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*Halifax Herald April 7/30.***"Disinherited"**

MR. MACKENZIE KING, from his place in the House of Commons, has laid down the astonishing dictum concerning provincial governments, the politics of which he does not like "I would not give them a five-cent piece".

A cynical, partizan declaration of that kind will hasten the day when Mr. King will cease to have the "giving" of Canadian public money. With that one phrase, he sets up a political "dictatorship," and he will be judged accordingly.

Mr. King says he does not object to "giving" public money to "progressive" governments, but as for "Tory" governments — not a "five-cent piece"! If, say, the old Machine were still in power in this Province, the Prime Minister would "give" *them* public money. Naturally, because *they* were "progressive". But a new and truly progressive Government, like the present Nova Scotia Government, — "nothing doing," so far as Mr. King is concerned.

Which gives the measure of Mr. Mackenzie King's idea of what is "progressive". The term, in *his* political dictionary, is applied to provincial governments that can be used to perpetuate the reign of the King Ministry. And since the people of Nova Scotia, Ontario, New Brunswick, Saskatchewan and British Columbia have had the "temerity" to elect governments Mr. King does not like — ergo, he cuts them off without a penny!

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