

Editorial Brevities.

The province that made conscription necessary is the province that is trying to make conscription impossible.

The Food Controller.

Probably not another man in Canada is better fitted for the Food Control of the province than Hon. W. J. Hanna, the former Provincial Secretary for Ontario. He was an able administrator and large-visioned reformer. In the office to which the government has now called him he has an opportunity to earn very much greater fame by doing the public far more important service. The large powers conferred upon him as Food Controller enable him to do telling work for his country in its time of need.

There is no military duty which must be more rigorously performed than the duty of husbanding the food resources and ruthlessly eliminating the parasites that are heaping up riches from inordinate food trade profits. The food speculator and the food cornerer must be stamped out, and the man who now has the power to stamp them out is the Food Controller.

There is a formidable grievance to be at once grappled with. Mr. Hanna has a big job on his hands. The best fortune we can wish him is that he prove big enough man for the job.

The Canadian people who have such great sacrifices for their country and their empire in this war time must not be left to the mercy of men who are making big profits out of the food supply.

The People's Forum.

To the Editor of THE ACADIAN.

The reputation of a business man is an asset of value. The late J. P. Morgan stated in his evidence on insurance, before a committee of the United States Senate, that he had loaned a million dollars with no other security than the man's character. The reputation of a town made by the reputation of its citizens is also an able asset. They give it its reputation. If many of them are spoken of as shabby in their dealings, shifty in their methods, quick to grasp at any unearned advantage, litigious, greedy or grasping, that town will naturally be avoided as if infected by a contagious disease. "No good can come out of Nazareth" has been a term of reproach for eighteen hundred years.

The prosperity of a place naturally depends upon its good name—which every good citizen will do his part to maintain.

Criticism of even an enemy are often valuable. The writer has heard of three things this week that reflect on this town.

A retired business man of Halifax came here a few weeks ago to purchase a lot on which to erect a home for himself, proposing to settle here. He returned to Halifax having changed his mind. He said Halifax was a cheaper place to do business in.

Another traveller from Halifax said the Transfer Company there carried his traps two miles to the railway station and charged him 50 cents. A truckman here carried them two blocks from the railway station and charged him \$1.00.

Fuel, always an important item in living expenses, has been mounting up in cost of late and threatening to become still more of a burden on the householder this winter. It is the business of every good citizen to take every legitimate step possible to keep down the price and to prevent greedy dealers charging illegitimate profits.

An alleged contest among the dealers in wood to put up the price is one that will do the town no good. When private greed undertakes to fill its pockets to the public detriment it must be regarded as an evil and a nuisance.

It is very much the habit of all tourist towns to regard summer visitors much in the light of new milch cows—sent there to be milked. Once realizing that they are good for riding purposes only, they are not apt to return and they are apt to advise their sisters, their cousins and their aunts to avoid the place.

We possess a very attractive town. The educational institutions give it a character and tone; the scenery, the splendid drives and walks, the abundance of foliage lining the streets, the neat residences, all make it not only a summer home but a desirable residential place. It is for our citizens to be on the alert, to advertise its attractions that families with means may be induced to live here.

CITIZEN.

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Our Ottawa Letter.

Ottawa, June 23rd.—All of this week has been devoted to the debate on compulsory military service and it has been full of events of startling significance. During the two weeks that negotiations were going on between the Prime Minister and Sir Wilfrid Laurier there was a lot of guessing. It is known that several of Sir Wilfrid's followers were favorable to a co-partnership, but the Quebec wing was bitterly opposed to it, and the Pugsley-Oliver-McDonald crowd were just as hostile. None of these was ever mentioned as a possibility in a coalition government, and that accounts for the over-enthusiastic opposition to it.

After the coalition overtures were declared off discussion in the Liberal ranks came to the surface. They had a party caucus and could not agree. A committee was appointed to try and frame up an amendment that would hold the crowd together. But that proved to be impossible, because the Quebec men would make no compromise—they are opposed to compulsory service and opposed to the continuance of Canada in the war—that is the rock bottom fact, while on the other hand the strong men of Ontario and the west are in favor of compulsory service.

There was therefore a split that could not be bridged, and Laurier had to make a choice. He decided to stick to the Quebec wing and the hide-bounders who will follow him on a motion for referendum. In a sense he is to be pitied. His position is trying. The once great leader is no longer a leader of a party. He is only the leader of a faction.

His speech on the second reading was an apology and an appeal. "Hear me, hear me, for my cause," was his plaintive cry. He tried to argue that his Militia Act of 1904 "did not authorize the government to send troops out of Canada for the defence of Canada," but the fallaciousness of his contention faded away in the presence of the law. As Sir George Foster pointed out the words of the law are plain and the meaning is clear. Sir Wilfrid admitted that Quebec had made a poor response in enlistments. He tried to excuse the default by blaming the government; but he did not offer to go into Quebec and get the men required. He held out no hope in that regard.

The official figures show that out of a population of 1,605,339 French Canadians in Quebec, only 6,979 have gone overseas. The total enlistments from Quebec province are 29,000. Of these 6,979 are French, the remainder English speaking. There are 400,000 French Canadians outside of Quebec, and these have sent more men to the front than have the 1,605,339 of Quebec.

The French Canadians outside of Quebec have responded well. These startling figures staggered Sir Wilfrid, and his speech was a great disappointment, especially when he concluded by asking that the great and pressing duty of sending reinforcements to our brave sons at the front be shelved while we fight out a referendum at home.

Sir George Foster replied to Sir Wilfrid Laurier in a brilliant oration. But the stroke that fell heaviest on the old Liberal leader was delivered by one of his biggest men who sits immediately behind him, Hugh Guthrie, believed to be the ablest man in the Liberal ranks, delivered it in a powerful speech on Tuesday. He demolished Sir Wilfrid's specious arguments about the Militia Act, described a referendum as un-British, and declared that he is in favor of coalition of extension of parliament and of the Borden compulsory service Bill. He will vote against Laurier's amendment and for the Borden Bill. His great speech made a profound impression.

On Wednesday Mr. Barrette, of Berthier, threw a bombshell at Laurier by moving the six months hold as an amendment to the amendment. This means that Sir Wilfrid must get out from behind his referendum and vote squarely for or against the principle of compulsory service. He is much worried over this, as his Quebec friends are demanding a square avowal from him, and he is trying to hedge on referendum.

The next crack came on Thursday when the Chief Liberal Whip, F. F. Pardee, who is the closest man to Laurier, made a strong speech and took the same ground as Hugh Guthrie. He breaks, and will vote against the Laurier referendum and for the Borden Bill.

The same evening a Western Liberal, George McCraney, of Saskatoon, followed the lead of Guthrie and Pardee and declared against Laurier's referendum and for compulsory service. Before Mr. McCraney spoke Thursday night L. J. Gauthier, of St. Hyacinthe, caused a sensation. He spoke strongly for the Laurier policy, and closed with a memorable threat that his electors would fight the matter out. The House understood his extreme language in this fight there will be pain and suffering. We may have to go to the direct consequences to mean that the law would be opposed by force. In other words that he and his electors would rebel.

On Friday Sir Wilfrid was given another stunning blow by his first lieutenant, George P. Graham, the man who sits beside him in the House, at the same desk. Mr. Graham, it is true, prepared the way for his revolt by making a violent attack on the government; but when the wind had subsided he announced that he, too, would vote against his leader's referendum amendment and in favor of Sir Robert Borden's Compulsory Service Bill.

Added to Mr. Graham on Friday were two other Liberals, W. A. Bu-

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chanan, of Medicine Hat, and E. W. Nesbitt, of Oxford, who announced their intention to vote against the Bill.

Comment at this stage is unnecessary. Sir Wilfrid's adherence to the Quebec malcontents is causing his party to crumble to pieces. His best men are leaving him; and he sits in his place a picture of despair. There are more to follow; and the signs of times are that his days as the leader of a united party are quickly running out.

The debate will likely continue all of next week. Meanwhile the government are dealing with great and important public matters. A fuel controller has been named. A grain board has been appointed, and a food controller is also appointed. These are all given the greatest powers to deal with the vital questions of coal and other fuel, wheat and food, the prices thereof, and transportation of them. These public officials will all co-operate with the United States authorities to make action common to both countries.

United States Food Administrator.

Herbert Hoover, the United States food administrator, declares that with proper regulation the price of flour should not have been over \$9.00 a barrel, and that \$50,000,000 a month is being taken by middle men and speculators who ought to be eliminated. In Belgium Mr. Hoover backed up talk with splendid work, and he is beginning his bigger task at home with great energy.

Mr. Hanna, the Canadian Food Controller, and Mr. Hoover have been in conference at Washington, and something real is going to happen.

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In all lines of business they have been rapidly forging to the front. Hundreds of inspiring stories could be told of women who put such enthusiasm and such excellent ideas into their work that they have put businesses on their feet where men have failed. Some of the most successful real estate brokers in the larger cities of the Dominion are women. The Banks have swung into line and all over the country young women, bright, clever, well dressed, ambitious and very competent young women, are taking a big hand in handling the finances of the nation. Truly, an astounding development.

She took a giant stride with the coming of the war. You know the old idea that woman was a poor, weak sort of creature, all right to look after washing dishes, but that was her limit. And coupled with that idea of lack of business ability was the theory that she should keep well in the rear in a time of war while the men, big, strong, fearless men—pom! pom!—would see that all was well.

That has all been changed now. Isn't it wonderful? Woman is taking her full share in this fight and she is going to have a big say about the starting of any more such outbreaks. She is to be found in the munition factory by the tens of thousands making shells, making them all day long, and making them better than a large percentage of the men.

She is to be found on the farms taking her place between the handles of the plough, cultivating the fields, harvesting, aiding in providing food for those at the front.

Millions of women are keeping up a constant stream of supplies to the men in the trenches, conducting a business of supplying goods that stagger the imagination, and conducting it well.

And now that the Russian troops lag and will not fight, who is it that is going to show the way? A battalion of women has volunteered to go into the trenches and take up the rifles laid down by the men. Oh the women of this century are a miracle!

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the grand and noble work of training the young in the right path. If such work continues there will certainly be a rich harvest, and the outlook for the church is a prosperous one for the years to come.

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