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CENTRALIZATION

The Montreal Star continues to assert that the Borden naval policy is a policy of centralization and to uphold that policy. Referring to the recent statement of Sir Richard McBride that the whole subject of Canada's naval course might be referred to the Admiralty, the Star says that this is precisely the Borden policy, but that it is not necessary to refer the question to the Admiralty since the Admiralty has already expressed its views.

UNITED STATES CROPS

The Continental and Commercial National Bank of Chicago, in its annual crop report for the United States, says that though the crops are 'less prodigal on the whole than last year, they are above the average, ample for domestic use, with an abundance of breadstuffs for export.' It gives the following as its estimate:

MORNING NEWS OVER THE WIRES

From London, Mon., yesterday, the first spring wheat was brought to Winnipeg, thus establishing a record, as spring wheat cut on August 1, as this was, has not before been known in the west. Members of the grain exchange predict that the crop will be very plentiful and C. W. Howley, manager of the Bank of Commerce at Winnipeg, yesterday, said that this would have a great deal to do with lessening the financial strain. He expected conditions to brighten considerably after the harvesting of the crop.

DIFFERENT

"So," said the lady of uncertain age, "he said he knew me when I was a little girl?" "He didn't say anything of the sort," contradicted the man. "You said he did." "I didn't." "Why then what did you say?" "I said he said he knew you when he was a little boy."

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