

QUEBEC IS MODERN

MEROZ, THE CURSED

Rev. Dr. Hincks and Rev. Prof.
Law Preach in Support of
Union Government.

WHERE BLAME LIES

Berlin and Vienna Will Rejoice
If Laurier Is Elected
Premier.

Quebec is the modern Meroz—the place that in ancient days was cursed because it was a "community of slackers." Such was the declaration of Rev. Dr. W. H. Hincks, preaching in Trinity Methodist Church Sunday night. He quoted the curse of Deborah, who was leading Israel in her fight against the enemy, because the men of Meroz would not help Israel: "Curse ye, Meroz, said the angel of the Lord, curse ye, bitterly, the inhabitants thereof; because they came not to the help of the Lord, to the help of the Lord against the mighty."

"Shall Quebec Nationalism strangle Canadian Confederation?" demanded Dr. Hincks.

"The total enlistments in Quebec place Nationalism side by side with infamous Meroz, and for all time the two places are bracketed.

"Quebec is so leavened, so saturated, so permeated with the possession of Sinn Feinism doctrine, that it has sent only 12 per cent. of its eligibles to the front, and many of them are English-born," said Dr. Hincks, quoting percentages of other Provinces, showing how far below them it had fallen. Quebec Nationalism is quarantining Quebec Province, quarantining it from 110 millions across the border, and quarantining it in isolation from the rest of the Canadian Confederation. To-night there they are alone, alone, alone, on a wide, wide sea, and they put themselves there right beside Meroz.

"Quebec Nationalism is our modern Meroz. It will not fight. It has not sent a single soldier; it has not done so and declares it will not do so. The question is now, shall a united Nationalist Quebec dominate a divided Canada? These men, blatantly, openly, on platforms throughout the Province of Quebec were plotting to control the rest of the Dominion. The leaders of these men should long ago have been interned with the pro-Germans," declared Dr. Hincks.

Where the Blame Lies.

"Cursed by God as were the men of Meroz, they were less guilty than the modern men of Meroz." The men of this modern Meroz will not go themselves, and when others, by means of public meetings, try to persuade them to go they are mobbed. "Should that shameful Nationalism rule this country after the 17th the guilt will lie at the door of the English-speaking people of the rest of Canada who supported it. If Nationalism triumphed, then the stain, the desertion, the infamy will lie at the door of the English-speaking partizans who in this hour of crisis forgot their country in rabid, narrow-minded partizan madness. And the names of the English supporters of triumphant Nationalism will be held in contempt and loathing by all English-speaking people for centuries to come.

"These are the men we ought to get after," said Dr. Hincks, speaking of the English-speaking supporters of Nationalism, "to make them feel the shame of it. This desertion of a great Empire in its greatest agony; this slinking, cowardly quitting of the struggle at the battle-front by joining with the heads of modern Meroz will place the names of these in a niche of human infamy, because they knew better. Curse ye those men who, while speaking the language of Shakespeare, Cromwell, and Milton, forsook the cause of Empire and liberty for the sake of a partizan triumph."

Prof. Law's Warning.

Rev. Prof. Law, at Old St. Andrew's Church, delivered a warning against the dominance of Quebec and the anti-British element in Canada.

"Is the British population of Canada to be under a Government which has for its basis the whole of Quebec and the whole anti-British element of the Dominion? That is the question we have to decide at this election," said Prof. Law. "It is not a question of party politics; if it were I would not speak of it here. It is a question of national morale. A relaxation of moral fibre exists among ourselves, as in Russia. It is a question of sheer grit and determination in going on with the war. If Germany wins, it will be because they have more iron in their souls

than we have. We must prove that we are not inferior in that respect. God is holding the issue of this war in suspense to test us; to see if we are worthy of victory.

"We have not yet put all our forces and resources into this struggle. We haven't forgotten 'the things that are behind.' There are some people who are more bent on raking up the misdeeds of the late Government than they are on winning the war. These things are of the past, they are spilt milk, and shall we rage and cry over spilt milk when the enemy is at the gate? What do you think of the intelligence of such people?"

Berlin Would Rejoice.

"Some are saying 'we have done enough.' That is the setting in of absolute rot. When a man says he has done enough, rot has set in. We have done much. Our soldiers have stemmed the tide of tyranny for three years; think what we have done in keeping that back. But we must follow this up—what is enough in such a cause?"

"Are our soldiers in France and Flanders to be left to fight on with their ragged, battalions and dwindling brigades without our help? The defeat of the Union Government would be a setback to the allies as great as a defeat in the field.

"Think of the jubilation in Berlin and Vienna if the Union Government is defeated. Think how London, Paris and New York would be inspired and thrilled by the news of the return of the Union Government. Think how the Kaiser would like you to vote, and go and do the contrary!"