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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1917.

A GREAT OPPORTUNITY.

The Toronto Globe heartily endorses a statement of Hon. Mr. Calder that the Union Government must do things in a big aggressive way if it is to hold the confidence of the people. After calling attention to the fact that the government has a national mandate, and is unfettered by party affiliations and interests, the Globe goes on to say:

First and foremost, the government must enforce the Military Service Act without fear or favor. This is the specific and supreme duty laid upon it by the popular will expressed at the polls. But it has made other pledges which it must fulfil, and it must do 'big and aggressive things' to justify coalition and the postponement of a decision on certain questions, such as the tariff, which are highly controversial, and which Liberal and Conservative Unionists have agreed not to reopen while the war claims their joint endeavors.

"The country has been told that in order to mobilize all its strength for the cause, all parties should unite their forces and concentrate their energies on war problems. Complete co-operation has not been possible, because of a cleavage on the issue of conscription, but the popular vote proves that the administration rests on a genuinely non-partisan majority of the Canadian electors—while the cabinet itself, when completed, will not be open to the reproach of one-sidedness, and will adequately represent the highest ability in the public life of the country, Liberal, Conservative and Labor. A government built on this foundation owes much to the people, and it has the power to discharge the debt if it has the courage and seriousness of vision. It has promised to abolish the patronage system, to reform the civil service, to lay a heavier share of the financial burdens of the war upon wealth, to prevent excessive profits and combinations to raise prices, to bring about the co-operative management of railways, to devise a strong and progressive policy of immigration, and colonization, to promote land settlement and co-operation among those engaged in agricultural production, and to provide for the care and vocational training of soldiers. It is a comprehensive program, and the government should proceed with it immediately and resolutely in a big and aggressive way."

"Canadians have broken with their political habits of half a century to give the administration its unique opportunity. They will look for results worthy of that uprising of the national spirit."

KILL PRUSSIANISM NOW.

While setting squadrons in the field and riveting our armor, there are still odd moments when we can pore over what the thinkers who are too old to go forth to war are saying, says the New York Telegram.

Disputing the theory of Dr. Crile, that a Prussian victory would prove the soundness of German philosophy, continues the Telegram, Mr. John Burroughs, the famous naturalist, says our attitude toward Canada—in not annexing it when England was beleaguered—and Canada's loyalty to Great Britain, spring from feelings and ideals to which the Prussian mind is an entire stranger.

The success of Prussianism means the death of Americanism and the overthrow of all other liberal and progressive political systems.

Even the further opinion that German supremacy, through scientific barbarism and organized brutal strength, would not prevail indefinitely, brings no comfort.

It simply determines us that the time to uproot Prussianism and set a torch to it, as to a poisonous weed, is now, not years hence.

Hon. Mr. Carvell, Minister of Public Works, was tendered a reception at the Elks Club, St. John, last evening.

Representative men from all parts of the province joined in doing honor to the Minister. Hon. Mr. Carvell delivered an able speech, an outline of which will be found in another part of this issue.

Through Our Sieve

Santa Claus should study up on the sizes of hands and feet.

We distinctly remember the time when people used to eat beefsteak.

Christmas neckties, as usual, will be worn largely on the hook in the closet.

Don't complain of the sun. It is busy just now on the summer plains of Argentina.

A philosopher doesn't care whether a thing is really so or not, as long as he can prove it.

Just because a man does the things his wife wants him to is no sign that he is stuck on the job.

Naive lot, those bolshevik leaders. They believe Germany will keep agreements—or do they?

A British doctor suggests spotted fever germs might be spread by kissing under the mistletoe; but the real danger from this kissing is premature matrimony.

If the Russian peasant gets that free land Lenine, Trotzky and Co. have promised him, he will likely, before he can use it, have to do considerable clearing—of Germans.

RECEPTION TO MINISTER

(Continued from page 5.) once a week to learn of something as drastic as that of last Friday.

He had no doubt of the Canadian people, and with wealth conserved, with better co-ordination and better business methods of government, it might be expected to get \$10,000,000 every nine or ten months. He had faith in the loyalty of the people.

The financial problem, he said, was the most serious one that Canada had to face. There were others, such as the care of the returned soldiers. After the war, too, there would have to be the raising of money for interest on the obligations now being incurred. But the people could do it. Canada was a young country and a country of enormous resources. Let them go through the war with heads up feeling they had done their duty as men and he had no fear as to the interest being raised. Nine-tenths of the winning of a fight was the feeling that the cause was right and confidence in victory. He again emphasized the statement that the real problem now was the conservation of wealth and the co-ordination of industry and the interests of the people.

Hon. Mr. Carvell repeated his expression of pleasure at having been able to meet so many of the business men and his pleasure at the tribute paid himself. He hoped as time went on that they would find they had not placed their confidence in the wrong men. Men could do wonderful things when they felt they were right and had the courage to go ahead and such a mandate as had been given at the polls was enough to inspire anyone with courage. This was the feeling of his colleagues as well as of himself. The intention of the Union government was to do business on business principles and they were going to ask the people to allow them to do it, and in that way they could not help but be successful till the war was over and the country was back to normal conditions.

Signor Guarino of the Imperial sang a solo artistically and was roundly applauded. He had to respond to two encores. D. Arnold Fox was accompanist.

Other speakers included Mr. F. J. Robidoux, Dr. D. H. McAllister, Col. McLeod, M. P., and S. E. Elkin, M. P. At the close refreshments were served by Mr. Bond.

MASONIC INSTALLATION.

Hiram Lodge, No. 6, A. F. & A. M., Installed Officers Last Night—Alex. Murray, Worshipful Master.

At a regular communication of Hiram Lodge, No. 6, A. F. & A. M., held last evening, the following officers for 1918 were installed by Past Grand Master H. V. B. Bridges, assisted by District Deputy Grand Master F. T. Atkinson:

Alex. Murray, W. M.
C. A. McVey, S. W.
H. H. Hagerman, J. W.
W. E. McMullin, Chap.
S. L. Morrison, Treas.
J. H. Ramsay, Secy.
R. B. Wallace, S. D.
W. R. Fraser, J. D.
Sterling Limerick, S. S.
W. M. Todd, J. S.
C. K. Palmer, D. of C.
E. Cadwallader, Organist.
D. B. Green, I. G.
J. W. McKay, Tyler.

SAME SPEAKER MAY BE CHOSEN

(Canadian Press direct wire.) Ottawa, Dec. 28.—There is little likelihood of a change in the Speaker-ship when the House meets. Hon. E. N. Rhodes, who was Speaker in the last parliament subsequent to the inclusion of Hon. Albert Seigney in the cabinet, was defeated in Cumberland, Nova Scotia, on the home vote by a majority of less than 200. Unless the entirely unexpected happens, he will be confirmed in his seat by the overseas vote and the votes of soldiers still in Canada. His choice as Speaker of the new Parliament is certain.

HOCKEYIST POSTED MISSING.

(Canadian Press direct wire.) Winnipeg, Dec. 28.—Word has been received here that Alf Morrison, who with his brothers, Bobby and Crutchy, were in the 61st Battalion hockey team of 1915-16, which won the Allan cup just before going overseas, is missing and presumed to be dead.

THE GOOD OLD DAYS.

"Red Gulch don't look nothin' like it did ten years ago," said the drummer.

"No," agreed Broncho Bob. "Ten years ago, before so many saloons started up if you saw a rattlesnake on the road you knowed it was a sure-enough rattlesnake."

WHAT'S THE USE?

A man who was showing off by diving into the sea and staying under for a time, after one dive came up and found that he had remained under for two minutes.

"That's going some," he bragged. "I bet that's a record round here."

"Oh, no," replied a spectator. "A man dived in here this time yesterday and he ain't come up yet."

PERSONAL.

Mrs. A. L. Treadwell is seriously ill at her home, Woodstock Road. Ex-Warden John Scott is confined to his home by illness.

James W. McLellan of Trescott, Me., while hunting during the open season, saw a fox coming in his direction and sat down to wait until he came within range. He shot the fox and two buck deer just then sprang into the open and, seeing the fox, stopped to look. McLellan shot at one. The bullet passed through the head of one deer and entered the heart of the other, killing them both instantly.

Harry B. Nicholson of Crown Point, Ind., has married 18,000 couples since he has been a justice of the peace. His highest record for a single day is 52 marriages.

If the German people did get a democracy, they might not be able to make it tick without a boss to keep it wound for them.

DETAILS OF DEATH

(Continued from page 8.) ford street, Germantown. Her maiden name was Miss Helen Register, and her home was in Boston. Janney and Mrs. Williams were married in Atlantic City in June, 1915. In November, 1914, Mrs. Janney obtained a divorce from Aubrey Williams, an insurance broker and son of Francis Howard Williams, dramatist and author of many articles of historic value.

Janney had been married twice previously. His first wife was Miss Lena Farr Carstairs, 1018 Spruce street. They were married in 1898, and lived in Wissahickon Heights until April, 1905, when they separated.

Mrs. Janney filed a suit for divorce immediately and it was granted the following February on the ground of infidelity. The papers in the case were impounded.

Elopement.

Friends of the couple scarcely had recovered from their surprise when it was announced that Janney and Miss Katharine May Schwartz of Germantown, had eloped to New York in December, 1906. Miss Schwartz is a sister of Charles W. Schwartz, Jr., of 112 W. Walnut Lane, Germantown.

She was known as one of the most beautiful young women in Germantown and a few weeks before her marriage was chosen Queen of the Mardi Gras at New Orleans.

The second wife won a suit for divorce in 1910. Her family had bitterly opposed the marriage, but finally forgave the daughter. The child who survives Janney was born during the first marriage.

Mr. Janney's body is to be brought here for burial.

(The second wife of the deceased, formerly Miss Schwartz, resided in Fredericton with him for some time.)

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