## COMMITTEE ON THE FINANGIAL SURVEY

MR. MERCER SUBMITS TAX FINANCIAL STATE-MENT AND OFFERS SOME SOUND SUGGES-TIONS: WOULD INVEST SINKING FUND IN TAX CERTIFICATES

Mr. Mercer presented figures showing the financia; standing of the city, and made a number of recommendations. The figures submitted were as follows: Collected on 1915 taxes and previous arrears to 

At the meeting of the city's committee on financial survey last night.

Collected on 1917 taxes, including business tax ....\$ 661,999.34 Discount allowed to September 30 ..... Total cash from October 1 to October 30, inclusive of arrears and

current ..... 655,719.22 TAXES IN ARREARS

1945 and previous arrears as at December 31, 1916 ....\$2,190.800.08 Collected to September 30 ...... 328,200.14 ..\$1,862,599.94 Collected during 1917 ...... 149.712.54

Leaving a balance of ...... 960,820.56 Total arrears outstanding ......\$2.823.420.50

The above figures are excusive of penalty arrears for October not yet figured out. WOULD BUY TAX CERTIFICATES

In regard to the outlying lands, Mr. Mercer made the following suggestion: While a considerable portion of the outlying subdivisions would doubtless have to be taken over by the city for taxes, I do not consider this should deter us from holding a tax sale or cause undue alarm. This property should be bonded, thus enabling the city to reimburse itself for the unpaid taxes on same. No sinking fund need be levied, as the proceeds of the lands when sold would constitute in itself sufficient sinking fund." Mr. Mercer's idea is to purchase these lands at the tax sale with the sinking funds. When the sinking fund is needed bonds might be sold against these lands. Mr. Mercer favored securing powers from the legislature to enable the city

to issue new bonds as the present ones mature and are paid off.

WOULD INCREASE RATES While not favoring the increasing of rates on the utilities under prosperous conditions, Mr. Mercer favored under the present conditions raising \$150,000 day of his appointment, soliciting his in this way, this money not to be used to decrease taxes, but to meet current expenses and to be regarded as a loan, which should afterward be repaid to the utilities. He also urged receiving the taxes in installments. The first installment should be collected by June 20. He would allow 10 per cent discount on all taxes paid up to that time. The second installment would be due October 10, and a 10 per cent discount would be allowed on this payment, provided all of the first installment had been paid; or if there were arrears, then if all were paid up in bulk the 10 per cent would be allowed on the second installment only.

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NOISES

If you have Catarrhal Deafness or head

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the distressing head noises. Clogged nos-trils should open, breathing become easy

and the mucus stop dropping into the throat. It is easy to prepare, costs little and is pleasant to take. Anyone who has

Catarrhal Deafness or head noises should give this prescription a trial. —Advt.

amendment, therefore, provides for an ad-ditional allowance for the married dis-abled man based on the degree of the

man's disability. This allowance amounts

"Up to the present time the allowance

to a dependent parent has been \$24 per

nonth, that is to say, \$8 per month les

pension for the dependent parent as that authorized for the widow. Instead of \$24

per month, the dependent parent will now

receive \$40 per month, being a flat in-

crease of 66 2-3 per cent.

"Dependent brothers and sisters were

not previously provided for in the pension

regulations. A very large number of cases came up in which the eldest boy of

a family had been supporting his mother

and his younger brothers and sisters and

continued to support them until he died on service. With regard to his younger

brothers and sisters, he might almost

have been said to have taken the place of a father in this respect. The amendmen

provides, therefore, that for dependen

16 or 17 years, the same allowances shall be provided as are provided for children

Thus a younger brother who has been de-

pendent on a private will receive \$8 per month if one of his parents is alive, and

\$16 per month if both of his parents are dead. Certain amendments facilitating

the administration of pension regulation have been made.

Pension to Guardian

"It has been found in a number of cases

these children, ewing to the drunkenness or misconduct of their pensioned father

for those children, as well as part of the

given more ample authority to provide for the maintenance of incurable and helpless soldiers and sailors, such as men suffering

from insanity, total paralysis and other

similar conditions. Previously, the main-tenance of certain helpless men devolved

upon the provinces, or upon private

maintained by the federal government, no matter whether they are being cared for

in a provincial or a federal institution of

of pensions, the remarriage of female pen-

made, and the rights of a dependent par-

ent to receive pension. These last amend-

legislation will be introduced by the gov

ernment dealing with the whole question of pensions. This will enable full discussion and reconsideration."

JUDGMENT RESERVED

In the District Court yesterday, be

Scott vs. Samuel Taber was heard, be-

f becoming useful citizens.

rothers and sisters, under the age of

than the pension of the widow.

## CANADIAN SOLDIERS' PENSIONS INCREASED 25 TO 40 PER CENT

(Continued from page one) tween 60 and 79 per cent. He will now receive \$450 per annum, that is to say, a class-6 pension, which class includes all those disabled between 75 and 79 per cent. He is thue entitled to a much per cent. He is thue entitled to a much per cent. He is thue entitled to a much larger increase than the filst increase of 25 per cent. Only in a few cases will soldiers and sailors be entitled to an additional increase beyond the flat in this way the unmaried man was better in this way the unmaried man. The

More for the Helpless

"The allowance for helplessness which is granted to those totally disabled who are, in additon, helpless insofar as attendance to their physical wants are to \$8 per month, or \$96 per year for a concerned, has also been increased. In totally disabled soldier or sailor, 40 cents future this allowance will be \$300 in- less per month being paid for each destead of \$250.

With regard to the children of a disabled pensioner, a definite change of sub-lieutenant in the Canadian navy or has been adopted. Under the pension lieutenant in the Canadian expeditionary regulations as approved last year, only force, or lower ranks, will be entitled to a those receiving a pension for a disthose receiving a pension for a dis-flat increase of 25 per cent pension. Thus ability of 60 per cent or more were entitled to allowances on account of their received \$384 per annum will now receive Again, no distinction was between the allowance for the children of those 60 per cent disabled on account of the children she will be and those totally disabled. For in-lentitled to a flat increase in their allowstance, a man 55 per cent disabled with ance of 33 1-3 per cent. For instance, a four children received \$16 per month private's widow with four children wil pension for himself, but nothing for receive \$40 per month for herself and \$33 his children; the man 60 per cent disper month for her children, instead of abled with four children received \$40 \$32 per month for herself and \$24 per per month for himself and \$24 per month for her children. month for his children; and the man disabled with four children received \$40 per month for himself and \$24 per month for his children. The children. They will receive \$16 allowances for the children of disabled month each instead of \$12 per month ea men have, therefore, been graded down

in accordance with the disability. The Totally Disabled The totally disabled man will be entitled to \$8 per month for each of his amendment made authorizes the same children; the man disabled 80 per cent will be entitled to \$7; the man disabled will be entitled to \$7; the man disabled 55 per cent will be entitled to \$5.50, and so on in descending amounts, so that the man disabled five per cent will be entitled to 50 cents per month for each of his children. The totally disabled private will thus receive an additional crease of 33 1-8 per cent in the allowance payable for his children. The percentage of increase on account of the children will be less as the disability decreases to 60 per cent. Below 60 per cent the disabled men will now be entitled to allowance for children, alugh under the previous regulations he was not entitled to any such allowance. Married Disabled Soldiers "Up to the present time no additional

### Sale of Tax Certificates

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Treasurer of the City of Calgary, at his office at the City Hall, Calgary, on and after the 21st day of November, 1917, will sell to the first applicant Certificates of Delinquency for unpaid taxes levied or assessed prior to the or mother have been deserted or are not first day of January, 1916, on the land lincluded in the list—printed copies of which may be had on personal or written application to the Treasurer or ten application to the Treasurer or city Clerk, City Hall, Calgary—if such taxes with interest and costs are not

#### Why Tax Certificates Are an Attractive Investment

They take priority as security on real estate over mortgages and other parties. In the future these men

encumbrances.

They may bear interest at 10 per centum per annum, preference being by members of their own families. given to the tender offering to purchase a certificate at the lowest rate with regard to the date of commencement

of interest. They cannot be redeemed within one sioners, the interpretation of the word year unless the holder is paid the total amount thereof, plus one-tenth of such year unless the holder is paid the total amount thereof, plus one-tenth of such

If unredeemed within three years, unredeemed within three years, holder by simple procedure can the property to recoup himself the "They have been made for the purpose" self the property to recoup himself the amount thereof, with interest borne by the certificate, plus subsequent taxes paid by the purchaser or holder, with interest thereon at 10 per centum with interest thereon at 10 per centum per annum, plus all costs, and, if no sale, title to the property may be ob- of pensions.

For fuller particulars, including the method of tendering, prospective purchasers are invited to obtain and read introduction contained in the fore Judge Winter, the case of J. W.

day of October, 1917.

printed list. DATED at Calgary, Alberta, the 23rd ing an action for a blacksmith's ac-C227-323 count. Judgment was reserved.

# UNION MEMBERS OPEN CAMPAIGN:

The Hon, T. A. Crerar

Hon. T. A. Crerar, who remarked that this was the first occasion he had addressed a political meeting, said the honor was done him of asking him to become a member of the union government to represent particularly the grain growing interests of western Canada and the farmers' organizations which had grown up in these prairie cities during the last 10 years. grain growers of western Canada had

always believed in union government.

He thought Canada would have been better off if it had had a union gov ernment two years ago. "My entry into a union government does not mean for a moment that I agree with everything the previous government has done, nor does it mean that I abandon any of the principles that I have believed in the past," said Mr. Crerar, amid loud applause. The minister of agriculture alluded to a conversation with a farmer in Toronto the other day, who asked him, "What concessions did you get on the tariff? "I required no concession," declared Mr. Crerar. "The tariff is not the issue at present. I feel just as strongly on the question of the tariff as any man have not sacrificed these views in entering a union government. The tariff is not the issue at present. The great outstanding issue is the winning

#### of this war." Patronage Evils

Mr. Crerar, in referring to the promise held out in the government's manifesto for a cure for the patronage evil gave one or two striking examples of what he had been up against already A gentleman of Ontario, whom he did ot know, had written to him on the utmost interest to secure the writer a senatorship. The patronage evil must be eliminated if the new governmenis to devote its best efforts to the supreme task of winning the war (Applause.)

Touching on agriculture, which, he said, was a specialized industry today, Mr. Crerar stated that he would, as far as possible, work in consultation with the leaders of the farmers' or ganizations. Alluding to the prices of foodstuffs and high cost of living, Mr. Crerar evoked loud applause when he declared: "I want to assure you that that problem is being considered, and have to announce here tonight that plans are under way to have such connoises go to your druggist and get 1 ounce of Parmint (double strength), and add to the pint of hot water and 4 ounces of granulated sugar. Take 1 tablespoonful trol of the packing industry in Canada as will effectively regulate the spread between the price of bacon and the price paid for live hogs. That is under consideration at the present time."

Allies Need Supplies In urging the need for greater food production, Mr. Crerar read a cable from Lord Rhondda, the British food controller, saying that the allies needed from America next year 10 million ons of foodstuffs, representing an expenditure on wheat, flour, bacon and other products of three to four mil-lions a day. Canada with the United States, must do her share in conserving her food supplies and increasing her production. That was the great task of the Canadian farmers.

Mr. Meighen's Statement. crease of five per cent in disability.

"The widows of those holding the rank of sub-lieutenant in the Canadian navy or plauded, said in part: "The government, on this meeting is called and whose elements the speakers represent, is the outcome of a great popular moveme That movement took its birth from the date when the need for selective military service first became manifest in Can It called for the submerging of

the old party antipathies and the joinng of our forces against a common foe and from the very beginning of that movement to its consummation it had its mainspring in the city of Winnipeg. Whait more fitting than that we should hold here the first union meeting? Our purpose is to present the principles and show forth the spirit that has Increase of 33 1-3 Per Cent
"A flat increase of 33 1-3 per cent has brought us together and to sound the appeal of the new government in this been made in the allowances for orphan "What we ought to do is to create in

this hall something of the atmosphere of war; a sense of the realities of this day and hour. What we have to do, whether we like it or not, is to walk and stand on the edge of events and take a look at what is going on. -We are in the wild climax of a world war fighting, writhing, suffering, strugand the fourth winter is upo gling, us. We are in death grips with a cruel savage Colossus.

"The only peace he offers is a peace that means domination for Germany in Europe. It is peace that means the strangling of Belgium and of France and an early conquest of Russia means that old England, the head and ront of this great resistance would be moored off by herself, facing eventual destruction.

German Rule in Canada. "We could never fight again with the friends we have today. Here on this continent we could only hope, prepare and tremble. The blood and iron creed would be established in America; the Monroe doctrine would be gone, and in your time and mine—make no mistake

crashing into the homes of Canada. "Terrible is the plight of Europe at his moment, but we believe the plight of Germany is far worse than ours, but whether better or worse, it is now or never for the entente; it is now or never for British democracy; it is now or never for Canada.

"To hold the faith of our allies, to be honest with ourselves, we have to fight to the last ounce of our strength. We have got to the stage of this struggle where every atom counts.

Those who really want to win the war and don't get together and pull together, do not know what the war is. We cannot fight our best fight divided. We need union in this country of every nan and woman that is in earnest union of heart and aim, union of method and effort, union of mind and muscle That is why we have union government. Cabinets are the reflection of the nation. If there had not been union among the people, the spirit of union

Ottawa. "It was a consummation hard indeed o accomplish, hard on one side as on the other. The ties of old associations are strong. The subordination of political opinions, even on subjects of secondary importance, is a difficult task. The charge against a public man, however untrue or however unfair that he barters his convictions for of fice, is one of the hardest to endure. But the time came when the higher call prevailed, and as a member of the late administration, I say that Canada at all hazards and at any sacrifice supshould honor the men who heard and

answered that call. Stands by Old Government. "May I add a word in the name of the Conservative government that, as such, has passed from power? In this I cannot expect the endorsation of my col-not expect the endorsation of my col-government is performing now, and leagues on this platform. They join intends to perform and does not intend the new government, they have no re-to be delayed an hour. Let the people sponsibility for the old. The appeal in which they unite with me tonight is mission, and he will perform it to the

full. Under Sir Robert Borden the home land will not desert its defenders. Their ery from the agony of the battfield will e heard in sympathy and answered in A Strange Gathering Hon. James A. Calder referred to the

Hon. James A. Calder referred to the "strange gathering," saying "you have on this platform the Hon. Arthur Meighen, who, I suppose, represents the quintessence of Torsism, myself who represents the quintessence of Gritism and my friend Mr. Orerar, who represents the great body of independent thought in this country. You at once hought in this country. You at one thought in this country. The are we has brought this about. The answer issuery simple. We are living in strange times. A great thing has happened in the world, the greatest war the world has ever seen is on, and we are in it and it is because of that war and all that it means that we three men happen td stand just where we re today." (Applause)

Having stated that there must be no mistake in the mind of anybody as to the real issue, Mr. Calder said he had the greatest respect and admiration for Sir WMrid Laurier, "but when it comes to the main issue in this election he and I must part company. (Loud applause) We differ on a great principle. Sir Wilfrid Laurier stands today where he first stood in parliament when this question came up. He stands today in favor of submitting this question to a referendum of the people. I believe that as we have reached the stage where this is a war of defense that it is the duty of the state in this country to see our men go forward without reorting to a referendum."

Sincerity of Borden Discussing the formation of union government, Mr. Calder said he had been impressed from the start with the evident sincerity of Sir Robert Borden. The first and early attempts had failed because there were too many inter-mediaries. On the final and successful attempt the western Liberal leaders had nsisted that they should deal directly with Sir Robert and his lieutenants around the council board at Ottawa. first it had appeared that the deep-bitten party spirit, both Conservative and Liberal, must prevent that happy con-summation. But they had discovered that with the driving objective of union before them—the successful prosecution of the war—it was not so hard after all. Another reason for union had been the avoiding of a bitter party fight at the coming elections.

A union government, too, said Mr. Calder, meant better administration, more energy and less waste. He believed it would cut the very heart out of the patronage evil in Canada, and place the civil service throughout the Dominion on a higher plane and out ide politics.

Must Eliminate Patronage "Unless these things are done," said Mr. Calder, "I will not stay in a union government. It has been the curse of our public life from one end of Canada to the other. The time is come when the people will stand it no longer. I necessarily an appeal on the platform of the new ministry and not on the record of the old. It is an appeal looking to the future and not to the past. But I will not transcress the provinced of the same light. But only by union government could this he are the provinced of the same light.

With reference to the union negotiaions, Mr. Calder said "We held out from the start for a real union. We always held there should be a rea union; that there should be a broad union; that it should not be merely a foes. I invite from the citizen of today and from the critic of tomorrow nothing of the east, but that Liberalism from but a fair and searching examination all Canada should be represented in that of its work, and for myself I am con- government. We held out for strong tent that my fidelity to a public trust men from the east to join us and we shall be measured by its policy and its have finally got them." Mr. Calder said t was an awful struggle in the Chateau Laurier—the death struggle of partyism in Canada. The forces that were contending against unionism were all cen tered around the one word "partyism."
It was not confined to one side. There

were thousands of good Tories in Can-ada who were not in favor of union and who were very strongly represent-ed at Ottawa at the tail end of the hunt, force had been 50,027.

"But this is not the worst," he conof the largest factors that had a tend-"But this is not the worst," he continued. "Look at the infantry alone. For nine months this year we enlisted only 16,329 of infantry. I don't know how many of these were discharged."

One of the largest factors that had a tend-combination of Sophie Tucker and her band of youthfuls and Frank Westphal. In this necture the has swindled. The Secret combination of Sophie Tucker and her band of youthfuls and Frank Westphal. In this necture the has swindled. The Secret combination of Sophie Tucker and her band of youthfuls and Frank Westphal. In this necture the has swindled. The Secret combination of Sophie Tucker and her band of youthfuls and Frank Westphal. Is living in poverty. While she is on her way to Clarky home she is kidnapard by ho of Canada, a man who was the idol of his party. "And we also insisted," said he speaker, "that we must not be held esponsible for the acts of the old govrnment. It was on that understand-ng they would come in. It was not deserting Liberalism, nor the principles for which Liberalism stands, said Mr. Calder amid applause. They were not absorbed nor submerged by the Con servative party. They had simply con-sented to union for the purpose of this war, and reserved their views and opinons outside of the war. Union had only been achieved by each side agreeing to sink for the time being purely omestic problems.

Looking into the ruture, Mr. Calder thought that western people should be well satisfied that hereafter all the problems of agriculture, of immigration and of land settlement should be in the hands of the three western men on that platform. Whether union dasted or not, he hoped that these insistent problems buld be solved and a sure foundation aid for the work of reconstruction after the war

#### Members Are Sincere

ess of union government. Mr Calder said it was because he was convinced of the sincerity of those engaged in it Dealing with the approaching election Mr. Calder gave a note of warning Partyism was still rampant. Leading men on both sides of politics were busy jockeying for position. They were fight ng out in every conceivable way how ey can beat each other in this movement. What the government asked was that the best elements in both parties rise up and stifle this kind of thing. They wanted the least possible partyisn in Canada for the next two or three

Speaking of the personnel of the cab net, Mr. Calder said they had been fortunate to get in Mr. Carvell. They had Imost got Premier Murray. He stood our-square in support of union govrnment, prepared to support it through hick and thin. Mr. Rowell was also peal is that the people of Canada unite on the same basis on which the members grettable that the number of ministers apportioned to the west did not permit the inclusion of Hon. A. B. Hudson, attorney-general for Manitcha, who had so devotedly to bring about union government.

The meeting closed with cheers for the boys in France and union government.



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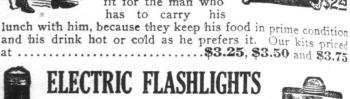
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# **ASHDOWN'S**

### FIRST NIGHT AT THEATERS

(BY ALBERTAN DRAMATIC CRITIC)

#### ORPHEUM

An excellent vein of comedy marks the opening performance of this week's criminals, is ruled by a man who holds: bill at the Orpheum, which started last great secret affecting his fellownight with an unusually large crowd of first nighters. The headliner this week Master. Thomas Clarke, multi-million is a collaboration between two of the acts on the bill.

While impromptu in its nature the whose father he has swindled. The Secret

Sophie is an old-timer on the western swing, and is known especially in ern swing, and is known especially in the vaudeville world for her coon-shouting songs. Her act this season tainted treasure. Then follow de adds zest to any bill by reason of the high-class song numbers and syncopation of her orchestral assistants. The one-act farce of Bert Baker &

Co., entitled "Prevarication," is a snappy view of domestic entanglements with a comical side. Mr. Baker is an actor of no mean ability and he is ably assisted by his colleagues in putting ver his scream.

The second episode of the war pictures is even more realistic than the first. While entitled "The Retreat of the Germans at the Battle of Arras, he picture shows little of the retreat. The pictures do, however, give the spectator a magnificent view of the ousekeeping and engineering side of the great war and impress upon one the stupendous and complicated arrangement of the battlefront. Considerable enthusiasm is invoked among old country folks at the appearance of the troops from the cities with which they

are familiar. Private Louis Hart, of the Imperial forces, now on furlough and making the Orpheum circuit with a strong man act, is a favorite. Private Hart has been decorated by the French government.

His feat last night that caused the greatest wonderment was his suspension of head and heels on two parapets and holding five strong men or nis abdomen and legs. Tower and Darrell added to the freak

comedy stuff on the bill with an unisual line of burlesque patter. Harold Du Kane with June Edwards nd Olga Marwig held the light-footed fold spellbound with their new dances which gave the bill this week the touch of refinement that distinguishes nearly every bill on this circuit.

#### LIBERTY "THE GREAT SECRET"

Come as early as possible to the Liberty theater today and avoid the crowds. "The freat Secret," now running, is the greatest serial novel of the century. A big five-act Blue Ribbon Vitagraph dramatic feature entitled "Mary Jane's Pa," feauring Marc McDermott and Mary Manning, will also be shown on this double program at the Liberty today. Francis X. Bushman and Beverly Bayne, the officially crowned sovereigns of the screen, are co-stars in "The Great Secret." A

#### ASK ROME TO RECALL BISHOP

Ford City Roman Catholics Determined to Be Rid of Their Bishop

Tilbury, Ont., Oct. 22.-About 500 eople attended the meeting held on the racecourse yesterday of the French Roman Catholic element who are in ympathy with the Ford City opponints of Bishop Fallon. Many Protestants also were in attendance and also a fair percentage of French-speaking and English-speaking Catholics who are not sympathetic with the movement. Patrick Strong, of Tilbury, was chairman and Gilbert Queenville, secretary.

A resolution was passed asking Rome for the recall of Bishop Fallon.

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the Secret Seven, but is rescui by William Strong (Francis Bushman), Clarke gives plots on the part of the Secret Seven for possession of the casket. Romance then enters into the story—one girl's home against the love of another for Strong It is a powerful motion picture sto with the spirit of Dumas, Gaboriau. Hugo, breathing in characters of modem imes, living in the greatest city is America. Liberty daily at 11.30 a.m. to 11.30 p.

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'The accepted basis of union was the only basis on which union was possible

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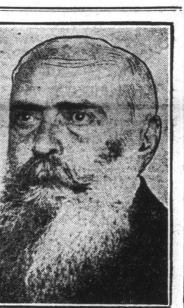


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of this meeting when I say that as a member of the late government through these trying years, I stand here in no spirit of apology. I ask for it no favor from its friends and no mercy from its foes. I invite from the citizen of today achievement and by my humble part in both. Its record has now the history of our country, Its record has now passed into and at the

#### bar of history let it be judged."

Mr. Meighen went on to a detailed argument of the need for reinforce-ments at the front, showing that since he beginning of the Great War the net

but I believe there were far more dis changed than there were sent overseas Our losses in casualties for the months named amounted to 48,410. and Amril we lost seven for every one we enlisted. In August we lost eight for every one we enlisted. Is that sustaining our armies? If that continues, is base desertion and betrayal. Does anyone imagine it will not continue if we don't have compulsory service, and do not emforce it, and do not send troops to France, drafted under that law? Mr. Calder, Mr. Crerar and my self, as well as every member of the government, have set our feet on the rock of compulsory service, and on tha

rock we build our policy. That is the meaning of this union." Having outlined the conditions they exist at the front, showing the absolute necessity for Canadian reinorcements, Mr. Meighen expounded Si Robert Borden's proposal for immediate action to meet the situation. He oceeded to discuss what he describ as Sir Wilfrid Laurier's policy on delay as propounded in his letter to the win-

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"This country must carefully guar against that delay and must know that the men returned to the house of commons are whole-hearted in their deter-mination to prosecute this struggle to

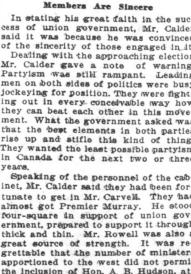
a victorious end. "I want this meeting to make plain the naked issue to this province. It is the simplest, clearest, the boldest issue that has ever confronted a people. is a case of go on or go back. It is a case of 'carry on' or quit. There is no

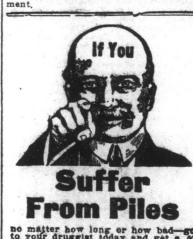
the government have united and get behind this union and stay behind "There will be political sacrifice to be made one way or the other in every until it achieves its end. constituency, but, unless we are enough to make it, we are unworthy of our country, we are unworthy of our cause, we are unworthy of our soldiers iving and of our hernes dead.

and never rest till he is elected." Vote on Noble Basis. Mr. Meighen made an earnest call to the women of Manitoba. General woman enfranchisement is promised after the war. Meantime those w men who vote in this election do by a right as proud as ever supported the franchisc. No class of men were ever admitted to the vote on grounds so noble and impregnable. The woman who votes in this contest votes by the right of her sacri fice. She finds her right in the mourning call of our regiments; she sees it on the honor roll of our churches; she traces her title overseas to the trench where her son defends her, to the grave where her husband sleeps. the enfranchised women of this prov

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ported by the nation at In an eloquent peroration, Meighen alluded to the world-wide interest dependent on the present contest in Canada. We must be true to our flesh and blood-to the 300,000 overseas. That task he declared, the





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