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## EX-PREMIER ASQUITH.

A writer in the Saturday Review deals with the high position which ex-Premier Asquith holds in the public life of Great Britain, and points out that his tact and wise statesmanship has more than once saved the parliamentary situation for the man who cupplanted him.

Comparing Mr. Asquith to the character in the play who survives all vicissitudes of the plot to turn up smiling in the last act, this writer says:

"We have seen him gagged and helpless, uncereemoniously bundled off the scene, have noted the general assumption of the other actors that he was out of the plot for good, but, like the experienced critics we are, we await the next act, confident that our hero will turn the tables on his assailants and detractors.

"To those impatient with such a prospective finale, who are anxious for a more original denouement, we reply in consecrated phrase, 'Wait and see.' He is having his first holiday after ten years of unexpected public service, and he is a different being to the weary Premier of nine months since. Trusted by the working classes to a degree shared by no other statesman, with a career self-made and not press-made, he is, in our opinion, the one man who can negotiate peace, the plenipotentiary par excellence to represent Great Britain. No one can picture Lords Curzon and Milner sitting at a democratic peace conference while Sir Edward Carson's symbol is the hawk, not the dove.

"One thing Mr. Lloyd George does not mean to do, and that is to cut himself off completely from the Liberal party and its leader. Willingly would he welcome that leader into his particular fold. It is an open secret that Mr. Asquith has been offered the position of leader of the House without portfolio or membership of the War Cabinet, and he could have the Lord Chancellorship tomorrow if he so desired. For the Premier's association with the Unionist party is only a temporary expedient."

"We Liberals," concludes the writer, "are nothing if not critical—self-critical. The beam in our own eye is as much an object of interest as the mote in our brother's. Mr. Montagu, sitting on the steps at Downing street, Mr. Ian Macpherson at Question Time looking for Truth in her well, Mr. J. M. Hogge exuberantly effervescent—we devote as much attention to these phenomena as does the Morning Post. Limited as we are to a single saccharine tablet, discussion of them sweetens our postprandial coffee, and after 2.30 acts as a liqueur. But we have our loyalties, and none more enduring than for the man who brought his country into the great war, and will, if need be, steer her successfully out."

## THE FRANCHISE BILL.

The Borden government is determined to cling to power at all costs. Proof of this can be found in the franchise bill laid before Parliament yesterday by Hon. Arthur Meighen, Secretary of State. It is a vicious measure and has been most aptly termed by the Trades and Labor Council of Tory Toronto "a vote-getter" and a measure designed by the government with the object of legislating itself back into power. The government went the limit when it forced through Parliament under closure the bill to enable it to present \$60,000,000 of public money to the Canadian Northern magnates; but in the case of the franchise bill it seems to be bent on out-heroding Herod. Nevertheless it is about what was to be expected from a moribund government, which long ago forfeited the confidence of the people and which is now merely clinging to office with the hope that something might turn up. In the light of the iniquitous legislation brought down in Parliament during the pre-

sent session, how absurd it is for Sir Robert Borden and his colleagues to be striving to make the people believe that their sole object is to win the war.

Westminster Gazette: We now have the affidavits from the three survivors of the Belgian Prince, which confirm in every detail the story as originally given to the British public. There is something in this murder of a crew of thirty-eight men which touches depths of cold-blooded cruelty of which, even after all experience, we should have doubted the possibility. The men were placed on the deck of a submarine, divested of their life-belts, carried to a distance at which they could scarcely hope to reach their disabled ship, and then thrown into the water by submerging the submarine. This was a prepared murder, carefully worked out in detail beforehand, carried ruthlessly through and intended not to leave a witness to what had been done. Here we have one of the incidents which will burn themselves into the mind of the nation and will be remembered long after peace is declared and Germans are endeavoring to persuade the world that they are a civilized people.

London Chronicle: My attention has been called to the fact that Lord Curzon, who, of course, was aware that Nelson had received his peerage before Trafalgar, did not say that it was on the eve of that battle that the great seaman exclaimed, "A peerage or Westminster Abbey!" Lord Curzon's actual words were these: "Lord Nelson, on the eve of one of the greatest battles which he fought, made use of the famous phrase, 'Tomorrow it will be a case of the peerage or Westminster Abbey!'"

Halifax Chronicle: It transpires that Lalumiere, the alleged dynamiter in Montreal was one of the Tory-Nationalist machine operators in the notorious Hochelaga bye-election in 1912, when Hon. Louis Coderre was returned as Secretary of State. The "Unholy Alliance" chickens continue to come home to roost.

## Through Our Sieve

Give the green tomato a place in the sun.

A war-time soliloquy: Abstinence makes the waist grow slender.

It appears that the Allies are playing ring-around-rosy and that Germany is "it."

The Medical Record says that ice cream is food. And there's an awful lot of people around here seem to believe it.

Henry Ford says he never met a really bad man. Really, Henry hasn't met some of those fellows who drive his cars.

A man's idea of "coming home early for dinner" is to succeed in getting there not more than half an hour late.

Solomon could not have suffered much from curiosity with 700 women to tell him everything before he had chance to get curious about it.

All the rest of his life the good older brother who stayed at home, kept thinking of the roaring good time the prodigal son must have had.

Some men go into matrimony thinking they can run things with their 60-horse "will" power, and find all they can use is a little one-horse "won't" power.



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## THREATEN LIBEL SUIT

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Washington, Sept. 8—Assuming that it is tired of being "defamed" as "pro-German" or "seditious," the American Union Against Militarism last night issued a statement in which it asserts that it will sue any newspaper for libel which ventures to characterize it in such terms.

## POULTRY FOR ST. STEPHEN

The poultrymen of Fredericton and vicinity will be well represented at the exhibition which opens at St. Stephen on Tuesday of next week. Mr. H. M. McMonagle, a local poultry fancier, who lately returned from the Sherbrooke fair, will leave for the border town on Monday with a collection of 120 birds. The list will include Rhode Island Reds, Leghorns, Plymouth Rocks, Wyandottes, Orpingtons. He has some of the finest birds in the city and they are expected to show up well in the prize list.

Local poultrymen who exhibited at the Sherbrooke fair won a number of prizes in the face of keen competition. Mr. J. N. Ferguson exhibited ten birds, including Buff Orpingtons and White Leghorns and every bird won a prize. Mr. Walter Bailey won prizes on White Rocks and Mr. G. W. Brown on White Wyandottes.

## ENGLAND WILL AVENGE

London, Sept. 7. — There was a sad funeral procession yesterday of the ninety-eight naval victims of Monday night's air raid.

The cortege was two miles long. The British officers carried wreaths with the inscription: "Rest in peace; England will avenge."

## SUNDAY SERVICES

St. Paul's Presbyterian.

Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. The pastor, Rev. J. S. Sutherland, M. A., will conduct the services. Sunday school at 2.30 p.m. All are welcome.

Methodist Church.

Rev. Geo. M. Young, pastor, will preach at both services. Morning subject, "The Value of a Man;" evening subject, "Light." Sunday school at 2.30 p.m. All seats free.

Brunswick Street Baptist.

Rev. G. C. Warren, B. A., B. D., pastor. Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Bible School at 2.30 p.m. A cordial welcome to all.

Reformed Baptist Church.

Rev. H. C. Archer, pastor. Preaching on Sunday by the pastor at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Prayer and social service at 10 a.m. Sunday school at 2.30 p.m. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 7.30. All are welcome.

[The Daily Mail makes no charge for publishing church notices, but it requests that they be written out and sent to the office before 10 o'clock on Saturday morning.]

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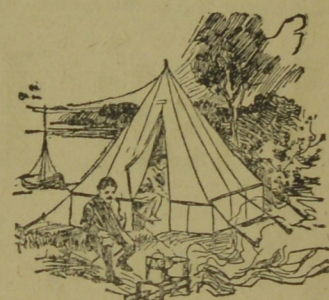
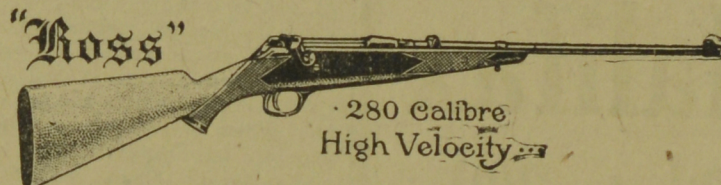
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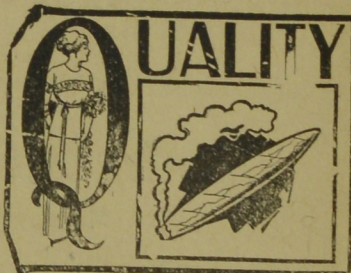
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