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But there is not now, and there never has been, anything to prevent the youngest member taking any share of the work of parliament that he can perform. This is shown by the active share taken by Mr. Ames who was one of the juniors in the last parliament. It is illustrated by the work of Mr. Crothers, Mr. Burrill, Mr. was one of the juniors in the last parliament. It is illustrated by the work of Mr. Crothers, Mr. Burrill, Mr. Meighen, Mr. Doherty and other members now in their second session, and taking a larger share in the proceedings than some of the Old Guard.

The approximate of women suffrage are doing a wise and practical thing. They are trying to induce those women who possess the municipal franchise to use it next week. It has been urged that women as a rule would not value the arrividence of the order of the second session.

Three members of the Valley Railway Company have visited Ottawa and received from Sir Wilfrid Laurier the information that there will be no legislation this year to authorize the lease and operation of the line by the Department of Railways. Sir Wilfrid made the further statement that as soon as the Valley Railway Company is able to make an agreement with a construction company for the building of the road, the Dominion will make an operation contract, subject to ratification of parliament. The road is to be up to the standard of the Transcontinental, or four-tenths per cent. grade.

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Mr. Asquith has informed the House of Commons that if the House of Lords rejects his measure restricting the power of that chamber he will give the King some advice. This much would be expected. The premier's speech would be more interesting, but not more discreet, had he given some hint of what he proposed to say to this Majesty. The one definite statement made by the Prime Minister was that he did not propose to appeal to the people again without knowing that effect would be given to the people's decision.

This seems to mean that if the King or the Lords themselves shall refuse to give guarantees, Mr. Asquith will resign office instead of dissolving parliament. Should the Lords reject the veto bill, as they probably will, the

King can do only one thing to assist Mr. Asquith. Hi Majesty can creat three hundred and fifty or four hundren new peers, all Liberals, all nominated by the government and all prepared to vote for the veto bill. This would accomplish two purposes. It would cause the legislation destroying the power of the Lords to become law it would also change the character of the House, and take away all its claim to respect as a traditional institution. No such swamping of the hereditary peerage was ever proposed before. On the most notable occasion when a wholesale creation of new peers to force through a government bill was proposed, the number of appointments necessary would have been far smaller than is now required. That crisis was averted by a compromise. Hitherto the power to overcome the opposition of the Lords by appointing more lords has not been exercised, but the existence of the power has been useful to more than one ministry. It will, however, be hard to convince either the Lords or the country that there is danger of the appointment of three hundred and fifty peers at one batch. The proceeding would be a kind of ghastly joke, and British statesmen respect the dignity of the ancient institutions, and do not like to expose them to unlimited ridicule.

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this. His Majesty can accept the resignation of Mr. Asquith, or dissolve parliament, or create peers. The latter course seems unlikely to be taken. One of the others must and one may bring the Conservatives into

## GOLDWIN SMITH ON WAR

It is pleasant to find Professor Goldwin Smith once MANAGING DIRECTOR—Jas. H. Crocket

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SAINT JOHN, SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 16, 1910.

BY DEPARTMENT OF THE PROFESSOR GOIDMIN SMITH Once more contributing to the press. This week he has written for the Toronto News the following review of the effects of certain wars. Some of these results appear to be indirect, but that makes the argument the more incontour.

SAINT JOHN, SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 16, 1910.

ORGANIZATION.

We hear a good deal of general talk about the reorganization of the Conservative party. The uninstructed reader may suppose that the opposition at Ottawa has an elaborate corps of officers, directors, and other persons in authority who are going about giving orders and managing things, while the main body of members, are obeying or disobeying instructions.

Now there is no such organization. Mr. Borden is the party leader. Mr. Monk has been twice the designated and accepted leader of the French-Canadian members. There is a chief whilp who aranges and records pairs and tries to know where the members are, so that he can muster them at divisions. That is the organization.

The rest adjusts itself. Members form themselves into groups to deal with certain questions. There are western men to watch western legislation, military men to keep track of matters in their line, maritime men to keep track of matters in their line, maritime men to keep track of matters in their line, maritime men to keep track of matters in their line, maritime men to keep track of matters in their line, maritime men to katch western men to ovatch western men to ovatch western men to ovatch western men to watch western legislation, military men to keep track of matters in their line, maritime men to katch western susually taken his place when he was absent, and Mr. Foster naturally replies to the budget speech and questions the Minister of Finance. Senior members usually occupy the front seats.

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Toronto, April 11th, 1910."

## WOMEN AND THE CIVIC ELECTIONS.

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The opposition cannot be reorganized until it is organized.

SIR WILFRID CONFIRMS HIMSELF.

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This does not change the situation, unless the statement made by Sir Wilfrid Laurier to the delegates has greater sanctity than when it was made by letter. The announcement of the premier that "he adhered to the "undertaking he gave in his letter" would seem to be unnecessary. A letter announcing a decision of the government might be fairly considered good for at least three months without verbal confirmation.

The other statement that legislation this session is impossible is not so easy to explain. Sir Wilfrid says that he has agreed with Mr. Borden not to introduce new legislation this session. This must be a late agreement, for the government has recently introduced a good deal of new legislation. The agreement must have been that nothing new would be.

have been that nothing new would be introduced in the last two or three weeks. Sir Wilfrid does not explain why the measure was not introduced early in the year, say in January, when the policy was announced. The situation is that no contract, other than a provisional arrangement, can be made by the Dominion government and new works in the next five years. Of this the Dominion government is to spend arrangement, can be made by the Dominion government with any company until next year.

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Mr. Cordon Grant, Chief Engineer of the Transcontinental, in succession to Mr. Lumsden, has testified that they are not been a beautiful mix-up if Mr. Hazen had provided one standard and Sir Wilfrid another for the same railway.

Mr. Foster and Mr. Dibblee are reported to be "delighted with the outcome of the meeting." This would seem to mean that they are in a position to make their contract with a construction company, and to show that they are able to finance the enterprise with the subsidies and guarantees. This is agreeable information.

Meanwhile the Hazen administration is proceeding with the surveys. Nothing else can be determined until this work is completed.

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Mr. Redmond is for the time a power in the land. He is able to say when the budget shall pass, and what he prime Minister was that he did not propose to appeal to the people again without knowing that effect would be given to the people again without knowing that effect would be given to the people again without knowing that effect would be given to the people again without knowing that effect would be given to the people again without knowing that effect would be given to

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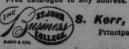
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