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IS IT JUST "EASY MONEY"?

CANADIAN industry and commerce is not ready for peace conditions and if readjustments to put business back on its old footing as soon as possible are not being made, it is not because the Government has been slow to recruit a small army of "volunteer" officials whose duty it should be to attend to these matters.

Complaint is heard from many quarters that the Government and its aides at Ottawa are not hurrying to remove restrictions which, during war-time have hampered many lines of business, and in some instances caused suspension. The United States has been quick to remove certain embargoes that were necessary while war was in progress, but which are merely obstacles to legitimate business now that hestilities have been suspended. The Advertiser has a list of many scores of articles from which Uncle Sam removed all export restrictions on December 6 last, and January 1 has been set as the date to wind up the affairs of the war industries board, after which our war trade board was fashioned. board, which has cost \$98,153 since its inception to November, 1918, and which, it is estimated, will require another \$30,000 to meet outstanding accounts to the end of the year.

On a recent visit to Montreal Major-Gen. McRae called for the appointment of an industrial board to deal with after-the-war problems, and commanded by an "industrial field-marthese lines, possibly because nothing the officials have done has become known generally.

The war trade board, as officially established by order-in-council, had the following personnel: Rt. Hon. Sir Geo. E. Foster, G.C.M.

G., P.C., minister of trade and commerce, chairman; F. P. Jones, vice-chairman; J. W. McConnell, director of licenses; C. B. McNaught, member; I. H. Gundy; member; Joseph Gibbons, member; W. K. Tower, general secretary; J. H. Wilkie, assistant secretary; W. P. McKay, export license department; William Gilchrist, import license department; A. E. D. Holden, British priority department and import wool department; E. S. Cleland, United States export department; H. D. Bayne, department; T. M. Forest, statistical department, inspection department, platinum department; R. A. Pettigrew.

supply department. In addition to this formidable line-up which aas "controlled" trade for a little more than a brand of socialism all its own. year, there is a reconstruction development committee of the cabinet, which is supplemented by a director general of repatriation and employment. This organization was to have industry all ready for the changes incident to the declaration of peace. The holder of this office is H. J. Daly of Ottawa, whose qualification were given much attention by the publicity department at the time of his appointment. Of course there is the ministry of trade and commerce, presided over in he frequent absences of the minister by two literary lights who have just sent an economic commission to Siberia. The Canadian Reconstruc- ee tion Association, which frequently reminds abor to keep in its place, with Sir John Willithe chiefs of industry in its membership. As Year other less important members of this high-class stable are the Canadian Trade Mission in London and the Canadian Trade Mission in Ottawa. With such an array it would seem possible to keep the country prosperous without a single jolt as the car takes the new road. But, unless these organizations are registering and performing other duties than the sending out of tons of expensive governmental literature, they are worse than useless. They are holding up industry and thereby causing unemployment. And by way of giving the opinion of one London manufac turer as an evidence of what the war trade board has or has not done, let the following letter be "The money spent on the war trade

board should help to keep the pot boiling over at Christmas. What a terrible expense to the country and what good have they done? They have placed embargoes on materials that are worthless in this country, holding up some business firms and putting others out of business. The war is over, so why not disband these heavy expenses and graft on the country? We have our customs houses and officials appointed by the Government, and why should they not look after the business and the war trade board be wound up? It was understood some of the big men on the war trade board were working without salary. When the Government is asked to give an accounting of these extravagant expenses of the war trade board we will no doubt find out where the fat salaries are going. It is a good thing for some of the clerks to hold out as long as they can, but the Government has to pay the salaries and expenses, and why should it continue? The war is over.

'The American War Trade Board is to be entirely disbanded, and the restrictions and embargoes on almost all kinds of goods have been removed to date. Why should Canada continue an

expensive war trade board spending large sums of money? The people should not stand for it. These boards will always find lots of work to do as long as the handsome salaries are going. The work is unnecessary at the present time, and only making a lot of trouble for business firms instead of assisting them to get along. There seems to be no end te spending Government money. When will it be stopped?"

HOW CANADA HELPED THE NORTH.

7 E ARE more accustomed in this country to the thought of American influence in Canadian affairs than of Canadian influence in American affairs. Yet, small as the population of this country has always been, as compared with that of the republic to the south, there have been many occasions when the attitude of Canada had its effect on the course of events across the line. The failure of the negotiations that were intended to lead Canada into the American revolution stiffened the opposition of the loyalists, who afterwards found their homes here and contributed so important an element to our population. The war of 1812, directed particularly against Canada, caused serious dissensions h tween New England and the rest of the country and showed that even at that date there was a line of cleavage coming between north and south. The troubles of 1838 in Canada are admitted by American write s to have contributed materially to the downfall of the van Buren administration. All through the period of the abolition move ment Canada, as a haven for the refugee slave, struck blows at the system that was the curse of the republic and when that issue had to be settled by the sword 35,000 Canadians were enlisted in the armies of the north.

Some new light on one of the phases mentioned above is given by an article in the Decem- While every man may have his price ber number of the University Magazine on "The Canadian Anti-Slavery Group." It will probably be news to many that Canada had any hand in freeing the slave. It is pointed out in this article that all through the period of the abolition movement a steady campaign was directed from Can-reading. has any intention of winding up the war trade ada against the whole system. There were first south and assisted blacks to escape to freedom. There were others in Canada who devoted their lives to the uplift and betterment of the refugees who had reached the land of freedom, and, to use their own expressive phrase, had "shaken hands with the British lion. 'A third class, which included some of the most prominent men and women of their time, carried on a campaign of the extent of organization we now possess along education moulding and stiffening the sentiment result of their work was seen in the number of young men who fought in Michigan, Ohio and Pennsylvania regiments all through the early

Most of these Canadian abolitionists have been forgotten. Their work was often done quietly, sometimes it had to be done secretly. Yet they witnessed, by their example, their belief in man's he doesn't get it from the well. inherent rights of life and liberty and they made real and living the proud boast of Englishmen You'll make a name, you'll gain that he who breathes the air of English soil no longer wears his shackles. That fight for liberty of a race was not the last to be waged in freedom's name. Looking back over the last 50 years the black race was also a purging for the white race, that it not only ended slavery as a system, but to a very large extent that sordid view of but to a very large extent that sordid view of humanity which permitted the bestializing of a helpless people.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Just now every country seems to have

Hell on earth appears to be the Christmas ime motto of Lenine and Trotzky.

The German offensive is no more, but there plenty of offensive Germans about.

son as its high-protection mouthpiece, numbers Bolsheviki are wishing the world a scrappy New

[Manchester Guardian.] Well might President Wilson speak with pride of the splendid courage and achievements of the American soldiers; of the swiftness with which they learned the lessons of war; of the almost too great ardor and enthusiasm o their advance; of the stupendous industrial efforts which accompanied the military efforts; of the extraordinary succoss with which America's great armies were carried across 3,000 miles of ocean; of the decisive result of her entry into the war. It is a great page in the record of a great people. There is no example in history of such an effort undertaken

the war. It is a great page in the record of a great people. There is no example in history of such an effort undertaken with so complete absence of material gain, in defence simply of national honor and of the larger interests of manifold in the independent of the larger interests of manifold in defiance of all traditions, is about to leave his own country in order to take part in the decisive conferences of the Allies.

THE "SPEED ENTHUSIAST."

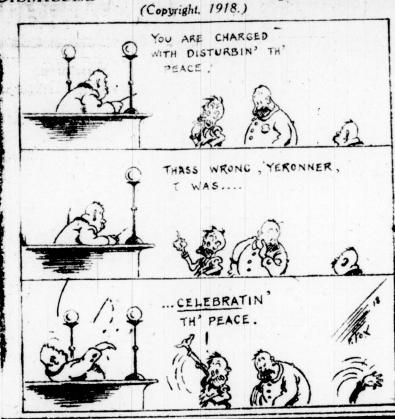
[Moncton Transcript.]

The special correspondent of the St. John Telegraph who was sent to Halifax to report the arrival of the Olympic, wired his paper that in the matter of handling the troops from this steamer there were "some hitches," and that while there was a "perceptible betterment," there was a beat the trains that were to convey the solders to their various destinations, were ready in dock, and here was no delay whatever in transferring the men from the steamer to the cars. Evidently the Telegraph correspondent is a speed enthusiast, as he was not provided the correspondent is a speed enthusiast, as he was not provided the correspondent is a speed enthusiast, as he was not provided the correspondent is a speed enthusiast, as he was not provided the correspondent is a speed enthusiast, as he was not provided the correspondent is a speed enthusiast, as he was not provided the correspondent is a speed enthusiast, as he was not provided the correspondent is a speed enthusiast, as he was not provided the correspondent is a speed enthusiast, as he was not provided the correspondent is a speed enthusiast, as he was not provided the correspondent is a speed enthusiast, as he was not provided the correspondent is a speed enthusiast, as he was not provided the correspondent is a speed enthusiast, as he was not provided the correspondent is a speed enthusiast, as he was not provided the correspondent is a speed enthusiast, as he was not provided the correspondent is a speed enthusiast as the correspondent is correspondent in the correspondent in the correspondent in the graph correspondent is a speed enthusiast, as he was not satisfied with such proay railroading as was afforded by the spectacle of twelve trains of from twelve to fourteen of twelve trains of from twelve to fourteen of twelve trains of from twelve to fourteen of twelve trains of twelve trains of twelve to fourteen of twelve trains of twelve trains of twelve trains of twelve to fourteen of twelve trains of twe wars, being dispatched within forty or fifty minutes of each other. It would almost seem as if nothing short of a rearend collision would appease his longing for more vigorous action than was consistent with actual safety

A PRINTER'S ADMISSION [Chicago Daily News.]

Atter a man succeeds in printing one kiss upon ligs it's an easy matter to run off a large edition.

By Fontaine Fox DISMISSED



BY LUKE McLUKE

Of course, we know it isn't nice. But there is truth in what I say

nation uses, the higher it stands among civilized nations," said the Old Fogy

ring to soft soap, wasn't he?" asked

I'll always tell the truth," said Bree, "And I will never, never, lie;" and this is just the reason be Is going round with that black eye

Paw Knows Everything. Willie-Paw, what is a pessimis Paw-A pessimist is a man who nev hopes for the best, because he hates

nagging dame is Mrs. Carp, She's thin, and she's not young You ought to hear her tongue.

"That doctor spends his vater?" said Smith. "Huh!" commented Jones. Advice.

The Well

fame As one man who is wise You'll get the kail, you'll never

If you'll just advertise. Is That So!

Tell this to Mrs. Luke.-W! Journal Republican. Here He Is You have often heard of Ower

The Advertiser's Daily Short Story

BREAD-AN' BUTTER-AN'-By Barbara Kerr.

sarah Jane was droning an improvised little song which she attuned to the swish of the pennies and the gurgle of the apple butter as it surged through the holes in the wooden paddle of the stiver.

"Peter-Pitter-Patter-Putter-Bread-an'-butter-an'-apple butter-Too much hard cider will make you

stutter-"Well, hello, little poet! How do you know? Tried it? I've brought the rest of your cider from the mill, but it's not hard. Where's your mother?"

more than he could pay, haven Well, Owen Moore, a Louisvi Ky., policeman, has just filed a petition in bankruptcy in the U.S. District Mary wears a service cap.

The soldier boys to chase; And every time she wears it, she Puts powder on her face. -Luke McLuke.

Since Mary is supplied with cap And powder, too, then all She needs to get her man, mayhap, Is just a little bawl. -Newark Advocat

Our Daily Special. You Can't Make The Truth Last Longer By Stretching It.

Luke McLuke Says When she is 17 she is always tellihat a man will have to do in order to the to marry him. And will be is 27 all a man has to do is Why is it that a man would rather point the finger of scorn than extend the glad hand? Once upon a time a man married a woman who was ten years older than he was. And before they had been married a year she was ten years younger than he was. married a

And we knew a man who was superstitious that he would rathe work for \$12 a week than for \$13 Lots of men are hard of hearing. But no man is really deaf until he can no longer hear a noise like a skirt.

Another strange thing is how a good oman usually insists on marrying It is pretty soft for a doctor. When he calls on a woman patient he car lam a thermometer into her mouth and make her quit talking. Few men like cats. A man nev-steps on a dog when he is sneakir through the front hall at 2 a.m.

agine a woman wearing a hat that husband selects for her, can't you? It is hard to make a woman under-stand that the more she tries to hide her age the more she shows it.

butter, but not in the big copper kettl outter, but not in the big copper kettle for there were so few now to eat ite. Then war broke out, and Sarah Jane, patriotic and sweet and wholesome ser own valley, wanted to do her bit She would make apple butter for the soldiers. She brought forth the copper kettle, end as she sat patiently stirring her thoughts reverted to that other Oc. day when she was so mortifle she and her mother laughed ave

As we understand it, the big problem of the img league of nations will be the umpiring.

It will not be much use for the peace confertoget to get together until Russia gets together.

Judging from the way, they are acting the olshewiki are wishing the world a scrappy New Joar.

If the Allies' bill for damages continues to ciphers.

In Spitzbergen highway robberies and like erimes are not illegal. What a paradise for the Hapsburgs.

Some surprise is expressed at Mayor Church of Toronto being a candidate for a fifth term.

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Joseph the Church stand forever?

She was a little but.

She dath propped them in to the station, for succession and would not be such station and the surprise butter. She held it out to lim, she had just one left, windows until she had just one left, windows unt et away to cool in great stone Jarah Jane made a market basket

when you haven't tasted the

fidence. "Oh, have a heart!" he pler ed, as he took her basket from I arm. "I'm sure your mother would me welcome."

"Yes," assented Sarah Jane demurely,
"mother is such a good patriot, she'd
do anything for a soldier."

"I've a great mind to make you apologize right now for that remark to an old schoolmate, little Say-Jane," he threatened as he helped, her into the roadster. "We are going to cut out all the state of the state of

a panic, "I'm not a very good driver—it just about takes all my mind—"
"Oh, in a case like that, I'll take the wheel, or else we'll stop at the old hedge, under that big hedge apple tree, and I'll tell you why I did not come accept." As he drove through the sweet-sce

delivered the cider and gone. She heard him say to her mother as he was leaving: "I guess I teased Say-Jane, Mrs. Duncan; tell her I'll have better many ners next time, for I'm going away to college."

Octobers came and went in the valley. Other children, sons and daughters of the farmers, went to college. Many of them, after finishing, returned no more, but took up their lives in various ways in other places. One who did not return was Milo Ward for his family had moved away and the Ward farm was sold. But Sarah Jane of his family had moved away and for his family had moved away and the Ward farm was sold. But Sarah Jane of his family had moved away and for his family had moved away and the Ward farm was sold. But Sarah Jane of his family had moved away and the Ward farm was to be again occupied by Wards, and if the old copper kettle by Wards are place in the Ward granary between seasons of apple butter makbetween seasons of appl

DLAIN TALKS ON HIGH SHERIFFS OF SOUTH INDODE NVESTMENTS By Mark Harris

A little over a year ago I read an article in Collier's Weekly entitled "Wake Up, America," and in my opinion this article was a master=

It told many simple truths in almost brutal is now that of a well man. Tanisc proved to be just what I needed to put my system in shape, and all my discovered by the system of the shape. fashion, but many Americans needed just such an article to make them realize that they must bend every energy if the hated Hun was to be crushed.

Now that the war is over I wish that some writer could be prevailed upon to write another masterpiece, "Wake Up, Canadians," because if Canadians go back to pre-war conditions it will mean overlooking opportunities that cannot be had in any other country.

The war has taught many lessons, but to me! one of the greatest is the fact that Canada is without doubt the richest country in the world when raw material and natural resources are considered, and from now on it should be the loyal Canadians who benefit from the develop= ment of these treasure vaults.

Before the war, that is prior to 1914, fully 80 per cent of all the development in Canada was accomplished by foreign capital. The Americans, being our closest neighbors, were the first to realize the possibilities of Canada, and before the war started they poured money into the Dominion like water, knowing it would be returned tenfold, yes in some cases a hundred and a thousand fold.

I do not blame the Americans for wanting the "cream," but now that we know more about the wonders of this country I would certainly blame Canadians if they returned to a Rip Van Winkle sleep and allowed outsiders to again come in and gobble up the choice prizes.

Heretofore the average Canadian preferred to invest his money in foreign securities rather than in home industries, and while the Canadian was getting a small return his friends and neighbors were reaping tremendous profits right in his own backyard.

We all remember how astonished we were when we learned that the nickel industry of Canada belonged to outsiders, some of whom were openly friendly to our bitter enemies.

When this nickel controversy was on we learned in a measure what profits we had missed, but let me tell you in confidence that the profits in nickel were only a fraction of what were garnered by outsiders in other lines.

During the war, development in Canada has been almost at a standstill, but from now on there will be an army of hardy prospectors FOR EXTERNAL PAIN L searching the wilderness for hidden treasure.

When these pioneers find a new oil field, a rich gold mine, or some of the rare metals that are so necessary in commercial life, they must hasten back to civilization and find men with capital to develop these discoveries, and dig, or drill, out the riches.

Before the war most of this capital was fur= nished by our friends and neighbors, and they are quite ready and willing to furnish it again if Dr.J.D. requested to do so.

During the next few months I am going to publish an article in this paper every week, dealing entirely with Canada and her natural resources, and I hope through these articles to educate the investors of Canada to the wonderful possibilities of our own country.

Of course, there are good and bad investments in Canada, the same as there are in every country, but by following a few simple rules which will be given in later articles, you can easily differentiate between the "wheat" and the "chaff."

Every loyal Canadian who is really interested in the future of Canada will be doubly interested in these articles, and while they will be general in nature they will be true in words and color. Faithfully yours,

Mack Horris

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three terms sheriff of Fulton Counts, Ga., residing in Atlanta, said: "Tanlac has certainly helped me. My condition

agreeable symptoms of stomach trou Hon. Chas. I. Lewis, ex-sheriff of Crit. len County, residing at Marion, Ark., aid: "Tanlac has entirely relieved me most made a new woman of my wife. stomach trouble

Hon. A. P. Anderson, who was re-elected seven times to the office of sheriff of Harris County, Texas, residng in Houston, said: "Money couldn's uy the good Tanlac has done me. . ort, and had severe neuralgic pains have taken three bottles of Tanlact by trouble is gone, and I am like a dif-

Hon. S. A. Kelley, sheriff of Extor County, Texas, residing at Odessa, Tex., says: "I needed a general, all-round Taniac has done that very thing fo

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