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PATRIOTISM OR BUSINESS

Several Eastern newspapers have been engaged for some time past in a heated controversy concerning the obligation of Canada to British capitalists who have invested money in this country. The dispute appears to have had its origin in the desire of the jingo press to find further support for its argument for a cash contribution to the British navy.

The newspapers that represent the other side of the controversy declare that the strongest tie that binds Canada to Great Britain is one of sentiment which is not yet so enfeebled that it needs the support of mercenary considerations. They profess a regard for the British capitalist, not because he is a capitalist but because he is British, having a claim upon their affections no stronger than that of the Britisher who is not a capitalist.

In deciding to which side of the controversy you will give your support it is necessary to know that those who take the latter view are without exception Liberal papers. While, therefore, their statement of the case may seem the more logical it is necessary to remember that, being Liberal, they are not only incapable of the sentiment of loyalty to Great Britain but are known to cherish a positive hatred for the Union Jack and a desire to make Canada as soon as possible a part of the United States.

CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES

In an inflammatory editorial a Winnipeg newspaper which for some time past has been conspicuous for its insane and provocative jingoism, declares that we should mark our disapproval of the Panama Canal bill by refusing to take part in the proposed celebration of the hundred years of peace between Great Britain and the United States. While it is unlikely that a suggestion that can have been prompted only by madness or criminal stupidity will be seriously entertained by thoughtful Canadians, it is nevertheless unfortunate that it should have been made.

COUNCIL ORDERS THE DISMISSAL OF PARKS SUPERINTENDENT

The first one who would be kicking against the poor supply of water. Alderman Samis declared he realized the seriousness of the action in voting against the measure. Still, he thought the citizens had shown by their votes a lack of confidence in the engineer and he could not conscientiously recommend that any further expensive works should be undertaken under the official's direction.

nations. It may be well to remind ourselves that, despite the declarations of a few individual American politicians, that the case must not go to arbitration, the United States has not refused to consent to this course. Until Great Britain has requested that the question be submitted to the Hague tribunal and that request has been refused, we are in honor bound to assume that the United States will abide by the terms of the arbitration treaty which it made with Great Britain in 1908. If the recent action of congress suggests a doubt concerning their possible compliance with this agreement, we may find matter for encouraging reflection in the fact that the action of congress is condemned by the great majority of responsible journals in the United States. Again, it is well to remember that the appeal to arbitration can be made only after the canal is open to traffic and the discriminatory clauses of the bill are in actual operation.

The fact that a difference exists at the present time between this country and the United States affords the very best ground for celebrating with enthusiasm the long continued peace between the two countries. In a recent editorial The Toronto Star has most opportunely called attention to the fact that the interest and value of that celebration lies, not in an absence of differences between the two countries during that period, but rather in the presence of many and serious differences which have been settled without resort to war. It is unnecessary to enumerate the British-American disputes that have been settled during the past century as all disputes between civilized nations should be settled. Suffice it to say that several of them have been more serious than the present. The fact that they have been so settled gives ground for the hope that when the time comes for the settlement of this one it will also be disposed of without resort to the methods of barbarism that can find favor only with those who are utterly brutalized or mentally defective.

POPULATION AND REPRESENTATION

The Toronto Mail and Empire has become suddenly exercised over the dwindling representation of the Maritime provinces in the Dominion parliament, and suggests that the British North America Act should be so amended that a minimum of representation for these provinces shall be established without regard for any possible decline of population.

Under the provisions of the British North America Act the representation of the province of Quebec in the Dominion parliament is fixed at sixty-five members, and each of the remaining provinces is assigned such a number of members as shall bear the same proportion to the number of its population as the number sixty-five bears to the population of Quebec when ascertained by the census. In accordance with this rule a re-adjustment of the representation of the several provinces is made every ten years, after the census has been taken. At present the Maritime provinces hold 35 of the 221 seats in the house. So great, however, has been the increase of population in other parts of Canada, and more particularly in the Western provinces, that when the next distribution is made they will have but 30 of 233 seats.

The concern of these provinces at the decline of their representation in the house is natural. The sympathy of The Mail and Empire for any scheme that would strengthen the Eastern provinces in the house at the expense of the West is also what might be expected from a paper that represents interests hostile to those of the West. It is difficult to see, however, what can be done in fairness to change the condition which it deplors. The basis of representation for all provinces must be alike and must be determined by population. Discrimination in favor of any one province will rightly be resented by the rest. All are entitled to representation proportioned to their population, no less and no more. If such an amendment were made to the British North America Act as would prevent the further reduction of the representation of the Maritime provinces it would be necessary at the same time to provide that the remaining provinces should still have the same relative voting strength in the house.

The lesson for the Maritime provinces is plain, as indicated in the following hint from the Toronto paper that has espoused their cause. "It is to be hoped," says The Mail and Empire, "that their plight will stir them to efforts on their own behalf, irrespective of constitutional changes. The danger of further loss of Dominion representation should rouse the provincial government to energetic action for the building up of their several provinces."

directed to Mayor Mitchell, enquiring of that official if the recent resignation of Dr. Medical Health Officer Estey had been withdrawn.

"The council refused to accept Mr. Estey's resignation," stated his worship referring to the last meeting, held by a vote of four to three. The council did decline to accept the medical officer's resignation.

Hornby is Persistent
"But has the health officer withdrawn his resignation?" persisted Hornby.

"The council refused to accept it and that is all there is to the matter," asserted the mayor.

Alderman Hester then introduced the resolution, seconded by Alderman Samis, ordering the commissioners to take immediate action on the recommendation of the investigating committee and dismiss Medical Officer Estey and Sanitary Inspector Fox. It was lost by one vote, the mayor's ballot deciding.

Then Alderman Morfit, seconded by Alderman Hester, moved that Parks Superintendent Iverson be discharged on the question of the park board which seems to be up in the air. In the opinion of the city solicitor, the parks board has not yet legally been dissolved though the councilmen apparently were under the impression at the last meeting. Solicitor Moffat advised the councilmen that Superintendent Iverson was under the park board, and they were the only ones who had authority to discharge him.

"Then," declared Alderman Samis "I move that the commissioners, as members of the park board, be instructed in the interests of the city to secure the dismissal of the parks superintendent. He is costing the ratepayers money every day and it is no doubt in my mind that the general feeling of the citizens is that he is not the man for the place."

The motion was put to a vote and Mayor Mitchell announced it carried without resorting to a roll call, as the vote against the parks superintendent apparently was overwhelming.

The last gun fired by the opposition was a motion introduced by Samis and seconded by Alderman Hornby that the city commissioner be instructed to advertise for a new City Solicitor. It was lost by one vote, the mayor casting the deciding "Nay."

The Boxing Bylaw
The proposed new boxing bylaw suffered a reverse when Alderman McDougall, who has been asking that the measure be submitted to the people for a decision to end the controversy once for all, withdrew his support of it last night.

When a petition against the boxing bylaw was presented, Alderman McDougall moved that a plebiscite vote be taken on the subject.

"I have voted for the measure and I have also voted against boxing," declared the Alderman. "From what I can learn, the people do not seem to want this measure now, but I would like to have the question settled once for all, and let the people settle it themselves."

Bylaws Too Easily Made.
"These bylaws that we make up here are too easily made, and if the people voted on this question it would be ended one way or another once and for all."

Alderman Minchin, who introduced the bylaw, also opposed to submitting it to the people. He thought the council could settle it themselves quite well enough. Later in the meeting he announced that he was against the boxing bylaw.

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Is Old Bylaw Repealed
Alderman Samis, seconded by Alderman Morfit, then introduced a motion asking that the resolution purporting to repeal the former anti-boxing bylaw be rescinded and the former bylaw stand. This led to a lengthy discussion as to the question of whether Alderman Minchin's original motion to repeal the former anti-boxing bylaw had been repealed.

More discussion followed, with the result that it seemed to be agreed that the resolution was ineffective until the bylaw repealing the former bylaw was brought in.

McDougall Stands for Old Bylaw.
"If it is a fact that this bylaw has never been repealed," said Alderman McDougall, "then I'll withdraw my motion to submit the question to the people and stand for the old bylaw as it was."

In order to give the city solicitor an opportunity to determine the question definitely, the proposed bylaw was laid over another week by agreement.

Waste Paper Receipts Authorized.
Giving the commissioners power to act in the matter of a receptacle for waste papers, etc., which an advertisement agent desired to place at various city corners, agreeing to have them emptied regularly and kept in a sanitary condition.

The council also voted for a bylaw amending the bylaw fixing a certain width on Twelfth avenue in order to enable the Bank of Commerce and the Cookshaw Plow company to construct buildings on that avenue near First street west, to the present building line.

Ottawa, Sept. 3.—E. J. Grisdale, director of the St. J. Grisdale, firm, has left on an extended tour through the Canadian west. He will go through to the coast and eventually be absent about six weeks.

Fur Fashions For Fall
Formal Exhibition
OUR formal showing of fur fashions for fall and winter, commences today and continues all week. It will be a most magnificent display featuring hundreds of pieces and of the finest peltry procurable. Long experience in the fur business has had a great influence on our selections as can readily be seen in their high quality, beauty, and general excellence. Every fashionable fur, from the humble western sable to the queenly royal ermine, is represented and in the cream of the season's creations. All furs shown in this exhibit were bought before prices advanced, so that we are fortunate in being able to offer far greater values than it is possible for stores which bought after the rise. Women who desire accurate knowledge of the popular furs and styles for fall and winter are cordially invited to visit this exposition. We are showing Fur Coats, Fur-lined Coats, Muffs, Neck-pieces, and in many novel and useful styles. Some of the popular furs for the new season are: Mink (northern and Labrador), Hudson Seal, White Fox, Ermine, Persian Lamb, Chinchilla, Opposum, Baby Lamb, Muskrat, Russian Rat, Black Fox, Pony, Orenburger, Marmot, etc. See Windows HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY

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HOUSEKEEPERS who are planning to buy their winter supply of bedding necessities will no doubt be glad to hear that our fall shipment of comforters has just arrived. This consignment comprises a large assortment of lines and comes from one of the best English manufacturers. A very striking feature of these comforters is that they are filled with genuine down, which has been purified by a special process and which makes them absolutely sanitary. Better get yours now while assortments are complete.
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Pleasant memories of your visit to Calgary can always be recalled if you take a souvenir spoon home with you. Our collection contains both tea and salt spoons with embossed or enameled handles and decorated with Dominion coats-of-arms; all are made of sterling silver and have the word "Calgary" engraved in hollow of spoon. Price 65¢ to \$2.00.
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The touch of distinction and refinement which this plant gives to the home, is worth many times the price that it actually costs. Unlike natural flowers it lasts for months and needs no water or fertilizer—just air. Ordinarily this plant sells at 20¢ each, but through advantageous purchasing we are able to offer a limited quantity at, special 2 for 25¢.
Small Brass Hanging Fern Pot filled with air plant. Special complete. 60¢.
Souvenir Belt Pins
Some of the prettiest Belt Pins that we are showing are those decorated with genuine Japanese enamel and embellished with the decorated with genuine enamel or maple leaf. The price is very reasonable, too, at \$1.00.
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With the price lowered from 25¢ to 17¢, what thrifty women will not lay in a good supply? These are good quality Cashmere Hose, too, the kind, in fact, that should not be sold at less than their regular price. They are also fast black, soft, full fashioned and will give excellent service; all sizes but No. 10. Regular 25¢. Wednesday, 6 pairs \$1.00.
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The fact that Hudson's Bay candies are pure, wholesome and delicious is sufficient in itself to induce brisk buying. Now, however, that reduced prices accompany these good features the temptation is too great to resist. Oh, Fudge! full of nuts. Regular 40¢. Today 25¢. French Cream Mixture, regular 30¢. Today 30¢.
Small Mirrors 25¢
You will hardly realize what good value they are at a "quarter" until you come and see them. However, we will try to do them justice by a brief description. They are circular and the framework is made of highly polished white metal; glass is of good quality, clear, and has good reflective powers. Can be hung on wall or will stand up; also 7 1/2 inches high, 7 wide. Price only 25¢.
Writing Tablets 5¢
Five cents is a very low price for a writing tablet but is exceptionally so in this case, because they are of a very good quality despite their price. They are made of a good grade ruled writing paper, in size 8 1/2 inches. They contain 50 pages with blotter and have artistic cover. Special value 5¢.

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