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THE OTTAWA SITUATION

If this country is thrown into the turmoil of the general elections it will be because the Conservatives are unwilling to sink partisanship to the extent necessary to form a real national government. Sir Robert Borden has around him a group of politicians looking to their own interests or the interests of party.

A GARDEN PHILOSOPHER

Here's a health to the cheerful philosopher of the Maritime Merchant. As we sit in our overcoats wondering sadly whether our potatoes should not also have been provided with heavy clothing before we planted them, he comes to us with this cheering message from the apple belt:

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"Yes, sir," responded the non-com., as he saluted. "I put them up!"

"They were talking about my dog," said Snags, "I think many dogs have more sense than their masters."

"Yes," chimed in Craggs, "I have a dog like that myself."

"And yet he couldn't make out why they laughed."

"The stock market has got me worried these days." "And there I stood with the abyss yawning at my feet."

"Was it yawning before you got there, or did it begin to yawn after you arrived?" asked the young woman who had never been away.

"Ah," sighed a slighted lover, "if you only give me the least hope I—"

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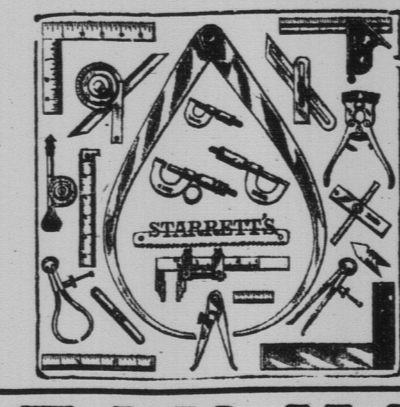
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RECENT DEATHS

George P. Porter.
St. Andrews, June 1.—The people of St. Andrews were grievously shocked on Friday last when it became known that George P. Porter had dropped dead in his yard. Mr. Porter had been in his usual health and neighbors were talking with him a few minutes before the end came.

Miss Anita Landry.
Loggieville, June 1.—A gloom was cast over Loggieville on Sunday afternoon, May 27, when it became known that Miss Anita Landry, eldest daughter of Conductor and Mrs. James Landry had passed away at the Hotel Dieu Hospital in Montreal after a month's illness of typhoid fever.

Miss Aileen Smith.
Fredericton, N. B., June 1.—Last evening at the home of Mrs. McBean, Aberdeen street, Miss Aileen Smith of Lower Jemseg died, aged eighteen years. She was attending Normal school here in the first class and was greatly beloved by all who knew her. Her death was due to pneumonia and is regretted by all. Miss Smith was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David N. Smith of Lower Jemseg, and leaves her parents and one brother, Clifford, at home. The body will be taken to her former home tomorrow and the funeral will take place on Sunday. The service will be conducted by Rev. H. E. Bennett.

Sir Richard Burbidge.
London, June 1.—Sir Richard Burbidge died at his home here last night. He was a member of the advisory board of the military munitions and was created a baronet last year. For twenty-seven years he had been managing director of Harrod's Stores, men's department, and was seventy years old.

The death of Mrs. Rose Hay, widow of Wm. Hay, occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mary McMahon, Chatham, on Sunday afternoon, aged ninety-one years.

A gloom was cast over Loggieville Sunday, when news of the death of Miss Anita Landry at the Hotel Dieu, that fever was received. She was the daughter of Conductor and Mrs. Jas. Landry, was in her eighteenth year and was completing her studies at St. Michael's Academy.

George Fowles of Hopewell Hill is dead. He was upwards of seventy-five years of age. Besides his wife, he is survived by several sons and daughters, including Clifford and George Fowles and Mrs. Sarah Fungley of Hopewell Cape. Jas. Fowles and Alma V. Fowles, also residents of the shiretown, are brothers.

BUILDING OF SHIPS IN SISTER PROVINCE

(Halifax Chronicle)
C. F. McIsaac, K.C., of Antigonish, and Archibald MacKenzie, of River John, who are in the city to take up the matter of the shipbuilding commission, will be joined tomorrow by Mr. Kelly of North Sydney and Mr. North of Hantsport, in order to hold their preliminary meeting.

The commission has been chosen with great foresight, and combines the energy and wisdom of the province in the line of shipbuilding and transportation matters. As far as can be ascertained, no definite plans have as yet been formulated, but the commission is prepared to go into the matter of building ships in this province with a view to utilizing all the available man power to the most effective advantage. The members of the commission have in their hands all the available data in connection with Nova Scotian yards, and will be able to report in a short time on what can be done in the province in order to place in commission a number of ships capable of carrying cargo both coastwise and across the ocean.

A special meeting of the council of the board of trade was held on Tuesday afternoon to which the mayor, members of the ship building commission and representatives of the Commercial and Rotary Clubs were invited to discuss the present situation regarding steel ship building at the port of Halifax.

Mr. Macgillivray, the president, addressed the meeting, stating that representatives of large steel shipbuilding interests had recently visited the city and were expected to return with some definite proposition, and he considered the city should be prepared to state what it was willing to do to assist in the establishment of a large enterprise.

The conditions of the acts passed in 1907 and 1911 were discussed and also several matters previously decided upon, but it was considered that these should be changed to meet present conditions.

H. McInnes, K.C., who had visited Ottawa as a delegate from the board in connection with this important matter, reported that the federal government assistance would be given from that quarter; he had, however, conferred with representatives of those interested in steel ship building, who were looking towards Halifax as a site to establish a plant.

It was finally decided to urge the city council to formulate a definite policy in connection with this important matter.

To a Photograph in My Dug-Out. (W. G. S., in Westminister Gazette.) Your face remains the same, so little it alters. I think myself a boy again at home. Waiting your step; the candle dips and falters; I shall not fall asleep until you come.

Outside, a rifle rattles on the timber, and startled trench rats scamper to and fro. The spell is broken. Waking I remember. Battle's at dawn, and boyhood's long ago.

And yet, tonight I seem to be so near you, I watch the open doorway, half in awe. Oh, through the silence, would that I might hear you. Coming as once you did to shade the light. And feel your fingers smoothing down the straw. And sleep, your whisper on my brow: good-night.

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EFFECTS OF WAR ON PSYCHOLOGY OF NATIONS ENGAGED

Russians' Defeat of Napoleon Taught Them They Could Depose Caesar—Germans' Self-Idolatry

New York, June 1.—Psychology and psychiatry in relation to problems of life in general—such as crime, politics, social improvement and the war—were discussed today by alienists and other mind specialists at the opening sessions of the seventy-third annual meeting of the American Medico-Psychological Association in the Hotel Astor.

One of the papers that attracted especial attention was by Dr. Charles K. Mills, of Philadelphia, on "The influence of great wars on thought and progress." In his paper, Dr. Mills discussed the psychology of Russia, Germany, England and the United States, as affected by the present and former wars. The beginning of the Russian revolution, he said, was traceable to the time when the Russians overcame the czar, as affected by the present and former wars. The Russian people, he said, learned then that they could overthrow Napoleon, and, psychologically, that they could overcome the czar. The later developments made them surer of their strength, he added, and he predicted that the revolution would succeed, because the psychology of the country had become democratic.

Germany, said Dr. Mills, was suffering from "a war-created psychology." The series of successes of the German army and military policy, which began several generations ago, he said, had put the country in a "self-idolatrous condition," from which it was only beginning to be driven.

"As the flood-tide of German success begins to ebb," said Dr. Mills, "we see a new psychological spirit, a new mental attitude. We began to hear the story of this change. One of its most significant evidences is the recent announcement of Maximilian Harden, who tells the German people that, after all, the enemies of Germany are unconquerable and probably unconquerable. The contagion of the Russian revolution may also soon play its highly important psychological role in Germany."

Dr. Mills said that, psychologically, England had become "self-complacent rather than self-idolatrous; snobbish rather than arrogant," but that the war had brought the country out of that condition.

America Found Itself. Concerning America, Dr. Mills said—"High thinking had been supplanted by high finance and corrupt politics, but in entering the war, the nation had found itself."

Dr. Charles G. Wagner, president of the association, in his annual address, spoke of the food problem caused by the war, and said that the members of the association might materially aid in a solution "by devoting their efforts to the task of making every instalment of land and labor produce a sustenance as regards the products of the soil."

He announced that within a day or two he would introduce a resolution offering the aid of the association to the government. Discussing psychiatric problems, Dr. Warner said:

"Hygienic surroundings and faulty educational methods are responsible for a large proportion of feeble-mindedness and insanity, especially of the paucity type. From this class of unfortunate the ranks of crime, immorality and insanity are constantly recruited. If these defectives are early recognized, as they can be by the Binet-Simon and other tests, and if their future training and education can be directed and regulated, as to bring out the best that is in them, and if they can be segregated when improvement cannot be expected, then one of the questions of greatest importance in the prevention of insanity will have been solved."

"I remember your wife as such a dainty and pretty girl, 'Tully,' and yet they tell me she has turned out a fine cook."

"Turned out a fine cook!" exclaimed 'Tully.' "She has turned out half a dozen of them within the last three months!"

THE NEW ZEALAND WAY.

Premier Massey of New Zealand, who heads a national government, said this week in an interview with the Toronto Star—

"We have followed the example of Lincoln so far as the system of conscription is concerned. The country has been divided into twenty districts. A military census has been taken of each district and we know the exact number of men of military age in each district. When reinforcements are required we assign a proportionate quota for each district. If the men come forward voluntarily there is no conscription. If the quota has still to be made up the men are selected by ballot from among the eligibles. There are tribunals to whom appeals may be made, but among the men physically fit very few exemptions have been made."

"We conscript wealth by war taxes. We have placed a tax on everything that will stand it. The railways belong to our government and we have made slight increase in the railway fares. The postal rates have gone up slightly too. Then we borrow money locally in the Dominion. Over and above the usual income taxes we have placed a war tax of 45 per cent. on all war profits and an additional tax of 5 per cent for general war purposes."

"Most of the labor people support the government. Generally speaking, there is no fault to find. Labor has done its share in the war so far in our country. Of course there are some few exceptions, but they can't be helped."

The department of militia figures that 408,000 men have enlisted in Canada, but when we add the total sent overseas to the total still on duty in Canada, as stated by the minister of militia, only 388,000 men are accounted for. Where are the other seventy thousand? Moreover, it is believed that 120,000 men drilled at great cost to the country who ought instead to have been engaged in some work of production. Comment is needless.

The Nova Scotia commission on shipbuilding is in conference in Halifax in connection with the scheme for which \$2,000,000 was voted by the legislature. The project of establishing a great steel shipbuilding plant at Halifax is receiving the attention of the board of trade and city council. Meanwhile the construction of wooden vessels at various ports in Nova Scotia by private interests goes on steadily, in marked contrast to the inactivity in New Brunswick.

Mr. Potts may achieve fame as a political filibuster, and perhaps he will be satisfied with that line of action. At the present moment, however, the question of conscription is being dealt with by Sir Robert Borden, who appears to have troubles of his own in that connection. Has Sir Robert asked for an expression of the views of Mr. Potts and his friends?

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