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UP TO THE SENATE.

As expected, the Union Government has succeeded in jamming the Grand Trunk purchase bill through its third reading, and already the measure is being debated in the Senate. The passage of the bill so far has been in the face of widespread popular disapproval, but that is not amazing when it is remembered that the Borden Government retains power not by the will of the people but by a gross, audacious piece of usurpation. How can the Senate act fairly by the people of this country by accepting a measure containing a vital issue that has not been submitted to the people? The Upper House is, of course, expected, after careful consideration, to sanction legislation that is sent up by the Commons, providing an election has made it clear that it is the desire of the electorate, but this cannot be said of the Grand Trunk purchase measure. And here is where the Senate plays the important part which is its first duty. To check and prevent legislation that is arbitrarily thrust upon the people, jammed through in haste by a government that arrogantly refuses to put the matter to the test of a polling is distinctly the duty of the Senate. That body is under an obligation to stand by the people in such a matter as this. Such a stupendous undertaking as the taking over of the Grand Trunk should be decided by the voters. The Senate will be living up to its reputation for sane judgment and loyalty to the public by turning down the Grand Trunk measure, thus compelling the Government to take the matter directly to the people for a mandate.

THE PASSING OF THE CONSERVATIVE GOVERNMENT.

The Conservative Government which has been smothering in Toronto for the last fifteen years is defunct, at last. It is to be hoped that the revolution just engineered by Farm and Labor will effect a speedy restoration of Ontario's political health, now that the long-standing, obstinate sleeping-sickness has been overcome. Calmly considered, the late Government's life was a long disease.

It was begotten in iniquity. About the first of its acts was the expunging of the Gagey censure from the records of the House. A noble, beginning, a prophetic note! It was also a confession, in a way, but not in any repentance, rather in cool, brazen defiance. The late Government even in its infancy was old, old and "wise" in professional politics. Those sleepers were all "old hands." There was never a more professional crew, not an amateur, clean sport among them. Their campaigning and their manipulating of office were as devoid of civility or ingenueness as Ludendorff. In their very sleeping was a ruse, technique that had grown instinctive, one eye open to profit for self and friend, an ear glued to the ground, a hand ready upon the wire.

It would not need much space to record their constructive work, such as was done now and then under some compulsion or shrewd precaution. But their acts, commissions and omissions, have they not been chronicled in the speeches of Mr. Dewar? The mere statement of the omissions is a condemnation. Worst of all was the failure to prosecute the violators of the statute against combines. In the commission column must be set down in capitals the waste of the province's money in various ways, for example, on a plethora of officials.

The incoming Farmers' Government should slash the useless expenditure with an unsparing axe. It will have to do, as far as possible, what the Borden Government only pretends to be about, cut down the profits of dealers in the necessities of life. For the new government to content itself with advancing the prices of food products would only be making confusion worse confounded. The thing to do is to force down the prices of machinery, clothes and building materials. Even without the help of Ottawa something can be done in this direction by co-operation with the other Liberal provinces; the attempt itself would be useful. The people

should be instructed through the newspapers and otherwise in explicit detail as to how they are being bled by unfair taxes and exorbitant prices. Merely to inform the public of the facts, to inform with vigor and frequency, in the way that Victory Loan information is displayed, would go far to check undue profiteering on the one hand and to create an overwhelming demand, on the other, for a root-and-branch reform of taxation in the interest of the poorer classes. Why should not the Government directly teach its economic principles and plans to the public? The people should be taught that the remedy for H. C. L. is not to grasp ever after higher wages and salaries, but to act concertedly through the Government to reduce prices and tax those able to pay.

Mr. Drury says that no Liberals will have places in his cabinet. But there is at least this beauty in his Government, that it consists of non-professional Liberals, a most genuine sort of Liberals, if its platform is sincere, as we have every reason to believe. The old Government was a set of wily professionals. We have hopes of a new era of advance and democracy under a government of new men who have presumably no use for the old tricks. Certainly no regret is expressed for the passing of the "old gang," except among their material beneficiaries.

A HUMANE MEASURE.

Dr. W. A. Riddell, superintendent of trades and labor for the Ontario Government, after careful investigation, recommends legislation to provide pensions for mothers. He estimates that the scheme will cost for an annual expenditure of a little over one million dollars, and that this amount will meet the needs of the 15,000 widows and 31,000 children in the province. This proposal, when it is presented in the form of a measure, is likely to receive the unanimous support of the Legislature. It is a piece of reform legislation that should have been adopted long since in such a rich, enlightened and progressive community as Ontario. It is a correction of an existing deplorable condition that will give immediate relief to thousands, and at the same time build for the future happiness and contentment of the province, as it will give to thousands of fatherless children the attention and training of mothers who today are obliged to toil away from the home in order to secure the necessities of life. The value of home training during the formative years, under the good mother, is beyond estimation, as its beneficial influence extends far into later generations. That the fitness of men and women is due largely to the impress of the mother's care and thought nobody will question. On the other hand, how easily the moral progress of children can be turned into wrong channels where the mother from necessity must absent herself from the home daily for many hours. The home must be maintained, else we shall suffer heavily in years to come. Ontario should lead the Dominion with this humane and wise legislation.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Keep the Victory Loan kettle boiling until it overflows.

It is still a good practice to "hitch your wagon to a star"—providing you don't select Mars.

Woman in Toronto jail says she is weary of waiting there. Well, going by past performances, she doesn't have to.

Mr. Drury says he does his best thinking while he is plowing. But does he do his best plowing while he is thinking?

Tammany was hard hit in Tuesday's New York State elections. This should make pleasant reading to Canadians, as William Randolph Hearst is a friend of Tammany.

EXPANDING SHOULDERS.

Not content with a gain of three inches in height during the last half century, the average woman is suddenly expanding her shoulders. Experts attribute this to school gymnastics and swimming practice, but what are the railway companies going to do about it—issue an order against physical development, erase their "to seat five persons" legend, or build coaches to measure? In the average passenger of either sex it is the shoulders that count, but they measure less than most people imagine. Most coaches allow an average of 17 to 18 inches.

From Here and There

LORD FISHER'S "MEMORIES."

[Westminster Gazette.]
Lord Fisher is not understood abroad as he is at home, and therefore we say that we hope our foreign friends will not take quite seriously all that he says. His "Memories" in the Times have the characteristic touch which makes them very entertaining reading. When Lord Fisher tells us that he proposed to King Edward to "Copenhagen" the German fleet, he does not reveal what answer the King gave, except to make it plain that his plan was decisively rejected. At the time the suggestion was made, he points out, we had a fleet of submarines, and the Germans had only three, and against our seven Dreadnoughts she had none. No doubt the idea was a practicable one from the naval man's point of view. We had the machinery that would have done the trick, but the trick was one of which neither King Edward nor the nation he ruled was capable. Lord Fisher, indeed, shatters his own plan when he says, quite truly, of King Edward, that "he had the heavenly gift of proportion and perspective."

HOMER IN THE CHAIR CAR.

[New York Times.]
"When found in a parlor car on the Chicago and Alton train tonight," says a news dispatch, "the president of the United Mine Workers was reading the Iliad and the Odyssey," presumably one in each hand. He was perusing "the stories of Ajax, Hercules and Nestor," we learn, skipping lightly from page to page, it would seem. "The world is about the same now as it was then," he said. Perhaps it is, though Mr. Lewis finds his way easier than that of Thersites, business agent of the Argive proletariat, when he reviled Agamemnon for profiteering, and tried to call a strike in the army encamped before Windy Troy. But here is reason to fear that the miners' president did not draw such lessons as he might from what he read. Nestor was a wise man, given to named things or lasty decision. Hercules attained distinction by labor, not for refusing to labor or to let others labor. And as for Ajax, it is a pity that Mr. Lewis's enthusiasm did not lead him to study the history of this hero as further told in post-Homeric writers; he might have learned something about the unwisdom of defying the lightning.

MY HOME.

[Richard Butler Glazier in Country Life.]
Let it be somewhere out of town.
My home, with elms that rise from the turf
Flanked by rough forests marching down
To creamy surf.

If this is asking paradise,
Then clover fields, a brook with cress,
Willows and maples, firs for spice;
But nothing less.

Still, orchards charm me; orchards bloom
As well as yield a fruit, and trees
Planted to bear leaves ample room
For sun and breeze.

Once a deep mountain lake half filled
With islands dark but sweet with pine
Seemed the one spot on earth to build
This home of mine.

Which ever way I turn, I lose
A dozen sites as beautiful:
Against the one I all but choose,
The others pull.

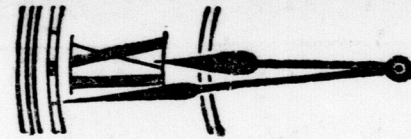
So to decide just where shall stand
My house of timber, brick or stone
Is hard, though easy this: the land
Must be my own!

AN OVER-SUPPLY.

[Boston Transcript.]
The help problem bothers them in the Orient also, but in a different way. A gentleman who had returned from India remarked: "The worst thing about the place is the nuisance of numerous servants. Why, when I was at Boggywallah I had four servants to look after my pipe alone."
"Four servants to attend to your pipe?"
"Yes. The first one brought it to me; the second filled it; the third lit it."
"And the fourth?"
"Oh, he smoked it. I never could abide tobacco in any form, you know."

A WAR EPISODE.

[Philadelphia Ledger.]
How an American serving in the British army gave a London valet the shock of his life was related by a soldier returning from England. A ragged, penniless American, worn by a year's fighting with the British in France, wandered into a Y. M. C. A. Eagle Hut, London, and seemed so forlorn and needy that Mrs. Gowers, head of the Y. M. C. A. Hospitality League, and wife of Lloyd George's secretary, took him into their home for his leave. After a good night's rest the American put the valet "over the jumps," ordering his uniform pressed, and generally bossing the houseman in a manner far from what that factotum thought a humble soldier should assume. Finally the servant went to Mr. Gowers to ask who the American was. Mr. Gowers did not know why the valet asked. "Hif I may say so, sir, 'e's makin' 'imself very much at 'ome, sir, makin' us all jump about a bit, an' 'e's told be to send this cablegram," said the valet, handing over a message which read as follows: "Dad, I'm busted. Send another thousand. War is hell." The ragged soldier was a California millionaire's son.



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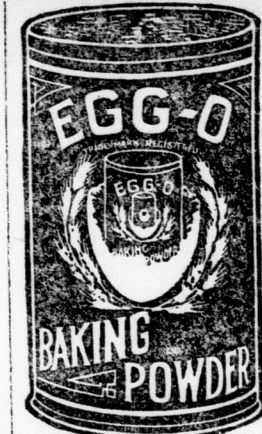
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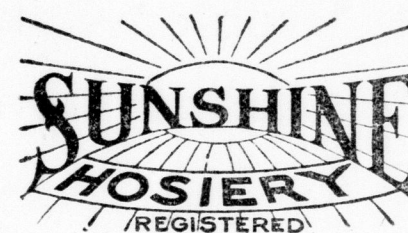
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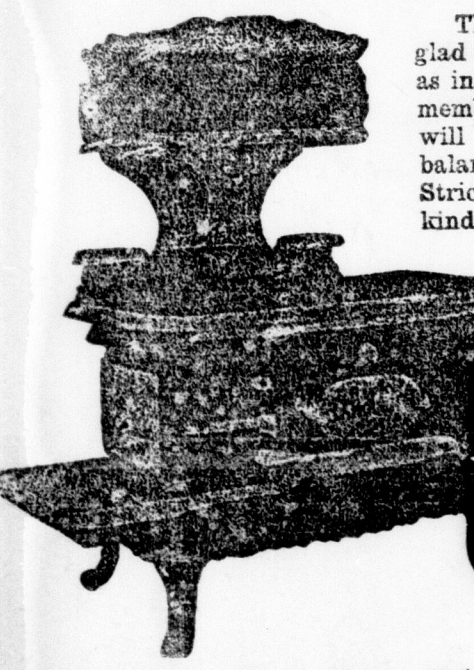
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