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THE THREE LEADERS

Three leaders are all on the sunny side of fifty, and all Presbyterians. Sir Wilfrid Laurier was elected to the Quebec legislature for Drummond and Arthabasca three years before Arthur Meighen and William Lyon MacKenzie King were born, and Thos. Alexander Crerar at that time was a babe in swaddling clothes. Sir Wilfrid was elected to the Commons the very year that the present prime minister first opened his eyes in that little farm house in Blanshard township, Perth county, and MacKenzie King played in his cradle in the then small village of Berlin. When they had reached the mature age of three, Sir Wilfrid was Minister in the MacKenzie administration and little Tom Crerar was toddling about his father's farm at Molesworth. Yet Sir Wilfrid lived to see Arthur Meighen rise to be a power in the Conservative party and a leading member of government, and to make MacKenzie King a member of one of his own administrations. The campaign which is now opening up is in all truth a young man's fight; the respective leaders are not overburdened by the weight of years, in fact this is an election in which youth is going to have its fling.

THE HOME PAPER

Every Four Corners has its Home Town Week now-a-days, but all the boys and girls who have wandered from the Township Center cannot get back to enjoy the loved surroundings. But all can subscribe to the old home town paper and thus keep well in touch with the little spot they once called home.

What joy to run over the school promotions and find that the tots of a few years ago are moving higher and higher in scholastic circles and eventually blossom forth as the "sweet girl graduates," or the clean strong boys discarding knickers.

Just watch that hardened old city coddler open up his home paper—it is the first thing he picks up out of his bunch of mail—and what can he find there to interest him? Angus McCugan's horse died yesterday; Peter McGregor will run for the county clerkship; Horace Jell hopes to win the secretaryship of the Hilltown agricultural society; Lydia Mungler has opened up a millinery store in one side of the printing office; Mrs. Brown lost her hand satchel in the butcher; Dr. Dorland is attending Clara Brown who is down with a severe cold; Mrs. Pieter broke her ankle and is in the county hospital.

Yet though he smiles at the old-time styles and expressions he enjoys it all over and over again for it takes his mind back home where his wonderful boyhood days—happy days—were spent.

SIMPLICITY OF LIVING

Canon Alexander, preaching in St. Paul's Cathedral, pleaded for simplicity of living. He said that the message for the present generation was: "Simplify your tastes. Cultivate a spirit of contentment. Reduce your necessities. Do not carry two coats. Learn to do without. In an age which is, perhaps, the most vulgar in history, beware of vulgarity."

Expense, he said, was not essential to beauty. In too many cases certain garments are chosen, not because they are beautiful, but because they cost a great deal of money, and minister to the pride of the wearer. The clouds by day, the stars by night, exceed in beauty all the gold and precious stones that can be bought to adorn the person, but they are not prized as they should be because they cannot be monopolized.

Simplicity of living would do much to lesson social discontent, which is due largely to the ostentatious display of wealth. Those who have most to spend should set an example of refinement, and not of vulgar show. Perhaps it is going too far to say that this age is the most vulgar in history, but it is certainly open to improvement in regard to the intelligent use of wealth.

Holloway's Corn Remover takes the corn out by the roots. Try it and prove it.

NOTE AND COMMENT

Now that the elections are on, about the only discreet remark a man can make is "Merry Christmas."

The Railway Strike in the United States has been called off, the men believing that owing to its gigantic proportions, it could not succeed.

In the pending election the hours of polling, instead of being from nine to five, are to be from eight to six. This is for the benefit of the farmer, who is an early riser, and of the women voters, who have an hour longer in which to get themselves dolled up in the afternoon.

Wrong thinking, whatever its nature, leaves indelible scars on body and mind alike. It affects character and material prospects equally. Every time you grumble and find fault, every time you lose your temper, every time you do a mean, contemptible thing, you suffer a loss that cannot be repaired.

They are planning to charge pedestrians 5 cents for walking across the new Detroit-Windsor bridge, but of course, if this seems too high, a person can stay on, as he does on the ferry, and get his money's worth by walking back and forth several times.

Ottawa Journal:—Silence is golden and never more precious than when heads are bowed in respect for the soldier dead. Two minutes of silence are designated for 11 a.m., Nov. 11. Nothing ever uttered by the tongues of men will compare with the eloquence implied in the standing wheels of traffic and the motionless figures of millions of men and women.

A young lady recently wrote to a country newspaper asking if there were any editors in Heaven. The editor replied: "There is but one editor in Heaven. How he got there is not positively known, but it is conjectured that he passed himself off as a clergyman. When the dodge was discovered they searched the length and breadth of the realms of felicity for a lawyer to start ejection proceedings, but they couldn't find one, so of course, the editor holds the fort."

On January 1st the Dairy Standards Act will likely go into force. The Act it is understood, places a standard average at 3.5 per cent. This will mean that a herd of cows will have to average that figure before the products can be accepted by creamery companies at the standard price. The act is aimed to enforce higher standards in dairy production and it will probably be necessary throughout the province, to introduce high testing blood into very many dairy herds in order to bring them up to the necessary standard of efficiency.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

There is more need than ever for the gospel of Canadianism, which unites those of all races and creeds in a supreme love of country. The strong patriotic feeling heightened by the war should become the motive power of national endeavor, which should bring us into helpful co-operation for the reconstruction of a stricken world, without injury to any of our national interests. We should be a people of one language, and of one allegiance, unwilling to impair our strength, but glad to use it generously in the advancement and defence of civilization.

George Elliott of Parkhill was chosen as the Conservative candidate for West Middlesex in the Dominion elections at a convention held in Strathroy on Thursday. Mr. Elliott was the Conservative candidate in two former elections. Others proposed for nomination at the convention were:—W. H. Bartram, Parkhill; ex-Reeve A. J. Wright, Glenoe; Dr. W. H. Woods, Mount Brydges; Ed. deGex, Metcalfe; J. W. Cameron, Strathroy; Geo. Lewis, Strathroy; Mrs. Duncan Harvey, Strathroy; R. J. Stevenson, Strathroy; Wm. Toohill, Napier; Dr. F. J. Bateman, Strathroy; Fred Laughton, Parkhill.

Most of the holdups, robberies and other depredations in Canada and the United States are being committed by foreigners—mostly Italians. There are many honest, hard-working foreigners, as evidenced by the men who have been here for some time doing our street work, but there are evidently a lot of undesirable immigrants filling up the country, and it is up to both Canada and the U. S. to devise some scheme whereby immigrants who are not desirable may not be allowed to land. We have no place in this country for foreign thieves and thugs, excepting the penitentiaries, and these places of detention are becoming a burden to the taxpayers.

Miss Agnes McPhail, the U.F.O. candidate in South-East Grey, says she will not be held up for contributions to anything except what she feels she should support as a private citizen. Sports, societies or churches will not find her a mark. Also she says she will not kiss babies, or smile upon men, only as a private citizen. We admire Miss McPhail's candor and we trust she can make good, but it's mighty hard to resist the appeals made these days. We have to stand for them in business whether we feel like it or not. Now that Miss McPhail is in business—for politics is a real business—we will watch her career, and if she makes good will give three hearty cheers.—Kincardine Review.

It has Many Qualities.—The man who possesses a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil is armed against many ills. It will relieve a cough, break a cold, prevent sore throat; it will reduce the swelling from a sprain, relieve the most persistent sores and will speedily heal cuts and contusions. It is a medicine chest in itself, and can be got for a quarter of a dollar.



The Man of the Hour

In this hour of Canada's most acute national crisis, the country's greatest need is leadership—not class leadership, not sectional leadership, but NATIONAL leadership. A pilot must be chosen possessing the necessary courage, foresight, breadth of vision and determination to lead the nation safely out of the existing economic uncertainty.

And one man stands out head and shoulders above all others as pre-eminently fitted for the task.

Born on a farm near St. Mary's, Ontario, Arthur Meighen is a true son of the people, a toiler who has fought his way to eminence by sheer ability and force of intellect. Entered Parliament in 1908; appointed Solicitor-General in 1914; Minister of the Interior in 1917; and Prime Minister in 1920.

At the Imperial Conference he was acclaimed by the Press of Great Britain as a great statesman, as a strong, virile, vigorous personality—alert in mind, keen and far-seeing in judgment, and with a fearless determination to stand for the right.

Professor A. D. Skelton, of Queen's University, and biographer of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, wrote of the present Prime Minister:—"He has already given proof of high administrative capacity. His personal integrity is beyond question."

Of himself, Arthur Meighen said to his constituents the other day:—"You know where I stood on this issue in 1908, in 1911, and as in 1911 I stand to-day."

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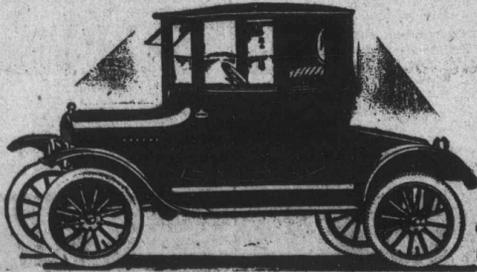
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