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A GOOD HOME

In formally asking Parliament's permission to acquire control of railway lines branching from the Intercolonial Railway the Dominion Government has acted wisely and will doubtless, be supported in such action by the great body of citizens all over Canada. And in pledging themselves, through the Minister of Railways, to the continued exercise of the principle of government ownership and operation of the Intercolonial, the Government will receive the hearty endorsation of all who have the best interests of our country at heart. Net less, but more, government ownership of public utilities should be the aim of our statesmanship. All of the railways, telegraphs and telephones of New Zealand, and all the railways of Australia and most of those of continental Europe are publicly owned and run successfully. In Australasia they are managed so as to pay all expenses and provide a small margin of profit; in some other countries the rates are higher and the larger proceeds go to keep up the army and navy or reduce the general taxation. All the utilities such as railways, telegraph and telephone lines, that are publicly used should be publicly owned. Success to Honorable Mr. Graham in his management of the government railways, and may the work of his department be rapidly increased by the absorption of many miles of new railway by the Intercolonial.

A MISTAKE

Claude Macdonnell's sensible resolution in favor of abolishing the unjust law which demands from every Federal candidate a deposit of $200.00, which he forfeits if he receives less than half as many votes as his successful opponent, has again been given the six months' hoist in the Canadian Commons and, therefore, killed for the present session. Neither Liberals nor Conservatives supported Mr. Macdonnell with any degree of enthusiasm, each party being evidently desirous of perpetuating the iniquitous system of fining a small party $200.00 every time it desires to set its principles before the voters and test its strength. The deposit does not keep the most undesirable candidates out of the field, but it does tend to prevent the entrance of deserving poor men into politics. The statute thus perpetrates a most invidious distinction and should be relegated to oblivion. Another section of Mr. Macdonnell's resolution provided for the keeping of election days as public holidays. This should certainly have been passed, [illegible] under the present system, work[illegible] [illegible] employers who are [illegible] their help [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] a tax-dodger. The deposit [illegible] be confiscated, and that [illegible] [illegible] should be done away with.

ALL CANADA SHOULD BE REPRESENTED

Voting evil in our system of parliamentary representation is the circumstance that the candidate who gets the most votes, whether he gets a majority of all the votes cast or not. The plan is all right where only two candidates are running, but, where three or more candidates are in the field, the winner may not receive much more than one-third of all the votes, and a party may go into power with a minority vote.

Had each candidate been required to poll a majority of votes instead of a mere plurality in order to win his seat, the Conservatives, who elected 57 of their 42 candidates in the recent British Columbia elections, might not have obtained even half the seats in the Legislature. From the election returns to hand it appears that of the popular vote in that province on the 25th ultimo, the Conservatives received barely 50 per cent., the Liberals 33⅓ per cent., and the Socialist Party 16⅔ per cent. Had the parties elected their due proportion of the members the Legislature would stand as follows: Conservative, 21; Liberal, 11; Socialist, 7. But the actual result was, Conservative, 37; Liberal, 3; Socialist, 2.

At the last Dominion election it was the Conservative party that was caught by the unequal system. The Liberals polled about 24,000 more votes than the Conservatives, but other parties polled 25,000, thus placing the Liberals in a minority of about 1,000; but, whereas their rightful share of the new House of Commons would have been only about 110 members to 109 for the Conservatives and 2 for the other parties, the Government elected about two-thirds of the whole number of members.

In most countries of Europe there is a second ballot for all cases in which no candidate receives a clear majority at first. The second contest is between the two leading parties alone, the defeated parties then having an opportunity to cast their vote for what they consider the least objectionable of the other two. In Belgium there is a still better system. There it is so arranged that each political party elects just as many members as its popular vote entitles it to elect. Thus the party that secures 60 per cent. of the votes cast also obtains 60 per cent. of the legislative seats; the party having 30 per cent. of the votes gets 30 per cent. of the members; and the smallest party or parties get the one or more members to which their proportion of popular support entitles them. In this way each political faith secures opportunity of expression on the floors of Parliament, while in this country a minority may be entirely shut out of the legislature. Proportional Representation is being seriously considered in Britain, and its introduction into Canada would be an act of simple justice.

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