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HON. MR. MEIGHEN AND THE SOLDIER'S VOTE

North Waterloo, which was penalized under the Wartime Election Act, fathered by Hon. A. Meighen, will occur in the views expressed by Mr. W. D. Euler in the Commons, anent the manner in which a portion of the soldiers' vote was manipulated in the 1917 election.

The debate arose over a telegram alleged to have been sent by Mr. Meighen to Premier Borden. Decoded it read:

Would like one thousand soldier votes at large for Manitoba of which 300 are for Selkirk; balance divided between Provancher, Macdonald and Springfield, on same proportion of division, no matter what our allotment may be.

Under the provisions of the Wartime Election Act, soldiers in overseas service who had no fixed place of residence or were non-residents of Canada, were permitted to choose the constituency in which their votes should be counted.

This election device was open to the objection that it made possible a manipulation of the overseas vote. That this vote was manipulated is not disputed.

The telegram asked for one thousand votes for several Manitoba ridings whether cast for them by soldier electors or not. It is not denied that the switching of ballots was made. Then it is reasonable to assume that the other nine thousand votes available were similarly diverted to constituencies where they would defeat the will of the electors.

When the telegram was first read in the House, Mr. Meighen said: "I have no recollection of the telegram whatever. The message might have been sent; it might have been sent by me; it is a message which might have been sent by any honest man."

On Thursday last, when a copy of the decoded telegram was shown to him, and he had been charged with initiating and sending it, Mr. Meighen said, according to Hansard: "It has never been admitted and the gentleman knows it has never been admitted. The contents of the telegram are all right but I did not send it."

His contention is that the telegram had been stolen and his initials forged. Up to the end he argued that the order to switch the ballots to close ridings, in order to defeat opponents of the government, was all right but that he had not sent the order.

The Canadian public will not be so much concerned over which public man ordered the soldiers' ballot to be used as pawns in the election as it will over the fact that thousands of these were illegally diverted to win the election.

The defense offered for this indefensible action, was to the effect that the end justified the means—a most vicious doctrine. Mr. Richardson, M.P. of Springfield, Manitoba, who appears to have been one of the beneficiaries of this wrongdoing, said, in part, when replying to the member for North Waterloo: "I can easily understand that honorable men, good citizens of Canada, might think that in a great crisis such as this with which the country was then faced, almost any methods to save the liberties of the world would be justified."

Providing Mr. Richardson was elected by the illegal method of switching the floating overseas vote, it is understandable that he would defend it. But he and others who say the end justifies the means, forget that they were depriving fellow citizens of their constitutional rights.

Any government which succeeds in clinging to power by unjust or illegal election practices, cannot be trusted. Having succeeded in thwarting the will of a considerable proportion of the people, they will later be the reader and holder to try to impose their desires upon all of the electorate.

The Ottawa administration as good as admits that the unattached overseas vote was distributed where it would do it the most good. It has thus dealt a heavy blow to the freedom and liberties of this, an ostensibly democratic country.

It may yet claim that it issued, under the War Measures Act, an order-in-council authorizing it to be done. If so, it is but another instance of its abusing its power. It may have known that it had alienated the good opinion of the electorate and concluded that it might as well be hung for a sheep as a lamb.

Even Toronto is disgusted. Mayor Church told a convention, one day last week, that a Unionist candidate could not be elected in that city. This is refreshing. Were it otherwise the Canadian people would, as a result of their splendid services and sacrifices during the last five years, see their rights and liberties as a democratic nation seriously curtailed by those who act on the assumption that "all's fair in war" or elections.

CANADIAN CUSTOMS AND EXCHANGE RATES

In the States, the Canadian dollar will, presently, only buy 96 cents worth of goods. But other countries are in the same fix. The British pound, usually worth \$4.86, is quoted at \$4.26 and the French franc, customarily at 20 is only worth a fraction over 8 cents.

Canadians have quickly perceived that they can in numerous instances avoid paying the discounts on their money in New York by purchasing goods in Britain and France, where our money is slightly above par.

But these have struck a snag at home. The customs offices are reported to be giving the pound and franc their full respective values, of \$4.86 and two-thirds and 19.3 cents, when the Canadian business man goes to pay duties on imports.

This may be due to an oversight on the part of the Customs Department, yet the absurdity of the continuing this practice is patent. Its attention has been drawn to the matter. It may contend that it needs the money but this will not justify its ignoring facts in the world of exchange nor penalizing the Canadian importer and through them the Canadian consumer.

The Governmental department should be alert and encourage every move that will place business in a better position and lessen the cost of living in Canada.

DOMINANCE OF MOTOR CARS ON TORONTO-HAMILTON HIGHWAY

On September 28, the Ontario Motor League took a census of traffic on three main highways radiating from Toronto. The census covered ten hours, between 9 o'clock in the morning and 7 o'clock in the evening. This covered about 75 percent of the vehicles passing over three roads tabulated.

It was found that of 8,334 vehicles which passed the checkers, only 47 were horse-drawn.

Again, of the 8,187 motorcycles counted only 52 were

owned outside of the province of Ontario. This dispels the report that the permanent highways of the provinces are only speedways for Yankee tourists. Details of the traffic passing that day over the Toronto-Hamilton highway will be found interesting. There were 4588 Ontario passenger cars; 40 foreign cars; 38 trucks; 391 motorcycles and only 15 horse-drawn vehicles; September 28 being a Sunday may account for the small number of horse-drawn vehicles present.

That motorcycles predominate on that highway is shown by these statistics. Motorcycle ownership tends to bring better roadways and better roadways increase the number of cars.

CANADIAN TRADE STATISTICS

Taking twelve months trade being from August 31, 1918 to August 31, 1919, it is shown that Canada's export trade is holding its own, while its imports are decreasing.

Our total exports, during the period mentioned was \$474,448,089 as compared to \$451,846,814 in corresponding period of a year back. The imports were \$366,254,496 as against \$413,062,724.

That the business men of Canada have been able to increase their export of goods and products is worthy of a good word. Likewise, in view of the adverse trade balance against Canada in the United States, it is well to have been able to reduce imports therefrom.

Taken together this trade report indicates that Canadian industries of all kinds are endeavoring to keep the freight carriers as busily employed in peace as they were able to do in wartime and are to a large extent succeeding. This while cutting down some of the luxuries and non-essentials they had been buying over the way.

EVERY LITTLE WILL HELP

When you think of the millions that must be raised in order to make the Victory Loan, 1919, a success, and then of your own modest resources, you are tempted to say, "What's the use! The most I can do would be too small to count."

If you thought this you would be wrong. The million of dollars of conspicuous wealth are trivial assets compared to the resources of the rest of us. The flood of ten and twenty dollar bills the ordinary people of this country can pour into the exchequer of Canada would be a veritable Niagara of wealth.

But as Niagara's flood is only a myriad of single drops—so must our flood of dollars be made up of the small subscriptions of millions throughout Canada.

Only a drop in the bucket, but it will count—that fifty or one hundred that you think too little to be worth while.

Extracts of Exchange

The Near-Lynching of a Mayor
Vancouver Province, Omaha is a city of 200,000 inhabitants, by far the largest in the State of Nebraska, which is one of the most advanced and enlightened states in the Union. It is the seat of two universities and claims the best high schools in America. Nebraska is largely peopled from the Eastern States. Its illiterate population is only 2 per cent of the whole, and the colored population is less than 1 per cent. The lynching of a negro who was awaiting trial, and the almost successful attempt to lynch the Mayor, who had refused to give up this accused person to be slain without trial, is an extraordinary occurrence. The destruction of the courthouse by the mob was an incident in the proceedings. Lynch law has been tolerated in some states but this extension of the system is likely to produce a reaction in favor of trial by jury.

WAIT A MINUTE

"IN THE DAY'S NEWS"
Sixty years old today is Lieut-Col. Alfred Dreyfus, who has been decorated as an officer of the Legion of Honor in recognition of his services in the war. Twenty five years ago, it will be recalled, this same Alfred Dreyfus, then a captain in the French army, was the central figure in a sensational case that long held the attention of the world. It was on Dec. 23, 1894, that he was sentenced to life imprisonment on Devil's Island, following his conviction by court-martial on a charge of selling military secrets to Germany. Following the confession of Colonel Henry that he had forged some of the evidence against Dreyfus, a new trial was ordered in 1899. He was, however, again convicted on Sept. 8 of that year and sentenced to ten years' imprisonment. He was pardoned, however a week later. The Supreme Court of Cassation later found him innocent of the charges against him and he reentered the army with full citizenship restored.

TODAY'S ANNIVERSARIES

1669—The asteroid, Ceres, was discovered by Dr. C.H.F. Peters.

1906—Archbishop Bond, Primate of All Canada of the Anglican Church, died at Montreal. Born in Truro, England, in 1815.

1908—British fleet hurried from Malta to the Aegean Sea owing to crisis in the East.

1910—General exodus of monks and nuns from Portugal began.

FROM HERE AND THERE

Canadian railways now in operation extend over 39,000 miles.

The most valuable pearls are round. Next come the pear-shaped, and lastly the egg-shaped.

Belgium has long had the distinction of being the only Maritime country in Europe without a navy.

Scientists have demonstrated that nearly fifty per cent. of our bodily ills result from "mental worries."

At Swedish weddings, among the middle and lower classes, the bridegroom carries a whip. This is an emblem of his authority in the domestic circle.

Seven Presidents of the United States have married widows—Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Jackson, Fillmore, Benjamin Harrison, and Woodrow Wilson.

The River Orinoco, in South America, has more tributaries than any other river. The total number is put at 2,500, including more than 400 large streams.

At the close of a wedding ceremony amongst the orthodox Jews a wine glass is ground to atoms beneath the bridegroom's heel. This is a sign of mourning for the departed glories of Zion.

From the skin of the sturgeon is obtained a tough leather that is used for the making of shoes to join leather belting for machinery. It is said that the lacing frequently outwears the belting itself.

The Japanese are now using starfish as a manure, and it is said to give excellent results on rice. An analysis shows the fish to contain nearly five per cent of nitrogen and a small quantity of phosphoric acid.

Automatic machines were first used in Egypt and in the old temples of the East devices are employed for automatically dispensing the purifying water. A small coin had to be dropped into a slot to set the mechanism in motion and secure a small quantity of water.

The Central Railway of Peru enforces a commendable disciplinary measure in its system of fines. When an employee is found guilty of a careless or improper act he is fined a certain sum, and immediately the money is turned over to the sick and death benefit fund of the railway employees' association.



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BOYS ATHLETIC MEET

The Ontario boys' track and field championships will be held at Toronto on Oct. 18. The events will be: 100, 220 and 44 yards, running high jumps, 1 and 2 1/2 mile races; 1 mile walk; 8-lb. shot; half and one mile bicycle race. The classes are to be 80 lbs. and under; 85 lbs. and under; 110 lbs. and under; 125 lbs. and under, and under 20 years of age on Sept. 1.

IS KILT REINSTATED?

President W. E. Wing, of the Montreal Rugby Club, stated that the club had protested against Martin Kilt playing for Ottawa on Saturday. The Montreal executive was not satisfied that Kilt had been reinstated and have placed the matter in the hands of the governors of the Interprovincial Rugby Union. Phil Mackenzie is the Montreal in the Montreal representative on the board of governors, and has not yet cast his vote in favor of Kilt's reinstatement. This protest will prevent Kilt from playing until it has been disposed of by the governing body of Rugby.

Ottawa Switch Tiger Dates

The Ottawa football club, decided to change the dates of their matches with the Hamilton Tigers. They will play the Tigers in Ottawa on Saturday of next week, October 18, instead of going to Hamilton, and will make the Hamilton game on Saturday, Oct. 25. The change was made at the request of the Tiger club which must give up its grounds on Saturday Oct. 18 for the celebration in honor of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

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BITRO-PHOSPHATE IS GOOD FOR THIN NERVOUS PEOPLE

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The celebration in honor of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

Eddie O'Leary With Ottawa.
The Ottawas will likely have Walter Gilhooly at centre half to do the kicking against the Argos on Saturday next. He was with the second Ottawas, and is considered a find. Eddie O'Leary, the plugging wingman and Jess Abelson will likely be in the line-up.

SACRIFICE PRICES ARE MAKING THE GOODS WALK OUT

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