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MR. MACLEAN'S RETIREMENT

That part of the public which has had opportunities of observing the good work done by Mr. H. A. Maclean will regret that gentleman's resignation from the office of Deputy Attorney-General. The tribute paid to Mr. Maclean by Hon. Mr. B. H. H. was well deserved, and will be heartily seconded by the province in general. The retiring deputy has secured a record for long service in his office, a service which has continued through five administrations. At all times his ability and his fidelity to his trust have been equally in evidence. If Mr. Joseph Martin has any particular claim to gratitude from British Columbians it is on account of his appointment to the office of Deputy Attorney-General. Mr. Maclean to the office which he held so long and so creditably. The Colonist heartily joins in wishing Mr. Maclean success in his new venture and hopes that his successor in office will keep in view his good example.

"KITCHENER, UNEMPLOYED."

Will Lord Kitchener be the secretary of state for war in the next Conservative cabinet? The question has been raised together with a hundred others in an effort to find employment for Britain's greatest soldier.

Speaking on the subject, Mr. T. P. O'Connor in M.A.P. says:

Whatever Mr. Haldane may say, it is surely amazing that of all great men in the British Empire, Lord Kitchener should find himself out of a job. True, he is now sixty-Napoleon and Wellington were only forty-six when they met at Waterloo—but, in these days of peace, sixty is not old for a general.

At King Edward's funeral, the tall, solid figure of Lord Kitchener, with his square, swarthy countenance, attracted more notice than the eight monarchs themselves who visited our Sovereign. It is really true that Lord Kitchener, in his search for a job, has considered an offer to organize the Chinese army.

The very idea adds terror to the Yellow Peril—a population of four hundred millions, focused for war by such an intellect. Curiously enough, General Gordon, who was "killed" by Lord Kitchener at Khartoum, found his name in China, where he suppressed the rebellion.

Lord Kitchener, the great soldier, served his apprenticeship—surviving the Holy Land, present position come about? When Lord Kitchener left India, two posts were open. There was the viceroyalty of India, and there was the Mediterranean command at Malta, India or Malta—what a choice! It reminds one of Napoleon.

Europe or Elba? Lord Kitchener was not offered India and he declined it. He followed the impulse of his desire. To promote the commander-in-chief of the Indian army to the post of viceroy would have been unusual, and would have suggested a military dictatorship. Nothing could be more absurd than the peaceful soul of Lord Kitchener, the great soldier, to be made a military dictator.

Lord Kitchener was a man of peace. Still, how could Lord Kitchener be happy at Malta? Think how the Mediterranean command originated. It was a long but very instructive story. In 1892 Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman boldly retired the Duke of Cambridge from the post of commander-in-chief. There were two reasons. First, his age; and secondly, his Royal status, which made administration very difficult. A few years later the post of commander-in-chief—just the post for Lord Kitchener—was abolished. Instead, we have now the Inspector-General, whose business it is to see that the army is complete in its last, but not the first, inspection.

The Duke of Cambridge followed. The Duke of Connaught. See what happened to the Duke of Connaught. He was a good soldier, thoroughly keen on his work. But then he suffers from the Duke of Cambridge suffered from his royal status. An under-secretary cannot deal with the brother of the Sovereign as if he were in ordinary. Another opening had to be found for the Duke of Connaught. The Mediterranean command was quickly evolved from Mr. Haldane's fertile brain. The Duke set forth, played the part of a few months, watched the hosts sailing by, grew tired of interest and was created governor-general of Canada. When the building was vacant, all sorts of inducements were offered. He should have the right to the home army in time of war, his committee. No, Lord Kitchener would have none of it. He threw up the Mediterranean command, and the viceroyalty of India. The whole of it. Again, let us be fair. The whole of it. Lord Kitchener's wonderful career has been most in the East. It is not quite easy to see what appointment at home could have been accepted. There is the command in Ireland, but would not Lord Kitchener have resented such a suggestion? Besides, General Lyttelton has been barely a year in the saddle. Then take the Inspector-Generalship. How could Lord Kitchener succeed Sir John French, his subordinate? Of course, the great outcry has arisen because Lord Kitchener was not met upon exclusively by the prime minister, which was Mr. Balfour's arrangement when he founded the committee in 1906. There is, undoubtedly, more in it than meets the eye. Until he was in India, the career of Lord Kitchener was at each volume of it. He read, he achieved, he hated of waste, and he in Egypt he "killed" the black man while and made the "hummy" fight. It was all complete. The "hummy" fight. The world only knew of it. Lord Kitchener came to the end of his career. Lord Kitchener, who retired, then there was a shadowy scheme for reorganizing the Indian army. The retirement of Lord Kitchener was suggested.

SENATOR'S VIEW OF MR. PINCHOT

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FOREIGN CAPITAL IN CANADA

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French investments more than equal the total of money sent from all the other countries of Europe. Many French institutions have so long been established in Canada that in the east they are looked upon as Canadian institutions. Naturally the most of it has been attracted to Quebec, but of the \$349,250,000, the republic has sent to the Dominion some \$100,000,000, has been invested in British Columbia real estate. The Pacific province is more deeply indebted to Germany however for it is a remarkable thing, that of the \$18,000,000, the aggregate of German investments in Canada, the comparatively enormous sum of \$2,000,000 has been placed in British Columbia, chiefly in real estate.

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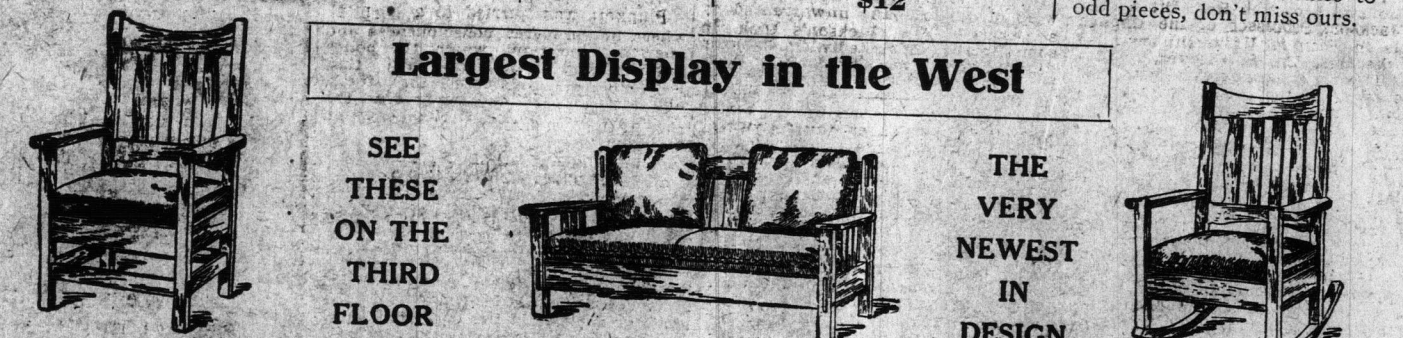
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