

A HEAVY RESPONSIBILITY RESTS ON THE GOVERNMENT

Mr. E. M. McDonald Contributes An Able Speech to the Debate on the Address—Hon. Mr. Hazen's Lame Defence of the Government.

Ottawa, Jan. 24.—Premier Borden's last call to Canada to raise the grand total of her young manhood contribution to the empire's active service standard to five hundred thousand is a call for one out of every three married or unmarried men between the ages of twenty and forty-five years in her population. Her total of men within this age limit is, according to the official census returns, 1,537,581. Making allowances for those who prove medically unfit, the toll must be an exceptional one.

"Can it be done?" asked E. M. MacDonald of Pictou, N.S., in the course of an earnest and eloquent speech in parliament tonight. "It can," he replied, amid cheering, "if we all go about it right."

Mr. MacDonald shares, with many other members, the honor of having a son at the front. Responsibility, Mr. MacDonald maintained, rested heavily upon parliament these days. It rested with particular weight upon the government. This was the time to abolish the patronage system entirely from the militia department at least, and in all departments connected with the supply of munitions of war.

SCORES NEW CONVERTS.

Mr. MacDonald reminded the House that he was speaking from the desk of Hon. Dr. Beland, a gallant Canadian who was now confined in a German prison in Berlin, having been taken at Antwerp, where he was wounded in ministering to Belgian and Briton. The House had upon Hansard Dr. Beland's stern arraignment of the present secretary of state. The heroic member for Beauce had told the House how he witnessed Hon. Pierre R. Blondin, the present secretary of state, publicly fall upon his knees at a political meeting in Quebec, hold his hands aloft to Heaven and call upon the Virgin Mary and the saints to save French-Canadians from the Laurier naval act and from having at any time to fight the battles of Britain.

Turning from the secretary of state to the newly appointed minister of inland revenue, Hon. E. L. Patenaude, the speaker read from the official records of the Quebec legislature a resolution condemning Hon. Mr. Taschereau, the minister of public works, for making a public statement that Quebec had given her sons in the South African war and was ready to do so again to the full extent of her power.

"The sponsors for this resolution" according to the official records that I hold in my hand," said Mr. MacDonald, "were Armand Lavergne and E. L. Patenaude, the man recently appointed by this government to the position of minister of inland revenue. Did the people of Canada, in view of these facts, think these two ministers were worrying about the war?"

"Recruiting speeches alone from these men will not do," commented Mr. MacDonald. "The people will look upon them as hollow mockeries, until these men take back the utter-

ances they have made and taken them back like men, in this House."

MINISTERS WITH LITTLE TO DO.

Passing to Hon. Robert Rogers, minister of public works, Mr. MacDonald said the work of his department must properly be considerably lighter in the stress of war time. Was Mr. Rogers using the extra time at his disposal to further the cause of recruiting, or was he devoting his energies and abilities at this time to the petty intrigues of party politics and election campaigning?

Hon. Dr. Reid found so little these days to do in the customs department that he also ran the railway department, while the minister of railways made a trip abroad.

Hon. Dr. Roche, minister of the interior, with no immigration, likewise found himself with little to do. Even the postmaster general was only taking more money from the people and managing to get a deficit notwithstanding.

The call of patriotism to these men should be answered by results far in excess of anything they had yet done.

As to Hon. Mr. Hazen, minister of marine, the member for Pictou said he was sorry he must go even further in calling attention to what was a duty.

"The minister of marine," said Mr. MacDonald, "has been leaving undone the things he should have done ever since the war broke out. I'm afraid he has never even tried to do a single thing."

Australia and New Zealand had sent naval contributions of men and General Louis Botha, premier of South Africa, had sent from Cape Colony a first naval brigade of 1,692 and had been sending reinforcements ever since. Yet Mr. Hazen had remained, for Canada, with her huge coast line and her splendid maritime population, inert, inactive, self-satisfied and unresponsive. Mr. MacDonald urged the minister of marine for the sake of Canada and her good name, to wake up and be active.

AUSTRALIA GUARDING CANADA.

Before the war broke out proposals for the organization of a naval reserve had been negated by the naval minister. After the war broke out Conservatives frequently laid a claim to the fact that they, alone, had foreseen what was coming. Conditions which prevailed on the Atlantic coast at the outbreak of the war were sufficient answer to that claim. The Niobe was out of commission. Had she been in commission, naval officers declare, she might easily have captured some of the German vessels then in the vicinity of Halifax. The flagship of the British squadron, off the Atlantic coast within recent months, had been the Australian-built and controlled cruiser, the Sydney. With the single exception of the small vessels given to the government by Jack Ross of Montreal, which had been converted into a torpedo boat destroyer, there

STILL SINGING THEIR PRAISES

Dodd's Kidney Pills Cured His Rheumatism.

MR. D. A. BROTHERSTON TELLS HOW HIS RHEUMATISM DISAPPEARED OVER A YEAR AGO AND HAS NEVER COME BACK

Victoria Harbor, Ont., Jan. 24.—(Special)—Cured of rheumatism over a year ago by using Dodd's Kidney Pills, Mr. D. A. Brotherston, a well known resident of this place, is still singing the praises of the great Canadian kidney remedy.

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FATAL LANDSLIDE ON GREAT NORTHERN

(Canadian Press.)

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 24.—Three hundred men, working under direction of officials of the Great Northern Railway, continue digging today in the huge pile of snow and debris which marks the spot where an avalanche, Saturday, wrecked two cars of the westbound Cascade Limited train. The men are seeking the bodies of Mrs. Fern Wallace and her baby, of Lyons, Washington; Ralph Batterman of Wenatchee, Washington, and an unidentified passenger, who were lost when the cars were destroyed, causing the death of eight passengers.

Other gangs of men assisted by rotary snowplows, are striving to clear away the slide which blocks the Great Northern's transcontinental lines. The snow in some places is piled sixty feet deep.

NATURALLY.
Boardinghouse Mistress—What par of the chicken do you wish?
Freshman—Some of the meat, please—Pennsylvania Punch Bowl.

was not a single Canadian boat to protect Canadian transports. Had there been a German submarine raid of the Atlantic coast, Canadian shipping would have been practically without protection save for that rendered by Australia or Great Britain. At the present time the Niobe was again dismantled and a solitary policeman was on guard at the gate to the Canadian admiralty at Halifax. In concluding, Mr. MacDonald paid a warm tribute to Hon. Dr. Pugsley, on behalf of the Liberals. The latter, he said, felt that the true duty and responsibility of an opposition at this time was to maintain a vigilant watch to see that the money of the heavily war-taxed people was not misspent or thrown away. It was the plain duty of the government, Mr. MacDonald maintained, to grant the most thorough investigation.

THE WORD "HONEST" WAS MIS- USED BY J.K. FLEMMING, ET AL

Was a Case of Satan Rebuking Sin and People Are Now Suspicious of the Term—Opposition Platform Meets With Approval

St. John, N. B., Jan. 24.—More than a week has passed since the Provincial Opposition Convention, and I have been surprised at the cordial, earnest, favorable reception of the platform.

There are nine "planks"—to use a popular term—in these pledges of the men who are seeking to give New Brunswick clean and better government. I will not use the word "honest" for that good short English adjective was so misused by Flemming and the crowd who surrounded him that the people are suspicious now when they hear politicians prate about their "honest" intentions.

There wasn't a speech of Flemming's in which he did not parade his own and his party's "honesty" and condemn the dishonesty of his predecessors. We did not know it then, but we know it now, that it was simply another case of Satan rebuking sin.

The people, in the light of their experience, have a right to be chary of the men who preach "honesty." So I hope the Opposition leaders and supporters, while meaning and intending to do right by the people, will steer clear of Flemming's favorite adjective, until they have restored its original meaning.

The Crown Lands.

The only criticism I have heard of the Provincial Opposition policy is that concerning the administration of the Crown Lands, which takes it from the hands of the Government and places it in the hands of a non-partisan commission.

The St. John Globe says in effect that it is contrary to the principles of responsible government. One would almost have thought the Globe, with its great interest in the Crown Lands, as shown in its editorials within a year or two, would have welcomed any kind of a change from the present management as revealed before the Royal Commissioners; that it would have hailed with pleasure any attempt to take this splendid and almost sole asset of the province from the hands of politicians and entrust it to trained business men who would eliminate the curse of political patronage.

Flemming's Campaign Fund.

However, we cannot all see alike. The opposition aims to take the Crown Lands out of politics; to make it impossible that there shall be any more temptations for "Campaign Funds" such as Berry collected for Flemming. Oh, what will a party stand for? What did the Conservatives of New Brunswick stand for as a party when they permitted Flemming to put up that defence that the lumbermen wanted to make up a "Campaign Fund," which the Royal Commission found he "had knowledge of" and "consented to," but did not direct. A campaign fund that nobody but Flemming and Teed and Berry and Brankley and the lumbermen knew of.

The Opposition proposes that there shall be no such opportunity again. The administration of the Crown Lands must be as straight as a bank's transactions. Head scalers, superintendents of scalers or any other officials will not be permitted to enrich themselves and the people be robbed while ministers look on and smile—and partake of the rake-off.

The Crown Land Commissioners will be under the control of the Legislature; the Crown Land legislation will be initiated and passed by the Legislature and the Commission will be expected to carry out the wishes of the people as expressed by the Legislature. Not very far from responsible government, is it?

Another criticism you hear is that the plan is impossible; that you cannot find men in the province who will be above the influences exerted by the lumbermen; that you cannot take the appointment of the scalers out of the hands of the members; or in other words, that the Opposition are undertaking too great a reform.

No Turning Back.

No reform was ever attempted that did not have to meet just such objections. The Opposition leaders have put their hands to the plough and there is no turning back. They must go to the end of the furrow. They must seek out three big honest—

there, that word will creep in—capable men; men who have proved their administrative power and say to them, "You have the source of our principal revenue in your hands; we want it administered fairly to the lumber interests and with every safeguard to the province for present revenue and future income. You must avoid favoritism, divide Crown Land areas with due regard for invested capital, while encouraging and protecting the energetic and industrious men whose means may be small. You must preserve the forests, learn all there is to be known about them, appoint capable men as scalers and be responsible for their work."

A Full Programme.

That would be a fairly full programme for any Commission to carry out. I dismiss the thought that three men cannot be had who will be above undue influences as unworthy of any man who has faith in his province and the ability of its people to govern themselves. Instead of three men, you could get scores of men who would reject the advances of interested men. The cynical will tell you "all men have their price." If we admit the truth of that, good-bye to our hopes of New Brunswick ever becoming big and great, scorning the demands of politicians and with only one end and aim in sight, the prosperity and happiness of her people.

I will write you about other portions of the platform at another time. In the meantime read it, study it, and make suggestions for improvement if you can.

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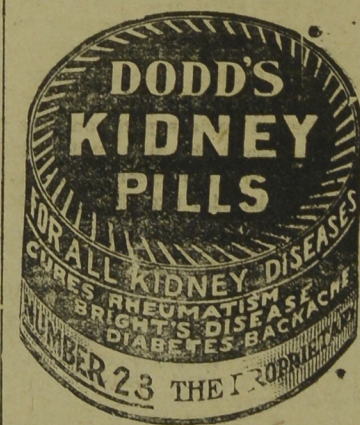
AVIATORS NOT WANTED.

Ottawa, Jan. 24.—It is announced by the Canadian Naval Service Department that no further recruits are required at present for the British aviation service.

First Study—Why don't you pay attention in economics? You fall asleep there, you boob.

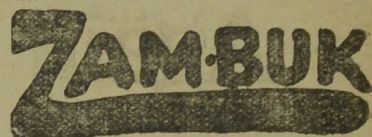
Second Study—Wotin Sam Hill do you care?

First Study—You snore so loud I can't sleep—Jester.



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