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Editorial Brevities.

On Feb. 9th, by a unanimous vote, a resolution was passed in the Dominion Parliament, asking the Imperial Parliament to extend for one year, to Oct. 7th, 1917, the life of the present Canadian Parliament.

New members of the Senate are: Hon. John S. McLeann, barrister, of Sydney, N. S., who succeeds the late Senator William McKay, and W. H. Sharp, ex-M.P. for L'Anse-au-Loup, N. B., who succeeds the late Senator Kirchoffer. There are still seven vacancies in the Senate, four from Ontario, one from Nova Scotia, and two from British Columbia.

The announcement has been made from Ottawa that the soldiers now in training in Canada will be granted leave of absence to assist with spring seeding operations in every province in the Dominion. This will help to solve the problem of the western farmer who is short of labor.

Those who claim to know whereof they speak are predicting that the present session of the legislature will see the Nova Scotia Temperance Act so amended as to include under its operations the city of Halifax. This is what the temperance advocates of the province have been urging for years, and with an appeal to the electorate in the immediate future it is thought that our legislators will not continue to deny them.

Germany is releasing a considerable number of prisoners now, who are unfit for war purposes. This in itself is a sign that Germany is climbing down from its high horse. At the outset of the war, it refused to release anybody. It was even thought that British babies in Germany might be dangerous. What is the reason for these exchanges now? Is it common sense or because Germany wishes to be rid of the burden of feeding prisoners? Probably it is due to the British navy's tightening stranglehold.

Notice has been posted that no one will be admitted to the Royal Victoria Museum, now used as a parliament building, unless vetted for official duty by a senator, member of an officer of the house. Persons admitted in this manner must, on each occasion, on entering the building, give his name to the officer at the door, and a daily record will be kept for the commissioner of Dominion Police. The police have very strict orders to enquire about persons previously listed for the galleries have been cancelled.

Cardinal Mercier, the brave Belgian prelate who had the courage to stand up for his people in the attempt to prevent German oppression, is now the object of German attack. Germany cannot block out the records of what happened in Belgium, and the attack on the venerable prelate will only serve to bring into bolder relief the causes of that attack. Belgium's King, Belgium's Venerable prelate, and the Belgian people, have written across the pages of history the story of a nation's honor. Germany's contribution is a story of dishonor so foul and degraded that it stoops even to besmear the name of a man of God.

It there's one thing more than another that helps to put a community in the "also raker" class it's the town "knocker." You know him—the fellow who is always complaining that the town is dead, that business is going from bad to worse, that the local assets are not half as good as those of some neighboring village. Not only does the "knocker" dole out this discouraging line of talk to his own town folks, but passes it along to the stranger within our gates. And isn't it wonderful how fast this kind of information spreads, and isn't it equally wonderful how some people will more quickly believe a bad than a good report?

Details of Expenditure Given Out.

Ottawa, Feb. 15.—Details of Canada's war expenditure for the first eight months of the war, aggregating sixty million dollars, were given to parliament yesterday in a fourth volume of the auditor general's report for the last fiscal year. The more interesting items and alleged irregularities have already been made public through the medium of the special war purchase investigating committee of parliament and of Sir Charles Davidson. The correspondence between the auditor general and the militia department contained in the present volume deals for the most part with the cases which have already been publicly investigated and throws little new light on what is generally known.

RHEUMATISM ARRESTED

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Opening of the Legislature.

What is to be the final session of the present legislature was opened on Thursday afternoon of last week, by His Honor, David McKeen, the newly appointed Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia. The speech from the throne foreshadowed no definite Government legislation of any kind whatever. The address in reply was moved by J. L. Ralston, Liberal member for Cumberland, and seconded by Simon Joyce, the representative of Richmond. After the delivery of these two speeches, which were very short, the House adjourned to meet again on Monday, February 14th, at 3 p. m., when Mr. C. E. Tanner, M.P.P., the Conservative leader, spoke on the address and outlined the policy which is to be pursued by the Opposition during the session.

Short as was Thursday's sitting of the House, it lasted long enough to show how the Murray Government, now that elections are finally in sight, shrink from the prospect of a session of criticism. This was made clear in the speech of Mr. Ralston, government mover of the address. Mr. Ralston is a man of some ability as a speaker, he has the temperament of a politician, and is generally regarded as an able partisan. But his speech last Thursday lacked the old-time "punch." It was conciliating in spirit and dulcet in tone, from beginning to end. He practically begged the Opposition not to criticize the Government. He sought to obtain cover for the Murray Government under shadow of the great war. The purpose of his speech was to SPARE MURRAY BECAUSE THE EMPIRE IS FIGHTING THE HUNS.

Mr. Ralston, with an eye to the revolution the iniquitous Mill-Daniels deal, the illegal payment by Premier Murray of \$48,500 of provincial moneys to his political ally, R. G. Harvey, and the financial blundering in connection with the Halifax and South Western Railway, have wrought in the public sentiment of the province, made it clear that he would prefer to see a coalition Government of Conservatives and Liberals formed, rather than face the consequences of the Murray-Daniels record in the House and the constituencies. He said that "though he did not have absolute confidence, he entertained the hope that political issues might be laid aside during the session, that both parties might unite for the carrying on of the provincial government, so as to prevent the province being plunged into the throes of a general election at this time."

The attitude of the provincial Liberal-Conservative party may be briefly stated. If the Government has any measure to submit to the legislature to help the cause of the empire, they will receive the prompt and loyal support of the Conservative members of the legislature will further do their duty to the province by seeing to it that every detail in the record of the Murray Government is laid before the electorate, that better administrative deals are held up to the people, and that the issues on which the coming elections are to be contested shall be fully discussed during the session. The Opposition is convinced that the province cannot get efficient administration while a single member of the Murray Government remain in office. A coalition is therefore out of the question, and will not be considered for a moment by the provincial Liberal-Conservative party.

Keep Little Ones Well in Winter.

Winter is a dangerous season for the little ones. The days are so changeable—one bright, the next cold and stormy, that the mother is afraid to take the children out for the fresh air and exercise they need so much. In consequence they are often cooped up in overheated, badly ventilated rooms and are soon seized with colds or grippe. What is needed to keep the little ones well is Baby's Own Tablets. They will regulate the stomach and bowels and drive out colds and by their use the baby will be able to get over the winter season in perfect safety. The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Cheer up! We'll admit that the cold is a little monotonous. Who wouldn't! But it will only be but a brief interval ere we'll again be sweltering in the scorching heat of summer, and as we sponge the perspiration from our drizzly brow, we're bound to long for winter and a whiff of the invigorating, zero atmosphere that now envelops us and which we would like so very much to escape. The following lines which we memorized in our days of picture books and puzzles (some by years ago—more or less) may still portray the fickle nature of the seasons:

"There ain't no pleasin' people On this bloomin' arth below; In the hottest days of summer They're hollerin' for snow. And when the snow comes sittin' Through the windows of the sky They're hollerin' for summer, With the weather hot and dry. There ain't no pleasin' people No matter what you do; No matter what good fortune They'll grow a lifetime thro'. And when they leave this country To seek the final lot, Heav'n's won't be cool enough for them, And the other place too hot!"

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Sir Wilfrid's Address. 'And what was Canada to do? Sir, I need not comment upon that. Many times upon the floor of this House I have expressed my views. There was no obligation, no compulsion. Canada was free, absolutely free to go in, and free to stay out. But what use are we to make of our liberties? We knew that England was engaged in mortal combat with an enemy strong in preparation—even more prepared than we had supposed hitherto—an enemy animated by the black ambition of universal domination. Under such circumstances there was nothing for Canada to do but to do what she did, to place at the disposal of England all her resources in men and money. Men there are today who sneer at the thought of Canada exhausting her resources to defend the Empire. Sir, who talks of the Empire today. There are other things greater than the Empire, great as it is. Civilization is greater than the Empire, and civilization is the issue. Who can doubt, in the face of the declarations and pretensions set up by German writers in their books, in face of the vain and childish declamations in their press, supported by the brutally frank expressions of their military leaders—who can doubt that if Germany were to win it would be the end of all we hold sacred. Who can doubt that it would be the end of that individual liberty, that independence of thought and action which citizens of all British countries value more than life itself. For my part I re-echo the words spoken by a workman at the docks in Liverpool: 'Discuss not compulsion; discuss nothing if Germany should win.' I speak my whole soul and heart when I say that if Germany were to win I would be thankful that Providence should close my eyes before I saw the sun rising on such a day.'—Sir Wilfrid Laurier in the House of Commons.

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Canada Pays the Penalty.

An analysis of the fire losses in Canada during 1914, as compiled by the Monetary Times, discloses some interesting conditions. This statement substantiates and verifies the charge that carelessness is the cause of seventy-five per cent. of Canada's fire loss. It would naturally be expected that the greater number of fires would be in factories using power or fire for manufacturing processes, and where accumulations of shavings and other waste are exposed to fire from friction, spontaneous combustion, or other causes.

Such is not the case. By far the greater number of fires were in buildings in which none of these risks occur. Factories contributed only 59 fires; various mills only 12; laundries, 5; engine houses, 1; machine shops, 3; sawmills, 12; foundries, 2; while power houses, blacksmith shops, canneries and others had a clean record. Against this, and constituting a record which should be a disgrace to any country, were 675 fires in dwellings, 138 barns and stables, 384 stores, 46 hotels, 44 business sections and blocks, 26 warehouses, 15 offices, 11 schools and colleges and 29 sheds.

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