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A Strong Letter.

The following letter addressed by Hon. Clifford Sifton, one of Canada's leading statesmen, to the leader of the Senate, is so full of sound sense and truth that we cannot do better than give it in full to our readers. It should be read by all:

"Hon. Hewitt Bostock, The Senate, Ottawa.

"MY DEAR BOSTOCK: Will you permit an onlooker to respectfully express his views on the present grave crisis in the affairs of Canada.

"As the leader of the liberal party in the senate, you will shortly be called upon to deal with the Military Service Bill. You and your colleagues will be faced with a grave responsibility.

"The world is in the final stages of a death grapple. No such dire and fearful tragedy has ever before occurred in the known history of mankind. The forces of tyranny and reaction throughout the world have rallied for a last desperate struggle. The fate of liberty, human rights and free modern civilization are at stake. The issue is still altogether undecided and hangs in the balance.

"We have 80,000 men in the fighting line. It is not more than our share. Their numbers are being daily diminished by death and the casualties of war. They are driven to the utmost of their physical powers by lack of reserves. Our reinforcements are almost exhausted.

"I am confident that I voice the sentiments of many thousands of Canadians when I say that at this supreme moment we care nothing for Borden or Laurier, conservatism or liberalism. The overwhelming importance of the crisis absolutely obliterates all considerations of persons or parties.

"The only thing that matters is:— 1. To put every possible ounce of force into our striking power with men, guns and munitions in order to help the allies win the victory for liberty.

2. To stand by our men at the front and give them abundant reinforcements and reserves to admit of rest and recuperation.

3. To maintain the honor of Canada and reform our pledge to see the war through to the limit of our capacity.

"In common with many others, I had hoped that Sir Wilfrid Laurier, if he could not join a union government, would agree to an extension of the life of parliament so as to permit the Borden government to get on with its war policy. To the profound regret of many thousands of his best friends he has decided upon another course. I have no criticism to offer upon his course, not anything, except respect for his sympathy for the difficulties of his position.

"The facts, however, must be squarely faced. The meaning of Sir Wilfrid's attitude and that of his principal supporters in Quebec is that they have determined to force an election on the single issue of conscription. Read the speeches which are daily being delivered and you find that their policy in effect is:—

1. No conscription.

2. No more men. No more money.

"If Sir Wilfrid is returned to power in the approaching election, two-thirds of his followers in parliament will be pledged to the bill against any but a prefatory and ineffective participation in the war. Then:—

1. There will be no conscription in Quebec.

2. There will be no recruiting in Quebec.

3. Under these circumstances it will be obviously impossible to raise troops in the other portions of Canada. Imagine a Laurier government trying to raise troops in the other provinces while Quebec scornfully refuses either to submit to conscription or to recruit.

4. Our regiments at the front will be left stranded and will dwindle and disappear as an effective fighting force.

"The predominating and controlling element behind Sir Wilfrid Laurier will not allow him to prosecute the war. No one who has the slightest experience of parliamentary government in Canada can honestly gain say this conclusion.

"It is said that a great effort is to be made to unite behind a 'solid Quebec' all the elements in the population who are hostile or lukewarm in regard to the war, together with certain of the larger business interests who feel that conscription will interfere with their operations. Thus a determined effort is to be made to return Sir Wilfrid to power.

"What will be the result of this effort if it succeeds? How is the war to be carried on with vigor by a parliamentary party which is controlled by a hostile majority?

"To ask these questions is to answer them. With Sir Wilfrid in power the anti-war party of Quebec will dictate his policy. It is dictating his policy now.

"It is said that the government has made many mistakes. Probably it has. All the other war governments made mistakes. To err is human. It is said that more skilful piloting would have avoided this crisis. Perhaps it would. It is hard to say. On the other hand, it is alleged that Sir Wilfrid Laurier, had he chosen to do so, when applied to, could have found a way out of the difficulty. It may be so; it is easy to criticize.

"What is certain is that none of these things matter now. We have to face facts, not theories. The issue is simple. Either:—

1. We put our whole strength into the war.

2. We abandon our men at the front and dishonor our solemn obligation.

"I will go further. The decision of this issue will determine, once for all, whether Canada is a nation dominated and held together by a national sense of honor, or is a helpless aggregation of sectional communities, held together only by the serving considerations of sectional interest.

"If anything in this troubled world can be absolutely clear, it is clear to-day that we can grapple with this situation in one way and in one way only, by the formation of a union war government, administered on non-partisan lines, which will straight away appeal for a mandate to the people of Canada, and can consistently be supported by every element in the population that is loyal to the cause.

"Germany is fighting desperately to wear out the fortitude of her opponents. If she succeeds the peace will be inconclusive. It will be no peace for us, but the beginning of an intolerable strain of constant preparedness for war.

"We are not fighting for sentiment, for England, or for Imperialism; we are fighting for the rights of ourselves and our children to live as a free community.

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The first settlers at Buyathome realized the truth of the law that all wealth comes from three things, land, labor and capital. Land they had in abundance; but they were canny, these first settlers in Buyathome, and they resolved not to waste their land. Labor was scarce; and they resolved to study a means to attract labor. Of wealth they had very little; and they resolved to attract all the wealth possible to their city and to keep it there once they had obtained it.

"Follow citizens," said Mayor Lookhead, "two things we must get if Buyathome is to become a big city, labor and capital. But really these two are so inseparable that if we get capital we are almost certain to get the labor that will develop more capital. And with the coming of more and more capital, Buyathome is bound to have a greater and greater population.

"Hear, hear," was heard all over the hall in which the citizens were assembled.

"I am going to tell you at once how this labor and this capital can be secured. I claim no credit for this recipe, any thoughtful man will tell you the same as I will tell you. If we keep our money at home and buy from our local gardeners and our local farmers, we are going to have bigger stores, bigger gardens, bigger farms and the money with which to build factories. Our town will then attract labor and additional capital that will go to build up Buyathome and make it a great city.

"Mark these words carefully as no truer words ever were spoken: If you spend your money in Buyathome you get a hundred more chances at the same old dollar; but when that dollar goes out of town, it's 'Good-bye Bill.'"

Cheers and applause from all over the hall greeted these potent words of Mayor Lookhead.

"I wish I had a gramophone to place in every home so that those words could be heard by everyone every day," he continued. "But that is going to be the slogan of Buyathome from this day forth."

NQW EVERYBODY TO-DAY, TO-MORROW AND ALL THE TIME BUY AT HOME.

Major Harry W. Roscoe and Capt. F. W. Wickwire have returned from the front. They arrived at their homes in Kentville on Saturday. Both have been mentioned in despatches. Major Roscoe has been awarded the D. S. O. of Merit.

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