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The first real test for a considerable time of the strength of the Conservatives in Canada was shown in the Manitoba elections just held. The Ontario election was a drawn battle with the feeling in the minds of a good many people that the Liberals would have made a better run without the temperance horse. The bye-elections previous to that were, if anything, in favor of the Liberals. Now comes the real test and the turning of the tide so strongly in favor of the Liberals gives a fair indication of the feeling in the country.

Apart from the fact that hard times struck the country concurrent with the Borden victory—and the Government must at least bear a portion of the responsibility—there is perhaps another reason why Manitoba and the West is looking toward Sir Wilfrid Laurier. The one question paramount in the West today is that of wider markets. The Borden Government not only opposed the advances of Liberals in that direction but they turned down delegation after delegation that came to demand it. In the Manitoba Legislature last session the feeling ran so strongly that the Government was compelled to pass a resolution favoring the policy of Sir Wilfrid.

The result of the Manitoba election was, therefore, a direct slap in the face of the Borden Government. It would indeed not be surprising to find that in the next election Borden gets few seats west of the Great Lakes. It is an open secret that British Columbia is getting tired of a one-sided government. A big slump in the McBride stronghold is im-

minent and this will have a tilting effect upon Federal politics.

With all these conditions in the air, a Federal election is hardly possible this fall. Sir Robert Borden will hold off till the last moment in the hope that some good fortune will turn in his favor, and considering all the evil that the gods have brought him so far he seems to be sorely tried.

A large number of the local stores and offices are built on leased lots and most of those were for a period of five years and are now about expiring. The owners of the lots invariably demand a higher rate, often indeed prohibitive, and the buildings accordingly must be moved. The fact that those buildings were put up had a great deal to do with the centralizing of business in that vicinity and accordingly increased the value of the property. It is rather stupid justice that the man who helped most in increasing the value of a property must be penalized for so doing. A little consideration on behalf of such property owners would show a great deal more humanity and good sense.

The most unique work being carried on in Canada today is that of Camp education. Here the State, the Church, the employer and the employee unite in an effort to provide the frontier toiler with a modicum of education and happiness. There is no saner educational work being carried on in Canada or elsewhere.

The thirteenth annual report of the Reading Camp Association, which has its headquarters at 43 Victoria Street, To-

ronto, contains a picture of thirty-four of the seventy-five college men employed by the Association last year in our frontier railway construction, mining and lumber camps scattered all the way from Cape Breton to Vancouver Island. These young men served in the dual capacity of teachers and manual laborers, and demonstrated that it is possible to work and live a clean life in the very conditions which overcome many of our frontiersmen.

The occupations in which these camp teacher-toilers engaged are suggestive: J. R. Mutehner, B.A., axe work at a gravel pit on C. N. O. construction west of Sudbury; R. MacKinlay, swamper at the Upper Fraser River Lumber Company camp at Mile 141, B. C., west of Edmonton; M. P. Fallis, pickman for the Dominion Coal Company at New Waterford, N. S.; S. H. Green-slade, blacksmith's helper at camp Mile 46, Algoma Central Railway near Hobon, Ont.; M. Cruikshank, lumberjack with the Fraser Lumber Co., Riley Brook, N.B.; S. A. Fasken, tracklaying on C. P. R. construction near Viceroy, Sask.; D. W. Mackay, "skinner" (teamster) at camp 19, C.N.P., Vancouver Island; W. G. Pulleyblank, pumpman at Pit 1, C. N. O., west of Oba, Ont. Strenuous work this—toiling with the hands by day and teaching by night; only the strong can stand it—the weak drop out.

The Association hopes that ultimately the Provincial Departments of Education will undertake the task of educating Canada's frontier toilers. Seven provinces make grants to the Association, but until they assume full responsibility for the scheme, the Association is dependent upon the generosity of the general public.

## TRACED BY FOOTPRINTS ARRESTED FOR MURDER

Eight Year Old Girl Found Beaten to Death by Parents on Returning from Dance

Pocatello, Idaho, July 11.—Finding their eight year old daughter missing from her bed on their return from a dance after midnight, James T. Henderson and his wife, ranchers at Robin, an isolated hamlet, 20 miles south of here, found the child's body badly mutilated in a spring 200 yards from her home.

Alfred Henderson, who is not a relative, was arrested, charged with the crime and was brought here for safe keeping, because of the high-feeling against him at Robin. The child had been assaulted and beaten to death, her skull being crushed with a heavy instrument. Close resemblance between Henderson's footprints and those leading from the house to the spring led to his arrest. Investigation developed that the man had left the dance an hour before the girl's parents. The prisoner was found in bed at his brother's home a mile distant. His clothes were found to be wet and muddy and sprinkled with blood. The prisoner is the son of a former policeman.

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