

CONSERVATIVES WANT TRUCE ON THE NAVAL QUESTION

(Halifax Chronicle.)
It is well at this time when Conservative emissaries are approaching Liberals with words of honeyed sweetness and beseeching them, in the name of alleged patriotism, to call a truce on the question of the navy, and make it a non-party question, to recall the recent history of the question of naval defence in Canada. One has to go back only a very short time to see how falsely Mr. Borden and his party have played with this great imperial issue.

The matter of Canada's contribution to the naval defences of the empire was raised by Mr. George E. Foster in the session of 1909, when he made a speech which was a strong pronouncement in favor of the establishment of a Canadian navy—a pronouncement, in fact, which formed the basis of the policy subsequently inaugurated by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, acting with the full concurrence and upon the advice of the British government and the experts of the Admiralty. Following Mr. Foster's speech which, it might be said in passing, has never been answered, and cannot be answered by the opponents of a Canadian navy, Sir Wilfrid Laurier brought down his policy in the form of a resolution submitted to the House of Commons.

The wording of that resolution was not wholly satisfactory to Mr. Borden, and so, Sir Wilfrid, anxious to formulate a policy, which would command the united support of the two parties, called Mr. Borden into conference and, at his request, made certain changes in the wording of the resolution, which rendered it so satisfactory that it was adopted—after it had been strongly supported by both Mr. Borden and Mr. Foster—by the unanimous vote of the House of Commons.

This was in March, 1909. Mr. Borden reiterated his declarations in favor of the Canadian navy policy on several occasions—in London, in Halifax, in Ottawa. But before the year was out he weakly capitulated to the baser elements of his party, who dragged this great question of Imperial defence into the arena of party politics, and from that time forth he has been playing the game of the partizan, dodging between the Imperialistic lingo of Toronto, on the one hand, and the anti-British Nationalists of Quebec on the other, until in the last general election campaign he was cheek by jowl with the fire-eating crew in Quebec, whose policy was "not a dollar, not a ship, not a man to assist the Mother Country."

Had Mr. Borden, as any honorable man would have done, adhered to the stand which he took in 1909, there would be no occasion and no need for his emissaries today to be calling upon the Liberal party to assist them in "taking the navy out of politics." The agreement arrived at between the two parties on that occasion was one of the finest things in the history of Canadian politics.

Sir Charles Tupper, the greatest of living Conservatives, was profoundly impressed with the notable advance which had been made, and as the man who had nominated Mr. Borden as his successor in the leadership of the Conservative party, and who no doubt, was well aware of the weakness of character and lack of backbone which are now apparent to everybody, he even then seems to have been apprehensive that Mr. Borden would prove false to his principles. Sir Charles was so concerned about the matter that he addressed a letter to Mr. Borden in which he expressed his unqualified approval of the action taken and solemnly warned him of the awful responsibility which he would incur if he were to violate the compact. Sir Charles' letter is of special interest at this time. Writing under date of November 20th, 1909, to Mr. Borden, Sir Charles said:

"I regard the question as more important than any mere party issue and am glad to learn that you resolve to maintain the patriotic attitude of the Conservative party assumed last session."

"I did not believe then, and I do not believe now, in taxation without representation. The demand that will soon be made by some that Canada should contribute to the Imperial navy in proportion to population, I regard as preposterous and dangerous. I read with pleasure the resolution passed unanimously by the House of Commons which pledged parliament to proceed vigorously with the construction of the Canadian navy."

This is vigorous and direct. Toward the close of the letter, Sir Charles uttered a most solemn and impressive warning to all who might disturb the compact thus entered into:

"I cannot understand the demand for dreadnoughts in the face of the fact that the Admiralty and British government have determined that it was not the best mode of maintaining the security of the empire, and arranged with Canada and Australia (the latter of whom had offered one or two dreadnoughts) for the construction of local navies to keep open the trade routes in time of war."

Of course the government of the day will be held accountable for carrying out the policy thus agreed upon in a thoroughly effective manner, but I cannot avoid thinking that a fearful responsibility will rest upon those who disturb or destroy the compact entered into on this vitally important question."

In spite of this warning from a Conservative leader who had spent a life-time studying questions affecting Canada's relations to the empire, and who through his whole career had been a consistent opponent of that bogus "imperialism" which would be fatal to the true interests of the empire, Mr. Borden played fast and loose with his principles, brazenly repudiated his solemn pledges given in the House of Commons and on several occasions thereafter, and entered into the "unholy alliance" with the Nationalists of Quebec who talked about "boring holes in the British flag to breathe the air of freedom."

Now, after this shameless breach of faith, Mr. Borden's friends are coming forward with the cool proposition that the Liberal party should accept whatever Mr. Borden and his Nationalist allies propose, in the sacred name of the empire. The cool effrontery of this proposition has never been duplicated in modern day politics and can only be characterized as unmitigated gall.

WILSON TO ADDRESS VETERANS

Atlantic City, Sept. 7.—With fluttering flags and martial music the gates of Atlantic City were thrown open today to greet the delegates and visitors to the ninth annual convention of the United Spanish War Veterans and the Ladies Auxiliary of that organization. Headquarters were opened at the Hotel Rudolf this morning and several informal features of the convention programme will be carried out tomorrow. Governor Woodrow Wilson will be here the first of the week to address the delegates and review the big parade, in which United States soldiers and sailors and militia of several States will participate with the veterans.

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8.30 A.M.—Via Gibson Branch for Woodstock and Houlton, connecting at Newburg Jct. for points North. Plaster Rock, Grand Falls, Edmundston, Fort Fairfield, Caribou and Presque Isle.

9.45 A.M.—For Fredericton Jct. connecting for St. John and points East.

4.00 P.M.—Via Gibson Branch for Woodstock and points North to and including Aroostook Jct.

5.50 P.M.—For Fredericton Jct. connecting with Montreal Express which connects at McAdam for St. Stephen, Houlton, Woodstock and points North to Aroostook Jct. Also connects at Montreal for all points West. Also connects at Fredericton Jct. with Boston Express.

9.00 P.M.—For St. John and points East.

ARRIVALS

9.10 A. M.—From St. John and East

11.35 A. M.—From Boston, Montreal, St. Stephen, Woodstock, and North and Houlton.

12.35 A.M.—From Woodstock and North via Gibson.

8.40 P.M.—From Woodstock and North via Gibson.

7.55 P.M.—From St. John and East.

10.50 P.M.—From Boston, St. Stephen, St. Andrews, Woodstock, Houlton.

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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

SEPTEMBER 9.

1776—The American colonies first called the United States by congress.
1840—Great fair opened in Boston for the benefit of the Bunker Hill monument fund.

1850—California admitted to statehood.

1853—The remnant of the famous table rock at Niagara Falls broke off and tumbled into the abyss with a tremendous crash.

1861—Gen. George B. McClellan accepted the Democratic nomination for the presidency.

1889—Baltimore began a celebration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the defense of the city against the British in 1814.

1891—Francois Jules Paul Grevy, president of France, died. Born on Aug. 15, 1807.

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