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**THE NATIONALISTS AND THE NAVY.**

The Nationalist influence in the Borden government has been paralyzing. It completely paralyzed the whole administration during the entire first year of its existence so far as action of any kind on naval defence was concerned. It rendered impossible from the outset, and still renders impossible, any pronouncement of a permanent naval policy by the prime minister, because Mr. Borden has given his word to the Nationalists, and the Nationalists have given their word to their constituents, that there will be no permanent policy without an appeal to the people. An appeal to the people is manifestly the last thing Mr. Borden desires, as witness his broken promise, publicly given on more than one occasion, that if denied by parliament the thirty-five millions for "emergency" purposes, he would appeal from parliament to the country.

This same Nationalist influence rendered necessary an "emergency" policy, when there was no "emergency," as the only basis or compromise possible with the jingo imperialists. It accounts for the empty ships the government proposed to send to Britain. With such a proposal Mr. Pelletier's followers in Quebec might state to their constituents, as he did in parliament, that Mr. Borden's scheme would render it unnecessary for Canada to supply any men, and that in case of conflict, the fighting would be done by "the English."

This same influence controls the administration at this moment, allowing months to pass, and year to succeed year,

without anything being done by the Dominion toward carrying out the unanimous resolution of parliament of March, 1909, respecting the defence of Canada of her own coasts as part of the common defence of the Empire. This influence will continue to control when parliament meets, obliging Mr. Borden to find further excuses for avoiding a permanent policy, and compelling him to devise further devious and circuitous routes toward centralization in imperial affairs which is the end he is really seeking to serve.

If one is to wait until such time as Mexico can show a president elected by the full and free vote of the entire people, a man who has never been guilty of corrupt practices or stained with the blood of any of his political opponents, before recognizing a government there, it looks as though there is a long wait ahead of us.

"Let me see," Sir James Whitney probably said this morning as he put his knightly garments on, "what day is today? Must I do something today to please the Orange vote, or is it the turn of the French vote?"—Toronto Star.

Down in Prince Edward Island nowadays it appears that every time a farmer captures a fox he puts a box over it, and hurries off to form a joint stock company.

What about William Jennings Bryan and Colonel Sam Hughes on a vaudeville circuit? That's a better pair to draw to than the four of a kind ruling this province.



ARRIVING AT THE SCENE OF DUBLIN STRIKES.

A photograph of Lord and Lady Fitzwilliam landing at Dublin, where they entertained a large party for the Dublin Horse Show on their beautiful yacht, the Shemara. Lord Fitzwilliam was formerly a soldier in South Africa and is now member for Wakefield in the house of commons.

**OLD PLACER STREAM YIELDS VERY UNEXPECTED RETURNS**

**RICH GROUND STRUCK ON SIXTY-MILE RIVER AND PROSPECTS CONSIDERED PROMISING—NOT SO FAR AWAY AS THE CHISANA.**

Dawson, Sept. 29.—What is claimed to be one of the richest strikes of placer pay in a large body has been made on the Sixty-Mile River below the mouth of Glacier Creek, the famous old placer stream. Sam Morreau, an old timer in the country, prospected there extensively, and is given the credit of making the find. It is said by his friends that he got pans running as high as 50 cents, and none under 25 cents, in one of the holes. Many claims have been staked in the vicinity by Sam and his friends, mostly old time French-Canadian miners of the country who know the mining game well. Joe Perron, one of the stakers, who returned a few days ago after having mushed over the boundary trail from Glacier to Chisana with his pack on his back and returning to Dawson, was also on the Sixty-Mile and is greatly pleased. He says:

"Morreau seems to have struck one of the best things in the country. The valley is wide, and there is much fine looking valley there. In location it is to Miller and Glacier just what the lower end of the Klondike is to Bonanza and Eldorado. "Sam got the pay, but not without hard work. He started on the left limit two years ago, at a

point where the valley is 3,000 feet wide, and intended to cross-cut the entire width. He, however, proceeded by putting down twenty-two shafts, and got no colors. In the twenty-third he got seven feet of gravel over the bedrock, and his smallest pan was 7 cents in gold. The twenty-fourth hole also yielded good pans, but was not so deep as the twenty-third. "In the twenty-fifth shaft, eighty feet from the twenty-fourth, Sam struck a slide of false bedrock, and found nothing in it. He went through the false bedrock two feet and got the pans, the smallest of which gave 25 cents, and the highest 50 cents. The depth to the false bedrock was twenty to twenty-six feet. Sam did not go to bedrock in that shaft. He was satisfied he was in the pay and shut down to prepare for the winter."

**Convicts' Escape is Futile.**

Ossining, N. Y., Sept. 29.—Five convicts at Sing Sing prison, at work unloading a coal barge, overpowered a guard this afternoon, jumped into the Hudson River and attempted to swim to the other side. The shots of other guards halted them, however, and all five were recaptured.

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