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The Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen,
Prime Minister of Canada.

Sir:—

In 1918 the Government of Canada, then presided over by the Rt. Hon. Sir Robert Borden, pledged itself to Civil Service Reform and the Merit System.

In 1920 the Prime Minister resigned and you were chosen to carry on his mandate.

To keep the pledged word of the Government and to satisfy the Citizens of Canada that the administration of our Country is ably and justly carried on, the "Merit System" must stand.

The world was scourged for a 'scrap of paper' in 1914, in 1921 it is proposed to destroy a pledged system that all civilized countries work under.

It was a corrupt bureaucracy that destroyed Germany and Russia, and the CIVILIAN does not believe that the people of Canada will submit to having the administration of the Dominion carried on by any but the purest methods.

—The EDITRESS.

*The Civilian was ready for press when news of the attempt to restore patronage was received.
A complete change of programme was made to help combat the evil.*