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A WEEKLY NEWS LETTER.

MORE ABOUT RECRUITING IMMIGRANTS.

AST week we presented some immigration recruiting facts which call for explanation on the part facts have been presented which make it imperative that an explanation be made at once. Certainly the present, with an ever increasing army of unemployed, is inopportune to bring immigrants to Canada. However, the Canadian Government continues to allow immigrants entry into the Dominion. Prominent Hamilton adopted the calculation adopted the party has adopted the executive of the Labor party has adopted the executive of the Trades Union Congress and the executive of the Labor party has adopted a resolution refusing to nominate epresentation by population has welded the race either. Right now in the British Isles after hundreds of years of the old electoral system the country is not as firmly united as Canada and here we have dozens of different races.

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The British Representation being in sight in size in sight. The British Representation being in sight. The British Representation being in sight in size in sight. short time ago, of 400 immigrants to the City of Toronto. Hamilton, being an industrial city and Kaving a large number of unemployed, does not desire to have the situation further aggravated by the importation of an additional number of the importation of an additional number of the contents of the importation of an additional number of the contents of the contents of page 1 and 1 that all of the immigrants had complied with the immigration regulations and had the required amount of money in their possession. However, Mayor Coppley, George G. Halcrow, M.L.A., and others, all condemn an immigration policy that will bring more people to our towns and cities when work cannot be found for those already residing therein.

Certainly the immigration authorities of Canada should cease recruiting in Europe until work is found for all of those who are now reciding in Canada.

LABOR AND THE TARIFF.

THE Saskatoon Star recently published a highly humorous editorial concerning "Labor and the Tariff." This paper evidently believes that Mr. Tom Moore and Mr. P. M. Draper, jointly, are attempting to dietate a political policy for the workers of Canada. Let the Saskatoon Star distinctly understand that the policy as presented by Mr. Moore to the Tariff Commission received the unanimous endorsement of the Windsor Convention of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada. Let the Saskatoon Star further understand that the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada is not presuming to dictate a inpolitical policy, nor is it connected with the Indepen- csar dent Labor Party in any manner whatsoever." Independent Labor Party may be supporting the New Progressive Party. If so, the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada is not interested. What is of paramount importance, however, and what the Saskatoon Star would do well to remember is this that the individual members of the organized labor movement of Canada are unanimously in support of the policy as outlined by Mr. Moore before the Tariff Commission, and the party which introduces a tariff policy the most nearly approaching it will receive the votes Canadian Brotherhood of Railof the workers.

THE C. B. OF R. E.

CISIVE action has been taken in many of the industrial centres on the communication sent out ECISIVE action has been taken in many of the

by the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, wherein, it was stated that the charter held by the Canadian Brotherhood of Railroad Employes, held since 1917, has been revoked.

The central labor bodies of Toronto, Hamilton and Ottawa have unseated the delegates of the C. B. of R. E. and will give all assistance possible to the Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks, etc., in building up a 100 per cent. organization of the class building up a 100 per cent. organization of the class ontario.

building up a 100 per cent. organization of the class of workers covered by that brotherhood

Elsewhere in this issue we publish an official communication of the Brotherhood of Railway and Steam thin Clerks on this subject. All of the standard, reconnized railroad organizations upheld the decision of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada and blodge themselves to give all assistance possible to the infarmational organization, the only one covering this class of workers now recognized by the American Foderial to such memberably. It forms the result of all of the executive of the Congress of Canada.

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The organization of the Supreme Court of Ontario.

What Brotherhood Asks.

The writasks the court to declare that the C.B. of R.B. is still at the court to decision of the Supreme of the Trades and Labor Congress. and that they are still entired to all rights and privileges is invalidation of the congress of the Congress

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demaged by fire, should be made by day labor under the direction of Mr. George Crain on the basis of cost plus ten ner cent, for Mr. Crain.

Controller Filis wants the work done by contract

Action on this question is deferred until today's meeting.

It is every man's duty to join the union, and every union and every union and every union and every union and every union. And it is ternational union and every union and every union and every union. And it is ternational union and every union.

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Across the Atlantic

What Our Brothers In the Moth erland Are Doing,

OPERATE WITH GOVERN-

there are no signs, despite the any Cabinet deliberations, that he Government is any neares a so-tion of the problem.

The Government's principal sug-

FOR THRIFT.

LONDON, England. — Mr. Lloyd George has adopted the example of President-elect Harding of the United States and issued an appeal to the public to practise thrift. "I have seen a very sound and sensible appeal by the newly elected Freddent of the United States to the American people for all-around economy, and I make the same appeal to the people of this country, said the Premier at a dinner of the Federation of British industries.

"Europe is atanding in front of our shop windows," he went on. "It wants to buy, but it is in rags and its peckets are full of paper. In the Good Book there is a great story of men, who reconstructed a

Mr. Lloyd George continued. Willy want to but the lexesses of the other. That is what happens in the public expenditure. But it is essential; if the nation is to recover, that

way Employes Institute Action Against Congress.

In an effort to prevent the Trades

THAT BRITISH REPRESENTATION LEAGUE.

BY J. A. P. HAYDON.

The Ontario Government propose making a recommendation at the next session that a trial of proportional representation be linere as no record at made in two parts of the Province-one in the east to include Ot-LABOR REFUSES TO CO- tawa and adjacent constituencies, Lanark, Grenville, Carleton and Leeds, and another in the southwest to include the City of Hamilton and the Counties of Brant, Oxford and Waterloo.

This proposal was the signal for much rejoicing amongst that section of the electors of Ontario who believe in majority rule, addition of \$5,000 to the ranks of who know that by proportional representation is meant a proper proportion of representatives in the Government, thereby producthat ing a Government by the majority of the people.

But the Ontario Government is not to be allowed full freedom in this matter, because a society, with headquarters in Toronto, has in this matter, because a society, with headquarters in foronto, has slions, giving an insurance beautour to the employed and placing Government establishments on short time, the a reduction of the weekly to the Labor rive to be totally inadequate, and a party refuses to co-aperate with a party refuses to co-aperate with a Government on any such basis, manding that if short time is opted there shall be no reduction that it is reason enough to change it, when a better system is night. The British Representation League, and they are fighting the proposal on the grounds that it is a departure from the old, traditional, time-honor rive to be totally inadequate. and they are fighting the proposal on the grounds that it is a departure from the old, traditional, time-honor rive to be totally inadequate. The system is old and time-honored, but because it is old, that in itself is reason enough to change it, when a better system is night. The British Representation League claim that proportions are the system of the control of the con been formed to combat it. That society is known as the British Representation League, and they are fighting the proposal on the grounds that it is a departure from the old, traditional, time-honor-

usually has a sufficient majority to conduct an administration. Right. But that party in power is not always a proper represen tation of the people. There have been several elections in Canada, and in the various provinces in which the party elected did not have the majority vote of the people, yet they had the majority of members. The reason is simple. The number of voters in electoral districts in Canada fluctuate rapidly and one district with a tion Inspector Sweeney of Hamilton stated this week BRITISH PREMIER APPEALS great many more voters elects no more members than the constituency with less. There is, too, an always great variation in the majorities of elected men. Here are five districts, each electing one man, three districts have 45,000 voters each and two have 30,000, approximately. The difference in the number of voters is aused by the fact that the electoral districts with more voters have grown more in proportion to the others since the last redistribution. The result of the election shows three men of one party elected and two of the other party, yet the party which elected only two men polled the majority of votes. Is that in accordance with the old traditional idea of British fair play?

Again, the British Representation League claim that under proportional representation it is necessary to count ballots several times and the public is kept waiting too long. Perhaps the public will be kept waiting very often for a considerable time, but at least it will know when the election returns are published that the ory of men who reconstructed a majority of the people will find a proper representation of its other city with a trowel in one had and a sword in the other; but rope must set to work with both Another claim put forward by the British Representation

Another claim put forward by the British Representation League is, that proportional representation will cause group-gov-rnment, with a consequent lack of interestion the part of the peornment, with a consequent lack of interestion the part of the people to the nation—yes, but let in ation wet the example to the reason with the people. Is group-government not possible under the present system, that appointed a committee to down expenditures, and I sugar there should be a committee to the responsible to the people of England. The Coalition comprises five different parties and the non-Coalition, six. Is that not a group-government? Have every household to cut down existing the people of England shown less interest in the elections since and the non-Coalition, six. Is that not a group-government? Have the people of England shown less interest in the elections since eleven different parties took part? Did interest lag here in Ottawa at the last civic election, when thirteen candidates competed for

controllers? On the contrary.

Proportional representation will cause group-government, but such a government is the best for all classes. If a government for revolution.—Frank Hodges.

Get held of some one truth. Let best suited to the needs of the country will be introduced.

One more thought. Under the old system of so-called stable Give your soul up to it; see it in

government, Labor has been obliged to rely on the promises of a certain party candidate who, if he were elected, might remember his promises and he might not. Under proportional representation Labor can elect its own members and will not need to rely on any-

We since ally hope that the Government of the Province of Ontario allows the campaign of the British Representation League o have absolutely no effect on its decisions.

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ference between him and Lord Grey. This is reassuring, but the twee Frees are not happy.

"Every institution whether po-litical or religious, represents in its actual working the form and pres-sure of the age. —Buckle.

"I was well; I wished to be better; here I am"—Epicaph of a healthy man who took physic.

"America has talked greatly about democracy, but has done very little to realize it."—Bishop Gore.

Trade unions are useful for other purposes besides settling strikes.— Tom Moore.

Homes for heroes, the health of the people and an Al population seem a long way off today. Yet heroes died for these things.

In the mysticism of Lenin's admirers I have found the same truits which twenty years ago, were shown in the French working classes for Boulanger,—Merrhelm.

The Profiteer's Wife: "Heavens' largaret has eloped with the chauf-eur in the car."
The Profiteer: "What! not the ew Rolls-Royce?"—Punch.

Parent (after tour of inspection of Art Schooly "Yes, I think this will do. I will send my daughter here. Your vehtifation seems good." "I say, Betty, what gender is ne-

"Feminine, of course; it's the nother of invention."—Pan. Contentment is better than richer-if- you have them both.—Sunday

Mr. Lloyd George a Baptist, Mr. Arthur Henderson a Wesleyan. Where do Anglicans come in?

We are told that amongst other things one Vanderlip will supply Russia with oil, 306,000 tons of metal (lead, tin, etc.), if occangoing steamers (over 18,000 tons), 1,000 excavators for gold-mining, etc., etc., etc., as one capitalist to another? But we wonder when.

The old world is just now suffer-ing from the wanton rejection of the principle of democracy.—President Wilson.

The Italian way was to send as mainy people as possible to Russia to see the existing situation for themselves, and to send Socialis: leaders to talk with Lenin. They then came back to Italy completely cured.—Count Storza.

Get held of some one truth. Let it blaze in your sky like a Greenland ann, never setting day or night. Give your seel up to it, see it in everything, and everything in it, and the world will call you a bigot and fanatic and then a wonder a century hence.—Charles Kingaley.

Science, invention, progress a humanity have decreed the unive sal eight-hour day.

Cigarmakers won the eight-hour day in 1886.

In old time, the employers fixed the price of labor. In the new time the union has a voice in the price. We want all that life has in etore for us.

We don't want to strike, but vill not give up the right to strike Strong unions prevent strikes.

If you are wiser than we, yet hold aloof and refuse to support, you wrong us and yourselves. We have a right to your superior knowledge and effectiveness.

PRIVATES FIRST.

A few months ago a traveller stopped to converse with a farmer, who had a large number of men at work in his hay fields, says Spare Montents.

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"Most of these men are ex-soldiera" said the farmer.
"Indeed! Are any of them of-ficers?"

ficers? "Two of 'em. One was a private. and that fellow beyond was a corporal, but she man beyond him was a major, and that man away over in the corner was a colonel!" "Indeed! Are they all good men?" "Well," said the farmer, "the private is a first-class man, and the corporal's pretty good, too." "But what about the major and colonel?"

ionel?"
The major's only so so," replied a farmer, with some hesitation.
"But the colonel?"
Well, sir, I ain't a-going to say word against no man who has en a colonel in the army, but I've ade, up my mind, to one thing—I



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