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DUNDONALDISM.

If Lord Dundonald had had his way in shaping Canada's new militia bill we would have had a system of militarism in this country most unnecessary and repugnant to the people, and one of the best things that ever happened the Dominion was his turn down and final dismissal by the federal government.

From documents on file at the militia department it appears that the new militia bill was submitted to Lord Dundonald by Sir Frederick Borden, and the Commander-in-chief was invited to make suggestions. This he did but the character of many of them absolutely forbade their adoption and incorporation into the measure.

The amendments which Lord Dundonald proposed practically adopted conscription, or compulsory military service in Canada, a system that is not even in existence in the mother country, and which if proposed there would raise such an opposition that no government proposing it could live for a week. In some European countries conscription is in the law, and it has driven millions of the peasantry and other classes to seek homes in America and elsewhere, and is regarded as a curse wherever it is in effect.

Lord Dundonald also proposed to change the term "militia" in the law to "army," another evidence that he was seeking to establish in Canada a system of militarism. He proposed that the three years' military service fixed by the act should be compulsory, and that youths between fourteen and eighteen years of age should perform not less than one hundred drills of one hour each. He also suggested the abolition of the present schools of instruction, and the creation in their place of a force of 5,000 men. In other words, the aim of Lord Dundonald apparently was to establish in Canada a standing army, and to make military service compulsory.

No militarist of the most pronounced jingo type, says one writer, could have gone further, and it can be safely asserted that no scheme would have proved more unpopular to our people, to whom the prospect of imitating the armed nations of Europe would be extremely obnoxious.

It also develops that Lord Dundonald's military scheme included the advance of his own salary from \$6,000 to \$10,500, so he had an important pecuniary interest in the matter.

The young men of Canada are not prepared for the military despotism which Lord Dundonald proposed to engraft on the country. The volunteer system is sufficient for all our needs. We have no demand for a standing army, nor are we in a position to support such an expensive luxury. If Canada is ever in danger, if the empire again needs defence, Canadians will be found in plenty to bear arms in the country's cause. They have never been lacking in patriotism, but they are too busy developing the great resources of the country and too much of the revenues of Canada are necessary to the same end, for the people to submit to compulsory military service and the raising, equipment and support of a standing army.

It is evident that the minor differ-

ences which it was believed prompted Lord Dundonald to impudently disregard his superiors at Ottawa were but a small part of the reason which resulted in his leaving Canada. It is clear that he thought he should dictate the entire military policy of the country, regardless of the responsible ministers of the crown and his dismissal was necessary, if the men to whom Canada entrusted the reins of government were to preserve their self respect, and the prerogatives guaranteed to them under the constitution.

Yet the dismissal of Lord Dundonald is made an issue by the Tory party. In his Ontario stumping tour, Mr. Borden is exploiting the Dundonald incident wherever he thinks it will bring grist to the Tory mill, and is silent on the question when he addresses localities in which no expectation of political gain can be anticipated.

TOO MUCH WHITEWASH.

The Tories are working over time in their efforts to convince the people of Canada that their leader, Mr. Borden, is really a great man. At Windsor, Ont., the other day, one Tory orator in Mr. Borden's presence declared that the Tory leader is one of the greatest statesmen Canada has ever produced, and another equally bombastic speaker alleged that "there is no man in the history of political life in Canada who has ever risen so quickly as Mr. Borden."

Mr. Borden is naturally a modest man, and must revolt against the application of such sickening adulation. Wherein has the Tory leader given evidence of being a great statesman? Is it in his sudden changes from one line of policy to another? One year Mr. Borden thought another trans-continental railway altogether unnecessary, but he soon receded from that position, and proposed a crazy quiet railway scheme which excited the derision of parliament. Then he as suddenly hopped from opposition to government ownership of railways to the opposite view, while all the time he urges what he calls a scheme of "adequate protection," which he himself is unable to elaborate in specific terms. Mr. Borden may be a very good average politician, but he is certainly not a great statesman.

Mr. Clancy, who made the statement that Mr. Borden's rapid rise in the political world beats all records, is equally astray. Has he never heard of Sir John Thompson's career, a gentleman who entered parliament with the important portfolio of justice, after four years' experience in the Nova Scotia legislature, and who on his second term in parliament succeeded to the premiership of Canada?

Mr. Borden should suppress some of his over ardent friends for they will set the whole country laughing at the extravagant claims they are making for their leader. Too much whitewash.

Rev. Dr. McLeod and his prohibition friends in York, will be interested in a statement that Mr. Borden made at Windsor, Ont. Just before the Tory leader rose to speak, Rev. Mr. Brown, the prohibition leader in the district, asked Mr. Borden what was his and his party's attitude on prohibition, to which Mr. Borden replied that the question has been removed practically altogether from Dominion politics. In the last election in this constituency Dr. McLeod appealed for support largely on the prohibition question, but according to his leader this will no longer

be the right thing, as prohibition is not now an issue in the federal arena. Mr. Borden, in the same address admitted that he was not a total abstainer.

Even the children are running away from the Tory leaders. At Mr. Borden's meeting at Blenheim, Ontario, Mr. Clancy, M. P., was presented with a bouquet by little Miss Edith Hanks, and when Mr. Borden's lieutenant sought to bestow the customary kiss on the fair little donor, she refused the proffered salutation and quickly disappeared in the crowd, much to Mr. Clancy's discomfiture and to the great amusement of the audience.

The Ross government has lost another seat in the Ontario legislature. Hon. E. J. Davis, commissioner of crown lands, has been unseated in the election courts, and the government's majority in the House depends on the speaker.

Mr. Foster is just dying to get into parliament, but nobody is willing to show him the way. In spite of his acknowledged ability, Mr. Foster is probably the most unpopular politician in the country.

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