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A NOTABLE SPEECH

The Canadian Club Wednesday had the opportunity of listening to a notable address. The speaker was Mr. Moreton Frewen, a gentleman, whose opportunities of observation nave been as extensive as his fame as an authority on financial questions. Before making any special reference to the subject of his remarks, we would like to say a word in appreciation of the value of such addresses. They serve to take those who hear them out of the rut into which we are all likely to drop. There was not a man who heard the club's guest yesterday, who did not feel a new stimults. Mr. Moreton Frewen may be said

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occasion pointed out to its readers that the Oriental question, when considered from an economic point of view, is not so much as to what we will do with the Orient, but what the Orient will do with us. We have mentioned the vast resources of China. The history of the world shows that coal and iron are the real shews of commercial war. These China has in abundance, and they are not confined alone to China among Oriental countries. We have pointed out that the utilization of these and other natural resources through the instrumentality of cheap labor was an incalculable menace to the prosperity of the Occidental nations. The monetary policy of Europe and America is intensifying the acuteness of mis menace. On

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for the first time their franchise, to employ it to bring about a better state of things than Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his colleagues have given us during the past four or five years.

THE BUSINESS OUTLOOK

dental nations. The monetary policy of Europe and America is intensifying the acuteness of mis menace. On this point we must refer readers to Mr. Frewen's own language, for it would be impossible, in any summary that could here be given to convey the point as clearly as he does.

The appeal of the speaker to us as Canadians to force this question upon the attention of the government of Canada is timely. It cannot be made an issue in the present election. It may never become a political issue, and perhaps ought not. But it is timely that Canadians, and especially those of us who live on the western threshold of the Continent and whose expectations of prosperity are so closely interwoven with everything that relates to the industrial and economic development of the Orient, should devote much consideration to this exceedingly important matter, and make an effort to understand it in all its bearings. We do not forget that an able speaker, completely in touch with his subject, can present a case in a manner that carries conviction with it, and yet have told us only one side.

The Toronto News prints a review of the general business situation, which is of special interest as it appears in a paper published in a city where it is possible to feel the pulse of trade with much certainty. It tells us that in the Eastern Provinces the farmers have had a prosperous season. The Ontario grain crop has been exceptionally good, and a shortage of wheat abroad has had a stimulating effect upon prices. The dary output has been large and prices have been good; the recent drouth cut down the provinces the News says it is "the largest on record, the bulk of the wheat grades high and prices are exceedingly important matter, and make an effort to understand it in all its bearings. We do not forget that an able speaker, completely in touch with the crops, because the liquidation during the past year has been much more rapid than was expected. The financial situation is further relieved.

To all questions there are two sides, otherwise they would not be questions. We may have our own views on this one; they may or may not be these advanced by Mr. Moreton Frewen; but no one will dispute that the question as presented by him is one calling for close study, and that, if it shall be found on investigation that he has correctly diagnosed the situation, it is our duty to employ whatever influence we possess towards the advancement of the cause of which he is so able a champion.

THE GENERAL OUTLOOK.

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MILITIA EXPENDITURES

In asking Mr. Templeman for an explanation of the reason why the promise to keep up the military force at Work Point had not been fulfilled,

throughout the Dominion. This elicited a great deal of praise from Mr. Curtis' friends, and even his opponents gave him credit for pluckiness. But some one seems to have funked. Perish the thought that it is the redoubtable Mr. Curtis. We shall not make a second guess, but it is clear that some one thinks it advisable that the constituency shall be kept open until latering in the season. Whether this is, because it is feared that Mr. Curtis may fall in the strife, or it is thought best to have some haven of retreat for some one, who may be rejected by another constituency, we do not know, and we do not suppose any one will tell us. The fact seems to be that the election is to be postponed and Mr. Curtis will have to play with loaded dice whether he will or no. It is bad enough to postpone it after such professions as were made by Mr. Curtis; it is worst of all to attempt to throw the biame

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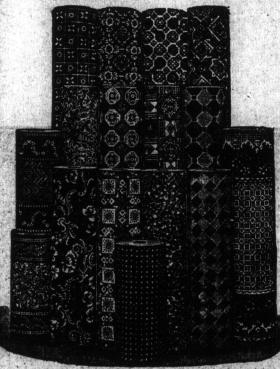
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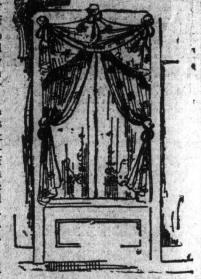
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