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DICTATOR BOURASSA

Mr. Bourassa publicly calls upon Mr. Borden to repeal the naval act, and chides him for delay. The situation is interesting. Mr. Borden has on one side of him the Nationalists, and on the other the Ontario group which has no sympathy with the views of the Nationalists. The two factions do not agree. There is no sympathy between them. They are merely held together by what has been described as "the cohesive power of public plunder." They formed an alliance to get into office, but neither faction would under any other conditions tolerate the other. Mr. Bourassa has been encouraged by the victory he has already won over Mr. Borden to make other demands. If he could force three Nationalists into the cabinet and many others into office, and make Mr. Borden turn down the Ontario demands regarding the Ne Temere decree, why not make Mr. Borden repeal the naval act, and declare that Canada wants nothing to do with British naval policy or imperial defence? It cannot be said that Mr. Bourassa's position is illogical. He is not without reason for his faith in his own powers. He has really been the dictator of Mr. Borden's policy in some matters—why not in others? Those who, during the election campaign, objected to the bracketing of the names of Borden and Bourassa as an object no longer.

THE FORWARD MOVEMENT

Mr. I. C. Stewart, publisher of the Maritime Merchant, who has made several visits to St. John each year for quite a number of years past, recently spent a few days here, and in this week's issue of the Merchant says:

"In twenty years we have not seen so many evidences of confidence in the future of the place as far as the mind of the people is concerned, as during the present visit. Just how much there is in it we do not know, but everyone seems to think that not only St. John but the whole province of New Brunswick is on the eve of a boom. Companies for promoting the sale of real estate are being organized and many new industrial developments of one kind or another are in the air. The building of the St. John Valley Railway, and the great interest in fruit growing as well as in various branches of agriculture have brought a spirit of confidence and optimism that is very much like the brand they serve out in Calgary or Saskatoon."

What Mr. Stewart observed is confirmed by all who can look back for twenty years and make comparisons between the sentiment of former years and that of today in this city and province. The change is in some sense related to transportation developments, but largely to the fact that in various parts of the province new sources of wealth have been discovered and are being developed, and that the opportunities for profitable investment in various branches of agriculture have become recognized as never before in the history of the province. By virtue of its location and advantages St. John must become a greater city, but behind it will grow up a richer province. No progressive movement in Canada has ever had a sounder basis, and the optimism of the people is fully justified. The more widespread the spirit of confidence and energy becomes, the more rapid and substantial will be the progress made.

FARMERS' CLUBS

The farmers in Ontario are forming clubs and there are already over two hundred in that province. The Toronto Globe says of them:

"The Farmers' Club is intended partly to supplement the work of the Farmers' Institute. The institute holds one or two meetings in a community during the year. At these meetings delegates sent out by the Provincial Department of Agriculture address the farmers upon some subject closely connected with their work. These delegates are carefully chosen, and only those who have been successful and are experts in the subjects which they discuss are sent out. The institute has done a great deal for the advancement of agriculture and the education of the farmer in more up-to-date methods. But it only touches the farmer once a year. Not only that, but the members out to address the meetings are often unacquainted, except in a general way, with local conditions. They do not understand the soil, the line of farming followed, nor the difficulties which face the farmers in that district. The Farmers' Club largely offsets these weak spots. It gives the farmers in a community an opportunity to meet quite frequently. The members of the club discuss their failures and successes, talk over the advantages and disadvantages of various methods or lines of agriculture, and in many ways are better able to understand and apply the general knowledge received through the institute."

At the meetings of these clubs the farmers not only receive benefit from an exchange of views, but they gain experience in public speaking, and the clear expression of their opinions. Not only so, but the clubs are able to exert an influence and secure local improvements, as the need of these is made clear by discussion. The Globe tells of one club which secured a post office for its district, and a better mail and telephone service. Another got a railway siding at a point where it was needed. Another took such action as improved the breed of horses in the district. Others conducted short courses dealing with stock-raising and caring for fruit trees. The club brings the people together,

er, unites them for the furtherance of their common interests, and confers general benefits upon the community. The movement is therefore one which should be encouraged in all the provinces.

Premier Flemming is very actively engaged in the work of mending fences. There is need of it.

If Col. Sam Hughes is permitted to pursue his gory path there will soon be more colonels in Canada than in Kentucky, and every one of them a dead shot.

Socialists in Vancouver have torn down and trampled on the Union Jack. There are cities in Canada where that sort of thing would not be tolerated.

If the Standard will exert its influence to secure the election of five of the ablest men that can be secured as candidates for commissionerships, it will have less time to devote to capricious criticism of this newspaper.

The farmers will be interested to learn that the iron and steel bounties are likely to be restored by the Borden government. This seems to be a case which cannot wait for the enquiry of a tariff commission.

Any citizen or newspaper which attempts to discourage men of ability from becoming candidates for the office of commissioner is playing the game of those who want a continuance of former conditions.

The Canadian Courier makes these observations in an article on "The madness for big game":—"Out in Calgary they have laid out a city as big as Toronto or Montreal. They are selling lots from \$100 to \$500 each, that in five years, will be sold for taxes." That's rather hard on Calgary, even if the Courier does add that it is "a promising city whose growth will be steady and satisfactory."

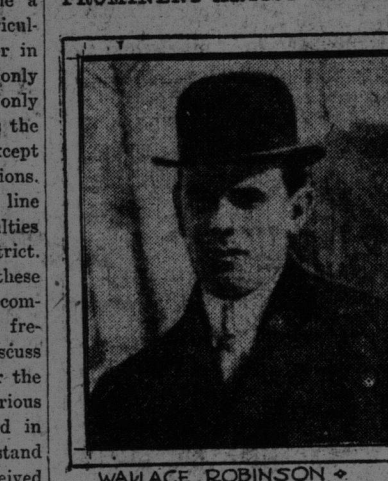
Pictures of Mr. Borden treading the path of duty provoke wild howls of derision from the Tory Toronto Telegram, which charges him with disloyalty to his own followers—meaning the Ontario separatists. It says he is not treading the path of duty, but "the road that has been worn smooth by the coward feet of all trucklers, trimmers, time-servers and opportunists in the church-boasted annals of Canadian politics." That's going some.

The Canadian Courier wants to know what has got the persons who were worrying a year or two since about the British navy, and shouting for Dreadnoughts built by Canada. The answer is, in expressing its own views on the subject, declares itself for a Canadian navy, built as far as possible in Canada and manned as far as possible by Canadians. That is sound policy.

Sir Edward Carson, who is doing what he can to foment trouble in Belfast, referred in a speech in London last evening to "the recent outbreak of imperial loyalty in the Canadian elections." He forgets that Mr. Bourassa, an anti-imperialist, is the dictator in Canada today. All he forgets that the Canadian parliament has more than once gone out of its way to vote in favor of Home Rule for Ireland.

Speaking at Newcastle, Premier Flemming, as reported by the Leader, made the following bid for Liberal support:—"I want the co-operation of every man in the province in an endeavor to give New Brunswick an honest and progressive government. I don't care whether he is a Liberal or Conservative, if he is willing to help me, I will be willing to help him." It will be necessary to get Liberal support before the kind of government Mr. Flemming mentions is secured.

PROMINENT ARTIST MISSING.



WALLACE ROBINSON.

Wallace Robinson, a prominent artist on magazines in New York, is missing. He had money and jewels with him when he left home, and his wife fears he has met with foul play.

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The gladness current of our youth,
Ere passion yet disorders,
Seals lingering like a river smooth
Along its grassy borders.

But as the careworn cheek grows wan,
And sorrow's shafts fly thicker,
Ye Stars, that measure life to man,
Why seem your courses quicker?

When our days have lost their bloom and breath
And life itself is vapid,
Why, as we reach the Falls of Death,
Feel we its tide more rapid?

It may be strange—yet who would change
Time's course to slower speeding,
When our days have lost their bloom and breath
And let our bosoms bleed?

Heaven gives our years of fading strength
Indemnifying distress;
And those of youth a seeming length
Proportioned to their sweetness.

T. Campbell

IN LIGHTER VEIN

THE SUPPERGAIETTES' MOTHER

Sing a song of suppergaites,
Stockings full of stones;
Four and twenty "lobbies"
Struggles, cries and groans.

When the jail is open,
The girls begin to sing,
Isn't it a pretty mess
For Parliament and King?

—Alma Martin, in Judge.

UP AGAINST IT

"What's the matter with your father?"
He looks worried.
"He is. He got up the other morning
and put on his new overcoat instead of
his bathrobe. Then he bumped up
against the coat bin and smacked it
before he discovered his mistake. He knows
he'll get it when Ma finds it out."

WHAT IT IS CALLED

Scilla—Is Maebel trying to catch Jack?
Hella—Well, she is working up a spontaneous demand for herself.

HE KNEW IT

"George, dear," said the young wife,
"you are proving handsomer every day."
"Yes, darling," replied the young man,
"it's a way I have just before
your birthday."

UP AGAINST IT

The hustler was bragging about his great achievement.
"I can make both ends meet," he
proudly announced.
"But can you tie them in a knot
and make them stay put?" we asked.
Whereupon he hung his head.

IMPROVEMENTS AT YARMOUTH

Yarmouth Light—A large gang of workmen have been steadily at work on Evans line wharf, extending the frontage, to 530 feet. The customs' officials' offices are in readiness, and an office for the immigration officers built. In April the frontage will be extended 25 feet into the channel. It is expected that S. & B. Boston will dock at this wharf on Saturday. At present there are about five of the D. A. It is generally deemed in this neighborhood which is an unusual sight.

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