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THE KAISER'S VOTE.

A Toronto gentleman thinks it is an insult to ask which way the Kaiser would vote.

Why? Is not the Kaiser very much concerned just now in the affairs of Canada? And is not Canada called upon either to aid in defeating the Kaiser or in the event of German victory to become a German province?

If the opponents of the military service act should carry the country at the call of Henri Bourassa we might expect the Kaiser to give utterance to something like this:

"God has given me another victory. The Canadians, who stopped my soldiers on the way to Calais, and have ever since obstinately held an important section of the western front, despite the most determined efforts of my valiant armies, have at last given up the fight. Like Russia, they could not sustain the struggle in the face of my invincible Prussians, Brandenburgers and Bavarians. God has brought confusion into the ranks of their people at home, just as He has done in Russia, and as He will do in greedy and treacherous England and in the United States. We have but to continue in our glorious career of conquest and God will give us the final victory over all the foes of the Fatherland. Canada will repay the German people for much of the suffering so nobly endured."

Will the people of Canada give the Kaiser an excuse for uttering such a boast? Which way would the Kaiser vote? He would vote against the military service act and to take Canada out of the war. He would vote the Bourassa ticket in every constituency.

How about it, man? How about it, woman? Who are the real patriots—they who would send quick aid to the men at the front—or they who would forget the big issue and play the game of Bourassa?

THE FREE KINDTRGARTEN

The kindergarten must eventually become a part of the public school system of St. John. The city is behind in this as in medical inspection, technical training and recreation grounds. The interests of its children are shamefully neglected in these important matters. Only a handful of men and not too many women attended the annual meeting of the free kindergarten last evening. The reports showed that very valuable work is being done by the schools, of which several more should be established if rooms and funds were available. The earnest women who have labored so faithfully to keep the institution alive may not be able to feel that the general public manifests much interest in their work, but they have the satisfaction of knowing that they are making homes brighter and adding to the happiness as well as contributing to the efficiency of little children whose lives would else be far less enjoyable. The kindergarten pupil makes a better student in the public school. This fact has been clearly demonstrated over and over again. As Mr. Burditt pointed out last night, the little one in the kindergarten comes to realize that it is a member of society. There is a dependence and an interdependence which carries obligations and modifies conduct, and the child in the kindergarten begins to comprehend this relationship with others. Its intelligence is quickened and it begins to reason and learns valuable lessons. St. John must as soon as possible give the kindergarten its rightful place in the public school system.

NATIONAL IDEALS.

Without the thinker and idealist this would be a barren world. Prof. MacMechan places before Canadians certain national ideals which after the war should command universal attention. He rightly says we must first win the war, and to that end bend all our energies as we have not yet done, but in the reconstruction period, and amid the changes the new era in world history will bring, it should be the part of Canada to make a name as an honest nation; as a nation of highly educated people; as a nation which had solved the problem of the modern city; and as a nation that always and everywhere stands for righteousness.

This is not too much to seek to achieve. It will not be the work of a generation, for there are deep-rooted habits and evils to be overcome; but the nation can at least set its face to the morning, with the determination to be guided by those principles without whose recognition democracy must become a thing to be feared.

Prof. MacMechan is of opinion that we have been too much the imitators of the people of the United States, and he would have us assert our independence. No doubt we have borrowed much that does not make for the growth of high ideals, but we owe our neighbors and their literature for much that is noble and inspiring. It is not so certain that the failure of a certain kind of periodical in Canada is an indication of a lack of appreciation of what is best in periodical literature. As our population grows we will doubtless develop along many new lines, and discover distinctive characteristics. There is ample room for the expression of a national genius for social reconstruction, which is not the great and crying need of Canada alone. And as Canada is young and vigorous, and not wedded to tradition, perhaps in this field lies one of her most promising fields of effort and achievement. It involves education, the solution of the problem of the city, and the righteousness that exalteth a nation.

Prof. MacMechan gives us a clearer conception of our weaknesses, our possibilities, and our duties. His message should go from coast to coast.

THE BOY SCOUTS.

Last night's demonstration served to bring the boy scout movement and what it stands for more forcibly before the citizens of St. John. The young hero who was honored by the presentation of the life-saving medal by Chief Justice Hazen had proved himself a good scout, worthy of the honor conferred upon him, and his example will be an inspiration to all the scouts. The movement is taking a firm grip on the boyhood of the city, and deserves every encouragement. Rev. Neil McLaughlin said at the meeting of the boy scout council on Monday evening that he knew of no recent movement to interest and benefit boys in the churches which had aroused so much enthusiasm, an enthusiasm which he himself shared. Similar testimony was given by the pastor of Centenary, who had become familiar with the work in Moncton. New troops are being organized and existing troops are growing in number. The scout and cadet movements will do much to develop a healthy and intelligent class of boys and young men, self-reliant, resourceful, capable, and upholders of high ideals of conduct and of service.

Premier Lloyd George told the American war mission in London yesterday the collapse of Russia and the reverses to Italy "made it even more imperative than before that the United States send as many troops as possible across the Atlantic as early as possible." There is the same imperative need for men from Canada, but they who vote with Bourassa would waste the precious time. To support the union government is to help the men at the front.

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"Dissension among ourselves will be fatal to any and every campaign. Wait and have patience, endurance, concentration, unity. Personal and sectional differences, suspicions, resentments, must be forgotten, or at any rate postponed; this is no time to talk of parties; there must be one party, and that is the nation."—Mr. Lloyd George.

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If Russia withdraws entirely from the war the task of the Allies will be made much heavier. Premier Lloyd George says he is anxious to learn when the first million American soldiers will be in France.

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The food controller warns those who are hoarding potatoes that they should market instead of hoarding them. The truth is that there is a large surplus of potatoes in Canada, and no large export market. To hoard is to lose.

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Canada is said at the present time to have a surplus of important food products which cannot be exported to Europe. They include eggs, butter and potatoes. Those who hoarded these products deserve to be caught on a falling market.

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English women over thirty years of age will be granted the municipal franchise. They already have the parliamentary franchise. Here is a hint for our provincial legislators.

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The casualty list is one of the strongest arguments in favor of union government and sending help to the heroic men who daily place their lives in jeopardy in our behalf.

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Russia's troubles are Germany's opportunity to rush armies to other fronts and endeavor to gain a success that would give her more territory to bargain with.

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The kind of liquor sold by the bootleggers is the kind that poisons the human system. Therefore the most severe punishment should be meted out to them.

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Young men who have not reported under the military service act may still do so, but there should be no delay.

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We hear a lot about personal liberty. What kind of personal liberty would the Kaiser give the Canadian people?

Man Power At Fro.ts, And Shipping Esse..tials of Day

Lloyd George So Announces At Allied War Council

Says Collapse of Russia and Reverses in Italy Make Early Assemblage of First Million of Americans in France Desirable—Expects Much From Americans in Shipping

London, Nov. 20—In opening his speech at the Allied war council today, Premier Lloyd George said:

"It is a source of great satisfaction to my colleagues and myself that this gathering of two nations, now equally educated to the common task of defending the liberties of the world, should take place in the very room in which the statesmen of an earlier and less enlightened period committed the blunders which had estranged them."

The premier had in mind the meeting which occurred in this room where momentous action had been taken with respect to the American colonies nearly 150 years ago.

"This conference," the premier continued, "is a business gathering—the culmination of hard, patient, unobtrusive work done between the members of the mission and the various British departments. Its purpose is to determine how the United States can best co-operate with Great Britain and the other Allies.

"Like Great Britain, the United States is a Pacific power and she therefore has had to build up a war organization from the start. In doing so she can learn from many mistakes which Great Britain made. Two of the most urgent matters today are man power at the fronts and shipping.

"The collapse of Russia and the recent reverses of Italy make it even more imperative than before that the United States should send as many troops as possible across the Atlantic as early as possible. I am anxious to know how soon the first million men can be expected in France."

The premier explained that British shipping was now wholly employed in war work partly for the Allies, partly on the British account, adding:

"Assuming that the submarine situation gets no worse, the easing of the position of the Allies depends entirely upon the dates on which the American programme for the launching of the six million tons of shipping promised for 1918 comes into practical effect. I have no doubt that with the largest industrial resources of the world, a most highly trained and adaptable industrial population and an exceptional national gift of organization, the accomplishment of America in the matter of shipbuilding will astonish everybody."

London Opinion.

New York, Nov. 21—An Associated Press cable from London says:

The Anglo-American war conference yesterday in Downing street is featured by the morning newspapers and is commented upon as an event of the highest importance. Much is said of the picturesque historical side of the meeting, which occurred in the same room where the errors were made that drove the American colonies to separate from the motherland, but the practical aspects are given equal emphasis.

While Premier Lloyd George's statement on the need of the Allies receives attention, the point also is made that it is necessary for the Allies to remember that the United States is not in the war solely or mainly for their benefit.

STATEMENT BY PREMIER AS TO THE TRIBUNALS

Receives Complaints As To Inconsistent Decisions

Wants Act Fairly Applied

Will See That Appeals Are Lodged in Cases Where Exemption Has Been Granted in an Indiscriminate Manner

Ottawa, Nov. 20—The prime minister, having received communications from many parts of the country in respect to difficulties which have arisen by reason of inconsistent decisions of tribunals in dealing with exemptions, points out that in some instances the tribunals, which were not appointed by the government, have refused exemption where the circumstances distinctly required that it should be granted. In such cases, the prime minister says, the remedy lies in an appeal to an appeal tribunal without delay.

"In cases where exemption has been granted without sufficient ground or in an indiscriminate manner," says Sir Robert Borden, "the representatives appointed by the militia department will see that all necessary appeals are lodged to prevent the intention of the act being defeated by the default of any tribunal or tribunals. In some cases it appears that these officers have not been sufficiently diligent in assisting appeals for this purpose. The minister of militia is taking steps to enforce the lodging of appeals in such cases.

"Finally, to ensure consistency of decisions and impartial administration of the act throughout the dominion and to afford the greatest possible protection of the national interests, an appeal is provided to the central appeal tribunal at Ottawa."

After indicating the power of Mr. Justice Duff, the central appeal judge, to increase the personnel of that tribunal, the premier says: "It is the intention of the government to enforce appeals on its own behalf to the central appeal judge and to assist in the lodging of such appeals by any persons who have just grounds of complaint, so that there may be uniformity of decision in the application of the act throughout Canada."

GET 40 CENTS MORE A DAY

Wages Increase For Some Employes of Boston and Maine Railway

Boston, Nov. 21—A wage increase of forty cents a day is granted to Boston & Maine station agents, freight handlers, clerks, mail porters and similar employes of the railway in a decision announced last night by Henry B. Endicott, executive manager of the Massachussetts committee on public safety, who acted as chief arbitrator. Crossing tenders get an increase of thirty cents.

The 5,000 men affected asked for an increase of seventy-five cents and an eight hour day instead of the present nine hour day.

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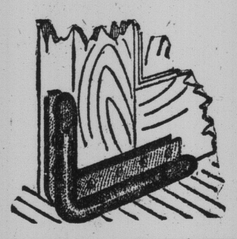

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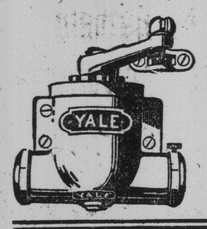

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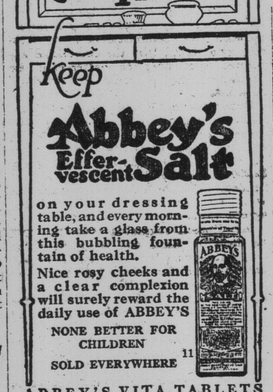

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ADVISES GROWERS TO PUT POTATOES ON MARKET

Food Controller Hints At Price Fixing If There Is Hoarding

Ottawa, Nov. 21—A survey of the potato situation was made at the food controller's office yesterday and the opinion was expressed that it would be in the best interests of the growers to let their potatoes go on the market freely at the present time, rather than hold them for later delivery. The food controller said that in case there was evidence of hoarding, or withholding supplies, he might find it necessary to fix maximum prices, allowing to producers and handlers only reasonable prices.

U-Boat Sinks Dane.

London, Nov. 21—The sinking of the Danish steamer Adolph Anderson, 951 tons gross by a German submarine is reported in an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Copenhagen. One man is said to have been killed.

Paris Libel Action.

Paris, Nov. 20—The senate has suspended the immunity of Senator Humbert, owner of the Journal, so as to allow Gustave Tery, a Paris journalist, to institute an action for libel against him.

DOCTOR SAYS VINOL IS THE BEST TONIC

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ANOTHER PEACE FEELER IS OUT

German Announcement That Russia Is Out of War And That Allies May Just As Well Come To Terms

Copenhagen, Nov. 20—The Berlin correspondent of the National Tidende learns that the German government has received information by an indirect route that the Russian Maxamilist government has declared Russia out of the war.

The correspondent ascribes his information to a competent source, later in the despatch indicating that it was received from a military quarter, where, he declared, the belief is now held that the prospects for a "peace of conciliation" are far better than before. He adds a long statement on the military situation, to indicate that the Entente might as well give up all hope of defeating Germany and come to terms with the Central Powers.

The whole despatch gives the impression of having been carefully prepared officially for the correspondent, and may be regarded as a feeler.

Reports from Stockholm, also mentioning the alleged determination of the Bolsheviki government to declare the war ended as far as Russia is concerned, indicate that the indirect channel through which the reports were received is a neutral diplomatic one, although it is declared that the Swedish foreign office is not the source in question.

The Bolsheviki in the alleged overtures claim to have established their power throughout Russia and to be in a position to enforce their will.

Nothing has been heard in usually well-informed Danish quarters this afternoon with regard to the report. A Dane, who, better than most of his countrymen, is in a position to judge the sentiment of both Great Britain and Germany, told the Associated Press today that he expected a long continuation of the war.

The Solophone is here.

THEFT OF DYNAMITE

Guards Stationed To Prevent Attempts To Blow Up Maine Dams

Bangor, Maine, Nov 20—Acting on reports tonight that dynamite stored at the lime rock quarry had been stolen, guards were stationed at all the dams on the Megunticook stream to prevent any attempt to blow them up. Eight manufacturing firms would be affected by any mishap to the dams.

Heart Beat So Fast
Could Not Sleep
HAD TO SIT UP IN BED

Heart trouble has of late years become very prevalent. Sometimes a pain catches you in the region of the heart, now and then your heart skips beats, palpitates, throbs, or beats with such rapidity and violence you thing it will burst. You have weak and dizzy spells, are nervous, irritable and depressed, and if you attempt to walk upstairs or any distance you get all out of breath.

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