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MINISTERS DESCRIBED AS SHIVERING SISTERS

(H. F. Godshy in Toronto Star)
Ottawa, Jan. 23—The book that was sealed with seven seals and the vials that held the prayers of the saints remind one of the present Government—they're so different. The book, you will remember, was finally unsealed and the bottled-up prayers of the saints were ultimately uncorked, but the dumb, sad mystery of the Borden Cabinet never lifts.

Either they have taken some Trappist vow of silence or a dreadful aphasia has befallen them. Loss of memory is theirs also and other symptoms of early decay. When they do talk, it is of worms and graves and epitaphs, under their breath, and the reporters in the press gallery can't catch it. With a couple of exceptions the Cabinet Ministers speak in dull, level tones, as if they were deaf as well as tongue tied. The impression the casual visitor takes away is that the government has been eating lemons and has got its face puckered.

WANTED—SIGN LANGUAGE

As a government, it is but dumb before its sheeters—said sheeters being the job-hunters and concession-grabbers in No. 16—and it openeth not its mouth in the Green Chamber mostly for fear of putting its foot in it.

Obviously, what a Government of frightened gazelles needs is a sign language. If the King's business could be done that way, why if all well and good. But since it cannot, it must drag on the same old way, and the reporters must go on guessing from movements of the Cabinet Ministers' lips what the Government is trying not to say. Bear in mind that the general idea is to say nothing, to do nothing—this session. No policy is to be carried out, except by pall-bearers.

Last Friday morning, Secretan and the other jolly story-tellers at the Rideau Club got a great scare. They looked out of the window, up the Broad Walk. What a sight met their gaze! The great tower of Parliament was white in the face. The clock had stopped at seven minutes to twelve. The Tories said it was the weather. The Grits had two theories—either the deadly Government chill had spread to the clock, which could henceforward do nothing and say nothing, or Monk had fired the man who wound the clock. Non-partisans and quizzical philosophers agreed to accept it as an omen. Our old friend Plutarch relates that just before great Caesar fell Pompey's statue in the forum sweated blood.

WHAT ARE WE WAITING FOR?

Honestly, the silence is awful. The silence is so silent that some of the politicians began to hear their own consciences. Naturally that sort of thing has got to be stopped, and certain Government supporters will do their best to stop it. But when Billy Maclean or somebody else who doesn't care a hoot for the outside rules asks Premier Borden: "What are we waiting for, oh my love?" or words to that effect, and kisses him on the forehead, what does Premier Borden do? Why, Premier Borden says: "Shut up," in measured constitutional language, and Bob Rogers or some other brave soldier of fortune takes the rash intruder into the hall and chokes him until he is blue in the face.

Well, says somebody, come to the point. What are they waiting for? Rumor has it that the Manitoba boundary is going to come down loaded with a separate school question, and the Government is just naturally going to hate to blow down the barrel. In fact the government dreads the advent of this great blessing to Manitoba about as much as the average father of a family dreads the arrival of triplet with the cost of living what it is.

The Government is not without hopes that the Manitoba boundary will reach Ottawa with all the fire taken out of it, safe enough for a child to handle. Diplomats like Bob Rogers are at work to that end. Sir John Macdonald, it is remembered, straightened out harder snarls than that, and this Government has been presented at one time and another, with Sir John's favorite chair, Sir John's favorite blackthorne cane and other personal attributes of his greatness. The idea is that Premier Borden will absorb Sir John's easy command of affairs through his chair and grasp his power with his cane. It's a great pity that Sir John did not leave behind some of his old shoes. If they didn't fit Premier Borden, there are men inside and outside the Cabinet who wouldn't object to having the Cinderella test applied. Also one of Sir John's old hats might prove or disprove the theory that brains can be passed on with the penthouse that sheltered them.

THE DRIED-UP FOUNTAIN

Meanwhile the silence of the Cabinet thickens and curfew tolls the knell of parting day, and the beetles wheels its droning flight, and the moping owl doth to the moon complain. This is a mixed metaphor, but that is just the way it feels. The Cabinet Minister makes short

speeches, because they do not want to make long ones. This is the first time in forty years Tories have complained that way, but it is felt that it is a Cabinet Minister's duty to be copious in explanation, even if he doesn't explain anything, to be smooth even if the skating is rough to be at ease even if he is shaking in his boots. Only one Minister has all the qualifications—Hazen. Hazen is the good old New Brunswick type—lots of hair, size, brute force, and polished courtesy. They say he doesn't shine particularly in the bunch of hard hitters down at Fredericton. But here in Ottawa he has the punch. Beside the other shivering sisters of the Cabinet he stands out like the grain elevator in a Saskatchewan village.

Twenty members of Parliament would be named who would have made better Cabinet Ministers than the present outfit—But what's the use of starting a quarrel? They know it without anybody telling them. Sometimes Captain Tom Wallace, Jolly Captain Tom, fat as the fat boy in Pickwick, but not as sleepy, comes down and sits in a Cabinet Minister's chair. He must have got that itch from his distinguished father. At all events he fills a Cabinet chair pretty well, and would make as good a Minister as some. As a speaker, Captain Tom has two gifts which single him out as the right cheese for this particular kind of Cabinet—an inextinguishable brevity and an admirably incoherence. Talk about words—there you have 'em.

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