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IS IT RESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENT?

course, but what does the present parliament represent? How many of the present cabinet ministers could be re-elected in a general election at the present time? Thus

asks an exchange.

The by-elections, held as far east as New Brunswick and as far west as Vancouver Island, plainly indicate that the country has lost confidence in the present government. The election of Dr. S. F. Tolmie in Victoria can be of little consolation to the government. He is elected in spite of being associated with the discredited Unionist ministry, not because of it. Dr. Tolmie's majority of 9,674 in 1917 has been reduced to 2,082; and by a Soldier-Labor candidate in the ultra-conventional city of Victoria. This tremendous reduction of the Unionist standing in Victoria has taken place, notwithstanding the fact that Liberals and Conservatives combined to support Dr. Tolmie, who is regarded as a Liberal, and is personally most popular.

It required the combined efforts of old Liberal

and Conservative parties, aided by Liberal and Conand Conservative parties, aided by Liberal and Conservative daily papers, and the consolidated revenue fund—in the form of liberal promises to build a drydock and to spend more money over dredging in Victoria harbor—to save the situation for the minister of agriculture. In New Brunswick, where the United Farmer candidate defeated the Unionist in Mr. Frank Carvell's old seat, by 5,596 majority, the combined eloquence of three cabinet ministers—Messrs. Meighen, Blondin and Robertson and Ro met ministers—Messis, Meigheit, Donah and Helman en-would seem to have made matters worse, rather than to have helped the unfortunate Unionist candidate. In Glengarry-Stormont, where the Unionist general, had the political sagacity to keep clear of such doubtful

had the political sagacity to keep clear of such doubtur reinforcements as the government had to offer, the United Farmer candidate is elected by 1,800 majority. In Assiniboia, where Unionist and Conservative parties seem to have disappeared altogether, and only the old seem to have disappeared altogether, and only the old guard of the old Liberal party survived to challenge the Farmers' Platform candidate, the United Farmer representative is elected by 4,000 majority. Liberals from Ottawa, including Mr. A. R. McMaster and Mr. L. E. Pedlow, ventured out to Assimiboia to support the old party candidate, Hon. W. R. Motherwell'; but the rapin effect of their exercision to maintain the rapty main effect of their excursion to maintain the party would seem to have been to cause Mr. Motherwell to

With both old parties apparently discredited before the country, and unable to deal effectively with great nathe country, and unable to deal effectively with great na-tional questions arising, the government would seem to be responsible to a parliament that represents little more than old party fund polities. The government simply remains in power with the connivance of the opposition; but the longer it delays with the necessary national readjustment, political and economic, in harmony with public opinion in Canada, the cleaner will be the when it comes. The responsible government of Canada is assuming a serious responsibility, when it undertakes to remain in office by trading on the opposi-

TIMES ARE CHANGING

A totally different attitude on the part of the public A totally different attitude on the part of the public is apparent in Canada to-day, in comparison with a few years ago. The old party man who was nominated by the machine because he could be depended upon to stay with his party through thick and thin, and who was supported at the election because he could be relied upon to reward his faithful workers with jobs and contracts, is not the popular figure he was a few years ago. What we want to-day is a body of voters who will expect and demand from their representatives true public service

APPLY

and an intelligent and informed zeal for the common good-When it is known that a high standard is expected from members of parliament and that disgrace and ignom-ing will assuredly follow a breach of trust, the right stamp of man will come forward and will be elected. There

ONE YEAR AGO TODAY IN THE WAR

Italy reported the capture of 50,000 prisoners since the commencement of the Great Kltalian drive

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS Countess Magri (Mrs. Tom Thumb), the world's most famous midget, born at Middleboro, Mass., 78 ears ago today. Gen. Adelbert Ames, one of the few surviving general

officers of the Union army, born at Rockland, Maine, 84 years ago today.

William McAdoo, late Secretary of the Treasury in

the Wilson cabinet, born at Marietta, Ga., 56 years during the war as Director of Public Safety for Danada born at Yarmouth, N.S., 58 years ago today.

RETIREMENT OF "DAN" REID

New York, Oct. 31.—Daniel G. Reid has decided that he has had enough of Wall Street and businessing general. He is now engaged in winding up his affairs and intends soon to go to California to spend the rest of his days in quiet enjoyment, His retirement will remove from the world of finance on e of its most picturesque figures. Like the late John W. Gates,

and he ha he is a product of the Middle West. Richmond, In., was his birthplace, and he has never lost sight of the fact, as has been substantially evidenced by his many generous gifts to the fittle Indiana city. Farmer boy, bank clerk, capitalist, briefly summarizes

Mr. Reid's carreer. He is equally well known in New York, Chicago and San Francisco. Fo He has been belosely allied with the United States Steel Corporation the Rock Island railroad, the American Can Company and the Astor Trust Company, besides being a director in numerous other railroad, industrial and financial cor-porations. porations.

The foundation of his fortune was laid in the manu-

facture of tin plate at Elwood, Ind. Today his for-tune is variously estimated at anywhere from fifty to one hundred million dollars.

ne hundred million dollars.

Reid's matrimonial adventures and misadventures have brought him almost as much publicity as his doings in the world of finance. He has been three times married. His first wide, to whom he was married before his multi-millionaire days, died many years ago. In 1900 he took for his second wife Miss Clarice Agnew, an actress, who he won under romantic circumstances. She was a wonn of warled hearty ircumstances. She was a woman of marked beauty, but died in 1905, withoue year after the marriage cere-

mony.

Reid's third wife was Miss Margaret Carriere, also an actrewss. Mr. Reid first met her while she was a chorus girl in "A Chinese Honeymoon". Their marriage occurred abroad and upon their return to America they took up their residence in New York. All went well, so far as the public was aware, until early part of the present year, when Mr. Reid was sued by his wife for a separation. Two months later Mr. Reid filed suit for divorce from his wife. suit for divorce from his wife.

Too Late

"I don't know how to thank you for this loan, old man. It seems as if I could never properly repay you—"
"Say, if you'd talked that way before you asked me you'd never have got it."

Small Brother-Mr. Jaggs, are you a baseball player? Caller—No, Willie. Small Brother—Then why did Sis tell ma you were

Higher Up Creditor—How often must I climb these five flights of stairs before I get the amount that is due me? Debtor-Do you think I am going to rent a place on the ground floor just to accommodate my creditors?-Boston Transcript.

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The much and clean my equipment. After that you go to your hut, help to serve breakfast lend a hand washue. If you haven't an atomizer, gargle the throat and snuff the mixture up the nose. This treatment sets up an antiseptic wall of defense against in the army besides me?" H. R. H. the Print to leace M.

Take a glass of Salts to Flush Kidneys if bladder bothers you

Eating meat regularly eventually produces kidney trouble in some form or other, says a well-known authority, because the urfe acid in meat excites the kidneys, they become overworked; get sluggish; clog up and cause all sorts of distress, particularly back ache and misery in the kidney region; rheumatic twinges, severe headaches, acid stomach, constipation, torpid liver, sleeplessness, bladder and urinary irritation.

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water drink which millions of men and women take now and then to keep pare for the winter, so save from yo the kidneys and urinary organs clean, thus avoiding serious kidney disease.

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