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THURSDAY MORNING, APRIL 29.

The Issue

One man must decide as to the dissolution of parliament and an appeal to the country. That man is the prime minister of Canada. He would not if he could shirk that responsibility. He will not act hastily or without grave consideration. He can listen to many counsels, but the responsibility that is his cannot be distributed. Should he decide at this time to act, the people of Canada will be the reason why, and they will be reasons based on doubt upon national and imperial considerations.

The World ventures to think that, except for the outbreak of the war, the prime minister and his government would long ago have appealed from the tyrannical interference of the senate, to its masters and theirs, the people of Canada. As we have already pointed out, this country has not enjoyed responsible government since the last Dominion election. The government proposed, and the representatives of the people passed, much important legislation, only to encounter an impassable barrier in the Liberal majority of the Dominion Senate. Even when acting upon the advice of the British admiralty and in accordance with the will of the Canadian people the house of commons voted to contribute three breadstuffs to the imperial defence the senate, upon the advice of the leader of the opposition, interposed its impassable veto.

When the war broke out, however, the prime minister and his advisers hoped that partisan differences and factional disputes might be forgotten. They threw themselves with vigor and devotion into the great task the war imposed upon Canada, hoping for sympathetic consideration from the leaders of the Liberal party. All political meetings were cancelled and the vacancies in the house of commons were filled without any party contest.

Before long, however, the government learned that secret, insidious and almost seditious attacks were being made upon them. The organizers of the opposition were found busy at work in every polling subdivision and campaign literature of the most abusive character appeared in the Liberal newspapers and was circulated thru the mails.

When parliament met, the government proposed some slight increases in the burden of taxation in order to meet the heavy expenses of the war. Their proposals were challenged by a want-of-confidence motion. The people were told that the so-called war taxes were really being imposed to enrich the ministers and their friends by way of graft. Every petty mistake incident to the haste required in equipping and sending forward the first contingent was magnified and distorted. The government was accused of disloyalty to the empire and in glaring headlines the voters were asked to choose between "Borden taxation with graft and waste or Liberal prosperity and efficient administration."

In short, the Liberal leaders are preventing the united country from efficiently continuing its splendid contribution to the war. Recruiting is discouraged by the constant charge that graft runs riot in the purchase of military supplies and war taxation is denounced as odious. The ministers of the crown are nagged and calumniated at every turn. Bitter party feeling is being stirred up, on every pretext, in every corner of the land, and the government may well be justified in believing that it would be better even at this time to have a short, sharp party battle at the polls than have the present guerrilla warfare continued indefinitely.

It is moreover necessary that we have the two houses of parliament in accord, representing beyond dispute the will and sentiments of the people. The west is at present under-represented in the house and senate alike and this condition of affairs cannot be cured until after a general election. Next year the prime minister of Canada, whoever he may be, and at least some of his colleagues, will have to represent the Dominion at the capital of the empire to discuss and decide matters of weighty moment of imperial and international concern and of supreme importance to the people of Canada. They should go upon this



PRIVATE CANUCK: Phew! I've met you before in Canada.

mission with the unmistakable mandate of the people and not upon the brink of a general election, as would be the case were the dissolution of parliament postponed, as some suggest, till September, 1915.

But to our mind the supreme issue is the issue of responsible government. Shall the government of this country be responsible to the house of commons and the house of commons to the people of Canada; or shall the government, the house of commons and the people alike, be at the mercy of an unrepresentative and irresponsible senate?

Fill It In

An inspection of Catfish Pond quickly convinced the aldermen who visited it that the conclusion came to by those who had previously taken the trouble to inspect the place was a correct one. We do not mean to say that every body who had previously seen Catfish Pond wanted it filled in. Commissioner Chambers represents those who wish to dig it out. But even he must admit that he is in a minority, and he has no disposition to oppose the will of the council if the aldermen decide to fill it in.

It is not difficult to understand Commissioner Chambers' desire to dig out the pond. He approaches the matter from the point of view of a landscape gardener, and perhaps the landscape would look better with a pond than without one. But Mr. Chambers is quite skillful enough to make the landscape look as beautiful after it is filled in as it would be with a questionable sheet of water, or perhaps, we should say, a sheet of questionable water.

The other point to be considered is the cost. Economy is naturally a strong argument in deciding the matter, and Mr. Chambers has had cost decided as much as digging out. Others, however, are quite of a reverse opinion, and they think that a box or marsh like the pond, which has practically no bottom so long as the water is allowed to lodge in it, would cost more to keep clear in perpetuity than to fill in and dry up by diverting the sluggish little runlet which feeds the swamp.

Estimates have been offered to do the work of filling in with sand from the lake front at a cost of not more than \$25,000, and this is only half of Mr. Chambers' estimate for digging out, at the lowest. As a matter

of fact, the cost of work of this description is always problematical, and only the experience of those who have been familiar with such operations can be used as reliably indicating the final cost. The judgment of the majority is clearly on the side of filling in the pond, both from the consideration of cost and of the best interests of the citizens generally, and especially of those who reside in the vicinity.

At present the pond is merely a breeding ground for mosquitoes and other insect pests which carry malaria and are a source of discomfort and disease to the neighborhood. The city council will probably end the nuisance by giving the order to create a playground out of the present swamp.

Kitchener's Appreciation of the German Armies

Editor World: When Kitchener says anything his words are more eloquent than even his silence. He declares that he has tried to find excuses in mitigation or palliation of the brutality, cruelty and outrage which are being charged against the officers and soldiers of the Kaiser's army, but that he has found his task absolutely impossible because the conduct of the Kaiser's army is as degraded and brutal as that of the derelicts of the world. The nations of the world know that the legions of Prussia, Bavaria and Saxony have received a brand of infamy and degradation which they will never be able to blot out or overcome.

Kitchener gave hostages to the world at Khartoum. In the Sudan and on the field of Omdurman, which no traitor can weaken or overcome, he knows the infamy involved in the comparison. Every decoration on his breast was stamped by the hand of a grateful empire in token of death encountered at the hands of Britain's most treacherous foes. He knew their fiendish cruelty amid the torrid heat of the equator, and he crushed it with a tremendous hand. He met their cunning with the grasp of his genius and baffled it in every form. He carried with him, concealed in the mantle of his silence, a flashlight which brings destruction to his foes. Now we know what we have to do!

G. Bruce.
241 St. Clair avenue.
April 25.

GERMAN RIFLE SHOP DAMAGED BY BOMBS

Mausser Factory at Oberndorf Had Machinery and Small Arms Destroyed.

GENEVA, Switzerland, April 28.—A French aviator yesterday threw four bombs on the Mauser rifle factory at Oberndorf, near Stuttgart. Each of these missiles reached its goal, and according to the information coming to Geneva, considerable damage was done. A quantity of rifles, together with some machinery, was destroyed.

NO PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

LONDON, April 28.—Answering a question in the house of commons this morning, Mr. Lloyd George declared that the foreign office had no official information to confirm the recent reports that Russia had approached Austria directly or indirectly for separate terms of peace.

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KING'S BIRTHDAY TO BE OBSERVED

Public School Holiday and Cadets Will Be Reviewed.

DEPARTMENT EXAMS.

First Trials Commence June Ninth—Others Will Follow Rapidly.

His Majesty's birthday, June 3, is to be observed by a public school holiday and the inspection of the high school cadets. The event is to be made of military, social interest by the salute being taken by a high military officer, and the issue of invitations to representatives of the board of education management committee.

The upper school department examinations will begin on Wednesday, June 9, the middle school June 11, and the lower school on June 14.

Chief Inspector Cowley has recommended the opening of an additional primary class at Church Street, Davisville and Palmerston Avenue schools.

LAST HONORS PAID CORP. J. MCKINLEY

The last honors were paid yesterday afternoon to the remains of Lance-Corporal John McKinley, R.C.R.I., who died in the Western front on Saturday. His funeral was held from the Bates & Dods undertaking establishment to Prospect Cemetery and in the absence of the men of his own regiment, who are on service elsewhere, modulated men and veterans of the Fourth Brigade manured the gun carriage which bore the casket to the cemetery, while the firing party was chosen from the 25th Regiment and men from the R.C.D. walked beside the carriage.

The service was conducted by Major J. Russell MacLean, assisted by Rev. Canon (Capt.) Dixon, and Capt. Gilmour. McKinley was an Englishman and left no relatives in Canada. A sister in the old country was advised of his death by cable.

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MARTIN, MAYOR OF HALIFAX
HALIFAX, April 28.—Peter F. Martin was elected mayor of Halifax today.

JUDGMENT GIVEN AGAINST TRUST CO.

Sanitarium Wins in Suit for Expenses and Estate Must Pay.

DELIVERY WAS STOPPED

Hough Lithographing Co. Placed in Liquidation by Creditor.

At Osgoode Hall yesterday Chief Justice Falconbridge gave judgment for \$1803.57 against the Toronto General Trusts Corporation, a committee of the estate of W. O. N. Parker, and against Mrs. Parker in favor of the Homewood Sanitarium, Guelph. The claim was for expenses arising from the stay of Mr. Parker in that institution. Mrs. Parker can recover from the estate anything which she may have to pay under the judgment.

Mr. Justice Sutherland ratified the settlement in the damage action brought on behalf of Edward Campbell McDowell, a six-year-old boy who was run over in Hamilton by an automobile belonging to T. H. Pratt, by which the lad will receive \$2000.

The first appellate court is engaged in hearing the appeal of the defendants from the judgment of Mr. Justice Lennox in the action of the Tilbury Gas Company v. the Maple City Oil Company. The oil company were restrained from selling gas from three farms in Kent County on which they possess leases. The Tilbury Gas Co. are the present time supplying Tilbury and the public of the district with gas, and claim that they possess a franchise the interests of which would be imperiled if the defendants are allowed liberty to sell their product.

Placed in Liquidation.
By an order made by Mr. Justice Sutherland the Hough Lithographing Co. is placed in liquidation under the Dominion Act, on the petition of R. Cronin, a creditor, for \$221. The company was incorporated in 1905 with a capital of \$150,000, of which \$40,000 is said to have been subscribed and paid up.

The Standard Bank has held an assignment of the majority of the shares. The company is stated to have obtained orders for the extent of \$100,000 between last January and August, but had been unable to secure deliveries from European companies since September, and so had not been able to fill the orders. It was stated that the petitioner had been given business by the Hough Company in the last few years amounting to \$225,000.

Mr. Justice Sutherland has dismissed the application made by Osler Wade for an order for foreclosure on the property of Thomas H. Morris. The applicant stated that payment of the instalment of principal on two mortgages was due on Jan. 31, 1915, and that it had not been paid; also that the mortgagor objected to payment. It was held that Morris was able to recede from the mortgages on the property. The mortgagor states that he purchased the land in 1913 for \$7000 and owing to conditions of the war he was unable to rent a number of houses until 1915. He was compelled to reduce the rentals and had spent a considerable sum in improvements. As an arrangement was made that the solicitor for the mortgagor is to get the rents and after paying the interest and taxes on the property, the action was dismissed.

Dismissed Motion.
His lordship also dismissed the motion of Thomas Parsons to have an award made by the late Judge Barry giving nominal damages to the Town of York and to the Corporation of the City of Toronto against the Corporation of the City of Toronto for the loss of the property in the town.

The following writs have been issued: Empire Realty Co. against Jas. J. Walsh, T. H. Brown of Toronto against H. K. Mackenzie and P. H. Mackenzie; Alexander McKenzie, Muskoka, against the Canadian Pacific Railway; Annie Bulmer against George Tuff; Ramsay E. Sinclair, Ltd., against Mary McKenzie, Bereton; the Real Estate Co. of Toronto against Robinson & Sons of Hamilton; Thomas R. Hinds against John Gray and Peter Gray; Geo. Cooper against the Badger Mines Co.; Geo. Cooper Campbell against the Canadian Pacific Railway; Robinson & Sons of Hamilton against William McMillan.

The first appellate court list for today: Tilbury Gas Co. v. Maple City Oil Co.; Trusts and Guarantees Co. v. Smith, Blackhall v. Roessel, Bell v. Smith.

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BILLION DOLLARS TOTAL OF TRADE

Canada's Exports and Imports Held Up Well Last Year.

By a Staff Reporter.
OTTAWA, April 27.—The trade of Canada for the fiscal year ended March 31 last was over a billion dollars, according to the statement issued today by Hon. J. D. Reid, minister of customs. The figures for the year totalled \$1,078,173,000, compared with \$1,112,562,000 for the previous fiscal year. The showing is considered satisfactory. Domestic merchandise exported reached the large total of \$409,418,836, as against \$431,588,000 for the preceding year. The export of manufactured articles totalled \$385,593,000, against \$374,653,000 for the year 1913-14. Exports of animals and their produce were \$74,390,000, as against \$53,249,000 in 1913. The total exports of dutiable goods were \$279,717,000, as compared with \$410,130,000 in 1913-14. There was a large increase in coin and bullion imported, the figures being \$131,992,000, as against \$15,335,000 for the preceding year.

Suffered For More Than Two Years

Then Joseph Gagne Found a Cure in Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Quebec Man Took His Wife's Advice And Is Now Enjoying a New Lease of Health.

STE. MARQUERITE BAY MILLS, Saguenay Co., Que., April 28.—(Special).—"Yes, you can tell the public of the great relief I got from Dodd's Kidney Pills." The speaker was Mr. Joseph Gagne, a well known resident of this place, and he has every reason to be enthusiastic over the great Canadian Kidney remedy.

"For more than two years I suffered from kidney disease," Mr. Gagne continued. "It finally developed into pleurisy and I was a very sick man when my wife persuaded me to give Dodd's Kidney Pills a trial."

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Dodd's Kidney Pills make their users enthusiastic because they not only cure the particular ailment aimed at, but they spread good health all over the body. They do this by curing the kidneys. Cured kidneys strain all the impurities out of the blood. That means pure blood and new health all over the body.

GERMANS IGNORED RED CROSS FLAG

Orphanage at Poperinghe Shelled and Three Nuns Killed.

PARIS, April 28.—Three hundred refugees from Poperinghe, eight miles west of Ypres, which has come under the fire of German artillery, have arrived in this city on special trains. Most of them are inmates of an orphanage and a hospital for the aged, conducted by Franciscan sisters.

When the bombardment of Poperinghe was begun on Sunday, the sisters declared, the institutions were not spared although they were flying the red cross flag. Three nuns were killed while superintending the removal of their charges and several of the inmates were wounded.

FOUND NOT GUILTY.

Isadore Finkelstein was found not guilty of getting \$4.75 from Sidney Schofield by false pretences, in the county criminal court yesterday, before Judge Coatsworth.

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