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CANADA'S FOREMOST STATESMAN

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It is a source of pride to all Canadians that no British statesman of the present day stands out before the Empire or before the world with greater distinction than Sir Wilfrid Laurier. He is in the forefront of the distinguished statesmen of his time. It is in the broadest and most complete sense that he has made Canada a nation, for his distinguished personality and statesmanlike guidance have fixed the attention of the financial world on the Dominion and have inspired the confidence that sustains our phenomenal development. The millions of British capital now freely invested in the Dominion attest more clearly than any other feature of our progress Canada's complete recognition in the financial world. Our vast resources are being developed and must be developed on borrowed capital. Without the confidence that freely lends, our prosperity and expansion would be impossible, and if that confidence were shaken and our liberal borrowing interrupted our era of growth would immediately give place to depression. The borrowing that is sustaining our success has been made possible by a standing and distinction for which we are indebted to Sir Wilfrid Laurier more than to any other statesman of this age.

In sustaining an era of expansion by the confidence of British investors we are not creating a burden of debt for which there will be a heavy day of reckoning. Every acquisition of British capital has been the means of opening new areas and enlarging our capacity for production. Every addition to our obligations has more than produced the capacity for meeting them. The enterprises launched have been sustained by natural wealth, and the investors have a full assurance of returns. A fortunate endowment in natural resources and an enterprising and industrious people have secured their standing in the world of affairs by a Premier who commands attention, and a stable Ministry that inspires and establishes confidence.

Would the British investor continue his confidence if we were to waver in our allegiance? If Canada were to show a preference for a leader who cannot control his followers, a leader accepting Mr. Monk's extreme views and the opposite extremes in Ontario, the outside confidence essential to our prosperity could not be satisfied. A leader who makes Hon. George E. Foster inevitable as his Finance Minister and seeks support by divergent appeals to different class interests can never inspire the confidence essential to that success which depends on free investments in our securities. Canada must show faith in herself and must show it emphatically at the polls if she would sustain the faith of the investing public. Stability is the first essential of confidence. In the world of nations our moral and material strength must be attested by our political strength. To that end we must emphatically endorse the Premier who has fixed the world's attention on both our material possessions and our capacity for expansion.

NOTES DUE

Political students in Prince Rupert who are puzzling over the problem of efficient municipal government ought not to overlook the fact that Walla Walla, the sixth city in population in its state and the city so familiar to our own pioneer alderman, Dr. McIntyre, has voted to adopt the commission form of municipal government by a vote of two to one in favor of the commission.

The vote was unusually light, but this may have been due to a number of normal reasons, especially that it is most difficult to get out a full vote in midsummer. Yet the voters all knew of the proposed election, and the fact that the vote was two to one in favor of it sufficiently indicates that there was no great opposition to the plan.

Of the largest cities in Washington, Walla Walla thus is the third to join the commission plan followers, the others being Spokane and Tacoma. Seattle, Everett and Bellingham have not yet taken up the question; though the change made by Seattle in abandoning the ward system and electing nine councilmen at large is a step towards commission government.

There are now some two hundred large and small cities in the United States which have adopted the commission plan of municipal government, and it seems so far to be a practical success wherever tried. Certain it is that less complaint comes from commission-governed cities than from any others, and it appears inevitable that unless some radical or structural weaknesses appear which have not yet been found, it will not be long before nearly all American cities adopt the commission plan of government.

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SHAWATLANS LAKE PLAYS AN IMPORTANT PART IN THE WOODWORTH WATERWORKS SCHEME



Whether the citizens approve the combined system of water supply and electric power and tight supply for Prince Rupert or whether they decide in favor of the water supply only at first, and the light and power supply later, Shawatlangs Lake is certain to play an important part in the work on whatever scale it is begun. A beauty spot envied almost by every other city that aspires to scenic attractions in the Dominion, Shawatlangs Lake possesses also that element of usefulness in connection with the waterworks which according to the great Rusk makes beauty still more to be admired. Over the smooth helpful surface of Shawatlangs Lake there will be ferried with ease much of the heavy material necessary for the building of the dams at Woodworth, and the construction of the pipe line. Shawatlangs Lake will itself save the city quite a little sum in packing charges and quite a lot of time.

Proposed Power Plant

Notice how after the seventh "Whereas" in the Hydro-Electric Bylaw Shawatlangs Lake looms out large in the wording, the pretty Lake-name glimmering like a jewel amongst all that dirgy old legal verbiage which made the bylaws "severally as aforesaid" such dry reading for you the other day. If the citizens approve the combining of the water supply, and the electric scheme, then more than ever will Shawatlangs Lake figure in the work. Much more heavy freight, machinery, turbines, shafting, dyamos, etc., will have to be ferried across to the head of the lake where according to the terms of the bylaw it is proposed to establish the light and power plant through

part of the main machinery of which your drinking water will come if the combined scheme is approved. Transportation by water is the cheapest form of transportation in the world, and Shawatlangs Lake makes just about two miles more of water transportation instead of land transportation for materials to be used in either the simple water supply scheme or the more involved combined Hydro-Electric Scheme for Prince Rupert from Woodworth Lake above Shawatlangs.

Pipe Line Along Lake

In another and still more important way Shawatlangs Lake has really very materially reduced the cost of the Woodworth Lake Water supply for Prince Rupert. It was at first intended to bring the water from Woodworth Lake into Prince Rupert by a high level pipe line cutting across the land to the east of Shawatlangs Lake, and reaching Shawatlangs Passage at the same point as that still decided on. But the high level pipe line has now been abandoned in favor of a pipe line much easier and cheaper to construct which runs round the east side of Shawatlangs Lake at a level about ten feet below that of the water surface today. From the high level line at a point just above the head of Shawatlangs Lake the pipe line is to be brought straight down to the lake level, then along the lakeside to the point where it is to cross Shawatlangs Passage and enter the city. This plan will do away with the necessity for constructing several costly trestle bridges and much difficult rock work in the laying of the high level pipe line first surveyed for.

Simple Money Saving Plan

The plan was the result of a

consultation last winter between Colonel Davis, city engineer, and A. W. Agnew, his assistant at the time who had charge from the beginning of the Woodworth water supply survey work, and knows the whole of the watershed and pipe line thoroughly. The surveyors' camp was at the head of Shawatlangs Lake, and it occurred to A. W. Agnew that a possible alternative line for the supply pipe existed around the lakeside as described. Colonel Davis rather liked the idea. A survey and calculations were made. The nature of the ground along the lakeside was tested. The final result was that it was found that easily worked ground existed on the Lakeside line, and that by the simple engineering feat of blasting a slightly deeper outlet for the waters of the lake, the surface of the lake could be lowered a few feet leaving the line for the pipe along the lakeside ready for the excavating gangs to start up on. By this plan happily hit on by Colonel Davis and his assistant several thousands of dollars will be saved the city. Whether the combined scheme for water, power and electric light be the one chosen by the citizens or whether they vote next Saturday for water only to begin with, by turning down the Hydro-Electric Scheme, this Shawatlangs lakeside pipe line will remain part of the Woodworth Lake Waterworks Scheme approved by Consulting Engineer Thompson, and will bring the purest water in the world to thirsty Prince Rupert for many a year after present differences over bylaw and politics have become old history.

At the Kirk

In the absence of Rev. F. W. Kerr Rev. Mr. Melvin of New Westminster, will conduct the Presbyterian Church services in the Empress theatre on Sunday. The morning subject will be "The Judgment" and the evening "The Value of a Man."

Beautiful bags with ornate frames, heavy with reppose work, are seen in silk, satin, velvet, suede or other fine leather. The frames are often oval or pointed at the tops, and the bags more often than not are rounded at the bottom.

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D. G. STUART, Assignee.

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The death is announced at Melbourne of Colonel Thomas Price, C. B., aged 69, a pioneer of the mounted rifle movement in Australia and commander of the Victoria Mounted Rifles in the South African war, 1899-1900, when he was mentioned in despatches.

A ten-round meeting between Jack Johnson and Sam Langford in New York is in prospect if plans of Promoter Tom O'Rourke do not miscarry. Tom figures that about half the civilized world would flock to Gotham to see the big brunettes perform, and he declares he is ready to offer a purse far in excess of that commanded in England by the champion—\$30,000.

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