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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.

## BOURASSA AND QUEBEC.

Liberal newspapers which know better are attempting to deceive their readers when they publish statements that Henri Bourassa, the Quebec Nationalist, holds a higher opinion of Sir Wilfrid Laurier than does Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and point to his denunciation of the Liberal leader as proof of this. They are also absurd when they claim that the Dominion Government should deal with his case and punish him for his seditious utterances both from the platform and through his newspaper. Let us suppose, for instance, that Bourassa took the life of one of his neighbors. In that case the legal machinery of his province would take care of him. It would not be a Dominion matter although he would be prosecuted under a Dominion law. Suppose he came to St. John and from the bandstand in King Square gave utterance to the sentiments he is now expressing in Quebec. It would be but a brief time before one of Chief Simpson's men would have him in charge and he would be arraigned in the police court like any other common brawler. There was a case in St. John not long ago where a misguided and excited individual was arraigned for sedition and was prosecuted by the province. The same precedent should apply in Quebec and if Bourassa had been guilty of sedition it is up to Sir Lomer Gouin's attorney-general to look after him. Why attempt to foist the job on the Dominion Government? Is it because the members of the Quebec government and Bourassa are too friendly?

It is unwise to take the Nationalist leader too seriously. It is a manifest absurdity to say that he and he alone is responsible for the situation in the province of Quebec. Despite the Bourassa ravings, Sir Wilfrid Laurier is still the dominant political force in that province as he was for many years before the war. It is sheer nonsense to claim that what Bourassa has said since the war is wholly responsible for Quebec's failure to respond to the call. The drop there is the result of seed planted long before the war, at times such as those when Sir Wilfrid deemed it good politics to sneer at the "High-brows of Downing street," and when Liberal representatives from that province rallied against the idea of Canada contributing to the British navy. The seed may have been dormant but it has been sown by Bourassa's eloquence or his pen, but no such prolific crop as has ripened could have been produced had the soil and the atmosphere not been congenial. Henri Bourassa should not be invested with the dignity of a state prisoner to be worshipped by his followers as a martyr. He is merely a common brawler and should be dealt with by one of the police magistrates of his own province. Or, if the provincial authorities deem him a menace to the harmony and dignity of Quebec they can very easily take measures to suppress him. The Liberal newspapers that attempt to magnify the Bourassa influence merely hope by that artifice to distract attention from the fact that Laurier and his lieutenants long preached the doctrine of Quebec first, Canada next—if necessary—and the remainder of the Empire not at all.

## IN THE BALKANS.

The report, a few days ago, of the retirement of the Roumanians from Transylvania came as a distinct surprise to the world at large, for it was the general opinion that the Roumanian army was sufficiently strong to make a steady advance in that area. It has yet to be explained whether the Teuton forces were so powerful that they could not have been met successfully, if it had been the Roumanian purpose to do so. War is a peculiar game, in which retirement by no means spells defeat and it may very well be that the Roumanians in conjunction with their Allies have other plans which can only be served by weakening their forces in Transylvania. Developments in Dobruja Province, and north from Saloniki indicate that the Allies have selected that as the field offering the greatest possibilities for successful operation in the East.

The Russians in force are already surpassing everything in the history

of the nation, black as some of the pages may be.

Little wonder that Sir Wilfrid Laurier with his "uplift" dreams and his policy, constructed largely of stolen timber, should attempt to draw a red herring across the trail. The attempt, however, will not succeed. The Borden Government and the Conservative party stand prepared to be judged by their acts, and they will see to it that the party of Laurier shall similarly meet the people. The Liberals shall always be known by their deeds and misdeeds—and judged accordingly.

## A FINE EXAMPLE.

One of the first of the city clergy-men to resign his pulpit and don the King's uniform in order that he might labor among the boys who were fighting for British traditions on the battlefields of Europe was Rev. G. A. Kuhring of St. John's (Stone) church. Since that time he has worked zealously and well to brighten the lot of the lads overseas and has won the love and esteem of all to whom he ministered.

The resignation of Mr. Kuhring from his church work made it necessary to secure a shepherd for St. John's flock and the choice fell upon Rev. Victor Jarvis, of Toronto, a young man eminently well fitted for the duties which came to him. His term in the charge of St. John's has been pronounced successful.

It was with a sense of deep loss therefore that the vestry, at a meeting last evening, received his resignation and with it the information that he, too, had determined to enter the army of the Empire and do his part in the struggle in which we are now engaged. It is known that Rev. Mr. Jarvis' decision is not of recent origin, but that circumstances over which he had no control prevented him from sooner donning the khaki.

St. John's (Stone) church thus has given two rectors, as well as scores of its finest young men, the flower of our citizenship, to the cause of Empire. It is a record of which any church might well feel proud. Rev. Mr. Jarvis' fine example should act as a stimulus to other young men in this city for whom the call is just as insistent and who have less, much less, to keep them in private life. He has shown the spirit of true Christianity, the Christianity that does not shrink from the duty of taking up arms in the cause of justice and right—in this case the cause of Britain and her gallant allies.

## HOTEL ARRIVALS.

### Royal.

Mr and Mrs F. L. Cooper, D. A. Laurie, Fredericton; Harry W. Thorpe, Montreal; Mrs L. P. Farris, White's Cove; Mrs J. W. de B. Farris, Vancouver; Geo W. Barrington, Montreal; Mr and Mrs G. Elliott, Montreal; W. A. Tallmire, Toronto; P. H. Glyn, A. J. Hixon, W. A. Kinzie and wife, Boston, Mass.; W. H. Owen, England; G. W. Winters, Halifax; Geo. A. Stevens, Arlington, Mass.; J. U. Hatfield, Jr., John M. Parley, Arlington; M. W. Goward, Montreal; Mr and Mrs J. LaCroix, Boston, Mass.; Fren Renken, Chicago; Mrs W. D. Barclay, Mrs T. W. Murphy, Halifax; Capt W. G. Church, Aldershot, N. S.; W. D. Taylor, Toronto; Miss Bryson, Ottawa; Mrs C. Y. Hillson, Amherst; Miss E. F. Way, Halifax; T. Edwards, Providence, R. I.; H. S. Scott, Toronto; R. G. A. Deschamps, W. J. Grant, Montreal; Mrs M. L. Francis, Washington, D. C.; Lieut. J. L. Farrer, Aldershot; Ernest Finnigan and wife, W. H. Stevens, Montreal; J. H. Webster, Sherbrooke; W. M. Joubert, Victoria.

## Little Benny's Note Book

Last night after supper me and Skinny Martin and Ed Wernick and Sid Hunt was standing by the lamp post, me eating an apple and Skinny sucking a orange and Ed Wernick and Sid Hunt just standing there, and we started to talk about Puds Simikases eisy cousin Persey's party, wish he was going to have one next week, only none of us fellows has bin invited yet. Maybe he aint going to be invited on account of the way we treat him so ruff and everything, sed Ed Wernick.

Wich jest then who came up ut Persey, saying, Hello, boys. Hello, Persey, we all sed, and I sed, We was jest tawking about you, Persey, wasent we, fellows?

Yes, we was jest tawking about you, Persey, sed Ed and Sid and Skinny.

Wunt a bite of my apple, Persey? I sed.

All rite, sed Persey. And I gave him a bite, wich he took a pritty big one, and Skinny Martin sed, Wunt a suck of this orindge, Persey?

All rite, sed Persey. And he took such a long suck Skinny started to look nervias, and Ed Wernick sed, I got 3 bewty new agates home, Persey, you can have one of them if you want it.

All rite, sed Persey.

Hay, Persey, sed Sid Hunt, you know that boxwood top of min's? and Persey sed, Yes, and Sid sed, You can have it, I got a new one.

All rite, sed Persey.

I heer your going to have a party, Persey, I sed, and Persey sed, You bet I am, ice cream and cake and all.

Who ails invited, Persey? sed Ed Wernick.

Nobody eround heer, they tease me to much, I woodent invite them, sed Persey.

Well then I was only fooling about the agate, sed Ed Wernick.

And I was only fooling about the top, sed Sid Hunt.

And me and Skinny sed we was only fooling about the bite of apple and the suck of orindge, and we all started to look up in the air and wawk on Persey's feet as if we didnt see ware we was going, and Persey started to run home and we chased him half way down the block and then stoped, being to much werk to chase him all the way.

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### Dufferin.

A Warning To Soldiers.  
The military authorities are determined to stop men from absenting themselves from their respective units without leave. It has been the custom in the past to give these men a short term in the barrack jail, but now more severe sentences are to be meted out to absentes. The first case to come under the civil jurisdiction in the matter of absentes was tried at Sussex on the 10th inst and both men, Private T. Martin of the 145th and Private Peter Martin of the 132nd Battalion, were sentenced to two years with hard labor in the Dorchester penitentiary. It would be advisable for any men who are away on French leave upon reading this article to return to their battalion and save themselves from being arrested on this serious offense.

### Victoria.

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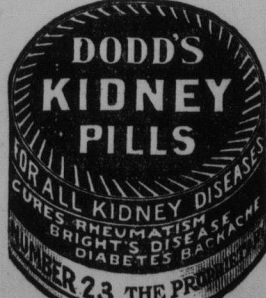
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