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Rocking the Boat.

Strange signs appear of a threatened disruption of what Canadians have been taught to regard as their birthright of representative and responsible government. Ministerial and parliamentary accountability has been weakened by the repeated delegation to commissions of executive powers that were unknown a few years ago. Organizations of persons with no electoral sanction behind them have been encouraged, in effect, to mock responsible government, and to make a shadowy thing of constituted authority. In substantiation of this view look at what has happened with regard to revising the educational system of Ontario, and the right of citizens to buy and sell foreign securities.

Premier Drury has brought a nest of U.F.O. and other hornets about his ears, as a consequence of listening favorably to a unique proposal by the Massey Foundation, in disclosing the main facts of which The World is entitled to believe it has rendered an acceptable service to the public.

The Massey Foundation is as entirely admirable an institution within its proper limits, as the Massey-Harris Company is in the business field. But the Massey Foundation, with intentions every whit as good as those with which the road to everlasting disaster is paved, has endeavored to start a responsible government on the road to a break-up of the very fundamentals of responsible government, by asking it to appoint a com- from time immemorial been a perfectmission of the Foundation's choosing, ly free and open market? Is there any the business of which would be to doubt that the finance minister has overhaul the system of education in been "granted" leave by bond dealers a province as populous as Denmark, and stockbrokers to intimate to the and half as populous as England was Canadian public that they must not brought Canada and India to the Brit- intended that this proceeding shall ish Empire. The Foundation baited its have as much effect on the public as ernment's virtue of public economy liament and endorsed by the King? by proposing to pay all the commis-

sion's expenses.

However sweetly it was done, the effect of the proposal was that the representative government of nearly three millions of people was asked to simple corporation was to assume the primary responsibility for revising a public educational system, and was to show the government how to spend money to public advantage.

A more singular usurpation of the basic functions of representative and responsible government has never been tried. The closer it is examined the more extraordinary does it airpear, and the more amazing is the confessed first attitude of Premier Drury towards it—an attitude which the instinct of other U.F.O. leaders, as soon as they heard of it, immediately told hem was that of a statesman not wide awake at the democratic switch.

A private philanthropic corporation was to assume the primary responsibility for revising a public advantage.

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Without here elaborating the several statements given to the press by Premier Drury and Col. Vincent Masit to be honest to describe The World's legal authority. But there is no legal account of the negotiations for the commission as "a pipe dream," or decent to intimate that some breach of the Ontario temperance act was responsible for what was published.

It is enough to say that Mr. Drury has since admitted that he was at first favorable to the Massey proposal, that all that had been done, but who him- government of Canada is in a secondself felt certain that the premier, to ary position to themselves? all intents and purposes, was committed to its acceptance.

minister of education, Mr. Grant, in parliamentary sanction, or, regard to the now averted usurpation, (3) It was thought that parliament is not important, except so far as Mr. would not consent to abrogate free Drury's admission, that it was Mr. trade in securities. Drury's admission, that it was Mr. trade in securities.

Grant who first pointed out "certain The first reason could only be given tries of Australia, New Zealand, South dangers" inherent in the proposal- by somebody who holds parliamentary Africa and South America, where obviously, the dangers now being dis- authority in disdain. pertinent to refer just now to the un- ment in disdain, and thinks it proper take a skyward flight next week necessary ignorance of the cabinet to exalt extra-legal request above tario licensing commissioners, stated that the names were allowed to by somebody who holds parliament in cial secretary, to the present price of transpire.

That is a Queen's Park family affair he believes to be its will.

ture, who were expected to O.K. the move, may very properly be extremely curious, not to say indignant, about a personnel which, as more than one prominent U.F.O. leader has said to The World, is singularly short of persons who have had intimate experience of conducting the present system of rural education.

The admissions of the premier and Col. Vincent Massey are ample proof of how an ingenuous adventure of rocking the boat of responsible government would have upset it, but for the praiseworthy recognition by Mr. Grant of the dangers inherent in the rockers' ideas.

Of course, the Massey Foundation had no idea that it was trying to turn the ark of our covenant upside down. But that it was making the effort in good faith shows that very strange notions are abroad among what it is becoming the fashion to call the intelligentsia, and how sharply a government, presumed to be green because it comes from the landowners of the province, must watch against the manifold innocences of "slipping one

Turn now to another remarkable exampje of how the proprieties of democratic government are confused, and their confusion advertised, by those who should know better. Here are sentences from yesterday's news:

All trading in stocks, bonds and other securities from outside Canada stops today in this country. At the request of the minister of finance, Sir Henry Drayton, this drastic action has been taken by Canada's financial interests to protect the home security market.

The bond dealers and stock ex-changes have been in conference today with regard to the proposal of the minister of finance and have reached a decision to grant the minister's request and to co-operate to the fullest extent.

What form of government is this? Under what act of parliament does the land if the examples afforded by Tominister of finance make a request ronto and Ottawa on the eve of the touching the age-long freedom of the meeting of legislature and parliament people which bond dealers and stock are of any significance? And will legexchange brokers feel themselves at islators and parliamentarians be sufliberty publicly to announce they have ficiently alert and far-seeing to say "granted." The bondmen have usurped what they think of the situation? the function of the royal assent.

What is the position of citizens who desire to buy securities in what has during the Seven Years' War, which buy British securities, and that it is offer with a temptation to the gov- if it were the law, duly passed by par-

So far as one can judge there is not even an order-in-council decreeing that trading in extra-Canadian

buying British and American securities is not the cardinal question here. ORDER WHISKEY to give the slightest countenance to It is the fundamental of parliamentary the desire of a private corporation to government. The more desirable it is furnish the money for the legitimate to stop this buying the greater the necessity for obtaining due and legal authority for so doing. After all, what is demanded of the people, and what the agents and despatched to Toronto. wonderment that Premier Drury felt and vital condition unquestionable thority is sought. In the national events of this year the historians will have to chronicle:

"Feb. 26. Stoppage of trading in ail

Were it not that the boat of constithe matter had been withheld from tently rocked by constituted authority, tutional authority has been so persis- in the order. the cabinet, and that the personnel of Le would scarcely be credible that this the commission, as given in The unprecedented innovation could have been "granted" to the government Montreal had returned lots of money, not disclose the sources of their in- twenty-four hours before the meeting they said, for the reasons stated. The person of average political common- ister of finance wait for parliamentary of parliament. Why did not the minsense that the full list of the intended authority to take such drastic action They could not forecast when a return commission could only have been con- before inviting the bond dealers and to normal would arrive, but stated veyed by somebody who not only knew financial interests to announce that the

Three reasons seem to be possible: (1) The matter was not important days after the order was placed. For the moment, the question of the enough to submit to parliament, or, relations between Mr. Drury and the (2) It was too important to wait for

cussed-which a premier should have The second reason could only be been the first to see. Neither is it given by somebody who holds parliacost of whiskey in Montreal will again

selection of which was so far advanced The third reason could only be given

disdain, and is prepared to flout what

PUTTING IT UP TO THE SPHINX



OTHER PEOPLE'S OPINIONS

The World will gladly print under this head letters written by our readers, dealing with current topics. As space is limited they must not be longer than 200 words and written on one side of the paper only.

A CLEAR CALL.

IN CARLOAD LOTS

the financial interests are so kind as rail charges, the whole of which has to This all makes extra work and extra to say they have "granted" to the gov- go on to the price of the whiskey. It ernment, is a reversal of time-honored is little wonder, therefore, that the sey, it will be sufficient to express practice which should have as its fixed agents prefer carload orders to those wonderment that Premier Danny fall and vital condition unquestionable

Local Deliveries. Gooderham & Worts deliver direct authority, the the effect of legal au- from their distillery, but it takes some considerable time for an order to get from Toronto to Montreal and back again to Toronto.

Amongst the reasons given for much of the non-delivery of goods and the non-Canadian securities by informal return of money is that some people do not send sufficient coin to cover the cost of the goods, and others refuse to accept any brand except that specified

Messrs. Michie, when seen by The

World yesterday, confirmed the above reasons for the return of money to would-be clients. Their agency in shortage of imported goods in Montreal, the firm claimed, was the reason for non-delivery and money returning. they did not think people were experiencing a great deal of difficulty in obtaining G. & W. brands. The Michie firm, thru their Montreal agents, usually delivered in from three to four One of the reasons given for the shortage in Montreal is found in the fact that the Scotch distillers are uncertain as to what the future will be in Canada in regard to the drink question. Whilst despatching limited supthey know a ready sale awaits the goods. But despite all these excuses and reasons, it is anticipated that the

yesterday that he had called the atwhiskey, and recommended that action secure a reduction in the about which members of the legisla- Where is responsible government to to Mr. Flavelle's request. price. Mr. Nixon has not yet replied | Leath,

there had been an increase in recruit-ing in India with Great Britain, mak-ing a special effort to raise additional

Influence From India. The influence which had decided the peace conference to retain the Turks in Constantinople, the premier contin-ued, had come from India. The two peace delegates of India at Paris, neither of whom was a Mohammedan, had declared that unless the allies retained the Turks in Constantinople their action would be regarded as a intermediate stations, including Whitgross breach of faith on the part of by, Oshawa, Port Hope, Cobourg. the British empire, the premier in-

George pointed out, Turkey could not agents. have been conquered, and nothing could be more damaging to British

lands under his rule, which were once the granaries of the Mediterranean. These are the main objects of the Mr. Lloyd George explained that the

freedom of the straits would be assured, because all of Turkey's forts would be dismantled. She would have no troops within reach, and would not be permitted to have a navy, while the allies would garrison the straits. The only alternative, he said, was an international military government of Constantinople and all the surrounding territory, which would be very unsatisfactory and costly to the allies. Christendom Against Crescent,

underneath the movement for expulsion of the Turks there was something of the old feeling of Christendom against the crescent. If the Mohammedans believed that the terms were dictated by the purpose of lowering the prophet's flag before that of Christendom, he declared, it would be fatal to British government in the east, and it was unwirthy that the purpose be achieved by force. Expressing regret that the United States had not taken a mandate, Mr. Lloyd George said:

"For the moment, America must be reckoned as entirely out of any arrangement we can contemplate the government of Turkey and the protection of Christian minorities.' He contended that every precaution had been taken in the treaty for the

BRAIN TEST

BY SAM LOYD.

10 Minutes to Answer This. No. 121.

I asked the sign-maker to make a



I scratched my head for quite a while before I made out how he could tention of Hon. H. C. Nixon, provin- figure out that memo as indicating 4 Can you tell?

WHY TURKEY STAYS **EXPLAINED TO HOUSE**

cution with the Turks in Constanti-(Continued From Page 1.) than if they were in Asia Minor, where the nearest allied garrisons would be hundreds of miles away.

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formed the house.

Without the aid of India, Mr. Lloyd

The premier said he was afraid that

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sign board exactly 4 feet long. Then the fellow made a little sketch in his memorandum book corresponding to

Hold, Chide, Grate, Lode, (Copyright, 1919, by Sam Loyd.)

THE GIRL WHO SMILED THRU By MARION RUBINCAM

CHAPTER 17. "No, I can't today," Alice shook

her head regretfully. David, in his hired carriage, had stopped before the little house to ask Alice to drive out "They're putting in the mushroom kiss with a st beds," he told her by way of coaxing and affection.

"You know you said you wanted to learn how it was done. laughed, "But I can't come today, Lois arrives this afternoon, and I Lois arrives this afternoon, and I you want to go up to it," Alice with have to meet her and I want an extra her usual efficiency ordered the carry-

"Lois?" David repeated frowning. "Oh, yes, that's your orphan cousin. Is she going to stay long?" "Why, I suppose so," Alice replied.
"We wrote and asked her to make her home with us as long as she

"Then I'll never see you alone." "Why not? If Lois knows we are away from my old home alone engaged I don't suppose she'll stay Mother and I always planned—" my side all the time," said Alice and smiled at him. "Come in and leaned back in the rocker with her I'll give you a lovely cool drink of eyes closed. Long light brown lashes raspberry shrub. I've just brought some up from the celiar."

"Just the same, I don't think I'm going to like your cousin," David still Fairbanks said. "You do look like held his grievance. "But I suppose I your mother when she was your age can stand it, since we'll be married in "That isn't long," comforted Alice,

her eyes alight, as they always were I'm going to love you, dear." when she looked at David. "Come "I'm sure I hope so," sa around tonight and meet Lois. I want to make things as nice for her as possible, and I'm sure she'll like you." "We'll try and make you ha "She's already deprived me of you Mrs. Fairbanks ventured gently. for this afternoon," David grieved. "But I'll come and be as nice as I can. But mind, if I don't see you as much as I want, I'll run off with youwon't wait until next month.

Alice laughed and raised her face for his goodbye kiss. She stood on justing her hairpins. the porch when he drove away, her eyes following the carriage as long as she could see it. Even after it disappeared she stared at the spot where it had been, her eyes softly "Oh, coffee, if you don't mind," said blue and tender and her warm young Lois wearily, without stirring. lips parted and smiling.

Presently the sound of her mother stirring in the house brought her back to realities. So she dropped her vision and went in, hurrying thru the

protection of Christians in the future,

because any decrees authorizing per-secution of Christians would be signed under the menace of British,

French and Italian guns. The premier said he believed the Armenians

The "Rideau" leaves Toronto Union

onle under the menace of allied guns, work, and dressing to meet the "She'll have trunks I suppose, so I'll hire a hack of some kind, and we'll come home in style," she called back to her mother when she started

off to walk to the station. Mrs. Fairbanks was sitting on the porch when they drove up an hour later. Lois Kennedy jumped out first, and stood for an instant staring cial highway the road known as Hurstein and Grey, asking that the Ontario government assume as a provincial highway the road known as Hurstein and Grey, asking that the Ontario government assume as a provincial highway the road known as Hurstein and Grey, asking that the Ontario government assume as a provincial highway the road known as Hurstein and Grey, asking that the Ontario government assume as a provincial highway the road known as Hurstein and Grey, asking that the Ontario government assume as a provincial highway the road known as Hurstein and Grey, asking that the Ontario government assume as a provincial highway the road known as Hurstein and Grey, asking that the Ontario government assume as a provincial highway the road known as Hurstein and Grey, asking that the Ontario government assume as a provincial highway the road known as Hurstein and Grey, asking that the Ontario government assume as a provincial highway the road known as Hurstein and Grey, asking that the Ontario government assume as a provincial highway the road known as Hurstein and Grey, asking that the Ontario government assume as a provincial highway the road known as Hurstein and Grey, and Grey government as a provincial highway the road known as Hurstein and Grey government as a provincial highway the road known as Hurstein and Grey government as a provincial highway the road known as Hurstein and Grey government as a provincial highway the road known as Hurstein and Grey government as a provincial highway the road known as Hurstein and Grey government as a provincial highway the road known as Hurstein and Grey government in surprise at the tiny house. Then ontario street, northward from Port she walked slowly up the path, and the steps, and kissed the little old Shelburne, Dundalk, Flesherton, Marklady whom she had never seen be- dale, Chatsworth and Owen Sound. Lois Kennedy was quite small for

her age. She was 20 years old, and also T. J. Slack, M.L.A., Dufferin, and looked about 23. She possessed a D. J. Taylor, M.L.A., North Grey.

quantity of waving hair of the purest gold color, her eyes were bluer than Alice's and round, like those of little children. She was quite pale, and her little pink mouth drooped at the corners in a most appealing fashion.

Alice nodded and smiled to he

mother over the newcomer's shoulder, and Mrs. Fairbanks returned Lois' kiss with a sudden rush of tenderness

learn how it was done." things, won't you, Alice dear?" Lois "It's mean of you to tell me," Alice turned to her cousin. "This way, I've your room ready if

ing in of the two large trunks and the two suitcases that Lois had brought with her. Lois dropped into a chair on the

porch with a little sigh.
"You may not think so, but I'm utterly exhausted by the trip," she told Mrs. Fairbanks. were tearing up all my past life to go

She did not finish her sentence, but swept down on her cheeks; she might have been a sleepy baby. "How very pretty you are." Mre

when she married. Dear me, it takes me back to the time I was a girl just to look at you. I'm sure "I'm sure I hope so," said Lois sweetly. Her voice was high and un- si developed, like that of a child. "We'll try and make you happy."

course, nothing could make up to you for the loss of your mother. And Lois leaned "No. nothing." back again with her eyes closed. Alice came out on the porch for an instant, smoothing back her hair, and read-

"Supper will be ready in five min-tes," she announced cheerfully. "I you're tired, Lois, would you like coffee instead of tea?'

Tomorrow-The Real Girl.

Minister of Public Works Favors Port Credit Highway

Hon. F. C. Biggs, minister of public works, was frankly favorable to the request of a deputation yesterday representative of the counties of Peel, The deputation was headed by C. R.

Wheelock, Orangeville, and included



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