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THE NICKEL QUESTION.

From the Conservative headquarters at Ottawa the following statement is issued to the Tory newspapers to show what Sir Robert Borden has achieved for Canada:

"Took effective steps to prevent Canadian nickel reaching the enemy, at the same time seeing that a plentiful supply reached Great Britain and her Allies."

Are Sir Robert Borden and his colleagues undertaking to deceive the public, or are they ignorant of the true facts? We can tell them that Canadian nickel has reached Germany within the last six months.

It was mined in Sudbury in 1915, shipped in matte to the International Nickel Company, New Jersey, who refined it and sold some 800 odd tons to a smelting company in New Jersey. This smelting company have already sent to Germany, via the submarine Deutschland, 200 tons of this Canadian nickel. Another 100 tons is lying in New London today awaiting the return of the Deutschland, which for some reason is "detained." This smelting company now have in their warehouse in New Jersey another 500 tons which will be sent to Germany at the very first opportunity. These are facts which cannot be contradicted if the truth is told, and yet Conservative headquarters at Ottawa are saying that Canadian nickel is not reaching Germany.

The local organ of the die-hard government, which always pretends to be a great stickler for everything which is correct and proper, questions the right of Mr. P. J. Hughes to sound a warning note to the man who has been engaged by Hon. B. F. Smith to reflow the highway bridge. Listen to what it says: "Here is a private citizen presuming to interfere and to tamper with the affairs of one of His Majesty's departments. He cannot speak or advise with the grace of a member-elect." If the organ's views are sound, what right, may we ask, have Hon. Mr. Slipp and Hon. Dr. Landry, defeated at the polls on Feb. 24th, to continue as advisers to the Lieutenant Governor? Will the organ say that they are in a position to "advise with grace of members-elect?"

The local organ of the moribund says that an Ottawa despatch on the New Brunswick political situation, which the St. John Telegraph published yesterday was manufactured on the premises. The organ should know a clothes-line despatch when it sees one, but in this case it happens to be wrong. The same despatch, word for word, appeared in the Halifax Chronicle yesterday, a paper published in a city 280 miles from St. John. The fact of the matter is, the peculiar political situation created in this province by the die-hard government, is attracting attention all over Canada. The whole country is looking to Governor Wood to act and to act promptly.

Philadelphia Ledger: More and more do the astounding financial operations of England stagger the human mind. Upon the dizzy top of a sixteen billion dollar national debt, that country swifly and with apparent ease placed another three and a half billions. The world has witnessed nothing in the past like these stupendous loans. In a day Great Britain floats a larger debt than the total debt of the United States at the close of our four years of civil war. In a day its people purchase as great a bulk of debt as England's debt was when its present awful war began. There seems to be no bottom to the British purse, and the mighty war loans double prove the Briton's boast in the past about his country's fathomless wealth.

In another part of this issue will be found an interesting article from a Halifax paper in which Prof. Cumming of Nova Scotia, offers some practical suggestions on how to increase the production of farm produce. He suggests that the city man furnish the farmer with fertilizer, so that the productivity of the soil may be enlarged, and take in exchange for the same vegetables at a minimum price. The suggestion is a practical one, and should be acted upon.

His Honor Lieutenant Governor Wood is here today, and is no doubt ready and willing to receive the resignations of Premier Murray and his colleagues. It is now nearly five weeks since the government was defeated at the polls, and it surely has had sufficient time to dispose of "unfinished business." There should be a new admin-

istration in office before the end of the present week.

Winnipeg Free Press: The following taken from a letter written by a young Western Canadian, now overseas, has something of western humor about it, something of the spirit of confidence that is characteristic of the men who are making a name for Canada in another land: "Don't let this U-boat business worry you at all," he writes. "I have seen a grizzly bear tear up helpless and unoffending trees and flowers and moss while dying. Fritz is in the same condition, and of a similar disposition—begging the grizzly's pardon for the comparison." Not a bad comparison, that! Nor a bad spirit, either, in which to view the events of the last few weeks. What is more to the point—it is not improbable that the young soldier's point of view is pretty nearly correct.

Sing Sing prisoners were excited recently by a wholesale theft of dress shirts consigned to the Mutual Welfare League's co-operative store. When the sales manager of the store opened a large case of shirts intended for purchase by the prison's idle rich, he was shocked to find three-fourths of the garments had been stolen. The theft, it is thought, took place in the shipping room. The keeper in charge put prison sleuths at work on the mystery, but so far they have only established that it was an "inside job."

Says the Chatham World: "Colonel Black is perfectly justified in not considering the government a corrupt administration. The two ministers who had betrayed their trust have been dismissed, and the others have clean records." Who are the "two" ministers who betrayed their trust and were dismissed? We were under the impression that Mr. J. Kidd Flemming was the only one to be handed a walking ticket. If Commodore Stewart knows of another he should trot out his name.

The action of the school board in awarding the contract for the extension to the Charlotte Street School building to a St. John man, in order to effect a saving of \$34, has been roundly condemned on all sides. While the school board invited tenders and awarded the contract, it must not be forgotten that the taxpayers of the city have got to foot the bill. This being so, the matter is one which might well be considered by the City Council at its next meeting.

The Chatham World, in commenting on some election talk made by a government organ, says: "The Government's only hope from another election would be a reversal of the Queens, Sunbury, Moncton and Westmorland decisions." This will not be very comforting for the "die hards."

The United States Congress, which will meet in extraordinary session on Monday next, will probably declare that a state of war exists between the United States and Germany. A proposal to loan the Entente Allies five billion dollars is being well received on all sides.

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Now that the Russians are on the move once more in the near east we can expect to read about how they're in the Van, taking Mush and making the Khanik clink all over again.

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Through Our Sieve

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We're all "high livers" these days.

Will the die-hard government die today?

Easter hats are beginning to look for headquarters.

It seems that Russia is now through with rum, Romanoffs and rebellion.

Evidently the Russian mujiks intend to win this war if it takes their last autocrat.

The die-hard government is evidently obsessed with the thought that it will be a long time dead.

As the British forces near Jerusalem, this war seems to qualify as a fifth crusade.

No matter how prosperous he may seem to be, the dentist leads a sort of hand-to-mouth existence.

Among the various kings going out of business we note Old King Winter and Old King Coal.

Almost without realizing what they were doing, the Petrograd revolutionists put the rush into Russia.

When vodka was abolished in Russia, and the people began to sober up, they saw what they could do. As long as they remained drunk they didn't realize their own power.

TAXPAYER WRITES OF OF SCHOOL CONTRACT

To the Editor of the Daily Mail.

Sir,—If the particulars given in a letter from a citizen published in a recent issue of your paper, are correct, it exposes an extraordinary proceeding in connection with the letting of the contract for the Charlotte St. School extension.

Not only is the action of those members of the School Board of Fredericton who voted to give the contract to a firm in another city, for the sake of a few dollars on the contract price, past understanding, but it makes the city a laughing-stock. Now, as the members of the School Board are intelligent citizens (or they would not be members) there must be a "nigger in the woodpile."

Does anyone suppose for a moment that if St. John were concerned a public body there would let a contract to a Fredericton firm, or anyone outside St. John, to save \$34 on the contract price?

It might be interesting for the taxpayers of this city, whose money goes into this building, to know the reasons why certain members of the School Board voted a contract away from the city.

There may be god reasons—but imagination fails.

Yours truly,

TAXPAYER.

Fredericton, N. B., March 26, 1917.

NEW WAR LOAN WAS OVER SUBSCRIBED

Ottawa, March 26.—The third Canadian war loan has been over-subscribed to extent of \$1,000,000. The government called for \$150,000,000, and \$250,000,000 has been subscribed. This is exclusive of conversions of other Canadian bonds. Only the amount authorized will be accepted, so that the banks will not receive any part of the \$60,000,000 offered by them, and other large subscriptions will be considerably scaled down.

Including the loan just floated, the amount subscribed by the Canadian people and accepted in the last three loans totals \$350,000,000, or something in excess of the total debt of Canada when the war broke out. Every loan was heavily oversubscribed.

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