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THE BLOCKADE

The Toronto Globe and other globules, including the Brantford Expositor, are seeking to make the pretence that the Laurierites at Ottawa are doing a patriotic thing in holding up public business in connection with the naval bill blockade. Nothing of the sort.

All that these men are after is a chance to get back at the fleshpots of office.

They are still laboring under the foolish idea that the wallop they got in September, 1911 was a fluke and that the public are simply yearning to undo what they then accomplished.

What they hope to gain, even if they should force an early appeal, heaven only knows.

That a number of Liberals voted against the proposal to get closer to Washington and that much further from the Old Land, was abundantly demonstrated in the last general contest. If they hadn't put the Empire before party, Laurier would still be in power.

The ex-Premier and his colleagues are sticking to that proposal, and there is no reason to suppose that the Liberals who refused to swallow that dose in 1911 have changed their minds. To the direct contrary a Reformer who stuck to his colors, breathed a sigh of relief when he knew that the pact in question had been given a solar plexus in the super Clavicular region, something like that.

There is no great issue which warrants such buccaneering tactics as are now in operation at Ottawa on the part of the Liberals, and if there is another election the people will know their idea of the matter according Laurier an ever lessening than he has at this time.

AN INDEPENDENT VIEW

The Hamilton Herald, (Independent) says:

"By the opposition at Ottawa adopting the tactics of continuous obstruction with the hope of forcing the government to go to the country on the naval bill, is shown by the remembrance of the success with which the same tactics was operated seven years ago. In 1896, the Liberal opposition, with Sir Wilfrid Laurier, by persistent obstruction, forced the Tupper government to dissolve parliament and appeal to the country on the Manitoba school question.

But the situation in 1896 and the present situation are not parallel. In 1896 parliament had already reached its term and dissolution would have had to take place before another session in any event. The present parliament is only eighteen months old and has years to run. In 1896 the Tupper government was attempting to force through parliament a measure which was the subject of much public agitation throughout the country and was clearly unpopular. There is no agitation against the present government's naval policy; so far as surface indications go, the majority of the people are content to have Canada make a direct contribution to the naval defence forces of the empire. In 1896 the question over which the fight was waged had not been an issue in the previous general election and the people had had no knowledge of the policy which the government would adopt with regard to it. Before the general election of 1911 Mr. Borden outlined his naval policy, and the people knew what the next government would do in the matter if the Conservatives were successful at the polls.

There is no true analogy between the two situations. The ugly fact is, it is to be feared, that the opposition thinks it may be able to force the government to the country, the Liberals thus getting a chance to climb back into power. In order to attain their end Sir Wilfrid and his supporters are willing to hold up the public business indefinitely at enormous cost to the country. If there were any public agitation against the government's naval policy, the opposition's course might be excusable. In the circumstances, it is a sordid spectacle that is now on view at Ottawa."

NOTES AND COMMENTS

It would seem kind of lonely in this neck of the woods without some kind of an election wouldn't it?

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Laurier must be yearning to get rid of some more of his dead wood supporters who survived the battle of 1911.

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If public feeling over the naval issue is the same in other constituencies as it is in the two Brants, Laurier will have to flock all by himself if a speedy election takes place.

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The British militant suffragettes assert that they are about to do something to "stagger humanity." Can it be possible that they are about to show some evidences of common sense?

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Hamilton charges $4,500 per annum for the rent of the city hall basement. As far as Brantford's municipal structure is concerned, $1 a year for the entire outfit would be an outrageous overcharge.

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"The issue between the two parties is not one of money. Both propose to appropriate the same sum—$35,000,000—for naval defence."—Toronto Globe.

The ministers of a Liberal government in the Old Land stated to Mr. Borden that an immediate grant would be most acceptable, and the Globe evidently thinks that you can't accept the word of a British Grit.

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An anonymous correspondent writes the Courier to ask why it is that in Canada a member of Parliament, if selected for Cabinet office, has to go back to his constituency for another endorsation. It is caused by the British custom that a member of parliament cannot accept a place of profit under the Crown without first vacating his seat. Another phase of the matter in the Old Land is that no member can resign his seat unless disqualified. Any parliamentary representative who wishes to withdraw therefrom applies for what is known as the "Chiltern Hundreds." In former years, the beech forests which covered the Chiltern Hills, in Buckinghamshire, England, were infested with robbers, and in order to restrain them and protect the peaceful inhabitants of the neighborhood, it was usual for the Crown to appoint an officer who was called the "Steward of the Chiltern Hundreds." The office about 1750 became useless, but it is still supposed to carry with it an emolument, and that accounts for the present use to which it is put. As soon as it is attained, it is at once again resigned, and thus keeps vacant for the purpose to which the above has reference.

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What the Other Fellow Thinks.

Obstruction.

Montreal Star: If the weapon of obstruction is to be employed at this late stage in the passage of the Navy Bill to compel an election, the government ought to feel that "the Lord has delivered their enemies into their hand."

Public feeling in favor of "doing something," and doing it at once, has been growing in Canada, ever since the Naval Question came uppermost in the public mind. **Our people are heartily weary and thoroughly ashamed of being the only "shirkers" in the British Empire.** Every time they read of a new augmentation of the armaments of the possible enemies of Britain, they blush from the consciousness that, so far, Canada has done absolutely nothing to safeguard the flag.

The government may be certain the nation is behind them. If they go to the people with the single, naked question—"Will you contribute at once in the most effective manner—**the manner specially indicated by the experts of the Admiralty**—to the naval defence of our menaced Empire?"—the answer will be swift, affirmative, emphatic, crushing.

The Canadian people will be with the government in dealing with any wanton obstruction in whatever fashion is judged to be most effective. **To delay naval action now will be nothing short of a national crime;** and the Ministers can fairly start from this ground in deciding what they had best do. An election will imply a certain amount of delay. Closure, on the other hand, can only force the Commons. The Senate may still compel delay. The facts should be all considered; and then the **government should take the shortest road to the desired and duty-dictated end** —a fighting Canadian contribution—confident that the overwhelming majority of the Canadian people will back them, whenever they carry this vital question to the country.

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BLUNDERS IN SHORTHAND.

Amusing Mistakes That Come When The Notes Are Transcribed.

A volume could be filled with amusing stories of shorthand mistakes, the greater number of them due to mistaken vowels. For instance, "This day is big with fate" was transcribed, "This day is big with fat," while "Do not indulge in spite" came out "Do not indulge in spit," and "A house of many gables" was transformed into "A house of many gabbles." The use of a wrong vowel may have the most amusing result, as in the phrase, "Many, know thyself," which was once converted, in the report of a sermon, into "Man, gnaw thyself."

To misplace a vowel is, in shorthand, the easiest thing in the world. A well-known reporter tells of a pupil who by this means turned "mighty acts" into "mighty cats," and another report of a sermon was spoiled by the advice, "Return a blow with an ax" instead of "a kiss."

The "reporting style," in which the vowels are omitted altogether for the sake of rapidity, is responsible for the famous American story of the shorthand clerk who took down a note of his wife's instruction to "Be sure and remember to bring home a cake of castile soap," and, as a result, returned home with a can of ox tail soup!

Newspaper readers are sometimes astonished by mistakes on the part of reporters. Consider, for instance, the surprise of the readers of a certain staid daily some years ago when they learned that a public man had the night before solemnly announced that "All reforms in England have been brought about by Prussia!" The word the great man had really used was "pressure," not "Prussia." So, too, considerable astonishment was caused when "curates" instead of "pew rates" were reported to be "the greatest enemies of the church."

A somewhat similar type of error was perpetrated by the reporter who made Lord Carnarvon say that "In these days clergymen as expected to have the wisdom and learning of a journeyman tailor." What he had said was, of course, "a Jeremy Taylor." Another reporter referred to John Bright as "the gamecock," instead of "The Gamaliel of Birmingham," and yet another transcribed his notes of Mr. Chamberlain's remark, "They bring up their puny popguns and spatter me with abuse," as "They bring out their penny popguns and spatter me with peas."

The people of Edinburgh were once highly indignant that Prof. Blackie should have referred to the "greasy" atmosphere of their town, when he had really been commending its "breezy atmosphere."—London Strand Magazine.

Risked His Life.

W. H. Wickham, the man who is responsible for the introduction of rubber trees in India, is living today on a pension in London. He is said to have received from the promoters of the enterprise $5,500 in cash, the remainder being put out at interest to furnish him with a life income.

The agricultural department of East India, which was approached on the subject, raising rubber trees, took kindly to it, and sent Wickham to gather the seed of the Para rubber tree in Brazil. Wickham lived in the jungles with the natives and won their confidence.

Slowly he collected seeds until he had 75,000 of them. He put them in bags and smuggled them aboard a ship, which was short of cargo and funds. The Government of India stood all the costs.

The seeds were cultivated in the hot-house of Kew Gardens. Some 2,000 Para plants developed, and these were sent to Ceylon for cultivation. That was the beginning of the rubber-growing industry in India, and now millions of dollars are made annually from the rubber plantations in Ceylon, Malaya, and other East Indian provinces.

From Wickham's seeds much purer rubber was grown than Brazil had ever seen. He ran the risk of a long term in prison, for a Brazilian law prohibited the removal of the seeds from the country.

Names of the Grapefruit.

The grapefruit is simply a variety of the shaddock. How it got the former name is a question, but how it got the latter is a matter of history. The tree was named after a Captain Shaddock, who early in the eighteenth century took it to the West Indies from the Malayan and Polynesian islands, of which it is a native. Perhaps no other tree or fruit has so many names or so many queer spellings of a single name. Besides its full dress name of Citrus aurantium decumana and its common name of "forbidden fruit," it is called pompoleon, pampelmoes, pompelmoes pompelmous and pompelmoose.

The First Sailors.

The first people, so far as we know, to navigate the deep waters were the Phoenicians. For a long time the Phoenician ships were the only ones to be seen on the Mediterranean or Atlantic. At an age so remote that it cannot be determined with any degree of exactitude the Phoenicians traded along the Atlantic shore south with Africa and north with the British Isles. It is just possible, of course, that other nations may have navigated the deep waters as early as the Phoenicians, but to say that they did is but to proceed upon pure guesswork.

Parrot One Hundred Years Old.

A parrot, described by its owner, H. Bowen, Weymouth, England, as over a hundred years old, has been three times to Australia in a sailing ship. A parrot of 112, without any plumage left, is said to be living in an hotel at Sydney, New South Wales.

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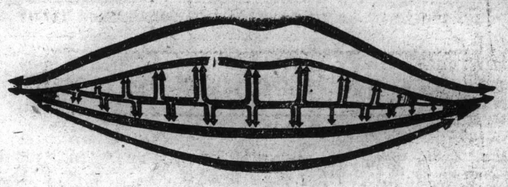

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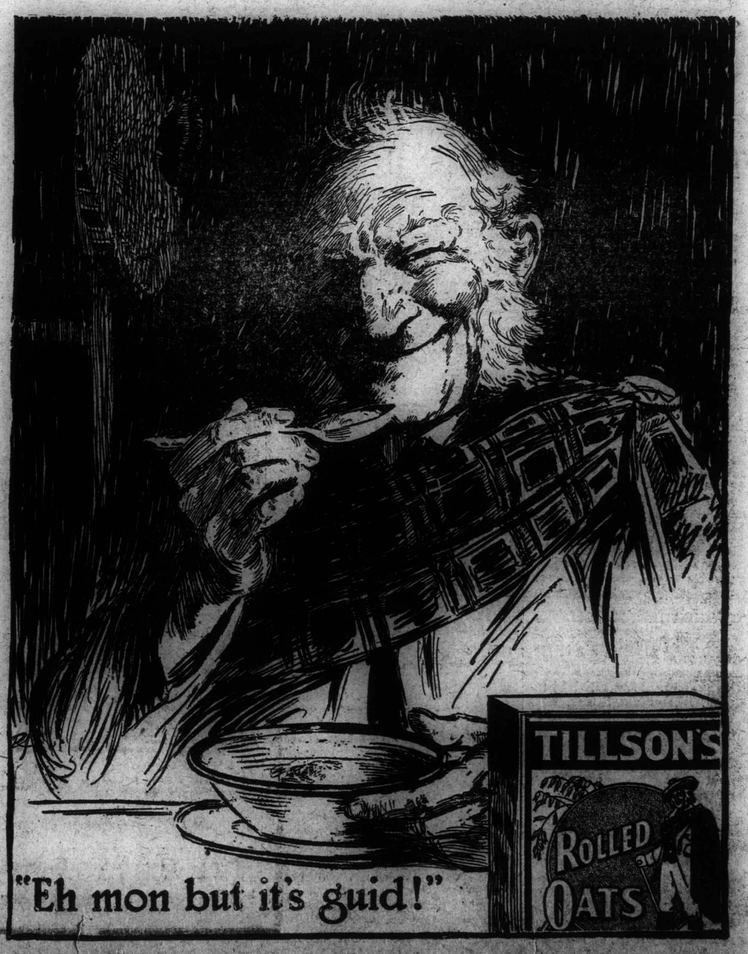

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