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Several days ago Premier Laurier of Canada announced that the joint high commission would meet shortly. It will be remembered that before this commission are the disputes between Canada and the United States which have not been productive of good feeling between the two peoples.

The Finns, few in numbers, betrayed and powerless, can do nothing against it and have no alternative except to emigrate—which they are doing by the thousand. If ever there was cause for a sincere protest of civilization here it is in full measure, ripe and ready for the consideration of American mass meetings—although not a matter for governmental action.

shameful breach of faith. The Russian government has bound itself time and again to respect the institutions of the country, as it did in the original compact when the czar became the grand duke or ruling executive, not for the Russians but of the Finns. But now this important distinction is abolished. The people who were protected in their legislature, in their language, in their exemption from foreign army service, the intelligent people among whom illiteracy is almost unknown, are being made the slaves of an overbearing autocracy, the unwilling associates of a horde of ignorant and semi-civilized Muscovites and Cossacks.

With such a prospect the breach of faith becomes the more intolerable. If the aggressors themselves had some conception of civil liberty, if they proposed merely the substitution of one form of self-government for another, the future would not be so black. But their political principles are those of an unlimited despotism. They know nothing of the rights of man or men, and their sole purpose is to despoil and to oppress.

In the scale of human intelligence they rank but little higher than the servile populations of Asia, and if their leaders have something of the intelligence of the West they are oriental in their cunning, cupidity, unscrupulousness and ferocity. Their oppressive system, built up through years of seditious care, is the inheritance of each successive czar, be he gentle or savage, and binds him with bonds of steel. Wherever it is extended it must bring overwhelming disaster to a free people.

The future historian who may burrow into the archives of the United States for 1900 will notice the singular fact that on the 20th of March both the great parties were beaten according to declarations made by some of their leaders. There were republicans who were displeased because of things done or not done about Puerto Rico, and who were solemnly assuring hearers that if the election were held that day Bryan would be chosen. The same day there were leading democrats whose disgust at the platform adopted and the speech made by Mr. Bryan at the Nebraska democratic convention led them to declare that he would be buried under a mountain of hostile majorities, and beaten worse this year than in 1896.

PROPHETS WITH BLINDERS.

It is impossible to commend such official intermeddling with the policies of a foreign power, but the sentiments of the resolution as regards Finland's wrongs are eminently proper and truly American. No political outrage which is being committed in the world today so thoroughly deserves our hostility as the tyrannical attack upon the liberties of the Finns. From every point of view it is vicious, deplorable and discouraging to the friends of freedom in all parts of the world.

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