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"We are fighting for a worthy purpose, and we shall not lay down our arms until that purpose has been fully achieved."—H. M. The King.  
TO THE PEOPLE OF THE EMPIRE—Every fighting unit we can send to the front means one step nearer peace.

## THE GRITS AND AN ELECTION.

In fear lest the Borden Government should decide to go to the country and thus force the Liberal party to make good the boast that the sole desire of Laurier and his supporters is to give the people of Canada an opportunity to pronounce upon the Government record, Liberal newspapers are strenuously seeking to convince their readers that there is no need for an appeal to the people, as the Liberals in Parliament have been willing to co-operate in all necessary war measures introduced by the Government, and that to plunge the country into the bitterness of a political campaign would be an almost reasonable action. The Times, last evening, said: "The Government not only has a very large majority in the House, but its war measures have been assented to without question by the Liberal leader and his supporters." One statement is wilfully misleading, the other deliberately untrue.

The Government's majority in the House, as the Times knows very well, counts as nothing in the scale against the adverse majority of Grit partisans in the Senate. The Government majority in the House sufficed to pass the Borden Naval Aid bill through the House stages, despite the bitter opposition of Sir Wilfrid and his associates, but after the measure had been passed by the representative branch of Parliament it was killed by the non-representative branch—the branch which, as Mr. Pugsley said the other day, does not represent the people. The measure designed to permit the Dominion treasury to assist in the provision of good roads in the provinces, likewise passed the representative branch only to be killed by the Senate. And during the present session the measure intended to give to western Canada the increased senatorial representation to which she is entitled was defeated by the Grit puppets in the Senate who saw in it the end of their domination of the public affairs of this country.

The Times knows all these statements to be true; the Times knows that a majority in the House of Commons, no matter how large, is practically useless in the face of hostile control of the Senate and when the Times attempts to claim that the Government's majority in the Commons is sufficient to ensure that Government measures will be adopted it is guilty of deliberately attempting to deceive.

The Times also says that the Liberal leader and his supporters have assented to the government's "war measures." "War measures" must include every item of legislation made necessary as the result of the war. The term cannot be limited to the vote of money for war purposes, a vote which Sir Wilfrid Laurier did not dare to openly oppose no matter how he might have felt about it, but must take in all measures necessitated by the war.

Canada subscribed largely to the war expenditures but the responsibility did not end there. Provision must be made to raise the money thus voted and a rearrangement of the tariff was in order. An increase was decided upon, both in the general and the preferential schedules, and although, by the measure devised, the protection to the British manufacturer against all other shipping goods into Canada was actually increased, the Liberals made the tariff debate one of the most acrimonious of the session and pressed to a vote what was practically a motion of want of confidence in the government. By no chance can the Liberal action be construed into assent, or co-operation with the government's measures. Any statement to the contrary is untrue and the Times knows it to be such.

The fact of the matter is that whenever two or three of the chosen pure-ified-in-the-wool Laurier Grits have been gathered together the spellbinders of that party have beaten the war-post and sounded the tom-tom of political strife. Now, when there is a possibility that their alleged desire may be gratified, they suddenly find the pipe of peace a safer instrument. The Liberals would like nothing better than to divide the country by an election if they could see the slightest chance of that proceeding resulting to

their liking. That they are now attempting to say there is no excuse for an appeal to the ballot is merely additional evidence that they fear to make the test. If, in the light of Liberal opposition, unwarranted insinuation and unjust criticism of the Government and its methods Sir Robert Borden should decide to allow the people to choose between him and his critics the voice of Canada and the vote of Canada will justify his action.

## CLEAN AND UNAFRAID

The reports dealing with the investigation into the supply of boots for the Canadian soldiers have been presented to Parliament and the Grits who, with a zeal so pronounced as to savor of the horrid word "partisanism"—a word most distasteful to a Grit of the Carvell stripe, have been crying "Stop Thief," have had time to carefully read and digest them. After weeks of irresponsible Grit mud-slinging and slanderous attempts to deny a Canadian industry, the conclusion to be reached from the reports undoubtedly is that there has been absolutely no evidence of fraud on the part of any member of the Government. Some \$6,000 boots were issued to the Canadian soldiers and the great majority of the evidence goes to show that less than 300 of these could be condemned as absolutely beyond repair. Instead of censuring the Government, or any member of it, the independent men of Canada will be inclined to say that those in charge of the work of equipping the Canadian soldiers with boots did their duty well. It will be a matter of surprise that in such an enormous order, executed under stress of abnormal conditions, the proportion of inferior boots was so small. Then, also, it must be remembered that the Canadian boots were subjected to a test of service which is very doubtful if any boot could have withstood. And also there is the evidence of soldiers who wore the boots both at Valcartier and in sodden Salisbury that they gave good service and were to be preferred to the boots supplied to the British soldiers.

There has been nothing in the evidence to show that the Government did not do its very best to meet an extraordinary situation and above and beyond all there is the knowledge that there was no effort on the part of the Government, or of Government supporters, to stifle evidence either in the case of the boot contracts or in any of the other matters relating to the supply of war materials. The Government ordered the enquiry and welcomed it when it came. Every facility for obtaining information was placed at the disposal of the commissioners and, indeed, it was the Conservative members of the investigating committee who led in the work of bringing out the evidence.

This is in striking contrast to the conditions which prevailed under the Laurier government, when all the efforts of the supporters of Sir Wilfrid were directed to burking, rather than encouraging enquiries. For years the Liberals refused an enquiry into the administration of the public domain in the west, an enquiry which could not be undertaken until after the Liberal government had been hurled from office and the results of which are just now being submitted to parliament. Always the famous Blockers' Brigade led by F. B. Carvell, E. M. Macdonald and A. K. MacLean, was on hand to see that too much information was not brought out; time and again the Liberal majority in the House of Commons sat on the lid when Conservatives with definite charges asked for fuller enquiry.

It is gratifying to note that those days have departed and the Blockers' Brigade lacks occupation. It is the Conservatives who have led in the present enquiries both in the case of the soldiers' boots and in the matters coming before the Public Accounts Committee and whenever a case has been proven it is the Conservative Government which has directed that action be taken at once through the justice department. In all their career, faced by many charges well founded in fact, the Liberals did not dare to submit their conduct to the same close scrutiny. After the most searching investigation, investigation in

which, as stated, the Conservatives led, every member of the Borden Government stands forth clean and unafraid.

## PUT WAR STAMPS ON ALL LETTERS

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Do not forget to place the war tax stamps on your letters, post cards and bank cheques. The new regulations are now in force and all letters and post cards must bear the extra one cent stamp. That is a letter mailed in Canada must have an extra one cent war stamp affixed, but in case you cannot secure a war stamp an ordinary one cent post stamp will do. The same is true for post cards. In no case, however, may war tax stamps be used for paying postage.

The stamps have been on sale for several days here. They contain the same inscription as the ordinary postage stamp but the words "War Tax Stamp" are printed across the face.

The new taxes apply to bank cheques, railway, steamship, parlor-car and sleeping-berth tickets, letter, postcards, and all kinds of mail matter except open letters and circulars; telegraph and cable messages and money orders.

A stamp tax of two cents is required on every cheque, receipt or money paid to anyone by the bank chargeable against a deposit to his or her credit (including a savings bank receipt), bank draft, money order, or travelers' cheque; and on every promissory note or bill of exchange transferred to the bank so as to make the bank the holder, or lodged with it for collection.

The stamp tax on cheques, drafts, etc., must be affixed by the issuer—in the case of a cheque by the person who draws it; in the case of a draft or money order, etc., by the issuing bank. Stamps on promissory notes or bills of exchange lodged with or transferred to the bank must be affixed by the persons lodging the item.

Stamps on such items must be cancelled by the bank which pays or receives the item. Stamps on bank drafts and bank money orders are to be cancelled by the paying bank.

The bank has no authority to affix the stamp to a cheque, promissory note or bill of exchange for a customer.

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## AN EXAMPLE FOR ST. JOHN.

Philadelphia enters upon its second annual Clean-Up Week, April 20th. The Mayor of that city has appointed the heads of the highways, health and fire departments to take charge of the work under the supervision of the city officers. The Chamber of Commerce Association of Philadelphia have appointed a large representative committee of citizens to co-operate with the city committee. This committee was sub-divided into twelve sub-committees, as follows:—Finance, press, poster and printed matter, trade associations, community associations, charitable and benevolent, school and school children, churches, retail

## Little Benny's Note Book.

By LEE PAPE  
HARE.

Hare makes you warm in winter  
And keeps you from being bald  
If you part it in the middle  
Slassey is wat yure called.

Yure hare perfocks most faithfilly  
Yure hed in awl kinds of weathirs,  
Berds and chickins also have hare  
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Babys havent much use for hare  
So thare born without hardly eny,  
Wich means they dont haft to have hare cuts,  
Wich saves thare fathirs meny a penny

O babys are born quite bald hedid  
And old men die the salm,  
So be kind to your hare while youve got it  
Or it will go the salm way it calm.

6 hares will make a mushlash,  
But a mattriss takes 1000 or moar,  
Id ratir be a mattriss than a mushlash  
Bekause a mattriss cant get shot awf you in war.

Anfmils have moar hare than we have  
And vegetabls have less,  
The reezin beeing that vegetabls  
Havent got modesty enuff to dress.

Our hare is caused by nature  
and wood grow very lawng in time,  
If the world wasent full of barbirds  
To clip it for a dime.

O a boy has less hare than his sister,  
And a man has less than his wife,  
And thares no use argewing about it,  
AWN akkount of such is life.

stores, street cars, vacant lots, fire prevention. A comprehensive scheme of publicity is being carried out, in order to get all the citizens working for the success of the enterprise. One poster asking for a "spick and span Philadelphia" concludes with this rhyme:

"Why don't they keep the streets a little cleaner?  
You ask with deep annoyance not undue,  
Why don't they keep the parks a little greener?"

Did you ever stop to think that they means you?

Route March Last Night.

The soldiers in the city spent another busy day yesterday. All the units in the city were hard at work with their drill. The 26th Battalion had men at the rifle range and in the evening several companies went on route march to Lancaster. They left the city about seven o'clock and returned shortly before eleven. Field work was indulged in while in the vicinity of Manchester's field. Equipment for the 55th was issued to the men yesterday. Reports from the recruiting centres showed that new men were being added slowly. Already nearly seven hundred men have been enrolled in this battalion, and an active enlisting campaign will be carried on soon. The other corps were engaged in routine drill and exercises.

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