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THE UNHAPPY STANDARD.

The truthful Standard alleges that the present provincial government won the election a year ago on a false canvass relating to conscription. Proceeding, its says: "During the 1917 campaign the Standard called attention to this canvass and pointed out that the result of the provincial campaign could, in no way affect the decision of the Dominion government on the Military Service Act."

In this connection it might be recalled that one of the men the Standard accused of using the conscription canvass—the chief sinner, so to speak—was Hon. F. B. Carvell, now Minister of Public Works in the Federal cabinet. The charge was, of course, baseless, as everybody now knows, and even though the Standard is capable of doing silly things, it would scarcely dare repeat it at the present time.

In recalling the political verdict of a year ago the Standard expresses regret that the people should have turned out "a government that had given sound, aggressive administration to the province, and replaced it by a government of shreds and patches."

In thus expressing itself, the Standard merely voices the sentiments and indignation of such eminent philanthropists and railway magnates as Mr. George B. Jones, M.P.P., Mr. W. B. Tennant, Mr. Thomas Nagle and others, proved by sworn evidence to have been caught with the goods in connection with the Valley Railway enterprise. It knows that a report made by Royal Commissioner Stevens dealing more fully with the strong arm methods of these gentry, will shortly be given to the public, and it is hopeful that by attacking the government it may be able to draw a herring across the trail. The Standard and its directors certainly have the very best of reasons for remembering the political upheaval of a year ago.

EATING UP THE CHURCH

Readers of the Popular Science Monthly were interested in a recent story regarding a serious mishap to a Hudson Bay country church which a few loyal Christian Eskimos had built to shelter their devotions. As wood is scarce in that region, the edifice was built of whalebone. The simple converts did not long enjoy the little structure of which they were so pathetically proud. The dogs in the Arctic are half wolves, and are usually half starved. They soon discovered the edible whalebone church and devoured the sacred edifice in a night.

The story has a moral for the church in more favored climes. With us it is no longer destroyed from the outside. The moth and rust of the world find entrance and do their consuming from within. There is a variety of church membership not at all uncommon that is entirely satisfied to have the preacher do the religious work. These members will "sit under his ministrations" but they will not minister themselves. One of the problems of the church is to get more of the religious work done in the pews.

The same old consumers of churches described so long ago in the Book of Revelations still exist—those who are lukewarm, those "who have gotten rich and have need of nothing" and know not that they are "miserable and poor and blind and naked." The old melancholy list of those who would live off the church, either spiritually or materially, might be printed, but it would avail nothing. The little body of Eskimos who had their church eaten from the outside by hungry dogs, lost nothing in comparison with the destruction of splendid churches in more favored localities that are consumed from within. The hungry dogs, as a contemporary points out, can do no real harm; it is the consuming moth and rust within that make the work of so many churches and pastors futile, and occasion the question, "What is the matter with the church?"

A London despatch says: About a year ago a young man offered himself for national service. Before any answer was received, he died and when

the reply did come (in October) it was returned with the word "deceased" written across the envelope. The other day the following surprising announcement was received at his old address: "If you will call at this office at your own convenience between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12.30 a.m., or 2 p.m. and 5.30 p.m., any week day except Saturday, I will complete your national service rejection certificate and hand it to you."

London Daily News: Recurring to the proposition for a referendum on conscription in Ireland, it is found that of the fifteen Ulster Unionist members only six voted for conscription in Ireland. Eight did not trouble to vote at all, one voted against it. And that one was Sir James Craig, the Orange champion of East Down. The men are not at all favorable for the carrying of a referendum in favor of conscription for Ulster.

Woodstock, Ont., Sentinel-Review: There is said to be a movement on foot among members of parliament to vote themselves an increase of salary, or, as they like to call it, sessional indemnity. The cost of living has increased, of course, for members of parliament as it has for other people; but the members have it in their own hands to reduce the length of the sessions. If they are not getting enough for the time they spend at Ottawa, let them spend less time. This is a time for sacrifices. Let the members sacrifice some of their long speeches and their party manoeuvres. The country will be none the worse for the "loss."

The latest reports show that but forty-four persons were rescued from the ill-fated Red Cross Line steamship Florizel, which went ashore near Cape Race on Sunday. The ship's company, including passengers and crew, numbered 136.

Through Our Sieve

In a few short weeks now we'll think of Jack Frost as Little Brother.

The three K's that will win the war. Keep cheerful, keep cool, keep at it!

Anyone is satisfied with a photograph that flatters.

No man was ever so much in love that it interfered with his appetite.

There'll be something doing this year when the spring freshet goes over the top.

Not being able to guess what Russia meant, the irritable Teuton relieved his tension by delivering a swat.

No wonder milk is high—haven't we snatched the very bran from the mouth of the more or less famished cow?

Hazel Knutt says her backyard garden last year was spoiled by a typographical error—it was a "backward" garden.

Why are people always taking the joy out of life? Peanuts were ever so much nicer before we learned that they are rich in food values.

An Illinois man discovered a vein of coal just under his cellar. What has become of the old fashioned man into whose yard a stray pig sometimes wandered?

Dollar Molasses
Maritime Merchant: The retailer who sells molasses this coming summer at less than \$1.00 a gallon will be working on a very fine margin, for the cost of molasses today at Barbados is 51c. per wine gallon, to which must be added 8c. for freight and 1½c. for insurance. This makes a total of 60½c. per wine gallon. The imperial gallon would therefore be one-fifth more, or equal to 14½c. additional, making a total of 75c.; and to this must be added the exchange and stamp taxes, say about 14c. more, practically 77c. This does not cover landing expenses, cartage to warehouse, etc. The jobber who will sell at less than 87c. will not have much to come and go on.

One Year in Jail.
Mrs. Melinda Devine, whose residence in Chancery Lane was raided by the police Saturday night, this afternoon pleaded guilty to a charge of keeping a disorderly house, before Police Magistrate Limerick. Yesterday she pleaded not guilty but amended her plea. His Honor imposed a sentence of one year in jail.

42ND ANNUAL MEETING FARMERS' & DAIRYMEN'S ASSOCIATION of New Brunswick.

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A CANADIAN DIVISION TO BE BROKEN UP

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
London, Feb. 25. — In the House of Commons Donald McMaster asked, "Has the war council considered the effect on Canadian recruiting if the proposal to break up the Fifth Canadian Division now stationed at Witley be carried out?"

Hon. James Ian MacPherson, under secretary for war, replied that the proposal to break up the division and use it as reinforcements for Canadian troops in France was made by the Canadian authorities.

ARCANUM IS 99 P.C. SOLVENT

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
Boston, Feb. 26. — The Royal Arcanum Society of Massachusetts, which has been a subject of litigation during the past few years, is declared 99 per cent. solvent by the insurance commissioners of this state, New York and Connecticut, in a report issued last night by Frank H. Hardison.

NO REPLY YET TO PEACE NOTE

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
London, Feb. 26.—An official Russian statement sent out by wireless yesterday stated that no reply had been received from Germany to the Russian communication accepting the German peace conditions. The announcement, which was signed by Premier Lenine and Foreign Minister Trotsky, again inquired when a reply will be given and hostilities cease.

In the Reichstag yesterday Chancellor Von Hertling announced that Russia had accepted the German terms and that German delegates had gone to Brest-Litovsk to resume peace negotiations.

LOCAL NEWS

Won Weekly Roll-off.
The weekly roll-off at the Queen Hotel Bowling Alleys was won Monday night by Mr. A. G. Turney with a total pinfall of 275.

Checks Arrive.
Those who officiated as enumerators for York and Sunbury at the recent Federal election, received from Ottawa last week checks in payment for their services.

Dollar Day.
Today was Dollar Day and the merchants had done their part to make it a success but the weather man did not. A pouring rain set in early and continued throughout the day. The streets were made very slippery and many falls resulted. The street department had the scarifier out but the walks still were bad. Drains were not cut and flooded sidewalks resulted, in spite of the weather a brisk trade was done.

Broke Quarantine.
A man named Earle Bartlett broke quarantine yesterday at Napudogan, travelling on snowshoes to Cross Creek where he took the C.G.R. express for Fredericton this morning. Word of his act was sent to Mr. G. Y. Dibble of the Fredericton Board of Health, and he instructed Health Officer A. C. Fleming to arrest the man and return him to Napudogan. Bartlett had been exposed to smallpox at Napudogan. Mr. C. N. Goodspeed, chairman of the York County Board of Health is on his way to the city to act in the matter.

Late Mrs. Bridget F. McCarthy.
The funeral of the late Mrs. Bridget F. McCarthy took place this morning from her late residence, 449 King St. High Mass was celebrated at St. Dunstan's Church by Rev. Father Carney, and interment was made at the Hermitage. A number of beautiful floral tributes were sent. They were as follows: Wreath, Fredericton Brass Band; wreath, John Palmer Co., Ltd.; flat bouquet, Mr. A. D. Thomas, a childhood friend; crescent, Misses Ada M. Schleyer and K. A. Stewart. The mourners were the four sons of the deceased, John, Charles, George and Justin, who also were pall-bearers, and Fred Neville, Frank Rowan, J. L. Neville and L. L. Theriault.

Mr. W. F. Copp of Newcastle of Newcastle, is in the city.
Mr. H. S. Brown of Patten, Me., arrived in the city last night.

The man who never had occasion to borrow money can't appreciate its value.

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Notice of Legislation.

Public Notice is hereby given that application will be made at the next session of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of New Brunswick, for the passage of an Act authorizing and empowering the City Council of the City of Fredericton to grant further exemptions in respect of Free Water, Free Sewerage and Free Taxation on the site, plant, equipment, stock in trade and property generally of The Hart Boot & Shoe Company, Limited. Dated at Fredericton, N.B., this 6th day of February, A. D. 1918.

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