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A STRONG LEADER

In selecting Ernest Charles Drury, of Crown Hill, as their leader the United Farmers of Ontario have chosen well. There is among the foremost men in the agricultural movement in this province no other personality that combines so many of the qualities of successful leadership.

He is an honest man. Honesty and politics may not always or usually go together but it would perhaps be better for the country if they were more frequently combined. Politics is the science of government. The fundamental principle of all science is truth, or honesty. The politics with which most of us are familiar is neither scientific nor honest. Politics has come to mean the petty maneuvering of shifty manipulators, filled with the lust for office. This madness of the many for the gain of only a few was what caused the greatest revolution in the political history of Ontario, when, on October 20th, the electorate of this province smashed the partisan machinery beyond recognition and swept all but a feeble remnant of the old guard into oblivion.

Drury is honest and the people tired to death of the schemers and tricksters, are now demanding honesty in their servants. Drury's honesty is of that unsuspicious type that believes in the honesty of other people. He assumes that they are like unto himself. Sir Wilfrid Laurier was also of that same ingenuous cast of mind and looked for good rather than evil in his fellows. And, strangely enough, such men call forth the better nature of mankind and their own transparent truthfulness inspires similar qualities in their associates. Sometimes these splendid souls are deceived or betrayed, but oftener than not, the would-be doer of evil becomes ashamed of his own natural crookedness and tries in turn to emulate the other.

Drury is sincere and very much in earnest. No man ever succeeded in a big way who did not believe in himself and the cause he represented. Drury believes in his cause. No person who has listened to one of his public addresses ever doubted his sincerity however much he may have disagreed with his logic. He has the fervor and zeal of a prophet of old and for twenty years he has carried on his warfare for an emancipated agriculture. Some of his neighbors up in Simcoe think he is visionary. They mistake the earnestness of his message for the fantastic imagining of a crusader. But Drury is not an idealist or a dreamer. His farm at Crown Hill bears evidence of the skill of a thoroughly practical man who loves animals, beautiful home surroundings and the big, free life of the country.

The coming premier is eloquent. His eloquence is the natural and unaffected expression of a clear-headed thinker who has something to say. His manner is quiet and not inclined to spell-binding or garrulity. He gives the impression of reserve power. A pleasing voice, modest gestures, dignified bearing and prepossessing appearance contribute to the general effect of his oratory.

The leader is a man of wide reading and deep culture. Like all men who are truly educated, his culture is largely a matter of self-instruction, though he can write the letters, B.S.A., after his name. His language betokens the clear-cut expression of a man of the logical type of mind whose vocabulary is rich and varied.

Drury has force of character. He will lead his party. He is not an autocrat. He is a good listener and receives suggestions sympathetically and with an open mind. But when he feels sure that he is right he goes ahead. No sophist can turn him to the right or the left. His will is inflexible, once he has made up his mind the right course to pursue.

He is a good mixer in the sense that he is genial and companionable and a most interesting conversationalist. But he does not belong to that smooth type of hand-shaker who gives a smirking imitation of affability.

Clean and strong and forceful and progressive, and at the same time sane, moderate, independent, and democratic. E. C.

Drury should give to his party able and efficient leadership and to his native province a government genuinely in the interest of the people.

Both in English and French commercial circles there appears to be a natural hesitation to resume trade with Germany. But the Americans are out to capture any trade that offers, and any that may be caught. Their latest proposition is to establish a \$75,000,000 bank at Bremen to finance cotton shipments.

A revolution in Turkey is reported to be a possibility. When the armistice was concluded the Committee of Union and Progress was left with an army in Anatolia, which has been strengthened by thousands of demobilized officers and men. Now the committee is openly defying the Central Government recognized by the Allies. By the time the Peace Conference decides what to do with Turkey the mandatory power may have a pretty problem on its hands.

Bankers in conference in San Francisco, have decided that it is a good thing to advertise in newspapers. Of course it is. It is always wiser to tell your own story than to trust the telling of it to another. Banks and railroads have come in for so much abuse and misrepresentation that those who say a good word for them put themselves under suspicion. There is nothing like talking straight and backing up what is said with facts and figures.

The Bulgarian Peace delegation told a correspondent that it was not military strategy which conquered their army. "The rhetorical tanks of President Wilson and Lloyd George had opened a wide breach in the Salonika front," they said. This tribute to the power of speech would be impressive if it were not unlikely that the Bulgarian troops were permitted to know what the Allied Statesmen were saying before the Allied soldiers had convinced them of the futility of further resistance.

Taking cigarette smoking as a standard of civilization, the savages of British East Africa are fast catching up. A few years ago the natives were content with crude raw tobacco mixed with all sorts of things. Now they are smoking cigarettes at the rate of 25,000,000 a month. An official of the British-American Tobacco Company said that the Kavironda, a tribe on the shores of Lake Victoria Nyanza, and one of the proudest, most moral and most naked in Africa, have an improved method of smoking. "We packed our cigarettes in boxes of four," he said, "because the Kavirondas smoke four at a time, putting one in each corner of the mouth, and one in each nostril!"

Clemenceau "The Tiger" of France has generally been a somewhat intolerant champion of liberty. A radical and free thinker he has long been rather bigoted in his attitude to the church which he helped strip of power; during the most of his career he was known as an eater of cures. But in announcing his retirement from political life The Tiger took occasion to pay an eloquent tribute to the conduct of the French clergy during the war. So splendidly patriotic were they, he said, that most of them should be taken to the hearts of all Frenchmen and Republicans. With Clemenceau patriotism covers all the virtues, but his declaration may not have the effect doubtless intended of promoting political peace. The Monarchists and Clerical Right will probably spread the story that the Grand Old Man of France has become reconciled to Mother Church in his old age, and then there will be loud railing among the radicals of the extreme Left.

WHAT DOES A FELLER SAY THEN?

Say:—

When the minister comes
To your house,
To make you and the wife a
Little call,
And the conversation gets to be
About prohibition,
And the minister remarks
How thankful he feels
That so many homes have been freed
From the curse of beer and whiskey,
And you say "Yes, indeed,"
And keep nodding your head,
Agreeing with him heartily
In all that he says:
And then your little son
Comes in,
When the minister is there,
Carrying a pint bottle,
And says,
"Look, Pa, a bottle of the
Home brew broke—"
Listen here:—
What does a feller say then?
—Charles T. Schermerhorn.

Dr. T. E. Kaiser
Was Disappointed
in "Non-Freeze"

Gallon Cans of "Alcohol" Had Two Compartments—Can on Exhibit in Henderson's Window—Ninety-Ninth Pure Tap Water.

(OSHAWA REFORMER.)

A man, unknown, and still unidentified, called at a railway station last spring for a number of gallon cans of alcohol, or high wine, consigned to him as syrup. The cans were so corked that they could readily be opened and the goods removed before paying the C. O. D. charges. The stranger drew the cork, smelled, tasted, and approved of the syrup (?) He then loaded it into his buggy and hurried into the country.

Behind him, but at some distance, a farmer was also driving hurriedly to his home. The syrup (?) merchant took him to be Lewis Luke, License Inspector for South Ontario. Panic-stricken he began to unload his syrup (?) cans into the ditch. The farmer diligently began to pick them up, and the faster he picked the faster they came.

Farmer Took Cans Home.

The man made a clean "get away" and the farmer innocently took the goods home. In his mind he had a cargo of something unknown to him. Whether syrup, gasoline, lubricating oil or eye-water, it was past him to determine. Upon discussing the possible contents of the cans the family suggested that it might be a high class beverage, but of this no one present was a judge. They therefore decided to send a family deputation to Oshawa and consult Dr. Kaiser as to the mystery of the corks and cans.

The doctor immediately scented "high wines" or absolute alcohol. Upon being asked what useful purpose it could be put to he told them to use it in the radiator of their car for a non-freeze substitute, as there was nothing better. He was told that they had no car, but as he had one they would gladly give it to him if he would only come and take it away.

Divided With Dr. McKay.

This was agreed upon but the doctor did not go for it until last week, when weather conditions suggested a coming need. The quantity was so generous that the doctor did not like to "hog" the whole find so he divided it up with Dr. McKay. By this windfall the doctors felt fortified against zero weather for many years to come.

Two Storey Affair.

Saturday night Dr. Kaiser thought he would open one can, and test the quality of the non-freeze. A cork was drawn and about half a tumbler of high class-alcohol was poured out. Upon examination he discovered the can had two sections in it; a very small upper wine chamber and a very large lower water chamber as he surmised. He called over Dr. McKay for a hurried consultation.

Water Enough to Float a Ship.

The two doctors held a post-mortem examination of the remains and they found that the cans were all dead ones. Just enough live alcohol in the little wine chambers to induce the poor consignee at the station to pay for the goods, and enough water in the lower chambers to float a ship. The total alcohol in all the cans would scarcely keep a stomach from freezing up in the month of August, instead of an auto radiator in the middle of winter.

Can on Exhibition.

Although the doctors enjoyed the joke upon their high expectations of a cheap supply of non-freeze, they agreed it was a better joke on the man who paid for the goods.

The fraud was so unique and exasperating that Dr. Kaiser has had one of the cans cut into a cross section for exhibition. In Henderson's window as a warning to all purchasers of foreign goods of this nature.

It is a fair irony on Dr. Kaiser's late temperance speeches to find him thus flooded with water, when he expected such a good haul of alcohol.

WEST LAKE

Miss Elda Hyncho is driving a fine new McLaughlin car.

Mr. J. Mullineux also has a new car.

The deer hunters are preparing to leave for the north in a few days.

Weather conditions have been very

favorable for curing the tobacco this fall. The majority of growers pronounce their crop already fit to strip. A few have part of their crop already stripped and baled.

D. Leroy, of Toronto has been a guest at Dave Conger's for a couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Green, Salmon Point visited at H. S. McConnell's on Sunday.

Mr. Stephens, of Buffalo is visiting at W. J. Wright's for a few days.

The sick in our neighborhood still continue very poorly.

WESTERN AMELIASBURG

Mr. and Mrs. George Alvea and Mr. and Mrs. John Vandervoort spent Tuesday evening with Wm. Alvea.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Lout and Mr. and Mrs. H. Rathbun took tea with Wm. Alvea's Wednesday night. Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Lout, Wm. Alvea and H. Rathbun spent Thursday with Mr. Roe Fox and the men attended Mr. George Babcock's sale.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Stoneburg spent Sunday at L. Brickman's.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith Brown visited the latter's parents on Sunday.

Miss Pauline and Kenneth Alvea visited Miss Elsie Chase on Sunday last.

Miss Reddick, Brighton, is spending a few days at J. Vandervoort's. Miss Heachie spent the week-end with Nora Rathbun.

We are glad to hear that Miss Chase, Gardenville, came home on Friday with her diploma from the Ontario Business College, Belleville.

Young Girl
Badly Burned

SKIRTS CAUGHT FIRE ON GAS BURNER, AND SHE SUFFERED SEVERE BURNS.

Flames Were Extinguished By Geo. Payne, With a Horse-Whisker.

Kingston, Oct. 29.—Miss Annie McDermott, a domestic in the employ of Jas. Swift, 132 King street, was very seriously burned Wednesday morning when her clothing took fire from a gas burner, and before the flames could be extinguished she was very badly burned about the limbs and body.

At the time of the accident there was no one else in the house but Miss McDermott. A three-plume gas burner was on the coal range, and was burning. She took the gas burner off the stove and set it on the floor, preparatory to kindling a fire in the range. While stooping over her skirts caught fire on the gas burners and in an instant she was a blaze. An elderly man, who had been working nearby, removing ashes, rushed to her assistance, and did everything possible for her.

Meanwhile Mr. Geo. Payne, Carpenter contractor, who was working in the home of Mrs. Pense nearby, heard the screams of the burning girl and rushed to the street as quickly as possible. By this time the girl was on the street and two flames had tried to extinguish the flames by wrapping their coats around her. Mr. Payne seized the blanket he had on his horse and rushed to the unfortunate girl he wrapped the blanket about her and soon extinguished the flames, not, however, before she had been severely burned. Jas. Reid's ambulance was called and also Dr. Mylkes' and the unfortunate girl was removed to the Hotel Dieu, where this afternoon she was in a serious condition.

Miss McDermott had been in the employ of Mr. Swift for some years and was a conscientious and faithful employee. While her condition is serious it is hoped that she will recover.

Ring Missing Eight
Years is Returned
to Rightful Owner

Penitent Thief Hands it to Priest to Send to Mrs. Dunn.

GOOD PLOT FOR A NOVEL.

Diamond Which Mysteriously Disappeared Comes Back From Villanova, Penn.

Brockville, Oct. 30.—Reminiscent of Jean Valjean and the Bishop's candlesticks is the story of the missing diamond ring of Mrs. Robert J. Dunn, 50 King street west, and its unexpected return Tuesday, after all hope of its recovery had been long since abandoned.

The circumstances under which the ring found its way back to its rightful owner after eight years as yet an

explained absence are rarely duplicated in real life but might well, could full details be secured, be chosen by a writer of "best sellers" to form the basis of his efforts.

Eight years ago Mrs. Dunn lost a diamond ring, valued as having belonged to her great-grandmother and because of its clear water qualities. The circumstances surrounding the loss of the ring she cannot now definitely recall, but effort was made to locate it, advertisements being inserted in the newspapers of several cities and others steps looking to its recovery being taken all Mrs. Dunn's efforts were to no purpose. The ring seemed to have vanished into thin air and its owner considered that it had been irretrievably lost. The ring was finally almost forgotten.

Mysterious as was the loss of the ring, more mysterious still was first glance the method by which it returned to Mrs. Dunn. Yesterday she was summoned to the custom's house where a small parcel done up in wrapping paper awaited her. On the cover was her name and address, together with the words: "Villanova Penna. C. P. O'Neill." Opening the cardboard box which was enclosed by the paper, she was surprised to find the missing ring, packed in tissue paper, intact and apparently none the worse for its long absence.

Further search of the contents of the box resulted in the discovery of the following note, written in ink on a small piece of paper.

"Dear Mrs. Dunn:
"I am enclosing you a diamond ring which was stolen from you some years ago. It was given me a few days ago to return to you. I hope you will receive it all right and pardon the poor unfortunate who took it."

"Very sincerely yours,
"A Catholic Priest."

The ring had evidently been recovered by the priest through the confessional, but who the thief was Mrs. Dunn has absolutely no idea. That he or she should have been able to recall, at the end of eight years, the exact name and address of the person who rightly owned the ring is abundant proof that the misdeed had weighed heavily upon his or her conscience and that finally the penitent had determined to return the ring where it rightly belonged. What a story could be written were the missing chapters of the dramatic episode available!

Motor Bus and Car
Meet in Collision

Iroquois People Shaken Up By Rear-End Smash on King Street.

Brockville, Oct. 30.—Shortly after five o'clock Tuesday afternoon the auto bus owned by McCahey & Fleming, Prescott, and operated between here and the Fort Town and a Briscoe touring car owned by Alex. Strader, Iroquois, were in collision at the corner of King and Park streets, but fortunately the accident was not attended by serious results.

Mrs. Strader in company with her son, Edward, aged 15 years, Mrs. Oliver Fisher and son, Keith, aged seven years, came to Brockville on Monday to attend the reception to the Prince of Wales. Owing to motor trouble they remained in town over night and were on their way home with Edward Strader at the wheel when the accident occurred. The motor car had just descended the Park street hill and was turning east on King street when the bus, which was travelling westward, crashed into the rear end of the motor car. The rear tires were torn from the wheels of the Briscoe and the left hand runningboard was also smashed. The autobus was also smashed in the back axle.

The occupants of the motor car were more or less shaken up by the impact but no bones were broken. The occupants of the bus escaped injury.

Mrs. Strader and the members of her party were cared for at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Cossit and their car was taken to Price's garage for repairs.

According to eye-witnesses both drivers sounded their klaxons in approaching the corner where the accident occurred. Edward Strader, although only 15 years old, carries a chauffeur's license.

LOOK AHEAD FOR
THE LITTLE PEOPLE

But for the youngsters many of us might not work so hard. The little people are a great factor in the success being achieved by right thinking parents. The best is none too good for the kiddies and if it can be obtained by some extra toll on the part of Dad and Mother they are going to get it. That is one reason why parents all over the Dominion are today buying Victory Bonds for

their juvenile treasures. In the happiness of the present they are looking carefully to the future.

When the youngsters begin to grow up these Victory Bonds will very likely be a most handy thing to have around the house. It might mean "pinching" a little to buy them now, but it will soon be over. The savings being left in the bank "in case something might happen" will be every bit as safe invested in Victory Bonds and they will be bringing in more money as interest. Victory Bonds are easily turned into cash and those persons who subscribed to the former loans could now get more than they paid for them if they so desire.

Do not be afraid of buying bonds on the instalment plan. In a few months from now you will be glad you did it. Get a Victory Bond for each one of your children.

Rush for Whiskey
Sends Price High

When the news was received in Montreal that President Wilson had vetoed the prohibition bill, the price of Canadian whiskey increased almost automatically. Even though the United States House of Representatives passed the bill later, over the veto, the act had no effect and to-day whiskey is from \$1 to \$4 per case higher. The new prices for Canadian draught whiskey show that the increase is from 50 cents to \$3 per gallon. Foreign brands, including Scotch Irish and brandy, are to be increased proportionately.

The distribution of whiskey in Canada is controlled almost entirely in Montreal, but the most of the distillers are located in Ontario. The majority of the Ontario vendors procure their supply from Montreal and hence the higher prices will effect the consumers in a very short time.

While the importation of liquor into Ontario is not legal, the order-in-council prohibiting importation will be nullified on the proclamation of peace until the new legislation to be passed in the Commons becomes effective. The world, it is expected, will be officially at peace within three weeks, and then liquor may be purchased in Quebec for shipment direct to the consumer. The man or woman who wants to stock a cellar will find that prices are high.

The distiller's explanation of the increase is that there is a very heavy overseas demand for Canadian whiskey and that the fact that the United States may be selling liquor until the end of the year makes the demand greater than the supply.

Within a few days those fortunate citizens who have doctors' prescriptions for liquor will find that the vendor will charge more for the "hard stuff" because the manufacturer is changing more.

BOLD BURGLARY.

Port Hope, Oct. 30.—The grocery store of John Curtis and son was again burglarized Tuesday night and the spice tins on the second shelf, this time the burglars, were bolder than usual. Entrance was gained by throwing a medium sized stone thru the plate glass window in the front door. That stone was thrown with great force was shown by the fact that it was found this morning more than half way down the store. About fifteen dollars in silver and coppers was removed. The burglary no doubt was committed by local men. Mr. Curtis for years kept his silver and coppers in a small cotton bag behind the bag was placed in its customary place at closing hour last night but this morning it was gone. The thieves were well aware of the hiding place and after securing the bag left without disturbing anything else, in fact they did not even open the till. There is grave suspicion to the parties who are carrying on these burglaries and it will be welcome news to our citizens when the guilty ones are brought to justice.

Said Rum Ration
Gave Him Appetite

Blaming the rum that he drank while in France, gave him an appetite for liquor, a young man, Morley Sanford Easton was before Magistrate Hind on Friday on a charge of intoxication. Easton asserted that he had been recently ill with bronchitis and through a doctor's prescription had obtained liquor which he considered would be good for him during the convalescent period. The Magistrate accepted his story but did not see that it gave him any license to be drunk on the streets, fining him \$10 and costs.

The case of the King vs. Robert Blair, which was to have been heard on Friday the charge being an offence against morality, was enlarged for one week at the instance of the Crown, certain witnesses not being present.—Oshawa Reformer.

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