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THE PEACE CELEBRATION

It has become somewhat the fashion among members of one political party in Canada to nourish and encourage a spirit of antagonism against the United States. It was found during the last federal campaign that the appeal to prejudice was politically profitable, and therefore it is continued by those whose course is determined by political expediency.

The most impressive rebuke that could be given to such persons has just been administered by the English committee having in hand the celebration of the hundred years of peace. We are told that: "The British proposal is to erect a monument of George Washington in Westminster Abbey or in Westminster Hall, adjoining the House of Commons. In addition it is proposed that Salgrave Manor in Northamptonshire, the ancestral home of the Washington family, shall be purchased and maintained as an international shrine. In addition it is suggested that an organized effort shall be instituted on both sides of the Atlantic and in the British colonies to promote mutual knowledge and mutual good will. It is also announced that the city of Ghent, where the treaty of peace, following the war of 1812 was signed, will participate in the celebration by restoring to its original form the room in which the treaty was signed and the holding of a banquet to be as nearly as possible a reproduction of that which was participated in a century ago by the peace delegates."

An American exchange, commenting on this programme, says:—"To George Washington, more than to any other man was due the success of the revolution that established the American republic. By thus doing honor to his memory Great Britain demonstrates, as it could in no other way, its forgetfulness of the revolt of its former colonies and signals its admiration and esteem for the great American and the country of which he is the father."

The great mass of the Canadian people will be deeply impressed by the spirit of those of the mother country. It is high time appeals to prejudice ceased, and the spirit of mutual good will prevailed. The language question was, and is, more acute in South Africa than it is in Canada. All these difficulties were added to that of organizing one central government for provinces which had conflicting systems of administration. A soldier, a man impatient of opposition, General Botha was likely to find the ways of politics and the need for constant restraint too irksome to be borne. By his loyalty to the Empire and his splendid manliness in accepting the inevitable after defeat and working regardless of personal feelings, for the best interests of his country as a part of the British Empire, he has carried the dominion through a dangerous period of a risky experiment. If General Botha had been more of a politician and less a soldier, he could have remained in office. But then he would have worked for the race which politically was dominant, and not for the unity and strength of the whole dominion.

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IN SOUTH AFRICA

The cables have given but meagre details of the political conditions in South Africa. He had to reconcile the people of two nations just recently at war. The conquered party formed the electoral majority. A balance had to be kept between the two factions, and at the same time racial feelings had to be eliminated. The language question was, and is, more acute in South Africa than it is in Canada. All these difficulties were added to that of organizing one central government for provinces which had conflicting systems of administration. A soldier, a man impatient of opposition, General Botha was likely to find the ways of politics and the need for constant restraint too irksome to be borne. By his loyalty to the Empire and his splendid manliness in accepting the inevitable after defeat and working regardless of personal feelings, for the best interests of his country as a part of the British Empire, he has carried the dominion through a dangerous period of a risky experiment. If General Botha had been more of a politician and less a soldier, he could have remained in office. But then he would have worked for the race which politically was dominant, and not for the unity and strength of the whole dominion.

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TOWN PLANNING IN ONTARIO

The framers of the two-planing act of New Brunswick received a compliment recently at a town-planning convention in Berlin, Ontario, at which delegates were present from many cities in that province. Dr. Hodge of Ottawa, who was present at the request of the chairman of the Conservation Commission, said that the New Brunswick act was one worth following. The convention adopted the following resolution:

"That in the opinion of this meeting of representatives of municipalities called by the citizens of Berlin to discuss town planning and civic improvements along comprehensive lines the time is opportune for the formation of a provincial organization and that adequate legislation to that end be sought and that a provisional committee consisting of ten members be appointed at this meeting with power to add to their number."

Mr. C. H. Mitchell, C. E., of Toronto, delivered a very able address in support of this resolution. His remarks as summarized by the Toronto World are worthy of the thoughtful consideration of the people of every city and town in Canada. The World says:—"Mr. Mitchell said it had become evident that the time for national and provincial effort and for concerted civic activity in each community had arrived, to provide for wide and continuous business thoroughfare, convenient grouping of public buildings, rapid transit, adequate street traffic circulation, parks and squares, parkways and boulevards, children's playgrounds and gardens, clean and attractive streets, pure water supply and efficient sewage disposal, prohibition of sign and noise nuisance, enforcement of laws for structural building and fire safety, and for enforcement of housing schemes. Civic effort could not in itself succeed sufficiently to meet the present day conditions. Such effort must have encouragement from higher up and from the mutual assistance of sister towns and cities in educating the people and in impressing upon the provincial and dominion authorities the great desirability of legislation designed to encourage, if not assist, various kinds of civic improvement."

The member of congress who would not submit the Panama canal dispute to arbitration, because he believes his country would lose, is not even a good sport.

The Christmas spirit has not yet found lodgement in the bosoms of the London suffragettes. They would even destroy the joyous messages sent through the mails to absent friends. That is a very small business for anybody not a lunatic.

The trouble in Mexico is said to have developed into a war of extermination, in which the wounded rebels are shot to death in the field. The Balkan conference has not yet passed the critical stage. The season of universal peace and good will is yet a long way off.

News of the wreck of the Purmace liner Florence on the ledges of the Newfoundland coast, with the loss of twenty-two lives, including that of Captain Barr, is a sad Christmas message. On the same day comes news that a boat from the island of Newfoundland has drifted upon the Newfoundland shore, a sad reminder of another grim tragedy of the North Atlantic.

Only another day for Christmas shopping. The weary clerk and the weary shopper will alike be relieved when the tension is over. The saddest expression to be observed on human faces at this season beclouds the countenances of the people who are wedged into the crowds in the streets and cannot make up their minds what they should purchase.

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Amelia and Celia, Cornelia and Delia,

And Dora, and Cora, and Flora, and Laura,

And Lina, and Nina, Christina and Dinah

And Hattie and Mattie, and Fatty and Nell.

There is Eddie, and Freddy, and Teddy,

And Neddie, and Benny, and Denny, and Henrie,

And Tim, and Donald, and Clarence,

Silvester and Lester, and Chester, and Jim;

These names I am constantly saying them over.

At business, and breakfast and dinner

and lunch,

I dare not forget them, for Christmas is coming.

And I must buy presents, alas—for the bunch.

—Mina Irving in New York Times.

LIGHTER VEIN

OWED TO CHRISTMAS.

When you've elbowed through the scurry,

When your eyes get kind of blurry;

When your heels begin to lag,

When your heart begins to fig,

When you're tired to a wisp,

When your tongue begins to lip;

When your mind begins to fail,

When you've raked the rummage sale;

When if told you wouldn't know

Bombazine from calico;

When you're getting pale and lanky,

When you're getting cross and cranky;

When you're bruised and sore and lame,

When you can't recall your name,

When you're lame and bruised and sore,

When you've pestered every store,

When the shop girls weary, when

"There comes that old fuss again,"

Heaven be praised; there's one way out,

Settle it and end the bout.

"Why don't you buy a handkerchief?"

"They're always nice."

—Herbert Randall, in *Harvard Cramton*.

WHAT?

Have there a man with soul so dead

Who never to himself hath said:

"I'll rise at five o'clock and say,

"Right out and above all the snow,"

But most of them, with souls quite dead

Lie dead within their beds; indeed

And do not even deign to blush

When passersby wade in the slush."

SOME WOMEN WANT A LOT.

Manager (five and ten cent store):

"When you're getting pale and lanky,

When you're getting cross and cranky;

When you're bruised and sore and lame,

When you can't recall your name,

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A VERY WISE MAN.

The Lawyer: "Are you acquainted with any of the men on the jury?"

The Witness: "Yes, sir; more than half of them."

The Lawyer: "Are you willing to swear that you know more than half of them?"

The Witness: "Say, if it comes to that, I'm willing to swear that I know more than half of them put together."

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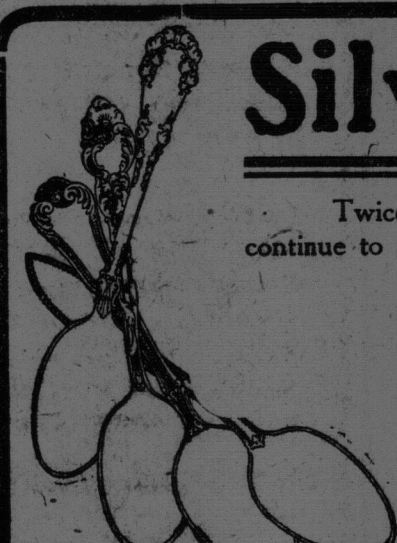
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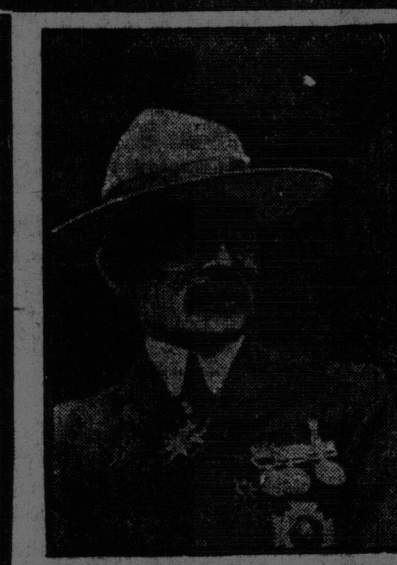
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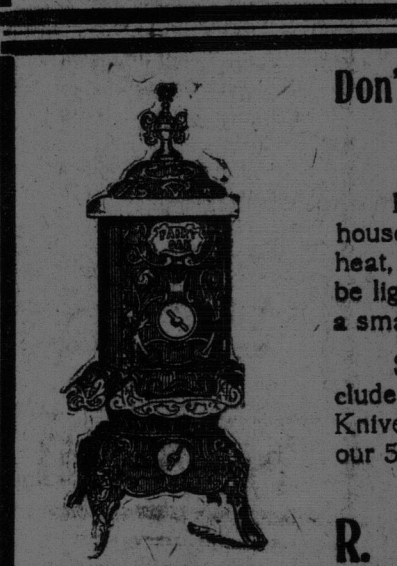
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Montreal, Dec. 22.—(Last year 30,000,000 meals were served on our ocean and lake steamers, railway dining cars, and hotels, an average of considerably over 30,000 meals a day. The cost of the meals was about \$4,000,000.

Equipment and supplies cost \$5,000,000 and the pay rolls amounted to \$5,000,000 more men employed. Fortunately our credit is excellent, so we can secure the capital required with ease, and ordinary working expenses are more than covered by revenue."

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MORNING NEWS OVER THE WIRES

A boat from the mining steamer Morita was picked up yesterday off Lafford Point, N. S., but it contained nothing. The ropes had been cut and this is taken to mean that the crew had to leave the ship in a hurry.

Laura Millett, of Windsor, N. S., who was so terribly burned by mistaking benzine for turpentine, succumbed to her injuries. She was blacking a stove and thinking she had turpentine mixed it with the polish, but it was benzine.

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She was found guilty of murder in the second degree. He is charged with having killed Joseph Joseph, aged seven years.

The sentence of death imposed on three brothers named Graves at Halifax for the murder of an Englishman, Kenneth Lee, three months ago, will stand, according to a decision in the supreme court on Saturday. Three judges stood for a new trial and three for confirming the conviction.

His Grace Archbishop McNeill was officially installed in office yesterday by the Apostolic Delegate in Toronto. Distinguished clergymen were present.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 21.—Fifteen fishing boats have been lost in a storm on the Captain Sea. Forty fishermen are missing.

"What success have you had with the portrait of your mother-in-law?"

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