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THE LEADER'S CALL.

"If there are people who say we should not fight for England, I say that we live under British institutions. We are a free country, and we must always fight for our country. I go further: there are people who say we will not fight for England; will you then fight for France? Ah, gentlemen, remember that it is not on England that Germany throws her forces; it is on France and Belgium. If England had refused to give her aid, those who say we should not fight for England would be the first to accuse England.

"Gentlemen, for my part, I want to fight for England and also for France. To those who do not want to fight either for England or for France, I say: Will you fight for yourselves? This war that has been going on for the past two years is the war of barbarity against civilization. This war interests all nations, even the neutrals. If Germany were to succeed, sooner or later those neutral nations would have to defend themselves against German aggression. Germany wanted to crush France, to annex Belgium and take domination from the North Sea to the Balkans as far as Arabia, and then she would dictate to the world."—Sir Wilfrid Laurier at Montreal, September 27, 1916.

GETTING HARD KNOCKS.

It would surely be hard to find more humiliating criticism of the Dominion Government, says the Ottawa Citizen, than in the leading editorial of September's Industrial Canada, headed: "Wanted—A Statesman." Industrial Canada is the organ of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association; it classifies the Dominion Government as "a lot of time-serving opportunists."

It is as if a corporation publicly repudiated its own lawyer and referred to him with terms of contempt as a failure and a poor servant.

Coming as it does from one of the three main sources of "invisible government" (as Elihu Root called the rule of special privilege) in Canada, the repudiation of Sir Robert Borden's government, while it still strives to hold office, is painful. But it should move Canadian public opinion to express itself perhaps in a spirit of British fairplay, either to insist upon the government taking a firmer grip on the task before it, or of making way for a government capable of undertaking the administration of the public services, civil and war services, of Canada.

Industrial Canada says that the Dominion Government is undertaking a national register "which they know very well is going to be ineffective, if not actually barren of results." It says "The paramount importance of the issues facing Canada today makes it clear beyond question that National Service is the one and only safe foundation upon which to build up our organization for the prosecution of the war." It refers to the cabinet as "slackers of the worst kind," and is forced to conclude "either that they are utterly incompetent to administer Canada's affairs in this time of crisis, or that they attach more importance to the preservation of their political life than they do to winning the war."

Now, if the Dominion Government has a spark of manliness left, after the faithful way it has served and protected such privileged interests as the members of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, to the detriment of its own reputation, it will stand up and be a government, a government to command the respect of all the people of Canada. Let it give Canada National Service, and begin by establishing National Service in every munitions plant in Canada. The Canadian Manufacturers' Association have virtually told Sir Robert Borden he is no longer their man. Then let him be the King's man and the Canadian people's man. He has the Commonwealth of Australia and the national policies of the Allies to inspire him. There is nothing to fear by confiscating the profits of munitions contractors and establishing production for use instead of for profit in Canada. Even if he would, he cannot longer be loyal to people who have repudiated him. But he is not discredited unless he is willing to serve special interests while they treat him with contempt.

According to the latest information, applicants for the vacant Senatorship include two members of parliament, two members of the provincial government, fourteen M. P.'s, two ex-M. P.'s, five defeated candidates, one ex-

premier, one journalist and one director of the St. John & Quebec Railway Company. Mr. G. W. Ganong, ex-M. P. of Charlotte, is said to be Hon. Mr. Hazen's favorite, although it is by no means certain that he will land the job. The law that requires a Senator to be possessed of \$4,000 worth of real estate in his own right will probably be the means of eliminating some of the aspirants.

At a meeting of the benchers of the Manitoba Law Society on Thursday, the following resolution was passed: "That the benchers of the Law Society desire to place on record their full confidence in the personal integrity of the judges of this Province. They resent any insinuations which have been publicly made against the honor of our judges." This formal pronouncement of the Bar of Manitoba suggests what they think of Hon. Bob Rogers where he is best known.

After the Carleton County by-election the Mail predicted that Mr. J. Kidd Flemming would in future put in an appearance in Fredericton in person when Government meetings are on, instead of delegating Treasurer Teed to act for him. There was a meeting of the Government yesterday, and, sure enough, Mr. Flemming was right on hand to hobnob with his old associates.

Halifax Chronicle: What makes Hon. Robert Rogers mad, says the Toronto Star, is to think that a judge whom he helped elevate to the Bench should be so ungrateful as to let a case go against him. "What kind of a way is that to play the game, he would like to know?"

Ottawa Citizen: Hon. Mr. Rogers no doubt could find a more convenient person for the bench than Judge Galt. There is the ex-policeman friend who used to negotiate telephone poles with Mr. Rogers. He might have better luck as a judge than as dredge superintendent.

In some quarters it is stated that the race for the vacant Senatorship is between Hon. O. M. Melanson, Speaker of the Legislature, and Col. Richard O'Leary, of Richibucto.

It is said that Mr. J. Kidd Flemming would be quite willing to forego his chances of downing Carvell at the next election if he could only land that vacant Senatorship.

Through Our Sieve

Some men are as melancholy as if fall housecleaning had begun.

The quality of beauty is often strained through the holes of face powder can.

Don't kick at the weather until you are sure it's the weather that's the matter with you.

Speaking of the tumultuous Greeks, what has become of the old-fashioned man who shined his own shoes?

The test of true womanhood is more in the quality of her pancakes than in her taste for moving pictures.

That fuss in Greece is easily explained. The folks want a premier whose name they can pronounce.

Of course we all feel reasonably sure that the vacant senatorship won't be offered to anyone who don't want it.

By keeping his crown at the cost of a diet of crow, Constantine can reflect that many kings have fared worse.

Yes, Mr. Simp, you can rest assured that the vacancy in the senate will not remain unfilled as long as vacancies in the local house.

The man whose watch is always absolutely correct also has a thermometer more reliable than the one in the weather bureau.

"To Study Pending Bills." That's what father always does in the quiet night time when the others are at rest and cannot see him pull his hair.

A patent medicine company is advertising that one dose of their remedy at night "will straighten you out in the morning." This ought to take with the suicide club.

THREE FREDERICTON MEN

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ceived a telegram informing her that her son, Oscar White, had been wounded in the eye. This is the second time he has appeared on the casualty list. Last spring he was in hospital for five days with shell shock and an injured back, which had been bruised by sand bags falling upon him. He left Fredericton in August, 1914, with the first draft from the 71st York Regiment. He was drafted from the 12th Battalion to the 1st.

John W. Charnley, with residence given as Gibson, appears in the casualty list as killed in action.

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TALKS ON THE WAR

Hopes That the Terror and Danger Of War Will be Banished From The World Forever.

Birmingham, Eng., Oct. 3.—Viscount Bryce, of Dechmont, the former Ambassador at Washington, addressing the congregational union today, decried the spirit of hate against the Germans, and the talk of a lasting trade war. In conclusion he advocated a league to restrain aggression and to compel arbitration.

"If there is to be a recurrence of wars, becoming more terrible with the unceasing advance of science," he said, "we may well despair of the future."

Lord Bryce recalled that Premier Asquith, Sir Edward Grey and Mr. Balfour had expressed energetically and sincerely the need of such machinery and said that several groups of thinkers were working out the plans.

"To establish any machinery for preserving peace," continued Lord Bryce, "would be impossible without the co-operation of neutral states, and especially the greatest of all the neutral states. We have been waiting and watching to see whether America, in view of the immense interests at stake, would depart from her old policy of complete isolation and bear her part in the efforts for securing a permanent alliance for peace. I ask your help to bring the matter before the people and to show them how much we and every nation has to gain by removing the terror and the danger of war, which so long has hung like a black cloud over Europe. The churches could do no more truly christian work."

"Let not this war have been fought in vain. Let us search for and try to put into practice some scheme for reducing and if possible at least for ending this oldest and most terrible scourge of mankind."

Lord Bryce said the country was virtually unanimous in holding that the war must be prosecuted to victory so complete as to open the prospect of an enduring peace, and added:

"On the terms of that treaty the people will insist, and ought to insist, on expressing their opinion, and churches must do their part in helping to form it."

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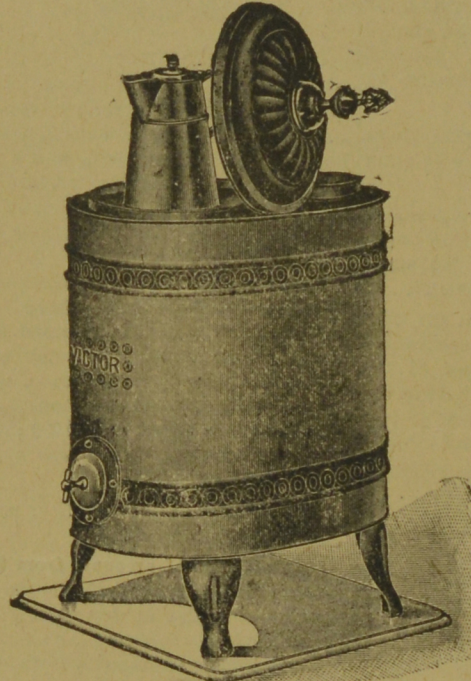
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