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"We are fighting for a worthy purpose, and we shall not lay down our arms until that purpose has been fully achieved."—H. M. The King.
TO THE PEOPLE OF THE EMPIRE—Every fighting unit we can send to the front means one step nearer peace.

BE A MAN SIR WILFRID.

Lucien Cannon, Dorchester, Quebec. Ernest LaPointe, Kamouraska. M. Danjou, Rimouski.

Mr. Cannon is the Liberal candidate in Dorchester county, Quebec. Mr. LaPointe is the Liberal member for the riding of Kamouraska. Mr. Danjou is a prominent barrister of Rimouski, a Liberal of standing in that part of Quebec, and a close friend and admirer of Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

These three men have not hesitated to tell the people of Dorchester, Quebec, that they bring the message of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and that his message is that National Service means conscription, that the Liberal leader and all the Liberal party oppose conscription, that the Liberal opinion is that Canada has sacrificed enough for the cause of Empire and that contributions of men and money for the Empire war must stop.

This is presented to the people of Dorchester as the view of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, leader of the Liberal party, and the presentation has been made on more than one occasion. The Liberal leader has not denied it nor has he repudiated the men who have brought his name into the Dorchester by-election in such unsavory fashion.

The Telegraph, yesterday morning, published from the Liberal Monthly what was pleased to call "Sir Wilfrid's War Message." That appeal was a patriotic utterance well worthy of the head of a great political party.

BUT IT WAS PUBLISHED IN ENGLISH AND INTENDED FOR CONSUMPTION ONLY IN THE ENGLISH PROVINCES OF CANADA WHERE IT PLEASES THE LIBERAL LEADER TO PLAY PATRIOTISM FOR POLITICAL ENDS. In these provinces it is the Liberal game to claim that the Borden Government has not done and is not doing enough in the cause of Empire. IN QUEBEC IT IS THE LIBERAL GAME TO CRY THAT THE BORDEN GOVERNMENT IS TOO LOYAL AND HAS DONE TOO MUCH FOR THE EMPIRE. That statement can be borne out by the facts in the Dorchester by-election campaign.

What is the Liberal complaint against Hon. Mr. Seigney in Quebec? That he made speeches against the Laurier navy before 1911? Not at all. EVERY SPEECH THE LAURIER CANDIDATE IN THE CONSTITUENCY OF DORCHESTER MAKES IS FILLED WITH CHARGES THAT MR. SEIGNY HAS CHANGED HIS OPINIONS AND THAT NOW HE IS PREPARED TO AGREE TO ANY SACRIFICE THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT MAY ASK. This is too loyal to suit the Laurierites of Quebec.

The Telegraph accuses the Conservative party and Conservative newspapers of attempting to stir up racial and religious strife in Canada, hoping by such strife to precipitate a general election and gain a new lease of power for the Borden Government. The Telegraph lies. Every member of the Conservative party is opposed to racialism. Every member of the Conservative party is against a war time election. As against this attitude the candidates endorsed by the Liberal leader and newspapers owned by men who, for years, derived pecuniary benefits from the government led by that leader, are flooding the country with statements intended to inflame section against section and race against race.

In the English provinces the cry is that Borden is weak, that the Government is hesitating and ruled by the Nationalists and, therefore, not able to perform the best National Service in this time of strife. In Quebec the cry is that the Borden Government is opposed to the French-Canadian, that the purpose of the National Service movement is industrial or military conscription and that in acquiescing to Canadian participation in ENGLISH WARS, mark the term, ENGLISH WARS, not Empire wars, or British wars—the French-Canadian representatives in that Government are misrepresenting the heart and mind of the French-Canadian people. THAT SHAMEFUL CANVASS MUST

STOP. THAT SORT OF WORK CANNOT CONTINUE.

If Laurier is as truly loyal as his war message would lead one to believe let him call a halt to the pernicious doctrines preached by his hirelings in Quebec. Let him state openly that the utterances of the treason-monger of Dorchester do not represent the Liberal party. Let him put aside the political artifices with which he is attempting to gain support in the country by the use of a different appeal for every parish, and give to the Government that whole-hearted support which, as the patriot he claims to be, it is his duty to tender.

If, on the other hand, he hopes to climb to power on the shoulders of creatures like Lucien Cannon and his associates, let the English Liberals in the English provinces of Canada, the men who believe in Canadian participation in this war, and who have already united with the Conservatives in pouring out their blood and that treasure to help in bringing about that decisive victory, which alone is the guarantee of the peace of future generations, be plainly advised of the facts. Let the mask come off whether it discloses a patriot or partisan.

If Laurier wants Quebec and can only gain it by recourse to such shameful canvasses as that made by his spokesmen in Dorchester, then the whole country should know it. But in the name of all that Canadians hold dear, in the name of those boys in uniform, who in their young manhood are defending British principles on the blood-sodden plains of France and Flanders, let Sir Wilfrid speak his mind, and bring to an everlasting termination this shameful canvass that the Borden Government is TOO BRITISH for Quebec, and NOT BRITISH ENOUGH for the other provinces. Let him put his cards face up on the table and play them honestly. Sir Wilfrid be a man.

THE TIMES AND I. C. R. CHANGES.

The Times last evening, under faring headlines, published an article which was deliberately or ignorantly misrepresentative of conditions on the Intercolonial Railway. The article in question stated that, commencing on Sunday, the "entire suburban train service would be abolished" and the only connection with suburban stations along the I. C. R. would be by the Sussex and through trains. The Times claimed that an announcement to that effect was made yesterday morning.

The statement in the evening organ of the machine Grits was entirely false. There will be certain curtailments in the I. C. R. train services, but the suburban service will be left intact and those "city men residing in the suburbs who are required to observe ordinary business hours," over whose welfare the Times expressed such concern, will be in no wise inconvenienced. In another column of The Standard this morning will be found information regarding the new timetable of the Intercolonial. It is reliable, official, and such as the people can trust. In this it differs from the information supplied to Times readers as it is not the product of an irresponsible reporter misrepresenting through ignorance, nor has it been doctored by a party-mad journalistic acrobat, whose sole desire is to distort facts for the sake of political capital. The I. C. R. suburban service will remain intact. The Times' statement to the contrary is merely one more evidence of that journal's utter disregard of the truth.

One of the resolutions adopted by the Social Service Congress, which concluded its session here on Wednesday, reads as follows: "Resolved, That this Social Service Congress commend the work of the Department of Agriculture and the Board of Education in fostering agricultural education in the public schools and short term courses in different centres for the betterment of rural conditions." The Social Service Congress is an absolutely non-partisan body and therefore the praise contained in the foregoing resolution may be accepted as genuine. Hon. J. A. Murray, Provincial Minister of Agriculture, and the members of the Board of Education have done good work and it is

pleasing to find recognition of it from a body which is likely to become a power for the improvement of social conditions in New Brunswick.

"The participation of Canada in overseas wars must be settled in Parliament, not by a war council in Downing Street"—This statement was made in Parliament yesterday by Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, former Postmaster General in the Laurier Government. Sir Wilfrid Laurier was present but did not rebuke the sneering reference to the Imperial Government. Evidently the opinion expressed by Lucien Cannon, Sir Wilfrid's "Dear Lucien," that Canada should not contribute further to British wars finds sympathetic response in the hearts and minds of other French-Canadian Liberals closer even to their leader than is the Dorchester candidate.

The Telegraph yesterday devoted a column of space to derisive criticism of Hon. B. Frank Smith's announcement that the New Brunswick Government is about to adopt aggressive measures for improvement of the public roads of the province. The Standard has no desire to disconnect the Telegraph but will that estimable journal please tell us just what sort of roads New Brunswick "enjoyed" when the Tweedle-Pugsley-Robinson plumb-dumb ruled at Fredericton.

No organization in St. John has been more zealous in patriotic endeavor than the Young Women's Patriotic Association which held its annual meeting last evening. The association's record of having raised hundreds of dollars for patriotic causes during the past few months is especially creditable when it is remembered that the achievement represented real earnest labor and a great sacrifice of time on the part of the association's members.

FAREWELL TO CANADA.

Now sinks beyond the western wave Acadia's misty shore:
And many an eye that gazes now
Shall see those hills no more.
And many a heart now glad and gay
Shall lie beneath the mold.
Before another autumn dyes
The maple leaves with gold.

There's many a mother prays tonight
And weeps with bitter pain
For the gallant lad her longing eyes
May never see again:
And many a young wife bows her head
To kiss the silken hair
Of the babe that ne'er may know again
A father's tender care.

Dear land of hills and fertile vales,
Green fields and pleasant streams,
How oft the scenes we loved the best
Will haunt our waking dreams;
Thy fields in summer verdure clad;
Or winter's snowy dress;
Thy sons had slept at home tonight
If they had loved thee less.

Farewell dear land of Canada,
Our hearts are still with thee:
To thee our thoughts will ever turn
Across the stormy sea;
We live for thee, we die for thee,
For freedom, truth and right
One last, long gaze—the darkness falls—
Goodnight, dear land, goodnight.
—W. P. Lawrence, 185th Batt.

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Little Benny's Note Book

By LEE PAPE.

Sid Hunt came around with his fox terrier Teddy this afternoon, saying, Well, fellows, are you all ready to see a grate new trick, it took me a month to teach him this trick, he can count just like a person now, do you want to see him?

Wich we all sed we did.
Sid stood in the middle of the pavement and put his cap on backwards, saying, Ladies and gentlemen, I want to call your attention to the greatest performing trick animal in the world, his name is Teddy and he will now proceed to do any example in arithmetic that anybody in the audience wants to ask him, Teddy, set up.

Wich Teddy sat up on his hind legs, being a funny looking dog with a black spot around one ear and hardly any tale, and Puds Simkins sed, Tell him to add 2 and 2, that's a very one.
That's a snitch for Teddy, Teddy, the gentleman asks you to add 2 and 2, add 2 and 2, Teddy, sed Sid.

Wich Teddy looked at him a while and then he barked 5 times, and Sid quick sed, Ah, hah, wonderful, ladies and gentlemen, he even put a period on the end.

Ask him wat 2 plus 3 is, sed Sam Cross.
Teddy, how much is 2 plus 3? sed Sid. Wich Teddy looked at him another while and then barked 10 times.

10, rone, rone, we all sed.
Rone nothing, he counted it twice, that's all, I didnt tell him to only count it wunts, did I? sed Sid.

Aw, aw, we all sed, and I sed, Ask him wats 3 times 3.
Teddy, the gentleman wood like to know the anser to 3 times 3, wats 3 times 3, Teddy? sed Sid. Wich Teddy jest kepp on setting on his hind legs without saying anything, and after a while Sid sed, Cor-rect, that's rite, Teddy, correct.

Wich all us fellows startid to yell and Sid sed, Wats the matter with you, he counted it to himself, didnt you see his eyes moving? Wich us fellows startid to yell louder, and Sid sed, Come on, Teddy, wad do we care, we know you can do it. And he went away and Teddy got off of his hind legs and followed him.

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LOYALIST CHAPTER REVUE.

After waiting from 9.30 till after 11 o'clock to get tickets for the revue to be held on Jan. 30th by the Loyalist Chapter one lady was heard to say that it was hoped the next revue would be in the summer time. It was very chilly waiting on King Square yesterday and it is to be hoped this system of exchange can be managed in some other way.

WILLING WORKERS' TEA AND SALE.

At the residence of Mrs. E. L. Rising, Queen street, yesterday a tea and sale was held under the auspices of the Willing Workers of German Street Baptist Church. The proceeds of the sale were for foreign missions. There was a good attendance. Those in charge included Mrs. Donaldson Hunt, Mrs. W. C. Cross, Mrs. H. H. Mott. Convokers for the tea were Mrs. S. S. Poole, Mrs. E. A. Redding and members of the Circle of Willing Workers.

TEA TODAY TO BE HELD BY DE MONTS CHAPTER I.O.D.E.

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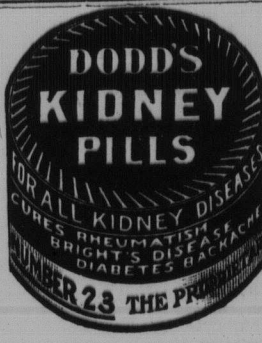
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