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LEADERSHIP WANTED.

Commenting on the lack of leadership at Ottawa, the Toronto Saturday Night, an independent paper, has this to say:

"Why is bread selling at 24 cents for a three-pound loaf in Canada, whereas for the same amount of money a four-pound loaf can be obtained in England, in spite of submarines, high freights, insurance and other charges of transportation? Why is it that calves are being slaughtered in this country by the thousand, in place of allowing them to mature? Why is it that lambs only a few weeks old are being killed for the market? All because the members of the Dominion Government have been for two years and more teetering about, first on one foot and then on the other, as efficacious as so many wooden Indians. Blind to the food crisis which was as certain as the day that follows night, we have allowed the wheat speculator to get in between us and the grain we need. By the time the government can take action, if it ever does, the usual peace time proportion of spring lamb and veal will have been sent to the butcher's block, and we will be short next season just that much beef and mutton. The wheat situation has now got so far out of hand that it will be well-nigh impossible to bring in any regulations by way of a food control board, that will relieve the public. It is quite possible that the Federal government, unaided by the various provincial governments would not have been able to swing effectively food control legislation.

"On the other hand, it is scarcely possible that there is a Provincial Government that would not work enthusiastically and with purpose to the same end, if the necessary leadership had been forthcoming from Ottawa. Co-operation between the provincial governments and the Federal government was all that was required. The people were willing, the industrial army was ready, but the leaders were no-where to be found."

Some well disposed people appear to be under the impression that the lack of proper leadership at Ottawa, which has been so costly to the country during the past three years, will be supplied by the passage of the conscription bill. They are of course grievously in error. The passage and enforcement of the conscription law will only emphasize the necessity for strong leadership. You cannot extract sunbeams from cucumbers, nor can you get leadership from men who according to Saturday Night, are "as efficacious as wooden Indians."

Halifax Recorder: "It is amusing, but not at all edifying to read the utterances of Tory ministers on the subject of national government, that is, government without partisanship, party color or party favor. If they are such intense admirers of such a system, it might easily be supposed that Sir Robert in making appointments and the various departments in awarding contracts and handling the patronage generally, would now and then ignore party distinctions. But never for a moment or for the fraction of an inch have they deviated from the narrowest line of partisanship. No Liberal ever gets anything that can possibly be given to a Tory. Such is the principle rigidly followed, and an extension of the parliamentary term, even if granted unanimously by the opposition, would only mean another year of the same thing. Every vacant Federal judgeship is filled by a Tory supporter, and the Senatorial positions are for Tories only."

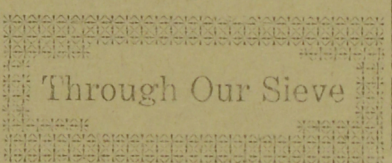
The Provincial Government has decreed that the school book business must in future be conducted on a strictly cash basis. The old price, which is now considerably below the actual cost of the books, will be maintained, but those who handle the books must come across with the cash. This is the only sensible way for a government to carry on business. In future school books must be paid for in cash and the yearly deficit which has loomed up in the Auditor General's report for some years past will disappear.

Ottawa hears that the big Liberal Convention now in session at Winnipeg is likely to go solidly for Sir Wilfrid Laurier as leader of the Liberal party. Some strength is given to the report by the fact that Dr. Michael Clark, M.P., who went West to assist Sir Clifford Sifton in promoting the union government scheme packed his grip and started back for Ottawa on the opening day.

In Parliament yesterday Hon. Chas. Marcil called attention to the fact that the province of Quebec was represented in the Borden cabinet by only two ministers, Hon. Messrs. Doherty and Sevigny. The Protestant minority of Quebec has never been represented in the Borden cabinet by a salaried minister, and since Sir George Perley went overseas it has had no representation at all. As Hon. Mr. Marcil pointed out, it is not much wonder that the people of Quebec are dissatisfied with conditions at Ottawa.

St. John Times: It will take the Foster government some time to get provincial business down to a business basis, but it has given constant evidence of good faith and a desire to replace the slipshod methods, or worse, of its predecessor, by methods more in harmony with public sentiment and of greater benefit to the province. The reform in the manner of selling school books is a case in point. There are to be no more bad debts on this score.

Sydney Record: The action of 71 government members of parliament in signing a document eulogizing Hon. Robert Rogers only goes to show that there are seventy-one members of parliament who haven't much respect for their signatures.



It's the loose nut that rattles.
Handy-Spandy, Jack-a-Dandy, has slim legs and somewhat bandy.

Old Mother Goose missed an opportunity by not visiting our bathing beach.

Mother can I go out to swim? You bet, my darling daughter. We'll go to the beach in the auto with Jim, and all go in the water.

Or how's this one: Mother can I go out to swim? Sure, my darling daughter, I'll take you up in the limousine, I often that you'd oughter.

Little Jack Horner sat in the corner of a very small shrub on the shore. He stripped to the skin, then said with a grin: "Now just look this way once more."

Hey diddle diddle, the stout Mrs. Griddle, goes swimming each hot afternoon. And then you should fret, when her bathing suit's wet, it bulges out like a balloon.

Little Miss Muffet sat on a tuffet, in tights that would make you shiver. And then when a spider-legged youth got beside her she made a dash into the river.

Old Mother Hubbard went to the cupboard to put her new bathing suit on. When she got there the cupboard was bare—but at that she hadn't much on Mother Hubbard as she appeared behind the pumping station.

STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK	
Beet Sugar.....	96
C. P. R.....	161
Crucible steel.....	83
Erie.....	24
Erie 1st pfd.....	39 1-2
Marine Pfd.....	87
Union Pac.....	136
U. S. Steel.....	127
Air Brake.....	179
Kenn.....	44
Marine Com.....	29
Reading.....	94
Rubber.....	58 3/4
Studebaker.....	53
Bethlehem.....	141
Wool.....	47 1/2

MONTREAL	
Civic.....	75
Detroit.....	110
Quebec.....	21
Toronto.....	75 1/2
Braz.....	38 1/2
Cement.....	63
Iron.....	61
Steel Co.....	58
Spanish.....	14 1/2
Shaw.....	122
Laur. Pulp.....	185
Scotia.....	98

VOTE AGAINST THE SCOTT ACT

Because we stand on the threshold of a great reform. We are facing a new dawn, a new day. That reform is the triumph of temperance. The new dawn is PROHIBITION. The new day, SOBRIETY.

I shall vote for prohibition because underlying its tenets are the happiness of my fellow men, the welfare of society, the betterment of the world.

I shall vote for prohibition as a protection to everything I hold dear and dear, as a safeguard to all that I love and as an appeal to its helping hand when mine shall have withered away.

I shall vote for prohibition in Fredericton as contributory to its adoption by my country. I shall hold fast to the thought that right must prevail, that drink is wrong. I shall set aside all contrary self-interests, friendships and associations, and cling firmly to the inevitable truth that the world will be better when drink is doomed.

I shall vote for prohibition to avenge the toll that drink has exacted from its innocent victims. I shall vote for the widows, the orphans made destitute through the ravages of intoxication, and those for whom I would shed my own blood could it but ease the pain, the suffering and the anguish it has brought them.

I shall invoke through my vote a law that will help the weak win their battle. I shall exercise my franchise to accomplish that which prayers and supplications have failed to do. I shall vote to stem an evil that scorns respect, shirks duty and "takes off the rose from the fair forehead of an innocent love and sets a blister there."

I shall vote for the boys and girls, my children and their children. I shall vote for the young man who falls by the wayside, who cannot say no. I shall vote a better environment for the young woman, who wants to live right and go straight, but whose path is made perilous by drink.

That prohibition will conquer is as fixed as are the stars in the firmament. Temperance will prevail as the survival of truth, and with it will come the economic reward which has followed right-thinking since man began.

Let your vote on the 16th of August be a toast to a vanishing evil—a welcome to its doom.

The passing of the drink traffic will be the greatest blessing we have known since Christ. It has had its day and we bid it never to return, as we have come to the parting of the ways.

Let us go forward in the consciousness that Right MUST prevail. Vote on the 16th instant for GOD, for HOME and for COUNTRY.

The Dominion Temperance Alliance.

OF SOCIAL INTEREST

Mrs. J. W. Stiles and two children left last evening for St. Mary's, Ont., having been called there by the illness of Mrs. Stiles' mother.

Mrs. C. C. Jones and children have been spending a couple of weeks at Chipman. Today they will go to Moncton where they will spend a couple of weeks with friends.

Mrs. G. W. Dodge and daughter, Miss Jean Dodge, will leave on Saturday for Nova Scotia, travelling in their motor car to Halifax and thence to Plymouth.

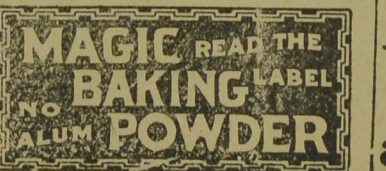
Mrs. J. F. VanBuskirk and daughters, Miss Jean and Miss Eleanor, left this morning for Digby, N. S., to spend a few weeks. Master Frank VanBuskirk is spending his holidays in St. John.

Fifty Per Cent. Payment.
On the bill of Mr. J. Mal. Chappell against the city a fifty per cent. payment has been ordered. The balance is to be held pending a settlement. The bill is for catch basin construction.

Recruits Sent to Valcartier.
Seven recruits from the United States secured for the 236th Battalion, were forwarded to Valcartier last night by the local recruiting office. Three more recruits arrived last night and two others at noon today.

To Speak at Woodstock.
His Worship Mayor Mitchell has been invited to address a public meeting at Woodstock on the 20th inst., which is to be held in the interests of the water works improvements, upon which a plebiscite is to be taken shortly.

Mr. Charles Weinberg of New York, is at the Queen.
Mr. H. R. Langille of Oxford, is in the city.



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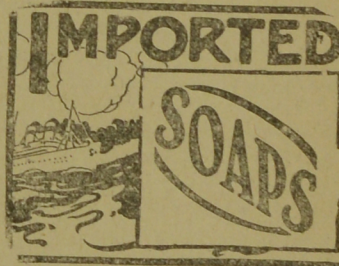
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