

CANADIAN EX-M. P. TALKS PLAINLY TO PEOPLE OF U. S.

Canada Left to Fight Against Article X.—Anglo-Saxon Must Lead World.

A message of Canada's friendship for the United States, a presentation of the Dominion's problems, and an exposition of her progress, were given to the Canadian Club of Boston this week by E. M. McDonald, former member of parliament from Pictou county, N. S.

"There should be if not a definite yet an understood alliance or federation of all Anglo-Saxon people in the world," he declared. "May we not work together in amity and union, so that all principles for which we have stood may prevail throughout the world. What the world needs today is leadership animated by Anglo-Saxon ideals."

Canadian feeling toward the part the U. S. played in the war was also discussed by the speaker. "Today there are people on our side who say, 'The United States was tardy,' he said, 'and on your side there are those who assert, 'America won the war,' but when your extremists say this they are not accurate at all. Remember the effort and sacrifice of our Canadian boys who, not with conscription, but voluntarily, went out 400,000 strong and held the line at Ypres, staying the effort of the Hun, and preventing his success."

"On the other hand, your performances at Chateau Thierry, and in the Argonne are splendidly recognized and commented upon in Canada by those whose hearts were really in the war. All honor should be given to the U. S.; but for her great aid the war would not have ended when it did."

"The end of the war brought a responsibility to your nation. Your country has a traditional desire to be free from participation in the affairs of Europe. But the events of the war compel you into a position from which you cannot escape. With your virility, your great wealth and your powerful position has absolutely changed since the war."

Canada's refusal at the Geneva Conference to abide by the provisions of Article X of the League of Nations covenant, and her assumption of the British navy, were mentioned by Mr. McDonald as problems of the Dominion that have been solved.

"After all your struggles as to Article Ten," he said, "it was left to Canada to declare for the elimination of that article."

He said that although the Dominion's share in the British navy indicated a desire for a widening autonomy, it did not mean a lessening of devotion to the British Empire "to which we are proud to belong, to which we always hope to belong." The Dominion must still consider the burden of her debt and the railroad problem, he said.

Canada and the United States had come closer together than they realized in the last few years, Mr. McDonald asserted.

"There's always a large delegation of Canadians at the games that decide the championship of your baseball leagues," he continued. "Your books are in our shops, and your court decisions are eagerly watched by our lawyers."

The position of Quebec in the Dominion had been misrepresented in the last ten years, he declared. The task of assimilating the French-Canadian population had been difficult, but he added that "no province occupies the position of Quebec, where wealth is safe and property secure. All feeling of bigotry has gradually disappeared, and it seems as if all men of all parties are vying to forget all feeling of racial division."

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THE NEW AND OLD Treatment of the Delinquent and the Dependent Classes.

(Halifax Echo.) The recommendations of the Canadian Mental Hygiene Committee after their survey of Nova Scotia, are exactly in line with the best modern thought in dealing with the sub-normal, whether delinquent or not. The dawn of a new day in the treatment of delinquent and dependent classes has reddened the eastern sky of civilization for some years past. Only those who are asleep in their minds and souls have failed to notice it.

Jails are no longer places of torture or of debating idleness. Offenders against the law are no longer creatures of a race other than human. They are simply mentally or morally diseased persons, and their places of detention are hospitals for the mind and the soul, or both, as the case may demand. One of the greatest boons for this sort of sick person is work suited to his physical and mental condition, and no more baneful thing could happen to such a person than to be kept in idleness, brooding over fancied wrongs or planning further mischief.

The world is indebted to the war for the revival of the gospel of the salvation of mankind. Many a shell-shocked broken bit of humanity has been restored to normal living through the training of eye, hand, brain to do something new and different. Human delinquents are victims either of the sins of others or themselves, and in a great many cases can be worked back to sane and moral living through the salvation of work suited to their capacity. Of all the varieties of work yet tried out in the sporadic efforts to treat delinquents as real human beings, none has been so effective for so great a number, as working in the soil. It recalls the old fable of Antaeus, who in his struggle, gained fresh strength every time he touched the earth. Man is essentially a land animal, and the wholesome influence of cultivating the earth from which he sprang and to which he must return, is natural and undeniable.

For this reason jails and prisons should never be located within city limits. Sojourn there should not be regarded as "drainage vile," but rather as being treated in a hospital, designed to cure the diseased mind and heal the sick soul. And if this be true of real delinquents, how much more essential must it be to the feeble-minded, the mentally and morally irresponsible are concerned? So far Nova Scotia has no record in regard to this class of which she can be proud. That will no longer be true if she finds enlightened cooperation enough to enable her to complete the Survey programme.

Those who have given most attention to this matter, realize also the necessity of establishing a psychiatric clinic as one of the first steps. Only through the agency of such a clinic could it be definitely determined just who among the delinquent and backward would be fit candidates for institutional treatment, which ones are capable of earning a living in the outside world, and which could be safely left to the care of their own families. The value of such service to the province would more than offset the comparatively slight cost of \$3,000 for its maintenance for one year. Out of a population of nearly half a million such a sum could be subscribed without it being felt. If only 6,000 people in Nova Scotia contributed fifty cents each, the money could be obtained in less than two weeks. So there can be no question of cost to interfere with the founding and maintaining of such a clinic. Nova Scotia has at last come to the place where she wants her defective citizens properly cared for by her effective ones. It is a big step forward, and nothing should be allowed to halt her progress.

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MARINE NOTES. The Canadian Mariner is en route to this port from Tarazona, Italy, with a cargo of wines and fruit. Steamer Dunstaff Head sailed for Rotterdam and Hamburg this morning at 1 o'clock. McLean, Kennedy, Ltd., are local agents.

Minard's Liniment For Distemper. N. B. MAN ORDAINED. Montreal, Jan. 27.—Rev. W. McManus, of Memramcook (N. B.), was ordained here today at the chapel of the Convent of the Good Shepherd.

Minard's Liniment For Colds, Etc. DIVORCE MADE EASY. (San Francisco Argonaut.) Here is the divorce proctor for Seattle, who says right out in the open meeting that "We have nothing but a system of trial marriage in this state. Many persons marry five or six times and some others ten or twelve times before they settle down to the humdrum life."

It seems that the State of Washington has been quietly forging ahead in the divorce business. Hitherto we have supposed that Reno held the balance of the divorce trade, but Washington has simply beaten Reno out of the field. It just shows what our progressive coast states can do when they sit up and take notice. Reno granted 991 divorces, or three a day, during the first eleven months of last year. But Washington granted 2,430, or 7.2 a day, during the same period. Energy, enterprise, and ambition have crowned the northern state with a deserved pre-eminence.

Washington seems to have courted the success that has come to her. She has the most attractive divorce laws in the country. All that you have to do is to express a wish to be divorced from your husband or your wife, as the case may be, and the decree is made absolute on the spot. Almost any reason will do if the judge has a fellow-feeling for you and wants to help and not hinder, to boost and not knock. All the statu-

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toy causes for divorce have been swept away in Washington, where they have what they call a blanket proviso by which the judge may accept any reason that happens to look good to him.

It is true that there is a residence clause in the Washington law by which an applicant must live in the state for one year before he can apply for a divorce, but the law can easily be circumvented by becoming the nominal tenant of a dwelling and then going wherever you wish until the year has expired. Then, too, there is a law that forbids divorced persons from re-marrying within six months, but that, too, is easily circumvented by means of a trip to British Columbia.

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HAD TO EAT WITH THE DOG

Young Wife Says Husband's Parents Were Pro-German and Beat Her.

(N. Y. Times) That she was compelled to share her food with a dog, the food being placed on a plate on the floor, was one of the cruelties which Mrs. Emma J. Helm testified were practiced on her by her husband's parents, Frederick B. Helm, in an action for the annulment of her marriage before Justice Faber in the Queens County Supreme Court yesterday.

Justice Faber granted the application and directed that Helm should pay his wife \$15 a week alimony for the support of herself and her sixteen months old child.

The source of the trouble in the family, Mrs. Helm testified, was that the Helms were German sympathizers and they were cruel to her as soon as they learned that she had a brother in the American army. Mrs. Helm was married in October, 1918, when she was 16 years old. Being a minor she had to bring the action through a guardian. She said that her husband is a chauffeur and after their marriage they went to live with his parents in Woodhaven. Her husband, she said, beat her twenty times. He never gave her any money until the day she left his home in June, 1920, and he only gave her one dress and coat during their entire married life.

Her father-in-law she declared, attacked her one day while she was washing the baby's clothes and beat her with a bucket.

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