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WHAT HUGH CLARK SAYS.

Major Hugh Clark, M. L. A., is a military man, and in an article in the *Kinrade Review* on the Dundonald episode he says something new from a military standpoint. He says:

"Let every defense put up by the Dominion Government be accepted as true, and its action in the Dundonald matter was discourteous to the general and harmful to the militia."

"Even if the man proposed by Sidney Fisher was a better man than the man proposed by the general, what right had Sidney Fisher to say who should be selected? Who has a better right to make a mistake in the selection of an officer than the G. O. C.?"

The Minister of Militia ought to have the last word in matters of expenditure on the militia, but the G. O. C. ought to have no jurisdiction at all if he has not the selection and promotion of militia officers.

"Let it be admitted that the general was altogether to blame and Sidney Fisher innocent. What think you of the indecent haste with which Dundonald was dismissed? Dundonald can stand that; he is a wealthy man and he knows as well as anyone else that dismissal from the Canadian service will not prejudice him in Britain. Gen. Hutton was practically dismissed from Canada, but he was given a better post in Australia at more than twice the salary we pay the G. O. C. in Canada, and when the war in Africa broke out he was given a very important command. He was a first class soldier and military administrator, but he could not get on with the Dominion Government. He was succeeded by a gentleman who got on famously. His term was extended. His administration was featureless. His work was superficial. He was absolutely harmless. He was succeeded by Lord Dundonald and only a few can remember his name. He did nothing for the militia and accordingly he got on well with the department."

"If the department were determined to penalize Lord Dundonald for daring to criticize a member of the Government, why could they not wait for a week or two, when it could be done with less harm to the militia? The soldiers were then in camp learning the new Dundonald drill. He was dismissed, and chaos in camp was the result. They do things like this in Russia and other countries where rulers become autocratic and forget the dust from which they grew."

TRUE TO HIS CREED.

The *Hamilton Herald*, Independent Liberal, says:

In his long manifesto on the war, contributed to the *London Times*, Count Tolstoi is consistent with the principle which he has so often preached, the principle of non-resistance. Among eminent living men he is about the only one who has the courage to give a literal interpretation to the acting of the Sermon on the Mount and to insist upon its practical application in national affairs as well as in the life of the individual. He denounces the czar, the Russian government and the Greek church for their tyranny and aggressiveness; but he also blames Japan for "forcibly resisting the unprovoked aggression of Russia."

Tolstoi is an idealist, and his non-resistance principles are of course impracticable. The result of their general adoption in national and international affairs would be the supremacy of the worst, the survival of those powers least fitted to carry on the work of civilization. Under such conditions there would probably be another long period of eclipse like that of the dark ages. Even such a peace-at-any-price man as the Quaker statesman, John Bright, had common-sense enough to save him from such idealistic nonsense as Tolstoi's, and he stoutly maintained the necessity of having the British fleet kept up to a high standard of efficiency and strength.

But, foolish as Tolstoi's notions may seem, they are more worthy of respect than are the attitude and utterances of the Canadian journals which, with a view of discrediting Lord Dundonald, are busily engaged in denouncing what they are pleased to call the "spirit of militarism" in Canada. The dismissed G. O. C. had made a report which contained certain recommendations for the reorganization of the militia and for putting the defenses of the country in a more satisfactory condition. It is to be supposed that the carrying out of these plans would cost some money. The report was submitted two years ago, but no word of protest

was made by any government organ against them. Now that Dundonald is dismissed, the attempt is made to discredit and disgrace him by representing him as attempting to force upon Canada the military system of Europe—to bring Canada "within the vortex of European militarism," to use Sir Wilfrid Laurier's picturesque phrase.

No additional money, we are told, should be spent on national defence. Let all we have to spare be spent on the construction of railways and canals, on immigration, and on the development of the country's agricultural and other resources; and the defence of the country can be safely ignored. If this is sensible, then Tolstoi's non-resistance doctrine is practicable and worthy of acceptance. Why not disband the militia altogether? According to the anti-militarist advocates, the money spent on national defence is money wasted; and if that is so it is hardly less foolish to waste two or three millions a year than it would be to waste four or five millions.

But this sudden cry against "militarism" is not merely foolish; it is also hypocritical. These same anti-militarists who denounce Dundonald's scheme of militia organization because it would entail additional expenditure extol Sir Frederick Borden as the best minister of militia that Canada ever had, and, in proof of his devotion to the interests of the militia, point proudly to the fact that since he assumed office the annual expenditure in the militia department has been doubled.

Tolstoi may be a visionary crank; but the old man is at least sincere in his anti-militarism and far more worthy of respect than the political anti-militarists of this country.

THE GLOBE'S UNTRUTH.

In its eagerness to defend the government and condemn Lord Dundonald the *Toronto Globe* is becoming quite reckless in its assertions, points out the *Hamilton Spectator*. In a recent attack upon the hero of Lady Smith the *Globe* said:

"It was quite apparent from a debate which took place in parliament last year that several members of the opposition had been favored with intimations of what the report—that is, the suppressed report of Lord Dundonald—contained."

From these sources it leaked out that Lord Dundonald advised an expenditure on armaments and armories that aggregated a sum which was variously estimated at from \$35,000,000 to \$40,000,000.

Great fortresses were to be built along our borders. If his lordship had had his way to make, the United States would have repaid with fortresses five times as formidable as that within a few years the borders of these two powerful nations of the western hemisphere would have been separated by a line of fortifications. When that appeared in the *Toronto Mail* invited the *Globe* to point out the pages of *Hamilton Spectator* which "it leaked out" that Lord Dundonald advised an expenditure of \$35,000,000 to \$40,000,000. *Globe* paid no attention to the request. The *Mail* repeats the charge for information but the *Globe* is in vain. The *Globe* has no such statement in its columns. *Globe* has always been a party by suppressing the truth or by twisting the truth to suit its own ends. It is about the only man who has the courage to give a literal interpretation to the acting of the Sermon on the Mount and to insist upon its practical application in national affairs as well as in the life of the individual. He denounces the czar, the Russian government and the Greek church for their tyranny and aggressiveness; but he also blames Japan for "forcibly resisting the unprovoked aggression of Russia."

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HICKS THE WEATHER MAN

Predictions for July Will be Read With Much Interest.

Sustained Summer Heat With a Minimum of Storm and Rain is Due for July

This month begins in the last stage of a storm period central on June 29th. Storms and perturbations of this period will be well on their way toward the Atlantic by the 1st and 2nd, with fair and cooler weather following from the west.

A reactionary storm period is central from the 4th to the 6th. As the moon is on the celestial equator on the 4th, we may reasonably calculate on a decided rise in temperature, ending in thunder and rain storms during these reactionary days.

The accompanying storm diagram shows that a Mars equinoctial period covers almost the entire month of July, being central on the 28th and running into August. By reading the chapter on "each planet's peculiar influence," beginning on page 152 of our 1904 Almanac, it will be seen that the Mars disturbance tends greatly to prolong the kind of weather prevailing at its beginning. This being the case, we may know, with a degree of certainty, the general character and tendency of the weather through July and August, by the character of the weather prevailing during the two first storm periods in July. If the general tendency is to excessive heat and light rains from the 4th to 6th, and from the 9th to 14th, it will be safe to count on a predominance of such weather nearly or quite up to September. We fear there are good reasons to expect such results. Upon the other hand, should cooler weather and general rains and storms be the rule at these periods, much of the same kind of weather will characterize all the storm periods for the following six to eight weeks. The sneering, "lofty" criticism that "any boy can predict the weather" is broken down in the minds of sensible people, who know that, while this is true in a measure, the temperatures and rainfall are extremely different, one year with another, in these months.

About the 11th to 14th, the central dates of the second July storm period, no one should be surprised by a wave of excessive warm weather, culminating in many threatening storms and, violent, drenching blustering winds. The cloudbursts are probable here, but we do not believe in efficient rains will occur during this period. We shall be greatly interested to see what the result of the weather will be. The event of the season will without doubt be the cheap excursion to New York, which will be run by the New York Central & Hudson River Railroad from Suspension Bridge and Buffalo on July 14th. Tickets will be good for return passage for 15 days and the fare is only \$10.25 for the round trip.

Tickets will also be good for a trip on the palatial steamers on the Hudson River between Albany and New York.

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the perturbing force of this planet added to the other causes mentioned above. Kindly read explanation of the Mercury influence, along with that of Mars. See page 154 of our 1904 Almanac.

If by any means heavy and general rains should have fallen at previous July periods—a result we can hardly not look for—the same may be counted on at this last period. If violent, tornado storms have been common during July up to this period—a thing we do not foresee—in all reasonable probability they will recur in added force about this time. Our decided opinion is, that sustained summer heat, with a minimum of storm and rain followed by seismic phenomena, will characterize this closing period in July—Irish R. Hicks, St. Louis, June 16th.

THE POSTMASTER GROWS EMPHATIC

Believes Dodd's Kidney Pills the Right Medicine For Kidney Trouble.

T. H. Belyea, Postmaster of Lower Windsor, N. B., Endorses an Opinion Popular in all parts of Canada.

Lower Windsor, Carlton Co., N. B., June 27.—(Special).—T. H. Belyea, postmaster here, has come out with an emphatic statement that is heartily endorsed by the great majority of people of this district.

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There are numerous people prepared to make statements like that of Postmaster Belyea, but the case of Kidney Disease that Dodd's Kidney Pills will not cure has yet to be reported.

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Five dozen extra fine lawn waists, made with fine tucks and four rows embroidery, insertion down front, tucked back and sleeves, fancy collar,

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