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THE ROYAL COMMISSION

Attorney-General Baxter says if there is anything wrong in connection with the administration of the provincial departments the government wants it made right. The statement will be welcomed by all friends of good government. Remarks made by the attorney-general concerning persons who have been doing a lot of talking should have some effect upon the gentlemen of his own party, who have been doing so much talking against Hon. John Morrissey that the latter demanded an investigation. Thus far his accusers have not been heard from. Mr. Baxter invites them to come forward. Will they come? There is naturally much curiosity concerning Mr. W. H. Berry, who is to be subpoenaed in connection with the charges made in the matter of the Dalhousie Lumber Company. Mr. Berry could not be induced to appear before a previous Royal Commission. He should be a remarkably interesting witness. Mr. P. J. Veniot has laid certain charges before the commission, and it is announced that there will probably be a hearing in Bathurst and another in Beauséjour. The people of the province are deeply interested in this inquiry, and will follow the proceedings with a desire to have all the facts produced. As far as the record goes the government shows a disposition to be more helpful in this regard than it was during the inquiry into the Dugas charges before the other Royal Commission. If it retains that attitude the inquiry will be greatly facilitated.

The Standard, however, should not attempt to fool the people by seeking to convey the impression that the Royal Commission was appointed because of charges made by Mr. Carter or Mr. Veniot. It was the Hon. John Morrissey, a member of the government, who asked that a commission be appointed, and he did it because certain members of the government party had been making charges or insinuations against him. The Royal Commission was a purely family affair, but Mr. Carter and Mr. Veniot have taken advantage of the opportunity to ask that inquiry be made into certain matters of importance which might otherwise be overlooked.

GERMAN PREPAREDNESS

A correspondent of the London Chronicle, who paid a visit to Germany some time ago to study the economic situation, found evidence that the Germans have been preparing for years for the war. As soon as the war broke out, factories which had been engaged in the industries of peace were immediately devoted to the production of munitions of war; and the corresponding demand for raw materials was met by the fact that for six years past factories had been required each year to devote two weeks to the production of just such materials as they are producing today. Prussian militarism had not only concerned itself with making every man a soldier, but with having every industrial concern in the country so organized and equipped that at a moment's notice it could set its employees at work upon war supplies. In other words, industrial as well as military conscription has prevailed in that country, so that in time of war every national resource might be turned to account in the struggle. Another illustration of a thorough business organization for war was discovered in Hamburg. When the war broke out about eighty per cent. of the dock laborers were drafted into one or another line of the national forces, and the remainder were given employment as laborers, railway men or factory hands. In spite, however, of the marvellous foresight shown in preparation for the war, this correspondent found that a very serious shortage in some supplies was threatened, while the cost of living had very greatly increased. The conditions are today much less satisfactory than when the Chronicle correspondent was in Germany.

It is noted to the credit of the 6th Mounted Rifles that they did not add anything to the troubles of the police while they were in barracks in St. John.

Occasionally a portion of the curtain is lifted, and we get a clearer view of the awful conflict raging from the shores of the North Sea to the borders of Switzerland. One of yesterday's cables gave a brief but very vivid description of the fierce fighting, and the terrible loss of life in one portion of the field, where east French and German armies have been locked for days in deadly strife.

The citizens once more showed their appreciation of the spirit of the young men of New Brunswick when they crowded the streets this morning to cheer the men who were en route to Amherst on the first stage of their journey to the firing line. The city has never seen a more striking picture than that presented on Broad street this morning when the 26th Battalion was drawn up and the Mounted Rifles went swinging past to the music of the band. Again when the Rifles were entraining in the railway yard, which was literally packed with people, the 26th went swinging down Mill street and into

Main, on a route march for the day. When and where will the men of the 6th and the 26th meet again?

The King of the Nackawick still exerts a powerful influence in New Brunswick politics. He makes his enemies his footstool.

With the Mounted Rifles have gone from St. John today quite a number of well known and very capable young men, who have given up excellent prospects to risk their lives for Canada.

Today's cables indicate that British losses in recent fighting have been very heavy, and that some of the finest regiments have had their ranks decimated in the terrible struggle against the Germans in Northern France.

The Kaiser is described in newspapers published in Syria as "His Islamic Majesty." No doubt the people of that portion of Turkish territory are led to believe that the Kaiser swears by the Crescent, and has a harem.

The Standard this morning makes another attack upon Mr. J. L. Stewart. It says he is suffering from hallucinations, and declares that his criticisms have not been taken seriously. He is described as "the Dungenroth whooper," and told that he "rather made a mess of it." The treatment accorded Mr. Stewart is no doubt intended as a warning to all members of the house that they must not dare to manifest the slightest degree of independence or harbor for a moment the spirit of inquiry.

"The time has come when we should have complete free trade with Great Britain." This was the unanimous declaration of recent convention of the United Farmers of Ontario. The Board of government is of the opinion that the time has come when we should place heavier restrictions upon trade with Great Britain. The majority of the people of Canada would rather see action taken toward free trade than to pursue a policy which, as Sir Wilfrid Laurier aptly said, is not a Canadian but a German conception.

Statements made to the board of trade by business men engaged in wholesale trade show that the conditions in the Maritime Provinces do not reveal any serious effects from the war. While some lines of manufacturing are suffering from dullness, others have been stimulated. There is no complaint about unemployment, and the people throughout the province appear to be able to meet their obligations. Such small business failures as have occurred during the last few months would probably have occurred if there had been no war. The outlook for the lumber industry is bright, and it will probably be found that most of the logs which it was feared would be hung up in some of the southern counties will be got out. Reviewing the whole situation, it is apparent that from the business standpoint New Brunswick is at the present time a particularly bright spot on the map of Canada.

The word resiliency, which a correspondent some time ago applied to the Russian armies, was a particularly well chosen term. Time after time the Russian lines have bent back before the onslaught of the Germans, sometimes yielding for a great distance, but only to spring back again when the pressure was weakened, or after a point had been reached where an effective stand could be made. At the very outset of the war the Russians made a dash into East Prussia. They were forced to withdraw. Again they advanced and again they were forced back. Now for a third time they have crossed the East Prussian border. The Germans pretend to make light of the latest advance, but they have been losing heavily during all these forward and backward movements, and while they are being weakened Russia is steadily accumulating men and materials for an advance which will not be thrown back.

With regard to the collection of taxes in Montreal, the city treasurer told the city council this week that ordinary assessments and personal taxes had not been paid with the usual promptness, owing to the financial crisis and the fact that the rate of interest charged by the city is below the present commercial value of money. At the end of 1914 the percentage of the ordinary annual assessment on property still uncollected was 48 per cent., compared with 46 per cent. at the end of 1913, and 38 per cent. at the end of 1912. The percentage of water rates unpaid at the end of the year was 23 per cent., compared with 18 per cent. and 19 per cent. respectively at the end of the previous two years; and for business taxes the percentage stood at 14 per cent., 11 per cent. and 11½ per cent., respectively, at the end of the three years. The city treasurer informed the council that the city would not lose any real estate taxes of any kind, with the exception of some slight reductions which might be granted by the assessors. The only loss would be for water rates and business tax.

NOBODY KNOWS BUT MOTHER

How many buttons are missing today
Nobody knows but mother.
How many playthings are strewn in her way?
Nobody knows but mother.
How many thimbles and spoons has she missed?
Nobody knows but mother.
How many burns on each fat little fist?
How many bumps to be cuddled and kissed?
Nobody knows but mother.

How many lads has she hunted today?
Nobody knows but mother.
Carelessly hiding themselves in the hay?
Nobody knows but mother.
How many handkerchiefs wilfully strayed?
Nobody knows but mother.
How many ribbons for each little maid?
How for her care can a mother be paid?
Nobody knows but mother.

How many cares does a mother's heart know?
Nobody knows but mother.
How many joys from her mother-love flow?
Nobody knows but mother.
How many prayers by each little white head?
How many tears for her babes has she shed?
How many kisses for each curly head?
Nobody knows but mother.

LIGHTER VEIN

Didn't Work
"When my wife starts talking on an embarrassing subject I always change it."
"I've tried that with my wife, but it was no go. She simply haunted me in the new subject and then took up the old one where she left off."

Wall of a Dyspeptic
"I used to think how I'd wine and dine to my heart's content when I got rich."
"And do you, now that you are rich?"
"Alas, no! I can only dine and whine."

Boreleigh (at 11:40)—Do you know I always thought you had a retiring disposition?
Miss Weereigh stifling a yawn—Not exactly, Mr. Boreleigh; but I must confess to a disposition to retire.

Diamond's Peculiar Position

The South African Diamond Mines are closed. The cutting and polishing industry of Antwerp is ruined. The only other centre of the kind, Amsterdam, is little better off.

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Editor Times:

Sir,—I read with disgust the item in the Standard of March 18th, administering unwarranted personal abuse on our local telephone officials. It occurs to me that if the Standard did not know to whom they were talking the person speaking to them should have known, and could easily have obtained a second connection. Possibly the business referred to was not of sufficient importance, and the Standard has overestimated its ability to supply information.

It evidently does not know telephone girls are forbidden to "answer back," no matter how abusive the subscriber may be. Sometimes they get around these difficult conditions in a very clever way; for instance, a subscriber, after making a call, asked for a number, and shouted: "What the deuce is the matter with you girls, are you all crazy?" The answer came back with exasperating sweetness: "I don't know—ask for information." I wonder did central put one over on the Standard?

P. B. X.,
Attendant.

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FAIRY TALES FOR THE EAST

Victorious Kaiser in Paris, "Surrounded by Vanquished Foes"

(Correspondence London Chronicle)
Cairo, Feb. 22.—The press bureau which the Germans have established at Constantinople appears to be spending its time telling the Turks the story of the great war in terms of "The Arabian Nights."

The prevarications of the parent bureau in Zimmerstrasse, Berlin, have a serious aspect; but the crude fairy tales of the branch concern on the Bosphorus are merely funny and in their phantasy put the most imaginative Oriental storyteller to the blush.

According to the journal, "Terjuman I Aftak," an Asia Minor publication, the Kaiser has already kept his self-named appointment to meet the Parisians in Paris. This newspaper says, on the authority of the Constantinople Press Bureau:—

Among the Vanquished Foes
"The discourses delivered by his Imperial Majesty William II., when appointed to the throne in the ancient French Parliament Hall, will live as an unforgettable record of his magnificent exploits. Surrounded by vanquished foes, he offered the Imperial hand to be kissed by all the former deputies of the French Chamber, whose hearts were touched by the splendid magnanimity of his Imperial Majesty."

Adrianople appears to have witnessed the greatest air feat of the war, for the newspaper "Sabah," which is frank enough to state that the news comes "by radio telegraph from the German Press Bureau," tells this weird tale:—

"Twenty-five Zeppelins have arrived at Adrianople, bringing to their destination the First Turkish Army Corps. We relieve these soldiers of Osman will infallibly crushing defeat on the infidels."

Islam in Belgium
Another journal prints this story from Amsterdam, viz., of course, the chief editor of the Constantinople fairy tale factory:—

"According to a dispatch by wireless, received from Amsterdam by the German Press Bureau, the whole population of the new territory in Belgium, conquered by the Germans, have taken the oath of loyalty to his Imperial Majesty. People of all classes are flocking to ceremonies presided over by the Germans, and are registering their conversion to the true Islamic faith."

The Belgians have voluntarily transformed their churches into Mohammedan temples."

The journal comments with regard to this tremendous happening:—
"May their good example be followed by all other infidels."

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MORNING NOTES OF THE WAR

There is a lull in the bombardment of the Dardanelles, but it is expected that the attack will be resumed with even greater vigor as soon as fresh supplies of ammunition are received.

A French submarine, in an attempt to run through the Dardanelles, was sunk by the shore batteries.

The British steamer Glenarney of Glasgow was torpedoed off Beachy Head by a German submarine without warning. In the scramble to escape one of the crew was drowned.

The Diocese of Connaught Canadian Hospital at Cliveden, received twenty-seven new inmates, most of them Canadians, on Sunday as the result of the new advance. One of the Canadians said that the Germans oppose them spoke English and invited them to come over to see them.

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