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### EDITORIAL

#### EXIT CANADA'S "WAR LORD"

With his patience and forbearance exhausted by the insufferable egotism and willfulness exhibited during the last few months by Sir Sam Hughes, minister of Militia, Sir Robert Borden has at last been forced to take the only step which could relieve the country of his burdensome war lord. On Monday the Premier asked for and received Sir Sam's resignation as Minister of Militia and Defence. The official statement issued from the Prime Minister's office Monday night says:

"The retirement of Sir Sam Hughes is in part the outcome of the establishment of the ministry of overseas forces, and in part is due to the assumption by Sir Sam of powers which in the judgment of the prime minister, can be exercised only by the government as a whole."

Of the two reasons given for the decision to deprive Sir Sam of the authority which he has wielded in such high-handed fashion, there can be no doubt that Sir Sam's penchant for doing things "off his own bat" without showing proper consideration for the opinions of the prime minister, or the government as a whole, is the immediate cause of his being asked to surrender his portfolio. Naturally, opinions will differ as to the wisdom, propriety and political expediency of Sir Robert's action in dismissing his minister of Militia and Defence. From whatever standpoint the matter may be viewed there seems to be no sound reason for blaming the premier for the step he has taken. While it can not be denied that General Hughes has justly commended himself to many people of both political parties by his energy, forcefulness, independence and sublimely self confidence, it also indicates that these same qualities have led him into assuming an attitude of rather contemptuous superiority towards the government of which he was a member. Upon more than one occasion his conduct has been little less than insolent towards his colleagues and towards the Imperial Military authorities. It was inevitable that such an attitude and such conduct should destroy Sir Sam's usefulness as a member of the government, and his retirement under the circumstances which mark its occurrence is not surprising to any one who has followed his blustering and blundering career.

Sir Sam prided himself upon his efficiency and capacity in matters military but it is quite safe to assume that another man will be found who will be at least as capable as Sir Sam for the job now made vacant, and one who will be less likely to render himself as offensive to the people of Canada, the Federal Government and the Imperial authorities at the ex-minister of Militia and Defence has rendered himself by his swash-buckling at home and abroad.

#### "AGAIN THE SOLDIERS?"

Newcastle's "Independent newspaper" has come out "agin the government" of New Brunswick on account of its Farm Settlement scheme which is designed to place returned soldiers and other qualified persons who desire to take up agriculture for a living, upon crown lands in the province which are now lying vacant and undeveloped. The nearest approach to a reason for our "Independent" friend's attitude that can be gleaned from its vague vapourings is the allegation that young men who desire to occupy crown lands in the province for agricultural purposes, have been denied the opportunity of doing so. The "Independent newspaper" which makes this allegation would give more convincing evidence of its sincerity in this matter if it would advise its readers why young men of the province have been and are being (if such is the case) kept off land which the provincial government is now trying to have put into use for agricultural purposes, and this same newspaper would also do its readers no injustice in informing them as to what part its most particular and perhaps most powerful friend took as a minister of the crown, in keeping prospective settlers off the land and why.

It is a very safe guess that our "Independent" contemporary is, opposed to the work of the provincial Farm Settlement Board simply and solely because it is "agin the government" which has brought that Board into existence. The Farm Settlement Board's plan for agricultural development of crown lands is unquestionably a praiseworthy scheme. Thousands of acres of good farming land in the province are now lying idle and unproductive. To put this land under cultivation will add tremendously to the wealth and prosperity of the province without materially lessening its timber resources. The main desideratum is to get the right kind of people to occupy the land under cultivation. To put this land under cultivation is to "live" and to "live" is to use it, and the Farm Settlement Board is determined to accomplish this in the most judicious and profitable manner.

find strong encouragement to take up agricultural pursuits under the Farm Settlement Board scheme, and it is in the plain duty of the province to offer this class of settlers all the encouragement it is possible to offer them along this line. In its opposition to the Farm Settlement Board's purpose to give the country's returned heroes a favorable opportunity to gain possession of agricultural land, our "Independent newspaper" friend is not likely to receive a very sympathetic hearing from its patriotic readers.

#### THE HIGH COST OF LIVING

The less they know about a subject, the more some people delight in talking about it. It comes last week a self styled "Independent newspaper" which the Chatham World is pleased to designate as "an alleged newspaper" with an insistent demand that the Dominion Government forthwith solve the present pressing problem of the high cost of living. What's the matter with this "Independent newspaper" doing some independent thinking and telling the Dominion Government as well as the people of Canada how the problem is to be solved? The high cost of living is a favorite subject for kickers who don't know, and don't want to know, what they are kicking at. Somebody is always kicking about the high cost of living and there is a certain type of newspaper which is always ready to blame the government of the day—the party in power makes no difference—for the conditions that are complained of.

Students of economics know that relatively the cost of living is always high for most people. Such students also know that not political parties but political and economic systems are the cause of that condition. No political party could now if it would, take the steps necessary to bring about a change in political and economic systems which might conceivably lower the relative cost of living for the bulk of the people of any country, for the simple reason that in no country on the face of the earth do the people as a whole desire such a change in their systems of government. Whether or not such a change would be beneficial in its results all round, The Advocate does not here propose to discuss. The obvious fact is that the people, for whatever reason, do not desire the change which might better conditions.

Nothing can be plainer than the simple truth that if the Dominion Government is to do anything effective towards reducing the cost of living, it will have to take charge of the means of production and distribution of commodities. Is our "Independent newspaper" friend prepared to support such a move?

The Chatham World at last makes the liquor traffic situation in Chatham perfectly clear. So long as the non-enforcement of the law will put \$3000 or \$4000 a year into the town's coffers, the people are satisfied with "a sort of non-legal license system" which permits the unrestricted sale of liquor in open violation of the law. In other words for a bribe of \$3000 or \$4000 a year the people of Chatham are willing to condone illegal liquor selling. Is the World right?

### News of the War Day by Day

Nov. 5  
Berlin—The last sally of the Roumanian line against the Transylvanian frontier heights in the sector of Predal has been taken. From the abrupt mountain fortress which is situated five miles southwest of the village of Predal and at height of 1,375, yesterday the military critic of the news agency says the "Teutons" dominated the road through the pass.

Nov. 10  
London—Twenty-two tons of explosives were found in a German dug-out captured by Canadian forces.

Petrograd—Russian troops have advanced in Dobruja and are now two miles west of Tchikowod, which was recently captured by the Germans. Roumanians have been driven four versts southward west of Buzze valley, in the Predal region.

Nov. 10  
Paris—In 77 aerial combats on the French front yesterday 10 German aeroplanes were brought down.

Nov. 10  
Boston—The British steamer Gulf of Suez, from Egypt for London, with cotton, was sunk in the Mediterranean by a German submarine.

London—The Dutch cross-channel mail steamer Koningin Regentes, has been captured by Germans. The Norwegian Str. Thuhang has been sunk, also the British Str. Bogota (4,903 tons).

Nov. 11  
Paris—The conquest of Salisles from the Germans is completed.

Nov. 12  
Petrograd—The Russians had penetrated Transylvania more than 50 miles. The Russian advance in Dobruja continues. Austro-Germans captured a section of Russian trenches on the Stokhod River in Volhynia.

Paris—Serbian troops have taken Cula Hill, and Foxys village from the Bulgarians in Southern Macedonia.

London—The battle of the Ancre River began today, after a full day's action of our position. The British attacked the German front positions. The Germans had held for three days and nights. The British captured the German front positions. The British captured the German front positions. The British captured the German front positions.

### College Graduate Choose Life of Crime

Alonso J. Whiteman, known as the "Prince of Rogues," is again behind lock and key. The use of the mails in an attempt to defraud the Amelia State Bank, of Amelia, Ohio is the charge lodged against him. The police believe they have evidence sufficient to keep him behind the bars for a long time to come. But they have thought the same thing many a time and this kind of confidence men has made good his escape either from the meshes of the law or from the hands of the officers. He is both witty and desperate when brought to bay, and stops at nothing. Whiteman, a college graduate of excellent family and at one time a man of wealth; has for years been rated as one of the cleverest crooks that ever made bankers feel uneasy for the safety of their money. The Pinkertons wrote a book about him. He has been arrested time after time in various cities throughout the country. Generally he has come out successful in his little with the law. Whiteman is about 55 years old. He was born in Danville, N.Y., where his father was one of the leading men of the town, being president of two banks and the owner of several large factories. The son graduated from Hamilton College in 1881 and then entered Columbia University, where which institution he was graduated with honors. After being admitted to the bar he went to Duluth, where his father owned large property interests, and rapidly made friend s. In 1884 he was nominated to the Minnesota legislature and carried the city of Duluth by the largest majority ever given to any candidate for an elective organ at that place. As a member of the legislature he drafted and secured the passage of an election law which was known by his own name and which served as a model for several States.

At the age of 24 he was elected mayor of Duluth. Later he was made chairman of the State Democratic Committee and was a delegate to the Democratic national convention in 1888. The following year he was an unsuccessful candidate for Congress from the Fifth Minnesota district. By this time he had accumulated a fortune of over \$100,000.

Then came the turning point in his picturesque career. After his wife secured a separation, Whiteman rapidly plunged into a fast life, flinging away his money recklessly and engaging in several very questionable deals. He started to frequent race tracks—not to wager on horses, but with the deliberate intention of swindling the bookmakers—and while engaged in this work got in with a set of forgers and check-raisers who were engaged in the manufacture of counterfeit pool tickets. Within a few months his legal knowledge and activity made him the leader of this gang, and although still possessed of a large sum of money he showed no hesitation in swindling bankers as well as bookmakers. Within a few years his name was a familiar one to the police throughout America and Europe.

Whiteman has been arrested more than 100 times in the past twenty-five years, has been indicted probably fifty times and convicted twenty times, with penalties totalling to more than fifty years in the penitentiary, and during all this period he has served but two short sentences, one in Chicago and one in New York State.

The man has raised hundreds of checks from insignificant to large amounts, but has never yet been known by the police to attempt to cash any checks or drafts himself, always employing for this purpose a man who had no previous criminal record.

He is temperate as to liquor, a constant reader of the best books, and carries on his criminal work with utter disregard for consequence, believing himself to be practically immune from punishment. He is a churchgoer, and has been known to attend services while the police of the city he was in at the time were searching for him high and low. Once after a conviction in Binghamton, N.Y., he appealed to the courts to suspend sentence, announcing that of the particular check for which he had then been arrested was an error of judgment, and that if he were locked up his Christian work would be seriously interfered with. The court suspended sentence, and White man actually did start in on an evangelical tour in various small towns of New York State and converted a number of people. It was proved afterward that in the middle of this work he got away with the bank account of a Presbyterian church, amounting to over \$4,000.

### BE PATRIOTIC— WEAR RUBBERS

British Government Has Given You Rubber at Low Price, So You Can Wear Rubbers and Overhoes to Protect Your Expensive Shoes.

Before the war a row cost sixty dollars, now a row cost six dollars. This means expensive shoes—the same quality as before with price fast approaching a value that formerly paid.

What's to be done? asks the man or woman who has lost his or her shoes. The answer is simple. Buy Rubbers and Save your shoes. The British Government gives you the rubber.

The British Government has put rubber into the hands of the people. You may benefit. Think of this and other of the rise in the price of shoes. Buy Rubbers and Save your shoes. The British Government gives you the rubber.

#### NOTICE OF SALE

There will be sold at PUBLIC AUCTION in front of the Town Hall in the town of Newcastle in the County of Northumberland, at TWELVE O'CLOCK NOON on MONDAY the EIGHTEENTH day of DECEMBER, A. D. 1916.

ALL that certain lot or parcel of land and premises situate lying and being in the Town of Newcastle aforesaid, being part of the lands of the Late Patrick Buckley and which piece thereof is abutted and bounded as follows, viz.—Beginning on the southerly side of the King's Highway at the easterly side line of a lane or roadway reserved through the said lands and at a distance of sixteen feet easterly from the north easterly corner of that part of the said lands formerly owned by John Buckley and now by Lucy McIntyre, thence north easterly along the said Highway eighteen rods or to the westerly side line of lands owned by Matilda Wedge and others, thence southerly on a line parallel with the easterly side line of the said land owned by Lucy McIntyre as aforesaid thirty-four rods or to lands formerly owned by the Late Thomas R. Ramsay, thence westerly to strike the easterly side line of the said lane or roadway at a distance of twenty-eight rods from the southerly side of the said Highway, and thence north easterly along the same twenty-eight rods or to the place of beginning, and which said piece of land was conveyed inter alia to the said Patrick Buckley by James McCallum by Indenture bearing date the fourth day of September, A. D. 1850 and registered in Volume 44 of the County Records, pages 111 and 112, but saving and excepting thereout that part of the said land now occupied or used as part of the New Highway so-called, together with the improvements thereto belonging or appertaining;

The foregoing sale will be made under and by virtue of a warrant issued by J. Edward T. Lindon, Esquire, Town Treasurer and Collector and Receiver of Town Taxes of and for the Town of Newcastle aforesaid and under and by virtue of Chapter 166 of the Consolidated Statutes of New Brunswick, 1903, for the purpose of realizing Eighty Four Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$84.50) the said amount being for five respective annual assessments, viz:

\$15.70 for the year 1912  
\$17.10 for the year 1913  
\$16.65 for the year 1914  
\$17.55 for the year 1915  
and \$17.55 for the year 1916.

levied upon or in respect of the said real estate and premises and assessed or rated as such in the name of Margaret Buckley for ordinary Town Taxes in the said Town of Newcastle, no part of which has been paid.

DATED this eleventh day of November, A. D. 1916.

JOHN H. ASHFORD,

A Constable of the Town of Newcastle aforesaid.

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ALL that certain lot or parcel of land and premises situate in the said town of Newcastle, being part of the said lands, and comprising Lots Numbers Six and Seven of the said lands as laid down on the Plan thereof made by William Parker and described as follows, viz.—Commencing on the northerly side of the Front Highway of Water Street at the south westerly corner of that lot of the said Ludden lands formerly owned by John Holloran, thence north thirty degrees thirty minutes West along the westerly side line of the said lot one hundred and twelve feet to the rear of the said lot, thence south forty-three degrees West eighty feet to the easterly side of Lot Number Five as laid down on the said Plan, thence South Thirty degrees thirty minutes east on the easterly line of said Lot Number Five one hundred and twelve feet to the said Street, and thence north thirty degrees thirty minutes east along the said Street eighty feet to the place of beginning, and which said piece of land was conveyed to the one Daniel Mahoney by Mary Leiden and others by Deed bearing date the twenty-first day of June, A. D. 1864 and is recorded in Volume 49 of the County Records, pages 557 and 558, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging or appertaining;

The foregoing sale will be made under and by virtue of a warrant issued by J. Edward T. Lindon, Esquire, Town Treasurer and Collector and Receiver of Town Taxes of and for the Town of Newcastle aforesaid and under and by virtue of Chapter 166 of the Consolidated Statutes of New Brunswick, 1903, for the purpose of realizing Fifty Nine Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$59.80) the said amount being for nine respective annual assessments, viz:

1908 ..... \$4.60  
1909 ..... 6.00  
1910 ..... 6.00  
1911 ..... 7.00  
1912 ..... 7.00  
1913 ..... 7.00  
1914 ..... 7.40  
1915 ..... 7.80  
1916 ..... 7.80

levied upon or in respect of the said real estate and premises and assessed or rated as such in the name of the Heirs of the Late Dennis Mahoney for ordinary Town Taxes in the said Town of Newcastle, no part of which has been paid.

DATED this eleventh day of November, A. D. 1916.

JOHN H. ASHFORD,

A Constable of the Town of Newcastle aforesaid.

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## Good News for Ladies

# THE WINTER COATS

AT CREAGHAN'S have been pronounced the best value and style to be found anywhere—They are the product of the celebrated "NORTHWAY" Workshops—all man allured—fitted on perfect living models, and made of the very best material procurable—These coats are extremely reasonable in price, selling in most cases lower than most stores charge for inferior quality—NOW is the time to buy a new coat while stock are large and assortment varied—REAGHAN'S is the place to buy one

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Direct trans-Pacific wireless service between the U. S. A. and Japan was opened on the 15th instant.

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ALL those several pieces or parcels of land situate lying and being in the Town of Newcastle aforesaid on the northerly side of the Great Road or King's Highway and easterly of George Street, being parts of the land formerly owned and occupied by the Late Colin Nevin and on which he resided, viz:

ALL that piece or parcel of the said land situate on the southerly side of the first Cross Street laid out through the said Colin Nevin land, and bounded easterly by that part of the said land now owned and occupied by George Black, on the westerly side by that part of the said land now owned and occupied by Andrew McKenzie, northerly or in front by the said cross-street and southerly or in rear by lands formerly owned and occupied by the Late David Cool and which parcel of the said land comprises Lots Numbers Five and Six as laid down on the Plan of the said Colin Nevin lands made by Timothy W. Crocker, Deputy Crown Land Surveyor in the year 1896;

ALSO all that other part of the said Colin Nevin lands situate on the northerly side of the said cross-street bounded southerly thereby, westerly by that part of the said lands owned or occupied by Jane Jeffrey, easterly by that part of the said lands owned by Frank Russell, and running back northerly or in rear a distance of one Hundred Feet and comprising Lots 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19 as laid down on the said Plan;

ALSO all that other part of the said Colin Nevin property situate on the easterly side of George Street aforesaid and bounded westerly thereby, northerly by that part of the said lands heretofore conveyed to Ambrose Ryan, southerly by that part of the said land owned by John Brander, and easterly by that part thereof owned by Helen McLeod;

ALSO all that other part of the said Colin Nevin property situate on the westerly side of George Street aforesaid and bounded easterly thereby, southerly or in front by the King's Highway and westerly by lands owned by James Stables. Together with the improvements thereto belonging or appertaining;

The foregoing sale will be made under and by virtue of a warrant issued by J. Edward T. Lindon, Esquire, Town Treasurer and Collector and Receiver of Town Taxes of and for the Town of Newcastle aforesaid, and under and by virtue of Chapter 116 of the Consolidated Statutes of New Brunswick 1903 for the purpose of realizing Seventy Three Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$73.80) the said amount being for seven respective annual assessments, viz:

1910 ..... \$9.00  
1911 ..... 8.40  
1912 ..... 10.50  
1913 ..... 11.40  
1914 ..... 11.10  
1915 ..... 11.70  
1916 ..... 11.70

levied upon or in respect of the said real estate and premises and assessed or rated as such in the name of the Heirs of the Late Colin Nevin for ordinary Town Taxes in the said Town of Newcastle, to part of which has been paid.

DATED this eleventh day of November, A. D. 1916.

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### Baronetcy Awarded to Sir Max Aitken

Further Honor for Official Canadian "Eye-Witness" and Head of Records Office.

London, Nov. 8.—Sir William Maxwell Aitken is gazetted a baronet. Sir Max Aitken is a member of the British House of Commons. He is a well known Canadian financier, who removed to England several years ago. Since war broke out he has been especially engaged as the Canadian "eye-witness" and is the head of the Canadian War Records Office in which posts he has served without remuneration.

HOW JOS. RAMSAY WAS KILLED  
In the following letter from Major Randolph Crocker to the widow of the late Bomb Joseph George Ramsey is told how her husband met his death on the battle fields of France:

My dear Mrs. Ramsey:  
Before this you have doubtless heard from Ottawa concerning your husband's death. I know how anxious you must be for any news concerning him so will endeavor to give you all the particulars I can. It was about 7.15 p. m. on Sept 22 when he and one of his comrades were a short distance from the battery, collecting material from a once German dug-out, with which to build a new position for ourselves, that a shrapnel shell burst directly behind them, killing both instantly. Death came quickly and painlessly and neither body was at all disfigured.

He was buried the following morning in a very nice military cemetery, some distance behind the firing line. One of our Canadian Roman Catholic clergymen officiated at the service and the grave will be marked with a cross, bearing the name and number of your late husband. On behalf of myself, officers and men I wish to convey to you our deep sympathy. It seems so little to do.

Your husband was loved by us all and I cannot tell you how his death and that of his comrade has upset

us. He possessed the most genial disposition of any person I have ever met and was at all times, willing and ready to do all in his power to further the cause for which we are all working.

If at any time I can be of any service to you, please do not hesitate to communicate with me. The few personal effects will be forwarded to you through the usual and proper channels.

Yours sincerely,  
RANDOLPH CROCKER, Major,  
28th Battery, C. F. A.

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