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Manager.

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PUBLIC SERVICE.

(Ottawa Evening Journal)

It is fashionable nowadays, particularly among that class of persons who do not even bother to go to a polling booth on election day, to sneer at politics and politicians. The country has heard so many cheap sneers at our politicians, that the term, which in the minds of our young men should stand for patriotism and service, has got to be held in contempt; public men, thanks to an unthinking, ignorant crusade, are regarded as a lot of scheming demagogues and parasites living upon the taxes of the people. Because of this false impression, an impression which in Canada, is seriously hindering against our public life, The Journal is glad to avail itself of every possible opportunity of showing that as a class our public men represent as high—if not higher—a degree of patriotism as can be found among any other class in the community. Such an opportunity is afforded by a discussion in the Commons yesterday which brought out two of our well known parliamentarians, Sir George Perley and Hon. F. B. McCurdy, have, for the past couple of years, been giving their time and their energy to the service of the country without a cent of material reward in return. Mr. McCurdy, one of the brightest and ablest of the young business men of Canada, has by his acceptance of the position of Parliamentary Secretary for the Department of Militia removed himself from active business which must have meant the loss of many thousands of dollars. Yet he declines to accept a cent for his services. If Sir George Perley were to devote the time and energy that he is giving the country to his private affairs, his material income would be increased by many thousands of dollars. Yet, for the onerous, exacting service that he is giving the country as Overseas Minister of Militia he declines material reward.

Nor are such cases of disinterested service remote in our political life; they have their counterpart in many instances that too often go unappreciated by a cynical, ungrateful public. We venture to say that in that section of the nation which howls loudest and oftenest against politicians, particularly among that comfortable class of political aristocrats who hold aloof from our politics except to denounce politicians and to demand "business government" there is not to be found an equal measure of sacrifice for national service. And we would like to see instances such as those of Mr. F. B. McCurdy and Sir George Perley, brought to the attention of all the people of Canada, particularly to

Letters to the Editor

(Editor's Note:—The columns of The Union Advocate are open at all times, when space is available, to correspondents who may desire to express their opinions thereon on questions of public interest. Opinions differing from those held by The Union Advocate will be given space as freely as those with which this paper agrees, and letters from correspondents are published with the distinct understanding that the opinions expressed in such letters are not necessarily those of The Union Advocate.

Letters which in the judgment of The Editor, are unreasonably offensive to anyone, will not be published.

A POLITICAL PUZZLE

Numerous investigations have been held and some are being held at present. Various political scandals have been unearthed and politicians condemned, guilty, criminally and politically, by undoubted proof. Some have been punished, others exonerated by the so called "Whitewash" method. Among the investigations held into the actions of the late local government will be remembered one into the Public Works Department, at which one, H. Blair, was a star witness, who with two co-partners, constituted the so-called Concrete Construction Co., Ltd., the stock of which Company being found worthless after many Provincial Steel Bridges had been painted on a 30% basis was thrown into the fire. Perhaps because the alien chief partner had absconded with the profits. The people of New Brunswick by their honest vote condemned the late Government and turned it out of office on February 24th, 1917, with the intention of electing a clean honest government. The Public Works Department of the present clean honest Government shows its appreciation of the services of Mr. H. Blair, whose services while in office of the late Government brought on the condemnation of the Public, thereby helping the present Government into office. At the present time every member of the famous Concrete Construction Company has been rewarded by the local government, except the one who absconded with the profits and perhaps if he can be found he also will be provided for, though we hope he may not be in want. Is this not the proper way for a Government to reward its friends?

The student of politics who can solve this puzzle is worthy of reward.

Independent Representation

ON A VISIT

Fred Lucas, chief of police at Newcastle, is in the city on a vacation. He was a former valued officer on the St. John force and is receiving a hearty welcome from his many friends.—St. John Standard.

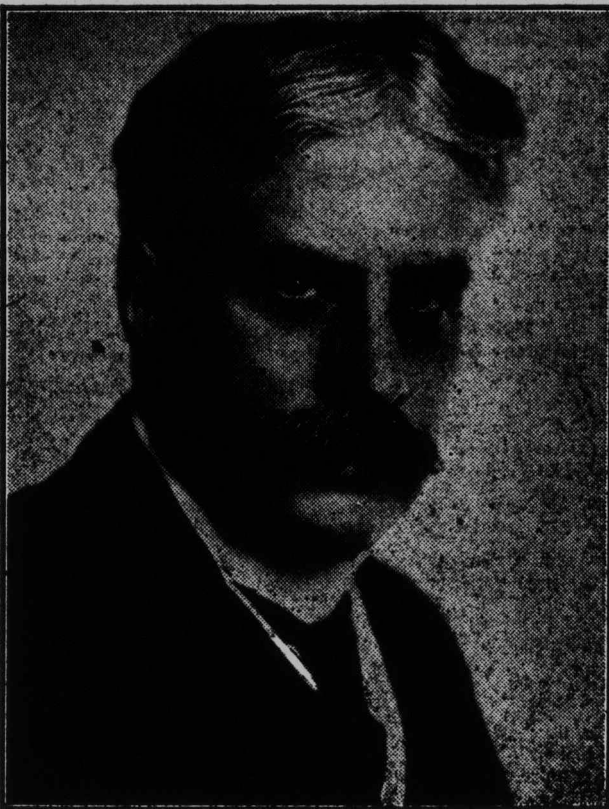
MISS CLARE RYAN

The death of Miss Clara Ryan of Chatham, occurred on Monday afternoon after a lingering illness. Deceased was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Ryan and had many friends. She is survived by her parents, one brother, Ernest of Arlington, Mass., and two sisters, Mrs. Robert Campbell of Chatham, and Miss Katie at home. Another brother, Leonard, was killed in France a few months ago.

The attention of our young men who are too frequently misled into the habit of scoffing at what is, after all, the noblest profession in our national life.

The list is a long one of Canadians outside of the army who are these days devoting their time and energies at considerable sacrifice to the public service without remuneration and without hope of reward other than the personal satisfaction of accomplishment in something worth while.

Premier Borden Will Not Resign Post



R. H. Borden

Annual Methodist District Meeting

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After earnest addresses by Rev. Dr. Steele, Rev. J. L. Dawson and others the following was unanimously adopted:

That this District, having heard Dr. Steele, Supt. of Missions, and Rev. J. L. Dawson, Pres. of Conference, present the forward movement of the Methodist church of Canada, having as its objective the raising of \$300,000 as well as to educate and stimulate our people along missionary and spiritual lines, agrees with the principles and purposes of the movement and would pledge itself to do all in its power to attain the desired goal, \$1100 being the Chatham District's share of this amount.

Rev. Messrs. Steele and Dawson addressed a large public meeting in the evening.

PROGRESS OF THE WAR

The British operations east and northeast of Ypres, uncertain for a few days, were reported on the 23rd inst. as being completely successful. The French objectives north of Verdun last week appear to have been attained. If the offensive were continued fresh artillery preparation would be necessary.

The German counter attacks Thursday against dominant positions such as Dead Man Hill and Hill 344 proved to be costly failures, leaving the French masters of the points they held before the beginning of the great battle of Verdun last year.

The German sea raider, See Adler, in South American waters last winter, is reported sunk after a battle with a British warship. Only a few of her men were saved.

Canadian troops on the 25th pressed continuously against Lens, capturing a short trench and an enemy post with a few prisoners and a machine gun.

The French last week, by the capture of Hill 304, recovered the last of the Verdun forts captured by the Germans in 1916. They have advanced still further, practically clearing that corner of France of the enemy. In the Verdun contest recently the French captured 8,000 prisoners. The Italians last week made important gains towards Trieste, taking

over 25,000 prisoners.

After two weeks fighting, General Mackensen has advanced 4½ miles in Roumania, and he is about brought to a standstill.

The Germans are still unable to reach Riga on the Baltic, although many of the Russian regiments remain disorganized.

During the present year the allies have regained 1,000 square miles of France. There is no hope, however, of them breaking the German western lines this fall or winter.

The determining factor of the war it seems does not come by agreement will be the entry of the American army into France next year.

A report from the American state department says that the German scientists have compiled statistics which show that if the war continues for another two years the condition of the world as regards foodstuffs will be the same as that of Germany today. The communication received by the state department says that the German government is therefore informing its people that all military preparations to continue the war for another two years must be made, stating that if this is done Germany cannot be defeated, because the people of the countries now at war with Germany will not endure the hardships which the German people are continued fresh artillery preparation willing to undergo.

Those Hasty Speeches!



He: "Think of living in a shack like that. How would you like it?" She: "Oh, George, this is so sudden!"

The Iron Cow
A most amusing slip was made the other day by an attorney, who was retained to defend a farmer, whom a late servant sued for wages alleged to be owing to him by defendant, who refused to pay on account of the servant leaving his employ without proper notice.

The attorney wound up a grandiloquent speech, by informing his worship that the plaintiff had left his client in a fix by absconding himself from his duties when there were forty-one cows to milk, thus requiring "All hands to the pump!"

Going the Limit



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