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**ENEMIES AT HOME.**

Mr. Henri Bourassa is diligently engaged in an effort to create prejudice in the French-Canadian mind against England. In an article in LeDevoir of Oct. 26, he says:—

"When England waged war on the continent, mostly against France, she simply sent chosen troops, mostly recruited in Ireland and Scotland, and with her gold she paid mercenary troops, German or Swiss, or she assisted financially or with her soldiers, the enemies of France, like Spain and Portugal. Since the fall of Napoleon, England has only maintained contemptible little armies, sufficient to fight savage and half-civilized nations and decadent people, whose territories she appropriated to enlarge her empire. Of all the nonsense which has been repeated for the last year or so, there is none greater than to claim that England was not prepared because she loves peace and hates conquest. The truth remains that during the last century England has been the cause of more wars, taken more territory, depopulated more people, than any other power on earth. But all those wars, with the exception of the Crimean war, when she was assisted by France, she waged against people who were unable to fight against her. All those conquests were undertaken by her to place her capital, to augment her industries, to increase her maritime commerce."

Mr. Bourassa goes further at great length to assert that English statesmen have nurtured hatred of France and held out Prussia as "the model country, the sister country of England." The whole article is designed to arouse prejudice against England, and to influence the French-Canadians so that they will not enlist. Happily Mr. Bourassa's circle is very limited and French-Canadian hatreds are being mobilized without interruption.

**AN UNHAPPY CONDITION.**

St. John appears to contain a few individuals who accept the doctrine in a political sense that "whatever is, is right." They deprecate any suggestion that a change for the better could be brought about in any direction. They appear to believe in the doctrine of infallibility as applied to the federal government and every member of it, and the militia authorities at Ottawa and elsewhere. They are sorely grieved that the citizens should have the temerity to ask for anything, because that might seem a reflection on the omniscience and all-wisdom of the powers that be, who should be relied on with absolute confidence to administer as properly as the public stomach can properly absorb. Does any man think we ought to have 8,000 soldiers in St. John? What right has he to think so if he has not been given a license? Obviously none at all. He is merely a disturber of the peace and harmony which should prevail as long as certain people get what they want—and get it when they want it.

And yet the question whether 8,000 soldiers can be accommodated in St. John is still being discussed. It is a curious fact that some persons will persist in poking around and asking questions, when the interests and welfare of the city are concerned. No doubt they should be disciplined, and should be taught not to meddle; but they are a perverse, and give a good deal of mental worry to the real custodians of the public welfare—and the patronage.

**WHY THIS DELAY?**

Why should enlistment outstrip the provision of equipment of soldiers in Canada? We have been at war for fourteen months and know that we must be at war for many months to come, and that not only must we recruit men to meet wastage, but equip more and more new battalions. Having this knowledge why is not equipment kept a little ahead of enlistment? There are factories and workmen, and there is no trouble about the money. It is a question of placing orders and having them filled. If the present facilities for manufacturing are not adequate others can be provided. There is no difficulty in getting men to accept army contracts. Those is the fault? The country enters no protest against legitimate expenditure. It wants the work done and the most prompt and effective aid given to the mother country. Yet the minister of militia says, and everybody knows, that equipment is not being produced fast enough in Canada. The Toronto Globe very rightly says:—

"Promptness and speed are the immediate essentials. Let the Minister of Militia be able, in the near future, to

state that there are arms and equipment for every enlisted man, with abundant stores in reserve for the results of systematic recruiting. The Dominion will not question the cost nor the awarding of contracts, provided no Canadian takes mean advantage of his country's hour of trial. Speed up the equipment branch until it is ahead of the demands and keep it there. This is the need to which the minister's abundant energy must be directed."

**IS IT IMPERTINENT?**

The Standard, referring to the question of whether St. John should be content with one battalion or urge that facilities be provided to winter two or three battalions at St. John, which it is claimed can easily be done, says:—

"In the present case the members of the Board of Trade would be well advised to leave the major interests of St. John in the present competent hands and turn their attention to other matters where, if they can do no good, there is but little prospect of doing harm. Mr. Hazen is in the game as St. John's representative; he holds good cards and has played them well. It is nothing short of impertinence for outsiders to attempt to interfere."

Impertinence appears to be a rather strong word. Why is it used? Why is there any protest against the board of trade or Retail Merchants' Association or any other body of citizens interesting themselves in this matter? In what way are they likely to do harm by interesting themselves in their own affairs?

This is not politics, but business. It is claimed that if the work were undertaken at once provision could be made for 8,000 soldiers. How can the work be undertaken and speeded up? By urging the matter upon the government. Mr. Hazen will welcome all the assistance he can get. He has many other claims upon his time and attention, and certainly would not resent such assistance in a matter directly affecting his own constituency. The Standard is entirely misled in this matter. By whom is it being misled and for what purpose?

The whole French press applauds the fighting speech of Premier Borden. France is united in this war as never before in her history.

The new French premier is as emphatic as Premier Assolant. There can be only one end to this war. Germany must be crushed.

The stream of recruits is keeping up well in St. John. New Brunswick's record for last week was a hundred better than that of Nova Scotia, as a result of the special boost for the 104th.

If it be true that the Greek cabinet has been defeated, we may anticipate developments more favorable to the Allies. M. Venizelos is a staunch friend of the Allies.

A new German submarine was captured by the British within a fortnight after it was launched. A German ship and a German steamer have been sunk by British submarines in the Baltic in the last two days. The British navy has gained complete supremacy over the Germans in submarine warfare.

Major C. W. Weldon McLean's friends have learned with pride that he has won the D. S. O. It is another notable achievement in a distinguished military career. The news that his father, Col. H. H. McLean, is to assist for a time in arranging for recruiting and training maritime province battalions is a guarantee that new vigor will be infused into the general recruiting campaign.

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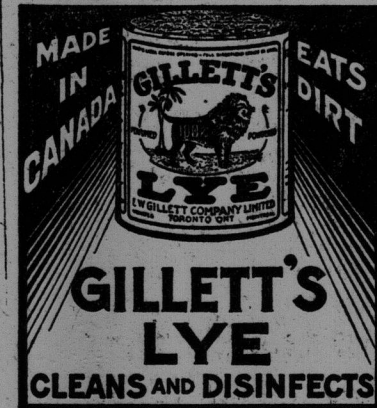
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I don't mind doing my duty, I'll do it as long as I can. To show all the other fellows That I'm a fighting man. But what gets me the hardest— Takes the heart out of any "bloke" Is when he hasn't any tobacco, And is longing for a smoke.

So all you folks that's staying home, And can't go to the front, Just think of us boys over here Who are bearing the battle's brunt. And dip down in your pockets. Even though you think you're "broke." To send us lots of tobacco, So we won't want for a smoke.

**LIGHTER VEIN.**

Miss Sharp—Ah, Mr. Dillard, you are looking the part of the Black Prince to perfection.

Mr. Dillard—Yes, do you know, Miss Sharp, I feel like a perfect idiot? Miss Sharp (earnestly)—Now, that will never do, Mr. Dillard. At a masquerade, as on the stage, one must forget real character entirely.

Here is a recruiting story told by an officer at his club the other day. A very fat waiter had applied for enlistment into the army. The recruiting sergeant looked at him and shook his head, saying:—

"Can't be done, old son; you're too stout."

"Stout or not stout," came the indignant reply, "every acre of my body is at the service of my country."

A Brooklyn minister gave a most scolding discourse on the evil effects produced by bad example, and exhorted all good members of his congregation not to countenance by their presence such a place of iniquity as Coney Island. At this one of the church wardens, in evident excitement, snapped his fingers.

"At the close of the service a member accented the church warden's sermon."

"Great! I hope it will bear fruit," was the reply.

"What did you snap your fingers for?"

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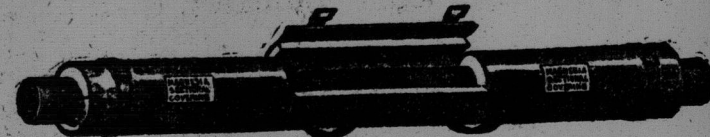
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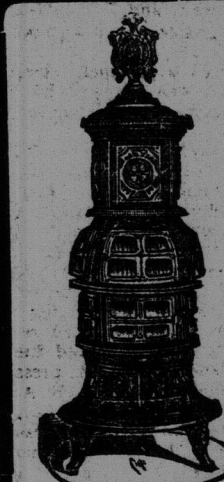
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(Montreal Star).

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of stock prices communicated by the uniting telegraph. But now she "broke"—in common parlance she failed to grasp the remainder of the staccato clicks and was forced to ask the herald of good news at Halifax to repeat. Which he or she did.

Now Miss Dunn is the least excited of her extensive circle of envious and admiring friends.

The facts are these:—Mrs. Edward Power, formerly of Halifax, recently died at Annapolis, Md., leaving \$125,000 of which she had been the sole beneficiary when her husband pre-deceased her, the money reverting to other relatives at her death. Twenty-five thousand dollars went other ways, but the residue of the estate, \$100,000, was left to John Dunn, formerly a tailor, of Halifax, who had assigned his interests to his daughter, Miss Mary Dunn, grandniece of the late Edward Power.

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