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RUSSIANS AGAIN FORCED TO RETIRE

Austro-Germans at Fearful Cost of Life have Seized the Rovno Petrograd Railway. Russians at other Points Successful. On Western Front Artillery Duel has been in Progress Three Weeks with Little Advantage to Either Side.

(Special to the Guardian.)
LONDON, Sept. 13.—By one of these bitter offensives, which, although costly in men and munitions, have invariably been successful, Field Marshal Von Hindenburg's army has at last set foot on the Rovno-Petrograd railway between Vinna and Dvinsk. The whole Austro-German force have been striving to gain this railway since the fall of the Polish fortresses. The offensive, which began toward the end of last week, was carried on from three directions upon the Dvinsk and railway on either side of the town, while further south the invaders advanced towards Vinna. The Russians before superior forces supplied with usual mass of artillery were forced back to the Lake district, which the railway penetrates, and are now making a stand there. Simultaneously the Germans pushed their way toward Sloan and Plinsk, both of which are on the roads which join the main railway line, while the Austrians, with whom there are many German units, fighting hard to reach Rovno, the southern terminus of the line. With this railway partly in the hands of the Germans it is probable the Russians will be compelled to make a further retirement, although their offensive in Galicia, which continues, might save them by compelling the Germans to send reinforcements to this region. There is no doubt of Russian success in this matter, as following the Austrian admission of their retirement, the Germans to-night announce that in repulsing the Russian attacks they occupied a "favourable position situated some kilometres west of our former position." The conditions under which the troops are fighting, in marshy country in the centre and on the southern end of the line, are described by German correspondents as most terrible. The country practically is all under water, through which the Austro-Germans have advanced to prepared Russian positions. The eastern bank of the Sereth, from which the Russians are delivering their counter-attacks, is a veritable fortress, from which the Russians emerge every time their opponents approach, taking heavy toll of them in killed, wounded and prisoners. According to Russian accounts, nearly 30,000 have been taken in the fighting along this river.

Operations in the west are marked by a continuance of the great artillery battle from Belgium to Argonne. A duel between guns of all calibres along the entire front has now been going on for nearly three weeks and during the week-end has been particularly severe around Arras and in Argonne and Champagne. At several points German infantry, after heavy bombardment, attempt to storm the advanced trenches of the Allies, but the French reports say that these attacks have all failed. Fighting of a somewhat similar character is proceeding along the Austro-Italian frontier.

The session of the British Parliament which opens Tuesday will be chiefly occupied with arrangements to finance the war. This will include the levy of new taxes. However, under the British system, whereby Ministers can be questioned and debates raised, many other matters will be discussed. Compulsory conscription is now in the air for consideration, and on this the Cabinet is said to be divided.

DON'T BOLT AND BAR THE SUBSIDY DOOR AT OTTAWA

The Borden Government voted Prince Edward Island \$20,000 per annum for its roads.

The Mathieson Government got this proportion fixed instead of \$6,000 which would have been its share if population had been the basis for distribution.

By this time the Province would have received \$20,000 which would have made eight miles of permanent macadamized roads.

The vote would have gone on for all time and probably would have been increased. The Liberal Senators turned down the vote and deprived the Province of this subsidy.

Now with the war and its expenses there is little probability of the vote being re-introduced unless the Province shows its appreciation of the Borden Government, and the money will be lost for all time.

The Liberal office-seekers in Prince Edward Island are the same Liberals as the Liberal Senators.

They are the enemies of subsidies, and subsidies are the main resources of this province.

If you vote for Liberal candidates you intimate to Sir Robert Borden that you approve of the policy of the Liberal Senators.

Good roads are the best asset of the farmer, of the merchants of the producer and of the consumer.

The Liberals deprived the Province of the means of obtaining good permanent roads and if you vote for Liberal candidates you vote against one of the most valuable assets of the Province.

The loss of \$80,000 in four years means the loss of \$420,000 in twenty-one years—the period the Liberals were last in office. KNOCKS ONCE AT EVERY MAN'S DOOR. This election is Prince Edward Island's OPPORTUNITY. If the people shut and bar the door against Sir Robert Borden's knock, THE OPPORTUNITY will pass never to return.

The Mathieson Government has the confidence of the Borden Government.

The Borden Government trusts Premier Mathieson as "the man on the spot" who knows the requirements of the Province.

Therefore, if the people have faith in themselves, have faith in the future of the Province, have faith in the Borden Government, THEY MUST SUPPORT THE CANDIDATES OF THE MATHIESON GOVERNMENT at the polls.

Every vote recorded for the Government candidates is a vote for further consideration of the Island's claims at Ottawa.

Every vote recorded for the Opposition candidates is a slap in the face to the Island's prospects.

If the people appreciate good roads, good government, good prospects they will vote to a man in favour of the Government candidates.

The Laurier and the Palmer Governments closed the door against further subsidies from Ottawa.

The Borden Government and the Mathieson Government re-opened the door for further subsidies.

If the people vote for the Opposition candidates now, they vote for banging, bolting and barring the subsidy door at Ottawa for all time to come.

OLD FORT AUGUSTUS ALSO RINGING TRUE

One of the Best and Largest Meetings of the Campaign Gave Premier and Government Candidates Magnificent Reception. Opposition Candidates Coolly Relashed the Same Old Charges and were Coolly Received.

A magnificent meeting, unmistakably in favour of the Government, was held at Fort Augustus last night when a hearty and enthusiastic reception was tendered Premier Mathieson and the Conservative candidates, Messrs. Feehan and Wood, by the large audience which occupied every inch of space in the building. Mr. Bernard Callaghan presided. The meeting had been called by the Liberal candidates, Messrs. Chandler and McDonald, who endeavoured in vain to arouse some interest in themselves by pursuing their old charges and unmanly tactics; but the intelligent electors of Fort Augustus showed them emphatically that sound and conclusive argument, and not abuse and fanciful charges, will decide the issue. Their speeches, which showed painful signs of fatigue, were received in monotonous silence, and even a fierce and thunderous personal attack by Mr. Chandler on the Premier on the score of his salary failed to induce the faintest smile. Instead, as Mr. Chandler waxed furious over the salaries of officials, a gentle voice in the audience, amidst profound silence, asked quietly, "What salary are you after?" Mr. Chandler, with ill-feigned innocence, protested his ignorance of the cause of the uproar of laughter which followed the meaningful enquiry.

Addresses were given by the Premier, Messrs. Feehan, Wood, Donald Nicholson, M. P., and Messrs. Chandler, McDonald and Cummins.

The first speaker was Mr. Feehan, who made an excellent impression. At the last election, he said, the people realised the great necessity for a change of Government if the province were to be saved from ruin and bankruptcy, and they accordingly returned the Government with an overwhelming majority. During the past 3½ years the Government, led by Premier Mathieson, had wonderfully improved the finances, converting an average yearly deficit of \$45,000 into a gratifying surplus, reducing the debt of \$1,072,000 left by the Liberals, by \$89,000, carrying out a magnificent and comprehensive programme of public works construction, greatly assisting the Empire in the war, lifting the condition of the teachers from one of despair to one of prospect and hope, and altogether placing the pro-

vince on a basis of solvency and prosperity unprecedented in its history. Mr. Feehan reviewed in a concise and convincing manner the record of the Government and drew some striking and instructive comparisons between the performances of the two Governments—such, for example, as 911 feet of ill-constructed bridges built by the Liberals in 20 years, against 2400 feet of permanent bridges by the present Government in 3½ years. In regard to the automobile, he pointed out that the Liberal party, having no policy and knowing not what to do in the matter, were crafty enough to say nothing about it in their "manifesto." That proved how sincere they were in that regard, and no man could place any reliance in the glib promise of a few of their candidates.

The next speaker was Mr. McDonald, who repeated the stereotyped Liberal speech of false and groundless charges.

The Premier, Hon. J. A. Mathieson, followed and was tendered a magnificent reception—the best of the evening—which was genuine in its sincerity and enthusiasm. His address was listened to with the closest attention, and as he pointed out one after another the weaknesses and absurdities of the Opposition candidates' unmarshalled array of verbosity, the audience broke into unrestrained applause. Once again he explained to the entire satisfaction of the audience, as reflected in the enthusiastic applause with which his explanation was received, the old question in regard to the oats. With reference to the oyster question, Mr. McDonald's argument was that the market in Montreal is glutted in September by oysters from Prince Edward Island before the public could ship their supplies. The market could not be glutted by Prince Edward Island oysters, he explained, for the simple reason that the whole of the market from this province would not provide more than a breakfast for one-half the population of Montreal, which obtains large supplies from America. The Premier then went on to deal with the record of the Government during its term—drawing attention to the vast improvement brought

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OF VITAL IMPORTANCE TO EVERY ELECTOR OF P. E. I.

A Few Good and Valid Reasons why every Liberal-Conservative and Independent Liberal Should Vote for the Government Candidates on September 16th.

Because the Mathieson Government within three months after coming to power obtained an increase of subsidy of \$100,000 a year for all time.

Because they obtained an Agricultural Grant of \$20,000, with an assurance that it will be increased to \$31,000 a year.

Because it changed Liberal deficits into Conservative surpluses.

Because it is the first Government in twenty-four years that succeeded in making revenue and expenditure meet and was able to show a surplus.

Because instead of sinking the province \$45,000 a year deeper in debt, as the Liberals had been doing for twenty years, it reduced the debt by an average of \$30,000 a year since coming into power.

Because in the last three years it paid \$89,000 of the legacy of \$1,072,000 debt which the Liberals left behind them, together with an empty Treasury.

Because it reduced the interest on the debt by \$3,250 since coming to power.

Because in order to reduce the debt and gradually pay off the \$900,000 Mortgage fastened on the Province by the Liberals it is highly important that our claims should be pressed to a satisfactory settlement at Ottawa.

Because through the neglect and incapacity of successive Liberal Governments to press our claims at Ottawa during the fifteen years the two Governments were in line and their culpable bungling of the subsidy claim in 1907, they in conjunction with Sir Wilfrid Laurier blocked the way and barred the doors against Liberal Delegations and left no hopes for any settlement of our claims under Provincial or Federal Liberal Governments.

Because Sir Robert Borden opened the doors of Parliament to the Mathieson Delegation and listened in a friendly and sympathetic spirit to their able presentation of the Island's

claims and granted an increase of Subsidy of \$100,000 per year as a payment on account and in earnest that all claims of the Island would meet with a fair, full and satisfactory settlement of various supplies, so that the standard of their schools throughout the province.

Because they established a School Supply Depot, where parents and pupils may obtain all school books and school requirements at cost, thus saving the schools many dollars yearly in the purchase of school supplies.

Because it has been, and will continue to be, the policy of the Government to give teachers all the material assistance possible to still further improve their conditions, and to raise the schools to the highest possible standard of efficiency.

Because the Liberal manifesto does not promise to do anything for teachers, and if the Liberals are returned they may again sweep away the supplements and bonuses, as they did when in power.

Because they have established a road system under which the people's taxes are expended on the roads in the district in which they are collected, instead of being sent to the Department of Public Works, to be distributed and expended on favourite roads of favourite workers as was the case under Liberal rule.

Because all tax payers, whether Conservative or Liberal, are given an equal opportunity to pay their taxes by road work.

Because this system of road-making gives fair play to all and has produced the best roads ever known in the province and put an end to the squandering of the farmers' taxes on the highways.

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CONDENSED ADS. TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION

ONE CENT per word each insertion for advertising in this column. Cash must accompany orders. Minimum charges, twenty-five cents.

WANTED—BOARDERS AND ROOMERS at 167 King Street. 2965-9-14m4f

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BUSINESS ENVELOPES.—No. 3 printed with name and address either on flap or front, \$3 per 1,000; \$5.00 for 2,000; \$12.00 for 5,000; \$20 for 10,000. GUARDIAN OFFICE. 8908-11-21Mtf.

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Simple Brodieism

Sir,—In the Patriot of the 11th inst. appears a letter signed "Inquirer," Whim Road Cross, saying that he is a farmer and a Tory. Inquirer is as much farmer as he is Tory. This trick of the Patriot is getting stale, and now in most cases becoming exposed, publishing letters as if they had never seen daylight outside of the Patriot office. Inquirer seems to be very much impressed with Mr. Brodie's letter; one needs only read the comment on this famous letter a few days ago in the Guardian to know that it is but a gross misrepresentation.

There is no section of the country that took as much advantage of the great boon secured for the farmers by the Commissioner of Agriculture and the Government in the shape of fertilizer as did Whim Road Cross, and now in most cases becoming exposed, publishing letters as if they had never seen daylight outside of the Patriot office. Inquirer seems to be very much impressed with Mr. Brodie's letter; one needs only read the comment on this famous letter a few days ago in the Guardian to know that it is but a gross misrepresentation.

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I am, Sir, etc.,
WHIM ROAD CROSS.

Shop Window Righteousness

Sir,—'Tis but a short time ago since the tercentenary of the great Dr. Johnson occurred. When in life he wrote or said that Religion and Patriotism were the two last refuges of the scoundrel, and had he lived in those latter days and could see some of our self-appointed temperance politicians parading in public he would no doubt have added temperance to the list.

I do not wish to say anything offensive to any temperate and moderate man who is temperate and moderate and is not advertising an assumed righteousness. Those men deserve the respect of all honest men.

The newspapers report that Messrs Bentley and Schurman have broken with the Government on the temperance question. I would advise Mr. Bentley to read the fable of the serpent who bit the benefactor who warmed it back to life in his bosom, and then sit down and write an essay on the joys of ingratitude. As regards Mr. Schurman, I would say that if I was a member of the Temperance Alliance I would strive to keep him

from holding any place other than that of an ordinary member.

When the Scott Act was first put in force in this country there was a man in the western part of King's County who ran a country store. For convenience sake we will call him little Ned Lone. Some of his friends called him a Gospel loving man. He was never heard to say dammit under any provocation, and when he prayed it was in so loud a voice that he had the satisfaction of knowing that if the Lord didn't hear him all the neighbours did. He never lost an opportunity of stating his views on the temperance question, and after a lot of lobbying he was appointed prosecutor under the Scott Act, and oh, how he did prosecute; he spared neither age nor sex.

But while he put the law in force with a vengeance his friends and acquaintances noticed that he was developing a beautiful corporation and, sad to relate, the tip of his nose took on a ruddy hue somewhat resembling the red Astrachan apple. There were many uncharitable remarks passed, and there were some who could account for the Astrachan on the nose. At last the problem was solved. A middle-aged woman who used to work around his place had been working in the cellar and finding a goodly supply

of the ardent proceeded to sample it. After she had tasted a few samples, she, by word and action, gave it away and the game was up. His occupation like Othello's, was gone. He left the country in a hurry and it was then found that he left behind a number of creditors, who were more anxious than affectionate.

Many years have passed since then, still I hear the howlers on temperance I can't but think of poor Ben and how hard is the way of the transgressor, no matter how loud may be his protestation of shop-window righteousness. I am, sir, etc.,
KING'S ABSTAINER.

ANOTHER AIR RAID ON ENGLISH COAST

(Special to the Guardian.)
LONDON, Sept. 13.—Official—"A hostile aeroplane passed over the Kentish coast this afternoon and dropped some bombs, which resulted in a house being seriously damaged and four persons injured. The aeroplane was chased by naval aeroplanes.

Minard's Liniment Cures Rheumatism

FORBES AND NASH RESPECTIVELY IN IT

ANOTHER LIBERAL MANIFESTO.

A gentleman who had no use for it himself brought the Guardian a manifesto—or a deliverance—issued over the signatures of Messrs. George Forbes and F. J. Nash and being sent to the electors throughout the riding in which these gentlemen are the Liberal candidates.

The document is a gem and does justice to the discipline of the famous humorist, Mark Twain. It announces at the outset that "having been nominated as candidates for the fourth District of Queens we respectfully solicit your vote and influence," etc. Now some candidates similarly situated would have asked respectfully for anything the electors might have to give them but Messrs Forbes and Nash knew better than that. They have gone into the thing with no respect for anything, not even for the common sense of the electors.

This is followed by the usual promises of honesty, integrity, sobriety, and efficiency, and such an adjustment of taxes, schools, agriculture, fisheries &c. as would satisfy the most fastidious. They promise also to reduce the freight rates on the mussel mud which the Mathieson government discovered in St. Peters Bay and of which Messrs Forbes and Nash had evidently never heard until it was so discovered. They are now going to distribute this mud about as freely as they have distributed the special brand of mud used by them during the campaign.

Then follows this clear (?) and unequivocal (?) declaration on the Automobile question, a declaration which cannot fail to attract the pro as well as the anti automobilists. It will serve also to direct attention to the clean cut declaration of the "Liberal Leader" on this point. Here it is in full: "In regard to the automobile question, we wish to point out that in the Manifesto issued by the Liberal Leader, Hon. Benjamin Rogers, it is distinctly said that it is a cardinal principle of Liberalism that the will of the people should rule. Therefore, so far as this matter is concerned, we will carry out the well understood wishes of the

people of THIS district and oppose the running of Autos HERE.

Now, if Messrs Forbes and Nash had only told the electors how, under the present Automobile law, some Auto fiend could introduce Autos into the Belfast or any other district against the "well understood wishes of the people" they would have driven a spike into the Auto question that people would have seen with the naked eye, but this point appears to have escaped their notice.

The document winds up thus: "Trusting that the will of the people may prevail on September 16th," (to which they should have added "and we know darned well that it will, and that's what's the matter with us) We are yours for good Government."

The document is brief and to all the points of the political compass. The Guardian will keep the copy as a souvenir of the 1915 Provincial Election.

COMING EVENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, MEETINGS, ETC.

ONE CENT per word each insertion for advertising in this column. Cash must accompany orders. Minimum charges, twenty-five cents.

**Canvas stretchers, 75c each. Agricultural Hall. 2273-7-27Mtf.

**PIANOFORTE INSTITUTION. Miss Vera Hyndman will take a limited number of pupils, beginning Wed. Sept. 15th. Phone 212-J. 2928-9-11M3p.

**The affair of the season will be the grand bazaar to be held in the City Market during Exhibition week. 2963-9-14M2f.

**Mr. George Carver, Pownall, will cater again this year at Exhibition. Persons willing to help would do well to apply to him at the Exhibition grounds on Saturday. 2963-9-14M1f

**Help along the good work by sending a contribution to the bazaar to be held in the City Market during Exhibition week in the interests of Notre Dame Academy. 2967-9-14M2f.