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IMPORTED DANGERS.

Bolshevism in Canada, to whatever extent it constitutes a danger, is an imported one, and the federal authorities should never relax the precautions they have devised for excluding immigrants who preach the crazy doctrines which brought Russia to ruin and which have caused already no little harm in other countries. The other day when a woman reformer in Montreal was credited with the statement that there are six Bolshevik schools in that city in which alien children are instructed for two hours daily in atheism and in unbelief in any government or authority, it was expected that her assertion would be characterized as a gross exaggeration. What she said, however, appears to be taken seriously by the Montreal Gazette, which is by no means a sensational journal, and which speaks of her remarks as a serious indictment and one worthy of consideration. The Gazette thinks that all over the Dominion, as well as in Montreal, there are people who are in touch with the agents of Russia's leaders, and it points out that there are said to be more Communists in New York than in Russia. The Gazette says:

"The Communistic menace which Mrs. Thompson has called attention to is the gospel of political theorists, with little or no practical knowledge, at whose doors lies the submergence of a great empire in such misery as no words can describe. Ignorance, cupidity and over-weening vanity strengthened the arms of the terrorists who did ministers of religion and priests of the Catholic Church to death—men mostly illiterate, rapidly subordinated to the official will. Today there is no liberty in Soviet, Bolshevik, Russia—no liberty of speech, of press, of contract, of labor, or of home life. Everything has disappeared. The State set out to find work for all, and it failed. It agreed to provide clothing for everyone, and it failed. It stipulated that it would provide good ration for the whole population, and again it failed. The only people who were not clothed and fooded were the men who talked or the men who protected them with their rifles. The Bolsheviks have been dupes in Russia, same as it eventually with those who have been duped in this and other countries. The whole crazy structure, with its spying and terrorism, its propaganda, its Every Bolshevik theory has broken up into atoms. The Russian workmen are the miserable victims of an experiment in Lenin and Trotsky cannot bring back the dead to life again, nor their commissions have professed in arrogant ignorance for seven years. The Bolshevik resurrection is too. Those who murmur the teachings of such senseless revolutionary adventures in Canada or elsewhere, where nothing will be visible but a waste of ever-deepening tragedy."

Terrible as this indictment is, it is based on the simple presentation of well known facts. What Bolshevism has done to Russia is a terrible warning to other countries, and instead of Bolshevism capturing the world as its leaders predicted, Russia is more and more held up from day to day as a frightful example of national insanity which other nations should avoid.

In this country the Bolsheviks are few. But they must be kept few. So far as Canada is concerned, the entire native population and a great majority of the aliens within its border have their faces set against Bolshevism or anything approaching it. This is not the kind of country in which such doctrines can thrive. Yet, whether in Montreal or elsewhere, it is the duty of the authorities to exercise the utmost vigilance and to punish promptly men or women who are guilty of preaching the doctrine of national suicide, who would destroy our testing and cherished institutions and replace them by anarchy. Most of all it is necessary to watch the cities, in some of which alien groups herd together, influenced by fanatics who not only do not understand or appreciate Canadian institutions but who are eager for anarchy. Canadians regard them with nothing and contempt.

THE PALESTINE PROBLEM.

The recent murder of British soldiers by Arab natives in Palestine and the native uprising against the Government of Transjordan have created some uneasiness in official circles in London, and Sir Herbert Samuel, the High Commissioner of Palestine, has returned to England to report on the situation. It is said Sir Herbert may resign.

When the people of Palestine were given permission by the British administration about two months ago to elect a legislative council of their own the Arabs declined to vote on the ground that it would seem to commit them to acceptance of the principle of a Jewish National Home, as laid down in the mandate of the British Government. The authorities therefore declared the election null and void and suspended indefinitely the constitution of an elective legislative council, which meant that British rule in Palestine would be continued. The Arabs have only themselves to blame for losing this opportunity to have a part in a representative Palestine Government. They have

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A CANADIAN QUOTATION.

(Bliss Carman in "Where is Heaven?")

Where is Heaven? It is not
Just a friendly garden plot,
Walled with stone and roofed with sun,
Where the days pass one by one,
Not too fast and not too slow,
Looking backward as they go
At the beauties left behind
To transport the poor mind.

Does not Heaven begin that day
When the eager heart says, 'Wait,
Surely God is in this place,
I have seen Him face to face
In the loneliness of flowers,
In the service of the showers,
And His voice has talked to me
In the sunlit apple tree.

LIGHTER VEIN.

Not Grand Enough.

"Your honor, my wife has been drawn on the grand jury. Will you excuse her?"

"What's her excuse?"

"She says she has nothing suitable to wear."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Bucket-Shop Methods.

Victor—What's up? Had a bad day?

Financier—Yes. I've lost over \$5,000, and the worst of it is that \$200 of it was my own money!—Passing Show, London.

Contented.

"Mamma, why has papa no hair?"

"Because he thinks so much, my dear."

"But why have you so much?"

"Because—Go away and do your lessons, you naughty boy!"

The Scotch Of It.

Sandy had just met his girl at the end of the street where she was waiting for him. She was looking into a confectioner's window when Sandy made his presence known by remarking:

"Well, Jennie, what are y' gaun to have the night?"

She, not inclined to ask too much, replied: "Oh, I'll just take what you'll let me have."

"Oh, then we'll tak a walk," said Sandy, as he led her away.—Pearson's Weekly.

A MATTER OF SPORT.

(New York Times.)

English cynics who have come to believe that international sporting contests only embitter hands across the sea are too quick despairers. Walter Hagen now deposes that his recent remarks have been "misinterpreted." He did not mean that he would never come to England again, but that he would not come next year, the expense of annual visits being too great. Every year he goes, so he to speak, his wig upon the green.

Meantime, his charges of bad sportsmanship on the part of golf authorities have been largely explained away. By immemorial custom the championship committee meets once a year, and so could not have been expected to render an earlier decision in that matter of fancy-faced "scandal" which has been officially barred, and there could have been no real hope that any one would explain away in another way the spirit of that ruling would be countenanced.

A certain element in the "gallery" vocally rejoiced at the misfortune of Americans at critical moments is admitted. But the explanation is wholly credible. Of late years international contests, especially professional contests, have attracted a class of spectators familiar with or at least unpracticed in, sportsmanlike etiquette. A nation that rejects in its own sportsmanlike contests the unwritten willers. At least there was no hurling of spit bottles.

There is even a positive advantage in this spilling of ill nature. The peccant humor become oxygenated. Of certain "Vice" of Oxford—which is to say, Vice Chancellor—it was explained that he was so called because he served as an example for others in the practice of virtue. The high traditions of sportsmanship are not easily assimilated in the crude human system, and how can the process be better aided than by bringing a breath of them before the eyes of public opinion? There was once a young American athlete so deeply perturbed by the fraud and trickery of our own intercollegiate contests that he went to an English university and became a member of one of its teams in order to learn with authority the superiority of English sportsmanship. But he found Englishmen slack and indifferent to the game, and he was disappointed. On the day of Mr. Hagen's corrected statement Mr. Harding met in the Denver Army Hospital a pale-faced soldier who had lost both his legs. He assured him that he was "all right and feeling fine." Said his wife, who sat beside him: "Jack tells all his visitors that; but then, he was always a good sport." Among other things, sportsmanship is worth while as affording a familiar and recognizable name for the sort of fellow Jack is.

TIBERIUS FIXED HIM.

(London Telegraph)

Chemists have been working at the idea of bendable glass for some time, and it is thought they are on the eve of discovering what has often been said to be impossible. At any rate, Sir William Bull, among others, includes bendable glass among the inventions that are badly needed. But it has been made. Two thousand years ago a Greek, named Dion Cassius, made it—and paid the penalty.

It was the Emperor Tiberius who fixed Dion's little game. Dion was a historian and an inventor. He showed Tiberius a glass vessel he had made which could be bent but not broken, and invited the Emperor to drink out of it. The Emperor was interested in the making of gold and silver drinking vessels, and he thought this invention would hurt his trade. So he just gave the order for Dion's head to be chopped off before the method of invention was known to anybody else.

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GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP.

(Toronto Star.)

A pleasing feature of the election aftermath is the good sportsmanship of vanquished victors.

Wellington Hay has warmly congratulated the winner, Premier Dunn, and has accepted the result without complaint and taken immediate steps to which could be bent but not broken, and invited the Emperor to drink out of it. The Emperor was interested in the making of gold and silver drinking vessels, and he thought this invention would hurt his trade. So he just gave the order for Dion's head to be chopped off before the method of invention was known to anybody else.

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Many Enjoy The Unique Pictures

Feature Picture, North West Mounted Police Play and Comedy.

Three players well cast add to the strength of "The Midnight Guest," the Universal all-star attraction which opened at the Unique Theatre last night, with characterizations of three of the most distinct types of people in the world.

On every hand there is continual conflict in life between the optimists and the cynics. The cynic is satirical, superlatively witty usually and ninety per cent. destructive in his influence on writers about him. The optimist is hopeful in the face of obvious obstacles, looks at the best side of people and is wholly constructive in his influence.

The most common victim of the cynic and bone of contention between cynics and optimists is the unfortunate woman. Let a woman's past over-shadow her and the cynic grows sarcastic. The optimist, believing in all that is apparently good and refusing the claim of evil for supremacy, is the only protection the unfortunate woman has against the cynic.

Mahlon Hamilton as the cynic, Clyde Fillmore as the optimist and beautiful Grace Dutton as the woman of the story, are the three principal players in "The Midnight Guest." Their performances in the past is sufficient assurance without comment that their performances are pleasing.

As an added attraction Irving Cummings was featured in a Northwest Mounted film story, "Trapped," and then again there was Jimmie Adams in a side-splitting comedy, "East is West." It's a sure cure for the blues. As a whole the programme is a good one.

THE ORIGIN OF "PICNIC."

(Toronto Globe.)

The correspondent who wants to know the derivation of the word "picnic" because his dictionary says that its origin is obscure may rest assured that it has not lost any of its charm. We speak with feeling, because a week ago we enjoyed a picnic of our own. Although these entertainments vary in form, the enthusiasm of a Varsity picnic of last century holds good.

Oh! What more fun than a picnic party.

Witticisms all on "the ground!"

The Oxford Dictionary says that the word "picnic" occurs in reference to foreign countries from the year 1748. Thus Chesterfield wrote in that year to his son, who was in Germany: "I like the description of your picnic. But apparently a picnic did not become a picnic until the year 1748. The Oxford Dictionary calls the word "picnic" a French word, and in the French word "pique-nique" the word "pic" means to pick, and "nique" means to eat. The word "picnic" is derived from the French word "pique-nique," which means to pick and eat. The word "picnic" is derived from the French word "pique-nique," which means to pick and eat.

East is West at Opera House

Constance Talmadge Plays Emotional Role of Ming Toy to Perfection.

Despite the beautiful weather and the holiday the Opera House was packed for every showing yesterday when "East is West" was shown. Constance Talmadge proves the predictions of hundreds that she would one day shine forth as an emotional actress. The picture is a gem, bringing out much more than the play. All the mystery and suspense of the night is brought out in the picture. The picture is a gem, bringing out much more than the play. All the mystery and suspense of the night is brought out in the picture.

"Glenarry School Days" Shown at Queen Sq. Theatre

"Glenarry School Days"—Ernest Shipley's "all Canadian made" version of Ralph Connor's beloved pastoral romance was shown at the Queen Square Theatre last night.

"Glenarry School Days" is the delightful story of a farmer boy and the daughter of a senator.

The cast is headed by Pauline Garon, who plays the role of the girl, and the daughter of a senator.

The production was directed by Henry McKee, who has also to his credit three other big Canadian successes—"Camden of the Royal Mounted," "God's Crucible" and "The Man from Glenarry."

HUNTING BUGS FROM AN AIRPLANE

(New York Times.)

According to the American Geographical Society, Lieutenant J. A. Macready was an epoch-maker in the annals of insect warfare when, from an airplane, he sprinkled arsenate of lead over a little forest of catalpa trees. The plan was to get rid of the Flying Section of the Government's Experimental Station at Dayton, Ohio, and the purpose was to see what could be done in this way toward saving trees threatened with defoliation and consequent death by caterpillars.

The plane was equipped with a hopper carrying the poisonous powder, and in the hopper a device controlled by the aviator for distributing it slowly at his will. When thus set free the caterpillars fell into the "ship stream" of the current set up by the revolving propeller, and was thrown into a violent agitation, looking like a dense white cloud of smoke trailing out behind.

The plane was flown at the height of 25 to 35 feet at a speed of 80 miles an hour. That is a distinctly dangerous kind of flying, but no accident occurred. The plane passed six times over the grove—which covered about six acres—doing the actual work in 64 seconds and distributing 175 pounds of poison. This established a world's record for speed in applying insecticides to forest areas, and the work was well done, too, for examination of the trees showed that every one of them had "re-

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Hamphire, but the result of that effort, if made, has not been reported. The plan, however, is promising, and presumably it can be used for the protection of growing crops.

WOMAN RETALIATES.

(New York Times.)

A woman who lived up the state near Middletown died recently and when her will was opened and read it was found that she had left her money to her husband with the proviso that if he remarried it all should be forfeited by him and go to other heirs.

The woman's legal right thus to

penalize a proceeding the thought which offered her is indubitable. Many and many a masculine inhibition of the same sort has stood 't test of the probate court, for while, in general principles, anything that tends to prevent legitimate marriage is held to be against public policy, the inviolable ruling, has been that where the will is so framed as to give effect to the giving such condition within reason, of course—as he pleases.

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