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Our cover: This month's cover depicts the recent controversial Coors beer ads which had to be suddenly withdrawn, when it was discovered that too many Torontonians took offence.. Some might argue the truth hurts!

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He Who Pays the Piper Calls the Tune

by Richard McBride

"Will The Scots Ever Be Happy?" is the arresting title of a documentary first aired by the BBC in June. (You can find it on YouTube.) One might think this question is purely rhetorical (or even slightly mocking) given that the Scots (8.5% of the population) might be said to run the United Kingdom. But apparently not.

Gordon Brown, the Prime Minister, is a Scot, as is Alistair Darling, his Chancellor of the Exchequer (Treasury Minister). Brown was Chancellor of the Exchequer in the previous administration, where Darling was his Deputy, and Tony Blair, another Scot, was PM. Under Blair, Scots were Home Secretary, Defence Secretary, Lords Chancellor, and Speaker of the House of Commons. Presiding behind the scenes was Blair's chief flack and enforcer Alastair Campbell.

The Scots have been so dominant in Britain since 1997 that many speak resent-

fully (and fearfully) of a “Caledonian Mafia.” And yet the Scots are still unhappy, despite Blair’s attempt to placate them—i.e., buy off their votes—by giving them their own government 10 years ago. Indeed, devolution has served mainly to promote the fortunes of the Scottish National Party, whose leader Alex Salmond now presides over the Scottish Parliament in its hideous building at Holyrood. Salmond believes that Scottish independence is “inevitable” and will unveil his plan for a referendum on November 30, St. Andrew’s Day.

Brian Taylor, the reporter who hosted the documentary, declared that “Scottish people want more. We want the freedom to be different, culturally and politically, and we always have.” Taylor, who admitted he doesn’t own a kilt, dressed up in one for the cameras nonetheless, and we were also treated to a haggis stall and impromptu Highland dancing from a comely lassie. To the resentful English, however, Scottish culture is best expressed these days by binge drinking, knife fights and deep-fried Mars bars (I’m not kidding; look it up!), and Scottish politics is nothing more than a continuous and escalating series of demands for more autonomy and more money from south of the border.

It was the-then Scottish MP for West Lothian, Tam Dalyell, who in 1977 first identified the gross inequity of devolution:

For how long will English constituencies and English Honourable members tolerate...at least 119 Honourable Members from Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland exercising an important, and probably often decisive, effect on English politics while they themselves have no say in the same matters in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland?

Thirty years later, Alex Salmond became the walking personification of the “West Lothian Question,” being the effective prime minister of Scotland at the same time he sits as

a separatist MP in the House of Commons. Since Salmond came to power in Edinburgh, he has frozen council taxes and scrapped tolls on bridges. Scottish university students now enjoy free tuition, and the Scottish elderly enjoy free care. Scottish school meals are now subsidized by a whole pound, while English schoolchildren must get by with only 43 pence. Yet Salmond continues to accuse London of “withholding money due to Scotland.”

When Gordon Brown’s Labour Party is crushed in next year’s election, his successor will be David Cameron, another member of the Scottish diaspora. Taylor put this question to Cameron: how can he legitimately govern Scotland, when his Conservative Party has no support to speak of there. Cameron intimated he would reward the land of his fathers with still more autonomy and money. Salmond is having none of it: “If the argument is to treat Scotland with respect, then it must be translated into more than rhetoric; it must be translated into deeds.” In other words, more is never enough.

Why do the English put up with this? As a Scottish academic explained to Taylor, “National identity still doesn’t matter south of the border.” It would be more accurate to say that the English are not allowed to have a national identity, and it is at this point that we can recognize the almost exact parallels between British and Canadian politics.

Quebec has dominated Canada for over 40 years. Quebec is a nation; English Canada is not. Quebec has its own culture, which must be protected; English Canada does not. Quebec runs the civil service and the armed forces, sends separatist MPs to Ottawa to craft legislation for all Canadians, and Quebec is the biggest beneficiary of Canada’s equalization system, which is our very own version of the West Lothian Question.

As one who stands for universal patriotism, I can only applaud Alex Salmond, just as I cheer on the efforts of Gilles Duceppe. Scotland

for the Scottish; Quebec for the Quebecois! But if the *maudit Anglais* in both Canada and Britain continue to fund the power-without-responsibility regimes in Quebec and Scotland, why shouldn't the Quebecois and Scottish continue to choose to enjoy the best of both worlds? As Rudyard Kipling put it, in a slightly different context, "Once you have paid him the Dane-geld/You never get rid of the Dane." Kipling's solution?

It is wrong to put temptation in the path of any nation,
For fear they should succumb and go astray,
So when you are requested to pay up or be molested,
You will find it better policy to say:

*"We never pay any one Dane-geld,
No matter how trifling the cost,
For the end of that game is oppression and shame,
And the nation that plays it is lost!"*

Or as Peter Brimelow once put it, "If Quebec can't be persuaded to secede from Canada, it should be expelled."

The Cost of Confederation

Some interesting observations from **Garth Turner's Blog (www.greaterfool.ca)**:

- The GST, which was introduced in 1991, has gone on to raise more than \$40 billion per year.
- Since 2005, Ottawa has increased program spending at twice the rate of inflation, so that by the crash of last fall, federal spending had hit the highest point ever, under Stephen Harper.
- Despite pledging in the last election he would not allow an annual deficit, it's now going to be at least \$50 billion, a record.
- The Parliamentary budget officer estimates at least \$200 billion will be added to the national debt.

All this seems to provide the rationale for the recently announced H.S.T., which will do the

following for Ontario, and have similar effects in British Columbia:

- It will force everyone in Ontario and B.C. to double the sales tax paid on a range of things to which GST only now applies.
- It will add a tax of 8% onto the existing 5% GST on every service required to buy or sell a home.
- The HST will apply to all new homes in every price range, with a maximum rebate of \$24,000. A \$400,000 house will have 8% more stuck on it, or \$8,000 after the rebate. A \$750,000 house will have \$36,000 in additional tax, plus the HST on commissions, closing costs and moving.
- The rebate is only for principal residences, which means every new cottage, chalet, recreational property, etc. will attract the entire withering 8% tax. To buy a \$300,000 cottage could cost the purchaser \$24,000 more.
- And the worst: this tax will come into effect just about the time the Bank of Canada says it will lift its current freeze on interest rates. That should be an interesting one-two punch -- rising mortgage rates and romping taxes.

Globalist Origins of Social Engineering

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While those of us with eyes to see the dangers to Canada are focused on the seeming insanity of domestic policy, it is accurate to say that commitment to globalist initiatives by several generations of internationalists within the Canadian establishment are responsible for the intractability of our current difficulties.

Since at least the time of Lester B. Pearson Canada has been at the forefront of the effort to

create supranational levels of government through trade agreements and international treaties of various kinds. Foremost in this agenda is support for world government with the authority for global legislation and enforcement backstopped by a world court.

The true beneficiaries of globalization are the transnational corporations that give a wink and a nod to the requirements of good citizenship. This “grand conspiracy” acts as a mechanism of wealth transfer on a massive scale from countries such as Canada, the US and Europe to the developing nations with unimaginable profits accruing to these corporations and the banks that make this possible.

Free trade as far as Canada is concerned is now no more possible than it was for India, China or other European colonies in the age of empire. Free trade is not possible when our economy is dominated by subsidiaries of foreign corporations who control all aspects of production, marketing and distribution of items ranging from manufactured goods to the food we eat. As Ben Ginter, a Western Canadian brewer found to his dismay, you cannot even trust your bank when it does business with your market dominating global competitor.

“Free Trade” is only possible when buyer and seller are at arm’s length, driven by their own self-interest and where both are operating in an environment of equality of opportunity. It cannot exist where the buyer and seller are to all intents and purposes the same entity, where the movement of inventory and money between branches of the same company make borders meaningless and provide less security, not more, for both employees and consumers. Free trade is also not possible where politicians and bureaucrats have rigged the game.

Take for example the energy provisions of the North American Free Trade Agreement. Canada is required to sell energy to the United States and Mexico at the world price. This assures energy security for North America while

at the same time protecting the profits of the primarily foreign energy companies operating in Canada. Let us examine the nooks and crannies of the agreement and the practical implications that exist.

Like any good third world country, Canada allows development of reserves as soon as it is profitable to do so. Mexico does the same. The US on the other hand hoards proven reserves behind the screen of national parks, deemed environmentally sensitive areas as well as reserves that are held due to their enhanced profit potential for the future. Clearly, the US intends to participate in the exhaustion of the world energy supply before tapping domestic reserves.

What is the possibility that Canada or Mexico would need to exercise the reciprocity aspect of NAFTA? Only after our reserves are depleted would the question even arise. Bearing in mind that any party to NAFTA can opt out upon six months notice; given the control transnational banks and energy companies have on all three countries; and the peculiar relationship the US has with its military/industrial complex, it is folly to expect the Americans to live up to their end of the bargain when it ceases to be so lopsided in their favor.

Mexico on the other hand refused to include energy in NAFTA on the same terms Canada so gladly accepted. As a result, Mexico maintains a domestic oil price, for example, that is far lower than the price of oil exported to the US. That lower domestic price when combined with labor rates of sixty cents to two dollars and sixty cents an hour means that those Canadian and American companies that moved plants to Mexico can very likely compete with Chinese production on price and quality. This is at best a mixed blessing for those workers whose jobs went to Mexico under cover of the most successful propaganda campaign ever perpetrated on the Canadian people.

If Canadians feel an economic malaise it is due to this: most goods are now produced in what is euphemistically called “*the developing world*”; China and its environs, Mexico, indeed anyplace workers can be coerced into doing the job cheaply and without the benefits that accrue due to respect for the resource of labor.

The newest lever used to move production overseas is the environment. As long as Canadians insist on defining environmental degradation to finer and more stringent standards without regard for the temporary nature of the degradation Canada will never be able to compete globally with countries that do not adhere to the same standards even if labor, materials, energy and transportation costs were all equal.

Canadians want both good jobs and high environmental standards. It is a mugs game to expect either of these given the rigged game of globalization. Those who think it is possible don’t understand the problem is one of competing ideologies. We are trying to think nationally when we have already lost that game to the internationalists. We cannot win on their terms; we must reclaim our rights while we still can. We must say no to those politicians, bureaucrats and their fellow travelers among us who promote the transnational agenda.

It is necessary to abrogate both the FTA and NAFTA. It is necessary to come to our senses in terms of knowing our self-interest and acting on it. The pillaging of Canada could only have come about with the collusion of our banks and industrial leaders. The corruption of our politicians and bureaucrats followed; all of our prime ministers since Trudeau have been anointed by Paul Desmarais, and many in key government positions were executives of Power Corp., Mr. Desmarais’ company.

With so much weight on the dark side is it any wonder that our educational system, the media and finally most citizens of Canada believe in the institutions, dogma and rituals of

internationalism to the exclusion of what their own eyes and common sense tell them?

As a nation Canada is broken and cannot be fixed. The failures of Preston Manning, Stephen Harper and the Reform Party of Canada have proven that point absolutely. While Canada has the reputation as a safe harbor the storm-breaks and shoals have been specifically constructed and seeded with mines to limit access to the levers of power. These mines have been engineered into parliament, the courts, and nearly all the other institutions of our country such that rather than binding us together in common cause the social fabric of Canada now serves as a straight-jacket that must be severed if we are to enable ourselves to seek real freedom to live as truly equal citizens in a country that is not part of the *New World Order*.

A Separatist Speaks

The following opinion piece written by Doug Christie regarding Victoria’s sewage controversy demonstrates why democracy in Western Canada as it stands has stagnated without referendum, initiative and recall. The powerful politicians are bought off by the donations of special interest groups, be they contractors, speculators, highway builders, or simply ethnic groups seeking to advance their group interests and the majority of people are never consulted. Only at elections which are careful scripted ad campaigns where issues like H.S.T. or sewage treatment or deficits are never discussed. Politics becomes the art of deception by half-truth in the Canadian system.

Sewage plan amounts to highway robbery -- The project has no scientific basis, and should be put to a referendum

By Doug Christie, Special to Times Colonist, August 26, 2009

Imagine a community of 500,000 people who face an imposed debt of \$1 billion. That

would be \$2,000 for every man, woman or child, or \$8,000 for a family of four. Imagine this being ordered by a cabinet minister without any vote by a single elector.

Impossible, you say? Not at all. This is very similar to Victoria's sewage treatment edict from Environment Minister Barry Penner, except the cost is more likely to be \$2 billion or more when it is done. Therefore a family of four's debt would be \$16,000.

I attended a community information meeting sponsored by the majority of community associations on this proposal. I had two questions.

The chairman of the Capital Regional District has indicated, by way of correspondence, that he does not envision submitting the final cost of the liquid waste management plan for approval by the electorate in a referendum. In light of the onerous property-tax implications, I would submit that this is undemocratic and could be thought of as dictatorial.

I therefore wanted to request that each of the associations demand their respective municipal administrations ensure that any expenditure is legitimized by way of referendum. (Note: Section 24 (7) of Part 3 of the Environmental Management Act, by implication, states that the electorate approval is not mandatory. It is therefore discretionary.)

Since the proposed sewage-treatment facilities will seriously degrade the residential property values in their vicinities and their operations will bring continued social aggravation, I wanted to ask the associations, on behalf of your members and communities, to demand their municipal governments bring in policies that no treatment plants be permitted within their boundaries.

The community associations' representatives did not attend. The facilitator denied the right to ask either question.

Saanich Coun. Judy Brownoff ridiculed questions about the legitimacy of Penner's demand. She said we must obey and pay. Complain to the federal or provincial government, she said.

Penner has not indicated any fault in the existing system. Why is he giving no reason for destroying our present system when the scientific evidence supports that the existing system is environmentally sufficient and acceptable?

Instead, Penner orders "the work must be done," according to Geoff Young, who chairs the CRD. Substantial fines are threatened if we decline to follow this interpretation of Penner's order.

All this is taxation without representation. This is highway robbery and property-value destruction. Unless the minister has demonstrated serious environmental damage from the existing system, his threats of fines and his demand for secondary treatment are hollow and superfluous.

We should demand a referendum on this matter. The CRD should launch a constitutional challenge to the arbitrary power of the minister.

He has no legal right to breach the basic principles of democracy. Both Sections 1 and 7 of the Charter demand that government respect the democratic process.

The CRD should launch a referendum, and then a constitutional challenge to this arbitrary, undemocratic, ministerial arrogance. [*end of article*]

Multiculturalism's Effect

"We are the ones who have to give up free speech because the immigrants might be offended. Why aren't they required as a condition of citizenship to not be offended by our rights and freedoms and customs of tolerance?"

This statement by an ordinary Canadian rings true to the essential question which no one is allowed to ask. Why do we have to give

up our freedom, depending on who is offended? It also invites the obvious answer “because we, unlike our ancestors, will not fight for our freedom, finding it easier to quietly surrender to the demands of the most vociferous minority.”

Nowhere is this more obvious than in the new rush to introduce blasphemy laws in Ireland. The new laws are really designed not to protect the Christian religion from blasphemy and scandal, as might have been the case as of old, but now refers to blasphemy of *any* religion, a slippery slope if ever we saw one. “Say nice things, and we’ll all get along!” warns the Nanny State, “no one is absolutely right here!”

As Colby Cosh wrote in his *National Post* column (page A10, August 24, 2009) the rewriting of the Blasphemy Statute really forbids “abusive or insulting” speech, directed against any religion whatsoever. This phrase is clearly a reference to the Mohammed cartoons. The Irish, it appears, like most in the western world, have lost the will to defend any faith or their own culture. Peace at any price is the motto of the new totalitarians, enforced with a big club.

Courts too are far too liberal, cosmopolitan and sophisticated to uphold any particular religion or faith. The new faith of syncretism, (meaning the equality of all religions) and their mere subjective truth “for you,” is the judicial creed the High Court of Ireland chose to impose in a 1999 ruling. There, the Catholic Church or the Christian religion were found to have none of their former “special status” under the new constitution. While apparently no religion has been held to be supreme, the combination of the courts and the political wisdom of Justice Minister Dermot Ahern have created the ridiculous situation where blasphemy against any religion is a crime. Sounds like Canada or France, or Germany, or Australia, but not quite like the USA, yet.

Why, if no religion is right, should it be illegal to say any or all religion is wrong? Even stranger and more ominous are the fines for blasphemy in Ireland, 25,000 Euros, or about \$38,000. Police are given powers to enter private homes and use “reasonable force” in search of evidence of intent. Welcome to the New World Order, where as Glenn Bahr found in Edmonton, the police could seize his computer hard drive and tell him to get out of town. Although he was never convicted of anything, he lost years of his life in defending himself before Human Rights Tribunals and criminal courts, only to be vilified in the press.

Another interesting phenomenon which makes a medical experiment in brain washing out of the Irish, arises from the fact there will be no referendum on this as a constitutional amendment. “Too difficult, too devious, too costly,” the politicians say. Will the people put up with it? The politicians were stung not long ago by the Irish rejection by referendum of their Lisbon Treaty. They say the referendum “failed.” That is, the politicians could not get the result they wanted, which was “yes” to Irish surrender to European amalgamation and fiscal control. So what do they do? They hold another referendum to virtually the same question, October 2nd. So referenda are not too expensive for politicians, when it suits them.

The lesson here is simple enough. Wake up people, or the courts and the politicians will create a world without offensive speech, without freedom and certainly without truth. Colby Cosh to whom much in regard to this article is owed, has done a service in revealing this. A true populist resurgence is necessary to replace the morally bankrupt, worn-out sophistry of the current elites of Western culture with the vital self-assurance necessary to preserve a culture of individual liberty and true tolerance. If the immigrants are offended, then perhaps this is not the place for them.

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