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Clifford Sifton the Logical Leader For Canada Today

C IR CLIFFORD SIFTON makes a notable call to the country to unite for the war in his address of Monday to a Winnipeg audience. In a sense Sifton is the man of the hour at the present time. He goes as a Liberal to the conference of Western Liberals, but as a Liberal who is not a politician during the duration of the war. His voice will be heard above the clamor from both sides of politics for a war-time election and his ability to visualize the future for the nation will bring many of the most stalwart Liberals to the fold.

Will the Conservatives of Canada be ready to accept such a man as Sifton for war-time leadership? An Ottawa dispatch to a Conservative paper yesterday stated that Sir Robert Borden had the resignation of every one of his cabinet missisters.

Index a follow Duquesne in the "spotlight," was follow Duquesne in the Spotlight, whose sun-kissed golden had be released by one his fourth encore, and there in the City of history, "with actions "un-Christian as he gave his fourth encore, and there in the City of history, was a tender look in her eyes as he gave his fourth encore, and there in the City of history, was a tender look in her eyes as he gave his fourth encore, and there in the City of history, was a tender look in her eyes and misdemeanors "more hor blue darkness. She, too, watched Duquesne by history, was fo

Conservative paper yesterday stated that Sir Robert Borden had something in his hand. the resignation of every one of his cabinet ministers, and that the conscription wing of the Liberal party was ready to join with the premier in the formation of a union government, which would appeal to the country in a non-partisan way. Does this measure of willingness include the resignation of Sir Robert Borden as leader of the new government? It is very unlikely that any government could be formed as between Liberals and Conservatives while Sir Robert Borden kept the leadership. Certainly Hon. Robert Rogers could not maintain a position of influence in any union government.

"Go have a grink of the lights."

And Duquesne, still radiating tremendous good cheer, returned to his dressing-room, while O'Brien by Bare of the champion of these spook-woers, looked spood cheer, returned to his dressing-room, while O'Brien by Bare of the champion of these spook-woers, looked as the counsider it an impertinence for me to suggest that he extend his parish sufficiently to embrace the "lonely" man admiration followed him. The finest chap that ever played this bouse," declared O'Brien to himself as he looked at the coin still clutched in his hand. "For him Tq pull every plug on this board."

Duquesne, ten minutes alter, was effacing the last vestige of grease paint and humming one of the latest popular airs, when he stopped abruptly, and, crossing the room, leaned his ear against the partition. For a minute he stood in silent wonder, and over his face there stole a rapturous expression, while O'Brien to his dressing-room, while O'Brien to himself as he looked at

Sifton is the logical leader. No "green" statesmen need apply. The statesman in theory, the man who can write or speak wonderful things about how to run the country, and who might actually be able to do great things in time does not become a premier by inspiration. It requires long experience before a man attains to a degree of technical ability in matters of state that would enable him to serve as premier. There are other great Canadians as well as Sifton, for instance, the Hon. W. S. Fielding, and there are men of outstanding ability in Conservative ranks of the matter of his address crystal lizes around the assumption that spiritism is a new thing, and that a function their carried by the dressing-room, and pointed to the partition.

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"Spose it's Belle Story," ventured Fuller Indifferently, "She's playing here this week. But you've got your ear on work they wrong side. Her dressing-room's over there," pointing to the opposite was a premier. There are other great that room?"

"Get out!" retorted Duquesne indigonantly. "I heard it in there. Who's got that room?"

"Th' models," replied Fuller, shrugging his shoulders. "That shows you're wrong. Maybe it's their leader, old lady sail by a pagan and a spiritist, who was this ancient oaby sail but made a mental note to find out the but made a mental note to find out the but made a mental note to find out the but made a mental note to find out the but made a mental note to find out the but made a mental note to find out the citizens of a new thought he gave such that a pagan and a spiritist of a new thought he gave such that a pagan and a spiritist of a new thought he gave such that a pagan and a spiritist of a new thought he gave such that the provided by the pagan and a spiritist of the children of the critices of a new thought he gave such that a pagan and a spiritist of a new thing, and that a fun

While it is not likely that Sifton is seeking such a place, a strong demand from the country would be well-nigh irresistible. How could a man who talks of duty as he has talked hang back if the call came from the people? He would be forced to accept the

His record of achievement for Canada in the past could be more than equalled in his conduct of the war. He should attract the confidence of both classes, and he would institute fair application of the conscription measure. The force of public opinion nevertheless. upon such a man as Sifton, pledged to carry on the war to the best of his ability, would mean that the country would don a new i set of harness, that the tremendous abuses of the present system "Guess I'm the fessed modestly. would be wiped away and that the country would prove an ex- Annoy me

ment of the British Government that the Belchstap facks the power to direct the national policy has fallen on listenme ears, and made an impression. The truth of it has struck a responsive chord in the mind of the Vossische Zeitung, and has awakened the editor of that newspaper to the true condition of affairs; or it might be more nearly correct to say that it has awake ened him to the fact that others understand the impotency of the Reichstag, of which he was aware already.

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is not ready to break away from its be cheaper and no more of a farce.

WHERE IS THE CLARKSON REPORT?

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Provincial Auditor James Clancy came to the Ontario Legislature with a report that financing of the hydro-electric project was unsound. The Legislature appointed the firm of Clarkson & Co., expert accountants, to examine the reports of the hydro-electric commission, and to give a report to the commission and the given and the the commission, to the world and its yearly rampage is merely a spring-time diversion, entirely within the law. And as for this word "crooked," how could a river bearing the name of Detroit be otherwise?—Chatham News.

We are all for a defense of the tink-ling Thames, brother, but we hope to see it restrained from gathering so many small boys into its somewhat tric commission, and to give a report to the containing to the vording the properties.

BULGAR PATROLS REPULSED.

PARIS, July 31.—The French official statement from Macedonia reads:
"Army of the east, July 30.—Rific firing and grenade fighting took place on the right bank of the Vardar in the neighborhood of Barakli and Lunzi. At the Cerna bend, Bulgarian patrols, attempting to reach our lines, were repulsed. The commission and grand avenue east, Chatham, Ont.

Every woman who has backache, headache, low spirits, sleepless nights, owes it to herself to speedily overcome the trouble before a breakdown causes prostration.

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"Army of the east, July 31.—The Frenc A Provincial Auditor James Clan-

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CRABBING THE ACT.
[By Archey Cameron New.]

his hat on his head, he threw an ent "au revoir" to Fuller and went

absent "au revoir" to Fuller and went out on the stage.

Outside the models' dressing-room door he paused for a moment, undecided whether to wait and ask about the voice or not, when the door opened and Rita Young, dressed for the street, met his startled gaze with a frown.

"Shame on you, Mr. Duquesne," she rebuked him, her eyes twinkling, nevertheless. "Eavesdropping? Listenling to girls' gossip?" "Er-no," he stammered. "Someone cap and have was singing 'Celeste Aida.' Who was shoes in the

She laughed merrily

In ads printed in certain Detroit papers they refer to our pride, the Thames, as the "Crookedest River." We resent this defamation of character most strenuously. The Thames is one of the most lawabiding little streams in the

Thames is one of the most law-abiding little streams in the world and its yearly rampage is merely a spring-time diversion, entirely within the law. And as for this word "crooked," how could a river bearing the name of Detroit be otherwise?—Chatham News.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

REV. MR. MOYER TO REV.

NORWOOD.

To the Editor of The Advertiser: Copies of The Advertiser containing play comp reports of Rev. Mr. Norwood's sermon

"That guy isn't actin' happy; he's just a plain incubator of joy." The speaker, O'Brien, electrician at the Olympia, turned a face brimful of smiling friendliness from Dawson Duquesne, who was busily engaged in charming the Monday matinee crowd, to Forrest, the manager, who lurked at his side. Then he hastily bent over and threw the stage into a reddish segni-darkness for Duquesne's final number.

"Humph!" grunted Porrest, but two little lines in the corner of his kindly mouth attested the fact that he, too, was charmed with this new act, and as Duquesne bowed himself off the stage after his last song, amid a thunderous volley of applause, Forrest, standing in the wings, bade him "take another." which, in the parlance of the mimic world, has a manifold meaning, chief of which is sincere appreciation of the act on the part of the stage director. So Duquesne "took another." greatly to the edification of the multitude of "chocolate chewrs," the dainty misses who went to make the Olympia matinee an institution.

Another new act on the Olympia's bill was the "Venetian Models," a group of attractive little seraphs, and among them as they waited in the wings to follow Duquesne in the "spotlight," was Rita Young, whose sun-kissed golden hair, clear blue eyes and pearly teeth lost none of their sheen in the semi-darkness of their sheen in the semi-darkness of their sheen in the semi-darkness for Duquesne of their sheen in the semi-darkness for Duquesne bound in the wings to the tournty, hence this delayed communication. One reporter's assertion the country, hence this delayed communication. One reporter's assertion the country, hence this delayed communication. One reporter's assertion the country, hence this delayed communication. One reporter's assertion the country, hence this delayed com. "Throughout his serimon Mr. Norwood did not mention Rev. H. D. Moyer by name, but there

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uses grimaced at him mockingly, lade a mental note to find out the of that voice, and hurried into reet clothes. What a partner she'd for his act! That and a thousand ed thoughts ran through his head ed thoughts ran through his head as speeded into his coat, and, flingly has been on his head, he threw an could back the most versatile medium his hat on his head, he threw an 20th century spiritism has produced clean off the platform. Spiritism was old when Moses was lying in his cradle

would be wiped away and that the country would prove an example to the world in "carrying on" to victory and erushing the inhuman monster of Potsdam, who has wet the fields of France with the blood of our brother Canadians.

GERMAN AWAKENING.
A T LEAST one German paper has as to the accuracy of Mr. Clancy's admitted that Britain's chief war aim is not conquest, not the crushing of democratic form of government in that land and the complete elimination of autocratic multitrains. The Vostache Zeotung says:

The English Government now dispute the power and authority of the give the power and authority of the give the leckades and the subdished direction. Only one answer is possible difficulties the power and authority of the give the leckades and the subdished direction. Only one answer is probable that Sir Adam Bock would prove an except the subdished are possible to the proposition to demand the presentatives of the German people and are able to exercise it. If Tripic GERMAN PEOPLES IN The CONTINENTAL EMPLY GET BY."

The paper's declaration, however, means more than this admission of the Allies' alms: it means that the statement of the Rittlish Government that the control of the proposition of the



nodded his head.

"Well, the doctor sure did pull her around all right," continued Marty.
"Look at the color he put in her cheeks."

"Huh, ain't you wise?" grunted O'Brien with a grin. "It's a doc that put that color there, but not the kind you're thinking about. It was a doctor of divinity."

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glycerine, containing tonic properties.

Theodore Parker, etc." Why need he go so far afield for his analogies? During the last two years a struggle has been waged for the destruction of a foe, declared by England's foremost statesmen to be a greater menace than the armies and submarines of the enemy. In our province it localized into the movement to "abolish the bar." The battle against slavery was child's The battle against slavery was child play compared to this. It was a battle between the home and the saloon; the mother and her babes against the liquor deal. dealer and his pals. All thro induor dealer and his pals. All through the land were women praying for the mean mercy of sober poverty; women who had been kicked and beaten and starved by the brutal traffc, till from the hell of their agony they cried out. "Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bare, and the breasts that never gave suck." In this battle every red-blooded preacher was fighting for those women and their babes.

Theodore Parker, etc."

Where was the doughty champion of "lonely women" then? Sneers stung
the ears and hearts of those sturdy
fighters also. Where did they come
from? Your readers' memories will
give the answer and the files of your
papers carrying reports of his sermons
of those days will confirm it. hose days will confirm it, all fairness it must be said that r a sermon strongly criticizing the ement and its promoters, he was ced to sign the petition for aboliof the bar. On the following Sunhar meahed another section or preached another somon laining how he came to take the sud-len right-about. He had seen a great ight, in which he gazed upon the tear-tained, anguish-furrowed face of mar-yred motherhood, and he rose to the ccasion. The man who lived in the oildst of all the horror of the devilment of the traffic, blind as a bat, till rear ago, makes an ideal subject for the manipulations of a spiritistic fake Yours,

Kitchener, July 28, 1917.

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