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WOULD BUY OUR SAFETY

Canada, out of her abundant and ever-increasing prosperity, which is the fruit of an enlightened and progressive Liberal policy for sixteen years, can well afford to contribute millions for the defence of the Empire. She cannot, however, afford to hire her fighting done, or convey to the world the impression that her people, so competent in other matters, are unequal to the task of creating and maintaining a system of naval defence. It was Mr. R. L. Borden himself who said in London, at the Dominion Day banquet of the Canadian Club three years ago:—

"Some feeling was created in the British Isles owing to the fact that Canada did not, by resolution or by speech from the Prime Minister, vouchsafe the offer of one, two or three Dreadnoughts. The resolution in the form in which it was passed, while its terms might not upon the surface seem as significant as the offer of one or two Dreadnoughts would have been, laid down a permanent policy for the Dominion of Canada which would serve as a more practical provision than any such offer of Dreadnoughts."

Yesterday in parliament Mr. Borden repudiated his views of three years ago and submitted a proposal to present the Admiralty with three Dreadnoughts without making any provision whatever for building ships in Canada, or even manning and supporting the Dreadnoughts.

It is not too much to say that this is a disappointment to the people of Canada. Sir Wilfrid Laurier truly voiced the feelings of Liberals in Canada when he declared their devotion and loyalty to the Empire, but that devotion and loyalty are not best expressed by a policy of tribute. At the very least, as the Toronto Globe points out, Canada should maintain and support the Dreadnoughts, if they are to represent Canada beside those of Australia.

Mr. Borden's policy, from the Canadian standpoint, is one of despair. He says Canada would require a quarter or half century to do anything of an effective character in navy building. Evidently he has no faith in the genius of the people who have spanned the continent with railroads and transformed a wilderness into a world's granary. One is locally reminded of the forty years' prediction about Courtenay Bay.

Mr. Borden has lost his faith in Canadian manhood and stakes it upon Canadian money, with which to buy the safety of the country and the Empire. There is no hint of an emergency, and therefore the less excuse for so radical a departure from Mr. Borden's own position three years ago when he said to the people of Halifax:—

"One governing principle, at least, should control, namely that out of our own materials, by our own labor and by the instructed skill of our own people, any necessary provision for our naval defence should be made so far as may be reasonably possible."

With an interest as keen as that with which they have awaited the Mr. Borden's announcement, the people will now await the delivery of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the imperialist who gave the British preference and inaugurated a sane and self-respecting naval policy for Canada.

SOCIAL WELFARE WORK

A glance through a Toronto paper of Wednesday shows that many agencies are at work in that city for social betterment along varied lines. Among the reports of meetings held in the city the night before was one which described a meeting of what is called the Boys' Dominion parliament. Several boys' clubs in the city have united as provinces to form a dominion, and their parliament was in session on Tuesday evening. There were sixteen members on the government side and twelve on the side of the opposition, and more than 200 boys who represented their constituents were present and took a great interest in the proceedings. Among the bills passed was a measure providing for an exhibition in Toronto next fall, at which will be shown samples of work done by boys in different parts of Canada. It is not easy to estimate the value of such an organization of boys as the Boys' Dominion of Toronto.

The same paper tells of a meeting at which Miss Neufeld, chief worker in the Central Neighborhood House, made a striking appeal for better protection for girls who come to Canada. Thousands of girls come each year unattended, and Miss Neufeld charged that few people care what becomes of them. She also denounced an educational system "which strove to apply the same training to the twelve year old little Russian Jew or Italian as to the son of the plutocrat of Rochester."

A third story tells of the formal opening of the Franco-Willard Home of the W. C. T. U., which cost \$60,000, and with which has been amalgamated the work of the Girls' Shelter, where over 4,000 girls have from time to time found a temporary home. With this splendid building the W. C. T. U. will be able to carry on a much more extensive and valuable work.

Still another report tells of a meeting of the Vigilance Association, which deals with questions of moral reform, and at which one of the speakers was the Rev. J. Hunter Boyd, who is so well known in St. John.

FARMERS' CLUBS

One of the most significant movements in rural Ontario of late is the development of what are called Farmers' Clubs. The representatives of the department of agriculture in the various counties are promoting this work, and the number of clubs is steadily increasing. At a recent meeting in Hastings county one of these representatives told of the excellent work that had been done by different clubs. The members of one club, he said, had been unable to get good seed corn, but they co-operated and sent a man to the winter fair at Guelph and secured an excellent supply. Another club discussed orchard problems with the result that a Co-operative Fruit Growers' Association was formed, and there was not only a great improvement in the quality of fruit produced but in the market returns.

Fourteen clubs in Prince Edward County united to form the Associated Farmers' Clubs of that county, and published a pamphlet describing the resources of the county. One of the most valuable features of the work has been the encouragement of gardening by the children of the schools. It was found that school gardens did not produce the best results because of the long period of holidays, and the Farmers' Clubs, therefore, supplied the pupils with seeds and plants and encouraged them to do the gardening at their own homes. This worked out so successfully that a fair was held last fall with an exhibit by nearly every pupil, and in addition to the garden products there were 200 chickens, as the result of a distribution of eggs earlier in the season. Discussing this matter one farmer said:—"I have only one solution of the old problem of keeping the boys on the farm, and that is the home garden work."

The same speaker declared that he believed these Farmers' Clubs were the key to the solution of the vexed problems of transportation and marketing, for they led to co-operation and to improvement in the work of the farm generally. That which proves so satisfactory in the farming districts of Ontario ought to produce equally good results in the province of New Brunswick.

The Children's Aid Society of Renfrew, Ontario, has just opened a new chapter for destitute and neglected children. St. John should take a lesson from the town of Renfrew.

The women of Toronto are demanding the franchise for married women, and are supported by the city controllers. The Local Council of Women and the Toronto Woman's Suffrage Association appeared this week before the Board of Control and stated their case with clearness and force, and the board unanimously agreed to go with them before Hon. W. J. Hanna, the acting premier, and support their demand.

The city of Toronto is moving in the direction of a playgrounds commission. The World says that the churches, the Y. M. C. A., the Playgrounds Association, the Boys' Dominion and the different settlements have all been doing excellent work separately, but it is not felt that if they were grouped into one organization better results would be achieved. It will be necessary to get special legislation, and a committee of the Playgrounds Association is now drafting a bill to be presented at the next session of the legislature. It is supposed to give the commission charge of all playgrounds, the city statues, and portions of the parks to be used as playgrounds, while reading rooms and gymnasiums would also be provided. The private associations would not lose their identity, but would continue their work, the commission giving its time and attention to a general policy. It will thus be seen that great progress is being made with the playground movement in that city.

A provincial conference is to be held in Berlin, Ontario, next week to discuss the question of seeking legislation to enable the cities and towns of Ontario to carry on town planning schemes. The mayors of several cities have already announced their intention of being present, and it is expected every municipality in the province will be represented. It is worthy of note in this connection that in Calgary the town planning committee of the city council has recommended that no less than \$600,000 be set aside for the purpose of planning Calgary for a great future.

These western cities do not do things by halves. They are spending very large sums planning for future growth along right lines. The cities of Ontario are now falling into line, and it will not be long until every progressive Canadian city has its town planning commission heartily supported by the people. We fall behind Germany and the mother country in this regard, and there is no excuse for failure to profit by their example.

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The Nickel was crowded at every performance yesterday when the three new film pictures "Our Empire Navy," "The Life of Jack," and "The Building of His Ocean Home" were shown. The pictures deal entirely with the British navy, and are of the best and most educational pictures ever shown in the city. Every show the house was crowded, and some could not get in. The first scene of the picture shows a lad leaving his home to join the navy. He is next seen while he is taking his course of instruction. The picture shows his work on the training ship, the recreation engaged in by the men when off duty, and in fact everything that the sailors have to do while training to become naval officers.

The second reel shows a monster Dreadnought being built, the Lord Stanley, and also the launching of the ship. The third scene shows a sailor on board ship. They are seen scrubbing the decks, aloft in the rigging, clearing the deck for action and manning the big guns. They are also shown leaving the battleship for their drill on the land, and in fact the picture depicts almost every phase of a sailor's life.

Premier R. L. and Mrs. Borden are shown in the picture, photographed while visiting London recently. Borden is also shown christening one of the large battleships. The last reel shows maps with the words "Any Help Wanted," written along, and the answer of each country is also thrown on the screen.

The pictures are exceptionally clear and steady and were greatly enjoyed. There is a time and again loudly applauded and cheered the pictures of Queen Victoria, King Edward, King George and Queen Mary. The orchestra has prepared a special programme of patriotic airs which they rendered very acceptably.

The pictures are indeed educational and instructive and are well worth seeing. They will be shown at the Nickel today and tomorrow. Saturday afternoon will give the youngsters a fine chance to see them.

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ers, the Pelicans and the Gladstone. Captain Cunningham had his certificate suspended for three months, and Captain Johnson of the Gladstone was censured. Major and Mrs. Taylor, of St. John, dined last evening at the reopening of the Citadel of the Salvation Army in Fredericton.

The twelfth Maritime Winter Fair at Amherst closed last night with the formal presentation of cups and special prizes. In many ways the fair has been the most successful yet held, its educational value being especially great.

Woodstock, N. B., Dec. 5.—(Special.)—L. O. L. No. 38 has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: A. W. Grant, W. M.; E. Gerow, D. M.; Thomas McKimney, financial secretary; Miss Moore, chaplain; J. H. Stairs, R. S.; Walter McKimney, lecturer; W. J. McMullan, D. of C.

She (pointing)—"Before we were married you often used to call me your 'little'."

He—"Yes, and now I catch you in 'little'."