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## MR. MEIGHEN'S CREED.

"More than any other country, Canada needs a protective system. She is a young country mostly undeveloped. She lies alongside a great big country tremendously developed. The United States has every advantage that Canada has and tremendous advantages besides. It surely follows, to the mind of every reasonable man, that to abandon the protective system in Canada would be simply to invite the absorption of Canadian industry in the far vaster industries of the United States. The principles of the protection of Canadian industry have been proclaimed by practically every statesman who has shouldered the responsibility of government in Canada. They are sound and they are right and the vast mass of the people of Canada know that they are sound and right."

—From Premier Meighen's Portage Speech.

## ONE CLASS, BUT THAT THE LARGEST.

Our esteemed contemporary, The Globe, quotes with evident approval a paragraph from its Toronto name-sake which charges that while Mr. Meighen has been Premier for more than a year and a member of the Government for several years before, he has done nothing to help the country out of railway deficits, revenue shrinkage, unreasonable taxes, trade burdens and unemployment. This is just the kind of childish criticism one would expect from the Toronto Globe, but one would expect rather better things from our local contemporary. Does the latter seriously think that after the catatonicism that the country has experienced during the last six or seven years, conditions could possibly be righted and a return to old times brought about in the short space of a year since Mr. Meighen assumed office. Does it honestly believe that if Mr. Meighen had become the head of the Government he would achieve the results that it blames Mr. Meighen for not achieving. In all his speeches he has never given any indication that he has any remedies for the ills that the Globe enumerates, though he has had a good deal to say about their existence. Perhaps if he would let the people into his confidence in this regard it might strengthen their faith in him, which would surely be to his advantage.

Our local Globe complains of Mr. Meighen "that he only sees the necessities of one class." This is rather an extreme way of putting it, but even if true, the Globe must admit that Mr. Meighen's chief care is for the benefit of the industry. He wishes to protect the market for the farmer, the artisan and the wage-earner generally against the threats of cheap competition from outside points, and when these four branches of the industry class are provided for, there is not any other very extensive element left in the country. The professional classes can, as a rule, take care of themselves, and the more well-to-do class does not need very much looking after.

The Globe talks about the great progress Canada made under the Fielding tariff. If Mr. Fielding ever gets any say in Canada's fiscal affairs again the first thing he will be bringing to the front again is his Reciprocity pact. He harps on the subject at every meeting he attends. At his latest the Liberal Convention in 1919 went on record as earnestly hoping that the arrangement might still be made between the Canadian and American Governments. This arrangement, let it not be forgotten, was to make Canada "merely an adjunct to the United States" so Mr. Taft was good enough to admit. Canada rejected Mr. Fielding's tariff ideas in 1911, and she has no need for them now.

## MR. ARCHAMBAULT'S FOLLY.

Appeals are being constantly made for a better understanding between the two great branches of Canadian people, but what degree of success towards the attainment of this end is likely to be made when we read of the dastardly attack made on Premier Meighen by Joseph Archambault, an ardent King supporter from Chambly, Vercheres. Things must have reached a desperate pass when in order to extend and intensify the anti-Meighen feeling that already exists among a section of the people of Quebec, it becomes necessary for Mr. Archambault to deliberately stir up the London at the Imperial Conference. Mr. Meighen engaged Canada to take part in a war between France and England in case of trouble over Siberia.

What can be thought of a man who, in order to injure a political opponent, will maliciously go out of his way to be blushing, and spread reports that have absolutely no foundation whatever in fact. Fortunately Mr. Archambault's sentiments are not those of the average French-Canadian, but they are typical of the less intelligent class of that race, which allows itself to be led by the nose by fanatical leaders without stopping to ascertain for itself the very truth of the matter. The great mass of French-Canadians, who are willing to be led by outstanding men like Monty, Beaulieu, Proulx and others, fortunately are satisfied as to the personal and political honesty of Mr. Meighen and such foolish distillations such as Mr. Archambault indulges in carry no weight whatever with them.

## SORRY WOMEN HAD THE VOTE.

It is not surprising that Hon. W. L. M. King regards the War Time Elections Act as inequities. A franchise which took the vote away from aliens and gave it to the women-folk of Canadian soldiers is not an arrangement calculated to appeal to the Liberal leader. It undoubtedly did increase the number of electors who were able to vote against Mr. King and his fellows, and it did, undoubtedly, reduce the voting strength of the foreign-born population whose favor, then as now, they so assiduously courted.

As the Toronto Telegram says, it was tactics for him to denounce the War Time Elections Act even down in Windsor, Nova Scotia. Those women of North York, who were enfranchised in 1917, will not fail to call into account his avowal that he is sorry they were allowed to vote for their soldier relatives while foreign-born males were not able to vote for him.

## THE GREAT AMERICAN CELLAR.

The United States Senate has passed legislation prohibiting "dry" enforcement agents from going into the cellars of the people without search warrants. The great American cellar remains inviolable, except on very special occasions.

Time was when the cellar was a place to avoid—a necessary part of every well-constructed house but lacking the dignity and comfort of the upper rooms. Driving the liquor traffic underground has changed all that. The cellar now is spoken of in terms of a new respect. Men are sometimes known by the cellars they keep.

History repeats itself. Through long periods of contention, Britons fought out their quarrels until an Englishman's home became recognized as his castle. And here comes recognition for an American's cellar, which is something.

## IN THE EDITOR'S MAIL.

The Editor of the Standard:

Dear Sir:—Referring to your suggestion that street cars should not carry passengers on Prince William street, we beg to advise that we are powerless in this matter. The traffic laws of the city require that the cars be struck several times in quick succession when approaching a corner. Your good paper will be performing a meritorious action if you can have the Commissioners change the traffic laws so that the street car gangs and automobile horns shall only be sounded in cases of necessity to warn and prevent danger and damage to other highway traffic. In Los Angeles where the traffic is several hundred times greater than in St. John it is an offense against the law to sound a horn or ring a gong except in case of danger, and the proof of the danger lies with the man committing the action.

The suppression of unnecessary noises, both streets and harbor, is a modern ordinance, and the Automobile Association has on several occasions recommended that the By-Laws requiring horns to blow at every corner be eliminated.

Yours truly,  
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Percy W. Thomson,  
General Manager.

## Germans Don't Look For Any Time Extension

Industrial Leaders and Bankers Planning to Help on Reparations Payment.

(United Press.)  
Berlin, Oct. 6.—Although German industrial leaders and politicians are hoping either for a moratorium or

longer intervals between payments on Allied Reparations Bill, they are not counting too strongly on hints from Great Britain that there may be granted a postponement of the next installment of debt as a means of curing the depressed exchange situation. Prominent government officials believe, however, that the world will sooner or later realize the close connection between reparations problem and low exchange, unemployment and business stagnation. As proof that Germany has no intention of making a moratorium, or any other alteration of present treaty terms, representatives of banking and industrial concerns have renewed their discussions with the Government over rearrangements of credits through which the Government may be aided.

## WHAT OTHERS SAY

No Muck To Rake Now.

The chief issues in the Dominion political campaigns of 1904 and 1908 were scandals. In 1911 there was more of the same, but they were put into the background by the Reciprocity issue. Then in 1917 Canada had an election in which the only issue was whether this country would apply its full force to the prosecution of the war.

Now Canada comes again to election time, with the whole political history of ten years open for review. The issue this time is predominantly the tariff. But it is open to the Opposition to make issues of any flaws they can point to in the record of the Government, of the Union Government or of the pre-war Dominion Government. Contrasting the Opposition campaign, as revealed to date, with the peace-time elections of 1904 and 1908, it is indeed gratifying to see that muck-raking is absent, and necessarily so, because the record of the Governments headed by Sir Robert Borden and Mr. Meighen is clean and honorable. The nearest approach to reflection on the Government is found in Leader King's references to the discredit of public affairs is not only possible, but is a daily rule with a Ministry, they come to set it as a standard. It is said that a people will get the government it deserves, but the mass of citizens will learn from Governments if the lessons are character-building.

## A BIT OF VERSE

AUTUMN.

You take your Summer, you take your Spring,  
You take your Winter and everything,  
Give me the Autumn, give me the Fall—  
That is the dandiest season of all!

Summer's too hot and your Winter's too cold;  
Spring half the time you are fooled and  
But on the Autumn a man can depend—  
Springtime is fickle, but Autumn's his friend.

Easy on cattle, easy on sheep,  
Easy to handle and easy to keep;  
In the midday sun 'round 'round—  
Autumn suits that fellow down to the ground!

Pleasant for sleepin', pleasant for work;  
To lie like a Trojan and eat like a Turk.  
None of your sweatin', and none of your freeze—  
Regular Autumn it is, if you please!

Roads aren't dusty, roads aren't wet—  
Start on a journey you know what you get.  
Look at the load that a fellow can haul;  
Weather gets settled along in the Fall.

Life is worth livin' along about now—  
Honest to goodness, a pleasure to plow.  
Never a shiver, yet tang in the air—  
No, you can't beat it, no time and no where!

Just enough warmness, just enough chill,  
Just enough sunshine up there on the hill.  
Just enough darkness, just enough light;  
Just about medium—just about right!

## THE LAUGH LINE

Quite Possible.  
The confessor was producing eggs from a top hat. He addressed a boy in the front row.  
"Your mother can't get eggs without hens, can she," he asked.  
"Oh, yes," said the boy.  
"How's that?"  
"She keeps ducks," answered the boy.

## These Terrible Questionnaires.

Registration Officer (to applicant):

## Benny's Note Book

BY LEE PAPE

My cousin Artie came around yesterday and we both started to feel hungry at the same time, me calling up stairs to ma, Hay ma, can me and Artie have those 2 apples on the shelfboard?

I suppose so, said ma. Meaning yes, and I said to Artie, She says we can.

Hurray, grate news, said Artie. And me and him went back in the dining room and looked at the apples, one being a extra big one and one being a extra small one not looking any relation, me thinking Well, its only polite to ask Artie to take one first and if he takes the biggest one he ain't very refined.

And I said to him, Go ahead, Artie, take one. Sounding as if I didn't give a darn with one he took, and he kept on looking at them a while, saying, No, you take one first, you live here and you ain't to have the first choice. With one do you want? he said, and I said, Any one, either one. Thinking, G, the big pig, he thinks Ill take the little one out of politeness and then he can take the big one and look as if it was a accident. And I thart, like fan, like heck, saying, No, go ahead, your company, go ahead and take one, I dont care which one you take, Id just as lief have one as the other. Which one do you want? I said.

Holey smoke, said I care which one I get, go ahead and take the big one, that will show how much I care, said Artie.

Well I tell you lets wait to do, I said, just to show you Id just as lief have one as the other lets cut them in half and each take half of each. What do you say? I said.

That suits me all right, anything suits me, G, I dont care which one I get, Im immortal, said Artie.

Being wat we did. Proving w en people get too polite it starts to look suspicious.

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## Unemployment In United States Shows Decrease

Figures for September Show An Increase of 10 p.c. on Pay Rolls Over August.

Washington, Oct. 6.—Unemployment decreased during September, according to survey of Dept. of Labor just published. The figures were collected in 65 industrial centres.

In all, 142,878 men, each of which ordinarily employs more than 1,000, or a total of 1,800,000, reported their payrolls for September 30th 10 per cent more workers than on August 31st. Increase was 18,000. Industries which employed more workers included food, textiles, iron and steel, lumber, stone, clay and glass products, metals, chemicals and railroad repairs. Industries in which there were a decrease included leather, paper and printing, liquors and beverages, tobacco and vehicles.

## Mackenzie King Now On Island

Devoting Considerable Time to An Analysis of Premier's Manifesto.

Special to The Standard.  
Charlottetown, P. E. I., Oct. 6.—Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King opened his private residence on Prince Edward Island today by addressing large meetings in the Strand and Prince Edward theatres. He spoke somewhat along the same lines as at Amherst, part of his speech being devoted to analytical criticism of the Premier's manifesto. A. E. MacMaster, M. P. of Montreal, and Liberal candidates Sinclair and McKinnon also spoke. King and his colleagues will speak in Georgetown tomorrow at the close of a Liberal convention for Kings, Summerside on Monday and Alberton on Tuesday.

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