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**SIR CHARLES TUPPER**

The Right Honorable Sir Charles Tupper, Bart., the last of the Fathers of Confederation, passed away on Saturday at his English residence near London. Sir Charles was one of the grand old men of Canada, being within four years of the century when he died. At the time of a memorable split in the Conservative party, Sir Charles succeeded Sir Mackenzie Bowell as premier, which position he held for a few months, when he was defeated by Sir Wilfrid Laurier. After leading the opposition for a short period, he was succeeded by Sir Hugh John Macdonald. After retiring from active participation in political life, Sir Charles went to reside in England, where he still took a lively interest in all things Canadian. Last year, he issued a book of reminiscences which proved very interesting as a record of the prominent men of the early days. Sir Mackenzie Bowell, the last of Sir Charles' contemporaries is still hearty and well at the age of 92.

**WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION**

That the working men of British Columbia require the finest Workmen's Compensation Act which can be framed is certain. That the McBride government has steadily refused to take advantage of its opportunities in this direction has been equally apparent. In the session of 1907, Mr. Hawthornthwaite introduced an amendment to the Workmen's Compensation Act, which the Liberals supported, but which the Conservatives defeated. Later in the same session, Mr. J. A. Macdonald introduced a similar bill, which suffered a like fate.

We have now reached the year 1915 and the McBride government has spent \$40,000 in collecting data regarding such compensation without doing anything that will benefit the working men 40 cents, as Parker Williams said recently. It is eight years since Mr. Hawthornthwaite's measure was defeated by the Conservatives, and all that has happened outside of the spending of \$40,000 of the public funds by party friends, is the appointment of another commission. A few minutes before the house adjourned on March 6th last, a Workmen's Compensation Act was introduced, but no effort was made to consider it. Since that time, the attorney-general has dangled some such measure before the noses of the working men in the hope that it will keep them following along behind him. Being short of railroad bait, the McBride-Bowser gang are going to resort to workmen's compensation as fishing material for the forthcoming election. In other words they are promising to do what they have refused to do for years past.

**SAM AND THOMAS**

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 more so. They both glower, they both prowl abroad at midnight and surprise the sentries, they both do those Little Corporal stunts which are the spice of history and they both—but why multiply comparisons? Enough to say that great minds run in the same channels. If anything Sir Sam has a slight advantage. He says more and thinks less than Napoleon deemed advisable. If the Shell Committee is not all Sir Sam thought it was it is because Sir Sam had to give half



"Giad" Murphy, well known athlete who lies in the hospital with his spinal cord broken, the result of a fall during a rugby game between Hamilton Tigers and Toronto Argonauts.

his mind to something else. At times it has been hinted that Canada would be better off if we had a Minister of Munitions who would stay at home and be on the job all the time instead of taking joy-rides to England and chasing the bubble of glory in Buckingham Palace, the Savoy Hotel and other bright spots. It is true that the Major General pulled a knighthood out of it and is now entitled to be known as Sir Sham Shoes, but he did it not for himself, but for the army, for "mysoldiers" who feel proud that their Little Father has been honored by his King. Sam, as you know, is a thorough democrat and takes no titles which are not absolutely necessary. Duty though it was, and keen on duty though Sam is, it irked him to lie down and take the count from anybody. They put it on him while he was on the floor—that's what they did. Sam wears the title now and

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 October 18th, 1915.

submits to being called "Sir" but that's because he has bought the clothes that go with it. He feels that it really belongs to the army. Meanwhile, his critics contend that if Sam had acted as a Minister of Munitions or had delegated part of his prerogative to somebody else who might act as organizer of the ammunition industry in his absence, in short if he had kept his mind on the work instead of chasing butterflies up primrose Piccadilly paths—there are no primroses in Piccadilly—but let it go at that—what we mean is if Sam had tended to his knitting D. A. Thomas would have had nothing on him. As it is the Welshman's remarks are in the nature of a mild rebuke.

The making of shells and big guns in Canada will be under the direction and management of the British War Office from now on. The expectation is that the factories at present engaged in the work will double their output and that the number of factories will also double as soon as the manufacturers understand that the business has been taken out of politics and that the British War Office intends to treat Liberals and Conservatives exactly alike in the awarding of contracts. And if the British War Office can do that for the ammunition industry in Canada what a shame it is that it can't do the same thing for appointments in the militia! These, as it is well known, go all by favor, and little whiffet with the right kind of pull being able to get a lieutenant's commission for overseas service, while seasoned officers, from major-generals down are left at home simple.

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