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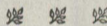
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## Editor's Talk

WE are disappointed that only one or two readers have seen fit to argue against our views on the navy question. We had expected a large number of letters. Surely this is a question large enough to justify public discussion by others than editors and politicians. Is it possible that the Canadian people are so busy with their personal affairs that they have no time to give to study the biggest public questions of the day?

Several of our friends returning from the West recently have told us that the West does not "care a hang" about the navy question, that it talks nothing but wheat and real estate. Is this charge true? Do the citizens of the Prairie and of the Beyond-the-Rockies not care whether Mr. Borden and Mr. Foster decide against a Canadian navy? It would not be thus in England, the home of freedom and public discussion. Every man would have his views and be prepared to express them. Are Canadians not Britishers in this respect?

This number is mainly devoted to financial and insurance matters. All the articles in this issue on financial topics have been written especially for readers of the "Canadian Courier" and are intended to be helpful as well as informing. The writers have tried to interpret and explain the events of the year. Only a specialist may understand the "Financial Page" of a daily newspaper, but the ordinary man will find our articles simple and non-technical. We shall be glad to answer any questions, based upon these articles, where the information seems inadequate to any particular reader. Indeed, we welcome correspondence upon financial topics.



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