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Damning With
Faint Praise

"Damm with faint praise,
Assent with civil leer.
And, without sneering,
Teach the rest to sneer."
about sums up the Globe's attitude towards the Prime Minister.

Mr. Meighen, having won golden tributes from papers so widely separated in sympathies and outlook as the London Times and the Manchester Guardian, the Organ of the Adulterates is confronted with the mean and vexatious task of crying "Rotten Fish!" That the Prime Minister by his fearless honesty, modesty, firmness, loyalty and vision deeply impressed all classes in Great Britain is undeniable. He met every test as those who knew him felt sure he would. He not only evoked admiration by his unrivalled power of clear exposition, but won affection by the simplicity and charm of his personality. In a few short weeks he gained a reputation for statesmanship of the highest order, and this in a land where the standards are exacting and high—an unparalleled feat.

All this is gall and bitterness to the organ which now can only claim to represent those embittered and die-hard Liberals who opposed conscription and who sustain their malevolence by feeding on the memories of the past. The splendid triumph of Canada's youngest Prime Minister on the old battle-ground of astute European diplomacy; his matchless Oration in France; his wise, sane utterance before the Benchers; his noble and eloquent Oration in the Guild Hall; his clear and inspiring address before Edinburgh University instead of evoking generous praise draw forth only cheap sneers of depreciation. In the consulship of Laurier the note was different. Then eulogy mounted to the skies. Then the phrase was "A great Imperial Statesman." Then the slightest whisper of the radiant god "was megaphoned to the four winds. But now we are informed "The Prime Minister will be back soon and will bring with him a certain 'kudos' from participation in the Imperial Conference which always ends in profuse compliments to all and sundry on the part of the British Press. Note the words "always ends." It was not this in the days of servile flattery. The sheer pity of it!

But this is not all, and certainly, not the worst. The Imperial Conference itself is deprecated. There probably never was a more monstrous falsehood put in print than is contained in the words:—"The glory, however, is rather neutralized by the absolute indifference displayed at home as to what the Conference did or what was said. (With domestic problems pressing as they are for solution, the London deliberations and the Anglo-Japanese Alliance have attracted little attention. Surely small-mindedness and envy never went further than this attempt to belittle the sincere efforts of a statesman to bring about world-peace by casting aspersions upon a gathering which represented the very cream of the Empire's elite! No doubt it exactly represents the mind of the editor of Globe who, we all know, is at present more concerned with wresting the control of Canada

from the men who saved it and passing it over to a wild mob of "Come-Outers" headed by MacKenzie King than in combating the forces of disruption. But why does it not endorse King, Lapointe, Crerar, Wood, Drury, J. J. Morrison and James Simpson editorially? And why does it not come out boldly for unadulterated Free Trade? The Empire we may be sure will survive even the sneers of the Globe. It is firmly rooted in the heart of loyalty. Nearly seven hundred thousand of our citizens sprang to its defence and if need be, will spring again. It is Canada that stands in danger of annihilation. And all the Globe has to offer in this momentous crisis is the advocacy of courses that can only lead to political anarchy and financial bankruptcy for all classes including itself.

The Naked Issue

It is entirely reasonable to infer that those Conservative farmers who have joined up with the U. F. O. and kindred associations are still stout protectionists by conviction, and will return to the old party loyalists the moment the danger threatening the entire country is clearly seen. On the other hand, the real strength of the Free Trade movement in politics has always had its centre in the Liberal farmer group. They were never satisfied with Laurier's policy. The Liberal voters in the cities and towns have never been ardent Free Traders. At least, they have but paid it insincere lip service. The moment it is realized that the prosperity of the towns and cities of the Dominion are in danger, they will rally to the standard of Protection as one man. The big guns have not yet started to belch. So far we have had but sniping and ambuscades. But Medicine Hat brought home to the average dweller in the East, as nothing else could, the sinister fact that the approaching fight is not to be between the two historic groups, as in the old days, but between those who are persuaded that, with its unbounded natural resources and unrivalled water-powers, to say nothing of his happy geographical position, the future of Canada is necessarily involved in industrialism; and those who care for none of those things, but would be well content to see the country a mere dumping-ground for foreign manufacturers, and Canadians a race of peasants and unskilled laborers.

An Empire Statesman

A lot of disappointed people hoped that Premier Meighen's political fortunes would meet shipwreck at the Imperial Conference. They hoped he would offend the British born in Canada by showing a lack of sympathy with Empire problems and Imperial aspirations. At the same time they hoped he would give grounds for offense to the people of Quebec by slighting Canadian autonomy. They were sure he would involve the country in vast commitments for military and naval expenditures. Never were people so badly disappointed. Mr. Meighen had not long been in London before he was recognized as a great Empire statesman. He is today a trusted adviser of the British Government. He did not involve Canada in great military and naval expenditures but pointed the way to a permanent world peace. There is little doubt but that he will be as big a figure at the Washington Peace Conference as he was in London at the Imperial Conference.

Garping Criticism

We despair of Mr. Mackenzie King ever attaining the stature of a statesman. He seems to have a fatal facility for saying and doing the wrong thing at the wrong time. We refer particularly to a recent speech in which he

Divert Liners To Canada

New York, Aug. 3.—Shipping circles here have been informed that the Navigazione Generale Italiana Line has directed part of its ships into a new Italian-Canadian service. This is said to be the first Italian line that has been operated between Italy and Canada. The reason attributed for the move is that Italian navigation lines between the United States and Italy are having great difficulty in finding business for their liners at present, due to the enactment of the new United States immigration law. According to information here, other steamship companies also are occupied on the problem of finding other fields for the surplus Italian population, and it is expected that one or more Italian companies will commence sailings to Canada, diverting their present New York service.

Girl Makes Good

Montreal, Aug. 3.—Both song and story have always delighted the young man as leaving home and mother to build a "little grey home in the west" for the girl he loves, but Miss V. Hazlett, an English lady, has reserved the order of things. For four years she has lived alone on a farm, homesteaded by her brother in the Big Touchwood Hills, Saskatchewan, has worked the land herself, made money at it, and now in Montreal on her way to England to get married. After three months there she will return with her husband to settle on her Saskatchewan farm. Miss Hazlett, who is staying at the Queen's Hotel, said that in her opinion the Government should offer facilities for its unmarried women to homestead. "I believe that they could do so as well as men."

Ship Breaks In Two

Victoria, B. C., August 2.—Founded incessantly by the relentless breakers, smashing in front from the open Pacific, the Canadian Government Merchant Marine freight steamer Canadian Exporter this morning broke her back on Willapa Spit and has been abandoned as a total wreck. The entire crew of the steamship is safe, all having been taken aboard the salvage steamer Algerine.

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A C. Burdick manager of the Pacific Salvage Company, at noon today received the following message from Capt. H. W. Logan of the London Salvage Association, who is aboard the Algerine: "Ship broke in two. Further effort useless. Endeavoring to remove gear. Crew all safe on Algerine."

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A message received just before this message at the offices of the salvage company here stated that the ship was badly logged, the shell after-deck plating badly buckled, the tanks full of sand, and the boilers started. Captain Bradley and the entire ship's complement were safely taken off, although there were many exciting scenes as the ship's boats were piloted through the breakers.

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The Canadian Exporter was of 3,381 tons and was launched in December, 1919, from Coughlin Yards, Vancouver. She was delivered to the Canadian Government, March 6, 1920. To complete a cargo for the Orient she was bound from Vancouver to Portland when she went ashore last Sunday night.

Local and Other Items

The Conservatives of the Biding of Leeds and Brockville, have chosen W. C. Johnson, a well-known merchant of Lyndhurst, as their standard-bearer in the by-election necessitated by the retirement of Sir Thomas White.

Omer Proulx and his manager Armand Vincent left Montreal last Saturday morning on board the Steamer Cornishman for England where he will attempt to swim the English Channel. He is only twenty-one years of age.

Intelligence from Montreal indicates that there may be a "pull-out" in Railway freight rates before very long. It is said that an intimation to this effect has been transmitted to the Board of Trade by the Hon. F. B. Carroll, Chairman of the Board of Railway Commissioners.

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Mortgage Sale

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For the purpose of making arrangements for general organization. All Polls are requested to send at least two Delegates.
Conveners and Poll Chairmen will please see that their respective districts and polls are fully represented.
W. H. AITKEN, President Queen's County Liberal-Conservative Association.
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