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LIBERAL WARD MEETINGS

Monday, April 22.

Meetings of the Liberal Electors in the various city wards will be held on Monday, April 22, at 8 p. m. to elect delegates to a convention to be held Friday, April 26, in Berryman's Hall, at 8 p. m. for the purpose of selecting a candidate for the representation of the City and County of Saint John in the Federal Parliament.

The meeting places of the various wards will be:

**Kings, Queens, Dukes, Berryman's Hall,
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THOS. McAVITY,

Chairman Liberal Executive.

LORD MILNER ON THE CONFERENCE.

In the opinion of Lord Milner, the most important business before the colonial conference is the creation of some permanent machinery for carrying on its work in the long intervals between its brief and widely separated sessions. No fewer than three colonies—Australia, New Zealand and Cape Colony—have submitted notices of motion tending to give permanence to the conference under the title of an Imperial Council. The Australian notice of motion contains the clearest idea of what this permanent organization should be and do. In the first place, it should be composed of representatives of the colonies and the self-governing colonies, chosen ex-officio from their existing administrations. A permanent secretariat staff should be borne by the colonies and the motherland, in proportion to their population, and the duty of this staff would be to obtain information for the use of the council, attend to the execution of its resolutions and conduct correspondence relative to its affairs. Such an office, however, subordinate to the duties of the council, would be, Lord Milner thinks, a genuinely imperial one.

THE SEPARATIST CRY.

His Lordship, in the National Review, controverts the argument advanced in Separatist quarters that this council would encourage its members to meddle in the business of the other members of the empire. The council, in fact, is nothing more nor less than the conference made into a permanent institution. There is no evidence that at past conferences the Australian representative has meddled with Canadian affairs, or that Cape Colony has interfered with the business of New Zealand. Why, then, he argues, should there be any apprehension as to the future difficulties of the conference, even if it was called a council, and even if it employs a permanent secretariat? It will be simply a medium of mutual information and for the exchange of views, says Milner. Its resolutions, no doubt, would have a great moral weight, but they would not be binding upon any of the states represented. The strongest argument in favor of the council is that with sessions of three weeks, at intervals of four years apart, there is time for very little business to be discussed. The conference is naturally a victim of entertainments and social functions, and formalities, and the members have hardly time to get down to work before the conference is over.

WHAT THE EMPIRE NEEDS.

In the opinion of this distinguished Imperialist the empire needs such a body, but it needs something more than that is not contained in the Australian proposal. He says:—

"What is wanted is a permanent representation of the colonies at the centre of the empire by men of such rank, preferably members of the respective cabinets, as would enable a body of a composition similar to that of the conference, and of great, if not equal, authority to assemble at any time if occasion required it. Its functions would be deliberative merely. The present suggestion does not go beyond that. But the constant potential existence of a deliberative council or conference representing all states of the empire would go far to keep our policy on really imperial lines." At

present, unless a question should arise while the conference is actually in session there is no ready and recognized means by which the Imperial government can consult with any particular colony, much less as in matters of the highest moment would be eminently desirable with them all.

IMPERIAL DEFENCE.

Lord Milner discusses the question of colonial contributions to the Imperial army and navy in a very tolerant spirit. A discussion of such contributions is, in his judgment, putting the cart before the horse. "Before we can expect the colonies to contribute in money or kind to the fighting strength of the Empire, in anything like proportion to their wealth and population, they must feel that they are partners in any policy that might involve a call upon their strength," he says. "The idea of using them as mere tributaries helping to support an army and navy in which they have no part, and in the control of which they have no share, is wrong in principle. . . . The true principle is to encourage the colonies to develop their own forces, thus increasing the land and sea power of the Empire as a whole; but to develop them on lines which will enable them to co-operate in the most effective way with the British army and navy, and with one another."

THE DEPENDENCIES AND THE COLONIES.

Perhaps the most interesting portion of Lord Milner's discussion of the conference is that in which he considers the position of India, and the possible future relation between the self-governing colonies and those like India that are dependencies, and are likely to remain so. He speaks of the strain upon the Imperial system created by the friction between the Mother Country and the self-governing colonies over the treatment of the latter by the latter to the Indian and other colored subjects of the Crown. Then he goes on to say that, despite this difficulty, the existence of these dependencies may in the long run prove a link, and perhaps the greatest of all links, between the Mother Country and the colonies. "In the sphere of common interests they may count at present for very little, but they are destined in the future to count for a great deal. Consider the ultimate importance of the West Indies to Canada, of our Central and East Africa possessions to Australia, of the British Islands in the Pacific to both Australia and New Zealand. Consider the importance of India with its great and growing resources to every member of the British group of states. How seriously would the prospects of all the self-governing colonies be clouded if the tropical and sub-tropical dependencies were to pass into other hands."

OPTIMISTIC FOR THE FUTURE.

It is not possible to give further extracts from Lord Milner's fine article, but it is worth the while of every Imperialist to buy a copy of the National Review for April, and read it in full. He is optimistic over the future of the Empire, but he declares that the present relation of the Mother Country to the self-governing colonies cannot long continue. There must necessarily be a change, whether for closer relations, or for the opposite, a view

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Although the young woman's illness gave rise to reports of her family's opposition to the match, the fact is that Mrs. Rives planned for her daughter's wedding and her stepfather attended a dinner given by the prospective son-in-law last night.

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