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## THE SEDITION MONGERS

Canadians and Canadian newspapers have been treating with the silent contempt the vapors of Mr. Lindsey Crawford, the Sun editor of the Toronto Statesman. From an Irish Home Ruler and anti-conceptualist, Mr. Crawford has gradually developed into an advocate of Irish independence, and now he is preaching Canadian independence. No one in Canada pays any attention to Mr. Crawford, knowing that he represents such an infinitesimal proportion of the population of the Dominion, but when he appears on American platforms, posing as a promising Canadian citizen, and talks independence and says that "Canada does not recognize the King of England," it is time to protest.

When speaking at Detroit a few days ago, he seems to have had a rather more than usually severe attack of hysteria. In the course of an impassioned address, he told his audience that Canada was "awakening to the realization that no state can be economically independent unless it is politically independent."

"Why do we want independence in Ireland?" demanded the redoubtable Lindsey. "Why will we not accept Dominion Home Rule? Because we could not be satisfied with that form of government any more than they are satisfied with it in Canada or Australia or South Africa."

"In Canada," he continued, "we do not recognize the King of England, but he sends his representatives to Canada, and should we desire to converse with our neighbor to the south of us, we must whisperingly skulk through the back door of the British embassy to do it."

It might be mentioned in this connection that we in Canada have not been able to recognize the King of England lately because we have not seen him in this country, but we saw a pretty warm recognition to his son, the Prince of Wales, a short time ago, and will likely do it again.

It should be made very clear to Americans that Mr. Crawford represents no one but himself in Canada and that the sentiment of attachment of the people of the Dominion to the Crown and Great Britain is as strong today as at any time in the Dominion's history. Canadian citizens are proud of their country, but they are just as proud of their connection with the British League of Nations.

Incidentally, it is not about time that the Liberal party officially stated where it stands in regard to Mr. Crawford and the Statesman? This paper established by Mr. Crawford when he left the employ of The Toronto Globe—of which he was one of the editorial writers—on that paper deciding to support conscription and Union Government. The Statesman was the mouthpiece of Liberal anti-conscriptionism, carried on a vigorous campaign in 1917 against the Government; it was recognized as the organ of the party in 1917 and Mr. Crawford was close in the councils of the party.

The London Free Press says regarding this matter: "No one impugns the loyalty of the leaders of the Liberal party, but Hon. Mackenzie King should make his position clear towards Mr. Crawford. Unless he officially repudiates Mr. Crawford and his paper, Americans will have a perfect right to assume that the Toronto Sun Editor has some standing when he talks Canadian independence in the Republic."

## CANADIAN NATIONHOOD

Where does all this discussion about Canadian nationhood come from? From whom does it originate? What is the purpose of it?

Deeds, not words, build a nation's achievements in the field of civil consolidation, not the documents of scribbles or the pompous niceties of Court etiquette. True dignity and honor wait on deeds. The deeds that make a nation great do not depend upon its dignities or status.

What accomplishments have made Canada a nation? Have they not been the consolidation of scattered territories into one compact union, the arduous development of internal commerce East and West, giving it national volume and consistency, readiness in council for the general governance and defence of the Empire, and above all, immediate response to the call of battle.

Canada is not dependent upon sheep-skin parchments for her title deeds to distinctive nationality. They are inscribed on the page of history on the "Yours" and "Viney" Ridge. The Manitoba Free Press has lately been worrying itself a good deal about the institution of a good Canadian flag. Its utterances have been characterized somewhat caustically by the Winnipeg Tribune as "obtrusive pettiness," and it continues, "we have a Canadian flag, the red ensign with the

arms of Canada in the field. We have been bred under this flag and we have fought under it. It has a definite meaning in the historical evolution of which it is an appropriate symbol; it has a distinctive glory in the great deeds which have consecrated it, of which our own have been a not unworthy part. What are we, that we should go to the stars and heavens or the hills of the field, or the aniline dyes of a ribbon counter, to find a fitting substitute for the rag we have colored with our own blood?"

Let us then turn to the man's work that is ahead of us of building up a great nation in a mighty Empire, capable of restoring order and extending freedom, with reverence towards the past and an undaunted spirit towards the future. True honor and national dignity will flow, as they have done, from "deeds of substance done with expedition and dispatch."

This is the real meaning of Lord Milner's words: "It seems to me that our time would be better spent if, instead of going on affirming and re-affirming the independence of the dominions which nobody disputes, we should concentrate our attention on the practical point." It is those who are continually raising this question of independence who are themselves in effect disputing it. And, furthermore, by all the time barking about a wholly imaginary livery of subservience, they raise this other question in broader minded men whether they themselves are fit for anything else.

## THE CATTLE EMBARGO

It is useless to deny that the British authorities have full right to put an embargo upon the importation of cattle from Canada except for immediate slaughter, but it is certainly a gross misrepresentation to say that the reason for it is that Canadian cattle are not healthy. If our cattle are not healthy, why do the British authorities allow them to be killed for food, which the people of Britain are willing enough to eat? Undoubtedly Canada has a just grievance at the stigma put upon her cattle, but we seriously doubt if Mr. Manning, V. Doherty's faithful interference in the matter will do very much towards removing it.

The British Government would be perfectly justified if it told Mr. Doherty to go about his business. The cattle embargo is a political issue in Great Britain and Mr. Doherty's interference is highly improper. One can imagine the mighty roar of protest which would go up if a member of the British Government should come to Canada on a similar mission. The plea that Mr. Doherty is acting as a "private citizen" does not let him or the Government out.

If Premier Doherty was wise he would cable Mr. Doherty to take the next best home and instruct him to make his representations through the proper channels, the Federal Government. Hon. Dr. Tolmie, ever since he became minister, has been conducting negotiations for a removal of the embargo. It will be to him not to Mr. Doherty, London will listen.

## EDUCATION

While increasing attention is being given to education, some people have a wrong idea of the meaning of education. Too many confuse it with academic training, forgetting that many people who have taken long university courses may not be educated, while among well educated people are not a few who have never been inside a university. In the professions, also, there is even a narrower view. The college degrees of a member of a profession are too frequently accepted as the measure of his education. But a doctor of many degrees may not be as well educated as one with few. The barrister most versed in the law and most accomplished in his profession may not write impressive letters after his name.

Education consists largely in the acquiring through study and experience of ability to employ to the greatest advantage the knowledge and training obtained in schools and colleges or outside of them. Study and training are not themselves education. They must improve the mind, strengthen the character, increase the usefulness, or they are not education. It is the use that one can make of knowledge rather than the possession of it that is the measure of one's education.

It would be interesting to learn upon whose authority or instructions the publication of certain specified Rules of the House of Assembly has been withdrawn from the Royal Gazette during the past few weeks. The rule regarding publication until the meeting of the House is explicit enough.

## THE LAUGH LINE

Getting a laugh and going to law are two things you cannot count the cost of before you get through.

**Self-Explanatory.**  
 Strange manuscript found by a teacher on her desk. "Please excuse me," she was sick and had to leave home to do the washing and ironing."

**His Preference.**  
 Waiter—"By the way, sir, that steak you ordered—how would you like to have it?"  
 Patient Customer—"Very much, indeed!"—London Mail.

**Spiritful Thing!**  
 Mrs. Jones (who "chairs" at a house where her daughter is housemaid)—"My word, they have got some fine things! by their dinner service is in a handsome five pieces."  
 Mrs. Smith (Spitefully)—"Yes your daughter dropped it, I suppose?"

**Depends.**  
 "Did your mother ask you what time you came in?"  
 "Yes, I told her quarter of 12."  
 "But it was after 1 I went we left the place."  
 "Well, quarter of 12 is 3, isn't it?"  
 —Yale Record.

**But Never Contracted.**  
 Gladys—I hope, dearest, that you will never contract any debts. Jack—Never. Gladys—Jack, are you sure?  
 Jack—Positively; I always expand my debts.

## A BIT OF VERSE

## STILL WILD.

(Newspaper item: "Dancing of the fox-trot type is said to be becoming popular on some of the Indian reservations.")

In the days before the white man crossed the ocean,  
 When the red men did exactly as they chose,  
 Being utterly benighted, they were childishly delighted  
 In the scolding and the slaughter  
 Of the white man's ways and harrows.  
 Not a warrior of the lot was really happy  
 Till an arrow in his midriff got him riled.  
 There was nothing he found thrilling  
 For his simple warlike nature made him wild.

With the white man came a drink that seared the vitals  
 Of the poor untutored aborigine,  
 Which he took to like an ether, when in trouble, take to water,  
 And embarked at every chance on rousing spree.  
 So the white man couldn't quell their lust for battle,  
 Or restrain their fierce proclivity for war;  
 They remained untamed and savage  
 And rode daily forth to ravage.  
 For the whiskey made 'em wilder than before.

When at last they all were sent to reservations,  
 Where they learned to chew tobacco, and to farm,  
 Giving over bows and arrows and Ford tractors, plows and harrows,  
 We believed that we had killed their power to harm.  
 But they learned to do the fox-trot and the shimmy,  
 The seductive toddle swam into their veins,  
 And the while their feet grew frosty  
 They became unduly restive,  
 For the modern dances make 'em wild again.

So there isn't any taming of the red man.  
 Though you think you've got him placid as a pup,  
 Plying simple rural labors and at peace with all his neighbors,  
 His hereditary wildness WILL turn up.  
 —James J. Montague.

## Admiralty Admits Right To Salvage

Vancouver Fighter May Have Share in Big Sum for Saving Ship.

London, March 11.—After 4 years' correspondence the Admiralty has at last expressed its readiness to consider the right to claim salvage made by Lieut. Henry Bell Irving, a famous Canadian aviator, and another officer, in connection with the salvage of the ship and her valuable cargo. Originally the Admiralty allowed their claim for salvage, but later withdrew their assent. The Admiralty now acknowledges that there is no doubt of the gallantry and enterprise displayed by the salvagers.

## TRACK WASHED AWAY

Springfield, Mass., March 11.—About three hundred feet of the track of the Central Vermont Railroad, just south of Brattleboro, Vt., inundated by the Connecticut river yesterday, was found to be washed out today, necessitating the routing of trains over the Boston and Maine, by way of East Northfield.

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## Benny's Note Book

BY LEE PAGE

Skippy Martin and Skippy Mullen nearly had a fit at school today on account of Skippy Martin calling Skippy Mullen a old bean pole and Skippy Mullen calling Skippy Martin a dublin jointed clothes prop, and they stood there sticking their noses into each others face like Dutch comedians and daring each other to start it, and us fellows got all around them and started to cheer them both, Skippy Martin saying, Come on then, I'll fit you right now, the dickens with waiting till after school. Aw go on, do you think I want to be kept after school and maybe suspended just to oblige you, you wait till after school and I'll show you, sed Skippy Mullen.

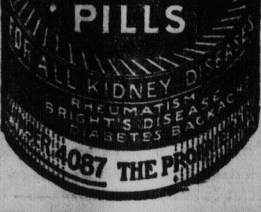
After school nothing, rite now, I dubble dare you up and down, sed Skippy Martin.

Us fellows, yelling for them both neutral, being easy to do on account of all we had to do was yell, Hilt him Skippy, don't take no back tawk off him, Skippy, nook his block off Skippy, and they would both take it personal, Skippy Martin saying, Aw you're afraid to file, these was the trouble with you, you got cold feet, you got so many cold feet you can't count them.

O is that so, well jest for that darn if I don't fit you rite now, the heck with after school, come on, put up your fists, sed Skippy Mullen.

Well it took you a heck of a long while to make up your mind, goah, we won't have time to finish it now before recess is over after you taking all day to decide about it, I'll fit you after school if you want to file, sed Skippy Martin.

You will like fun, now or never, that's my motto, sed Skippy Mullen. And us fellows kops on cheering them neutral, and pretty soon the bell rang and we all had to go back to our room, and the 2 Skippys made up during joggrity and the hole rite was called off.



Jimmy: "Dad, what does a volcano do with its lava?"  
 Dad: "Give it up."  
 Jimmy: "So does the volcano."

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