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1911—1912.

The year just closed, 1911, will stand out in the annals of our beloved country as an epochal year—a year of destiny. The veil of the future mercifully hides from us what our 1912 portion of joy or misery, success or failure is to be, it would not be well for us if it were otherwise. So frail are we that, could we but know these things in advance of the event, we might, and likely would, bring disaster which might otherwise be averted or avoided. Whether there be joy or sorrow, success or failure ahead for us matters little if we maintain that self control which will enable us to take the days and their offerings as they come, without losing the grip so necessary at all times if our lives are to be sane and sensible. And whether joy or sorrow, success or failure, we should always recognize the possibility of another day, another year.

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1911 will be ever remembered as marking the time when Canada gave final notice of its purpose to keep to the old path and not turn off on the trail of a policy prepared for it at Washington.

When Canadians came to the point fixed upon by President Taft as the 'parting of the ways' they showed no hesitation, but held more resolutely to the true line of national development and British connection. The 21st of September was a notable date, as that on which the Canadian people put an end to a great illusion in the minds of the people of the United States. Our neighbors are now undeceived, and to their credit it is to be said, they think the more highly of Canada because of the national spirit she showed in refusing to allow the thin edge of the wedge to be inserted between her and the mother country.

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Other events, some of them consequences of, and some of them independent of the Canadian people's rejection of the reciprocity pact, contribute to the making of the year just passed as a notable year for Canada. The selection of His Royal Highness, the Duke of Connaught, as Governor General of Canada was decided upon before the people of Canada had the question of reciprocity submitted to them. There could be no higher mark of royal favor, no more signal recognition of Canada's greatness, than the appointment as Governor General of the King's uncle, who has the added distinction of a brilliant record in the public service of the empire.

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The coming into office of the Borden Government in 1911 will, we believe, be looked back upon as the beginning of a new and better order. And if by general consent, the people of Canada seem to have turned their thoughts into new currents. They act like people who have put an end to misunderstandings of a mischievous character, and to policies too long tolerated. They look for wise statesmanship and political purity from the new government. They will not be disappointed. Friendliness with our neighbors, harmony among ourselves, co-operation between local and federal governments, the promotion of industrial developmint. Canada is advancing rapidly, both in agricultural products, manufacturing industries, and in financial and commercial respects. The year just passed was the most important to Canada since confederation, not only because of her internal development and commercial growth, but because of the tremendous issues raised, and the settling of them for a generation at least.

The splendid new Y. M. C. A. building at Halifax was used for the first time on Sunday last when President Cutten, of Acadia University, had the distinction of being the initial speaker. Dr. Cutten's address was on 'The Economic Value of the Church,' of which he considered the Y. M. C. A. a part. The point he dwelt upon was that without Christianity, even in matters of dollars and cents, the world would be hardly worth living in. He spoke of four great wastes which the church should be the means of preventing. There were war, panic, labor difficulties, and, greatest of all, the liquor problem. Drink costs the people of Canada $200,000,000 every year. The address was an able one and well received.

Canada is well represented in the colonial list of New Year honors conferred this year by the King. The list is headed by Robert L. Borden, the Canadian premier, who becomes a privy councillor with the title Right Honorable. Other Canadians honored are: Col. John Morrison Gibson, lieutenant-governor of Ontario, and Joseph Pope, under secretary for external affairs, who are made knights commander of St. Michael and St. George; Thomas Cooper Boville, who married Miss Silver, of Halifax, deputy minister of finance, Companion of St. Michael and St. George, and Lieutenant-Colonel Rodolphe Forget, of Montreal, and Edmund B. Osler, of Toronto, both members of the Canadian parliament, knights bachelor.

There were two severe fires happened in Halifax on Friday night. The first was the King Edward Hotel near the station, which was burned to the ground with loss of from $75,000 to $100,000. The second was the St. Croix Paper Mill Factory on Lockman St., with five other buildings. There was about $50,000 on the King.

See Job Printing at this office.

Federal Patronage.

A lot is being said in the Liberal Press with reference to what they term wholesale dismissal that is false, unjust and highly hypocritical.

When the Liberal government came into power in 1896, almost the first thing they did was to dismiss hundreds of employees from the several departments simply because they were appointees of the Conservative government just defeated at the polls. Two hundred were fired from the government railway without a week's notice. Returns brought down to the House of Commons in 1907, 1908 and 1909 showed that many hundreds had been dismissed, and absolutely no cause given for their dismissal. A star chamber tribunal was sent abroad to seek out and punish any official who could be found to have attended a Conservative meeting or to have shown the slightest preference for the Conservative party. This star chamber tribunal was, in Nova Scotia, conducted with about the same cruelty and despotism as was that court held in the olden times over which the notorious Jeffreys presided with fury, threats and maledictions.

We are free to admit that the late members for this county refused to comply with the requests and clamor of some of the leaders of his party and dismiss officials by the wholesale against whom no serious charge could be substantiated, and yet quite a goodly number suffered notwithstanding the assertion of the chief Liberal boodler for Horton.

We are confident that the present member, though a Conservative and a supporter of the Right Honorable Robert L. Borden, premier, will endeavour to see that true justice be restrained, and officials who drove voters to the polls, and handed out money for votes, and who have been, though in the civil service, active political workers, and violent partizans will be treated with good natured leniency, and consideration. Members of the Conservative party should assist and sustain their member and leader in his laudable and sensible desire to be humane and generous in his treatment of opponents. One Liberal in town has made his boast that Kings county wouldn't elect a Conservative again for twenty years. This Liberal is probably more generous in his prophecies than he is in delivering the goods placed in his hands for distribution. If, through generosity to his political opponents who are drawing money from the federal treasury, the present member loses in strength, there will be many Conservatives who will say 'I told you so,' and yet we are not concerned for the results.

The Liberals have been in power in Nova Scotia for some thirty years continuously and how generous and considerate towards their opponents have they been. Offices, patronage, road monies, and the provincial civil service, have been their chief stock in trade. We would like to know how many Conservatives in the thirty years have been appointed to the magistracy, to overseers of road and bridge monies?

How many Conservatives have been appointed in the thirty years to a single office, or permitted to expend a single dollar of public money from one end of the province to the other. In the thirty years ago victors have belonged the spoils. In a few years the Murray government will be a thing of the past, then what will we hear? If their successors are men of a similiar type as themselves there will be lamentations and weeping. Our Liberal friends should be willing to act like men and give up this gnashing of teeth, and they should put a muzzle upon their party press. They are in opposition where they will remain for the next twenty years, and what can they do about it. We can place our finger upon an official, under appointment of the Murray government, not many miles away, whose ordinary dialect upon the street is that tories are asses, jackasses, fools—' and so forth. That is what is meant as 'offensive partizanship.' We know of no reason why a change of government should have the effect of displacing any good mannered, competent official, whether his employment is in the civil service or otherwise.

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The general elections in the province of Prince Edward Island, which were held on Wednesday of this week, resulted in a sweep for the Conservatives, who succeeded in carrying very nearly every seat.

Cause of Anxiety.

Canadians will read with anxiety the statistics of juvenile crime as disclosed in the returns just issued relating to reformatories and places where young people guilty of criminal acts are detained. The British Government is grappling with some amount of success with juvenile crime and so are some of the western States and also France. A general perusal of the returns shows 8865 criminals in Canadian penitentiaries up to March 31st. The cost of their detention was 67 cents per day and the net expenditure in the up keep and maintenance of the penitentiaries was $473,930.

The alarming statement is made that no less than ten per cent of the entire prison population was composed of youths under twenty years of age, while at St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary, the juveniles constitute fifteen per cent. of the total. One thousand and four of the convicts were native born Canadians. Nine hundred and thirty-two of these, or about half were Roman Catholics. The crime centre of the Dominion is, apparently, Montreal. Three hundred and thirty-nine Montrealers became inmates of penitentiaries during the year. During the year 524 convicts were paroled and 15 pardoned.

These are some of the most interesting statistics contained in the annual report issued by the Minister of Justice as to the penitentiaries of Canada for the last fiscal year ended March 31 last. The report emphasises the need of reform in the practice of committing juveniles to the penitentiaries. It is pointed out that the lamentable fact that nearly two hundred of the present convict population are under twenty years of age is partly due to the restrictions placed upon the judiciary by the provisions of the penal code, and partially to the fact that some members of the judiciary do not realize the unwisdom of sending mere youths to the penitentiaries, where they are in necessary contact with mature criminals.

The report of Dominion Parole Officer Archibald shows that the parole system inaugurated twelve years ago is having excellent results. Of a total of 3,731 paroles granted since 1899 only 291 were cancelled for non-compliance with conditions, or forfeited by subsequent conviction. Only two per cent. of those released on parole were reconvicted for subsequent crimes. Mr. Archibald states that the average wages or salary received by prisoners on parole is $8 78 per week.

Fish Culture in Canada.

Hatching fish by artificial means to stock the waters of Canada is engaged in on a large scale by the Dominion Government. In 1909, the Dominion fish hatcheries planted no fewer than 1,024,282,000 fry in various waters throughout the country. In 1900, only 271,996,000 fry were planted by the Government fish hatcheries, so that the plant of young fish has increased by nearly 277 per cent. in the past ten years and the number of hatcheries has increased from 12 to 37 or 208 per cent. Of the 37 hatcheries now in operation, British Columbia and Quebec have 8 each, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Ontario, 5 each; and Manitoba and Prince Edward Island each have 3

The amount voted by the Dominion Parliament for fish culture purposes in 1909 was $322,300 and of this $180,345, or approximately 56 per cent. was expended. The importance of carrying on this work can not be emphasized too much in a growing country like Canada, where the increasing population is making greater and greater demands on the fish supply.

A mass meeting of the students of the three institutions is to be held in College Hall on Thursday evening of next week to which friends of the college are invited. A good program will be presented to include the presentation of a painting of the late Dr. Prior, Acadia's first president, and a suitable address. An interesting meeting is expected. The members of the Board of Governors, who meet on that day, are expected to be present, with the faculty.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Extension to Breakwater at Devil's Island, N. S.," will be received until 4.00 P.M., on Thursday, January 11, 1912, for the construction of an extension to the Breakwater at Devil's Island, Halifax County, N.S.

Plans, specifications and form of contract can be seen and forms of tender obtained at this Department and at the offices of H. A. Russell, Esq., District Engineer, Halifax, N.S., E. G. Millidge, Esq., District Engineer, Antigonish, N.S., and on application to the Postmaster at Devil's Island, N.S.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed forms supplied, and signed with their actual signatures, stating their occupations and places of residence. In the case of firms, the actual signature, the nature of the occupation, and place of residence of each member of the firm must be given.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, equal to ten per cent (10 p.c.) of the amount of the tender, which will be forfeited if the person tendering decline to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or fail to complete the work contracted for. If the tender be not accepted the cheque will be returned.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

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R. C. DESROCHERS,
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It is expected that a Glee Club in connection with the college will be organized this evening, under the direction of Prof Fletcher. The matter has been under consideration since the first of the term and it now looks if it might be brought to a successful issue. There is plenty of available talent among the students to make a strong musical organization.

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