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## EDITORIAL

**Breaking** Mr. Nelson Parliament, M.P., elected as a Liberal in the recent election, wants to accept Premier Drury's invitation to become Speaker. Mr. Parliament is a farmer himself, had strong farmer support and for that reason as well as possibly, for the sake of the honor and the salary, feels strongly impelled to gratify his desire.

In Canada, the Speaker is invariably chosen from the supporters of the Government. Mr. Parliament's acceptance would therefore appear to some as somewhat of a severance from his Liberal colleagues, especially if he takes the office without the approval of his leader. All of this goes to show that straight party allegiance is not so strong as once it was. The leaders of parties under present conditions seem to have little assurance that their nominal followers will "stay put". It is an embarrassing position. If the tendency grows, the party system will be in a bad way.

**Another** In the Dominion Parliament the Exception law declares that either the Speaker or the Deputy Speaker shall be French-speaking. The Union Government found itself in difficulty in trying to comply with the law and yet appoint one of its own supporters. None of these were French except Dr. Chabot, M.P. for Ottawa, and the latter did not desire the position. The unprecedented course was taken of choosing as Deputy Speaker a member of the Opposition in the person of Mr. George Boivin, a member from the Province of Quebec. When there is a division, however, Mr. Boivin votes with the Liberal Opposition.

Of course, Mr. Drury's action is caused by the fact that he would not otherwise have a majority of the elected members of the House. Even with Mr. Parliament in the chair, the Farmer-Labor group have a margin of only two. It cannot be an altogether comfortable position for the new Government.

## COMMENT

Kolchak's army is going strong, but in the wrong direction.

The boy says that a synonym is the word you use when you can't spell the other one.

What has become of the old conceptions of friendship, tolerance and fair play?

The boys and girls are hoping that Santa Claus doesn't go on strike.

Villa's own followers captured him and were willing to "sell" him to his enemies. Is there no longer honor among thieves?

Guess Mr. Gabriel D'Annunzio is the one chap who got self-determination out of the war.

Calgary women are going in for curling, —on the ice. If they had to sweep like that at home, what hard work it would be.

In Toronto the President of a company got \$10,000 to quit. We're putting in an application for the job.

If you had no coal, would it make you hot if someone sang, "There'll be a hot time in the old town tonight"?

Yes, we realize that some newspapers are not worth reading. Unfortunately, in our position we have to read them, whether we want to or not. But at some we draw the line.

One advantage of abolishing those silk knee breeches which former lieutenant-governors of Ontario wore at the opening of the House, is that the office is thus democratically thrown open to our bowlegged citizenry.

Many credulous people have lost money "investing" in a company which was supposed to control a marvellous new motor. As a general thing, you may take it for granted that the really good things are never allowed to reach the ordinary man. The big fellows gobble them up. Stick to the things you know about.

## WHAT OTHERS SAY.

### Fuel Resources.

The coal shortage in the United States, already making itself felt in this country, has naturally, perhaps, turned the public mind to the importance of developing other sources of heat and power. The whole subject will henceforth receive more attention because of the impressive nature of the present demonstration. Every manufacturer and every individual citizen will now regard the question of ensuring a future steady supply of fuel and power from some source or other, or all sources combined, as one of personal concern. If the value of all our natural resources could be similarly impressed upon the public, there would be fewer opportunities for franchise grabbing than in the past. We have been rather prodigal of our resources, but it is altogether likely that we shall be more thrifty in the future.

In the United States the same sentiment is already awakening. Steps for the formation of an association to urge the development of all the water powers in the country, which are estimated to aggregate 100 million horse power, with an annual value of 5 billion dollars, have been taken in New York, where some of the leading financiers and scientists met to discuss the fuel situation.

### Jazz-Time And Marriage.

London Express.

"Waltz me around once again, Willie; Around, around, around!" So runs the refrain of a song which our young people hummed a decade ago, and perhaps do still. We have never heard of a song ending with "Jazz me along again, Jim-my; Along, along, along!" The reason is now made plain by the confession of a young terpsichorean who states that when they jazz the young men never think of proposing; but when they waltz they are more likely to whisper the fatal word into their partner's ear, overcome as they are by the rhythm and poetry of the dreamy music. Indeed, the experienced dancers of the fair sex will tell you that so malleable is the male heart, so susceptible to waltz music, that it is always advisable to wait until the next day, when the cold douche of reason has flowed over his soul, to see if he really meant it. But since so many marriages have been made by Strauss and none by Irving Berlin, the jazz is to be relegated to the limbo of forgotten things, and Cupid, as master of ceremonies, is to be restored to his throne. Therefore, "Waltz me round once again, Willie!"

### His Choice

"Do you want a smart boy, sir?"  
"No, I do all the work myself."  
"That's just the kind of place I'd like, sir."

## Letter to News Record

### MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

To The Editor:

In my last letter I tried to show some of the results of having the wrong men in the right place, on the Aldermanic Board and how errors have been made that it is impossible to correct.

Now it was not the intention to convey the idea that because a man was a failure in one department, he was necessarily a failure all round because the same man may have been a valuable asset in some other place. The whole object was to advocate the guarding against the electing of men to positions for which neither nature nor grace have qualified them. An inquiry into the municipal problems which face this growing and fast developing city, is most convincing that men of skill and adroitness are required, as well as men of a keen sense and power of grasping the important factors prominent in the situation. If the aldermanic board of this or any other city be made up of men inadequately equipped for the solution of its problems or for taking a wide view of affairs and gauging the trend of municipal opinion then the city suffers an irreparable loss. It is a wise observation, "that a stream never rises higher than its source," and if we expect original and brilliant municipal legislation from a dull, incompetent council we are certainly doomed to disappointment. This city has now arrived at a crisis; it has recently been favored with the establishment of immense manufacturing institutions, its population has so increased that the housing proposition in which the government proposes to advance eighty per cent. of the cost of erection, has been adopted. Families from surrounding and other rural districts are moving into the city as fast as they can obtain accommodation, and there is every indication of the city being on the verge of a period of progress and advancement both gratifying and substantial. This progress is not confined entirely to a material or commercial thing, but it should certainly have a corresponding ratio, of intellectual and educational progress. We must promote an education which comprehends all that series of instruction and discipline which is intended to enlighten the understanding to learn to control the temper and form good manners and habits of youth, such as would fit the recipients for usefulness in their future stations of life, and especially to impart that indispensable thing, a good moral education. These attainments and virtues are not produced without a cause, and no one assumes a greater responsibility for the existence of them than our City Council and other elected and appointed officials.

Nor are the electors exonerated from all responsibility in the case of elective bodies, because the calibre and capacity of elective bodies usually represents the calibre of the electors who put them there. If these be facts, which no doubt they are, one cannot help arriving at the conclusion from this course of argument that every elector is answerable for the trust reposed in him and for the faithful discharge of his duty. As long as we have numerous individuals who are sure to have proportionately numerous opinions and it is a good thing we have, because in generating these numerous opinions we are liable to have individuality and refinement of production. It is true that the council of this and every other city could not expect their aldermanic representatives to perform their duties as efficiently as is desirable when working gratuitously. The importance of the work to be performed demands more than a couple of hours two or three times a month squeezed in at night, after probably nearly, if not the whole board, having performed a good day's work elsewhere. There is little wonder that so many of the propositions disposed of are so justly open to criticism.

The rural municipalities at once consider their municipal business of sufficient importance to pay their aldermen for transacting it and of course when a servant is paid for his work his employer feels justified in demanding its proper performance.

J. F. McKay.

You sigh for a cypher but I sigh for you.  
O, sigh for no cypher but O! sigh for me.  
O let not my sigh for a cypher go.  
But give sigh for sigh, for I sigh for you so.

### GRANT SUSPENDED PLAYERS HEARING

Toronto, Dec. 5.—The usual meeting of the O. H. A. executive which precedes the annual meeting was held tonight.

The suspension of player Pugsley of Newmarket, was lifted. He was suspended while with Woodstock College. E. J. Jupp was given permission to play this winter in Toronto.

The senior players under suspension will be granted a hearing next week by the executive. The five who applied are Farr, Roach, McCarthy, McCaffrey and Glen Smith.

The Indian women of the Ithamar of Tebanutepce, proclaimed by many judges to be the most beautiful women in the world, add to their picturesque attractiveness by wearing whatever fortune they may possess in the way of gold coins strung about the arms and neck.

Most of the ladies in Japan smoke. They have pipes longer stems than the men, and if one of them wishes to show a gentleman a special mark of favor she lights her pipe, takes a whiff, hands it to him, and allows him to smoke.

# 14 Shopping Days Before Christmas

The fact that there are now only fourteen business days before Xmas is a good reason for advising early shopping.

Come early in the week, walk through the store and see the displays made for your benefit, it is your privilege.

## Christmas Linens



Madiera Linens, hand embroidered, very handsome Doylies, Tray Cloths, Runners and Lunch Cloths, also a fine line of India Lace Doylies and Tray Cloths at popular prices.

Linens for making up pretty and useful articles. Plain white Linen in all widths, Natural Linens, Guest Towel Linens from 14 to 22 in. wide, every wanted kind direct from the maker at popular prices.

### Fancy Lace Runners

A large assortment of fancy Runners for Christmas gifts, fancy chintz center with lace edge, all lace, etc., 18x36 and 18x50, prices range from \$1.15, \$1.50, \$1.75 up to..... \$4.50

**Japanese Table Covers and Sets**  
White and Blue Japanese Table Covers and napkins to match, also separate table covers, 36 to 54 in., prices range from \$5c, \$1.00 up to..... \$5.00  
Cloth and Napkin, per set..... \$5.75 and..... \$6.75

### Leatherette Runners

In green and natural with fancy border, very new for library tables, size 18x54, wear a life time, price each..... \$4.00 and \$6.00

### Fancy Pillow Slips

Plain and envelope style in hemstitched and scalloped edge, embroidered and place for initial, very fine quality and finish, prices range from \$1.25, \$2.75, up to..... \$4.50 pr.

### Linen Towels

Old bleached and sun bleached Towels, all pure linen, hemstitch and fancy border and place for initial, in huckaback and birds eye linen, prices range from \$1.25, \$1.50 and..... \$1.75

### Linen Guest Towels

A very large stock to choose from, nice new patterns, pure linen, hemstitched fancy border and place for initial, price each 75c, 85c and..... \$1.00

### Linen and Cotton Napkins

All pure linen and mercerized cotton Napkins, plain and hemmed, good quality, size 18x18, 20x20 and 22x22, price per dozen..... \$2.25, \$2.50, \$3.00, up to..... \$10.00

### Hand Crochet India Doylies

See the large stock of India Doylies in all sizes, from 6" up to 24", all hand crochet, prices range from 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 up to..... \$5.50

### Fancy Linen Doylies

They make very pretty Christmas gifts, in plain and fancy, all sizes, prices ranging from 75c, 85c, \$1.00, \$1.25, up to..... \$3.50

### Fancy and Plain Linen and Cotton Runners and Tray Cloths

A very large stock to pick and choose from in all linen and cotton, size 18x27, 18x36, 18x50, prices range from 50c, 60c, 75c, up to..... \$2.50

### Plain Cotton and Linen Squares

Plain linen and cotton squares, hemstitched fine quality and finish, size 30x30, and 36x36, prices range from 50c, 75c, \$1.00, up to..... \$2.50

### Fancy Border Bath Towels

Plain and fancy weave with colored border, pink, blue, helio, maize, etc., hemmed and hemstitched ends, large size, price each 85c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and..... \$2.00

### Cotton and Union Table Cloths

Size 2x2 and 2x3, extra heavy quality, fine mercerized finish, beautiful designs, fancy border all round, prices range from \$3.75, \$4.50, \$6.00, up to..... \$10.50

### Linen Sets

Cloth and Napkins to match, worth 50 per cent. more to-day all pure linen about 35 sets to choose from, fine satin finish, prices range from \$12.00, \$13.50, \$16.50, up to \$26.50

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## Urgent Notice

TO ALL PUBLIC UTILITIES, HOSPITALS, ESSENTIAL AND NON-ESSENTIAL INDUSTRIES IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

The shortage of Bituminous Coal has become so serious that all public utilities and industries must immediately adopt rules tending to a strict conservation of coal.

No Bituminous Coal will be permitted to go forward or be delivered to industries, until satisfactory evidence is at hand that our public utilities and hospitals have been supplied for the winter.

Manufacturers are urged to avail themselves of the supplies of steam sizes of Anthracite now in the hands of local dealers.

Public utilities and essential industries which anticipate shortage within the next sixty days are required to immediately file with me a statement, under oath, setting forth nature of industry, amount of coal on hand and daily consumption.

## USERS OF FREE GAS

Users of free gas in the gas fields should conserve the supply by discontinuing the use of flares and regulating the consumption in their homes by exercising the same caution as practised by consumers paying for supply, in confining strictly to domestic use.

H. A. Harrington,

Fuel Administrator for Ontario.

Toronto, December 4th, 1919.

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