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### COLONEL PECK

RESIGNS FROM THE PENSIONS BOARD

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

Ottawa, May 5.—The Citizen will publish the following tomorrow:

"As a protest against recent occurrences and statements of General H. H. McLean before the parliamentary committee on pensions, Lieutenant-Colonel C. V. Peck, V.C., has tendered his resignation from that body.

"In a letter which he has addressed to Hume Cronyn, chairman of the committee, Colonel Peck, after saying that he considers it his imperative duty to resign in view of what has occurred says that he does so not only to protest in the name of the widows of the hundreds of brave men, whom I had the honor of leading in the late war, but as a protest against a deplorable attempt on two successive days to camouflage the incident and also in the name of common honesty and decency."

The full text of Colonel Peck's letter is as follows:

"Mr. Hume Cronyn, chairman on pensions and re-establishment, house of commons,

"Dear sir,—In view of the recent occurrences and regarding the statements of General McLean, I feel that it is my imperative duty to resign from your committee.

"While I do not pretend that my membership is of any great importance, I cannot consent to being a party to what has taken place.

"I, therefore, resign not only to protest in the name of the widows of the hundreds of brave men I had the honor of leading in the great war but as a protest against a deplorable attempt on two

successive days to camouflage the incident and also in the name of common honesty and decency. I cannot bring myself to believe that actions such as have taken place are a credit to the committee or parliament."

"While there is nothing to their discredit to be described as of the servant class (because it is honorable to work, and we all should work), the statement made was an invidious attempt to discredit the widows of our soldiers."

"I claim that the statement made by Mr. C. Grant Macneill was correct. No attempt has been made to press this matter, and had General McLean seen fit to apologize to the widows of our brave men, no further attention would have been paid to the incident.

"I regret that according to the rules of parliament, I cannot go further into this matter publicly. I wish it to be distinctly understood that I do not wish to reflect on your committee as a whole or on your chairmanship which has been always fair, generous and impartial.

"Yours truly,

"C. W. PECK."

### FORTUNE COMES TO KING GEORGE'S VALET.

London, May 6.—King George's first valet, James Dickson, has been notified that he has inherited \$50,000 from a relative, a fish merchant in New Zealand.

James intends to continue in the king's service, enjoying the distinction of being the wealthiest man servant in the world.

R. W. Travers, aged sixty years, formerly a bank manager at London, Ont., threw himself beneath the wheels of a train yesterday there and was killed.

### CHAUNCEY DEPEW FAVORS MIDDLE CLASS UNION

Speaking at a luncheon of the Merchants' Association at the Hotel Astor, New York, where the subject was transportation, Chauncey M. Depew proposed one big union of middle class people as a solution to the present industrial difficulties.

"I have been dealing with unions all my life," Mr. Depew said. "I never had any trouble with them. I believe in them, if you can get down to a fair, square, man-to-man talk with them, as to what is needed on the one side, on the other, and on all sides. But there is one thing that must not be forgotten, and that is that no section, no class, no occupation can prevent the movements in the other occupations from exercising their functions, and the only way to stop that is

to have a new union, a new union of the middle class men of this country, and the middle class women of this country, who constitute eighty or ninety per cent. of our population, and let them form a union which shall declare that all classes must be treated fairly, squarely, rightly, justly and righteously."

### To Build Bungalows.

(London Paper.)

The Alliance Housing Association, of which Lord Haldon is the president, proposes to build, with the assistance of the ministry of health, 1,000 bungalows and houses in the south end district during the summer.

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