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CANADA AND THE NAVY.

metimes the Canadian House of Commons snow that it can rise to the dignity of a great occasion. Yes terday's discussion of one of the most solemn question suited to the theme. There are essential and radical differences between the point of view of the Premier and that of Mr. Borden and Mr. Foster All delivered in the seriousness and intensity with expressions of regret and the assurance that it had a high opinion of Mr. Foster's personal character.

Now Mr. Carney, lately member of Delivered in the seriousness and intensity with expressions of regret and the assurance that it had a high opinion of Mr. Foster's personal character. and that of Mr. Borden and Mr. Foster. All declare that Canada must stand ready to assist in time of need to defend her own coasts, and to co-operate with the British navy. All agree that Canada should in this behalf remain free from Imperial coercion and control.

But while the Opposition leaders emphasize the Canada should be added to the composition of the composition

importance, and treat Canadian autonomy as a detail gize to you on account thereof." Also Mr. Carney will be to guard Canada from surrendering too much to patriotism, and his second thought is that, subject to this condition, Canada shall be ready to come to the

omy from British aggression and we may in emergencies protect our coasts from foreign attack. Mr. Foster's speech we need not, in doing so, sacrifice our self government

rence of opinion, there has been evolved a unanimous de claration far in advance of any pronouncement ever before made by the Canadian Parliament.

It would not be gracious to question too closely how far Sir Wilfrid's qualified assent to Mr. Foster's doctrine yearn for the effacements of the gis extracted from him in the same manner as the first pious Brahmin longs for Nirvana. Is extracted from him in the same manner as the first Canadian contingent was authorized by a prime minister who had previously announced his refusal Even if the who had previously announced his refusal Even if the lidea of blessedness is a state without rememberance or application. The preference of the line of least resistance, he has shown that in his interpretation Canadian sentiment will not tolerate parliamentary and cabinet indifference and that he will not constitute the properties of quarrel with Canadian sentiment. The reference to wishes and memories. In such infinite abstraction, and the Premier to "stampedes" and to "hysterics" are the unspeakable calm his being shall float through celestians. Premier to "stampedes" and to "hysterics are to be that he used when he did not intend to send troops are the universe.

Such a faith calls for banishment of the past. But a faith calls for banishment of the past are the universe. ents and emotions are forces on which he himself must eckoned for help and may reckon again.

this city who heard the last address of Admiral Prince to be forgol Louis of Battenburg when he was here with a squadron. This officer explained that the Britisn navy must be worked as one machine from important centres. We cannot have a divided control of an Imperial navy, and uards, when the time of action comes there will be guards, when the time of action comes there will be one navy and one control for the whole Imperial sea force. If we are to do anything today we must do what most needs to be done. If the Empire needs Dreadnoughts more than anything else for defence Canada should help get them.

THE FOURTH MAN.

When the Minister of Railways announced his policy of establishing in the near future an Intercolonial Railway board of management, he made it clear that Mr. Pottinger, Mr. Tiffin and Deputy Minister Butler would be three of the four members. Mr. Graham said that he had not selected the fourth member of the quartette, but that he would be taken from one of the great railway systems and would not be a very high priced man. The first announcement which The Standard has seen concerning the unknown fourth man, comes from the Sackville Tribune, which speaks with a certainty carrying conviction to the reader. Our Sackville contemporary says:

"The Tribune is informed on good authority that the fourth member of the proposed board of management of the Intercolonial Railway and latterly filled the position of general superintendent of the Lake Superior division of that road. He is understood to be a man of much ability in railway matters as well as being one of wide experience No official word in regard to the selection of the fourth member of the board has yet been made but it will not be surprising if subsequent events prove Mr. Brady to be the man chosen."

"Being a Canadian and therefore interested in the deduction of the room that country, which are not only a disgrace to Canada, but will utterly ruin the trade. One, some time ago, was a lot of Nova Scotia potatoes, which were mixed, some so small as to be worthless, which were mixed, some so small as to be worthless, which were mixed, some so small as to be worthless, which were mixed, some so small as to be carry in the trade. One, some time ago, was a lot of Nova Scotia potatoes, which were mixed, some so small as to be worthless, which were mixed, some so small as to be worthless, which were mixed, some so small as to be worthless, which were mixed, some so small as to be worthless, which were mixed, some so small as to be deat to a propose of which were mixed, some as lot of Apples, and the subscitch which were mixed, some as lot of Apples, wh

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In some matters no one can accuse the Minister of Public Works of lack of enterprise as for instance when he gets his dredging done first and asks for tenders afterwards.

While the retirement of Judge Gregory has been mentioned in legal and political circles for some time as a possibility, the report of his improving health led to the belief that he might resume his duties. It appears, in the legist of the belief that he might resume his duties. It appears, the belief that he might resume his duties. It appears, when Judge Gregory was appointed to the bench, it was recognized by all that he was eminently fitted for the position by his knowledge of law, experience at the bear, judicial temperament, and habit of mind. After eighteen years this is still the verdict. In only one way did Judge Gregory has been mentioned in legal and political circles for some time as a possibility, the report of his improving health led to the belief that he might resume his duties. It appears, have report of his improving health led to the belief that he might resume his duties. It appears, have report of his improving health led to the belief that he might resume his duties. It appears, have report of his improving health led to the belief that he might resume his duties. It appears, have report of his improving health led to the belief that he might resume his duties. It appears, have report of his improving health led to the belief that he might resume his duties. It appears, have report of his improving health led to the belief that he might resume his duties. It appears,

THE SUPREME COURT ACT.

Mr. Hazen's measure, amending the Supreme Court Act seems to meet every useful purpose attempted by the Act which Mr. Fugsley carried through the legislature

There are some important differences. Mr. Hasen does not charge the treasury with the salary of an ad-ditional and unnecessary judge. He does not divide the Court so that some judges hear appeals and never try causes, while some try causes and never hear ap-The Attorney General is of the opinion that the existing system, with all the judges hearing appeals from lieving the trial judge from sitting in appeal from his own decision. The measure now before the legislature provides for a more even distribution among the judges of law and equity work, thus giving greater expedition and a fairer adjustment of duties. Also in the interest of expedition and convenience it is provided that four of the six judges shall reside at St. John, where their of the six judges shall reside at St. John, where their services are most required when they are not on circuit. For the rest the measure brings the procedure of this province more in harmony with that of other provinces, of the Mother Country and of the Colonial communities.

In this measure there is no design to remove any judge from the bench or to provide a judicial position for any politician. Mr. Hazen will not withhold the proclamation while the time is ripening for the political supposed the conceptuality for nationals in the secretary.

purpose and the opportunity for patronage is accruing The measure will go into force this year. Herein also i differs from Mr. Pugsley's Act that never went into effect, because it was found that it could not be used for the improper purpose intended.

ANOTHER SORRY MAN.

in the late campaign thought it good policy to make him the object of slanderous personal attack. Several weeks ago, a Montreal journal withdrew its statements

Now Mr. Carney, lately member of Parliament for Halifax, who was led by the bad example of others to say that Mr. roster had robbed widows and orphans, has made apology. Mr. Carney was so careless in his utter-ances that he does not remember having used the words reported in the press of his party. In case he did use the language or any other bearing that meaning Mr. Carney desires "most unqualifiedly to retract and apolo-

the Empire in time of stress.

Sir Wilfrid's view is that we must protect our autonomy from British aggression and we may in emergencies protect our coasts from foreign attack. Mr. Foster's speech and resolution and Mr. Borden's declarations mean that we must take some share in protecting our shores, and we need not in delays so, sagrifice our sale source.

OBLIVION BOTH WAYS

The Sun insists that the past of Provincial adminis tration is absolutely dead and should be mentioned more. Ex-ministers, their friends and their organi yearn for the effacements of their record, even as the

politics, and whereon the British Empire has for help and may reckon again.

Such a faith calls for balls and They wish to blot out their record from remembrance, while they still demand If. Foster's appeal is an irrisistable argument to Canadian manhood. Action may be postponed. Tem porary objections may be discovered. But there is a conscience in this country, and a sense of seif-respect among this people which will not always, or much longer, permit them to enjoy protection through the hard and unrequited sacrifice of poorer folk. This is one of the conditions where "it is man's dishonor to be safe."

Whether we shall buy Dreadnoughts, or build and maintain here a more humble navy of our own, is a question. They long for a return to power while earthly gain. They long for a return to power while they yet escape the account of their former exercise of the power. They plead for a renewal of public confidence. They cry for yet more control of public would be of the owners not to remember the public wealth they squandered and plundered.

This will never do. Let Messrs Robinson, McKeown,

Whether we shall buy Dreadnoughts, or build and maintain here a more humble navy of our own, is a question of detail. The more we do about it with our own hands in our own land, the more competent we may perhaps become in the end.

But if we are to make our influence immediately have dealt so weakly and so wickedly. Then shall they But if we are to make our influence immediately felt in causing it to be known to the world that we act with the Empire, a contribution to the proposed British programme is the thing. There are several in this city who heard the last address of Admiral Prince Louis of Battenburg when he was here with a squadron. This officer explained that the British navy must be

WHERE ARE THE INSPECTORS?

The Canadian Commercial agent in the Bahamas sends to the Trade and Commerce Department a report which is not all pleasant reading. He speaks of bad packing and then quotes from a dealer who has some experience with Canadian goods:

"Being a Canadian and therefore interested in the development of trade between Canada and the Bahamas,

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BOSTON DENTAL PARLORS

DR. J. D. MAHER,

NOTES IN HER

New York, Mar. 29.—The American

New York, Mar. 29.—The American has the following special cable from London: —There was a storm of hisses and shouts of execration against the Government last night when Lady Constance Lytton, with flushed cheeks and quivering voice, addressed a large company of ladies and gentlemen at a dinner of welcome to her and her twenty-five sister martyrs in the suffragist cause on their release from Holloway Prison yesterday. Sitting beside Lady Constance was Daisy Solomon, daughter of Saul Soloman, late Crown Minister to Cape Colony, and other prominent women who have been playing the roles of prison martyrs in the Government's determined stand against the tactics employed by the suffragettes.

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Lady Constance told a thrilling story of how she overcome the rigid and almost barbaric prison regulations enforced against her and her sister suffragettes, and managed to make notes in writing—notes for use in her speech on liberation.

"They would not let me write," said Lady Constance. "They tried in every way to prevent me from even making notes while in prison. They denied me paper, pencils and ink. They went so far as to deny me a light in my cell until the prison doctor ordered them to furnish one. Then they shrouded the light until I could scarcely see, making the cell almost

they shrouded the light until I could scarcely see, making the cell almost as dark as it was before.

"But, despite these harsh and inhuman prison rules invoked against me, they could not prevent me from using ink, for nature had provided me with a scaled bottle of scarlet writing fluid.

"I got up yesterday," Lady Constance exclaimed dramatically, "removed the shroud from the lamp and on the back of a business letter I had received I wrote down the notes for the speech tonight in red ink! "Here it is," she said, displaying the letter. "It is written in my own blood!"

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the letter. "It is written in my own blood!"
The audience applauded frantically and wound up by hissing the Government for five minutes or more. Continuing her speech and referring to the red ink document in her hand, Lady Constance roundly denounced the prison system and the treatment to which the imprisoned suffragettes had been subjected.
On February 25 Lady Constance Lytton was sentenced to one month's imprisonment for disorderly conduct, the charge growing out of the part she took in the attempt to see Premier Asquith and present to him a "votes for women" petition.

HE WANTS THE EARTH.

I am thinking of investing
In some project that stands testing
You may think that I am jesting
When I say they're hard to find;
But I look with dark suspicion
On the paying proposition
Though I make that a condition
And I want no other kind.

Under no known circumstances
Am I willing to take chances.
I distrust these wild romances
And promoters who will chafe
When I want them to assure me
Of their soundness—to secure me;
For the thing that will allure me
Must be absolutely safe.

All the melons they divide up

OWN BLOOD

WOMAN PAYS THE PENALTY FOR CRIME

AUBURN, N Y., March 29.—Mur muring a prayer for her soul, Mrs Mary Farmer was quietly led to the electric chair in Auburn prison short ly after 6 o'clook this morning and was executed for the murder of Mrs Sarah Brennan at Brownville last

The execution of Mrs. Farmer, the cond infliction of death on a woman electricity in this state, was effect od without sensational incident. Thre ontacts were given and the physic ans officially pronounced the woman lead at 6.15 o'clock. Five women, two

lans officially pronounced the woman dead at 6.15 o'clock. Five women, two of whom were prison attendants, witnessed the death of Mrs. Farmer.

Father Hickey, the spiritual adviser of the condemned woman, following the execution gave out a statement signed by Mrs. Farmer, in which she declared that her husband, James Farmer, was entirely innocent and knew nothing of the crime until after it had been committed.

Led by Father Hickey and with Mrs. Dunnigsl and Miss Gorman, the two women attendants, who have been switch her constantly since she was brought to Auburn prison, Mrs. Farmer walked unfalteringly to the death chair. Her eyes were half closed and she saw nothing of the death chair and sroys of witnesses. In her hand she clasped a crucifix and as she was being strapped in the chair. Father Hickey stood at her side and offered prayers for the dying. Dr. Gerin, the prison physician, said that the woman was dead after the first shock, but as there was still a tremor of muscular reaction two succeeding contacts were given.

Prayed All Night.

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All night long the wretched woman had prayed within her cell. In the next room was the instrument of death, but she was not told that she was almost within its shadow. Earlier in the night Mrs. Farmer had been brought from her cell on the second lier of the woman's department of the condemned row, where she bade farewell to her husband. Separated by steel bars and an intervening screen husband and wife spent their final hour together in quiet converse. The women attendants were in the room and just within the door a prison guard was within call. The final word between them was spoken, a last good-bye and the weeping husband returned to his cell. Early this morning Father Hickey joined the watchers at Mrs. Farmer's cell door. The last sacraments were administered and Mrs. Farmer said she was not afraid to die. Mrs. Farmer was dressed in a plain black waist and skirt. Her hair was brushed severely back from her forehead and fell in two braids. Two or three locks were cut from the scalp so that the head electrode might be properly adjusted and the woman attendants slit the left side of her skirt as far as the knee and cut the stocking.

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The crime for which Mrs. Farmer was executed and for which her husband, James D. Farmer, is also under sentence of death, was the murder of Mrs. Sarah Brennan, neigabor, in the viliage of Brownsville, Jefferson County, about four miles from the city of Watertown, on April 23, 1908. The body of Mrs Brennan was found on the following Monday in a trunk owned by Mrs. Farmer and in her possession. Mrs. Farmer and her husband were evidence was circumstantial both were convicted and sentenced to be electrocuted. Mrs. Farmer's counsel attempted at the trial to establish that she was insane and irresponsible for the crime, but the Court of Appeals declared that it was clearly a deliberate and intentional act, "and that there was circumstance that mitigated against its heinousness."

Mrs. Farmer came to this country from England in 1900 and worked for a time as a domestic in Binghampton, in going from there to Buffalo, where she married James D. Farmer in 1904. Early in 1905 they moved to Brownsville. Months before the homicide in October. 1907, Mrs. Farmer went to a lawyer's office in Watertown, procured a deed of the property owned by Mrs. Brennan and impersonating Mrs. Brennan." The deed was returned from the clerk's office to James B. Farmer, signing the name "Sarah Brennan." The deed was returned from the clerk's office to James B. Farmer, signing the name "Sarah Brennan." The deed was returned from the clerk's office to James B. Farmer, signing the name "Sarah Brennan." The deed was returned from the clerk's office to James B. Farmer, signing the name "Sarah Brennan." The deed was returned from the clerk's office to James B. Farmer on November 26th and on January 7th, 1908, Mrs. Farmer and her husband went to another lawyer in Watertown and had the deed drawn to Feter J. Farmer, a child who had been born to them the proceeding September. On the day of the crime Mrs. Brennan's husband left early for his work, his wife telling him she was going to visit a de

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