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MR. HAZEN AND ST. JOHN | land, made a plea for a minimum wage Why has not Hon. Mr. Hazen kept for agricultural laborers, without which many were utterly unable to pay an economic rent for a decent cottage. If, Mr. Rogers to the St. John board of he said, a minimum wage were estabtrade very recently that an absolutely lished, "cottages would be built to meet fair test would be made of St. John as the demands without the government

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"They say she's pretty."

"Let me tell you. When she gets on a street car, the car advertising is a should be paid in cash as is done in she brought letters, and some of them were received in the city of St. John. other trades.

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we are told that "the matter will be adjusted in the interest of Canada and on the proper lines." Why was it not adjusted before the first mail steamship arrived? What is there so serious about hy Mr. Lloyd George to the first mail steamship arrived? this matter of adjustment as to cause so much delay, and prevent St, John from getting a fair start as a mail port?

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and is of most interest to the people of St. John is this:— Why has not Mr. Hazen kept his solemn pledge to his constituents? Why, also, did he merely reply to the query of the board of trade by repeating to them an insulting communication from the deputy postmaster general?

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Are You Interested in

general?

It is simply amazing that there should be any trouble over this matter. Mr. Hazen knew perfectly well how important it is to have a fair test made of St. John as a mail port. He has pledged himself to see that the test is made. And yet the board of trade and city John.

The project of the control of the contro And yet the board of trade and city council find it necessary to protest, and even the St. John Standard, which of course endeavors to relieve Mr. Hazen's friends to keep on reiterating the assertion all blame, declares there are points in the communication from the post office department "upon which our people are entitled to further information."

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ple are entitled to further information."

What is the use of having a representative in the government if he cannot secure a simple act of justice for his constituency? But, with or without Mr. Hazen's help, the fight for justice must go on.

It is worthy of note that the German chancellor, speaking in the German purliament yesterday, referred to Anglo-German affairs and expressed the belief that they would be conducted to a most favorable outcome. In other words, the

THE FIELDING BANQUET At the Fielding banquet in Montreal last evening the gratifying announcement was made that Hon. W. S. Fielding will re-enter parliament. In the meantime, as editor of the Montreal shed on the new I. C. R. pier is expect. Daily Telegraph, he will be of great service as a critic of the Borden government and as an exponent of Liberal policy. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in the policy. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in the policy. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in the course of his speech set out very clearly the change that has come about in Canada during the little more than two years of Conservative rule. The cost of living has greatly increased. There is a growing complaint of unemployment. Idle men are found in great numbers in all the larger cities. There is thus "less work on one side and higher cost of living on the other." Sir Wilfrid asks what the government has done or is doing in the face of this very serious situation, and is unable to discover that they are taking any steps to improve the conditions. The Hon. Mr. Crothers intimates that if cheaper living is wanted it can be secured by a few years of hard times.

Sir Wilfrid years properly points out

dom had declared itself, as it certainly would do, emphatically in favor of Home Kule, men of the Carson stamp would be as irreconcilable as ever. If there is to be trouble it may as well be faced first as last.

A contrast of the conditions which existed in Canada before the Liberal government was defeated with those that exist today shows very clearly the need at this time of a business administration, conducted by men who have foresight enough to anticipate future conditions. sight enough to anticipate future condi-tions and courage enough to make the forward in October and November, and sight enough to anticipate future condinecessary provision to meet them.

At a recent public meeting in Eng- Canadian farmer and stock-holder of a land one of the speakers said the Insurance Act revealed that there were 400,000 people who were receiving as wages a maximum of 12s. a week. He appealed for the adoption of a minigation from the housing committee of

appealed for the adoption of a minimum wage.

At another recent meeting a land owner, who is a member of the house of lords, said he was heartily in favor of a minimum wage for agricultural laborers, and that he himself had just realized a project which had long engaged his attention. He was taking a farm on which a standard wage of 21s and 6d would be paid for adult labor. This was 80 per cent more than the minimum which had previously been current in that particular district. He was satisfied that with sufficient capital, and using up-to-date methods, it would be possible to pay the laborer a steel is to be placed on the grant of the delegation from the housing committee of the board of trade. The remarks of Senator Daniel and others showed that while the board recognizes the importance of town planning for a growing city, they also see the need for action to improve housing conditions in portions of the existing city. No doubt the proposed survey of some one section of the city will be undertaken under the board's direction, and conducted with a thoroughness which will make it of great value, in connection with any measures which may be proposed to secure needed legislation or otherwise make for better housing conditions in St. John.

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Sir Frederick Cawley, M. P., addressing a meeting in another part of Eng-

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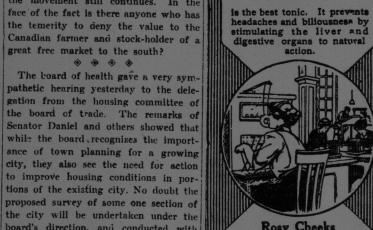
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