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What of British Liberals?

as far as the old parties are concerned.

This development emphasizes what has been out into the night. previously stated in these columns-there is no great outstanding issue before the British people. and therefore no cause for an election. If the Conservatives and Liberals each had a definite policy to place before the electors, it would not be possible for them to find common cause for the elimination of candidates. The fact that they can readily chalk out candidates here and that they both fear the inroads of the Labor

It is hard to analyze the reasons for the change that has come over the Liberal party in Britain-it is easier to contrast its fine history with its present drifting. One can hardly imagine Gladstone being a party to a compromise arrangement with his political opponents. He ran the whole gamut from ultra-Conservatism to Liberalism, even to the point of being called a Radical. His whole attitude toward public stockyards on horseback, and through London window pane. life was the active use of political power to the in a Pullman. solution of national problems. Picture the Liberals of Britain today, one leader vieing with another for control, even to the point of arrang- chuck and shot. The girl was painfully modern; ing a working agreement with the Conservatives she didn't even faint. -contrast it with Gladstone. The sympathy of Gladstone made itself felt outside Britain, in the struggle of the Italian people for unification; the Irish lands bill was brought in to serve the the case to take a turn for the better. interests of the masses; the army reform bill to do away with corrupt practices in purchasing who established the postoffice savings bank, fought with Cobden and Bright to repeal the re-entered public life to rebuke the laxity of making it effective there would be smaller Disraeli in dealing with the Bulgarian atrocities. grounds for complaint. That is why Gladstone was great, it is the reason why his name will ever stand out in the history of Britain. It was an aggressive campaign all the way on behalf of the people. What has happened to Lloyd George? He

was a burning torch in 1909, a crusader for the who fathered a national insurance plan, intro- Now, don't jump at conclusions, for we didn't suced the "people's budget," by which wealth mention the mayor's name. was to contribute more than ever its full share to the exchequer; there was his super-tax on incomes of £5,000 and over, and the larger irritation to prohibit playing golf on Sunday, death duties. As long as Lloyd George was the but is conspicuously silent on a matter of real apostle of militant Liberalism he grew. How public welfare which is engaging the mind of to get out the chronic stay-at-home vote, which newspaper form, in sound quarters, in can a man who was hated by the classes for his Ontario today. policy favoring the masses even countenance the suggestion that a deal be arranged for his entry into the camp of those who so bitterly opposed him?

It is a long step down from the Gladstonian tradition, and even from the Georgian attitude of 1909, to the 1924 spectacle of a Liberal party facing an election with no great, pulsating issue to take to the people.

Stealing From the Dead.

on a road near Brantford when his car piled into the ditch.

to pull the car out. They were not on the scene first, because other wreckers had been ahead. stripping off tires, rims, spark plugs, and everything that could be taken from the car.

These things were the property of a dead man, but that did not deter the human ghouls from rushing in. A human life had been snuffed out on the spot, but what was that compared to the chance of stealing a spare tire when the owner was dead, and not able to protect his Well next I swung around some more and smote

that stings the standards of red-blooded men. We hope the thief was on his way out of the

The Heckler In Action.

Heckling political speakers has long been a fine art in Britain. An announcement in the your pill in this here hole." London Morning Post indicates that it has become a recognized part of the campaign business. The notice is:

"If general election occurs in November, men of good address, persistence and strict sobriety thing too far, six times she wasn't strong will be required by trade organizations to question cardidates at meetings."

Canadian speakers are not heckled to any such extent, and it might be better if they were. It is hard on the man who talks at random and had never seen, and one he driv his pill at me makes wild statements, but it does not bother and smote the thing upon my bean, but Joe he the speaker who knows his facts.

The subject of heckling recalls a meeting in

two Guelph Conservatives undertook the preparation of a perfectly safe speech for their candidate to deliver. It was on the tariff, and consisted of an attack on the policy of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, then premier. The speech had to be memorized, and it was rehearsed several Managing Editor evenings in the rear of a gents' furnishings store still doing business in Guelph.

Finally it was ready to try out on the electors and Marden school was selected as the spot. Special Representatives:

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The Conservative candidate faced the audi-

ence, took a drink of water, announced several times that he intended to speak about the tariff, and then addressed the chair and the audience Lord Beaverbrook is again showing his hand all over again. When he had stated for the in British politics. Not far back, through his third time that he was to speak on the tariff newspapers, he turned Lloyd George down flat. the Paisley Block man suggested that he go Yesterday he had a luncheon arranged at his ahead and speak. But the first of that carefullycountry home with the idea of taking up Lloyd learned address would not come, whereat the George again, having him refashioned so that he heckler once more suggested that the candidate could lead a certain portion of the Liberals into proceed. This was something that had not been reckoned with. Starting for the fifth or sixth There are evidences of this move in several time, the speaker questioned, "Now what did sections of the country, where Liberal or Con-Sir Wilfrid do mit der tariff?" To which the servative candidates are being removed so that heckler queried, "Well, what did he do?" And the Labor candidates shall not have the advan- the answer came, "I tell you he made one grand tage of a three-cornered fight. In Glasgow's mess of der whole works." After this the meetfifteen seats there will be no triangular contests ing became the property of the heckler; the Guelph trainers brushed past the box stove and

Good Advertising For the Church Detroit man made a special trip to see the magistrate in Kitchener because twelve years ago he had made a false statement in a court

member and his conscience started to bother there is in itself a sign of weakness, a symptom him. The finely-adjusted inside mechanism had been rusty, but when it got limbered up it started to talk to the man who owned it.

It kept on until the man went on a special trip to Kitchener and made a clean breast of the whole thing. All of which speaks fairly well for the church this man attends in Detroit.

Note and Comment.

Gamekeeper mistook bobbed head for wood-

In London police court yesterday the plea

If one-half the effort expended in holding the corn laws, and as the climax of a brilliant career O. T. A. up to ridicule had been applied to

> West Hastings by-election is to take place on November 25, so Guss Porter's friends are hoping he'll be out of the trenches by Christmas.

Ramsay MacDonald will speak fifty times in Aghts of the common people. It was he who four days. There are one or two members of ught the House of Lords; it was Lloyd George London city council who do that in one evening. Times have changed.

The London Free Press is inciting a public

Playin' Golf

Joe kept a-comin' in each day to coax me to game of golf, and every time Joe talked a spell I'd laugh at him and pour my scoff. But he kept pesterin' at me so, a-wigglin' at his busy tongue, I says to Joe I'll go along and see just how this thing is done.

Well first we gets in Joe's big car, him jabberin' on in fiendish glee, he parks the thing A young man from Cochrane, Ont., met death beside a hut and says this here's the place we tee. For me he got a flock of sticks and had 'em stuck inside a sack, he says I am a golfer now

A wrecking crew went out the following day and trussed the parcel on my back. Then Joe, says he, you get some pills, you buy 'em over in that hole, me payin' fifty cents per spill and pealin' ducats from my roll. "You use your driver, stand like this, you

ain't a-workin' with a hoe, now smite upon the blinkin' pill and watch just where she starts to go." I stood just how Joe said I should, my legs pried out as fit to bust. I swung my drivin' thing on high and only raised a cloud of dust. Then Joe he laughed. I knew he would, I wisht he was in far-off France, he started in to talk again about the trouble with my stance. the thing right in the eye, my fifty center sailed There is something about the whole thing away, it must have gone clean to the sky, for Joe he squinted left and right, he couldn't see the thing about, but says as how it's worth a ball

o hit the thing one powerful clout. When we got started down a spell Joe says you take a mid-iron now, me havin' clubs enough along to pick up quite a decent row. And then he goes and lifts a flag a-wavin' from a fishin' pole, and hollers "Take a putter now and sink

Well say I've played at croquet on the lawn and done a spell at shinny too, but herdin' up that pill in there was somethin' I don't seem to do. Joe he kept talkin' on to me to cut out talk that sounded rough, six times I whacked the

Well we went to another spot and did the same thing there likewise, and Joe remarkin' it would take ten years for me to win a prize. Some other chaps was playin' too, some folks what I and smote the thing upon my bean, but Joe he says I was to blame, he says the chap had yelled decided to clean up "Chinatown," where bootstatement shows to what lengths pro-

me on the kitchen floor.

Rarebits By Rex

YE GOOD OLDE DAYS. twang my lyre's sweetest string to hymn the Good Old Days;

Their singular delights I sing in tones of ardent praise, date to the meeting to see the fruits of their Compared with them, how sad the Now, the Present how forlorn,

know them well-as you'll allow-for oh, For oh, the Good Old Days, my boys, Are always years ago; The Past is full of wondrous joys,

The Now, replete with woe.

A thousand speeches, books and rhymes, since first began the race, Attest the fact that pleasant times are never

taking place. The moral of these comments shrewd? My masters, write your own Nor view your present habitude with over-many

For Now, as Then, you'll duly meet The sinner, seer and saint, And distance lends enchantment sweet To everything that ain't,

The Old Graa sat on the side lines and watched the youngsters kicking the ball around. A nice bunch of kids (he said, reflectively), but somehow they seem to come much smaller than they did in my day. When we played McGill back in est franchise is granted. Filth and '74, our line averaged three hundred and eighteen

Bill Binks, our inside, weighed 618 pounds. Before the first quarter ended, the entire McGill team, including 30 substitutes, had been carried case there and caused an innocent man to suffer. off the field dead. We sent a beautiful floral Since going to Detroit he had become a church piece to the funeral, but we never could arrange manship, I call it.

> Those were the happy days. Jim Bowley was the only man I ever knew who could drop a kick over the pole from the 200 yard line. Jim could also do the 100 yards in six seconds flat.

In our field sports the coaches would stand at depraved.

Do not tell me that drunkenness the starting line with revolvers. At the word go they would shoot the pistols off right at our boys so they would be sure of getting a good start. In those days our backs were so tough that a bullet The Prince of Wales went through Chicago just bounced off 'em like a piece of hail off a

> to mar our sports. Fred Bull was putting the roadside where horses could the shot, and he put it a little further than he intended, and it landed on the roof of the library about half a mile away, killing 16 people.

Did you ever hear the story of how we hanged Doctors are slow in paying income tax, according to the collectors. Probably waiting for the varsity game. We were sitting in the Beta Beta house when Shorty Thompson rushed in and told us that two of our best men wouldn't be allowed to play because the president said they must study. An angry mob gathered, and we supplies. It was Gladstone who fought to extend was made "he was drunk but he doesn't know went to the president's house singing rollicking the franchise to agricultural laborers; it was he where he got the liquor." Remarkable, isn't it? college songs. We met the Venerable Dr. Doo-

> "To what am I indebted for this honor?" he said in his mild, academic voice. For reply we threw a noose over his head and hoisted him on the branch of an elm tree. We left him there dangling in the wind. That was a three tutors and the janitor.

"Boys will be boys," said old Dr. Jenkins, the Greek professor, when he heard of it. "I know

No, they don't make 'em like us any more.

Dr. Frank Crane

ALL VOTE.

A movement has been started in Washington is said to comprise about fifty per cent of the the city of London, that The Advercitizenship.

aim will be to stimulate the laggard voter. It is proposed to establish a national organization, with state branches and smaller branches for smaller units. The purposes of the association were set forth in their constitution, as follows: "The purpose of this association is to aid, by all practical means, a full registration and vote of all qualified American citizens throughout the worthy, as a real question, an airing,

United States. To that end it is our purpose to organize a national association which will include very part of the country. "It is our purpose to enroll members regardless of political affiliations and to secure the patriotic services and co-operation of all indi-

vidual citizens and all classes of people." According to Mr. Michelet, who is prominent in the association, it is said that for every one hibition to decry it. He believes that hundred persons who went to the polls on election day, ninety-four qualified voters stayed at

He says that but 26,674,000 people voted in the last presidential election, while there were 54,420,000 people, native and naturalized citizens, of this fellow-citizen, who pleases to of voting age.

They claim that the stay-at-home habit is growing at an enormous rate. In 1896, 80 per cent of the voters cast their ballots; in 1900, 73 per cent; in 1908, 66 per cent; in 1912, 62 per cent, and in 1920, less than 50 per cent of the people

People do not vote because they have no interest in the government, but they fail to recognize that those who are interested in government are small groups who desire to use the government for their personal advantage. It is necessary, therefore, for the large mass of citizens to take an active interest in voting in order to counteract the effect of these special groups.

Government will continue to be used for spearing against the ravages of disease, cial privilege until these indifferent citizens express themselves. It is hoped, therefore, that the country may be saved for the majority by arousing the majority to vote.

Not For Ontario

(St. Catharines Standard)

battle being staged between the mayor and the chief of police over the horrible conditions that prevail in the western city. The mayor has prevail in the western city. The mayor has have outlawry and the bootlegger in preference to legal control." This out "fore," a-meaning if I didn't move he'd lay legging, gambling and drug selling are running hibition thought has gone tearing in

to the very tissue and fabric of the Vancouver Star, apparently a "wet" healthy, sound, law-abiding life. rampant.

To the Editor

Support the O. T. A.

Kincardine Man Recalls Some of the Scenes and Incidents When Liquor Was Plentiful.

Kincardine, Oct. 13, 1924.

Editor of The Advertiser: Sir,-In your issue of Saturday is a question which has prompted me to write, and which you have answered satisfactorily, and I feel it my duty to add to the arguments in favor of the O. T. A.

An ancient philosopher has said: "He who only knows one side does not know the truth."

I have been in debates on the public platform in defence of Bible temperance, and elsewhere, and have come to the conclusion that there are favorable and unfavorable passages regarding prohibition, but as nothing was known of the great varieties of distilled liquors of today, in biblical times, I wish to say that it was usually the fermented juice of the grape that a warning was uttered against, and woe unto him who would give his neighbor drink and make him drunken also.

These woes have become greater by changed conditions since then, and society demands greater privi-leges and greater restrictions.

civilized community. Why? Simply filth engenders disease, because which is caused by infection. This is why all cities and towns, "not enslaved," demand that no filth enter into the drinking water, and taxes are exacted to keep it clean or doctored to kill noxious bacteria. It is claimed by some eminent doctors that drunkenness is a disease engendered by intoxicating liquor. Of course it is contended that all do

not become drunkards, true, nor vet, do all take typhoid fever, but many do: neither are wealth, position, family or strength proof against it. Our dearest and loveliest fall alike, the most moral as well as the most

will be lessened by a freer use of drink. In early days I have seen it carried at bees in a pail with a tin dipper in it. Did that lessen the drink-ing? No; unless by killing the drinkers off more quickly. At that time there In '76 there was just one unpleasant occurwere places where every five or six miles liquor could be got, posts on shiver for half a day, without feed or sympathy from owner or grog

These were the days when liquor ould be bought for about the same price as coal oil today. Never has freer liquor led to less drunkenness. They say "It will stop bootleg-gers." We had bootleggers, but by another name. I could relate heart-rending stories of some that lost all they had. One had a still in a bush a half mile from my farm. He lost all self-respect. His wife became a drivelling drunkard and was killed on the railway track, and he red iserable existence till death took

Another, two miles from my farm, ost his farm of 200 acres. Bootleggers, I know, have demoralized young men and led young women astray, and should be tried busy night for us. We hanged four professors, either for murder or manslaughter, and punished accordingly if death resulted from the liquor they sold. Restrict the liquor and vote in avor of the best temperance act we WM. WELSH. ever had. P. S.-Remember, the premier of Ontario has promised to give better machinery for enforcement if the

Against Prohibition.

O. T. A. is sustained.

Liquor Need Not Be Abused-Claims It Should Be Sold at a Fair Price.

Editor of The Advertiser: Sir,-It is said, or alleged, to use tiser will not accept in its printed The organization is non-partisan, and its only columns, its "Voice of the People," any opposite view to the standard O. T. A. version of right.

We do not believe it. In this mod. ern year of 1924, in democratic Canida, there is no such newspaper. The issue at stake, viewed on besides with feeling and sincerity. and there are big men, men of broad vision on both sides, who see the danger in the present form of en-

The man who believes that liquor is good for his system, the respectable father of a family and builder of our citizenry, cringes before the bootlegger and looks into the face of pro his rights are assailed believes that shall tell him what he shall do ir the matter of eat or drink.

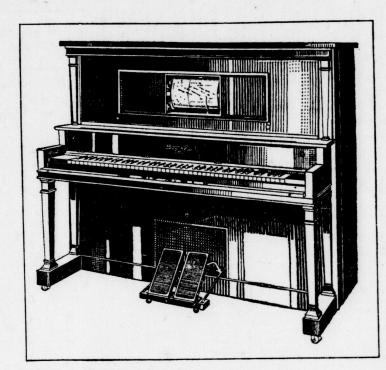
cor that the tyranny and arrogance boss him in a democracy, survives and lives.

The prohibitionist knows not the word charity, love. Because he does

not care for liquor or need it, he wishes all to do as he. The hibitionist cites the drunkard forever in argument, while in truth thous-ands drink and never get drunk. Abuse is the story of life, yet because one man or dozens are liber tines to degrade the marital tie must we go forth to stop the race? Liquor has given a lease of life to millions and destroyed hundreds against the rack of a hard day's toil, to recreation good fellowship and cheer—smoothen the edges from crabbed souls, and lights to smiles even villainous landlords.

Liquor will be abused. Everything

is abused. Prohibition itself creates lawlessness, banditry, graft, corruption. In all evil there is some good, yet the good in prohibition weighs too light on the scales of



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time the late Christopher Kloepher was contesting South Wellington for the Conservatives.

He had a tendency to put a strong German accent on everything he had to say. In order

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Let us, as men, step up legally, pay a just price go our way, how to nor centuries countles of time.

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London, Oct. 14, 1924