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**TWO PARTIES—NOT THREE.**

But now comes the question, can we have three or more parties as permanent factors in Canadian politics? I answer, No! for the simple reason that while most questions have two sides, very few have three, and hence when issues are joined people naturally fall into a position for or against, and the result is two parties, not three. But in free commonwealths it sometimes happens that on great questions of reform both parties get on the wrong side and this is notoriously the case in Canada at the present time. Such a state of affairs necessitates a re-adjustment which can be accomplished only by the creation of a new party with a definite policy. While the process of re-adjustment is going on there will be three parties for a time, but only for a time. As the new party grows it will draw to itself the best elements of the old parties, the men who believe in truth and righteousness, the men who believe it is vastly more important that great reforms should be carried on than that a particular party should hold the reins; while those who put party before country, who defend abuses, who burden the people with unnecessary or unjust taxation, who oppose urgently needed reforms for fear of losing votes, will naturally range themselves on the other side; and so it will become once more the old yet ever new conflict between truth and falsehood, between right and wrong, carried on with what seems at times a doubtful issue; but in the long run truth and right gain the day, and the cause of human progress gets nearer to high water mark than ever before.—Pres. C. N. P.—Inaugural Address.

**"JOHNNY GET YOUR GUN."**

Millionaire Uncle—Now, Johnny, you know cannibals are people who live off each other. Johnny—You're a cannibal, ain't you, Uncle? Millionaire Uncle—Why, no, Johnny; why do you ask? Johnny—Well, pa said to ma last night that you had been living off your poor relations for years.

**ANOTHER HOT ONE.**

The undue accumulations of wealth, the tyranny of capital and the sensual extravagance of the hereditary drones will assuredly become a thing of the past. The people are rapidly progressing in education and intelligence, and will no longer submit to the caprice of their rulers. They have found their strength, and will no longer hesitate to use it. The powerful labor unions and organizations that have been founded are concentrating their influence, and the former jealousies are gradually being dissipated in order to find a common bond of strength and unity. At no very remote period we shall find that the requests of labor will not only be respected, but that the demand for just and equal rights will have to be conceded. The long-sighted politician is already aware of the fact, and overtures for the predominant vote have been frequently made.

Future elections will not be conducted on the blarney and bill system, the workers will not again be misled by false and delusive promises, but will insist upon being properly represented and accorded their rights. The men who have previously had full sway, and utilized it for their own advancement, will be ousted from their positions, and the rightful owners and producers will enjoy their own. The wonderful progress in education and intelligence among the workers will cause their desires to be rational and suitable to their case, and the moral influence and increasing public sympathy on their behalf will greatly assist them in their efforts.

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The time will arrive shortly when the people who form and institute the Government will have sufficiently developed in knowledge and wisdom to insist upon their representatives framing laws for the benefit of the whole people, and not for any special class. The iniquitous rents, taxes, interests and profits will be abolished and equal rights will be accorded to all. Millionaires will not be created out of the life blood of others, and a just distribution of labor's production will be arranged. The existing land tenures, the great crying evil of the times, will not be allowed to continue, and the present misery and degradation will be a thing of the past—*Can. Workman*

**"A KNOCK OUT BLOW."**

**THE AGE OF GREED.**

Never in the history of the world has greed been so rampant as it is to-day. Yet greed has destroyed some of the most flourishing communities that has ever existed, and it would have utterly

destroyed this country before now but for exceptional circumstances that have been favorable to the people. Our immense area of cheap lands, our railroading, steamboating, mining privileges, etc., have been our salvation so far, and as these are taken up, and land becomes more valuable, the condition of the masses grows worse. The spirit of greed grows stronger as it feeds upon its prey, until now it presents in this land the most revolting picture of depraved humanity that human eyes ever rested upon. It makes practical traitors of citizens. What a spectacle to look upon—men in this country who know that their greed is weakening the Dominion and rapidly destroying the nation. The rich criminal class—the men whose lives are devoted to money getting by trampling on the rights of others, know that their love of money is superior to their love of country. They coin both peace and war into dollars. They solidify the sweat of the work-shop and the harvest field into wealth. They are a living, moving, heartless, soulless organization of greed.

It remains for us as a people to say if the age shall not be turned from one of greed into an age of patriotism and humanity. Man is too noble a being, too nobly gifted, and with too grand possibilities to descend to the level of an idol worship. As a people our opportunities to achieve nobly for the human race throughout all time are too great to be thrown away. As men, as patriots, and as well wishers of the human race, let us now come together and assert our power. As matters now promise, in a very few years this country will have become an Ireland. We not only have men who are native born who would make it so, but European capitalists are coming here to monopolise all our great industries, and to exercise their well trained instincts of oppression. There never will be in the whole future experience of the world, as there never has been in its past history, a time when men can assert the manhood of man and the rights of the masses as they can to-day in this Canada of ours. Come, let us emerge from our lethargy and bid greed stand back and give labor, honesty, decency and patriotism a chance. Posterity will hold us responsible. Let no prejudices, partisan or otherwise, keep us from standing breast to breast in the demand for legislation to check the rampant spirit of greed that is sapping the life, prosperity and happiness of this fair young nation. Good laws and the faithful execution of them without unfair discrimination between labor and capital is what we must have. But we must stand together at the ballot box in order to secure them.—*Ex.*