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WILL THE MEN ACCEPT?

Sir Christopher Furness, head of the great English ship-building company, has given the trades unions an opportunity to bridge the gap between labor and capital. He has offered either to sell out to the unions at a price to be fixed by arbitration, or to take the men into partnership. He has further declared that if the present strike continues both the company and the men will be ruined.

There is a possibility that the partnership scheme will be accepted and work resumed, although some prominent union officials, of socialist tendencies, are opposed to it, apparently on the ground that the company should hand over its business without any consideration whatever. The plan proposed by Sir Christopher Furness is thus stated:

"The initial condition is that the employ partners should prove their good faith by becoming holders of special shares, to be called employees' shares, in the capital of the shipbuilding company owning the Middleton Shipbuilding yard at West Hartlepool, under my chairmanship, paying for each share by agreeing to a deduction of 5 per cent. from their earnings until the total amount of their shares is covered. For the 5 per cent. deduction so invested in the special share I have named you would receive—whether the company divided any surplus profits or not—4 per cent. per annum as fixed interest."

Under this arrangement the employees would divide with the company all the profits of the business, after 5 per cent. had been set aside as "capital's profits" and allowance made for depreciations, reserves and development funds. The men, therefore, would receive their wages, 4 per cent. interest on the money they invested, and a share of the profits of their labor besides, and in addition a profit on the sums won by the intelligence and initiative of capital.

Since Sir Christopher made his proposition a deputation from the men has interviewed him relative to certain points in connection with it; and at a meeting of delegates from the various trades-unions the following resolution was adopted:

"That this meeting, having heard the report of the deputation to Sir Christopher Furness, and having considered his scheme of co-partnership, approves of the principle of the said scheme, and recommends its acceptance by the local branches of the various unions concerned, and an experimental period of 12 months, subject to the endorsement of the executive committees of the various unions."

Referring to the matter the London Leader says:

"The scheme, as outlined by Sir Christopher, has undergone little change. All workmen will have to take up shares to the value of £10, paid for by a reduction of 5 per cent. of wages. In the case of casual workmen, some period of probation will be granted before they are called upon to subscribe. Sir Christopher has not been able to state that membership of a trade union shall be compulsory but his assurances on the matter are considered satisfactory. The reply of the unions to Sir Christopher is due by 25 Nov. The yards are now closed, but there is a prospect of their opening if the men support their delegates."

ALL-CONQUERING WOMAN

The dread of impending horror hangs over the town of High Wycombe, in England. The place is threatened with a lady mayor. There have been epidemics of various kinds in High Wycombe in the centuries past, but never a lady mayor. Indeed, it is said that English history knows none such, although sometimes a lady has sat upon the English throne.

It appears that the town council accepted the nomination of the lady, Miss Dow, by a vote of 13 to 9, and when the town woke up and discovered that there was danger of her election on Nov. 9th a panic ensued; and when congratulations from other towns began to come in, and tributes to the broad-mindedness of the citizens of High Wycombe, these were repudiated with tears of rage. A town meeting was called to protest. It was pointed out that only 22 of the 32 members of the council were present when the nomination was accepted. A prospective councilor plaintively unburdened himself to the press as follows:—

"It is not seemly for a woman to preside over 31 men. It is a man's task. Besides it will embarrass discussion of the town's affairs. How can men deal with the often unpleasant, but important, subjects that come before such a body, with a lady in the chair. Another objection is the impossibility of a lady sitting on the magisterial Bench. The town's interests must suffer."

So violent is the opposition that several councillors have offered to accept the mayoralty themselves, rather than that this gross insult to their sex and to the traditions of High Wycombe should be tolerated by the community.

Miss Dow may or may not be a suffragette. She may or may not be qualified to preside at a town council meeting. She may be a blonde or a brunette—youthful or elderly—benevolent in expression or sharp of visage—charming in manner or steeped in vinegar—it is all one to the men of High Wycombe. They are in revolt against the forward march of all-conquering woman, and profoundly convinced that unless she is defeated High Wycombe will be brought low.

THE FERRY SQUABBLE

The aldermen are in the midst of another violent quarrel over ferry matters. As usual, a great deal of personal bitterness has been injected into the affair. As usual, also, the question whether this or that employee of the city shall have his way is apparently regarded as of more importance than the efficiency of the service. The council early in the year laid down the healthy principle that a director should direct, and a superintendent superintend. Then the council in this ferry matter reversed this decision and condemned the ferry superintendent for exercising the authority given him. Now there is to be another enquiry and more discussion.

The citizens would be much relieved if these matters of discipline in the departments could be attended to as they should be by the heads of departments, regardless of "pull" or influence, and on a purely business basis. It should be as easy to run a civic ferryboat as any other boat, and see to it that the craft was properly manned by competent men, subject to discipline, and subject to prompt dismissal if they ignored the discipline. This is the kind of service the city has a right to expect in the ferry department.

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?

The Italian and his knife are entirely too much in evidence in this country. Even in this province tragic occurrences are becoming frequent as a result of failure to separate these bloodthirsty gentlemen from their weapons. The affair at Minto does not appear to have reflected overmuch credit on any of the parties concerned, but it should have stopped short of murder. Some degree of responsibility for the conduct of these Italians should be borne by the authorities. If they are to be brought into the country they should be searched occasionally for concealed weapons, and made to understand that justice in Canada does not sleep. One is led to wonder whether, in this country which sends many missionaries to heathendom, a little more effort might not be wisely directed toward the spiritual and moral welfare of men who work in mines, and on railroads and other constructive work, at our doors.

With three different organizations among the men who load and discharge vessels at this port, and with agreements covering a period of years there should be much less friction than formerly between employers and employed. A plea that was made by Rev. Father Chapman at the Associated Charities last week is worthy of consideration. He urged that the transportation companies should be prevailed upon if possible to do something in aid of the families of men who may be seriously injured while at work. The Compensation Act may cover most cases, but if it does not the burden of caring for the families of men hurt by accident might fairly be shared in some degree by the companies concerned.

The local option fight in the province of Ontario has been renewed this year with great vigor. The Toronto World says: "A hundred local option contests are now on in Ontario; of these 70 are for the abolition of the licenses in as many municipalities, and 30 are for the repeal of the local option by-laws in force. The secretary of the Ontario Alliance said to The World yesterday that the campaign is getting hotter every day. The Alliance has a staff of field speakers and organizers at work, and is publishing a special local option campaign issue by its paper, The Pioneer, this week."

The appeal of Dr. Grenfell, the hero of the Labrador coast, for a fund to establish a fishermen's institute at St. John's Nfld., will meet with ready response in Canada and the United States. The people know that what Dr. Grenfell seeks to do is worth doing, and will be of genuine service to humanity.

The members of the Seaman's Institute are to be congratulated upon the success of their efforts to provide a suitable building for the work at this port. To-night's affair at the new home of the society on Prince William street should be loyally patronized by the citizens.

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Round crannied boulders, where the shallows blaze,
Then life ran joyous through glad, golden days,
And silver nights beneath the moon's pale beams.

Now all is lost. There glooms a dark morass, There throbbeth the thrush across the dappled lawn.
Oh, never more shall fairy pageants pass, Nor dance of light-limbed satyr, nymph and faun.
Adrift among the whispering meadow grass, On wind-swept uplands, yearning toward the dawn.
—Henry M. Hart, Jr., in Smart Set.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

CITING AN EXAMPLE.

Askit—"Do you believe in the theory of hellity?"
Noit—"Sure thing. My barber is the father of three little shavers."

WHY HE RESIGNED.

"I hear you is out of a job, Willie?"
"Yes, I may be a little too sensitive, but when the boss sez 'Git to blazes out of here before I kick you out, 'em I got mad and resigned me position.'—Illustrated Bits.

IN THE SOCIAL COLUMN.

Among the oddest personals ever inserted in the society column was one that appeared in a paper published in an Iowa town. It read as follows:
"Spot, being confined to her bed by illness, will not be at home next Thursday as usual."—Harper's Weekly.

TOO KIND-HEARTED.

"A great big, able-bodied man like you ought to be ashamed to ask a stranger for money," said the well-to-do citizen.
"I know I ought," answered Mending Mike. "But mister, I'm jes' naturally too kind-hearted to tap 'im on de head and take it away from him."—Sketch.

RESENTED.

The tourist descended to the platform for the purpose of exercising his legs as the train slowed up at the water-tank station.
"This is a lovely spot," he exclaimed.
"Spot," echoed a native in a tone replete with resentment. "We ain't here's close to three hundred people in this town."

SOMEWHAT DIFFERENT.

Simkins—"That fellow you were talking to that he crazy?"
Timkins—"Oh, no, he isn't. He is merely eccentric."
Simkins—"But he talked as if he didn't have any sense."
Timkins—"Yes, but he has a goodly number of dollars."

AMERICAN BREVITIES.

Mr. Hearst denounces Senator Foraker as a paid tool of the Standard Oil Trust.
Senator Foraker denies the charge in a two-column letter, but retires from the political arena.
President Roosevelt says that Bill Taft is a bigger man than himself—in three columns and a half.
Governor Haskell gives Mr. Hearst the lie direct in two thousand words, and resigns.
President Roosevelt says ditto to Mr. Hearst in six thousand words.
Mr. Bryan rebukes President Roosevelt in four columns.
President Roosevelt says Mr. Bryan is a fraud in ten thousand words.
Mr. Rockefeller says nothing.—London Punch.

A BUSINESS VIEW OF THE ELECTIONS

Great Projects for National Development Will be Carried Forward in Canada.

(Montreal Shareholder.)

The voice of the people has been heard and the result, it is to be hoped, will be for the general welfare of the whole Dominion. Parliament has voted immense sums of money towards the construction of the Transcontinental Railway, a large portion of which has already been built; it has framed a tariff which is the best the country has ever had, a tariff which, by its British preferential trade, has recently increased the interest of British manufacturers and people in matters connected with the country and has cemented their friendship for this country in a manner that has never hitherto been approached. The voice of the people has proclaimed in no unmistakable manner that these are not to be interfered with. It has given a hearty approval of the construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway and has declared its intention that it should be completed and operated, knowing the vast assistance which its construction will be to the development of the Dominion's resources. The tariff has been heartily approved of and its preferential clauses will not be interfered with for at least four, if not five years to come. If even then, the improvements to the St. Lawrence and the increased and increasing facilities of the great and useful shipping community will be continued and carried to completion, as will also other public works and developments contemplated by the present government. We may look for the construction in the course of a few years of the Georgian Bay Canal by the government, for the premier has expressed his approval of the scheme. This scheme will enable boats of large size (600 feet by 60 feet and 20 feet draft) to pass from Lake Huron to Montreal, the head of ocean navigation on the St. Lawrence River, and will give navigation from Port William to Liverpool, an advantage of 800 miles over that from New York, a route which cannot fail to be of very great advantage. Under these circumstances, we believe that the carrying to completion of the great and useful undertakings of the government will be of the highest importance to the Dominion.

MILWAUKEE IN 1910

Knights of Pythias Form a New Club Similar to the Boston '08 Organization.

At a meeting of the Knights of Pythias Boston '08 Club held last evening the affairs of that body were wound up and a new club formed to be known as the "Milwaukee 1910 Club."

The balance of the funds in the hands of the treasurer of the Boston club was transferred to the new body. A vote of thanks was tendered to the chairman, W. E. Hopper, and the treasurer, J. Cecil Mitchell, for their services in the interests of the club and especially to the energetic secretary, F. A. Kinnear.

A resolution was also passed thanking the officers and members of the Artillery Band for the very hearty manner in which they contributed toward the success of the Boston trip.

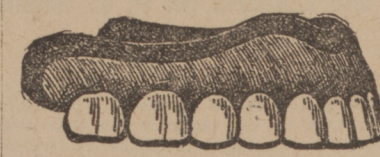
In forming the Milwaukee 1910 Club the object of the members is to promote interest in the biennial meeting of the Supreme Lodge to be held in that city in August, 1910. Colonel Alfred Dodge was elected chairman, Harrison Kinnear, secretary, and W. S. Clawson, treasurer. A committee on ways and means was also appointed to look into the matter of providing for entertainments through which funds can be raised to take a band with the St. John contingent on that occasion.

"I'LL THINK IT OVER."

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