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## A DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES

The announcement made at the head of this column is a sufficient answer to current speculation and comment, in the press and on the street, concerning the political and general policy of this newspaper.

The principles set forth are commended to the thoughtful attention of every Canadian reader. There has never been in Canadian history a time when the duty of the press to inform the people, and to assume a firm and independent attitude on certain great issues in national affairs, was so plain and so urgent.

Canada is a rapidly growing country. In this very growth there is an element of danger. Prosperity brings with it strong temptations, not the least insidious and dangerous of which is that which prompts a weakening of the moral fibre, and a disregard for the underlying principles of public morality. Have we honesty in public life? Do all the men honored by the people and placed in representative positions devote themselves to the public welfare? Is there no graft? Are there no deals? Is the will of the people adequately expressed in legislation?

These are questions that go to the very root of national life, and the answer determines the character and trend of the nation's growth. Canada, at the present or any stage of her development, cannot afford to lose sight of those moral safeguards which age-long experience has proved to be the very bulwarks of a nation's strength. It is the duty, therefore, of an independent press to stand for that honesty in public life, that devotion to the public interest, which refuses to tolerate graft, or the debasing influences which prompt men to introduce in politics a code of morals they would not dare defend in private life.

Passing from national concerns to that great question which we have in common with the peoples of all the vast areas under the British flag, it is clear to every discerning mind that British connection and the relations between Great Britain and Greater Britain must command a larger share of attention in the future than in the past. As Mr. Chamberlain has said, we have to think imperially—we must nourish "that higher patriotism, that more extensive affection, which will have a greater influence in the future of the world." In these provinces by the sea, to a people nurtured in the love of those achievements and traditions which are the glory of the British race, British connection is an article of their faith, despite a one-time effort to create an opposite impression. They look forward not merely to a greater Canada, but to a closer union of what we call the empire, and they recognize the force of another statement made by Mr. Chamberlain:

"What we, the sons of empire through-out the empire, have to do is to devise some means of cementing this union, which would be worth nothing if sentiment did not exist, but which cannot be worth much if the sentiment is not organized and consolidated."

In this growing time, when so large an alien population is pouring in to be assimilated as a part of the citizenship of Canada, it is desirable that the subject of British connection be kept to the front, and that the minds of Canadian statesmen be bent upon the solution of the problem of closer union within the empire.

The Times stands upon the declaration of principles set forth at the head of these columns. They should appeal to every citizen who thinks at all upon matters of national concern. In pursuance of its policy, this paper may find it necessary to attack this or that politician or political measure. If so the facts will be stated and the fight will be in the open. The present is a very interesting period in both federal and provincial affairs. Much depends upon the developments of the

near future. It will be the policy of this journal to deal with men and measures along the lines already indicated, without fear, and without favor, presenting as a fitting motto for Canadian public men the phrase "virtute et labore."

## BRITISH JUDGES AND OTHERS

An American judge, visiting London, was greatly impressed a few days ago with the promptness of British justice in the courts. He found that a jury was quickly secured, and the case conducted without needless delay. Such a thing, he said, could not be done in the American courts.

Another American visitor to London, a lawyer, has also offered some criticism, but in a different vein. He says:

"The judges were too advanced in age and were apparently not men of the world. They seemed insufficiently experienced in every-day life and every-day business. They simply sit in judgment and they lay down the law just as it was administered hundreds of years ago. A judge elected to the bench in America is invariably a man of the world, with wide human knowledge, a man of modern life. Altogether, British legal machinery impressed me as insufficiently up to date."

This statement has attracted the attention of the New York Evening Post, which, in that happy vein of sarcasm peculiar to its editorial columns, makes the following biting comment:—"It is obvious that these criticisms are well founded. English judges are still under the impression that a prisoner brought up for trial should be either condemned or acquitted, instead of being allowed to die of the gout in jail while awaiting his fifth trial. The judges across the water are hundreds of years behind in their attitude towards triumphant science, for it is on record that they will actually interrupt an expert in the witness chair even while he is engaged in making an awe of himself. With an utter lack of worldliness, English judges do not take a leading part in gigantic clamor, beefsteak dinners, or potato races for fat men. And, worse than all, they are not up even on the rudiments of the Law of the Previous Fact, sometimes known as the 'unwritten law.'"

## AT IT ALREADY

The Sun this morning enters the invigorating field of romance, and, with the easy confidence of a youth that is unabashed, sears into realms of fancy in which the Times and Telegraph loom up as the organs of "a machine." It may be hoped that the presentation of the picture as it reveals itself to the ardent soul of the Halifax organ will not compel anybody to take to the tall timber. So far as the Telegraph and Times are concerned, their platform speaks for itself, and a discerning public will judge from day to day whether there are any strings attached to them. The Sun's course is not unusual. A journal that endorses with enthusiasm every act of every member of its own party, and deplores with equal vigor every act of every member of the other party, cannot be expected either to endorse or appreciate an independent attitude.

Repeating to the Sun's insinuations regarding the control of the Times and Telegraph, these journals have no comment to make, further than to state that they are not under the control of any party machine. Concerning interviews with Mr. David Russell, anything that gentleman may state with regard to their ownership is entirely satisfactory to these journals.

## MEMBERS OF THE CANADIAN CLUB

Should not forget that it is tomorrow evening Rev. Dr. Falconer, late of Halifax, but now president of Toronto University, addresses the club on "The Place of the Maritime Provinces in the Life of the Dominion." One of Canada's most brilliant sons, he brings a message that must appeal with peculiar force to the men of these provinces.

## ZION'S ANNIVERSARY

Special Services Held in Zion Church Yesterday in Observation of 49th Anniversary.

The celebration of the forty-ninth anniversary of Zion Methodist church was observed yesterday by special services, both morning and evening, and Rev. Dr. Rogers delivered an able discourse, which was listened to with interest by the large congregation.

Dr. Rogers addressed the Sabbath school in the afternoon and spoke very encouragingly to the teachers. He also spoke of the great importance of Sabbath school work in relation to the church.

In the evening the pastor conducted the opening exercises. Rev. Dr. Wilson led in prayer. Miss Muriel Turner sang a solo, "Angels ever bright and fair. The choir sang 'The Lord will comfort Zion. Dr. Rogers preached on 'The Visions of Life and spoke from the words, 'Where there is no vision the people perish,' and 'I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision.' There was a large and appreciative congregation. The services during the day were a great success.

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BETTER ROADS TO THE PARK

The crowds which visit Rockwood Park increase rather than diminish with the advance of summer. Without the park the Saturday half-holiday would be of little good to the numbers of hard working citizens who welcome such a breathing place as the park affords. The efforts to improve one of St. John's most attractive features are much appreciated as shown by the large patronage.

Suggestions have been made, however, that the approaches to the park could be much improved by the city and the park made more accessible. It is pointed out that the road leading up to what is known as Garden Drive, from the foot of Wright street, where the L. C. R. tracks cross Gilbert's lane, could be improved so that the distance to the park from the cars would be much shorter and more easily traversable. It has been suggested that the jail squad should be put at work on the road.

Joseph Muise, Yarmouth (Yarmouth Telegram, Friday.)

Joseph Muise, of south end, a deck hand of dredge Canada, whilst on his way home shortly before 8 o'clock last evening, sat down on a lumber pile near Commercial street. Two men passing noticed that he acted strangely and went over to him. They found him in an unconscious condition and breathing faintly. They carried him to his home, where he expired just as they reached the yard. He was 31 years of age, and leave two brothers, James and Simon.

IN OLD JAPAN

The following stanzas from the Prelude in Alfred Noyes's new book of verses, "The Flower of Old Japan" (The Macmillan Company), strike, says the New York Evening Post, the true keynote to the entire volume in their blending of happy humor and happy sentiment and fancy.

PRÉLUDE.  
You that have known the wonder zone  
Of islands far away,  
You that have heard the dinky bird  
And roamed in rich Cathay,  
You that have sailed the unknown seas  
To woods of Amalfid trees,  
Where crazy dragons play:  
Oh, girl or woman, boy or man,  
You've plucked the Flower of Old Japan!

Do you remember the blue stream:  
The bridge of pale bamboo:  
The path that seemed so twisted dream  
Where everything came true:  
The purple cherry-trees the house  
With jutting eaves below the boughs:  
The mandarin in blue,  
With tiny, sapling, tilted toes,  
And curious curved mandarin shoes?

Do you remember all the tales  
That Tassie told:  
When first we plucked the purple vales  
In quest of buried gold?  
Do you remember how he said:  
"That if we fell and hurt our head  
Our hearts must still be held,  
For we must never mind the pain  
But rise up and go on again!"

Do you remember? Yes, I know  
The hills that haunt us now:  
He left us, not so long ago,  
Carolling he knew that he should be  
Under the comfortable sky  
Upon lonely, far, real done:  
In Old Japan, when we were young,  
Near Robert Louis Stevenson.

And there he knew that he should find  
The hills that haunt us now:  
The village that cried upon the wind  
His heart remembered how:  
And friends he loved and left to roam  
Far from the pleasant hearth of home,  
Should touch his dreaming brow:  
Where fishes fly and birds have nest,  
And children teach the mandarin.

Ah, let us follow, follow far:  
Beyond the purple seas:  
The coral reef, the trees,  
The land of part and the wild  
That rolls before the fearless child  
In his ancient mystery:  
Onward and onward, if we can,  
To Old Japan—to Old Japan.

IN LIGHTER VEIN  
WHY WE SMOKE.

"I notice that you writers use a great deal of tobacco. Does it stimulate your brains?"  
"I don't know. But it makes you forget that you're hungry."

THE CRUEL THING.

Their Line-Clara—"You may not believe it, but I said 'No' to seven different men during the past winter."  
Maude—"What were they selling?"

SUDDEN NERVE.

"Miss Eleanor," said he, as they sat on the bench in the moonlight, "will you marry me?"  
"This is so sudden!" she cried.  
"No," he replied, "your nerve."

HE SHOWED IT.

"I am a self-made man," said the pompous individual with his chest expanded. The other looked at him critically.  
"Your excuse is satisfactory," he said.

THE DISTINCTION.

"What they call preferred stock," said Dumpty, "is the stock that pays dividends, isn't it?"  
"Not at all," replied Wile, "but the stock that pays dividends is always preferred."

NOT THAT KIND.

Mrs. Dashaway—"Yes, while we were in Egypt we visited the Pyramids. They were literally covered with hieroglyphics."  
Mrs. Newrich—"Ugh! Wasn't you afraid some of 'em would get on you?"

HE WOBBLED.

"What time did you get home from the banquet?"  
"Three in the morning."  
"That's strange. I got home at two, and I had further to go."  
"You think you walked further, but you didn't see me walk."

DON'T TELL ROOSEVELT.

Kind Lady—"What occupation do you two poor men follow?"  
Gruffy George—"Why, mum, we are 'nature fakers.'"  
Kind Lady—"Nature fakers?"  
Gruffy George—"Yes, we play de elephant in de show. Sandy is de head and I am de legs."

P. E. ISLAND NEWS

The smallpox scare in Summerside is now over. On Friday the last of the three quarantined houses was disinfected. There is not now a single case of smallpox in the town, nor any possibility of contracting the disease there.

A gentleman in Summerside has offered to donate one thousand dollars as a nucleus of a fund for the establishment of a hospital in Summerside.

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OBITUARY

Mrs. O. N. Mott  
Mrs. Mott, wife of Rev. O. N. Mott, of Greenwood Hill, Kings county, died at her home last Friday, aged 38 years. Besides her husband she is survived by five daughters and four sons. The daughters are: Mrs. Robt. Cheney, of Brown's Place; Mrs. W. P. Hoyt, of Carleton; Mrs. J. B. Day, of this city, and Misses Evelyn and Bertha at home. The sons are: Joseph, of the West End; George, John and James, of Greenwood Hill.

The funeral took place Saturday afternoon, interment being at Brown's Place.

Mrs. E. C. McFarlane  
The death of Elizabeth Craig, widow of Peter McFarlane, and mother of Robert McFarlane, Princess street, this city, occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George Stewart, Binnie Place, Great Hamilton street, Glasgow (Scot.), on the 17th inst. Mrs. McFarlane was a life-long resident of the Calton district and is survived by three sons and four daughters. They are Mrs. Burr, Miss Stewart and William, at home in Scotland; Peter in New York; Mrs. McDonald and Mrs. Burwell, of the Northwest, and Robert, of this city. The funeral took place on the 19th inst., interment being in Jamefield cemetery, Glasgow.

T. R. Gue  
Halifax, N. S., July 28 (Special).—The death of T. R. Gue, president of the Acadia Powder Company, and of the Dominion Electrical Works, which occurred this morning, removes one of the best known figures in the business life of Halifax. Mr. Gue was a native of New

York. Thirty years ago he went to Montreal, where he became secretary of the Hamilton Powder Company. Eight years ago he came to Halifax as president of the Acadia Powder Company.

John L. Price  
John L. Price, a well known stover of the west side, and prominent member of the ship laborers' union, died suddenly on Saturday in his home, 70 Prince street, Carleton. Mr. Price had been in poor health since the death of his wife, which took place two years ago. No serious result, however, was looked for on Friday night when he went to bed he seemed as usual. About 10 o'clock Saturday morning his daughter-in-law, Mrs. William Price, went to his room and gave him his breakfast in bed. Two hours later his son, James, entering the room found him dead in bed. Dr. Kenny was immediately summoned and after examination pronounced the cause of death to have been heart failure.

Mr. Price was 60 years of age and is survived by three sons and three brothers. The sons are Clifford, William and James, all of whom are residents of Carleton. Capt. James Price, Capt. William Price and George Price, Canadian customs officers on the Boston boats, are brothers.

Mr. Price was born on the west side and lived there all his life and had won and retained the highest respect and esteem of all who knew him. He was noted for his uprightness in dealing with his men and many will regret to hear of his sudden passing away. His wife, who predeceased him by three years, was Miss Margaret Holland, daughter of the late William Holland of Carleton.