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"Reds" Like Canada.

All that remains of the Finnish Foreign Legion, which, under British leadership, fought the Germans on the Russian frontier, but would not fight the Bolsheviks because they were revolutionaries themselves, want to come to Canada. Away up in the Baltic are these would-be Canadian citizens, who helped the allies against the Teutons, but have been a problem ever since. These are strange allies since the legion was recruited from none other than former members of the Finnish Red Guard who were expelled from their country after the last change of Government there. Men without a country, they were formed into a foreign legion, 14,000 strong, and under British and Canadian officers did good work against the Germans, who tried to cross the Russian frontier to reach Murmansk. After the armistice, however, they refused to fight the Bolsheviks. They were all but Bolsheviks themselves. Through the efforts of Britain most of the legion was finally repatriated, but there was a certain element too steeped in revolutionary ideas for the Finnish Government to allow re-entry. They were blacklisted men. They were formed into details and placed under Lieut. T. S. Wetton, of Winnipeg, a Canadian who went out with the Siberian force as an officer in the Devonshires. Wetton protests they are not Bolsheviks, although a little radical in tendency. He says they are anxious to come to Canada, and he has made representations to the Dominion immigration authorities in that respect. However, it is scarcely likely that Canada will see the matter in the same light. Wetton's following are the very cream of Finnish revolutionism, Oskari Tokoi, former Red Prime Minister for Finland, being an N.C.O. and a number of other prominent wavers of the red flag ranking as mere privates.

"Autumn" or "Fall."

Both are correct, "autumn" being rather more classic and generally used in England, while "fall" is now distinctly American and more expressive in its reference to the time of falling leaves. In England, the autumn is still sometimes called "the fall of the leaf." An English writer says: "Fall is better on the merits than autumn, in every way; it is short, Saxon, picturesque; it reveals its derivation to everyone who uses it, not to the scholar only, like autumn; and we once had as good a right to it as the Americans, but we have chosen to let the right lapse and to use the word now is no better than larceny." But if "fall" is more expressive, "autumn" has sanction of long usage and classical approval. The poets all give it the preference. Different ones speak of "conical autumn," and "yellow autumn, weather with nodding corn."

Prince an Indian Chief.

"Dawn of Day" is the latest distinctive title to be conferred upon the Prince of Wales, who was invested with a chieftainship in the Six Nations (Iroquois) in the course of five hours spent in Grandford. At the Mohawk chapel the prince signed the register which contains the signatures of his grandfather and great-uncle the Duke of Connaught. He was particularly interested in the Bible presented to the Six Nation Indians by Queen Anne. The women of the tribe requested that he convey to his royal mother the Queen an address from them. The prince unveiled a bronze tablet inscribed with names of the 36 members of the Six Nations who died overseas.

Dr. Johnson's Prejudices.

Dr. Johnson's prejudices against novelty never quenched his intellectual curiosity in regard to mechanical inventions, which in his later life were giving the country a new distinction. In his romance of "Rasselas" he shrewdly argued out the possibilities of mechanical flying: "He that can swim need not despair to fly." He foretold the day when "the pendent spectator would survey with equal security the marts of trade and fields of battle"; but he deemed it needful, says Sir Sydney Lee in the London Times, to restrict the knowledge and practice of the art of flying to people of virtuous instincts, who should apply it solely to purposes of peace. With horror Johnson imagined "a flight of northern savages," who should "hover in the wind and light with irresistible violence upon the capital of a fruitful region." On the first experiments in ballooning, which were made in Johnson's latest year, Johnson remarked that balloons would serve no use until we could guide them.

Still Poor.

"This multimillionaire was once a poor boy."
"The adjective still clings to him."
"How is that?"
"People say, 'Poor old duffer! With all his money he can't buy a farm hand's appetite.'"

Not at Athens.

There will be no exhibit by Canadian manufacturers at the Athens Fair this year. It has been decided the notice was too short for anything but a Canadian Government exhibit, but arrangements are being made between the Government and the Canadian Manufacturers' Association for future exhibits to be made at short notice in connection with the Dominion's bid for European trade.

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