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CAN LAURIER STEAL TIME?

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Quebec is in full revolt. But the Laurier government has appropriated \$15,000,000 for the purpose of creating the nucleus of a Canadian navy, and this policy of creating a Canadian navy that has transformed multitudes of French-Canadians from friends to foes of Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

During the German war scare of two years ago, British overseas dominions became almost panic-stricken at the thought that the British navy might be outclassed. New Zealand and Australia immediately offered battleships to the mother country, and there was a wild clamor from lots of Canadians that Canada should do likewise. Sir Wilfrid Laurier hit upon the idea of creating a navy for Canada herself, which could in emergencies be sent to the assistance of the mother country.

The idea has been carefully spread and fostered among French-Canadians that this naval policy will involve Canada in British complications all over the world, and that the sons of the habitant will be drawn from their peaceful pursuits to the sea, and to the aid of the British navy, and to the aid of the British navy, and to the aid of the British navy.

And thus an amazingly hostile feeling has been created among French-Canadians towards the Laurier policy of a Canadian navy. It is vain to point out to them that Canada must sooner or later get warships to protect her fisheries and her vast seacoast on both oceans.

Jean Can't See It.

It is idle to tell them that Quebec cannot remain isolated in the Dominion, nor can Canada be isolated among the nations of the earth. Canadians know that the twentieth century will see Canada grow into a nation of one hundred millions with a vast commerce and unparalleled prosperity; but the French-Canadian does not see and will not see the duties and obligations that the abounding expansion of his country calls for. He sees no necessity for any special policy whatever, and he would gladly let the English and Scotch and Irish taxpayer pay all the costs of the navy that must protect Canada from a Japanese invasion.

The French-Canadian is thrifty and parsimonious; he is essentially a provincial, and he talks about Canada as a nation, and does himself a Nationalist. He is a Quebecer, and he thinks of Canada that Quebec shall dominate forever.

This is my calm analysis of the situation, and I am writing thus with a full appreciation of what a great and good, excellent and admirable people the French-Canadians are.

French-Canadians have not now and never had anything in common with the French of Louisiana or the French of the French of Canada were Bretons or Normans with plenty of Celtic blood in their veins and little or no Latin blood. There never was a breaver, or a nobler or a grander race of pioneers than the men that settled on the banks of the St. Lawrence and that explored and paved the way for the colonization of the great western country from the great lakes to the Gulf of Mexico.

Prolific and Sober Race. There were only 150,000 French-Canadians in America, when England conquered Canada 143 years ago, and very few French have come hither since, but this splendid pioneer race has multiplied and prospered so that there are 4,000,000 of their descendants in America now. They form about half the population of Canada and they are a prolific, sober, thrifty and a deeply religious people. They are multiplying as no other race on this continent, and as they love the land and the hillsides and the rivulets and the hillsides and the woods where they play in childhood, and as they love the home of the convent, and the church that guides their faith and shapes their characters, they love to stay close to the old home, and to the old church, and to their associations of childhood.

They have hewed down the great forests that once clothed the valley of the St. Lawrence and the Valley of the Ottawa, and they grubbed the land and millions and millions of acres that are now rich pastures, grain fields, gardens or orchards were transformed so from densest forests by the patience and sweat and toil of the French-Canadians. And they are still toiling on, hewing down forests for lumber or wood pulp, and then cleaning and grubbing, and making farms for the boys and girls who will wed and build homes on the newly created farms. Peoples of other races love to crowd the cities and the mills, and the stores. They love the glare and the rush and the whirl and the gaiety of the maddening throng. Not so the French-Canadian, for him the woods, the fields, the flowers, and the birds; all his ideals, they him to the land, and when an Englishman or a Scotchman grows tired of the monotony of farm life and wants to sell out and migrate to the city, there is always a French-Canadian ready to buy his farm and take his place. And so the French-Canadian farmers are multiplying in Quebec with amazing rapidity and they are buying out the English and Scotch farmers of Ontario and taking their place.

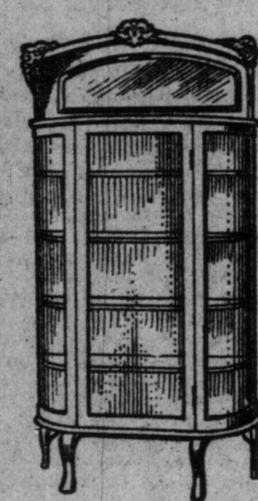
I know no people who are doing the world's work better or more effectively. They are the best farmers on this continent, and Canada is indeed fortunate to be possessed of such a race.

On the other hand it must be admitted that the French-Canadians have their defects. Complaint is constantly made that they live too much to themselves and cling too tenaciously and even passionately to their own tongue and to their own ideals. Their aloofness of solidarity, and their passionate devotion to their own tongue and ideals, have undoubtedly helped to keep them the splendid people that they are. When they stray far away from the convent bell, and from the influence of the convent and the church and learn the language of the stranger, they too often lose their ideals and lapse into ways that might well make angels weep. Hence their bishops, priests and nuns never want to see them wander too far away from the parental home, nor from the sound of the convent bell, nor from the watchful eyes of the priest. When they are running out a pioneer railroad thru the forests or hewing down woods, or creating a new farm and home on the frontier, the old folks and the priests want them at the village church on Sundays and holidays. They may live in tents for weeks and weeks, and cook their own rough food, but there is always a feast for them at home when they return, for mother and sister are the best cooks and the neatest housekeepers in all the world. Can any one wish the ties binding such a people together should be loosened? They are a picturesque and splendid people and long may they flourish and multiply.



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As illustrated—in hard wood, quarter-cut golden oak finish, shaped British bevel mirror in top, five shelves, large glass door with leaded glass panel, strongly constructed; regularly sold for \$17.00. On sale Monday for \$11.90.



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Another Week of the Anniversary Sale

With preparations for the Christmas home-coming just before you, and gifts to buy, this sale should appeal with extra strong interest—it's a real timely event. The furniture and other home things involved in the sale are all new, and comprise many of the beautiful show prices displayed during the Anniversary Celebration last week. Perhaps you had your eye on one or more of the pieces now reduced in price. You'll be very glad to know it can now be had for so much less than it's worth—besides, you can arrange for the purchase of anything in the sale—at the sale prices—by making only a small down payment, and agreeing to pay us balance in small amounts. We have a grand array of money savings here for Monday buyers:

Floor Covering Features for Monday

Anniversary Sale Prices



Carpets Less Than Half Price
750 yards Balmoral and Brussels Carpet, some with borders, in a variety of colorings; 11 good patterns to clear, in room lengths and ends. Regularly worth up to \$1.85 per yard. On sale Monday for \$1.00. .83

Velvet Rugs Very Much Reduced
18 only Seamless Velvet Art Squares, very fine quality, in floral and medallion patterns, greens, blues and reds, in 10.6 x 12 size. Regularly sold for \$35.00. On sale Monday for \$22.50.

Oriental Rugs, Small Prices
48 only Oriental Rugs, Shirvans, Kazaks and Chigils, all choice goods, in a variety of patterns, from 3 to 4 feet in width and 5 to 7 feet in length. Regularly worth up to \$30.00. Your choice \$17.50.

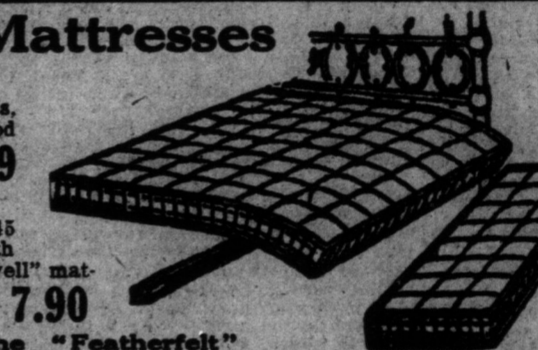
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\$3.95 Values Selling at \$2.69.

Mattresses, filled with absolutely pure curled seagrass, with layers of jute felt top and bottom, covered in good quality ticking, sanitary label attached. Regularly sold for \$3.95. Monday special \$2.69.

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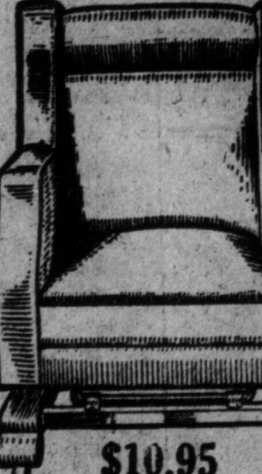
Some underpricing for Monday—

Portieres, in rich shades of browns, greens, etc., applied with Tapestry border, made to order for any size arch up to 6 feet wide by 7 feet high; made for and hung; regularly \$14.00 per pair. On sale Monday, 9.95 per pair.

Nottingham Lace Curtains, White or ivory, floral, conventional and flat designs, clear nets, made to order for any size arch up to 6 feet wide by 7 feet high; made for and hung; regularly \$14.00 per pair. On sale Monday, 9.95 per pair.

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But Quebec is only one star in the constellation forming this commonwealth. In another generation or two that great wondrous land stretching from the great lakes to the Rockies and from the Missouri to the Mackenzie River, will be settled by twenty or thirty millions of the most prosperous farmers and business men on this continent. The west, and not Quebec, will dominate the fortunes and shape the destiny of the Dominion. This is inevitable as that night follows day. In that wondrous west the influence of the French-Canadian is unfelt. He is there, and he is there in numbers, but he does not know the language of the west, and he cannot speak to the west nor can the west hear him. If he will be part of the

great west, and have his share in shaping it, he must speak in English, think in English and act in English. But will he? St. John and St. Paul gave up their own language and their own literature and made the language of the conqueror their own, because it was the best medium to accomplish the mission given them. The first and greatest of all social reformers of modern times, formed an organization to uplift the poor and the lowly and regenerate the world. He bade his disciples leave the language of scholars alone and speak to the people in their own crude tongues. It was the Franciscans that made Dante and Shakespeare possible and inevitable. Nay, more, they made modern French possible and inevitable, too. These men

set before themselves the regeneration of Europe and the betterment of the whole world, and they let no pride of race nor love of mother tongue halt them. It is, of course, entirely a matter for French-Canadians whether they will cling to the French language to such an extent as to cut themselves off from speedy intercourse in places where they are in a minority. In western communities French-Canadian children are kept aloof and taught in French. Later on they learn English, speak in English and think in English, but they are not capable then of choosing the best literature or of ever becoming masters of the best English. I am, of course, writing of the masses, for the highly educated

French-Canadians speak and write the very finest English. I hold the view that the more tenaciously French-Canadians cling to their own tongue, especially in places where English and English modes of thought prevail, the less will be the moral and political and commercial influence which they will wield in the community. And yet French-Canadians know what is best for their own people. Quebec will undoubtedly endeavor to dominate the politics of the Dominion as long as possible, and French-Canadians will strive to perpetuate and hold the influence which their numbers entitle them to, but a revolt like this against Laurier's naval policy is not promising for French-Canadian domination. Of course, nobody yet knows the true extent of the revolt.

It is widespread, and it is better, but it marks the inability of many French-Canadians to see or to understand the march of events and the great currents of modern times. Canada has now a commerce of \$800,000,000 a year. In ten years she will have a commerce of \$2,000,000,000. How can such a country do without a navy or a naval alliance? And an exhibition of this kind is what gives point to comments I have heard made against the education in French-Canadian schools and colleges. For many ardent friends of the French-Canadian people say that their school systems are in many cases antiquated and not up to date, and that the graduates of their colleges are better equipped in the modes of thought of the seventeenth century than in the problems to be solved, and

on the controversies to be fought out in the twentieth. Of this, I know nothing personally. I do know that Canada has magnificent French-Canadian institutions that are doing superb work, but more of the first class are needed. Men who remain aloof and exclusive will never be powerful in any community. And in the evolution of Canadian life, and in the rapid growth and vast expansion that is the certain destiny of the Dominion, the very thing that will mar their influence and endanger their supremacy in politics. Hence, if Sir Wilfrid Laurier fails to hold the French-Canadians, Canadian politics will soon be in the melting-pot and new leaders and statesmen will soon be shaping the Dominion's great destiny.

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