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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.

## ELECTION RUMORS.

Ottawa despatches indicate that the Borden government is in a very panicky state of mind at the present time, and is seriously considering an early appeal to the people. An influential wing of the party is said to be urging Premier Borden to reorganize his cabinet by unloading some of the dead timber, and appeal to the country on a modified form of conscription. They contend that another session of Parliament would only give the Liberals an opportunity to expose more scandals, and by deferring the election the government would only be courting certain disaster. On the other hand, they contend that if an early appeal is made to the people and a vigorous flag-waving campaign inaugurated, the administrative failures of the government might be overlooked and a new lease of power obtained. Several weeks ago the announcement was made by members of the government that no action would be taken along the lines of conscription, and that Parliament would meet in January and there would be a proposal for a further extension. While no announcement has been made of the Liberal attitude in regard to extending the life of parliament, organs of the government are taking it for granted that they will oppose an extension, which would be the means of putting a damper on the proposal and would necessitate an election before the month of October of next year.

Many of the government's supporters in Parliament, especially those who got in by accident in 1911, and never expect to get back, are naturally in favor of another session. It is unlikely, however, that their influence will count for much when the question comes to be considered. The government's principal aim is to hold on to power, and if a majority of the cabinet feel that any party advantage is to be gained by an immediate appeal to the people on a spectacular issue, they will surely take the plunge. Whether the election is brought on next month or next year, the result will be the same. The people will gladly welcome the opportunity to get rid of the extravagant and grossly incompetent outfit led by Sir Robert Borden, which, in the words of a speaker at the recent London banquet, "has proved itself so tragically incapable of dealing with the large and comprehensive and patriotic opportunities with which it had been confronted."

The Montreal Herald says: "If the 'Laurier Naval Act, which is still on the Statute books of the Dominion, had been put into effect, Canada would now be possessed of a fleet of light cruisers and torpedo boat destroyers that would give ample protection against German submarines along the Atlantic coast. The appearance of a raiding submarine on this side of the Atlantic is one more proof of the wisdom of the policy of establishing a Canadian navy, which policy was adopted unanimously by both parties in the Canadian parliament in 1909, and subsequently repudiated by the Conservative leaders in order to placate the Nationalists."

Recruits for overseas service are now being enlisted in Canada at the rate of 6,000 per month. At the rate recruits are now coming in, it will take about twenty-five months to raise the 150,000 men required to make up the number of half a million which Premier Borden has promised to send overseas. No wonder the government is calling upon Sir Wilfrid Laurier to help it out of the hole in which it finds itself in connection with recruiting.

A funny man indulged in a practical joke recently. He put an advertisement in a paper for a wife and requested each candidate to inclose her carte de visite. It was a foolish thing to do, but one of the candidates served him out very well by sending the following letter: "Sir, I do not inclose my carte, for, though there is some authority for putting a cart before a horse, I know of none for putting one before an ass."

Hamilton Herald: There is common sense in the suggestion made by Justice Middleton in his address to a Toronto grand jury, that every individual driving a motor car should be required to pass an examination just the same as chauffeurs who drive cars for a living. Many of the car accidents are caused by inexperience and incompetency on the part of drivers.

Halifax Chronicle: The government and its organs are "calling for Laurier" to help them out of the hole. The whole country is calling for Laurier to rescue it from the hands of the most incompetent administration that ever cursed and blighted any British country.

Port Arthur Chronicle: The Liberal majority in the Senate has been wiped out. The excessive mortality in that august chamber has not, however, reduced the number of applicants for admission.

## Through Our Sieve

Buckwheat is our middle name now.

The crop of autumn leaves is a bumper one this year.

Speaking of life's mysteries—do you need suspenders when you wear kilts?

No doubt the kilt makes it more necessary than ever to gird up your loins.

So far no lady has applied for the job of instructing the kilties how to pin 'em on.

It hurts just as much to monkey with a buzz saw before it gets in motion as afterward.

A thunderstorm is so human—it wastes such a lot of time in making a noise.

Look not on the Ben Davis apple when it is red—for it biteth like an ordinary turnip.

The reason an old man knows a young man is making a fool of himself is because he has been there himself.

When a man has an income of \$15 a week his house is a shebang; when he has \$1,500 a year it is a mansion.

When a woman gets a husband who is really good, she begins to wonder how it would be to have him a little bit bad.

Speaking of progressiveness, our present chief magistrate is the first mayor of this city to own and drive an automobile.

A woman may not be much on political economy, but she knows that apple sauce saves three-quarters of a pound of butter every week.

When you start to sit down by the wayside of life to ponder things over you find the space so thoroughly taken by others that you go hopping about your business—well, that's the way the world goes round.

## GERMAN PIRATES FOR THE ATLANTIC

Amsterdam, Oct. 19 (via London).—The Volas Zeitung, of Cologne says:

"German submarines will operate in the future in the western Atlantic. They will visit the well known shipping routes around the eastern point of Nantucket Island and will sink British merchantmen after giving their crews opportunity to save themselves."

The newspaper believes this activity will influence the supplying of food, especially grain, bacon and lard to England.

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## SAYS BRITAIN WILL ARM MERCHANTMEN

Berlin, Oct. 17, via London, Oct. 19. (delayed).—The Kriegs Zeitung, the evening edition of the Lokal Anzeiger, publishes a report that the British have ordered the arming all merchantmen and says as a result Germany will be forced to take up a sharper submarine campaign, with a constant endangerment of German-American relations.

It continues: "If it is true that England actually intends to arm all its merchantmen with heavy and therefore far-carrying guns, and thus label them plainly as warships intended for attack, it cannot be avoided that, whether we wish it or not, we must give a sharper tendency to our submarine campaign."

## SAYS MERRILL IS INSANE.

(Halifax Chronicle.)

George E. Boak called up the Moncton police yesterday and told them that he was willing to give evidence that in his opinion Captain Merrill, who shot and killed John F. Rodgers, was insane. Mr. Boak was on the same train with Capt. Merrill, a few days ago, and the latter was acting very peculiarly then. He said that he had enlisted as a private in the Princess Pats, had been transferred to the British troops and given a commission and had been wounded three times. He told of a wife and children in London.

## PARLIAMENT IN JANUARY.

No General Election or No Coalition in Sight.

Toronto, Oct. 19.—That the date for opening the next session of the Federal Parliament has been fixed for some time in January, and that in the meantime a general election or a coalition is not and will not be considered by the authorities at the capital, was the statement made tonight by the Hon. Robert Rogers, Minister of Public Works, who spent part of today in the city.

## VISITING SPORTSMEN.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. C. Hosack, of Treh Boreale, Jamaica, are at the Queen. They have been hunting big game and have had good luck.

Four sportsmen from New England have arrived here and registered at the Queen Hotel. They left for Miramichi last night. The party is composed of Dr. H. M. Lee, of New London, Conn., and Messrs. Fred A. Pondrell, H. C. Williams and William S. Farley, of Boston.

## PERSONAL.

Premier Clarke and Hon. Messrs. Baxter, Murray and Landry, of the Local Government, are at the Barker House.

Capt. J. A. Read returned last evening from a fortnight's visit to Albert county and Nova Scotia points.

Mr. D. A. Gorrie, of New Glasgow, N.S., is at the Barker House. Mr. P. A. Verxa, of Waterland, Mass., is in the city.

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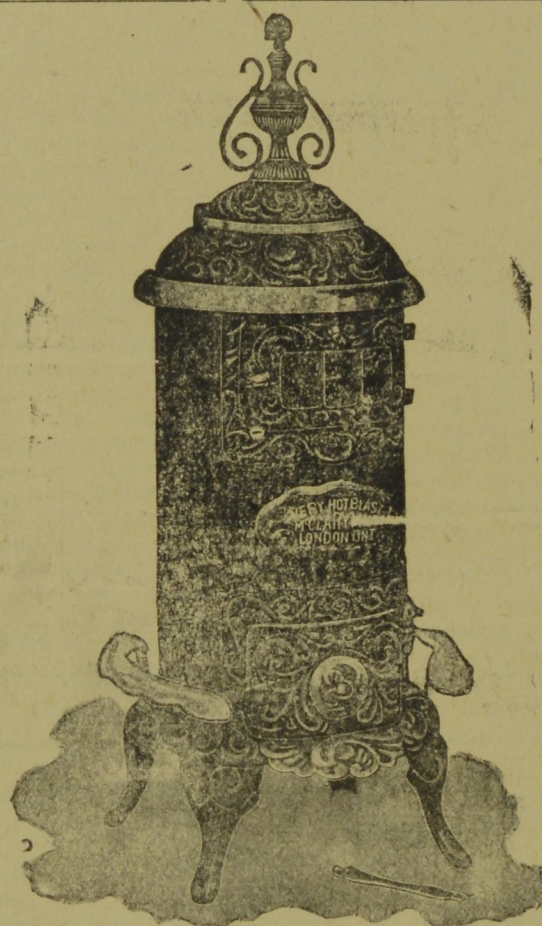
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