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MR. MEIGHEN'S CREED.

"More than any other country, Canada needs a protective system. She is a young country mostly undeveloped. She lies alongside a great big country tremendously developed. The United States has every advantage that Canada has and tremendous advantages besides. It surely follows, to the mind of every reasonable man, that to abandon the protective system in Canada would be simply to invite the absorption of Canadian industry in the far vaster industries of the United States. The principles of the protection of Canadian industry have been proclaimed by practically every statesman who has shouldered the responsibility of government in Canada. They are sound and they are right and the vast mass of the people of Canada know that they are sound and right."

—From Premier Meighen's Portage Speech.

GREAT ISSUES AT STAKE.

There have been many momentous decisions in Canada, but we venture to say none of them was as important as the one that is before us today. It is a decision that will determine the future of the country. It is a decision that will determine whether we are to remain a separate nation or whether we are to be absorbed into the United States. It is a decision that will determine whether we are to have a strong, free, and independent country or whether we are to be a mere province of a great empire. It is a decision that will determine whether we are to have a future or whether we are to have a past.

The whole financial, industrial and commercial structure of the country, laboriously built up through forty years of effort, is seriously imperilled by the Progressive Farmer and Liberal platforms and by the trade exclusion policy of the United States. If, in the face of an almost insupportable American tariff, we yield submissively to the appeals of those who are pledged to break down all barriers to trade for the distribution of our goods to the world—that is to say, dependent on American fiscal policy that we will become only nominally but not actually independent of our powerful and aggressive neighbor.

This danger has produced, whatever may have been his earlier opinions, has grown to realize, to fully understand and to frankly admit, a tremendous effort is under way, which, if it succeeds, will, without any question at all, place our commercial integrity, and ultimately our nationality in jeopardy. The sooner we all realize this the better for us. Courage, force, patriotic action and co-operation of all classes are necessary to save us from tendencies and consequences that no Canadian worthy of the name cares to contemplate.

The absolute necessity for maintaining a strong and stable government in this country is recognized by all thoughtful men. And the question is—how best can we attract outside capital? Can we do it if we have a country distracted politically, with class striving against class? Assuredly, not. Capital always shies away from conditions of that kind; always steers clear of countries where political conditions are unstable. It requires as an essential, a sane sensible government representative of all classes.

No country ever had a greater opportunity than Canada to make wonderful progress. The cards are all in our hands if we only play them right. If we only keep our heads we will have work for all willing hands and as well a flow of capital from other countries and an expansion of industry of every kind which will provide work for more. The war has changed the life outlook and perspective of millions of peoples of the Old Lands, and nowhere better than in Canada can they find scope for their energies and activities.

The people of the world are just beginning to realize the tremendous extent of our natural resources, and the splendid advantages we have, not only for agricultural production, but for manufacturing development. By reason of our magnificent water powers, and, unless checked by immature statesmanship we should see a great expansion in Canada, which will be of untold benefit to the whole people. All we have to do is to keep steady, and to be careful as well as aggressive in our march. We should not let the extremists and class agitators carry us away with their half-studied, half-considered theories in these troublous times, with such a splendid prospect ahead of us, we should cling fast to that which we know, cling fast to sane, orderly, stable government for all classes, a government based upon the best Anglo-Saxon practice, and not allow ourselves to be tangled up in class movements based upon class consciousness, with selfishness as their motive, for these can lead only to sterility and confusion, if not disaster.

OCTOBER.

There is a wisdom in the air these days. Summer, with its dog days, its outdoor joys and its multitudinous attractions, is over. Nature is changing her costume for the grand finale in the pageant of the year. Along the avenues in the city and on the lanes in the country, the elms and beeches and maples are transforming themselves into things of gold and crimson beauty. Soft winds stir them into friendly whisperings, and make them descend in gentle spirals to form a brown and cozy coverlet for Mother Earth. On hillside and river bank the maples are brilliant and form colorful schemes that fascinate and awe. Vistas of loveliness confront one everywhere. Nowhere else in this whole world is this autumn grandeur more perfect and impressive than in Canada. Everywhere is beauty and color and the harmony of the changing year.

It is a pausing time. Soon the skies will lower and the snowflakes challenge to action and achievement. Perhaps the summer has allowed laziness to creep into our bones and lassitude to infect our blood. Now should the cleansing process be undertaken. Winter is near and in Canada winter is the season of hard work or preparation for the advent of another year. A strong nation does not submit to conditions; it makes them. Conditions in Canada in the coming months will be molded by her people. There is a reaching out for more substantial things by those who form the nation. The demand is for clear-sighted and vigorous-minded men.

If all the best men to lead them in the crises that lie ahead, the future may safely be left to take care of itself. The way is now open for a forward march. The difficulties and the mistakes of the immediate past should be forgotten. Now should the first firm step on the road to better things be taken. A nobler endeavor over non-essentials is ennobled and intelligent thinking guides our actions. And it is at this time of year, when the cycle of events bring pause, that fresh plans have to be built and new weapons of progress have to be forged, that the first step in the forward movement should be taken.

The election of Mr. Vanderbeck, the Labor candidate, in Northumberland is in accordance with the general expectation. That Mr. Johnson, the Conservative candidate should make such a poor showing is to be regretted, and had he but started his candidature earlier in the game, it is most probable that he could have won out.

The Globe credits the Hon. Dr. Fugate with saying that as Lieut. Governor he is not "in a position to discuss politics." Of course not; those who know his Honor know very well that politics are the very last thing he would ever be likely to discuss.

According to Mr. A. Shreve Durham, co-operation, not competition, is the life of trade. Well, the success that has been achieved by most of the American trusts and combines seems to point to the truth of his assertion.

Even the busiest man has time, to him who is called who wishes to tell him what a world-beater he is.

WHAT OTHERS SAY

Roosevelt on Churches.
Theodore Roosevelt's church creed was contained in a pungent paragraph. We quote as follows: "Yes, I know all the excuses. I know that one can worship the Creator in a grove of trees or by a running brook, or in a man's own house, just as well as in a church. But I also know as a matter of cold fact, the average man does not thus worship. He may not hear a good sermon at the church. He will listen to and take part in reading some passages from the Bible. And if he is not familiar with the Bible he has suffered a loss. He will take part in singing some good hymns. He will meet and nod or speak to good quiet neighbors. He will come away feeling a little more charitable toward all the world, even toward those excessively foolish young men who regard church going as a soft performance."—Chicago Tribune.

The Need For Protection.

The process of development of starting new industries, mines, or business, or of spending large sums in opening up new connections and avenues for trade, or in stimulating demand, is at the moment heavily handicapped. And it will remain handicapped until everybody works their best for reasonable hours, everybody helps efficiency and the lowering of the cost of production, and everybody contributes his savings to enterprise. Then, when things are down to an economic level and firm foundations are reached on which it is possible to build, the national prosperity will begin to arrive.—The Round Table.

The Farmers' Movement.

While the Standard cannot see its way clear to support the Farmers' Party we do not agree with the British Whig of this city that the Farmers' Party stands for "class turmoil." Indeed we think such a charge does the farmers a grave injustice, because we see no evidence of any "turmoil" that has been precipitated by them. They are just as peace-loving and law-abiding citizens as any in the land and while, as we say, we cannot agree with their policies we certainly cannot say that they are not sound. The same right that we ask for ourselves for the party we espouse, namely, the right to secure legislation for what they conceive to be their own best interest and the best interest of the country. But in fighting for these interests we do not believe that they would press legislation, even in their own "fancied" interests, that would prejudice all other interests in the country, since they must themselves solve that in that event their own interests would suffer. The farmers stand in the heat of politics things are sometimes said that were better left unsaid, and this attack upon the farmers as standing for class turmoil is no exception. The farmers stand for what they conceive to be their rights, and one cannot blame them for this in view of the fact that admitted in times past they have not always been as carefully looked after by governments as they might have been.—Kingston Standard (Conservative).

A BIT OF VERSE

A CLASSIC OF THE EIGHTEIES.
Great classics of the old, waterspouts,
To auction rooms were sent long since,
And with them, food for many japes,
Victorian pastels and prints.
The gay bisque milkmaid, and her swain
(He with his rake, she with her pail)
Were painted on the walls of the hall—
At some un-Christian rummage sale,
The crayon portraits in the hall—
Off went their heads at one fell swoop.
Time's fished my treasures—but not all!
I still possess a Rogers Group.

The spreading whatnot that displayed
Veris from all the hemispheres
Has languished in the attic's shade
These many, many, many years,
The center table's floral shrine
Has melted into thinnest air,
Moth and corruption got laug syne
The satin wrought of Aunt Fanny's hair.
Of changing fashion, freak and fad,
I've been a silly, sorry dupe.
Yet, after all, it's not so bad,
I still possess a Rogers Group!

Youth is the Great Iconoclast;
Our household gods abruptly fall
As ripe time bids us cast away
When he becomes a whimsy's trill.
Where once the sturdy sofa stood
A frail chase-lounge mocks thoughts
Of rest;
Babeute would banish, if he could,
The old carved bed her coming blessed.
Well, well, I must not scold, revile!
Of memories a merry troupe,
Will crowd the evening spaces while
I still possess a Rogers Group!
—Edward W. Barnard in Harper's Magazine.

THE LAUGH LINE

Deflation makes a tire soft, but it doesn't have that effect on times.
The Mice Will Play
North—Was your vacation expensive?
West—Terribly! I stayed at home and lost more than my wife spent!
Fostering Talent.
"Isn't your boy Josh a help to you?"
"Not much," admitted Farmer Cornstossel. He's too artistic. He says, 'puttin' his hand to the plow is liable to spoil his technique on the ukulele.'—Washington Star.

A Feminine Paradox.
He—Strange! She has everything she needs to make her happy.
She—But it's the things she does not need that a woman needs to make her happy.—Boston Transcript.

The Discrepancy.
Shopkeeper—Ah. You are the man nobody likes to see.
Tax Collector—Now that's strange. I am generally asked to call again.

Benny's Note Book

BY LEE PAPE

I was late for supper again today, and I opened the front door early and looked in to see if they were eating, which they were, so I thought, G. pop will be mad as anything. Which just then I had a idea, thinking, G. I know wat, I'll sneak up and lay down in my bed a wife and then I can tell him I was laying down in my room and it won't be a story.

And I snuck up stairs as life as I could so they wouldn't skreek too much, which they skreeked a good deal anyways only nobody herd them on account of making so much noise eating, and I went in my room and laid down in my bed awhile and then I went and called down over the banisters, Hay ma, hay ma, and ma called up, Well for goodness sake, is that you, Benny, were you and were have you bin?
Is supper roddy? I called down.
Come down heer immediatly, pop called up.
IWh I did, rubbing my eyes as if I thawt I was still sleepy, and pop sed, Were have you bin?
Laying down in my room, I sed. How long has supper bin roddy? I sed.
I'll ask the questions, sed pop, how long have you bin up there?
Sir? I sed. Ever sinte I came in, I sed.
And wen was that? sed pop.
Well, as soon as I came in I went rite up, I sed, and pop sed, Well would you mind giving me a ruff estimate of jest how long ago that was?

I cant tell hactly, I sed, and pop sed, Well I can, because I happened to look in your room about 10 minnts ago and you were conspicuous by your absents. Meaning I wassent there, and I sed, Well, I dont think it was more than 10 minnts ago.
Neither do I, sed pop, jest take a seat in the corner over there till we get throo and then you can have some if theres any left.
Which there was, not being hot eny more but still being kind of warm.

Something to Look Forward to
Amateur Golfer—"The day I get around these links in less than a hundred I'll give you a shilling."
Caddie—"Thank you, sir, it'll come in handy in me old age."

And the Worm Turns.
Rub—This work is an awful grind.
Dub—Well, the boss is a crank!

The Only Drawback.
"Three drinks of this stuff," said the wily bootlegger, "and you'll hear the little birdies sing."
"Not today," said the cautious citizen. "I had a friend who tried that prescription and it wasn't long before there was singing all around him, but he couldn't hear it."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

A Diplomatic Husband.
The lady is sensitive on the subject of her deficient orthography and her demands for information as to correct spelling sometimes place her peace-loving husband in a delicate position.
One day as she was writing a letter at her desk, she glanced up to ask:
"Henry, do you spell 'graphic' with one 't' or two?"
"My dear," was the diplomatic reply, "if you're going to use any, you might as well use two."—Harper's Magazine.

Very Thorough
commercial school for young ladies?
"I did."
"And were greatly edified, I think, by the thoroughness of the course."
"Oh, yes. When I was there the girls were having nose-powdering practice."

Patients Shocked To Effect Cures
Sometimes It Is With Electricity and Sometimes With Hammers.

Chicago, Oct. 2.—A "shocking" exhibition of the methods of modern doctors was given before 300 members of the American Association for Medical Research gathered here today for their tenth annual convention.
A young woman was put on a table, her chest was weighted down, with sand-bags and a current of electricity was sent through her. A man was put in an electrically charged chair, his bare feet resting on a tripwire, his bare hands resting on the balls which surrounded each chair arm. He, too, was shocked while the doctors looked on with unconcealed interest as the way his toes were wringed and his eyebrows twitched under the influence of the electric current.
"It's all the rage now," Dr. J. F. Royer of Waukegan declared. He is secretary of the organization, which has as its aim the annihilating of chronic suffering (not suffering) by the use of electricity and machinery instead of drugs.
Dr. Elmore C. Falkmore of Washington, D. C., had the floor of the convention for demonstration of diathermy, meaning treatment by electricity. She was who shocked volunteer patients with an assemblage of machinery resembling a high powered wireless set. She had some difficulty persuading the young woman whom she later sand-bagged to come forward.
As the doctor went on with the demonstration she told of cases she had cured. One asthma case was cured by hammering the patient's backbones with a small hammer. The doctor explained that the patient's wife hit him every night with the hammer on the "third dorsal," and in five days he remedied and diet lists by percussion. He explained this morning that his system is similar to testing a water

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melon by hitting it. If there is no sound when the patient is hit it means something or other which the public could not understand, and if there is a sound it means something else, also very technical.

Police Fight Jobless

Dozen Injured and Many Arrested in Leicester Clash.

Leicester, Eng., Oct. 3.—A dozen men were injured and many arrested after a clash here today between the police and unemployed men who had smashed windows of the Board of Physical Research gathered here today for their tenth annual convention.

Spaniards and Moors Are Again In Conflict

Madrid, Oct. 3.—Hostilities of a fairly important nature began near Melillo yesterday between Spanish and Moroccan forces. Newspapers report an attack upon a Spanish food convoy, but say the rebels eventually were repulsed with heavy losses.
Moroccan troops, who have been preventing the Spanish from repositioning the advanced post of Tiza, southwest of Melillo, have been driven from their positions with severe losses.

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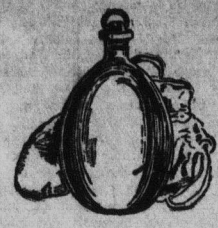
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IMPORTANT DECISIONS HOSPITAL

Decided to Build New Wing
Room for Fifteen More
Outdoor Department

Important decisions were made yesterday at the regular meeting of the Board of Hospital Commissioners when it was decided to build a new wing to the Epidemic Hospital which will make room for fifteen more beds than at present, and accommodate sixteen nurses and two supervisors. The second matter disposed of was the clearing of the basement of the Hospital to bring the out door department up to standard. With the clearing of the rooms, the building the best capacity will be increased to nineteen more beds than at present.

There were present Mr. E. A. chairman, W. E. Emerson, J. O'Brien, Mrs. J. Verrier McAllan, Dr. G. R. Crawford, Hon. Dr. Roberts and King Kelly. The meeting opened at 4.15 and adjourned for supper at 7.15. The report of the committee on the Epidemic Hospital was read and a door department was heard. F. N. Brodie was present. Hon. Dr. Roberts reported that the Warden and Mayor had stated if the board could not upon one plan the Warden and Mayor would authorize the expenditure of other \$10,000. A plan for nurses was talked of and the board decided to allow for extra patients, bath and toilets for men and women. The committee endeavored to find a house to house the nurses but were unable to find one. A unit outside the Epidemic was suggested and a unit for measles. The Mayor suggested building an extra story on the Epidemic. This was not feasible according to safety laws. A new Epidemic building is entirely out of the question at the present time.

F. N. Brodie submitted a plan for new wing stretching out eastward and southward towards Delhi street and Waterloo. This will allow for a large number of extra rooms for nurses and two supervisors with rooms and living rooms.
Mr. Roberts pointed out that eight nurses are necessary which allows one nurse for every seven patients if the Epidemic is full. Many patients are children and special care is greatly needed in these cases. The cost of the wing is to be about \$13,000.

Mr. Agar said that this alteration was only a temporary expedient and only as that would be vote for it. A present agreed with him that an Epidemic Hospital should be away entirely from the main station. Dr. Roberts said these plans will allow for complete separation from the main hospital.

Last winter the epidemic was filled and patients had to be sent away. Sick test has been ordered by the health minister for every child to be admitted to an orphanage. Commissioner O'Brien moved and Mr. Emerson seconded a motion that the proposal to build a new wing be accepted and that Mr. Brodie bring plans and specifications to the next meeting. The vote passed five to one. The out-door department has not been up to standard and plans were prepared for a clearing out of a part of the basement to improve this department. A receiving room will be a range so that the ambulance will be able to drive right to it. This will relieve left hand room in corridor. Ample space for the radio graphic department will be provided as well for the out-door operating room. Clinics may be held there also. This plan will allow for 20 or 24 extra beds on the first floor.

Pipes in the basement of the West wing will be taken down and a clean up made 24 by 8 feet giving additional room for 24 free patients. R. H. Gale was roughly estimated at cost of \$4,000. This plan was unanimously approved of. Mr. Brodie was asked to reduce it to writing and bring it before the board later. Some changes in the old Nurses home were shown on a plan. At present 75 persons are dining in a room and has a capacity of about 100. On motion this amendment was approved. Seven private rooms and three semi-private rooms will be available during the next week allowing for 12 extra beds at present.

R. H. Gale, superintendent, submitted the following report which was adopted:
Patients remaining Aug 31st..... 11
Admitted during September..... 16
Discharged during September, 16 of whom 79 were cured; 59 improve and 16 died.
Patients remaining September 30..... 118.

59 operations in operating room and 80 in out door department.
Patients per day average 109.5.
Dr. Diamond was not in Newfoundland and it is stated is not likely to return so an intern should be engaged to take his place. Miss Beiding anaesthetist and Miss Macbeth are on two weeks leave. Home doctors give anaesthesia and Miss Collins is in charge of out door clinic. Miss Murdoch, nurse, is on two weeks leave, and Miss Barbour has charge in Miss Murdoch's absence. Miss Hamilton, dietitian, has been on two weeks leave, and Mr. Gale recommended that a dietitian be engaged in her absence. It was decided to engage another intern in place of Dr. Diamond. It was understood, re-anthems in Newfoundland.
The question of salaries was discussed. The matter was left to the superintendent and medical men on the board.

Dr. Crawford moved that Miss Miller be asked to take Miss Hunter's place during her leave of absence for holidays. Mrs. McAllan is commissioner for the coming month. Fire escapes are being wrapped and painted with asbestos and chain for the coming month.
Resolutions including surgical clinics..... \$12.00
Nurses..... \$171.00
Physicians..... \$2,553.15
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