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THE RACE CRUISE

The attempt of the Conservative press to stir up race hatred in New Brunswick should be resented by every citizen who places country before party. Sir Robert Borden is premier of Canada today because of the alliance between the English Conservatives and the French Nationalists, and yet, because the Acadia vote in this province was cast largely for the opposition in the recent elections we find the St. John Standard quailing with approval the following:

"It certainly looks as if New Brunswick was on the eve of stirring times. It certainly looks as though the day was close at hand when the English-speaking people would have to consider whether New Brunswick was to be an adjunct to that portion of Quebec which is under the sway of Laurier and Bourassa."

In the recent elections there was a tremendous turn-over in the vote in the English counties, as, for example, in St. John; but this the Standard ignores, in its effort to arouse race prejudice. The Standard links Laurier with Bourassa, although it knows that Bourassa is the ally of Sir Robert Borden, who has several Nationalists in his cabinet. Sir Wilfrid Laurier was too good a Canadian to unite his forces with the Nationalists, but Sir Robert Borden and his party jumped at the chance; and now, because it seems to serve their purpose, the New Brunswick Tories raise the cry of French domination. If the Acadia vote had all voted for Murray candidates the Standard could not find words of eulogy strong enough to voice its enthusiasm. Because they have deemed it right to vote for better government they at once become what the Standard regards as a dangerous element in the community. Nobody is deceived, but if there are any sane leaders in the Conservative party they would do well to read the riot act to such journals as the Standard and the Frederickian Gleaner.

SOCIAL BETTERMENT

The new government of New Brunswick will do well to devote more attention than has been given by any other government in the province to subjects relating to social welfare and social betterment. Dr. Roberts has very properly pointed out that there are other than material resources, and that human conservation is after all the most important. Such matters as the public health, child welfare, care of the feeble-minded, better provision for the care of delinquents, vocational education—all these are important and worthy of serious consideration. To raise the standard of the physical and mental and moral in the whole citizenship is a task that calls for earnest effort, entirely divorced from partisan considerations. The governments should therefore lend an attentive ear to representations made, and give its sanction to reforms which are necessary. The abolition of the liquor traffic will be of great benefit, but human nature will remain the same, and if every last boy and girl in the province is to have a fair chance in life the government must co-operate with those voluntary agencies which labor to improve living conditions, and provide such institutions as experience has shown to be necessary in order to safeguard the welfare of society as a whole.

The new government will find itself confronted, no doubt, with difficult financial conditions, as a result of the wasteful and corrupt methods of its predecessors; but it will also be found that money which was used to provide hangers-on, or paid as toll to the grafters, will be sufficient to do an immense amount of good when expended for real service. New Brunswick is behind other provinces in humanitarian legislation, and in recognition of the duty of the state to promote child-welfare and provide for the care of the delinquent, the feeble-minded and otherwise unfit.

NOVA SCOTIA ROADS

Mr. H. Percy Blanchard, in an article in the Halifax Chronicle, submits the following plan to secure good roads:

First—The road work must be made absolutely free of politics.

Second—Capital or construction work must be under competent oversight.

Third—Repair or upkeep must have continuing supervision.

And he adds:

"With an efficient and non-political road department not only would the provincial monies be satisfactorily expended, but the municipalities would feel safe in granting funds for roads, irrespective of the political complexion of the councilors. More than that, a Dominion subsidy could be asked for and received without any timid fears or misgivings that it might be spent for boodle or vote chasing. Instead of one party boasting of its road expenditure, and the opposition denying it, all worthy citizens, irrespective of party, would take a proper and intelligent interest in the improvement of our roads, with the resultant extension of business, added values to farm properties, and a greater pleasure and satisfaction to all those who travel on our highways."

The Nova Scotia Good Roads Association has just presented to the gov-

ernment of that province a scheme by which it is proposed to take the roads out of politics, and Premier Murray has promised it will receive careful consideration. Meanwhile the Association has entered upon a motion picture campaign to boost good roads throughout the province.

The St. John Standard is naturally very anxious to have Mr. E. S. Carter kept out of the new cabinet, and out of the house. Without being in either, Mr. Carter was able to defeat a government, and he is feared by the grafters more than they fear any other man. They know he has some further investigations to make, now that he is in a position to get a royal commission and summon witnesses, and he is therefore assailed with a bitterness surpassing that which marks their criticism of any other man. Thoughtful people, however, when they review what Mr. Carter has done to destroy bad government, want him to have the opportunity to apply the same intelligence, energy and vigor to the task of providing good government. All the reward his friends desire for him is just that opportunity to serve his native province, and aid in restoring honor to public life.

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The explosive but not at all dangerous Mr. Titus J. Carter of Andover, who did not care to face the recent election contest, has broken out in a new place. He has heard that Tweed, Dale, Burgess, Michaud and Carvell were all circulating the story in Victoria county that if the Murray government won there would be conscription, and the boys of the county sent away to be "battered like cattle." The weakness of Mr. Titus Carter's little story is that it was told in the by-election in Dorchester, Quebec, by tory speakers, who asserted that if the Laurier candidate won there would be conscription in Canada. And the tory candidate was elected.

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Canadian Finance of Winnipeg says: "Australia is now forming a Commonwealth War Government which will include members of both political camps, under the premiership of the indefatigable William Hughes. Is Canada alone to remain wedded to pre-war party government? The Canadian Club of Toronto called for a referendum voting by its members upon the national government resolution passed by the Winnipeg Canadian Club. Of the ballots returned, 749 favored the resolution, 106 opposed it and five were conditional. Note that this 7-to-1 affirmation was from conservative—and Conservative—Toronto."

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The Halifax Chronicle says—"The chief regret in connection with the New Brunswick elections is the defeat of Mr. W. E. Foster, who accepted the call to lead the opposition, after the legislature was dissolved. Mr. Foster was an inspiring factor in the Liberal victory. He is a young man of high principles and ability, and it is to be hoped that a way will be found to give him a seat in the legislature. Men of his character and qualities are invaluable to public life."

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The report that Germany was planning to form an alliance with Japan and Mexico to make war on the United States will give edge to the growing resentment in the latter country. The American people are learning that there is only one way to deal with Germany, and that is to apply force—and apply it as the Entente Allies have been doing since August, 1914.

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The British continue to advance on the section of the western front where the enemy has withdrawn his forces. On other battle fronts in Europe there has been no important change since winter weather began to impede operations. On the Tigris the British are pressing on from Kut-el-Amara toward Bagdad, driving the Turks before them.

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A Winnipeg paper says that a social welfare commission of fourteen (eight to be members of the city council) is contemplated for the city of Winnipeg—enabling legislation to that effect having been applied for. The plan, it is pointed out, has the advantage of combining responsibility to municipal authority along with citizen co-operation in the carrying on of relief work.

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A National Win-the-war Convention is to be called early in April. To invite the co-operation of the west, a couple of ambassadors have gone from the east. They are Col. Mulloy, the blind hero of the South African war, who has done so much for recruiting in this war, and Arthur Hawkes, the well-known publicist of Toronto.

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The submarine toll is much less than it was early in February. The Germans have failed to make good their threats, and though much shipping has been destroyed, the effective blockade of British ports is not to be accomplished.

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The United States draws ever nearer to the moment of entry into the great world-war.

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Will Mr. Pinder or Mr. Murray be the leader of the new opposition?

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Establishing Credit
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WHY THE ACADIANS OPPOSED MURRAY

(Moncton Transcript)

Several of the government newspapers are seeking to explain the general defection of the Acadians from the government party by many reasons, which are not the real ones. There are two main factors, which contributed to the revolt of the Acadians against the Conservative party.

One reason was the unfairness with which the government sought to prevent Mr. Dugal from presenting his charges against the administration. The government sought to use its brute force to stifle the inquiry and even to obstruct its being made in the legislature through preventing Mr. Dugal in doing so through the medium of the only language he could speak with facility. Associated with this the Acadians felt a natural pride in the fact that one of them had exposed this wrongdoing, and there is little doubt in the world that the mere fact that Mr. Dugal became the mouthpiece in the legislature of the charges against the government, made the more fact that Mr. Dugal became the mouthpiece to stand behind him. In a sense the charges and their maintenance became their own cause.

Mr. Dugal could speak to them and explain the charges with facility in his own tongue, which was the tongue they understood with facility.

There is no doubt from local observation here in Westmorland county that the Acadians felt proud of the fact that one of their race was rendering such an admittedly great public service. To ignore the influence of this fact is to ignore the influence of the fact is to ignore one of the causes of the Acadians' sweep. The second factor, which has driven the Acadians so strongly one way is the fact of the insinuated and open attacks made by the Conservative newspapers upon French-speaking people in the past few months.

The gross misrepresentations affecting their loyalty and their honor and the unfair criticism to which they were subjected also was an allied factor. To these two factors, should be added the circumstances that the opposition candidates as a whole were men of greater ability and recognized public standing than those presented by the government. To these two main and allied factors should in all fairness be added that a large English-speaking independent element, which at the last general election supported the government, felt disgusted with its course and policy, and especially with the bare-faced manner in which Mr. Fleming came forth and was accepted as the government's champion.

HIS LINE

The vicar of a certain church was of the opinion that old John, the sexton, was neglecting his duties. John indignantly denied the charge, and said he was "not going to stand no meddlin' with his affairs."

"But, John," said the vicar, "it be hooves everybody now-a-days to mind his p's and q's."

"Everybody but me," retorted John. "P's and q's is not in my line. I've enough to do to mind the keys and pay."

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LEVER BROTHERS
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TORONTO

Just come from St. John. He then left there and went to Christie Bros. and Co., where he stated he was from Providence, R.I., and had worked in an undertaking establishment. He worked at Christie's up to Thursday last, and then told the superintendent his sister was passing through Amherst and he would not be back in the afternoon. He did not go back except on Saturday to draw his pay.

Today, after his death, the authorities took charge of his trunk hoping to find some clue to his parents or friends, as he had refused to give any information. At the hospital his trunk, on being opened was found to contain two military uniforms, one of them considerably worn, having on the arm three stripes, and a crown with the regimental number 212 on the shoulder. The other was comparatively new, and had three stripes, but not attached. There was also a kit bag, two sets of putties, belt and other military trappings, several pictures of himself in uniform, as well as one disguised in a wig with long hair, the wig also being found in the trunk. There was besides other clothing a pair of very heavy knit drawers, which he told the Taylor's were given to him by a lady in P.E.I. He had stated that the uniforms were those worn while working in the asylum. Among other photos of himself and a young lady who he claimed was his wife, who he said, died three years ago, also a boy about six years of age, who, he said, was in a Catholic school in Lowell, Mass. He was about 28 years of age, medium height, dark hair and eyes, very nicely dressed, and apparently very temperate in his habits. He claimed to be Scotch, but talked with a foreign accent. During his stay in Amherst he received two letters from Miss Mary Fern of Trenton, N.J., and replied to them. Being unable to read or write the boarding mistress read and wrote his letters for him. His conflicting stories, the fact that there are no papers giving a clue to any friends he may have, and his possession of the military clothing all give an air of mystery to the affair. His effects are in the hands of the police authorities."

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