, member  
for South Huron in the recent Par-  
liament, which is a direct denial of  
allegations made by Mr. W. A. Boys,  
Chief Whip of the Conservative  
party, in the latter's recent letter to  
The Globe endeavoring to explain  
the heartless refusal to grant Mr.  
McMillan the ordinary Parliamen-  
tary courtesy of a "pair" on the  
shades of his wife.  
Mr. McMillan's statement is as  
follows:  
The statement appearing in cer-  
tain issues of the Tory press, includ-  
ing The Searchlight of last week,  
that I had disregarded a "pair" of  
"pairs" made with any other mem-  
bers of the House, and had voted, is  
absolutely false.  
Every "pair" I made was carried  
out to the letter; and so incensed  
was Mr. T. L. Church, M.P., for Tor-  
onto Northwest, when he heard of  
the treatment being given me that  
he came at once and arranged a per-  
sonal "pair" with me, thereby enab-  
ling my return home to be present at  
my wife's funeral.  
It is to the credit of Mr. Church  
and the fact should be known—that  
he declined to be a party to an in-  
human act that disgraced party poli-  
tics and shocked the country, even  
if it had the support of the Chief  
Whip of the party to which he be-  
longed. Politicians sometimes wonder  
where and how "Tommy" Church  
gets his "hold" on the people. One  
reason would seem to be that he has  
a sympathetic human heart and a  
kindly readiness to do what he can  
to assuage the sorrow and suffering  
of his fellow-men.  
Not Mutual.  
"If you're not feeling well, why  
don't you go to your doctor? Can't  
you trust him?"  
"Oh, yes, I can trust him, but he's  
not altogether willing to trust me."  
—Tit-Bits, London.  
Revenge.  
"It took you a long time to pull  
that fellow's tooth out," said the  
dentist's assistant.  
"Yes, he married the girl I loved."  
—Tit-Bits, London.

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